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TELEGRAMS.

ST. CROIX STATION.

(Delayed in transmission.)

London, March 21st.—The United States was handled without gloves by Mr. Lloyd George and Sir Edward Carson, the Ulster Unionist Leader, in the course of the debate today in the House of Commons, on the second reading of the Irish Bill. The Premier said it was action such as that taken by the United States in adopting its Irish resolution that had bolstered up secession. "De Valera is putting forth the same views in the same words that Jefferson Davis used", the Premier declared and added, "such movement has led to civil war." "We are doing nothing more than the United States claimed for themselves", he continued, "and will stand it no less". Sir Edward Carson, in opening the debate said "I believe that the Irish murders were not committed by my countrymen but by ill-conditioned Americans, misled by Sinn Fein propaganda and which, pointing to the Govt. "You are doing nothing to counteract. Do you suppose that if I worked against the Bill and it was killed, and the 1914 Act becomes effective, that I could call upon my followers to get their rifles to maintain our position in the six Ulster Counties, when this Bill gives us the right to control those counties", he asked. He declared that Mr. Asquith, by his proposals for amending the 1914 measure, had killed his own child, which was so distasteful to Ulster. He promised that Ulster would do the best it would under the two Parliaments plan. Mr. Lloyd George also attacked the Asquith plan, saying that it was leading to the proclamation of an Irish Re-

public and secession. Mr. William Adamson, the Labour Leader, said he was opposed to the Bill, and that his followers had adhered to his decision not to vote, but he did not outline any definite plan for a solution. He stated his personal views, which he said should not be confused with the views of his party, and that he had not placed them before the leaders of Labour. He was, he declared for one Parliament, with full power for everything, except defence and foreign Affairs, and for the immediate calling of a constituent Assembly. Those who voted against the second reading of the Bill included Mr. Asquith and his followers among the Independent Liberals, the Irish Nationalists, and a few Unionists. The attendance for the vote was the largest during the present session.

Panama, March 31st.—Great crowds lined the streets and enthusiastically cheered the Prince of Wales as he went to the Executive Mansion yesterday to pay a formal call on President Reuente. So large was the throng that surged through the thoroughfares that the Royal visitors car was often impeded and upon arrival at the President's home he was forced to go to the balcony from which he bowed his acknowledgements to the crowds. Later the Prince inspected the Pacific Defences of the Canal and reviewed a party of discharged British West Indies soldiers. He was the guest of honour at a banquet given by the President last night.

London, April 1st.—The "Globe" says the resignation of Mr. MacPherson, Chief Secretary for Ireland, has been accepted. He will probably be succeeded by Sir Hamar Greenwood, the Under Secretary for Home Affairs, the "Globe" adds and other newspapers announce definitely that Sir Hamar has been offered the secretaryship.

Charlestown, April 1st. Mr. William C. Webster of New York, has filed an announcement, with the Secretary of State of his candidacy for the Republican nomination for President of the United States. Mr. Webster was a contestant for the Republican nomination in West Virginia in 1916.

London, April 1st.—The "Times" in an editorial considers that the very substantial majority secured by the Govt. to the second reading of the Home Rule Bill gives it wider freedom to frame and pursue; in accordance with its high principles, the great measure of constitutional reform. In its pres-

ent form, the editorial continues, the Bill is far from an equitable settlement and it will require more concrete evidence than the Parliamentary division list to persuade the Irish people to the contrary. Nevertheless, we hold it is within the power of Parliament to vastly improve it. Now that Ulster has given its grudging assent, there remains to be fulfilled the paramount duty of securing for the nationalists of Ireland a measure which will at least be a fair installment on their hopes.

Brussels, April 3rd.—Despatches from Aix-la-Chapelle state that the troops of the Reichwehr took the offensive yesterday morning and that the Spartacists have withdrawn slightly. On the other hand, it is announced that an arrangement has been arrived at between the Govt. and the Spartacists with a complete suspension of hostilities in the Ruhr basin.

Copenhagen, April 3rd.—Contrary to the news circulated in certain quarters complete calm prevails in this city.

Warsaw, April 3rd.—Replying to a telegram from M. Tchitcherin, Russian Minister for Foreign Affairs, Poland declares that she will retain the town of Boryzow as the seat of negotiations and refuses the conclusion of an armistice on the whole front, agreeing only to suspend hostilities at the bridgehead at Boryzow during the entire peace negotiations.

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P. L. LA BEGA.

Christiansted, V. I. U. S. A. March 23rd 1920.