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IMPERIAL AND FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE

FRANCO-GERMAN RELATIONS.

KIDERLEN-WAECHTER'S SUGGESTIONS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

Germany is busily employed in speculations regarding the nature of the impending conversations at St. Petersburg, and more generally German policy.

A KISSINGEN CONVERSATION.

As if to brush aside the rash speculations which have been in some quarters inspired by of certain aspects of the French Prime Minister's visit, the Figaro publishes five columns of impressions which have been derived by one of sequences and bearings of this mission which mittee leaders to fall with the maximum of The Senate has adopted, by 43 votes to 14, with the German Foreign Secretary in the shady avenues of Kissingen. Herr von Kiderlen-Waechter is evidently taking both his annual! "cure" and the European situation very quietly. He has from time to time discoursed) to his French journalistic friend upon the Morocco crisis of last year, and has expressed dispute between France and Germany. . . between the two Governments."

Germany. There was, indeed, the Treaty of Frankfurt; there was Alsace-Lorraine. But could not France continue to cherish what! hopes she pleased in this regard and at the same time co-operate with Germany in ententes partielles," especially in an epoch when economic questions of world-wide importance dominated all others?

ECONOMIC CO-OPERATION. suave introduction naturally

practical frequently blended. There was in Turkey. Turkey was, economically speak resolutions in the name of representative local whether of the statesman or the journalist is the necessity for the maintenance of the Connot clear. "In Turkey Germany and France," flanked alike by conquering allies, ought to

There was, in particular, the Baghdad Railway. In speaking of German "advances" mously adopted at the West Indian Agricultural to France, Herr von Kiderlen-Waechter appears | Conference, were as follows:to have had especially in his mind the fact that "it had depended upon France to enter Indian Colonies by Brussels Convention: Resolved Note. into the Baghdad business either as a third Conference views with dismay threatened withdrawal party with Germany and England, or, even at Great Britain; earnestly hopes course may be avoided, many alone." Germany had proposed it, suddenly France had thought better of and had withdrawn into her "bouderie." In this connexion he appears to have complained that to overtures regarding the Baghdad Decimal Dec Railway France had always replied that she the Convention, but that no decision will be taken Damla Dere, these instructions are thought as a Government experiment station. There In a word, the terrible system brought to light was unnecessary intervention of some no doubt must act in concert with her friend in London and her ally in St. Petersburg. The German Foreign Sceretary, on the contrary, insisted on the purely economic aspects of the Baghdad on the purely economic aspects of the Bulgarian attitude are a number of other obligations assumed by the end that the experiment exp which France and Germany might well co- After full consideration, his Majesty's Government operate—a co-operation which, if frequently have decided to withdraw from Brussels Sugar Conrenewed in similar spheres, would ultimately vention from September 1, 1913. tend to diminish friction between the two His Majesty's Government sincerely regret that, countries and to bring them into closer re- in the interests of this country, it should be necessary lations. Such rapprochements were much safer for them to adopt a policy which does not commend and more effective than grand schemes of itself to the inhabitants of the sugar-producing policy, and were calculated to produce the Colonies, but they confidently anticipate that the best results in international relations.

Then there was the Chinese loan. "Ought affected. France, for instance, to have rejected the Chinese Loan for the sole reason that Ger-' many took the initiative in it?"

loan" the German Foreign Secretary or the not be revived by those Powers during that period. French journalist can have referred. In the case of the latest loan proposals, which have as yet come to nothing owing to the Chinese refusal of adequate guarantees, the British, German, French, American, Russian, and Japanese group, as I telegraphed on June 20, reached an agreement and formulated their proposals!

Waechter characteristically referred was India? India is infinitely the largest producer of matter of supreme importance. The journal Asiatic and American industrial and agricultural raw sugar in the world—it has been estimated to adds: competition, and he appears to have referred produce about ten times as much as the whole of American continent. Finally the German rest of the world. Foreign Secretary exposed, cleverly enough, the What are Lord Crewe and his commercial adviser, of the two combinations which, according to the fallacies and the impracticability of the dis- Lord Inchespe, doing in the matter? It was the communique published after the Port Baltic meeting, armament movement, and added that even an initiative of the Government of India—pressed

and Germany would not solve this question. THE FRANCO-RUSSIAN ALLIANCE.

