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MORE ABOUT HAYSEEDS

It is a hard thing to say and it hurts us to say it, but the Chronicle fell badly from whatever small savings of grace it ever possessed in its issue of Wednesday. Whereat let us hasten to say we are as deeply grieved as we are mightily surprised. The Standard in its Saturday issue rather hinted that the Chronicle had been imagining vain things, and now, we must add, it is raging most furiously. The genial and jaunty editor even tells its readers that the "Standard, though young in years, is lamentably hardened in sin." Why this old chestnut should have been hurled at our humbled heads only the Lord and Carley know.

Perhaps the reason is, as Carley says, that "the tree is no more surely known by its fruit and the fruit by its tree." Much of what the Standard had to say the Chronicle informs its readers, was a question of conjecture. Conjecture is too mild a term to apply to this cryptic utterance. The only thing sure about it is that there is something in it meant for the wicked Standard.

And then for an organ which has accused the Standard of the darkest inequity, how freshly and delightfully the Chronicle toys with the truth. "It would be expecting too much from the Ladysmith Standard to hope that it would endorse the stand taken by the Chronicle with regard to street corner loitering." This is what the Chronicle says, and again: "The Standard's defense of the street corner loafer is weak." Certainly there is nothing weak about the Chronicle's capacity for hard swearing, or false swearing, whichever you choose, and, though we did not expect too much of our contemporary, we certainly did expect it to show some little halting respect for the truth.

Of course, the Chronicle was handicapped last week. Half its light supply was cut off and this may conceivably have prevented it from reading what the Standard did say, or from seeing what it was saying itself. Hardened as the Standard is, it likes to be charitable. Still, for its own sake, the Standard must put itself right with its readers. "The Standard would like to join its protest to that of the Chronicle" That is what we wrote a week ago, and by some peculiar process known only to the Chronicle, it becomes a "weak defence of the street corner loafer." To others and particularly to us, hardened as we are in sin, it looks as if the Chronicle is an "untruther," a speaker of vain and baseless and imaginary things.

The fact is that the stand which the Chronicle prates so proudly of taking up was adopted by the Standard long ago, and that without such adventitious aid as the manufacture of a young and lovely maiden, or the libelling of country people. This habit of loitering and swearing on the streets is an intolerable nuisance. But there is no sense of blaming it on to a class of people which is not to be found in the town. Indeed, our hardened inequity enables us to state that it was a piece of clotted nonsense ever to do so.

Of course this has nothing to do with hayseeds. There's something very peculiar about hayseeds when printed by the Chronicle that makes them very bad to grasp. That we failed to get hold of it, is held against us as a fault, and a sin. But really it is as bad as that general feeling in the town for higher taxation which the Chronicle discovered the other day, and it should not be counted too much against us if we just failed to get next. What is worrying us more than that is why the Chronicle should have said such cutting, cruel things about us merely for joining our protest to theirs. We saw nothing criminal in it and if it was sinful, then we sinned in the peerless company of the Chronicle.

ENORMOUS WAVES.

Lima, Peru, Nov. 27.— Work in Callao bay is paralized as a result of a heavy storm which broke over that port yesterday. Enormous waves, the height of which had not been seen for 30 years, swept over the wharves and created a panic among the inhabitants of the town.

KAISER IMPROVING.

Berlin, Nov. 27.—A bulletin issued by the physicians from the new palace at Potsdam this afternoon announces an improvement in the condition of Emperor William who is suffering from a cold. His Majesty was able to pass several hours out of bed this morning.

ISLAND LEAGUE MEETING

Will be Held in Standard Office Tomorrow Afternoon at 1 O'clock.

The schedule meeting of the Vancouver Island Football League, will be held in the Standard office on Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock. There will be one or two matters of importance to discuss in addition to the arrangement of the season's fixtures. The senior teams in the competition will be Victoria United, Esquimalt, Ladysmith, and Nanaimo. Probably there will be more teams in the Second Division. It is to be hoped there will be, anyway; for the Second Division will be the nursing ground of Island football.

Apart from the fixing of the schedule there is the question of the definition of a senior player which has been raised by the Victoria West Club. At the first meeting of the Island League it was decided that any player who had played two games in any senior league could not compete in the Second Division of the Island League. Possibly this decision is a little too stringent and there is no reason why the restriction should not be exclusively confined to the Island League.

Another point that needs to be settled is the registration of players. The anomalous circumstances attending the final game in last year's competition was entirely the result of the action of Island League officials. Teams on the Island and on the Mainland compete for the championship of B.C. On the Island the League form is followed, while the Mainland has adopted the Cup system. It is, however, one and the same competition and yet Island teams were importing Mainland players who had already played in the opening rounds of the competition for the B.C. Cup. Take the final game when Nanaimo met the Thistles with a team largely composed of ex-Thistles.

The two associations could easily come to some agreement whereby the poaching of players could be prevented. A strict system of registration and a constitutional method of transfer are all that is necessary. Of course a player is only signed on for the season, and there is the close season during which clubs can strengthen up their weak places. Something may possibly be done in the matter on Sunday.

MAY DIVORCEES IN B.C. MARRY AGAIN.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 27.—"British Columbia courts have a right to grant decrees of divorce. The Privy Council has said so. But have the divorced a right to remarry?"

This question was discussed in the court corridor today following an observation by Mr. Justice Clement in granting the final decree in an undefended case.

"In granting this order I do not wish to be understood as saying that either party has a right to remarry," said Mr. Justice Clement.

"That is just what my client wishes to do," returned Mr. McLellgn, counsel for the successful petitioner.

Mr. Justice Clement, who it will be recalled raised the question of the jurisdiction of the provincial courts in the matter of divorce, was in this merely giving his own view and not a judicial opinion. It will have no weight with Emma Gorge, the successful petitioner, who has reluctantly waited these six long months after obtaining her decree nisi, today made absolute, to tie her second connubial knot with a native Romeo of Rivers' Inlet.

Emma is a Christian Indian. She was married in a Christian way to Paul George, a red man of that district. The fact that Paul didn't prove to be a Christian Siwash, as he had led her to believe he was, has not lessened her hope for perfect bliss in a second matrimonial venture. Emma is the first native Indian to obtain a divorce in British Columbia.

ANOTHER TYPHOON.

Manila, Nov. 27.—The weather bureau reports that another typhoon is forming somewhere between Carolina islands and the Philippine group, the general direction in which it is moving being to the north and east. It is expected that the storm will pass to the southward of Manila some time during the night.

Public Notice.

Notice is hereby given that all Churches, Lodges, Schools and Public gatherings will be permitted on and after 21st November next upon all parties wishing to attend the same producing a certificate of successful vaccination.

LADYSMITH BOARD OF HEALTH
D. NICHOLSON, Chairman
A. C. FROST, M.D., Health Officer

Ladysmith, B.C., November 17th, 1908.

GOOD GAME EXPECTED

Strong Combined Team Coming and Locals Will Have to Go to Win.

There is every reason to believe that the exhibition game on Sunday will be well worth seeing. D. McCallum writes to say that he expects to have a strong team over. He has the pick of a good bunch of players, from both Westminster and Westham Island. The greater number will be Islanders, of course, but some important positions will be filled by Westminster stars.

There is no doubt at all that the home players will be put upon their mettle They have three defeats to wipe out, and they cannot start too early. True, Sunday's game is only a friendly one; but they are going in to win just to give their supporters an earnest idea of what they are going to do for the rest of the season. The combined team will be picked from the following sixteen players: Palmer, J. A. and C. Trim, Haslett, Georgeson, Savage, Lindon, McCallum, Crawford, Bruce, Lock, Shawcross, Sawyers, Guichon and Cosulich.

The kick-off is timed for 2:30 sharp and 25 cents admission to the field will be charged. The visitors had to be given a heavy guarantee, and the committee feel confident that the experiment will be a financial success.

TOGO'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPE

W.E. Morrison's Old Scrapper Swept Over the Falls and Escapes Without a Scratch

Mr. W. E. Morrison's Togo had the time and experience of his life on Thursday afternoon. He is a canine miracle this same Togo which everybody in town knows as the principal in scores and hundreds of dog scraps. But none of his numerous fights and scraps ever approached Togo's adventure of Thursday. He must have a special providence reserved to himself, and if Togo could only express himself in the language of humans, what a tale he could unfold.

His master, accompanied by two friends, went for a walk up to the falls on Thursday afternoon. Togo also went, and the miracle is that he came back again. There was a big force of water running and the noise and boom and spray was not pleasing to Togo. Neither did he care to trot along the pipe line and he got down to bed rock. He was sniffing along the edge of the stream just below the dam when in he flopped. Togo is a good swimmer and clearly thought he had nothing to do but strike out for shore.

