

OMENS OF TROUBLE.

FOREIGN MINISTERS IN WASHINGTON PREDICT A EUROPEAN WAR.

The Russian Bear Wants a Seaport Open the Year Round—Looking to Norway While Great Britain and Germany Show Their Teeth—Europe's Mighty Armies.

(Special Correspondence.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4.—That there will be a great war in Europe before many years have passed is the belief of a number of foreign ministers at this capital with whom I have privately talked during the past few days. These diplomatic gentlemen keep in close touch with the special means of knowing what the temper of their governments and peoples is. Without exception those with whom I have spoken on this subject say that chances are that the long impending war in Europe cannot now be deferred beyond a few years. Just where or how it will come they do not pretend to say, and are rather discreet, on the whole, in their remarks on the subject.

I was struck, however, with the declaration of one experienced and important diplomat. "You people here in America," said he, "do not appear to appreciate the significance of the news which comes from Norway. There, I fear, is to be found the touch of tinder which is needed to set a great explosion off in the old world. The jealousy that is springing up between Norway and Sweden, the constant herding of the Swedish army, does not amount to so much in itself. It is what lies behind it that concerns Europe particularly and the world in general. Russia is the dark cloud looming up behind the growth in Norway, and if Russia carries her point there I am very much afraid she will have Germany and Great Britain confronting her with warlike menace.

Russia's Envious Eyes.

"The situation is this," continued the diplomat. "Russia has no seaports that are open to ships the year round. This places her at a tremendous disadvantage both from the commercial and the naval point of view. The ice closes up the Baltic early every winter and keeps it closed till the spring is well advanced. Russia has for a long time been looking about for some winter ports that should give her ships free access to the sea at all times of the year. Germany has been looking her desire for territorial acquisition on the southern side of the Baltic and Sweden on the western side. Nothing remains but the Norwegian coast. Upon these shores Russia has long cast envious eyes. "The most northerly ports in Norway are open all winter. Even Tromsø and Vadsoe, which lie far up within the arctic circle, almost as far north as some of your arctic explorers have gone in the Greenland waters, are winter ports. This is due to the influence of the great gulf stream, which warms the coast of Norway with water that is comparatively warm, and filling the bays and fjords prevents freezing even in the coldest winters. It is a remarkable fact that these Norwegian fjords extend for many miles back into the interior, but they are as deep as the sea itself—mere slices cut out of the coast by glacial action—and the warm water from the gulf of Mexico fills them and keeps them open the year around.

Parallel Between Norway and Sweden.

"The Norwegians and Swedes are radically different people. It is true their language is much the same, and people who live in one country can easily understand those of the other. Their literature is interchangeable. But they are not the same people in characteristics and aspirations. It is a common saying in Europe that the Swedes are more like the French and the Norwegians like the Germans. The upper classes of Sweden, who are highly educated and very refined, people, affect to look down upon the more simple Norwegians. All the aristocracy there is in Scandinavia, outside of Denmark, has its lodgment in Sweden.

"Politically Norway and Sweden have a good deal in common, but not as much as most people think. They have the same king, the same diplomatic corps, and that is all. Each country has also her own rule. Each has its parliament, each in its internal affairs they are entirely separate save that both have the same executive head in the crown. During the last few years a strong feeling has sprung up in Norway in favor of complete separation from Sweden. The movement had its origin in a desire for a separate diplomatic establishment. The Norwegians are proud, even if they are poor, and they do not like to have their representatives in foreign lands known as the representatives of Sweden. They want Norway to have her own representatives throughout the world. I venture to say there is no other land on the globe in which there is more patriotism than in the rocky region of the Norwegians.

Look Out For a General Eruption.

"This movement for a separate diplomatic establishment has gone on and gathered weight till it is now an open question whether or not it can be confined within the original lines laid down for it. From the basis it has developed till it threatens revolution. So many of the Scandinavians have visited your country or have relations here, where I am told they make the very best citizens, that the American people has seemed to many of them a model form of government. I have traveled in Norway, and the people there almost without exception praise America and express the warmest feelings of admiration for your public institutions. In this way a strong way, and I hear that the coming of the war in the supremacy in the startlingly Norwegian parliament. If this should turn out to be the case and the startling should pass a measure providing for a separate diplomatic establishment, I fear the result will be hostilities between Norway and Sweden, and then look out for a general eruption in Europe.

"This climax will bring on the very

A TRUE GHOST STORY.

A REMARKABLE EXPERIENCE OF BISHOP WILBERFORCE.

