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JAPANESE MENACING VLADIVOSTOCK

Three Columns are Moving Parallel to Coast Northeast Korea

President Roosevelt Said to Have Taken New Step in Peace Negotiations

New York, June 21.—A St. Petersburg despatch to the Times says three Japanese columns are moving parallel to the coast of northeast Korea, and are apparently converging on Possiet Bay (sixty miles southwest of Vladivostok) whither a large fleet of transports has sailed from Gensan.

A NEW PHASE IN PEACE NEGOTIATIONS.

St. Petersburg, June 21.—President Roosevelt has evidently taken a new important step in the negotiations between the belligerents. While there are collateral reasons for believing that it relates to an armistice which will prevent the impending battle in Manchuria, this cannot be positively affirmed. All that can be stated definitely is that Ambassador Meyer went suddenly to the foreign office late last night and had an interview with Foreign Minister Lamsdorff at which it is believed the ambassador communicated an important message to President Roosevelt, but neither at the foreign office nor the American embassy is the slightest light thrown upon what transpired. From the extreme secrecy observed, the matter beyond doubt is one of the greatest delicacy, but as the statement is vouchsafed at the foreign office that the negotiations are proceeding without a hitch, the inference follows that it relates to a new phase in which the President has again taken the initiative. This is the more certain since the communications between the belligerents relating strictly to the question of selecting the place, time and number of the plenipotentiaries were conducted naturally through Ambassador Tassini and Minister Takahira, through the intermediary of the Washington government, whereas according to the diplomatic procedure only communications from the Washington government reach Foreign Minister Lamsdorff through Ambassador Meyer.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT VISITS COLLEGES.

Worcester, Mass., June 21.—President Roosevelt arrived here this morning to attend the Clarke University commencement exercises, where the degree of L.L.D. will be conferred upon him. Shortly after noon it was expected President Roosevelt would arrive at Holy Cross College to attend the exercises there. That the city of Worcester had prepared to give him an earnest and enthusiastic welcome was evident by the decorations on buildings and dwellings, and by the large crowds of residents and visitors on the streets.

A DIZZY RIDE UP PIKE'S PEAK.

To take a pleasure ride that almost literally bursts your head open is a novelty, thrilling enough, it is to be presumed, for the most eager thrill seeker. But that is what often happens to him who assays the dizzy heights of Pike's peak, 14,000 feet above sea level.

"I went up on the cog road from Manitou," said a Baltimore man, "in company with a party of tourists, and there were two who exhibited such positive symptoms of distress that at the first stop they had to leave and take the next train down. The rest of us continued. In a seat a little in front of us was a young girl who had been growing gradually hysterical and whom we had been watching curiously to see what would happen next. It happened. Suddenly she threw up her hands and fell backwards, with blood gushing from her mouth, ears, eyes and nose. The conductor, who was evidently accustomed to such scenes, told her escort to lay her flat on her back, as the pressure was less there than at the head height in a sitting posture. Then, at the next station she was taken off and sent back to Manitou by the wagon road. They didn't dare to take her down by train, as the quick change to the denser air might have proved serious.

"Well, we kept going and reached the top. I thought I'd take a short run in the fine, rarified air, and I did—I took a dozen steps when my heart began to beat like a trip-hammer, and I concluded that running at that height was not for me. They They told me you could'nt boil eggs or beans up there. I don't know, because I didn't try. We had out pictures taken sitting on a barren rock where nothing will grow at he edelweiss, and bought some souvenirs. Then we came down, and, so far as I am concerned, they can level the mountain tomorrow. I'll never have any more use for it. Manitou, Garden of the Gods and North Cheyenne canyon for mine, but no more of that sky business."

PREFERS POISON TO BEING HUNG

Windsor, Vt., June 21—A letter containing poison and making an offer of $20,000 if the substance were given to Mrs. Mary A. Rogers, who is to be hanged here Friday for the murder of her husband, was received by Supt. Love, of the State Prison, today. The letter was turned over to the Federal authorities.

KING OSCAR'S ADDRESS TO THE RIKSDAG

Stockholm, June 21,—The extraordinary session of the Riksdag summoned by King Oscar, met for business this morning. The session was opened by the king in person with the usual ceremony. His Majesty made a speech from the throne in which he protested against the charge of violating the constitution which provoked the step taken in the council of state, which sanctioned the introduction of the bill in the Riksdag dealing with the dissolution crisis, and both the King and Premier were on the side of the pacific solution.

