

PARLIAMENT OPENED

MR. PEEL RE-ELECTED SPEAKER.

Stirring Scenes at the Opening of the House of Commons—The Irish Satisfied With Gladstone's Bill.
[SPECIAL TO THE STAR.]

LONDON, Aug. 4.—The new Parliament assembled at two o'clock this afternoon. All day the buildings presented an animated appearance from the large number of persons who were bustling about, and among the numerous visitors which frequented the corridors of the House of Commons just before the time for the assembling of the House arrived, was very animated.

Meanwhile a number of members of the Yeomanry of the Guard had reached the House and the gentlemen who held great power in the Parliament were waiting. A meeting was made. When the House opened, Gladstone assembled with the usual ceremony. The gentleman who delivered the Black Rod summoned the members of the House of Commons to hear the reading of the Commission for the new Parliament. Upon their return to the House of Commons, the members proceeded to the election of Mr. Chamberlain as Speaker to-day will be purely formal and no business will be transacted until next week. Queens College, at Oxford, has been invited to throw its vote against Mr. Peel for Osborne-to-morrow.

As Joseph Chamberlain, Mr. Halford and other members of the Government, Mr. Chamberlain were heartily cheered. Mr. Gladstone made his appearance in the House and received a most enthusiastic reception. The Irish members rose in a body, shrieking and waving their hats. They all gave up and joined in these demonstrations by the Liberals. The ovation to the Liberal leader continued until Mr. Gladstone had taken his seat, he was greeted by a crowd of members of the House, irrespective of party, all anxious to congratulate him on his recovery from illness. He appears to have entirely recovered from his recent indisposition.

The Conservative movement that the Right Hon. Arthur Wellesley Peel who was speaker of the last House, I thought it better to resign than to continue.

The motion was seconded by Mr. Gladstone and carried and Mr. Peel was declared re-elected.

The *London Daily Post* says the fact that Arnold Morley assisted at yesterday's conference of Liberal leaders with Mr. Gladstone, and that Mr. Gladstone had already been formed that Mr. Gladstone would be appointed Chief Secretary for Ireland, is sufficient evidence that the *Post* further says that the Irish leaders have been fully informed as to the principles of the Government and are well disposed towards them as satisfactory to the Irish people.

COMPOSITION OF ALES PORTERS.
[SPECIAL TO THE STAR.]

OTTAWA, August 4.—Interesting examinations are now being made in the laboratories of the Indian Revenue Department as regards the composition of Ales porters. The investigation is, however, very intricate, and it is not likely that the results of the work will be published before October.

Plots Against Prince Ferdinand.
LONDON, August 4.—The Vienna correspondent of the *Star* says that Count Knocky, the Austro-Hungarian Foreign Minister, has received information that Emperor Francis Joseph in regard to the Russian state papers published in the *Standard*, has been every line examined and found to contain every imaginable twist and turn in interest to the British press. Yesterday's instalment contains a secret report sent by Mr. Hiltrove, Russian Minister at Bucharest, to the Russian Legation at St. Petersburg, in which he states the Asiatic Department in Russia is saying: "Zankoff requests funds for carrying out his plan to take advantage of taking an active part in a coup d'etat, and we have arranged with other persons to carry out the same." The *Standard* commends Zankoff's demand to your kind attention. The Chief replied: "I agree to your secret report and to the distribution of the same to the public. I am sure that other letter Minister Hilfrov proposes the use of dynamite as the best means to bring about the success of the revolution. That cartridges be sent to Rutzchuk, where a visit is expected from Prince Ferdinand."

The Rebellion in Afghanistan.
VIENNA, Aug. 4.—Prof. Vambery has a particular knowledge of the situation in Afghanistan and declares that the Hazara rebellion is serious, and due to Russian intrigues. He says that the Russian agents are supplied with Russian weapons and that if the rebellion increases, the American Government will be obliged to intervene. He also says that even Russia will probably push Alash Khan, the Czar's protégé, to the front as a rival of the Ameers. This view is supported by the fact that the Russian Empire of Alash is now employed as an officer in Merve.

Losses in Grain and Produce.
LONDON, August 4.—The *New* says: The uncertainty in regard to the credit of Russia has caused considerable loss to our countrymen yesterday have resolved themselves into the statement that the affected houses are unable to pay their bills. It is probable that troubles resulted. No names are mentioned.

Against Clericalism in France.
LONDON, August 4.—The *Chronicle's* Paris correspondent says: The Committee on the Concordat recommends the gradual abolition of the concordat between the French and the Bishops of France as the Bishops are too venal, and has also decided that the salaries of the clergy shall be suppressed.

Strike of Compositors.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., August 4.—The twenty-five compositors on the *Daily Journal* struck yesterday because four union men, despatched by the proprietors, refused to work. They were discharged. Their places were filled by fraternity printers, and the paper appeared.

Train Held Up by Passengers.
FRESCO, Cal., August 4.—Passenger train No. 17, south-bound, was held up by train robbers six miles north of Coalinga last night. The passengers were forced to leave the train without the money. The amount is not known.

Another American Cardinal.
ST. LOUIS, Mo., August 4.—It is stated that Roman Catholic circles here as a certain cardinal at the next meeting of the consistory of the Pope. The cardinal named is Cardinal St. Paul, a member of the College of Cardinals.

The Amendment to the Address.
LONDON, August 4.—The amendment to the address from the throne will be in general terms a declaration that as the result of the late war, the Government of Great Britain has forfeited the confidence of the country.

Minnesota and Dakota Wheat Crop.
MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., August 4.—The *Market Record* estimates that Minnesota and the Dakotas will raise 135,000,000 bushels of wheat this year if the weather continues favorable.

Carnegie Office Admitted to Hall.
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Aug. 4.—Superintendent Scott, Nevins McConnell and James Doney were admitted to Carnegie Hall today. \$10,000 hall cost this morning.