The Quiet Guest at the Country House and the Singular and Important Disclosure He Made When Addressed by the Bishop. The Estate Changed Owners.

The following remarkable incident in the life of the late Samuel Wilberforce, bishop of Oxford and afterward of Winchester, is related as absolutely authentic, and the good bishop himself is said to have many times rehearsed the story to his friends. Bishop Wilberforce was most prominent among his contemporaries of the English church and was once a leader. He was a church party, however, frequently from time to time devoted to the social side of life and was sometimes styled the "bishop of society."

On a certain occasion the worthy bishop had accepted an invitation to stay at a country house not far from London. Entering the drawing room previous to dinner on the evening of his arrival, he noticed a priest—evidently of the Roman communion—sitting by the fire. The bishop, sitting by the general conversation. The priest was somewhat surprised at not being presented to the priest, and his astonishment was great when, a few moments later, dinner being announced, the host, dining with the priest at the table by the fire. The bishop having assigned Bishop Wilberforce the seat of honor at his right hand, as soon as an opportunity offered he remarked to the priest: "I beg pardon, madam, but may I inquire who was the priest who left sitting apart in the drawing room?"

"Ah, you have seen him, then?" replied the lady. "It is not every one who has that privilege. I cannot tell you who he is or whence he comes. For many years this specter has haunted the house and grounds—it has, in fact, been a tradition in the family. He seems to do no harm, and although he appears only occasionally he is quite quite accustomed to our friendly ghost."

"How very singular!" remarked the bishop.

"But have you never addressed your priestly specter?"

"I have been asked to do so, but I never did so, for the desire, for that matter," replied the hostess, growing pale.

"May I take the liberty now?" inquired the dignitary.

"With all my heart," the bishop replied.

"The bishop arose, and returning to the drawing room found the priest where he had left him a few minutes before. Having no fear, the bishop said kindly:

"Who are you, my friend, and why are you here?"

The specter seemed to sigh deeply and say, as though to himself, "At last!"

Then, in a hollow voice, addressing the bishop, he continued: "I am the spirit of a priest who left this world some 80 years ago, and I am here to impart to any one who will receive it a secret which will do me good. I could not rest in my grave while a great wrong was being done which it was in my power to right. I have been returning all these years in the hope some one would address me, for it was not given to me to be the first to speak. All men have duties, and until now, my mission to you is to do as I do. I was a priest of the church of Rome and was called to this house 80 years ago to receive the confession of a dying man. He was the sole possessor of a large estate, and the knowledge of which would alter materially the entail of this vast estate, and in his death this man wished to repair the terrible wrong he had brought upon his kindred."

"At his request," I wrote down the confession word for word, as he gave it to me, and when he finished had barely time to administer the final sacrament of the church before he expired in my arms. It was very important that I should return to London that night, and in passing through the library I would have the house I concluded it would be safer not to carry the paper on which was written the confession away with me, but to place it in some secure, unseen spot, where I could obtain it the following day and deliver the document to the person for whom it was intended. Meaning the steps to the bookshelves, I took out a copy of Young's 'Night Thoughts,' which was the first book upon the uppermost shelf nearest the last window, and inserting the paper carefully between the leaves I replaced the book and departed. A horse was awaiting me at the door, but as we reached the entrance of the grounds he took fright. I was thrown and brutally killed. Thus died the secret of my confessor with me. No one has disturbed that book in all these years, and no one has had the courage to address this messenger from the unknown. The paper will be found as I have stated, and now remains for you to carry out the justice which has long been upon this noble family. My mission is over, and I can rest in peace."

"At the close of this remarkable speech the specter faded gradually from sight, and the bishop was left gazing into space. Recovering from his astonishment, Bishop Wilberforce went at once to the library and found the book exactly as indicated by the specter. In the unopened corner, upon the top shelf, thick with the dust of ages, evidently the book had remained undisturbed many years. There was the document just as described, now torn and yellow. The secret of the confession never became known to the world. The good bishop regarded it as a confidence from the spiritual world, and always ended the story of his experience that night's specter was never again seen. "It is a fact, however, that about the time of this extraordinary occurrence the magnificent estate in question passed into the possession of a remnant of the family, who until then had lived in obscurity.—New York Times.

ORIGIN OF LYNCH LAW.

It Began in Virginia and Was Neither Violent Nor Moblike.

Lynch law had its origin in Virginia, according to the conclusions of a gentleman who has been investigating the early history of that state. It was not mob law, as it is now understood. It was orderly, methodical and fair in its processes and was strongly opposed to the idea of mob rule. Its distinctive feature was simply that its decrees and findings were executed sternly and swiftly upon the spot of their delivery.

