by like a child waiting to be fed; he wants sweets, too, with the necessary articles of nourishment.

At 5 p.m. our "special" left for the North. During the early evening we arrived at Vitebsk. There was an immense crowd at the station, civilians and soldiers. We exchanged speeches with a delegation which came to welcome us. I noticed a movement in the crowd towards our train, following a small party. Two or three men boarded one of the forward cars (Mr. Graftio's) and speeches were made from the platform and were enthusiastically received. Golder, our interpreter, came with the news that Miliukov, the Ex-Minister of Foreign Affairs, was going to ride with us to Petrograd, upon the invitation of Mr. Graftio. After consultation, we decided it would be unwise for us to meet such a well-known political character and told Golder to say to Graftio that we could not receive his guest, but that if he wanted him to ride in his car it was none of our affair. It seems that after Miliukov had retired into the car, his private secretary proceeded to make a political speech in favor of the cadet party; when Graftio heard of this, however, he immediately stopped the speech and became apprehensive of the possible result of having harbored a man who is at outs with the existing Government officials. However, the train was now in motion and it was too late to put Miliukov off at the time. As the evening went on Graftio and the other Railway officials became panic stricken at the thought of losing their jobs if the news of what they had done leaked out, and they decided to put Miliukov off at a town which we were due to reach about midnight. We suggested that any harm had already been done and that Miliukov should not be subjected to indignity and discomfort. However, they insisted and did put him off, Golder leaving