Premier Ramstedt spoke first, pointing out that it was not to Sweden's interest to resort to coercive measures. He recommended, therefore, entering into negotiations for a convention by which guarantees should be obtained conducive to the mutual welfare of the two countries. In any case, he declared, negotiations were indespensable to definitely clear up the situation. The premier suggested that delegates be appointed to this end, and it was only after such a conditional settlement and after the Riksdag had fully considered the matter that Sweden would be in a position to decide as to her definite approval of the dissolution and agree to annulling the act of union.

After several members had acquiesced in the Premier's views, King Oscar, with visible emotion, spoke as follows:

"It is a painful step which the council of state calls on me to take. My conscience tells me that I have, during my long reign, always striven toward the object I had in mind at the time of my accession, namely, the welfare of the brother nations. It is truly painful to me to contribute to the dissolution of a union in which I thought I saw the independence, security and happiness of the united Kingdoms."

SHOCKING FATALITY ON RAILWAY TRACK

James Thompson Was Instantly Killed By Local Last Night

The Local Was Leaving the Depot When Thompson Fell Under the Car

The residents of Ladysmith and Extension were shocked last night by the news that James Thompson, a resident of the latter mentioned place, was killed on the railway at the Ladysmith station. The story of the ending of the life of one of the oldest residents of the district is incomparable in its sadness, and awakens in the breast of friends and aquaintances of the deceased, and in fact all who hear of it, the feeling of deepest regret and sorrow.

Mr. Thompson was eighty-six years of age and a resident of Extension. He came down to Ladysmith a day or two ago to bid farewell to his many friends in this city before leaving for the Old Man's Home, which he intended entering today. He was at the depot last evening with the intention of returning to Extension, and after conversing with an acquaintance, who was going up to Extension on the ten o'clock train He shook hands with her and walked along the platform, to mount the first car, in which a number of his friends were sitting. It is thought he caught hold of the hand rail of the car to pull himself up as the train started to move, but missed his footing and fell between the rail and the platform. After the first car had passed he rolled over the rail, and under the wheels of the last truck. A piercing scream told those on the train what had happened, and the engine stopped. The conductor and the train officials found the old man lying across the rail almost severed in two, the truck having passed over his groin. He was taken into the station shed quite dead, and later removed to the vacant store adjoining the Temperance Hotel.

Provincial Constable Cassidy telephoned the details of the accident to the coroner, who arrived from Nanaimo this morning. He was satisfied that death was purely accidental so no inquest will be held.

The remains of the deceased will be interred in the local cemetery about six o'clock tomorrow evening.

Mr. Thompson was perhaps one of the best known residents of this district, he being one of the earliest pioneers of Vancouver Island. He worked at Wellington since the mines at that place started, and moved down to Extension when coal was first taken from those mines. He was a native of Scotland, unmarried, and without a relative in this country. Beloved by all who knew him and respected for his sterling qualities, the late Mr. Thompson passes in to eternity regretted by all. That a life so long, so well spent, should have terminated in the manner related above, is indeed most saddening, but the ways of fate are strange.

EXTRAORDINARY SESSION

Albany, N. Yt, June 21.—An extraordinary session of the legislature, the first since 1899, began today, a few minutes after noon. The business to be taken up was presented in both houses in a message of Governor Higgens, recommending for reconsideration the conduct of Warren B. Hooker, and the question of his removal from the office of Justice of the Supreme Court. The charges against Justice Hooker, are a formal statement, substantially identical with the findings of Fact and the conclusions of the Assembly Judiciary committee made to the Assembly as the result of its protracted investigation of the Hooker case during the regular session of the legislature.

HANNAY CASE AGAIN ADJOURNED

Will Be Heard in the City Hall on Friday Evening Next

Adjournment Was Made to Allow Defence to Produce Witness

The hearing of the charge of unlawfully taking a sum of money from A. S. Thomas, against Wm. Hannay, was again adjourned by Justices Matheson and Allan last night at the request of Mr. R. Simpson, counsel for the defendant. The case will come up at the court house on Friday evening next, at 7 o'clock.

At the opening of the court Mr. Matheson announced that the Justices had decided to hear the charge, they being satisfied that they were entitled to do so.

Mr. Simpson entered an objection.

The information was read, after which Mr. Simpson said he did not wish to produce evidence for the defence that evening.

He said he desired to become possessed of evidence which he was confident would materially help the defence. He read an affidavit by Wm. Hannay that evidence existed that would greatly help his case and that it was impossible for him to produce it for a few days. Counsel said he did not object to the prosecution's evidence being heard, but he asked permission of the court to reserve the evidence for the defence until he could procure that referred to in the affidavit. Upon being asked by the court if the hearing was adjourned until the end of the week if he would be sure to have that evidence on hand, Mr. Simpson replied, "I guarantee, Your Worships, that I will produce the evidence, and that it will be evidence which I am confident will acquit the accused."

