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PARLIAMENT OPENED WITH MUCH POMP

King Edward's Address Does Not Speak Hopefully of the Speedy Ending of the War--The Canal Treaty.

London, Jan. 16.—King Edward opened parliament today with a ceremonial in all essential respects similar to that of February last. The procession to the house of commons was the same in character as on the first parliament of King Edward's reign, while within the upper house were seen the same state pageantry, the same historical dresses and the same revival of ancient forms.

After robing, King Edward and Queen Alexandra entered the house of peers and occupied their thrones beneath a canopy, with the prince and princess of Wales on either side of them. The other members of the royal family were seated on chairs at the foot of the steps leading to the throne. The gentleman usher of the black rod, General Sir Michael Riddell, having summoned the speaker and the members of the house of commons, his majesty read the speech from the throne.

HIS MAJESTY'S SPEECH.

The speech was not an important utterance. His majesty referred in terms of gratification to the world tour of the prince and princess of Wales, expressed regret at the fact that the war in South Africa was not concluded; said he trusted the decision of the sugar conference would lead to the abandonment of bounties, and noted the conclusion of the isthmian canal treaty.

The speech opened with a reference to the tour of the prince and princess of Wales.

"They were everywhere," said the king, "received with demonstrations of the liveliest affection, and I am convinced their presence served to rivet more closely the bonds of mutual regard and loyalty by which the vigor of the empire is maintained."

Referring to Great Britain's relation with foreign countries, the king said: "My relations with the other powers continue to be of a friendly character."

Contrary to the expectations, the king's reference to the war was just as indefinite as the statements on the subject made in the last half dozen messages from the throne.

"I regret," said his majesty, "that the war in South Africa is not yet concluded, though the course of the operations has been favorable to our arms, the area of war largely reduced, and industries are being resumed in my new colonies. In spite of the tedious character of the campaign, my soldiers throughout have displayed a cheerfulness in the endurance of the hardships incident to guerrilla warfare, and a humanity even to their own detriment, in their treatment of the enemy which are deserving of the highest praise. The necessity for relieving those of my troops who have most felt the strain of war has afforded me the opportunity of again availing myself of the loyal and patriotic offers of my colonies and further contingents will shortly reach South Africa from the Dominion of Canada, the Commonwealth of Australia and New Zealand."

In regard to the sugar conference the speech says:

"I trust its decision may lead to the abandonment of the system by which the sugar producing colonies and home manufacturers of sugar have been unfairly weighted in the prosecution of this important industry."

Then came the following important clause:

"I have concluded with the president

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of the United States, a treaty, the provision of which will facilitate the construction of an inter-oceanic canal under guarantees that its neutrality will be maintained, and that it will be open to the commerce and shipping of all nations."

Next followed references to the Anglo-Brazilian treaty, to the referring of the British Guiana-Brazil boundary question to the arbitration of the king of Italy to the necessity for the continuance of famine relief measures in India, and to the death of the ameer, "whose son, Habib Ullah, has expressed an earnest desire to maintain the friendly relations of Afghanistan with my Indian empire."

After announcing that the estimates have been framed as economically as possible in the special circumstances of the present exigency, the speech concluded with mentioning proposed legislation of solely domestic interests with the exception of a bill to facilitate the sale and purchase of land in Ireland.

Their majesties then retired amid a fanfare of trumpets and attended by the same royal ceremonial as accompanied their entry into the house. The procession, which lined the route from Buckingham palace to Westminster to review the procession, was not nearly so large as on the occasion of the last opening of parliament. Guardsmen assisted by hundreds of police, kept the spectators back. Only a few attempts at decoration were visible. For once royalty was late, and when the king and queen drove out from the courtyard in front of Buckingham palace they were twenty minutes behind time, and King Edward was still struggling with an unruly dove.

The majesties were greeted enthusiastically as they sat in the great state coach, whose gilded pinnacles brushed the boughs of the trees in the green park, King Edward and Queen Alexandra looked for all the world like a fluttering pair of Henry VIII., and one of his better looking spouses.

They bowed somewhat wildly from their huge gold and glass frame, which shook and rattled on its ancient springs like a ship in a storm. The king and queen both looked extremely well, but her majesty appeared to be in especially good health.

With the two central figures, so easily seen and so gorgeously clad, and the brilliant escort of life guards, whose band kept constantly playing, the public were rewarded for their long, cold wait, by a spectacle of considerable interest, though so far as an unrestrained public enthusiasm was concerned, there was nothing to what occurred earlier in the day when the guards' reinforcements left their barracks enroute to South Africa. The guardsmen tramped through the dark streets of the metropolis at 6 o'clock in the morning accompanied by an uproarious mob of civilian friends, singing songs to the accompaniment of the band. The songs and music, however, did not drown the crying of women, who clung to the necks and arms of almost every man of the contingent.

On alighting at the royal entrance of the house of parliament, beneath the Victoria tower, King Edward and Queen Alexandra were met by the high officers of state and were conducted to the robing rooms.

Having assumed their gorgeous robes, the procession was formed, and preceded by the Duke of Devonshire, lord president of the council, bearing the imperial crown, and the heralds and pursuivants, they entered the house of peers amid a fanfare of trumpets.

The scene in the gilded chamber was very brilliant. State officers, ambassadors and ministers, in handsome uniforms, and peers and peeresses in varicolored robes filled every nook.

The king, beneath his robes, wore a field marshal's uniform. The queen's dress was of black velvet, surmounted by a robe trimmed with ermin. The peeresses all wore ostrich feathers in their hair and were richly clad in evening robes of the most varied colors, white satin, however, predominating. The display of jewels was unusually dazzling. The only departure from the extremely decorous character of the proceedings occurred when the king referred to the humanity of the British troops in South Africa. This led to an unprecedented scene in the house. Peers and peeresses and high officers of state broke out into prolonged cheers, which were repeated again and again, to the evident satisfaction of his majesty.