Charles Lynch, whose name is associated with the summary proceedings now known as acts of "lynch law," was a Revolutionary soldier and after the war ended took up his residence in Pittsylvania county. The region in which he lived became at one period of the Revolution infested by bands of Tories and outlaws, whose depredations upon the defenseless people extended from the lower parts of North Carolina and Virginia to the mountains of the James and other mountain streams. Deserters from both armies added strength and semblance of organization to their operations. Wherever they appeared the terror struck and the people were plundered, harassed and mercilessly subjected to every variety of insult and outrage. A remedy was needed for this insufferable state of things, and a remedy that should at once strike terror to these miscreants as well as remove a community already suffering from the effects of hostile invasion.

Colonel Lynch was the man to take the lead in such an emergency. He succeeded in organizing a body of patriotic citizens, men of known character and standing.

Having laid his plans before them and securing their approval, he at once proceeded to put them into execution, who had that privilege. I cannot tell you who he is or whence he comes. For many years this specter has haunted the house and grounds—it has, in fact, been a tradition in the family. He seems to do no harm, and although he appears only occasionally he is quite quite accustomed to our friendly ghost.

So far from such a lawless procedure being the result of Lynch's men, over which he presided as judge, the captives were tried separately, the accused allowed to make his own defense and to show cause, if he could, why he should not be punished. If found guilty the punishment was inflicted on the spot. The general impression has been that in all cases of lynch law the penalty was death. This is a mistake. A writer who knew Colonel Lynch well is assured by him that he never willfully condemned a criminal to capital punishment; that prisoners were frequently let off with a severe flogging and then liberated on condition that they should leave the country.—New York Herald.

Elastic Marble.

In one account of Rome, the author mentions five or six slabs of elastic marble being in the possession of the Prince Borghese. Being set on end, they bend backward and forward; when laid horizontally and raised at one end, they form a curve; if placed on a table and a piece of wood or any other substance is laid under them, they fall into a kind of curve, each end touching the table. The Abbe Fortis was told that they were dug up near the town of Montecelio in the kingdom of Naples. The Emperor Charles VI. was shown a Carrara marble, or perhaps of the finest Greek. They seem to have suffered some attack of fire. A slab of marble similar in every respect to the one described and highly polished has been exhibited for more than 25 years at the British museum. M. Fleuvant de Belvaux succeeded in making common granular limestone, a granular quartz, completely flexible, by exposing it to a certain degree of heat. In Lincoln cathedral, England, there is an arch built of white marble which is quite elastic, yielding to a heavy tread and returning or rebounding to its original position on the elastic principle.—Brooklyn Eagle.

One of Japan's Jewels.

The great attraction of Kamakura, and one of the jewels of Japan, is the Emperor's grave. It is a large mound of earth, and is approached through a three-lined avenue and gets the first and best view of it at a distance of some 200 feet. It is a sitting figure, 10 feet high, 9 feet long, 2 feet thick in circumference. The figure is 9 feet 2 inches long and from ear to ear 17 feet 9 inches wide. The eyes, which are pure gold, are nearly 2 feet long. The circumference of the mouth is 3 feet. These figures give some idea of the size, but the figure is elevated on a stone platform some 12 to 15 feet above the person approaching it. But no description can convey an idea of the majesty of the face. It is a great gem, and is a great attraction of contemplation of the infinite. It represents perfect peace—the repose of the attained Nirvana.—Boston Herald.

A Curious Procession.

A curious procession once took place at Brussels. One part of the display consisted of a car containing an organ played by a bear. There were no pipes to the instrument, but a number of men, each enclosed in a narrow cage, answered the purpose. They were so arranged that when the bear touched the keys of the organ the bear's tails were pulled, and the men were obliged to play, each in his own cage, which they thus practiced on the poor animals.—Brussels Correspondent.

A Third Step.

Now the political equality clubs are busy sewing on to their equal suffrage flags a second star for Colorado, besides the star of Wyoming. While they are about it they may as well prepare a third star for Kansas, to be added next fall.—Woman's Journal.

ADULTERATED FOOD.

DECEPTIONS RESORTED TO BY THE GREEDY AND UNSCRUPULOUS.

Information Which Will Enable the Housewife to Tell the Genuine From the Doctored Article—A Little Joke at the Butcher's Expense—Bogus Spices.