The court then adjourned the hearing until Friday evening next at 8 o'clock. The prisoner was released on the same bail as before.

PACKING CO. IN TROUBLE

Chicago, Ills, June 21.—The property of the International Packing Company has been ordered sold under foreclosure proceedings to satisfy claims of $3,977,000. The company was formed a dozen years ago to take over the business of several of the smaller concerns at the stock yards. It was the original combination in the packing industry. But is did not pay, and has not been operated for several years. Litigation began and has been continued with many hints of scandal. As the holder in trust of most of the Company's bonds, the Illinois Trust and Savings Bank represented that no interest had been paid on the $2,500,000 bond issue since 1896, and sought to have the mortgage foreclosed. Minority interests made charges of fraud, and sought by an injunction to prevent the sale. The stockholders also entered the fight.

VICTORIA TEAM WILL NOT BE TRANSFERRED.

In connection with the report that the local baseball team would be transferred to Spokane, President Russell gives it a very straight denial, says the Colonist. The Victoria baseball club is a limited liability company, and it would be impossible to transfer the team without the sanction of the local directors. Although the club have been running in hard luck since the beginning of the season, the directors are in hopes that the attendance at the games will increase before long. Mr. Russell pointed out that a baseball team entered in the Northwest league is a fine advertisement for a city, as the score of the games is sent to practically every city of any importance in the United States. The local club and the Bellingham team are the only teams who are not being supported by the citizens at the game. But nevertheless, the salary list of the Bellingham team has been guaranteed for the rest of the season by the tramway company of that city. Although the local club have no such generous-hearted citizens to help them to that extent, they have arranged matches so that the team will continue in this city until the end of the season, and they hope for big things next year.

LAUREL REBEKAH'S BENEFIT CONCERT

A Large Crowd Assembled in the Opera House Last Evening

Financially and Musically the Concert Was Pronounced Success

Nothing daunted by the not weather last night a large crowd of people disregarded cool haunts and assembled in the Opera House to hear and see the entertainment organized by the Laurel Rebekahs for the benefit of Miss Davidson, a sister of the order, who has been suffering from prolonged sickness.

The loud and continuous applause testified to the enjoyment of the audience. Every item on the program was well received, while many were encored

Mrs. Boyle gave a delightful rendering of that sweet little song, "Brook,", while Miss Ingham fairly captivated the audience with her splendid recitations. It is not often in a small town like this one has the opportunity of hearing a really good reciter, but Miss Ingham is one of the first water and it is pleasing to see the appreciation of the public of her merits.

Mrs. Trehearne sang sweetly an old favorite, "The Holy City," and Mrs. Steele played Marguarite on the piano in a way that elicited applause.

Last night Mr. T. Lewis was hard at his best, his fine voice sounding to perfection in the rendering of "The Children's Home." Messrs. J. Evans and Jacobson did exceptionally well, the latter being recalled after the rendering of "The Passion Flower."

The children were as usual great favorites with the audience, and the instrumental accomplishments of the little Misses V. and K. Hunter, Misses Pannell, Miss Fisher and Master Fisher, were loudly applauded.

Mention of the several tableaux and of the various selections rendered by the band is left till last. The participants in the former deserve great praise for daintiness and finish with which the tableaux were put on. There were several, but it is hard say which were the prettiest, or which pleased the audience most. The scenes, the Carnival of, and the flight from Pompeii, were extremely pretty, but it is dificult to pick and choose. Suffice it to say that the several young ladies who took part looked very beautiful in their flowing white gowns. They kept their positions, which were very graceful, in a most skilful and praiseworthy manner.

The Misses Hutchinson caused amusement in their little pantomine, which was well done, and a young gentleman with a black face (the audience thought they knew him, and some said he plays baseball) in the African Sunset scene raised loud laughter.

The City Band was heard at its best, and that is saying a lot. It is a strange thing, but nevertheless a fact, that people will sit and listen to, and enjoy, good music by a band, and never think of applauding. Although the applause last night after band selections was not very loud it was by no means because they were not appreciated. The audience thoroughly enjoyed the music

Misses Clay and Coburn officiated as accompanists, both young ladies discharging those arduous duties in a brilliant manner.

At the end of the program the chairman, Dr. F. S. Reynolds, thanked on behalf of the Rebekahs, the performers, for having so kindly come forward and assisted in giving the concert, and also the audience for patronizing it.

After the concert a social dance was given, for which music was furnished by the Band orchestra. The young people were "footing it," until midnight had long passed, and when they left the hall they were loud in their praises to the Rebekahs for giving such a delightful entertainment.