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WILL ASK ENGLAND TO ARRANGE PEACE

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE SOUTH AFRICAN REPUBLICS HAVE SO DECIDED.

Brussels, Jan. 16.—Advices received here state that the executive committee of the South Africa republics, at a recent meeting at The Hague, unanimously decided to approach England with a view of arranging peace.

One member of the committee said if the demand for unconditional surrender were withdrawn there would be peace before the end of the month.

It was further stated that the Dutch premier, who had returned from London where he had been sounding the British authorities with regard to the re-establishment of peace, was assured on high authority that careful consideration would be given to any peace proposals.

London, Jan. 16.—In the house of lords today the Earl of Spencer deprecated the government's policy of unconditional surrender as the only terms for a settlement of the Boer war. He queried the government with regard to its intentions for the settlement of the war.

Salisbury, replying, said: "When the Boers sue for peace we will tell them the terms, but until they do so, the less we have to say about the matter the better."

CHINESE EXCLUSION BILL MADE MORE STRINGENT

CHARLESTON EXPO. APPROPRIATION—HOAR RECALLS RESOLUTION.

Washington, Jan. 16.—In the senate today Mr. Hoar moved to reconsider the vote by which yesterday a resolution offered by him was adopted requesting information as to execution of duties on clothing sent to Boer prisoners in Bermuda.

His reasons for making the motion to reconsider he stated to be the fact that although Great Britain had agreed to The Hague convention, which provided that clothing for prisoners of war should be transported on government railroads and delivered free of all charges and that the governor of Bermuda was understood to have stated his purpose to recommend promptly to the legislature the repeal of the provision requiring the collection of such duties.

The motion was agreed to. The original resolution was recalled and the matter was referred to the committee on foreign relations.

Senator Mitchell (Oregon) introduced the Chinese exclusion bill, agreed upon by a committee of senators and representatives from the Pacific coast states. The bill re-enacts the existing laws for the exclusion of Chinese laborers, with additional provisions. One of these provides that no Chinese laborers shall be permitted to come to the mainland of the United States from the Philippine Islands, not even if such Chinamen were born or resided in the islands prior to their cessation to the United States.

The house joint resolution appropriating \$90,000 for government expenses and floor space in the Charleston, S. C., exposition was passed.

JEFFERIES WOULD FIGHT WITHOUT A SIDE BET

Philadelphia, Jan. 16.—Jefferies, who is exhibiting here, said today that he would fight Fitzsimmons without a side bet if Fitz could not get backing.

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Nature Was Violent in Old World and in New Yesterday—Pan-American Congress Shaken.

Vienna, Jan. 16.—A violent hurricane prevailed here today, causing over one hundred accidents. Many suffered broken limbs and two were fatally injured. There were earthquakes yesterday and today at Agram.

Bark Founders; 22 Drowned.

Copenhagen, Jan. 16.—Denmark is being storm swept. The bark Arab has foundered in the North Sea and 22 were drowned.

Earthquake in Mexico.

City of Mexico, Jan. 16.—While the Pan-American congress was in session this afternoon, discussing arbitration, the building began to tremble and great weights fell to the floor. This caused consternation, several delegates shouting "earthquake."

An attempt was made to reassure the delegates that there was no danger, but the shocks continued with increasing force.

Finally, when the building began to rock, although a delegate was speaking at the time, the other delegates left their seats and began talking and walking around the room in a manner which showed they were much alarmed. Several went to the windows facing the public square and called attention to crowds kneeling in the streets. The heavy chandeliers in the conference room swayed visibly, while the water in the fountains in the plaza was agitated. The shock continued about a minute.

RUSSELL TENDERED THE COLLECTORSHIP

OF EASTERN DISTRICT—WILL DE- CIDE WHETHER TO AC- CEPT MONDAY.

Washington, Jan. 16.—There were new and interesting developments today in the Wilmington collectorship contest. Senator Pritchard has tendered the office to ex-Governor Russell and he has answered that he will give a final reply regarding his acceptance Monday.

The entire state delegation with the exception of Blackburn met in the office of Senator Pritchard today to discuss the interests of the state regarding the river and harbor bill. The delegation decided to go before the house committee in a body soon and also before the forestry committee of the senate to discuss the park bill.

W. N. Cooper has been here the last few days. Before leaving for Charleston and other southern cities, where he has gone on business, Mr. Cooper said that the lumber men were, one and all, in favor of the Appalachian Park bill. Mr. Cooper is one of the most extensive lumber dealers in Western North Carolina. He says that his associates in business will naturally be disturbed in their present methods of placing lumber on the market but feel that they will, with

the rest of the country, be the gainers in the end. He says that for a time a number of lumber men will doubtless shift the scene of operation from western to northern Georgia.

If the government will institute periodical sales of timber, will build roads and in other ways put the forest on a more satisfactory basis. Naturally this would increase the price on timber, but the improved road facilities would make such a difference in handling the timber that the dealers would be entirely willing to stand the difference in price. Mr. Cooper thought of calling on Minister Wu Ting Fang but left without doing so. Minister Wu took a great liking to Mr. Cooper at Asheville last summer; even enjoying his society, to all outward appearances, as he did the society of the ladies. He allowed Mr. Cooper to lead him about the hotel for hours at a time.

Judge Adams' Condition.

Greensboro, N. C., Jan. 16.—Dr. W. J. Meadows, who has returned from Salisbury where he went to see ex-Judge Spencer B. Adams, who is at the Whitehead-Stokes sanatorium, reports that Judge Adams was much better when he left him yesterday. An operation was performed last Saturday.

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San Antonio.

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