Simultaneously with the

active co-operation of M. Paléologue, the Director of serious peril to the land and irrigation revenues and Hollweg, and drove out with him in the evening sign with France an agreement in virtue of which she debars (interdit) herself from treating with Germany Lord Crewe purchases British righteousness—as the amotor-car to Ahlbeck, where his Majesty's lead to be a seaside rest home for the children of destitute and producers in the matter of the control of debars (interdit) herself from treating with Germany and producers in the matter of the opium revenue. Berlin workmen, described in The Times of He gaily imposes an infinite burden on the finances May 29, is to be built. The ground is partially without having negotiated and come to an agreement of India by the stupendous creation of a new capital.

with France. This agreement, it is alleged, was signed a fortnight before the interview of the Tsar soft billets in the India Office, also at the cost of the Plans of the building, and is said to have the India Office, also at the cost of the Plans of the building, and is said to have fomented the anti-foreign movement, and whose THE LATE EMPEROR OF 1/2 and the Emperor William at Port Baltic, and it holds good only for a period of three months, but will doubtless he renewed during the visit of M. Poincaré to expish English coses manufacturers and German delighted with the site selected. Before return-

One cannot immediately see why a kind of industry. démenti of this singular news should promptly be telegraphed by the Havas Agency from

London of all places. The Havas telegram in! question says:---During the last few months France, England, and Russia have naturally had continual exchanges of ideas on the various eventualities of the Eastern problem, and on each occasion they have declared the perfect agreement of their views and intentions. It is evidently to these intimate negotiations that the article in question (M. Marcel Hutin's despatch) alludes, but this very confidence which unites the three Governments has enabled them to give to their

from that in which it has been represented. My own information, indeed, corresponds with the Havas telegram in that these reports of a self-denying agreement accorded by Russia mittee leaders met last night in the Masonic the Panama Canal. Mr. Roosevelt declared prevailed in the mellah and the native quarters Australians—including its own head, Mr. to France are explained as having been based Lodge at Pera. Some of them afterwards strongly for the strictest observance of the remained much agitated until 1 o'clock in the McGowen, who was then in England—by which exist not only between France and Russia, and held a meeting, at which Mahmud Shevket demands that "the Canal should be opened on While M. Poincaré is calmly, it may be hoped, but between each of these Powers and Great pursuing his way to Kronstadt on the French Britain, and which are believed to preclude taken at the meetings are unknown, but the cluding our own, engaged in international taken at the meetings are unknown, but the property of the American constraint. cruiser Condé, the Press in France, Russia, and any important European negotiations on the departure this morning of Talast Bey and commerce." As to the American coastwise partners."

regarding the relations of the European Powers. ventions only seem to betoken a certain eager- tion in various quarters of Stambul of pro-I cannot attach much importance to certain less on the part of a section of European clamations denouncing the present Ministry apparently, does Mr. Roosevelt think that the present Ministry broblem of the coastwise traffic ought to be remainded.