Instead, Togo was struck out—out into mid stream where he was just picked up by the current and raced and tossed round until finally he was whirled over the lip of the falls. A sheer drop of 50 or 60 feet in all that thundering cataract of water. Such was Togo's fate and his master thought only of his epitaph. Still, all three ran along the pipeline and down the bank and there was Togo butting against the current and trying to make the falls upwards. They got him out and he was nothing the worse for his ride over the falls, and yesterday he was bragging to his friends that he dare do it again.

SAD DEATH OF MRS. JAS. KERR

The deepest sympathy will be felt with Mr. Jas. Kerr in the loss of his wife under such peculiarly sad circumstances. Mrs. Kerr was removed to the hospital about two weeks ago, and was getting along all right. On Sunday, however, she caught a chill which rapidly developed serious and dangerous complications. The crisis came on Wednesday night, and in spite of all the doctors could do, she passed away. Her death was more than sad, and Mr. Kerr is the subject of general sympathy in his terrible bereavement.

YOUNG HARWOOD SUPPOSED TO BE DROWNED.

In further reference to young Harwood, whose disappearance at Union was noted in these columns a few days ago, the Cumberland News says:

"Word has been received that Willie Harwood is lost in the woods near Trent river, a search party has been organized and started out in search of him. His absence has caused much anxiety, as he has not been seen since last Saturday about two o'clock.

"One of the search party arrived in town this afternoon and reported the finding of young Harwood's boat, hat and gun on the beach, a short distance from his home. Grappling irons have been taken down to drag for the body. Mrs. Harwood's mother saw the boat floating out to sea, the afternoon he was missing, but thought that it had broken loose, as there was quite a heavy sea on at the time. The report that he was lost in the woods could not have been a correct one, as the present indications are that he has been drowned."

300 MEN KILLED IN MINE EXPLOSION

PITTABURG, Nov. 28.—The mine of the Pittsburg-Buffalo Coal Company at Marianna, near here is on fire. An explosion occurred about 11.30 a.m. today. Between two and three hundred miners are said to be in the mine.

The scene of the accident is at Marianna, which was built a few months ago by the company. It is considered the most model mining town in the world. A dense cloud of smoke is coming from the two shafts of the mine. John H. Jones, president of the company, at 11.10 o'clock this morning, stated that he had received a report from the Marianna mine to the effect that an explosion had occurred. He stated that State Mine Inspector Loutit and Mine Foreman Kennedy had just completed a two-days' examination of the mine and it was found to be in perfect condition.

At the present time he said it was impossible to state whether the explosion was caused by gas or by powder. Mr. Jones stated that almost the entire force of men were in the mine at the time of the explosion, but he did not know the full extent of the catastrophe. He said one hundred men were in the mines.

The officers of the company have despatched from Monongahela on a special train a rescuing party equipped with all the latest apparatus to the scene of the disaster.

Election Night On A Metropolitan Paper

Jubilant enthusiasm and intense interest, curiosity and gratification, excitement and cheering, mingling with jolly crowds and going home comfortably tired and comfortably dru—, well, going home happy, anyway; this is what election night means to the general public. Nerve-racking, rapid, accurate labor, twenty-four-hour stretches of grilling hard work, buzzing telephones, impudent messenger boys, cross and sleepy election judges, frantic yells of "Copy" from the back office, indignant shouts of aggrieved protests or bowls of over-powering rage from the city editor, and not getting home at all until the next night; this is what election night means to the newspaper man.

Therefore the general public has a passion for elections and enjoys thoroughly every minute of them, while the crowd that whacks the typewriter, pounds the pavement and wields the blue pencil, hates them with an hatred that is almost insane in its fierce intensity.

With the citizen the election slogan is, "Hurrah for Bill! Wow! Let's have a drink on the old party." With the newspaper man the words appropriate the time, are—no, better not; it would break the linotype to set it.

Want Quick Returns

Every so ofter the general public wants new officers installed and proceeds to choose them. For some queer irrational reason, this is the one and only thing of interest to that same public while it is going on, and it must know just whom it did choose. No murder will satisfy it, and a steamboat wreck or the scandalous divorce suit of a prominent citizen fails wholly to check its overpowering thirst for returns from the polls Moreover, the public is an impatient cantankerous creature, and must have the returns, not when they are counted properly and decently, but right now, before the count has more than commenced.

The newspaper is the slave of the public whim and therefore partial returns, forecasts, predictions of majorities and suck-like sops must be thrown to the voracious world of subscribers, and above all, those returns must be rushed in, and quick, too.

From all this it follows that on election night three to five times the usual amount of work must be done in from one-third to one-fourth the usual time, which means going some. This is the telegraph deck, and this is only a very small part of it. News of national returns must come in over the wire and the same is true in part of state, so that the over-worked staff that handles copy from the outside world has at least the satisfaction of knowing that it's someone else's system they're depending on, and that if it doesn't work properly they can't help it.

The "System" Must Work.

But no such luck for the men who take care of city news and of the correspondent's copy from the home country and those surrounding it. They have originated the system that is (or is not) bringing in returns, and if it falls down they have to jump under it with one hand while they grab a telephone and a pencil in the other, yell directions at the foreman and at the messenger boy out of different corners of their mouth and take the total count on three precincts out of eighty-eight in the county, all at one time.

Nice, restful work.

It all seems to denote a lack of system, but as a matter of fact there is nothing but system. The paper that tried to do without it would not get to press with the returns until time for the next election.

Born Diplomats Needed.

To start with, every precinct in the city and county must be assigned to some one who can be trusted to stay till the last vote is counted, get his returns full and correct, and in the meantime fire in intelligent bulletins. And the men and boys delegated to this task must be born diplomats, must be able to wheedle grouchy judges and get partial returns, coax central into giving them a busy line, and must have leather lungs and castiron systems that are impervious to fatigue and the loss of sleep. Of course they haven't all these qualities. No human being has. Therefore it is up to the city editor, who has this branch of the work in hand, to impart all these to them, over the 'phone as a general thing.

The very natural question arises: How he can do it? and the reply is simple. It's an open secret that no city editors are human at all. No human being could hold the job.

These returns, sent in by 'phone by telegraph, by messenger boy or carried in from the nearby precincts by the men themselves, must be tabulated, added, copied and put on the wire as correspondence to outside papers. Then they must be remembered, digested and 'phoned as information to exasperating subscribers who want to know how the election is going, all in the space of exactly three minutes and a half.

Plenty of Work, Plus—.

The city editor has the whole local staff as helpers, of course, but there is about three times enough work for all of them and then some. Instructions must be hurried to worried precinct messengers whose election boards are counting by some freak system or won't give out the news, missing correspondents must be found by 'phone, the insatiable fiends in the back office must be supplied with copy and above all the general public must be satisfied.

A man who has lived through an election on a metropolitan daily has had experience in executive work that is worth several hundred dollars. Also, he has accumulated a profound contempt for human nature a grouch on his kind and a rage against the world in general that is apt to leave him a pessimist for life.

And yet they wonder why a newspaper man doesn't look cheerful when he is hailed on the street by some friend after it is all over and asked how the election suited him.

"Suppose you had to work pretty hard, didn't you?" says the friend.

"——???? *** (!!!) ,....." says the newspaper man and passes on.

TRANSPORT OVERDUE

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Considerable alarm is felt at the war department over the fact that the army transport Dix, en route from Seattle to Manila, with a cargo of 200 horses and 250 mules, is six days overdue. It is feared the Dix was caught in the same typhoon which disabled the hospital ship Relief near the Philippines. The Dix is the largest of the United States army transports.

WILBURTON, Okla., Nov. 27.—Deputy marshalls surrounded a cabin near this town last night and captured Col. Deavola and John Castro, charged with conspiracy to overthrow the government of Mexico.

The seat of their operations is said to be in Sonora. Castro is the editor of a Mexican revolutionary paper published in McAllister, and Devola was a boarder in his cabin with him near the Busby mines. Devola received numerous money orders from points along the Mexican border, in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. They amounted to from 50 cents to $10. Both men are under indictment in the United States States court at San Antonio. After their capture last night they were taken on the train to that place.

SITUATION IMPROVING.

Berlin, Nov. 27.—The foreign office today received advices from Port Au Prince, Hayti, to the effect that the situation there showed considerable improvement. Several German merchants have requested the government to furnish them protection, but up to the present this official demand for a German warship has not been made and no command to that end will be given unless a request is received from the German representative. As French and American warships will soon be at Hayti, the foreign office does not think a German vessel will be required.

A LESSON FROM THE BEE.

Sunday School Teacher— What lesson do we learn from the busy bee?

Tommy Tuffnut—Not to get stung.