MISSIONARIES COMPLAIN ABOUT THEIR MONEY

Chee Foo, June 21.—Local missionaries having stations previous to the present Russo-Japanese war in Korea and Manchuria, complain that they are unable to secure mission funds for current accounts from the Port Arthur branch of the Russo-Chinese Bank. The bank officials in reply, say that the Japanese still hold the bank's books and papers, thus preventing any settlement of the bank's business affairs. They further say that notwithstanding a supplementary capitulation agreemen recognizing the Port Arthur Bank as a private institution, the Japanese are holding the books and papers belonging to the bank, as well as possal matter.

NICHOLAS' SPEECH RECEIVED WITH JOY

It Takes From the Mind of the Public the Question of War and Peace

Because the Emperor Has Again Pledged Himself to Popular Representation

NICHOLAS' SPEECH IS RECEIVED WITH JOY.

St. Petersburg, June 21.—The impression produced by Emperor Nicholas' speech Monday at Peterhoff, to the delegates representing the all-Russian congress of Zemstvos and Mayors which assembled at Moscow, is inflected in the joyful acclaim with which it has been received by the Russian press. The question of peace and the reports that another great battle has begun in Manchuria have become a secondary consideration in the public mind, before the great fact that the Emperor has again pledged himself to popular representation. The Russ declares that the history of representative government in Russia dates from Whit day Monday.

"A hundred commissions elaborating schemes for reform," the paper continues, "could not inspire the people with as much hope in the future of Russia, as the Emperor's words to the delegation whose members were characterized by the reactionaries as traitors, conspirators and revolutionists.

"The fight is not yet won, the beaurcracy will not capitalate without a struggle. But the most important step has been taken."

The Novoe Vremya thinks that this renewed assurance direct from the throne imposes the obligation on all classes of society which have the welfare of Russia at heart, to unite for the suppression of the agitation which is shaking the foundations of the country.

The text of Prince Troubetskoy's address to the Emperor, when his Majesty received the delegation, which the latter headed, is now published. It reveals the plain spoken, yet withal perfectly loyal fashion in which he spoke to the Emperor, telling him of the universal distrust which prevailed all classes, attributed to the conviction that his Majesty was being decided by those about him who were interested, not in the realization, but in the destruction, of proposed reforms. Prince Troubetskoy rose above details. He said those whom he represented had not presumed to indicate the exact form of the national representation demanded, but one principle they regarded as vital, namely, that the representation should be based on universal citizenship, in which no class should be excluded. "It must not be based upon estates," the Prince continued. "You are the Emperor, not of the land-owners, merchants or peasants, but of all Russia. The bureaucracy which must not be allowed to build a wall between you and the people. Your Majesty will realize that, then, you stand face to face with the peoples' delegates."

In conclusion, the Prince declared it was absolutely necessary that facilities should be afforded both as press and public meeting for discussion of refors which so closely touched the people not only after the representatives meet, but now. The renovation of the government, he pointed out, must be built on confidence.

IVANOFF'S SPEECH AT TRIAL OF KALIEFF

Correspondence of the Associated Press, St. Petersburg (Wednesday)—The following is a literal translation of the speech delivered by M. Ivanoff, the celebrated Russian lawyer, at the trial of Kalieff, the murderer of Grand Duke Sergius. The proceeding was before a special tribunal composed of members of the "Ruling Senate," and was held behind closed doors at Moscow. Ivanoff was subsequently arrested for discussing the trial at a meeting of barristers. His speech has been circulated by hundreds of thousands by the social revolutionaries, and is as follows:

"Senators:—In this trial two great events stand out before all else, the death of the Grand Duke Sergius and the penalty to which Kalieff must submit. The facts are only too clear They admit no argument. I desire only to submit a few observations upon the character of Kalieff's act. May Kalieff, whose life is in your hands, pardon me if I lack words and moral force to fulfil the duty assigned me. It is, Senators, in a surely difficult moment that you are called upon to judge this case. An unrestrainable political movement as a result of the complete bankruptcy of our present economic political and military symptoms has produced the present condition of affairs in Russia. Every section of the Empire is in revolt. Workmen have paraded by hundreds in the streets of the capital. In the smoke of burning estates the peasant is looking for a solution of the conditions which are grinding him down. The intelligentsia is martyrising itself. Two great forces are at war, the old regime established centuries ago, and young Russia, which aspires to liberty. Hope that this struggle can end pacifically is lost. Civil war is close at hand and in the history of this great battle the social revolutionary party will be found to have written the most terrible page, for it has written in its own blood and the blood of those whom it considers the enemies of the people. Having chosen political murder as the instrument, the revolver and the bomb as arms, the social revolutionaries seek by terror to accelerate the political labor of Russia, but it was not cowardly murder. The social revolutionaries understand very well that it is impossible for the masses of the people with pitchforks and flails in their hands to destroy the bastile, defended as it is in our time. January 22, with its bloody story, furnished eloquent confirmation of the impotency of the people against bayonets and bullets. The social revolutionaries can only oppose machine guns with revolvers and bombs, the barricades of the 20th century. It is true they are the implacable enemies of the present regime, and they do not ask for themselves merely. They face the death sentence as men court death on the fields of battle. The Procurer is right; they do not only menace the lives of others, but they throw away their own lives with the recklessness of madness. They make others perish, but they perish themselves. Kalieff will die also, and I have one request to make of you, do not look upon him as a criminal, but as an enemy after the battle in pronouncing your verdict—remember that in the future the bloody sunrise, of which part is already upon the horizon, all the past will be weighed in the balance. Do not make the balance too heavy."