It is sound and sensible and contains no fire-library and new Law Courts and much-needed. reproduced here. There is not much reality negotiations with regard, for example, to nected with some such scheme, but their submitted to arbitration. He said that if respondent the resident of New Zealand is extensions of Sydney Hospital and the Parliain these criticisms of French and Russian policy, and the German Government is not believed to be at all disquieted either by the preparations of French and Russian policy, and the German Government is not believed to be at all disquieted either by the preparations of French and Russian policy, and the German Government is not believed to have been nullified by the preparations of Sydney Hospital and the Parliathe German Government is not believed to have been nullified by the Budget to be urgent. Shortthe German Government is not believed to have been nullified by the Budget to be urgent. Shortthe German Government is not believed to have been nullified by the preparations of Sydney Hospital and the Parliathe German Government is not believed to have been nullified by the Budget to be urgent. Shortthe German Government is not believed to have been bound the form, however, which this latest report of a generally regarded as a severe counter to generally regarded as a severe counter to submit that question to arbitration, and also be at all disquieted either by the preparations special self-denying ordinance on the part of the Committee's action on Monday. for the Franco-Russian Naval Convention or Russia has taken is regarded in competent | The Liberté this morning publishes an interby any other manifestations of Franco-Russian quarters in Paris as somewhat unfortunate, view granted to a representative by a pro- war to the warships of an enemy. friendship. For one thing, that Government and as calculated to wound susceptible sections minent member of the Cabinet, who describes knows that one of the questions which M. of Russian opinion, if the Russian Govern- the conduct of the Chamber as childish and Poincaré will discuss at St. Petersburg will loyalty and frankness of Franco-Russian had official cognisance of the decree of dissolube the Baghdad Railway, and any discussion of that subject can only be in a sense that The Temps, as well as the correspondent of the he visited the Palace. For an hour he begged enactment of legislation providing for an forthwith classifying local bodies according to now to the end of September. These renewals

FRANCO-RUSSIAN NAVAL CONVENTION.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

VIENNA, Aug. 6. The statement of a French journal that the the opinion that "for him the treaty of last French Ambassador in Vienna, M. Dumaine, November 4 has irrevocably closed the Moroccan has been instructed to inform the Austro-· Hungarian Government of the harmlessness of There is no longer any Moroccan question the Franco-Russian Naval Convention is stated on the best authority to be inaccurate in form But the German Foreign Secretary went and substance. There is no reason to believe further. He seems to have revived in the the French Ambassador to have made any mind of his interlocutor all the memories of the communication on the subject to the Austro-

BRUSSELS SUGAR CONVENTION.

WEST INDIAN PROTESTS.

The "alarm" and "dismay" with which scarce to-day. In official quarters doubt is the followers of the candidacy of Pedro A. Diaz equally culpable with the Peruvian Govern-them. He found a precedent ready to hand the West Indian Colonies view the contemplated withdrawal of the British Government from the Brussels Sugar Convention are reflected in Research Convention are reflected in Research Convention are reflected in Research Convention and Austrian evening journal that the Committee This conviction intensified the bitterness of Acting upon the advice of eminent counsel, the rail authorities, and had used against them Brussels Sugar Convention are reflected in mittee Party has resolved to set itself up the Diaz followers, and they asked Washington Anti-Slavery and Aborigines Protection Society a threat to refuse renewal of the lease of Governgreat question of international co-operation As early as last January representations and ing, virgin soil, and ought to be turned interests protesting against any action of this to economic account, whatever its political kind on the part of the Government were subdestiny. Neither France nor Germany had mitted. Deprecatory messages in this sense territorial ambitions in Turkey, and they were were transmitted from the unofficial members not territorial neighbours of that country. of the Combined Court, the Georgetown Chamber The capital and the industries of the two of Commerce and the Planters' Association mations, if associated and mutually helpful, in British Guiana; from the Agricultural hard and swiftly when half-measures are might reap vast profits, while at the same recognized by an Address passed by the Levisla- seen to be futile. It is thought that the situation of the good government recognized the claims of the good government recognized the good gov vention; from the West Indian Agricultural have the common task of supporting or limiting commercial and industrial associations in the Windward and Leeward Islands.

The terms of the resolution, which was unani-

later stage, on terms of equality with feeling convinced such withdrawal will be disastrous

interests of those Colonies will not be materially

As you are aware, protocols have recently been signed by contracting Powers other than Great Britain, under which Convention has been extended for five It is difficult to imagine to what "Chinese years, thus affording guarantees that bounties will

THE SUGAR BOUNTIES AND

INDIA. TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES.