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A speech made in the House of Lords the other day by Lord Roberts has caused no little sensation. The particular time and peculiar circumstances chosen for the delivery of the ovation naturally contributed largely to the world-wide attention the speech has received. Lord Roberts in calm and deliberate temper, gravely asserted the constant and imminent danger of England from invasion by Germany. Now Germany and its unhappy and no longer inspired Kaiser had been having a scene all to themselves in the drama of the world's politics. Revelations as to the great Wilhelm's meddling in international policies, and particularly of his hatred of England and things English, had been made, and the Kaiser found himself repudiated by his parliament and forced through the most humiliating experience it has ever been a Kaiser's lot to undergo. There was some considerable feeling aroused in England by these revelations and happenings, and, as is inevitable under these circumstances, not a little extreme and alarmist talk and writings. It was this particular moment that Lord Roberts chose to launch his sensation, and certainly he has reason to be satisfied with the effect his words have produced.

Briefly summed up, the chief points of his speech were: First, that England's supremacy upon the seas did not ensure her against invasion from Germany. There was always enough German shipping in the German ports to transport over one million men to the shores of England. Second, there was no available force in England either to prevent the Germans affecting a landing, or to effectively withstand them once they had gained a footing. To heighten the danger, there were 80,000 Germans in England, all trained soldiers, who would undoubtedly rally to their country's flag. Lord Roberts made it abundantly clear that he considered a German invasion as easily practicable, and he certainly did not mince matters in dealing with its real and living dangers to the peace and security of the old land.

As for the naval and military side of the question, we cannot, of course, say very much. As a layman, and the naval supremacy of England being conceded, it seems to us that even if the Germans did manage to steal across the North Sea and effect a landing in England, they were only at the beginning of their difficulties. By the time they had subdues England and hoisted the German flag in London they might possibly find that there was no longer a Germany. However, there are other points in the speech which have a greater interest for us than this one, which rightly belongs to the military expert. First of all it may be said that Lord Roberts is a great opportunist and a better tactician on the floor of the House than he is even on the field of battle. He selected the exact psychological moment to deliver his warning. Lord Roberts has for years been advocating compulsory military service. The sense and sentiment of the country are entirely and incradicably opposed to such a system, and nothing that the hero of Kandahar has previously said has ever touched the people. He has succeeded a little better this time; but the means adopted, to a large extent discredit the object in view. It is, for example, more than passing strange that the existence of such a real peril to England's security should only have been discovered at this late hour of the day. Stranger still it is that the discovery of it, so soon as made, should have been published to the world at a time when the feelings existing between the two countries concerned were, to say the least, badly strained. Strangest of all is it that this should have been done by Britain's premier Field Marshall. Desperate diseases require desperate remedies must have been Lord Roberts' motto, but it will hardly add to the strength of the case he made out for compulsory military service. And the sole motive of the speech was to forward this case, to establish the absolute necessity of universal military training in England.

This then, is the last word of one of Britain's greatest men in the year of our Lord 1908. The end of Christian civilization is the frenzied building of Dreadnoughts, and the making of every man a soldier. After 200 years of preaching and the practice of Christ's gospel of peace and the Brotherhood of man, nations inhabited by Christian people and administered by Christian gentlemen, can only live in peace and security, and independence by going armed to the teeth. Almost a revolution of hunger in old England, and enough is spent on arms and armaments to feed the world! It is a certain fact that if the men who caused the wars had to fight themselves there would no longer be the necessity for such huge naval and military estimates in Christian countries. It is equally true that the universal growth of democracy and democratic ideals will make war less and less possible. The movement towards disarmament and universal peace is not coming from the meeting of august jobbers at the Hague, but from the small gatherings of men in dingy lodge rooms and union halls the world over. So soon as the people make up their minds to prohibit the building of warships, just so soon will these intolerable and anomalous burdens upon the revenue of Christian countries be removed. The best interests of a country and the prosperity of its people lie in the preservation of peace. This fact has been established again and again, and is being realized more and more by the laborers of all countries. Old racial prejudices are dying out with the spread of education, and the people of Europe are getting to know and understand each other better. It may qe that Lord Roberts has sounded a true note of alarm; but it is far more likely that the majority of the German people have no desire to invade England, no more than the majority of Englishmen would demand an attack on Germany. It is the duty of the nation's advisers and administrators to take note of these facts and govern their actions accordingly. Theoretically at least, we are all for peace, and its coming is certainly not going to be hastened by compulsory military service in England.

JAPAN IS EXCITED OVER KAISER'S INTERVIEW

TOKIO, Nov. 25.—The recent published interview with Emperor William is the most absorbing topic of the day here. Officials as well as the newspapers believe that the Emperor has been correctly quoted but the newspapers ridicule his statements. One paper publishes a picture of the German Emperor having his tongue amputated, and editorially discredits the statements attributed to him that he and President Roosevelt were in accord.

TAYLOR COMMITTED FOR TRIAL YESTERDAY.

Alfred Taylor, was yesterday committed for trial at Victoria on the charge of having killed his infant child some ten years ago. The main features of the painful story were published in the Free Press less than two weeks ago when the matter was first ventilated in the police court. The greater part of yesterday was taken up with examination and cross examination of Mrs. Taylor. She repeated the unpleasant history of her relations with her husband and of the alleged killing by him of their child, and was afterwards put through a thorough cross examination by Wm. C. Moresby.

The story is a revolting one and in many of its most important details quite unprintable. There was but little fresh evidence introduced, although a couple of Vancouver ladies were called. Provincial Constables Carter and Conway testified to arresting of the accused, and told how after they had arrested him they warned him that anything he said would be used against him, Taylor replied:

"Well, I suppose you are going to hang me now."

C. J. Prior appeared for the crown and Wm. C. Moresby and R. C. Lows for the defence.

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ISSUES DEFI TO CHAMPION.

Frank Gotch, the Iowa wrestler, who caused Hackenschmidt to quit, after two hours of severe wrestling last spring in Chicago, is receiving a cordial reception in London, England. After fulfilling his contract, Gotch declares he will turn his attention to wrestling,, and will meet "Hack" next March. Meanwhile, John Lemm, the young Swiss who won the recent catch-as-catch-can tourney, has been the first to challenge the American.

Gotch:s one desire since arrival in England, in view of the accusations of unfairness brought against him, has been to vindicate his name, and he has gone so far as to offer one thousand dollars to charity if anyone will verify the statements brought against him.

In a lengthy interview with Sporting Life, Gotch says that every word of "Hack's" version of the contest, was false. Regarding the referee the champion said that the official was not of his selection. He absolutely denied that he was greased and regarding the accusation of gouging and using profane language he laughed and said that every bit of it was absolutely false.

"It is all too absurd," he said. "Hack's abilities are exaggerated. He is not a terror nor a wonder. I am ready to wrestle him or anybody catch-as-catch-can. If I am the champion I want to be the real champion, and I will take my hat off to a better. I am human, and have a right to have wrong impressions of me removed. I have never refused a man a match. I bear no man any ill-will. I have made a great study of wrestling, attack and defence.

"I am in England unsolicited, and have no very great inducements. In wrestling Hackenschmidt I soon found out his plan of campaign. When he pulled me forward, I went with him and did not retreat as most men do. Then with under and back holds I slashed him to the ground. His favorite head hold I trifled with, put my head against his chest, and got close with head down ward like a boxer. Then I said 'Come along and finish it," whereupon he got back."

Challenge Accepted.

A committee of newspaper men, known as the Wrestling Board of Control, which in that capacity intends to arrange matches in London, has decided that the first match will be between Hackenschmidt and Zybsco in March, and the second between Gotch and Lemm in April.

FIGHT WILL MAKE RING HISTORY.

We are drawing near to the date for the Burns-Johnson bout, which is set for Australia next month and inside of a few days, gossip about the heavyweights will hold the attention of sport lovers. In spite of the active pragramme scheduled for several lightweights, the heavier men will be those who will get the most attention, writes Malachy Hogan, the well known sporting authority.

There is something about a heavyweight contest that attracts attention as the lighter ones never do. This is undoubtedly because the average person realises that the heavyweight "champ" is the man who represents the last word in boxing—the man who, in deed and fact, is really the champion of the world with the gloves. He is the man who presumably, can whip anybody of any weight and class in the squared circle.

In the present case it is Jack Johnson who challenges Burns' right to the title. For the first time in the history of the American ring a colored boxer will have a chance at the heavyweight title of the world. Peter Jackson was always a claimant for the right to fight Sullivan, who was admittedly the title-holder of the day. But Sullivan always refused to meet a colored boxer.

Jeffries, it is true, met both Peter Jackson and Bob Armstrong. But it was before he became champion. So Johnson, in his way, will have the distinction of being the first colored boxer ever to have a try at the American, which means the world's title. It is true that more than a century ago Molyneaux was sent over from a Virginian plantation to try for British honors. But those were in the bare-knuckle days and before there was such a thing as an American ring or title.