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The quantity of water discharged into the sea by all the rivers of the world is about eighty-six cubic miles in a day.

Food Adulteration.

Salad oil made of mineral oil of petroleum origin has been found by the government analyist to be on sale in Australia. Of sixty-eight samples of fresh sausages examined by him not one was unadulterated.

Negrito Wedding Arch.

The marriage arch is an important and conspicuous feature of a Negrito wedding. At one stage of the elaborate ceremony the bridegroom is expected to seize his dusky bride and carry her in his arms up a difficult bamboo ladder to a high platform surmounted by wickets of bamboo.

India's Population.

In India the population increases at the rate of 3,000,000 annually.

One day in the cloakroom of the senate, apropos of a discussion whether, from an intellectual standpoint, statesmen of the present fall below the standard set by those of the past, one of the members told the following story:

"There lived in Lee county, Ky., a local sage by the name of Jesse Cole. Jesse entertained the notion that the present day type of lawyer was not to be compared with the jurists of the old days. One day as he was entering the courthouse at Beattyville he noticed a group of lawyers who were discussing the points of a case that was to come up that day. Cole, disgusted by their conversation, stepped up to them and said:

"'Gentlemen, thirty or forty years ago the lawyers in this state were men—great, big, immense men, wearing fur hats as big as bushel baskets. But now, gentlemen, I honestly believe that a fellow could without the least difficulty draw a tomato can over the head of any one of you.'"—Harper's Weekly.

That candy eating habit, girls—does it do you any good?

That tobacco habit, boys, or the occasional "treating" or "being treated"—is it of real use or benefit?

That way of spending money on every little trifle that we fancy—is it of real use or benefit?

Those people whom we go to see and also entertain, yet really care nothing for—is this society of any real use or benefit?

Better one good friend of nature, stimulating, congenial and sympathetic, saith the prophet, than a host of society friends of the wreathed smile, the nod and beck which conceal the sneer.

These fads of music or art or short fits of study—are they of any real use or benefit?

One branch of knowledge concentrated upon amounts to more in the long run.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Treasures of Brookmere

By MARTHA McCULLOCH-WILLIAMS

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"Jessamine, come in at once!" Mrs. Brookmere called acidly from the west porch. As her granddaughter rose obediently, but with a little impatient sigh, her companion, Austin Wills, whistled softly, then said:

"Jessamine! What a wax Madam Brookmere must be in! You're always Sunbeam and Fairy and Bright Eyes when she's in a good humor."

"That is to say when the Beveridge thing is around," Jessamine said, with a shrug. "She is in a wax—she always is when you come—and she feels in her bones when you are coming."

"H-m-m! I ought to be flattered, but I'm not the least bit," Austin answered, also rising and catching Jessamine's hand. She looked aghast, but he kept sturdily at her side until they were facing Jessamine's dragon. Then he said, with his best flourish: "Oh, Madam Brookmere, I have brought this young person to tell you why she can't possibly come in. She is to go rowing with me. We will be back by late tea time. The afternoon is too heavenly to be wasted on land."

"Jessamine, go upstairs and fetch my embroidery. Be sure you don't forget my glasses," madam said, as though the young man had not spoken. Jessamine made to obey, but Wills held her back. He lifted his hat to the elder lady, turned and walked off, saying over his shoulder: "Send the maid up, madam. It's bad luck to turn back. I can't allow Miss Jessamine to risk spoiling our cruise."

"Oh, what will she do to me?" Jessamine cried as they hurried away. Madam had been too paralyzed by Wills' audacity to say a word. Austin drew Jessamine's hand farther over his arm and smiled down at her, saying: "I hope it will be 'Out of my house, ingrate!' Then, you see, you will have to come to my house whether or no."