The adulteration of articles of food is by no means an invention of modern times, but was practiced by our classic ancestors. During the middle ages the cunning baker mixed his flour with lime, sand and gypsum, and on discovery was thrown into a prison cell and compelled to eat the product of his entire bakery, which cured him of the fraudulent habit.

The most important article of food in every household is the meat. The meat which comes from healthy animals is distinguished by a pleasant odor and fresh color, and a delicate pink to a deep carmine, according to the animal from which it comes. It must be elastic to the touch. The dent which is caused by pressing a finger on it must disappear when the pressure is removed. The fatty substance of the meat is a good indicator of its quality. In healthy animals the fat is yellow and elastic and has a pleasant odor. The fat in the meat from sick animals is pale, gray and smeary and has an unpleasant odor.

Sausage offers a wide field for adulteration of the most dangerous kind, and in the pamphlets which vegetable send broadcast over the land from time to time they give promises to an anecdote which is as true as it is illustrative of the caution in which they hold the sausage. "A man saved the life of a butcher by endangering his own. The poor butcher, overcome with gratitude, cried out in a moment of self-forgetfulness, 'Never in your life again, my friend, eat sausage!'"

The adulterations in this line are manifold. To produce the fresh red color, so alluring in sausage, fuchsine is mixed with the ingredients instead of blood. It is a very common practice to put flour in sausage, and while a little of it is harmless, it nevertheless leads to early fermentation of the article in question. The lawyer, however, is very much imposed upon when flour is added in large quantities, for it enables the sausage makers to add from 60 to 70 per cent of water, which is paid for at the rate of meat. France has lately put a stop to this fraud by limiting the addition of flour to 3 per cent.

Fish are adulterated in the same way by rubbing their gills with aniline, which gives them the appearance of freshness. The aniline is easily washed off and the fraud detected in fresh fish the eyes are full and protruding, while in old fish they are opaque, dull and sunken. The best way to recognize an old fish is to watch the gills, which emit an odor of decay if the fish is old for use.

Crawfish or crabs should always be bought alive. Crabs that are sold already cooked have usually been boiled after they were dead, and soon decay, generating a very dangerous poison. A crawfish that has been boiled alive will show a curled and twisted tail, while, on the other hand, one that was cooked after death has the tail perfectly straight.

The best way to tell butter from oleomargarine is to put a piece of it on a hot potato which has been boiled in the jacket and freshly peeled. The taste of butter is more pronounced when eaten in this way than any other, and the fraud is detected. It is also the safest way to discover the age of dairy or creamery butter.

Lard is frequently adulterated with water to increase its weight, and mixed with cornstarch, salt, chalk, etc., to bind the water to the fat. This may be discovered by carefully melting the lard and setting it aside in a lukewarm place. The fat will collect at the bottom of the dish with all the other foreign ingredients.

To tell good eggs from bad ones it is only necessary to put them in a dish filled with water containing from 5 to 10 per cent of salt. Fresh eggs drop to the bottom, old ones swim on the surface, and those of medium quality sink half way down.

All spices suffer more or less adulteration, but none of all those which are sold in a pulverized state. Ground pepper is mixed with paprika, millet, bread, powdered olives, almond meal, dust, coal, gypsum, sawdust, and almost the same ingredients are used for the adulteration of cinnamon. Pulverized ginger favors no better and is mixed with potato flour, wheat and cayenne pepper, while the sweet scented and seed comes in for a share of earth, sand and little brown and black stones. Housekeepers will always be more or less cheated in buying powdered spices, which should be bought in their natural state and ground at home. The vanilla bean before the invention of the artificial vanilla was deprived of its natural aroma and laced with balls of Peru.

Coffee is adulterated in all forms and every possible way. Machines have been invented and large factories erected, where artificial coffee beans are made from acorn flour and gum arabic, and these are mixed with the real coffee, and even the real beans are covered with poisonous chemicals if they have been damaged by sea water in transportation or the influence of the sun or time. Ground or roasted coffee offers the best opportunities, however, for fraud.

But all these perpetrators of fraud and deception cannot hold a candle to the Chinese, who are masters in the art of the adulteration of tea, which they dye, mix and prepare from leaves that have but a bare resemblance to the real tea plant.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

CAMBRIDGE AND CLEARFIELD.

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GLENN CAMPBELL BRANCH.

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6:01	Ridge Spring	6:01
6:12	Cook Creek Junction	6:12
6:23	Glenn Campbell	6:23

SUSQUEHANNA BRANCH.

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5:30	Cherrytree	5:30
5:36	Barnesboro	5:36
5:42	Carrolltown	5:42
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5:24	Glasgow	5:24
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