Johnson has the chance of his lifetime here. On account of some of Burns' performances I have heard doubts cast on the genuineness of this match. But when we consider the fortune at stake, I believe that it must be held on the level.

Burns will have to be conceded the championship at present, in view of the fact that there are no other competitors. It is true that he never met Jeffries, who has stuck to his determination to retire. It is also a fact that the bout on which he gained his present title was one which it had been previously agreed to "fake," with Jack O'Brien as the winner.

Facts surrounding his present position have made Burns unpopular. His championship crown is regarded by many as decidedly tarnished. When it leaked out that he paid the way of B. Squires from London to Australia, to secure a match before an Australian crowd, doubts were cast upon the honesty of the go, although no proof was offered that it was fixed. Certain it is that there was no lack of force behind the blows which sent Squires out. Spectators of the bout have told me that Squires hit the floor on occasions with a thump that shook the ring and in a fashion to make the crowd seriously wonder if he was not badly hurt.

If Burns can win a clean and honestly fought battle from Johnson he will remove much of the taint which now hangs over his title. If Johnson wins on the other hand, an immense fortune certainly awaits him.

Johnson is still young and aggressive. He has a long career before him in the ring. If he is the first of his color to hold international honors he can make a tremendous hit abroad.

ABE ATTELL MET HIS DEFEAT.

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Nov. 26.—Abe Attell, the fast and undefeated featherweight champion of the world met more than his match last night in Freddie Welch, the English lightweight champion. Welch showed himself to be a clever man. His boxing, his footwork, generalship and defensive tactics were superb and Attell never had a chance from the beginning. The doughty little champion seemed to lack confidence, his blows lacked vigor and his generalship was not up to his standard. While he fought bravely on the defensive and rallied frequently against the lead of his opponent, Attell was not able to make a sufficient showing at any time to place the result of the fight in doubt. Welch led with both hands with unerring precision. There was much in-fighting, and this alone showed Attell to advantage.

Attell said after the fight that he had given away too much weight to his opponent. He also alleged that an injury to his hand received in training interfered with his work.

The betting was 10 to 8 on Attell, who lost the decision at the end of the 15th round.

JAPAN IS BECOMING AMERICANIZED.

Stanford University, Cal., Nov. 20—The interest resulting today from the explanation of the relations of Japan and the United States made by Dr. D. Ebin, the noted Japanese missionary, in a talk to the students last night, may cause a second invitation to be given him to again address the students.

"When the American people abolished slavery they did their noblest work," said Dr. Ebin. "Japan has abolished distinction and has done away with the aristocracy. The growth of democracy among our people has been wonderfully rapid. We are following the United States and you are advancing above all the other nations of the earth!

"America and Japan, by combination of their forces, can push on the work of God. We are willing; you are more able. You start; we will follow. The people of Japan are following the American and we are in this way brothers and sisters. Japanese see much in humanity and they have learned to love their enemies. You have a great task before you in Americanizing the whole Japanese nation.

FERNIE RAPIDLY RECOVERS FROM FIRE.

Recent visitors to Fernie state that that city is in bad condition of wet and confusion, although everyth ng is going along splendidly, and there are more people now in Fernie than there was before the fire. The streets are full of a confused jumble of bricks and lumber, and stone, and cement. There are no electric lights the night illuminations being supplied by kerosene. Moving picture shows are doing a land office business in tents, and everything is hurry and hustle, work going along the same on Sundays as on week days.

During the fire all the electric light poles and wires were destroyed, but the sewerage system and the water system escaped, and are as good now as at any time before.

Next spring a number of the business men of the city will proceed with a project which they have had in mind for some time, that is the erection of a grand hotel, five stories high, and modern in every particular.

TORONTO WOMEN'S FLASKS OF "COMFORT."

HAMILTON, Nov. 26.—Alderman Hales, of Toronto, in a speech at a temperance meeting here, gave Toronto a "good" black eye. He said hundreds of women in Toronto would not think of going to holiday resorts in the summer without taking flasks of liquor for their "comfort." He also accused Toronto people of being whited sepulchres in their attitude towards social evils.

FOG DEMORALIZES NEW YORK TRAFFIC.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Withheld from entering or leaving this port by a steaming blanket of blinding fog, a score or more of ocean liners are anchored in the lower bay and outside of Sandy Hook. The fog is one of the heaviest on record. River traffic is practically at a standstill. While no vessels can be seen in the lower bay the fact that there is a strong fleet of steamers and vessels there waiting for the fog to lift, is emphasized by the continuous blowing of sirenes and ringing of bells.

The ferry boats have been unable to keep anything like schedule time, many of them remaining in their slips. Numerous minor accidents resulted from the boats striking piers in their efforts to get into their slips.

The tunnels were jammed to suffocation with the crush of passengers, who forsook the ferry boats and dirty streets. The effect of the fog was almost as demoralizing on the streets as on the water. Hundreds of vehicles blocked traffic at congested points, a great many being forced to stay on the streets all night.

WOMEN TO AID FIGHT ON GRAFT.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 26.—The graft prosecution fight is today reinforced by the knowledge that one thousand of the city's best women are pledged to its support. At a meeting held yesterday in Calvary Church, under the auspices of the women's branch of the Citizens' League of Justice, addresses supporting the battle for civic decency were made by Prof. G. H. Boke, Mrs. W. Chenoy, Walter MacArthur, Mrs. J. W. Orr, Miss Mariam Michelson, Mrs. A. Sperry, Mrs. E. I. Baldwin, Rev. J. B. Leavitt and Mrs. T. A. Stark.

The following resolutions were adopted:

"Whereas, we, the women of San Francisco, realizing that the criminal corruption which has prevailed, and still prevails in this city, is a menace to the moral peace of our homes and the future of our children, therefore, be it,

"Resolved, That we pledge our earnest support to the graft prosecution in its battle for justice, public honor and the moral peace of our homes."

GRAVE DANGER OF A SERIOUS OUTBREAK.

CALCUTTA, Nov. 25.—The situation in India has not shown such a menace of serious uprising as it does today, in many years past. Attacks and attempts on the lives of Englishmen, officials and civilians, are of almost daily occurrence. Lord Minto, the viceroy of India, returned here today from the north, cutting short his excursion in the country for the purpose of considering measures to cope with the native disaffection, which the authorities have been forced to recognize is alarmingly on the increase.

Last night the Bengal made an unsuccessful attempt to kill Public Prosecutor Hume with a mob in a railroad carriage near Agurpura. There were three other Europeans in the carriage at the same time, none were injured.

Last Sunday night District Superintendent of Police Clough was murdered by a native at Lyallpur. The native approached the superintendent while he was asleep, and cut open his head with a spade.

The police are taking remarkable precautions to safeguard Lord Minto and this is regarded as most significant.

A TALENTED SALESMAN.

Fair Customer— Is this real antique?

Furniture Dealer—A-er-modern revival and—er—evolution of an ancient court style, madam.

Fair Customer (doubtfully)— What kind of wood is it?

Dealer (impressively)Wood? Madam, this is the wood that poets have raved over when alluding to the music of nature; it is the wood that first greeted the eyes of the weary Columbus as the mighty trees, rich in verdure, bent beneath the snow; it s the wood that even now attracts invalids to the forests where it grows. It is pine, madam— genuine pine.

THANKSGIVING WITH THE PRESIDENT.

Washington, Nov. 26.—All the members of President Roosevelt's family returned home today for their last Thanksgiving Day in the White House. At the executive mansion, as in other departments of the government service the day was made as much of a holiday as possible. The secretaries and clerks were given the day off and the president, after an hour or so spent in his office in the early forenoon, shut up shop, as he said, and prepared to spend the remainder of the holiday with his family. This afternoon the President left the White House long enough to attend the laying of the corner stone for the Negro Y.M.C.A. building that is to be erected on Twelfth street.

CONSTRUED TO DISADVANTAGE.

Village Schoolmistress—As for you Willy Tompkins, yours is a double offense. Why didn't you give up your apples when the other boys did?

Willy— Please, 'm, I thought you only wanted enough to make a pie!

DONNELLY GETS APPOINTMENT.

Washington, Nov. 26.—Samuel B. Donnelly of Brooklyn, former president of the International Typographical Union, was appointed public printer by President Roosevelt today to succeed John S. Leach, and the latter's request to be returned to his former position as public printer for the Philippines was granted.

SULLIVAN DEFEATED.

