

CHAMBERLAIN IN HOT WATER.

MAY BE FORCED OUT OF CABINET.

People of England Do Not Take Kindly to Duty on Grain.

London, June 9.—The approach of the first serious Parliamentary brush in the free-trade-protection fight filled every seat in the House of Commons this afternoon. Before facing the situation which must largely place them at the mercy of the Liberal and Irish votes, the members of the Government attended an important Cabinet meeting.

Henry Chaplin, Conservative, former president of the board of agriculture, and the malcontent Unionists were actively engaged in rallying the supporters of Mr. Chaplin's amendment to the budget bill, which declares that the removal of the tax on grain "involves a needless and injurious disturbance of trade and a serious loss of revenue, without substantial relief for the consumer."

Before the debate opened Premier Balfour ascertained from John Redmond, the Irish leader, that the Nationalist members of Parliament would support the Government as against Mr. Chaplin.

The curious situation created the keenest interest. The debate, by a ruling of the Speaker, was confined to the grain tax.

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ENGLISH CRISIS POSTPONED.

London, June 10.—By a dextrous and extraordinary speech Premier Balfour tonight temporarily smoothed over the differences in the Cabinet, relieved Colonial Secretary Chamberlain of any necessity of resigning, and for the moment averted a crisis which threatened the Unionist party.

Ladies and Children Invited. All ladies and children who cannot stand the shocking strain of laxative syrups, cathartics, etc., are invited to try the famous Little Early Risers.

THE FARMER-GOWBOY WAR.

Conflict Between Settlers and Soldiers--The Cattlemen in Danger.

Topeka, Kan., June 10.—Reports have been received here several times today of a fight between the settlers and militia in Western Kansas over the Dewey affair. The settlers are said to have attacked the militia and sheriff's posse just as the latter forces left the Dewey ranch, in Cheyenne County, this morning for St. Francis.

Telephone wires in Cheyenne County have all been cut and the telegraph service is poor. Enough news has been received, however, to show that the Deweys are in great danger and may be captured by the settlers tomorrow.

A dispatch from St. Francis says that the report of a fight between the two forces is in all probability true, adding that the excitement all through that section of the State is at fever heat tonight. All day the settlers have been flocking into St. Francis and all are heavily armed.

No further requests for troops have been received by Governor Bailey, but they will be sent as soon as the need for them is definitely established.

DR. TANNER'S FAST SURPASSED.

Dr. W. Sterling Wilkinson, of Augusta, Has Fasted 43 Days.

Dr. W. Sterling Wilkinson, a well-known young physician of this city, and an honor graduate of the medical department of the University of Georgia, is on a fast that promises to break the world's record for length. Dr. Tanner's record is already discounted.

Throughout the fast he has suffered no inconveniences, although he has lost weight very rapidly. Naturally a man of slight build, although tall, he is now a living shadow of his former self.

Dr. Wilkinson takes daily exercise, including walks about the house and grounds, and is also using a pair of light dumb-bells. He declares that he feels strong all the time, although any exertion he undergoes proves to him that he is quite weak.

Dr. Wilkinson and his family have kept very quiet about the matter, and only a few intimate friends have been advised of the treatment to which the young man has been subjecting himself for the past month or more.

The fasting of Dr. Wilkinson is in the nature of a scientific treatment for an aggravated case of indigestion or dyspepsia, with which he is afflicted. For years he has had the trouble and failing to get relief from all other treatments, adopted the fasting treatment.

It is understood that the treatment is nothing more or less than an extended use of the advice of the Physical Culturist McFadden, of New York, who recommends that whenever there is stomach trouble that his pupils fast for a few days, in order to effect a cure.

Dr. Wilkinson has not yet completed the fast. It is his intention to continue the treatment until his appetite returns, when he will gradually return to a normal diet.

If the experiment proves successful, and Dr. Wilkinson has no doubt in his mind that it will, it will be a valuable addition to the medical knowledge of the profession. Thousands are suffering from derangements of the digestive organs and would gladly undergo a season of fasting if they knew it would afford them relief and a permanent cure.

EMORY SPEER ON R. E. LEE.

Oxford, Ga., June 9.—Judge Emory Speer, of Macon, delivered today the annual commencement address at Emory College. His subject was "The Life and Character of Gen. Robert E. Lee, and he gave a vivid and eloquent recital of the great soldier's career, dwelling upon Lee's sublime self-poise and patience both in victory and defeat.

Referring to Lee's motives in entering the service of the Confederacy, Judge Speer said: "Why, it may be asked, did Lee draw his sword in maintenance of secession, which he pronounced anarchy and which he foresaw and declared, would inflict untold calamities upon the people? The reply is that he did no such thing.

His peroration Judge Speer referred to the proposal by the State of Virginia to place a statue of Gen. Lee in Statuary Hall in the Capitol at Washington. In this connection he said: "Deny Lee a place by Washington! Ah, it is sure, if in the awful hour when the invading columns approached Virginia's soil, the winds of the prophet had breathed upon the slain that they might live, that, caught from the wall at Mount Vernon by the reincarnated hand of the Father of his Country, the defensive blade of Washington would not have gleamed beside the sword of Lee.

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KING AND QUEEN OF SERVIA BUTCHERED.

A Bloody Assassination of King Alexander, Queen Draga, the latter's Sister, the Queen's Brother, and Members of Royal Guard.