"Mercy, you do take a lot on yourself!" Jessamine said, pulling away her hand, her eyes dancing wickedly. "I begin to fear, Mr. Wills, that you have taken our little affair seriously"—

"Isn't it to be taken seriously? Really you lift a weight off my conscience," Wills interrupted in her own tone; then, after a chuckle: "Jess, I must lecture you—point out the sinful folly of your course. Here you might be, by taking pains and showing yourself properly devout and submissive, Mrs. Beveridge—possibly Mrs. Bishop Beveridge—I really believe the gentleman has it in him to go high ecclesiastically, he's so suave and silken, just the sort to worm himself into the minds of rich churchmen, not to mention their check books. Yet you are passing him up—passing up the chance of a lifetime—for the sake of"—

"A very commonplace sinner," Jessamine broke in.

Wills gave her a look of pained surprise. "I was going to say 'for the sake of having your own willful way,'" he protested.

It was early afternoon, and the long, smooth river reach, flecked with sun and shade, mirrored perfectly the summer world either side. Jessamine hung over the boat side, staring at her own image. Austin watched her with happy eyes, but after a little he drew her upright, saying softly: "Vanity, thy name is Jessamine. I can't have another case of Narcissus and his image upon my conscience."

"Really! Have you a conscience?" Jessamine retorted.

"Pirates even have consciences—about some things," Austin answered, shipping his oars and letting the boat drift toward the other bank. "For example, it goes against their consciences to let treasure manifestly within reach go to some other fellow. That other pirate, Beveridge, shan't have the treasure of Brookmere."

"What is the treasure of Brookmere?" Jessamine asked demurely. "How much is it worth? And how are you going to save it from clerical clutches?"

"Let me see. I believe the Brookmere rating is about three millions," Austin answered reflectively, but with a twinkle of the eye, "handy millions at that," he went on, "all in gilt edged securities. If you were more than a baby, Jess, you would see a little beyond the end of your nose. Bishop-to-be Beveridge did want you—in fact, he still wants you, being a man of taste, for all his sins."

"Thanks!" Jessamine interrupted. Wills shook his head at her.

"He wanted you rather badly, but not so badly as he wanted the Brookmere money. And that he means to have—in spite of our teeth. Madam is only sixty and young for her years"—

"You can't mean he is trying to marry her?" Jessamine cried, aghast.

Wills nodded. "That's his present laudable aim. Therefore he would like nothing better than to have us openly defy madam. Our elopement would be a trump card for him. Now, although we are not mercenary, neither are we destitute of common prudence. Three millions, or even one or two, might come in handy a heap of times. Moreover, we owe madam a certain duty. We can only discharge it by meeting guile with guile. That means, in plain English, you have got to turn from your evil way of preferring my company and smile instead upon the bishop to be"—

"I don't understand. How will that help?" Jessamine asked in bewilderment.

"He is mighty near committed to madam. Wait until he is quite com-

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Stables In Japan.

In Japan horses are backed into their stalls; then the door is closed at the head, which has a grain and hay rack conveniently constructed, to which the animal is secured.

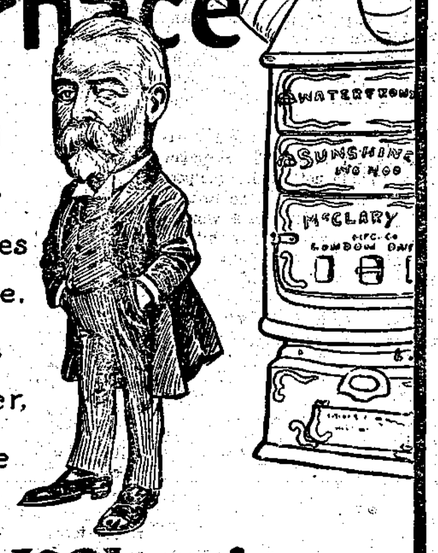
The Maxim Gun.

Sir Hiram Maxim is said to have first thought of the Maxim gun by receiving a jar on the shoulder at the firing of an old rifle. It seemed a pity that the kick should be wasted. Therefore he put the recoil to work in automatic loading and firing at the rate of 1,000 shots a minute.

A Preaching Tub.

A Chinese carpenter at Rangun who had been employed to construct a pulpit for a new Anglican church sent in the bill for the work in the following form: "To one preaching tub, 50 rupees."

Sunshine Furnace



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Victoria	9:00	12.06	Victoria	4.50	7.55
Shawnigan Lake	10:20	10.46	Shawnigan Lake	5.17	6.40
Duncans	11:00	10.02	Duncan	5.55	5.55
Ladysmith	11:57	9.10	Ladysmith	6.45	5.00
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No Trouble About Prayers.

"Mother," cried six-year-old Frank eagerly, "I want Jack here to stay all night, so we can get our sleds out early."