Sir,—Has Mr. Asquith, in deciding to withdraw Hungary and Germany respectively, and dewith the approval of their respective Govern- from the Brussels Sugar Convention and thereby to scribes them as a menace to Russia, France, and restore the rule of the old Continental Sugar Bounties, England, which renders the impending inter-Another point to which Herr von Kiderlen- taken account of the deadly blow he will inflict on views between French and Russian statesmen a

understanding such as he desired between France | thereto by the Bengal Chamber of Commerce (of which Lord Inchcape's firm were leading members. and of which he himself had recently been president) and all the other industrial organizations of the Kiderlen- country, both European and Indian-that really Waechter interviews there comes from Eydt- brought about the Brussels Sugar Convention. And kuhnen, on the Russian frontier, a very lively in 1899 the Government of India, hotly backed by telegram from M. Marcel Hutin, who has immense acreage of sugar-cane plantations had been evidently written it in the train. He tele- going out of cultivation under the pressure of German ceed on Thursday to Essen to be present at the Sowlet-ed-Dowleh. One Swedish officer, Captain

Yours obediently, ROPER LETHBRIDGE. Exbourne Manor, Devon, Aug. 2.

TURKISH GOVERNMENT COUP.

ACTIVITY OF THE COMMITTEE.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Aug. 6. identity of views (solidarisé) a character very different Last night and to-day passed quietly, thanks, of the Government. Several of the Com- gressive Convention to-day was devoted to in which Kaid Triahi had taken refuge. Panic of New South Wales startled a good many upon the fact of the confidential relations repaired to the Nur-i-Osmanieh Club at Stambul Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, which, in his opinion, morning. part of any one of the three with another Djavid Bey to Salonika is believed in some trade, the fact that this was already an American Power without communication with the two quarters to foreshadow an attempt to imitate monopoly had given the United States a perthe action of the Duma and to make Salonika feet right to allow their ships engaged in that All these conventions and rumours of con- or Seres the Turkish Viborg. The distributrade to use the Canal under any terms the

of the Court-martial, which will henceforth Commission of three proposed by the Commission of three pr report directly to Omar Yawer Pasha, Commandant of the First Army Corps, its sentences being confirmed by the Minister for War. In consequence of the allegations made several months ago with regard to the use of' public funds for party purposes the Government' has appointed two Commissions. The first of into the expenditure of the secret service funds Belisario Porras will be President of Panama liamentary report on page 3. War under the Committee régime. There is for the four-year term beginning October 1. also reason to believe that the General Staff

AUSTRIAN MISGIVINGS. (FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

VIENNA, Aug. 6. nople is regarded as a sign that the Governdand the Government of Panama ensued. misgivings are inspired chiefly by doubt as to dent, but under American supervision. the readiness of the Grand Vizier to strike | Colonel George W. Goethals, who is as well

Whereas substantial benefits conferred on West but not unconciliatory answer to the Turkish

early yesterday morning, when the Turkish foreigners. troops again attacked the Montenegrins, cross- The election laws were apparently framed to ing into Montenegrin territory. The Monte-enable a party in power to perpetuate itself. negrins assumed the offensive, repulsed the Registration and voting are done at booths Turks, and pursued them into Turkish territory, arranged all over the cities in alphabetical capturing three Turkish fortified posts in the order, so that a man whose name begins with course of the fighting.

ARMAMENTS OF THE CENTRAL POWERS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.) ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 6.

the Novoe Vremya calls attention to the 1903—a section of the American Empire, with following places:—England, Alexandria, Aden, enormous growth of armaments in Austria-

our alliance and expressing the friendly character of American company. guarantee the European equilibrium.

THE EMPEROR WILLIAM.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

on his journey to the Russian frontier that:

Russia, on the initiative of M. Poincaré, aided by the active co-operation of M. Paléologue, the Director of serious peril to the land and irrigation revenues and the serious peril to the serious peril to the land and irrigation revenues and the serious peril to the land and irrigation revenues and the serious peril to the serious peril to the serious peril to the land and irrigation revenues and the serious peril to the serious pe doubtless be renewed during the visit of M. Poincaré to enrich English cocoa manufacturers and German ing to Swinemunde he took a walk of some

*Through Reuter's Agency.