Prince Peter Karageorgevitch Made King.

Belgrade, Serbia, June 11.—A military revolution broke out here last night. The troops who revolted, under the leadership of Major Angikovic, surrounded the palace, assassinated King Alexander, Queen Draga, the latter's sister, the Queen's brother, Nikodem; Premier Markovitch, Ministers Petrovitch and Tudorovics, Gen. Pavlovitch, the former minister of war, and some of the members of the royal guard. Prince Karageorgevitch was proclaimed King.

A new Government was formed and the following proclamation issued: "To the Serbian People: Last night the King and Queen were shot. In this grave and fateful moment friends of the fatherland have combined to form a new Government. While the Government makes this announcement to the people it is convinced that the Serbian people will gather round it and lend it their aid to maintain order and security throughout the land.

The Government hereby makes known that from today the Constitution of April 6, 1901, comes in force. A meeting of the National representatives, dissolved by the proclamation of March 24, is summoned to meet at Belgrade, June 15.

The streets are thronged with people, whose actions seem to approve the coup d'etat. M. Protics, the new minister of the interior, was loudly cheered as he drove to the ministry. M. Avakumovics, the new premier, belongs to the Independent Liberal party.

As the morning advanced the excitement in the streets grew steadily. In spite of the pouring rain thousands of people gathered in the vicinity of the palace. Everywhere troops of all arms were posted and field guns were placed in position to deal quickly with any opposition to the newly-formed Government's will.

The royal standard has been lowered from over the palace. Reports from places outside Belgrade indicate that the country accepts the disappearance of the Obrenovitch dynasty without regret.

According to the best available information obtainable from the mass of contradictions, the crime was carried out by members of the 6th infantry, under the command of Cols. Mischich and Machin. The latter is a brother-in-law of the Queen Draga and is minister of public work in the new Cabinet.

The question of Austria's intervention in the present situation has so far only been considered in the case of civil war breaking out. Otherwise it is regarded as being Serbia's private affair.

The immediate cause of the revolution was the return to Belgrade of Lieut. Lungievitch, brother of the Queen, and a supposed candidate for the throne. The surviving ministers have been arrested. The obsequies of the King and Queen will be held June 14. A festal illumination of Belgrade is projected for this evening.

The dispatch concludes with stating that intense joy prevails at Belgrade. The German Government cannot be said to have taken up any attitude as yet regarding the provisional administration of Serbia. Horror was expressed at the foreign office at the bloody coup d'etat.

The fact that the late King was not allied to any European reigning family is regarded as simplifying the situation. Vienna, June 11.—Dispatches from Belgrade say that since the late King Alexander's last suspension of the Serbian Constitution the Army had been animated by hostile feelings toward both the King and Queen.

The revolution was planned weeks ago. Secret committees were organized in the country and worked in cooperation with the army. The leaders of the revolution are said to have been the new ministers of justice and finance, respectively, M. Schiokovics and M. Velkovic, and the 6th regiment of infantry, garrisoning Belgrade, was designated to carry out the plot.

Naumovics presented to the King a form of abdication for his signature. The document contained the statement that, by marrying a "public prostitute," the King had degraded Serbia and that, therefore, he must abdicate. The King's answer was to draw a revolver and killed Naumovics on the spot.

Mischich then picked up the document and presented it again, and the King, who perceived his danger, fled with Queen Draga to the Palace roof, both being in their night clothes. The officers followed, continuing firing, and ultimately shot down the royal couple. Major Luka Lazarevics, who had been under the King's displeasure for two years, is said to have fired the shot which actually killed the King.

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At about 2 o'clock this morning Queen Draga's two brothers were shot at their homes, as well as Premier Markovitch and his brother-in-law, Mr. Milkovitch, the minister of the interior, M. Tudorovics, and his daughter, and the war minister, Gen. Pavlovitch.

While these events were proceeding at the palace the streets of the city were already occupied by soldiers and an armed force surrounded the royal residence. The horses and guns of the batteries of artillery were all decorated with evergreens, as for a festival.

The soldiers discarded the badge of King Alexander from their helmets. An attempt was made to support the dynasty by the commander of the Danube division, who tried to march the 8th regiment of infantry into the city to help the late King, but he was opposed by a body of troops under Col. Gagovits.

What purports to be an official explanation of the tragedy was issued at Belgrade during the day. It says: "After dinner on Wednesday evening the King and Queen, with some of their relatives and several ministers, sat on the balcony of the palace. Suddenly the King demanded that Queen Draga leave the country. She refused and was supported by some of the ministers.

A dispatch received by the Austrian foreign office this afternoon announced that the Serbian Parliament, which has been summoned for June 15, will only elect Prince Peter Karageorgevitch King in the event of Austria and Russia not opposing such a step.

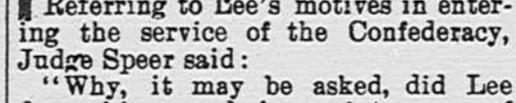
Although the Prince was once the avowed enemy of Austria, he has since given repeated assurances that in the event of his coming to the throne of Serbia he was desirous of living amicably with Austria.

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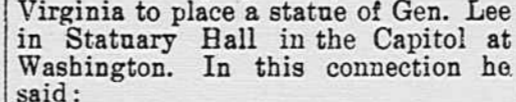
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