"No, Frank. Nurse wouldn't stay if she had the trouble of taking care of another boy," replied the parent.

"I don't see what trouble Jack would be," grumbled Frank. "He washes and dresses himself, and he doesn't say any prayers."

He had loved and lost.

"Never again," he sighed. "I shall never love again."

"Oh, yes, you will," rejoined the heartless beauty.

"Never again," he repeated. "I'm going to turn over a new leaf and save money."

The Lecture In Mathematics.

Professor—Yes, sir, if you were thrown like a stone you would describe a parabola in returning to earth.

Student (wearily)—I think I'll go out and get thrown at once then, professor. That's about the only way I'll ever learn to describe one of 'em.

No Pleasure In It.

Mrs. Chase—Oh, I don't like to go to that store! It's so unsatisfactory to do our shopping there.

Mrs. Shopper—Why, they have everything there.

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"Well, well, that's a funny thing."

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A free miner's certificate is granted for one or more years, not exceeding five years, upon payment in advance $7.50 per annum for an individual, and from $50 to $100 per annum for a company, according to capital.

A free miner, having discovered mineral in place, may locate a claim 1,500x1,500 feet by marking out the same with two legal posts, bearing location notices, one at each end on the line of the lode or vein.

The claim shall be recorded within fifteen days if located within ten miles of a mining recorder's office, one additional day allowed for every additional ten miles or fraction. The fee for recording a claim is $5.

At least $100 must be expended on the claim each year or paid to the mining recorder in lieu thereof. When $500 has been expended or paid the locator may, upon having a survey made, and upon complying with other requirements, purchase the land at $1.00 an acre.

Permission may be granted by the Minister of the Interior to locate claims containing iron and mica, also copper, in the Yukon territory, of an area not exceeding 160 acres.

The patent for a mining location shall provide for the payment of a Royalty of 2½ per cent. of the sales of the products of the location.

Placer Mining—Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory—Placer mining claims generally are 100 ft. square, entry fee $5, renewable yearly. On the North Saskatchewan River claims are either bar or bench, the former being 100 feet long and extending between high and low water mark. The latter includes bar diggings, but extends back to the base of the hill or bank, but not exceeding 1,000 feet. Where steam power is used, claims 200 feet wide may be obtained.

Dredging in the rivers of Manitoba and the N.W.T., excepting the Yukon Territory—A free miner may obtain only two leases of five miles each for a term of twenty years, renewable in the discretion of the Minister of the Interior.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars of the river below low water mark, and subject to the rights of all persons who have or who may receive, entries for bar diggings or bench claims, except on the Saskatchewan River, where the lessee may dredge to high water mark on each alternate leasehold.

The lessee shall have a dredge in operation within one season from the date of the lease for each five miles, but where a person or company has obtained more than one lease one dredge for each fifteen miles or fraction is sufficient. Rental, $10 per annum for each mile of river leased. Royalty at the rate of 2½ per cent. collected on the output after it exceeds $10,000.

Dredging in the Yukon Territory—Six leases of five miles each may be granted to a free miner for a term of twenty years, also renewable.

The lessee's right is confined to the submerged bed or bars in the river below low water mark, that boundary to be fixed by its position on the 1st day of August in the year of the the date of the lease.

The lessee shall have one dredge in operation within two years from the date of the lease, and one dredge for each five miles within six years from such date. Rental, $100 per mile for first year and $10 per mile for each subsequent year. Royalty, same as placer mining.

Placer Mining in the Yukon Territory—Creek, gulch, river and hill claims shall not exceed 250 feet in length, measured on the base line or general direction of the creek or gulch the width being from 1,000 to 2,000 feet. All other placer claims shall be 250 feet square.

Claims are marked by two legal posts, one at each end, bearing notices. Entry must be obtained within ten miles of mining Recorder's office. One extra day allowed for each additional ten miles or fraction.

The person or company staking a claim must hold a free miner's certificate.

The discoverer of a new mine is entitled to a claim of 1,000 feet in length, and if the party consists of two, 1,500 feet altogether, on the output of which no royalty shall be charged, the rest of the party ordinary claims only.

Entry fee, $10. Royalty at the rate of two and one-half per cent. on the value of the gold shipped from the Yukon Territory to be paid to the Comptroller.

No free miner shall receive a grant of more than one mining claim on each separate river, creek or gulch, but the same miner may hold any number of claims by purchase, and free miners may work their claims in partnership by filing notice and paying a fee of $2.00. A claim may be abandoned and another obtained on the same creek, gulch or river by giving notice and paying a fee.

Work must be done on a claim each year to the value of at least $200.

A certificate that work has been done must be obtained each year; if not, the claim shall be deemed to be abandoned, and open to occupation and entry by a free miner.