PANAMA CANAL THE QUESTION.

TOLLS AND TREATY RIGHTS.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

CHICAGO, Aug. 6.

doubtless, to the imposing military precautions affairs in Mr. Roosevelt's speech at the Pro- followers were pursued by cavalry to the south. Government might see fit to impose. Nor, with much interest, was well received to-day. useful breathing-space; the received public to to submit that question to arbitration, and also dated debentures for loans are condemned and the open area available for the rapidly increasing their right, which the ex-President believed to a comprehensive scheme for converting them population of the city. As for the house, it be incontestable, to close the Canal in time of into stock is advocated.

MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT TAFT.

Echo de Paris, by the way, is in a position to the Sultan not to sanction the decision of confirm the report that a future Russian loan the Senate, and only retired when he learned may very probably be discussed in St. Peters—that his Majesty had signed the Iradeh. There the fixing of maximum tolls. The President roads and bridges votes from the Estimates. least two other Ministers were against the British opinion, which follows the journey the President of the Chamber received a telethe distinguished representative of her gram from the Grand Vizier communicating later. "Other phases of our policy with regard Po partner in the Entente Cordiale with such entire the Iradeh within a few minutes of the opening to the Canal," adds the President, "should not whole service except the railways, in regard to the building should be put. The Bulletin,

> a Governor to complete, govern, and operate reduced to 60. Nadir Pasha has been appointed president the Canal and the Canal Zone, instead of the

THE GROWTH OF AMERICAN INFLUENCE.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

PANAMA, JULY 11. these will examine the accounts of the National Party in the municipal elections of June 30 Robert Cecil's questions on this subject and Fleet Committee, while the second will inquire makes it possible to foretell with certainty that Mr. Asquith's replies will be found in our Par-

In an exceedingly bitter campaign the United past personal overtures of the German Emperor to France, and he asked him why France should remain in a state of "bouderie" towards of the German Emperor to the Austro-Hungarian Government, nor, indeed, to regard papers relative to the military mutiny of should remain in a state of "bouderie" towards of the German Emperor Hungarian Government, nor, indeed, to regard papers relative to the military mutiny of should remain in a state of "bouderie" towards of the German Emperor Hungarian Government, nor, indeed, to regard papers relative to the military mutiny of April 13, 1909.

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| Continumentation on the subject to the Austro-Hungarian Government, nor, indeed, to regard papers relative to the military mutiny of April 13, 1909. registration and election. This was a distinct the United States, joins Dr. Romulo Paredes, Federal Ministry's proposed bank included a mistake. It should either have conducted the the Peruvian Commissioner of the Putumayo, Post Office Savings Bank, which would compete registration and election entirely, or have kept in issuing a statement at Washington con- with the State savings banks and tend to out entirely. With merely supervisory powers, demning the Peruvian Amazon Company divert the people's savings from State to its representatives witnessed gross fraud both (Limited) as being wholly to blame for the Federal uses. Mr. Holman therefore cast about in registration and voting, and were powerless atrocities which have been practised upon the for some method of annoying Federal Ministers Trustworthy intelligence from Turkey is to prevent it. Now, however, half of Panama, Indian rubber gatherers in the Putumayo, and and, if possible, of "putting the screw" on

indeed, that the Committee leader is animated Government requested Mr. Diaz to withdraw Julio Cesar Arana from the position of liquidator. by a desperate spirit, but it has yet to be so as to avoid trouble at the polls, but this he proved that his strength is equal to his rancour. refused to do. A spirited exchange of notes The renewal of the state of siege at Constanti- between the American Supervisory Committee ment is prepared for emergencies. Austrian the net result is that Dr. Porras will be Presi-