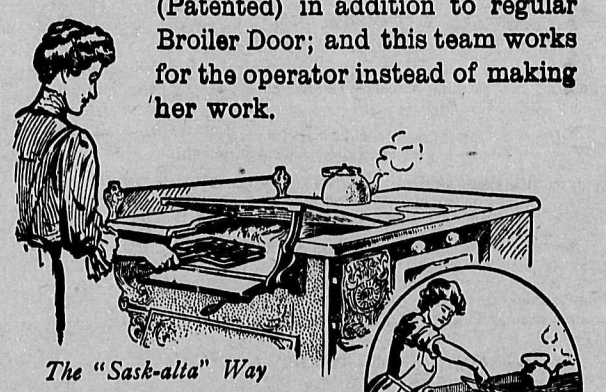
Savannah, Ga., Nov. 26.—Kid Sullivan and Bert Keyes met last night for a 20-round fight before the Southern Athletic Club. In the 18th Keyes scored two knock-downs, the second putting Sullivan out. Sullivan fought gamely after having been knocked down several times.

From the 11th to the 18th several rounds were clearly his. Both men showed cleverness.

Sask-alta Steel Range

BROILING MEAT & TOASTING BREAD.

One way produces evenly broiled meat and evenly toasted bread without taxing the patience of the housewife. This way is represented by "Sask-alta" Range. The reason: "Sask-alta" Range has an Automatic Lift Top (Patented) in addition to regular Broiler Door; and this team works for the operator instead of making her work.



The "Sask-alta" Way

Another way produces unevenly broiled meat and unevenly toasted bread and taxes the patience of the housewife. This way is represented by most Ranges. The reason: Some Ranges have "only" a Broiler Door, others have a contrivance like that illustrated in top small drawing; both of which enjoy the distinction of tiring the arm that holds the broiler and tiring the eye that directs the arm.

Another Way

Still Another Way

McClary's

London, Toronto Montreal, Winnipeg, Vancouver, St. John, Hamilton, Calgary

LOCAL AGENTS

Ladysmith Hardware Co.

WASHINGTON, Ga., Nov. 26.—Tomorrow is the date fixed for the execution of the negro, Ed. Fallin, whose trial for murder took place before the superior court here several weeks ago. Fallin's crime was the murder of Robert Johnson, another negro, of whom he was jealous because of the latter's attentions to a negress with whom Fallin was infatuated. In the early part of June Fallin slipped up to Johnson's house one night and fired on the negro while he was sitting on his porch. Johnson died the next day. The perpetrator of the deed was unknown, but as Fallin could not be found and as the enmity existing between the two men was well known, suspicion was at once directed to the runaway negro. Rewards were offered for his capture, and after several months of hiding, Fallin was found by two other negroes and turned over to the authorities. He was captured only after a hard fight and after being wounded in the chase.

VALUATION.

"Surely you picked up something in the way of an art treasure while you were abroad," said the collector.

"I don't know," said Mr. Cumrox, "when my new son-in-law is all dressed up you might call him a work of art. But I don't believe he is any treasure."

CHINESE ASCENSION CEREMONIES DEC. 2nd.

PEKIN, Nov. 27.—The Government has decided on Dec. 2nd for the ceremonies attending Pu Yis' ascension to the throne, when the officials of Pekin and all the members of the Imperial clan will acknowledge fealty to the infant Emperor of China. It has been understood that this ceremony was to be performed in expiration of the era of the late Kuang Hsuan on New Years' day. The apparent urgency of the government is ascribed to relieve the anxiety of the official class.

A reward of 2,000 taels has been offered for the apprehension of the leader of the recent revolutionary outbreak at Nanking.

EMPEROR IN NO DANGER.

BERLIN, Nov. 26.—According to a bulletin issued this afternoon, from the new Palace at Potsdam, the cold of which the Emperor is suffering, continues to take its normal course.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

Parsons, Kas., Nov. 27.—Engineer F. E. Melville and Fireman F. F. Wolff were killed by an explosion on a Missouri, Kansas and Texas freight engine near Idenbro, Kas., six miles south of here, today. C. E. Roe, brakeman, was fatally hurt.

BIG AUTO RACE STARTED THIS MORNING.

SAVANAH, Nov. 26.—The grand prize race was started at 9.45 a.m. today in a dense fog. The race was postponed from 9 o'clock, the hour originally set, but as the fog did not show any signs of lifting, it was decided 45 minutes later to make a start regardless of the dangerous atmospheric conditions. The twenty cars in the race were sent away at one-minute intervals.

It was exactly 9.45 o'clock when the blue Clement No. 1 sprang away from the tape. With the release of his foot pressure on the groaning clutch Victor Regali, in his 120-horse-power car disappeared into the enveloping mist like the proverbial streak of blue. At one-minute intervals the snapping, snarling cars of different nations were sent pitching into the grey murk to find their way as best they could about the dangerous course, made doubly hazardous by the unfavorable atmosphere. There was a rousing cheer for each driver as he sped away.

DePalma held his lead through the second lap which he negotiated in 21.36, the fastest time up to this time. His average speed for the lap was seventy miles an hour. Wagner still held second place, Hanriot was third and Sziz fourth. On the next lap, however, DePalma had some trouble and lost the lead of the race to Hanriot, with Sziz second. He soon reported on the road again and began to drive hard after the leaders. The American Acme Car No.7, broke a spring during this lap and was out of the race. No one was hurt.

The first accident reported was to Chalmer's car No. 13, which ran into a tree. No one reported hurt.

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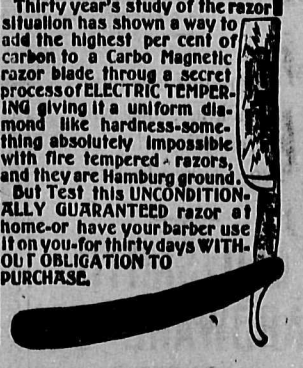

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TELEGRAPH NEWS OF THE WORLD IN GENERAL.

LICENSING BILL.

Lords Decide to Reject Measure When It Reaches Them.

London, Nov. 25.—By a large majority, a meeting of two hundred members of the House of Lords decided in favor of rejecting the licensing bill summarily when it is sent up to their house.

As the Unionists are in a strong majority in the Upper House, there will be no difficulty in throwing out any radical legislation distasteful to them.

CARNEGIE DECLINES.

Washington, Nov. 25.— S. Payne, chairman of the house ways and means committee today received a reply to the invitation extended to Andrew Carnegie to appear before the commission at the hearing on the metal schedules. Mr. Carnegie thanked Mr. Payne for his invitation, but asks to be excused from appearing before the commission saying that he has served his full term in Washington upon the tariff reforms.

DROWNED IN EIGHTEEN INCHES OF WATER.

Blenheim, Ont., Nov. 25.—Mrs. Wm Bell fell into an open well today, while drawing water and was drowned in eighteen inches of water.

RIOTING CONTINUES.

Rome, Nov. 25.—The anti-Austrian demonstrations that began yesterday because of anti-Italian riots taking place recently in Vienna, were continued this morning in several of the principal towns of Italy. In each case troops were called out to disperse the demonstrators, and order was promptly restored.

EMPEROR INDISPOSED.

Berlin, Nov. 25.—A bulletin issued at 12.30 o'clock this afternoon from the new palace at Potsdam, states that the Emperor will remain in bed today because of a cold with which he is suffering. He was indisposed yesterday.

OLD EDITOR DEAD.

London, Nov. 25.—Sir Blorthwick, the first Baron Glenskatt, editor of the Morning Post, died tonight. He was born in 1830.

OFFICIAL SUSPENDED.

ffingston, Nov. 25.—One of the trade inspectors in Pennsylvania has been suspended pending inquiry into an accusation that he has been smuggling opium in to convicts.

CHEMAINUS ACCIDENT IS RECALLED.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 24.—An accident to a runaway logging train at Chemainus a year ago which caused the death of Engineer Leonard, while of Vancouver, is recalled in an appeal before the full court today. The Victoria Lumber Company is seeking a new trial of the recent suit in which the jury awarded James White the father of the engineer, a verdict of $6,000 and costs. The company's ground for application is that the evidence only showed negligence on the part of the brakeman, and that was not sufficient to render the company liable unless it were shown that the brakeman was incompetent. According to the company the evidence showed he was incompetent. According to the company the evidence showed he was a competent employee The company also seeks a new trial on the ground that the damages awarded were excessive.

ENGLAND ORDERS SLAUGHTER OF CATTLR.

LONDLN, Nov. 25.—The Board of Agriculture has ordered the slaughter without delay, of the cattle on board the four steamers that have arrived in England since the board issued its order prohibiting the importation of cattle from New York and Pennsylvania, on account of the foot and mouth disease in those states.

TO PROMOTE ATHLETICS IN SCHOOLS.

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.— James E. Sullivan, president of the Amateur Athletic Union and chairman of the commission in charge of the United States team at last summer's Olympic games in London, was today appointed by Mayor McLelland, a member of the New York city Board of Education. Friends of Mr. Sullivan say that his appointment was made by the mayor with a view to the promotion of athletics in public schools, a subject which the new appointee has been actively interested in for many years.