seen to be futile. It is thought that the situal recognized the claims of the good government Colombia has indisputable title to that territory," &c. of this area for inclusion either in the gardens tion would have been much more favourable people in Panama, to the extent of making an Although such statements as these in no wise or in the Domain can be easily justified. But had the new Cabinet dissolved the Chamber arrangement whereby the Porras Government strengthen the pretensions of Colombia, always immediately without exasperating the Albanians will not be allowed to waste the resources of strongly rebutted by Peru, in order to avoid the immediately adiabate and its Conference in Trinidad; and from various by delay and without laying itself open to a the country. His proposal is that an American possibility of public opinion being misled by their immediately adjoining lands is unjustifiable tactical defeat by adversaries of superior comptroller of finances be appointed by the declares that the Putumayo region is solely under the it. It was merely an attempt at a "hold-up." Panama Government, the police of the cities sovereignty of Peru, which has been in possession of The "hold-up" failed. The Federal Ministry

A will vote at the same booth as another A, even if they live at opposite ends of the city.

Discussing M. Poincaré's visit this evening, every respect what it has been in fact since high-power wireless telegraph stations at the be "destroyed."

STATES MARINES MANAGUA.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 6.* Three hundred and fifty United States with approval to views once enunciated by the the West Indies. It can produce raw sugar at a a subject for fruitful conversations. Public opinion for Corinto to reinforce the American force company confidently expects that this whole phrasings in which the reactionary element late Count Goluchowski. who would have far smaller cost than that of the beet sugar of Germany liked to see Europe organize itself against the and Australia and but for the protection afforded to in Russia has a right to know the outcome. It in Managua. The revolutionaries have been network of stations will be in operation within nor grounds will be destroyed any more than liked to see Europe organize itself against the and Austria, and but for the protection afforded to expects the Government to issue a statement representation of the latter countries of the latter countries of the latter countries of the work being commenced, Hampton Court Palace has been. But—owing affirming in the most categorical form the vitality of owned by the railroads, which are run by an while the main route to South Africa and India Hampton Court Palace has been. But—owing

GENDARMES ATTACKED BY PERSIAN TRIBESMEN. (FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

TEHERAN, Aug. 6. A force of gendarmes 260 strong under two' Swedish officers was yesterday totally defeated The Emperor William left Swinemunde this near Diringun, on the Shiraz-Bushire road, by morning for Wilhelmshöhe, whence he will pro- Kashgai tribesmen professing allegiance to

MOORISH KAID BESIEGED.

PARIS, Aug. 6.*

day states that the troops, the police, and a the end of the year. The contract for the fomented the anti-foreign movement, and whose THE LATE EMPEROR OF JAPAN. arrest had been ordered. When the troops sought to arrest the Kaid he took refuge in Mazagan, in the villa of a Spanish Jew named protégé of Spain. In the afternoon it was night on September 14.

ascertained that the Kaid was not a Spanish protégé and the troops again surrounded the house on the following morning.

Messages from Mazagan despatched this morning say that Colonel Mangin on the previous afternoon bombarded the kasbah of Kaid Triahi, which was completely destroyed by his fire. Large quantities of arms and ammunition and some interesting correspondence were seized in the evening, and the native prisoners confined in underground granaries Nearly the whole passage on international by the Kaid were set at liberty. Kaid Triahi's

PROPOSALS OF THE GOVERNMENT. (FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

WELLINGTON, Aug. 6. Mr. Allen's Budget, which has been awaited Domain, which is Sydney's noblest and most

ing 20 members under a system of proportional up in August, 1911, and would not be rerepresentation. A second ballot is con- newed. demned, but no alternative is suggested. A Temporarily, however, it was renewed— President Taft has sent a special message to Local Government Bill will be introduced next at first till the end of June, 1912, then to the political patronage, a single independent who were more or less in its favour were by sympathy, will, doubtless, refrain from giving of Monday's sitting of the Chamber, and his be allowed to delay action on these vital and which no declaration of policy is made for the which nowadays expresses with reasonable

PUTUMAYO ATROCITIES. A SELECT COMMITTEE OF INQUIRY.

mittee of the House of Commons to inquire particularly interested in official functions and whether any responsibility for the atrocities on affair as a petty squabble between State and the Putumayo rests upon the British directors Federal Ministers. The overwhelming victory of the Liberal of the Peruvian Amazon Company. Lord

Colonies relating to the Convention which is and to ignore the elections for a new Charles to dismiss the intervention and allow the Panama has issued an appeal to every shareholder of the a threat to refuse renewal of the lease of Governthe issued as a Parliamentary Paper [Cd.6282]. The fiery harangue of Diavid Rev shows a conduct the Presidential election Peruvian Amazon Company urging that legal proceed- ment House. It seemed a good card to play, The fiery harangue of Djavid Bey shows, of June 14 to suit itself. The United States ings be set in motion by the shareholders to remove

> TO THE EDITOR OF THE TIMES. And the reply of the Secretary in Charge of the Colombian Legation in London to a communication from the House holds about 20 acres of empty parkland The Turkish ultimatum to Montenegro is of Panama and Colon be placed under American the territory in question ever since the colonial era. In prederate successive the colonial era. The Colombian claim is, therefore, absolutely inades and the election laws of Panama be missible and this Legation apposes to it a categorical you Sydney people do not want the Governor-

> ut not unconciliatory answer to the Turkish All the provisions are good. The ascendency of the Porras party threatened Panama with instructions to the Bulgarian Minister at conditions.
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> All the provisions are good. The ascendency happily afforded him by the correspondent to affirm that the aspirations of his Government are principally directed toward the establishment of "an administration of bluff, but it did its work; the lease of the provisions are good. The ascendency happily afforded him by the correspondent to affirm that the aspirations of his Government are principally instructions.
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> Ceneral we will not torce him on you. We are going to build him his official residence at the directed toward the establishment of "an administration of bluff, but it did its work; the lease of the provisions are good. The ascendency happily afforded him by the correspondent to affirm that the aspirations of his Government are principally return for bluff, but it did its work; the lease instructions to the Bulgarian Minister at with an American syndicate placing the control Constantinople to demand the immediate of all the public lands of the nation in its bands. A reference to pages 4 to 36 of the Blue-book, which evident that State Ministers were drifting Constantinople to demand the immediate of all the public lands of the nation in its hands he can surely not have read, or he would not have into an inclination to let the matter drop

negrin frontier near Mojkovatz was renewed and the Panama police do not understand ing the question of the requirements of a self-respect-

Yours faithfully, THE PERUVIAN CHARGÉ D'AFFAIRES. Peruvian Legation, London, Aug. 6.

THE MARCONI CONTRACT.

Bombay, Colombo, Singapore, Hong-kong, and two in Australia, New Zealand, Mombasa, Natal, Bathurst, Sierra Leone, St. Helena, Cape demand made it impossible for Mr. McGowen would be completed within one year.

by the Postmaster-General on March 7. The remain Government House for very long, managing director in a note to his final letter unless, indeed, the Federal Government adopts of that date specifies that "It is open to the the Governor-General's suggestion, ignores the Government of any Dominion to become a party to this agreement."

THE GREEK NAVAL ORDERS FOR GERMANY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.) ATHENS, Aug. 6.

and the Vulkan yard (Germany) for the con- disregard for historic tradition, but mere petty struction of six torpedo-boats was signed to-day. parochialism that would have died a natural These torpedo-boats, as well as the two torpedo. death had it not been aggravated and perboat-destroyers which were ordered some days potuated by tactless meddling. A message despatched from Mazagan yester- ago from the same firm, will be delivered before

TOKYO, Aug. 6.*

was surrounded by police. The Spanish Consul on the night of September 13. The inter- Provinces, Mysore, and South-East Madras. protested on the ground that Kaid Triahi was a ment at Motoyama, Kyoto, will follow at Similar distribution of rainfall appears probable next week.

SYDNEY GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

THREATENED RESUMPTION BY THE STATE.