STEAMER SARDINIA BURNED AT SEA

VALLETA, Island of Malta, Nov. 25.—Nearly two hundred persons, passengers and crew, of the Ellerman Line steamer Sardinia, are believed to have perished today when the steamer was destroyed by fire, just after she sailed for Alexandria, Egypt.

The Sardinia was scarcely a mile off Grand Harbor when the first sign of fire appeared, but with a strong wind to fan the flames, the whole ship soon was ablaze and the passengers and crew had scarcely a chance for their lives. There was a wild panic on board as the rapidly spreading flames drove the passengers to the rails, and many not waiting for the boats to be lowered, plunged into the sea. Scores are believed to have been drowned.

Others, trapped by the fire, were literally roasted to death. There were many craft in the harbor at the time of the disaster and a number of tugs and other swift small vessels rushed to the assistance of the imperilled steamer. The high sea and gale which prevailed at the time made it impossible for them even to approach the Sardinia, and they could do little in the way of aid.

The Sardinia left Liverpool Nov. 14, with a cargo of general merchandise for Mediterranean ports. her crew numbered 44 and twenty first-class and six second-class passengers embarked at Liverpool. Most of her other passengers undoubtedly were Levantines, Maltese and Egyptians. Many of these people cross on the steamers of this line from Malta to Alexandria. It is their custom to pitch their tents on deck for shelter during the four days' trip. The decks were crowded and this condition undoubtedly made the orderly clearing of the ship most difficult.

Up to three o'clock this afternoon fifty bodies had been brought ashore from the Sardinia. Many of these persons evidently had come to their end from drowning though some had been burned to death. The loss of life on board the Sardinia will be about 123 persons. The dead include 100 Arabs, five European passengers and eighteen members of the crew. Seventy persons have been saved.

The flames apparently originated in the forehold. The quantity of naptha stored here so fed the conflagration that it was impossible to save the vessel. From the beginning the captain and crew stuck nobly to their posts. They served out life belts and did everything to help the panic-stricken passengers, most of whom were Arabs. Rescuing parties were sent out from all the warships in the harbor and pinnaces and launches and other small boats are continuously bringing in survivors, and bodies of victims. The European survivors among the passengers and crew already have been landed. They declare that the Arabs were thrown into a condition of uncontrollable panic when the situation became serious. The burning vessel could not return to the mouth of the harbor owing to the danger to the other ships. She finally was driven ashore in the Recasoli rocks. Her grounding was followed by a succession of noises like eruptions indicating the explosion of naptha in her hold.

THIS ROMANCE BELIES FICTION'S TRADITIONS

NEW YORK, Nov. 25.—Pleased at his son's pluck in defying parental authority to the extent of wedding the girl he loved, whether or not he wished it, Capt. John Fleming, a wealthy contractor and prominent Tammany Hall man, after his first anger had cooled somewhat, placed a check for $50,000 in his son's hand.

"You're all right, my boy," said Fleming. "I'm proud of you because you went right ahead and married the girl you love. Now go where you like and don't come back until you have spent this."

The young man, John J. Fleming, married Miss Claire O'Neil, of Yonkers, in this city yesterday.

STRANGE FREAKS OF A TORNADO.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Nov. 25.—The known dead number sixteen and unconfirmed reports show that six other persons lost their lives as a result of the storm which swept parts of this state Monday. Verified reports place the number of injured at 28, three probably fatally.

Reports last night, which were to the effect that the tornado was most severe at Piney, were not substantiated today. Later reports show that no one was killed at that town.

Several freak acts of the tornado were reported near Hot Springs and Berryville. School houses were lifted off their foundations and moved, but the pupils and teachers inside escaped injury.

HAYTIAN MINISTER OF INTERIOR EXECUTED.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, Nov. 25.—The report that Gen. Leconte, the Haytien minister of the interior, had been killed at Jeremie was confirmed today. Upon arriving at Jeremie at the head of a government detachment, sent out against the revolutionists, he found the government gunboat Croyant ashore. He at once accused the commander, Captain Ostema, of treason, and refusing to listen to any explanations, he forthwith had him executed.

After this Gen. Leconte landed at Jeremie for the purpose of recruiting men in the town to fight against the rebels under Gen. Semon, the leader of the movement against President Nord Alexis. Some of the people of Jeremie protested against this course, and Minister Leconte selected two of the most prominent citizens and had them executed. These outrages so aroused the people that they armed themselves hastily and advanced against Leconte and his troops. There was practically no resistance. Leconte was taken prisoner and in his turn was executed by a fusilade on the same wharf where he had caused the killing of Ostema and the two citizens.

General Tancrede Auguste has been named minister of the interior in succession to Leconte. He held a ministerial portfolio under Gen. Sam. The revolution is progressing. Gen. Celesten, the minister of war, has sent in a demand for disciplined troops. He explained that the new recruits will not stand against the fire of the enemy.

Gen. Leconte made his name a terror in Hayti during the few years he was prominent in the affairs of the government. He is credited with the responsibility of the summary execution last March of eleven prominent politicians charged with conspiracy against the government. These men were taken from their beds at daybreak, marched to the cemetery on the outskirts of Port au Prince and summarily shot.

He was a mulatto about 38 years of age and was a lawyer of Cape Natien without practice until 1902, when Gen. Nord made him his private secretary. He rose fast in the Alexis government and became head of the clique that practically ruled the president. The present revolution in Hayti began last week and up to the present time the rebels appear to have been fairly successful.

UNKNOWN STEAMER SUNK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 26. — An unknown steamer believed to be the Finance, of the Panama Railroad & Steamship Co., was sunk in a collision with the White Star steamer Georgia in the main ship channel at the end of Sandy Hook this morning, The Georgia was only slightly damaged..

The collision took place in a thick fog. The Georgia anchored near the sunken steamer and it is believed that the passangers and crew of the unknown vessel were taken on board the White Star boat.

The Sandy Hook crew of life savers were off the sunken steamer and a tug used by the harbor supervisors was also seen about the wreck. The steamer Finance sailed from her dock for Colon on Monday but was probably detained by fog and must have been at anchor in the Lower Bay until today.

She carried about 100 passengers, and general cargo of merchandise. The sunken vessel lies north of the channel with nothing showing above water except her bridge, pipes and masts. The hull is entirely submerged. Boats are still going back and forth between the Georgic and the wrecked vessel. The passengers of the latter appear to be on the deck of the Georgic. It is believed that the collision took place as the Finance was attempting to leave the Lower Bay and while the Georgic, a White Star freighter, was coming in from Liverpool, after being delayed in the fog. The fog is now so thick that the wreck is just barely visible from Sandy Hook. Ib

Later.—Fog, the heaviest known for years, which has paralyzed traffic in New York harbor for four days caused the loss of six lives today, when the Panama Railroad steamer Finance, bound for Colon, with 85 passengers on board, was sunk in collision with the White Star freighter Georgic, in the main channel off Sandy Hook.

Chief Engineer John W. Puckett, third assistant engineer William H. Todd, and an oiler named Charles Eric, all of the Finance, who remained at their posts or were caught in thewreckage, went down with the ship. Three passengers are missing, and are believed to be drowned.

They are: Mrs. Irene Campbell, of Colon; Henry Muller, a conductor on the Panama Railroad, and Policeman Rhideland, of the Canal Zone Police.

Most of the passengers were at breakfast when the great steel prow of the freighter Georgic came crashing through the side of the Finance as the Panama liner was making her way slowly down the channel. Nineteen women and fifteen children were still asleep in their state room. With the uproar of the collision all fled to the deck and while the boats were being lowered several of the women, too frantic with fright to be calmed by the steady assurances of officers that all would be saved, plunged overboard, dressed only in their night clothes. They were picked up by boats from both the Georgic and Finance, while their cooler fellow passengers clustered about the other as the Finance sank under their feet.

The passengers declared that Captain Mowberry of the Finance, remained cool and directed the work of rescue, but despite the best efforts the six named were not among the rescued. It was then too late a time to save them for the hull had settled on the bottom of the channel with only the smokestack and masts protruding above the water. The captain of the Georgic quickly dropped anchor, manned his boats and then sent them to the wrecked steamer, greatly aiding in the rescue. All those saved were taken on board the Georgic and brought to this city.

An ammonia tank in the engine room of the Finance exploded when the collision occurred and the fumes drove most of the engineers to the deck. Miss Irene Campbell was seen climbing the after railing as the vessel was sinking. The wireless operator tried to induce her to board one of the boats, but she was still clinging to the railing when the Finance went down.

GREEK SOCIETY CELEBRATES 75TH YEAR.

NEW YORK, Nov. 24.—Distinguished appearing men wearing fraternity pins in their coat lapels were numerous about the corridors and lounging rooms of the Waldorf-Astoria. Among them were United States' senators, noted authors, clergymen, prominent merchants, members of the judiciary and men who have risen to eminence in the professions and mercantile pursuits. The purpose of their gathering was to attend the great reunion and banquet to be given at the Waldorf-Astoria tonight in celebration of the seventy-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Psi Upsilon fraternity, of which they are members.

The banquet promises to be a notable affair. The scheduled speakers are all men of national prominence. A letter regretting his inability to be present and expressing his warm interest in the event will be read from President-elect Taft, who is an active member of the fraternity.

The Psi Upsilon is one of the foremost of the college Greek letter societies in America. The society was founded at Union College, Schenectady, in 1833, by nine enthusiastic young men, who hardly dreamed that they were building a great national college society for all time. The fraternity soon commenced to spread, reaching Harvard, Yale, Columbia and other big eastern colleges. Then it swept into the Middle States. Recently it has placed chapters in the Universities of Wisconsin, Minnesota, California and Chicago.

From the nine founders it has achieved a membership of over ten thousand, of whom nine thousand are living members. On the roster of the society are many distinguished names. Among these, in addition to President-elect Taft, are Senator Chauncey M. Depew, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of the Columbia University; Andrew D. White, former ambassador to Germany; Senator William P. Frye, of Maine; Senator George P. Wetmore, of Rhode Island; former Senator John C. Spooner of Wisconsin; Herbert W. Bowen, former minister to Venezuela; Goldwin Smith, Rev. Charles H. Parkhurst, John Kendrick Bangs, Herbert L. Bridgeman, of Brooklyn; Timothy L. Woodruff, Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., and Mayor J. Benjamin Dimmick of Scranton.

WOMAN CHARGED WITH MURDER.

NEW YORK, Nov. 23.— The trial of Sarah Koten for the murder of Dr. Martin W. Auspitz which was scheduled to begin in the Supreme court today, was indefinitely postponed when the case was called.

The postponement was taken on the request of the counsel for the prisoner who said she had had little opportunity to confer with her clients as she had only recently been brought from Blackwells Island, where she had been a prisoner since last June. It is possible that the case may again be called during December.

Following Dr. Auspitz' death Miss Koten told a story of mistreatment in his hospital and while a prisoner gave birth to a child.

Dr. Auspitz was an Austrian, who had practiced medicine in this country for ten years successfully.

A more complete report says: Considerable public interest is manifested in the case of Sarah Koten which was called for trial today in the Criminal Branch of the Supreme Court. The young woman, a Russian Jewess who has been in America but a few years, is charged with having murdered Dr. M. W. Auspitz last spring. The victim was a man of family and a physician of high standing in his profession.

Dr. Auspitz maintained a private sanitarium and Sarah Koten was employed by him as a nurse. According to the young woman, she was wronged by the physician and then cast out. When an effort to obtain justice in the courts failed her she determined to wreak personage vengeance upon her alleged betrayer.

On the night of the tragedy she telephoned to Dr. Auspitz at his home in East Ninety-third street. In the guise of a patient she summoned the physician to make a call at 81onal to make a professional call at an apartment house in West 135th street. When the physician arrived at the house of the young woman, heavily veiled, met him in the vestibule and without a word shot and killed him instantly.

After the killing Miss Koten collapsed and for days her life was despaired of. Because of her condition she was removed from the Tombs to the city hospital on Blackwell's hospital. There, on September 26 last, she gave birth to a child. The circumstances surrounding the case aroused much public sympathy in behalf of the unfortunate and friendless young woman. This sympathy was increased when it became known that charges similar to those made by the young Jewess had previously been preferred against Dr. Auspitz by another woman who had been in his employ. Through the efforts of charitably disposed persons able counsel has been engaged to conduct the defense of Miss Koten.

HOSPITAL SHIP IS SAVED

MANILA, Nov. 25.—Admiral Sperry today received a telegram from the hospital ship Relief, five days overdue at Guam for which port she sailed from this harbor Nov. 15. The message came by way of Sorsorgon, in southern Luzon, and stated that the ship was badly damaged by a typhoon on Nov. 18, during which the engines were disabled. Fire broke out on the Relief, but was promptly gotten under control. The Relief is now proceeding to Manila under her own steam, repairs to her engines having been made by the crew.

The news relieves the fears entertained that the Relief had met with disaster.

PARIS, Nov. 26.— The Steinheil murder case has reached a sensational stage and appears to be nearing a solution. Mme. Steinhil today admitted that she knew the murderer. He was the son of one of the servants and she mentioned a name. He came to the Steinhil house believing that the family was absent. He bound her and killed her husband and her mother who had been awakened by the noise. He threatened, according to Mme. Steinheil's story, that if she disclosed his name he would say that she was an accomplice,and had incited him to come and kill her husband. The man, she said, had terrorized her ever since. The burglary was a sham. The murderer took only money, while she herself hid the jewels in their Belville villa.

Asked why she had stirred up the affair when it had practically been forgotten, Mme. Steinheil made an enigmatical reply, "Because I hoped to completely justify myself in the mind of one whom I will not name, whose love I lost, and of whom I must never more think."

Adolphe Steinheil was the well-known French portrait painter, and the grand nephew of Meissonier. He and his mother-in-law, Mme. Japy, were found strangled to death in the home of the artist in the rue de Vaugurd on the morning of May 31. Mme. Steinheil was found gagged, and tied to a bed. The house was ransacked and money and jewelswere missing.

RUSHING WORK ON ALBERNI ENF OF E. & N.

(Alberni Pioneer News.)

"Go right through with the work, rain or shine," is the spirit of the orders under which the survey parties on this end of the line of the E. and N. extension are working.

Two parties pitched their camps in the early part of the week, one of them about five miles the other side of the summit, and the other two miles this side.

They are revising location along the right-of-way, which work is preparatory to the letting of contracts for grading.

The surveyors are expected to finish their work within two months, but tenders for part of the work will in all likelihood, be called for before the revision of location is finished.

In Vancouver and Victoria where there are influential people with big interests in and around Alberni, it is taken for granted that the railway company has decided to build right through to Alberni with the least possible delay.

In anticipation of calls for tenders contractors are on the hustle, and within the next two or three months there will be such traffic over the Nanaimo-Alberni wagon road as has never been seen before.

Next week a large gang of men will commence work building a new wagon road around Cameron Lake for the railway company.

The railway is coming.

PLAGUE ON PACIFIC COAST ARADICATED

work of its suppression, are encouraged to believe that with continued vigilance, its complete eradication is probable.

Dr. Walter Wyman, surgeon general of the public health and marine hos-

WASHINGTON, Nov. 26.— The plague situation on the Pacific coast is said to have greatly improved in the last few months and the officials who have been most attentive in the pital service, in a report to the secretary of the treasury concerning human plague, and plague infected rats in San Francisco, Oakland, Berkley, Contra Costa county and Los Angeles, and in Seattle, covering, a period from May 1907 to Oct. 31, 1908, shows that since this last named date no case of human plague or of plague infected rats have been discovered on the Pacific coast.

The report shows that in May, 1907 there was one case of human plague in San Francisco, and this resulted fatally. In June and July there were none, but in August there were eleven cases of which six resulted fatally. In September the number of cases had increased to 41 with 21 deaths. In October there were 33 cases and 24 deaths and in November the cases had increased to 36 with 17 deaths.

MRS. EDDY'S PAPER TO APPEAR SOON.

BOSTON, Nov. 26.—Boston's new newspaper, the Daily Monitor, which will be the official publication of the Christian Science church, will make its appearance today, the first number being largely devoted to Thanksgiving features.

Former Night Editor Dodds of the Pittsburg Gazette-News, is the managing editor of Mrs. Eddy's journal, and all the editors, reporters and mechanics engaged by the Monitor are adherents of the Christian Science Church.

The Monitor will issue four editions daily and its promoters hope to attain a national and even international circulation. At the business office of the publication it is stated that subscriptions and advertising are pouring in from all over the country and the Monitor will start with a large bona fide paid circulation and a considerable volume of advertising.

HOSPITAL RELIEF SHIP IN PORT

MANILA, Nov. 26.—The hospital ship Relief, which sailed from Manila Nov. 15 for Guam and was disabled in a typhoon and driven far out of her course, arrived here this morning. Her deck house was badly damaged, her engines disabled and the vessel otherwise showed the effects of the terrific seas washing over her. All aboard were safe, but only the hard work of the officers and crew had saved the ship from foundering. The Relief will be taken to the navy yard at Cavite where repairs will be made.

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PERSONALS.

Mr. Chas. Peterson went over to Vancouver on a business trip on Thursday.

Miss Rose Lewis got back from her holiday on Wednesday afternoon.

Mr. Geo. Norris, of Nanaimo went down to Victoria on Wednesday evening.