(FROM OUR OWN COBRESPONDENT.)

announcing that it did not propose to renew the lease of Sydney Government House to the Commonwealth, thereby leaving the Governor-General without an official residence in New South Wales. Various plausible reasons were alleged. The grounds, it was said, were needed as an addition to the great park known as the was needed as a temporary public library, as An elective Legislative Council is proposed. an art museum—the Government was fertile Each island is to form one constituency return- in suggestions. Anyhow, the lease would be

its staff, M. Georges Bourdon, from a series of might be calculated to disturb the balance class of might be calculated to disturb the balance complete govern and operate smaller estates. The pension age for women is the non-Labour Press was, of course, bitterly present. There is to be an increased graduated accuracy the opinion of Labour's unpledged antagonistic; the only approving voices came from the extremist Labour section, with which the Ministry does not like to be allied. The general public, it is true, took no active interest in the affair either way; it does not go to It has been decided to appoint a Select Com- | Government House entertainments, it is not

ANNOYING THE COMMONWEALTH.

In that the general public was quite right. There was friction between Mr. Holman, the acting Premier, and the Federal Ministry—partly personal, because Mr. Holman NEW YORK, Aug. 5. had been an opponent of the Referenda and had been forced by friends of the Federal and Mr. Holman (who was at the moment rather over-inclined to exalt his acting-Premiership) played it again.

As far as the grounds were concerned there Sir,—In your issue of the 2nd inst. there appeared gardens and such grounds as a mansion of its was some reason in his action. Besides its own been sent to the frontier to restore order, reformed. Dr. Porras has consented to these negative.

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In the frontier to restore order, reformed. Dr. Porras has consented to these negative. General we will not force him on you. We are

been brought to Iquitos, are Colombians, with whom referred to and the admission of the public CETTIGNE, Aug. 6.*

The provision for the control of the police of Panama and Colon is good, since these two cities have such a cosmopolitan population, ments with which Colombia is represented as approach by the Prime Minister to the Premier of New South Wales would probably have settled the South Wales, would probably have settled the difficulty with good feeling on both sides. Instead it was made the text of addresses at a public meeting in which the Government was attacked for "vandalism" and "disloyalty," the proposal was described as "the outcome of a lot of Socialists" and "an insult The correspondence between Marconi's Wire- "some people would like to see the Union This puts a premium on repeating, and is less Telegraph Company and the Colonial Office, Jack hauled down and an Australian Republic really at the bottom of the frauds of the late relating to the contract for Imperial wireless established." After which a deputation from stations, is published as a Parliamentary the meeting (which was sparsely attended The shadow of sovereignty that has existed in the Panama nation heretofore now passes [Cd. 6357] under the general heading, and quite unrepresentative of Sydney or of New South Wales) waited on the Premier to demand that Government House should not away, and the Isthmian State becomes in pany asks for licences to erect and operate to demand that Government House should not

The result may be easily guessed. The charge

Colony or Transvaal), British Guiana, and West to throw over his colleagues or even hint Indies; also for further licences, to allow of an at the possibility of overriding them. He was additional route to Australia, at Mauritius and forced to identify himself with them to an Nelson Island. Licences are also asked for to extent far greater than he probably wished. entirely, one cannot but feel, to this malapropos The company's revised tender was accepted interference—Government House will not meeting and its promoters, and persuades State Ministers to do the same; it has still a few months' grace, it has a definite locus standi, and its requests cannot be suspected of partisan motive. One hopes that it will decide to negotiate, and will be successful; one hopes, too, that in case of ill-success you in England will understand what influences actually have brought about the unfortunate The contract between the Greek Government result—not disloyalty, or Socialism, or brutish

THE INDIAN RAINFALL.

The Secretary of State for India has received the following telegram from the Viceroy, dated August 6, 1912:--

Rainfall of the past week has been good over The funeral ceremony of the Emperor whole country, including Baluchistan and Sind, length through the woods with the Imperial Sicrisu. On the morning of the 4th the house Mutsuhito has been fixed to take place here except in Assam, Bengal, Bihar, East of United