LOCAL NEWS

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You may have your own opinion about the worth and value of a real live Grand Duke; but Winch's Grand Duke Cigar is class all over and right through. It is the best smoke in town, is made in town and has first call in town. XX

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Gordon, of Third Avenue gave a whist drive on Thursday evening. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Akenhead, Mrs. and the Misses Rule, Messrs. Chas. Walters, T. Lewis, and Mr. and Mrs. R. R. Hindmarch. The man of the razor and the man of the pen were ignominiously relegated to the booby class, while to Miss Rule and Mr Walters fell the distinction of premier place and first prize.

There is one good thing to be got in Victoria. That is Winch's Grand Duke Cigar which is on sale at Westerndale Railway Cigar Store, opposite the E. & N. Station, at the James' Bay Cigar Store, opposite the C. P. R. Hotel, and at the Hub Cigar Store on Government Street, run by Dave Lewis and Jesse Evans. XX

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The dance given in the Opera House on Wednesday evening by the Ladysmith Orchestra was a great success.

The Standard is in receipt of a letter from Mrs. E. W. Ewart, of High Street, in which she alleges that some person had actually taken a chain off the neck of her Gordon setter pup. Mrs. Ewart says she went out on Thursday, leaving the dog chained up. The chain was a double one, only the hasp was gone from one of them. The dog broke loose and set out to find his mistress. When he did find her, the broken chain was the only one on him. "The person," says Mrs. Ewart, "who will do so paltry a thing as to steal a dog chain, would not think anything too paltry to steal." Mrs. Ewart is emphatically right.

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A. O. F. NOTICE.

The meeting organizing the Ancient Order of Foresters will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 1st at 8 p.m., in I. O. O. F. Hall.

Every member is requested to attend. Visiting members are also invited.

J. A. KNIGHT,
Sec. pro tem.

STEAMER NORTHLAND STRUCK IN PLUMPER'S PASS.

VANCOUVER, Nov. 27.—The Seattle steamer Northland, bound from Ketchikan to Seattle, struck on Enterprise reef at the southern end of Plumper's Pass last night. She knocked a hole in her bottom and was leaking some. Early thir morning the C.P.R. steamer Princess Royal came along bound from Seattle for Vancouver. The Royal hauled the Northland off the reef, but the Seattle boat was making so much water that it was decided to beach her. She was accordingly run on shore in Village Bay.

While the operation was going forward the Amur arrived on the scene bound from Vancouver to Victoria. She immediately hurried to the latter port to warn the Salvor which was sent to the scene of the accident this afternoon.

The Northland is a comparatively new steamer with a double bottom.

WANT TO PURCHASE DOWIE ESTATE.

CHICAGO, Nov. 27.—Overseer G. Voliva of Zion City will submit a proposition to Receiver Thomas and the United States circuit court to purchase the entire estate of John Alexander Dowie, so that he and his followers may continue in undisputed possession to the municipality. It is hoped by Voliva that $1,800,000 can be collected among the followers of the faith with which to make the purchase and efforts to this end are now being made.

MINERS' SPLENDID TRIBUTE TO PRIEST.

SHENANDOAH, Pa., Nov. 27.—A most remarkable tribute to a priest was paid today at the funeral of Rev. N. F. O'Reilly, rector of the Roman Catholic Church of Annunciation in this place for forty years.

Twenty-five collieries, employing 16,000 men and boys in the Shenandoah and Mahanoy valley, were shut down to enable the workers to pay their respects to the dead priest. The public schools throughout the surrounding district were closed, and all business in Shenandoah was suspended. Many thousand persons paid tribute to his memory.

BALKAN SITUATION MORE DISQUIETING.

BERLIN, Nov. 27.—The Balkan situation is considered here to have grown more disquieting. The Austro-Hungarian military preparations are taken to indicate that Austria-Hungary is determined to support her claims at all hazards, and that she will promptly crush any attempt on the part of Servia or Montenegro to disturb the peace. In the meantime negotiations for an international congress drag on.

A cattle drive took place near Brodford, Co. Clare, 54 head of cattle being driven off the Violet Hill estate.

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IS SENSATION.

PARIS, Nov. 27.—The case of Mme. Steinholt, who was arrested in this city yesterday, after a day of sensational developments in the murder of her husband and her stepmother, Mme. Japy, in this city last May, was taken this morning out of the hands of M. Leydett, the examining magistrate, who has heretofore been in charge, and turned it over to Magistrate Andre.

Barring this change of magistrates there have been no developments since last night. Mme. Steinheil is still under arrest charged with aiding abetting in the murder of her husband and stepmother.

Beyond the conviction that she had a guilty knowledge of the crime, no further light on the perpetrators of the deed has been obtained. Expert physicians declared that Mme. Steinheil undoubtedly is suffering from a kind of hysteria peculiar to a certain class of neurasthentis which manifests itself in the invention of the wildest accusations.

There is in full blast today a campaign by the Nationalists and anti-Semitic press in an effort to prove that the authorities have had an interest in smothering the truth concerning these murders.

ALARMING INCREASE OF CHOLERA IN RUSSIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 27.—An alarming increase of Asiatic cholera occurred in the last 24 hours when 27 new cases were reported. It was thought that the disease was under control within the past few weeks, and had been practically eradicated but fears of its spread are again entertained. The new cases are mostly in well-to-do families and show all the virulence of the early days of the epidemic.

The sanitary bureau, which believed it had the situation under concontrol, has again addressed a warning to the people of St. Petersburg, on the danger of relaxing their dietary precautions. Since the beginning of the epidemic there has been a total of 8,184 cases, 3,320 deaths and 4,698 recoveries. For several weeks past the daily average has been less than ten.

SEND GUN BOATS TO CHINA.

NEW YORK, Nov. 27— A special despatch to the Herald from Manila says that Donsul General Denby, at Shanghai, has requested Rear Admiral Harber to send gunboats to Shanghai to protect American interests and that in accordance with this request the Pelena will steam today.

Advices from Washington early today say that no word had been received at the navy department concerning such a request by Mr. Denby, but that Rear Admiral Harber would in such case proceed on his own authority and not necessarily advise the department.

PORT AU PRINCE, Hayti, Nov. 27.—Gen. Lecont, who a few days ago was reported killed at Jeremie by the revolutionists, arrived here today. He escaped in a row boat with four officers and two sailors.

Rumors of their escape were current yesterday. They were at sea for three days and finally reached land at Petit Goave.

The general declares that there were no executions at Jeremie and that the reports that three men had been put to death there on his orders were incorrect. Leconte has taken up again the duties of minister of the interior, and Gen. Auguste who was given this post when Leconte was thought to be dead, has been made minister of public works, in succession to M. Laque, who has resigned.

Three divisions of experienced soldiers left here today for the south to take the field against the rebels. These men are enthusiastic for President Nord Alexis. The French school ship Duguy Trouin is expected here any day for the protection of French interests.

BRITISH IN INDIA IN FEAR OF DEATH.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 27.—That the Hindus and Mohammedans in India have laid aside their prejudices and united in a gigantic conspiracy to wipe out British rule in that country in one bloody stroke is the sensational story which was told yesterday by Miss Helen Wilcox, a medical missionary, who returned from the Orient on the steamer Mongolia Sunday.

Miss Wilcox says that the manufacture of bombs by the revolutionists is a well known fact, the women being as active in making these infernal machines as are the men. Wholesale arrests have been made by the English authorities, but the purpose of the natives is not broken.

Miss Wilcox says that for a while every English resident in India feared assassination, dynamite outrages being of almost daily occurrence. But, she says, the natives are now thinking of wider ranges of activity, and have decided that it will be easier to wipe out the British race in India at one sweep instead of wasting time on petty outrages

MONTREAL, Nov. 27.—In an interview here this morning Lord Northcliffe, who is on his way to Newfoundland, said he was going to open an office for the London Times in Ottawa, and have a regular staff of correspondents organizing a greatly extended service of Canadian news. This, it is thought, would prove very beneficial to Canada and England.

His Lordship said he would return to Canada next year and visit all parts of Canada thoroughly because he wanted to become acquainted with the whole Dominion.

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TROOPS ARE SENT AMONG THE MINERS

STRASSBURG, Nov. 27.—The government has ordered troops into the Lorraine coal mining district to suppress disorders on the part of the striking miners. Since the Hamm disaster, the miners aver that the Lorraine shafts are unsafe, and they refuse to go down. Some of the strikers attempted this morning to blow up a mine with dynamite but they were frustrated by the mine guards.

PATERSON, N.J., Nov. 27.— A leaky gas main resulted in the death by asphyxiation of two persons last night, and the serious injury of three others. Three children were also overcome by the fumes and may die. The dead are Peter Cunningham and his wife. The three children who may die are Joseph, May and Thomas Kelly, children of Mrs. Mary Kelly, and the injured are Albert Eyer, George Parker and John Werker.

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