The boundaries of a claim may be defined absolutely by having a survey made and publishing notices in the Yukon official Gazette.

Petroleum—All unappropriated Dominion lands in Manitoba, the Northwest Territories, and within the Yukon Territory, are open to prospecting for petroleum, and the Minister may reserve for an individual or company having machinery on the land to be prospected, an area of 1920 acres for such period as he may decide. the length of width shall not exceed three times the breadth.

Should the prospector discover oil in paying quantities, and satisfactorily establish such discovery, an area not exceeding 640 acres, including the oil well will be sold to the prospector at the rate of $1.00 per acre and the remainder of the tract reserved namely, 1,280 acres will be sold at the rate of three dollars an acre, subject to royalty at such rate as may be specified by order-in-council.

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LOCAL ITEMS

BORN—June 19th, to Mr. and Mrs. John Bland, Ladysmith, a daughter.

A special meeting of the local footba,l club will be held on Thursday night. Important business.

Mr. J. Stewart was a passenger to Nanaimo on the noon train.

Alderman Wm. Beveridge went up to Nanaimo at noon today.

Miss Coburn's and Miss Clay's services as accompanists last evening were appreciated alike by singers and audience.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoy are encamped about three miles up the road towards Chemainus. They report country life as well worth living.

The poor, bowed form going slowly around collecting water rates, is Grandpa Bland. He has aged much since yesterday.

Mrs. Boyle's magnificent voice was heard last night in the Brook song It is a beautiful song and one that charms an audience when, as it was last evening, it is well rendered.

Summer Sale of Blouses and Whitewear now taking place at Simon Leiser & Co.'s Ltd. All goods in this line must be disposed of, as we will not carry them over for another season.

The Rebekahs are to be congratulated on their successful entertainment.

The Quadrill Band goes down from Ladysmith on Saturday evening to Chemainus, where there is to be held a lawn party in benefit of the Chemainus hospital that night.

Edith and Mary, the twin daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Pannell, who played most entertainingly last evening, a piano duet, were fourteen years of age yesterday.

Several young men in the audience last night, at the Rebekah concert were ready to join a rescue party to save the group of Pompeions. As to Ruth and Naomi, there were dozens of Jacobs in the audience. ...

The following magazines are now in for July: Popular, Argosy, Pearson, Metropolitan, Ladies' Home Journal, Ainslies, at Knight's book store.

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DOMINION DAY EXCURSION TRAIN ON E. & N.

The chairman of the transportation committee is in receipt of the following letter from Mr. G. L. Courtney:

"Replying to your letter of 9th inst., which has been delayed pending definite arrangements with a committee of the Eagles' Lodge who intend running an excursion in connection with your celebration. The schedule as now arranged is as follows: Regular trains Nos. 3 and 4 are cancelled. Trains leave Victoria for Ladysmith at 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. Returning train leaves Ladysmith for Victoria at 7 p.m. Train leaves Ladysmith for Duncans at 7 a.m., returning, leaves Duncans at 9 a.m. Trains leave Nanaimo for Ladysmith 8.20 a.m., 10 a.m., 2, 6.15 and 8.30 p.m. Returning trains leave Ladysmith for Nanaimo 9. and 11.57 a.m 1. 4.15, 7.30 and 11.30 p.m.

The train service between Nanaimo and Ladysmith will be well advertised by this company both in the news papers and by handbills. Yours truly,

G. L. COURTENEY,
Traffic Manager.

There will be no train to Victoria later than 7 p.m., but return tickets good for two days can be procured for fifty cents extra.

Today is the longest day in the year, being the "summer solstice"—the time when the sun is at its greatest declination, and seems to pause before returning on its course.

CORRESPONDENCE

Editor Ledger, Sir,—

The following resolution was passed unanimously at the close of the annual session of the Grand Lodge, held at Ladysmith on 14th and 15th instant:

"Resolved that the thanks of this Grand Lodge are due and are hereby tendered to the press of this city for the fair and ample reports published of its proceedings, also to the hotels of the city for reduced rates granted to the representatives, and also to the citizens generally for many courtesies extended during our visit; and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the local press"

Yours truly,
FRED DAVEY,
Grand Secretary.

NOTICE OF ASSIGNMENT

Pursuant to the "Creditor's Trust Deed's Act, 1901."

Notice is hereby given that Axel Berg, of Ladysmith, British Columbia, General Merchant, by deed dated the 19th day of June, A. D., 1905, assigned all his personal property, real estate, credits and effects, which may be seized and sold under execution to Albert E. Planta, of Nanaimo, British Columbia, Insurance Agent, in trust for the purpose of paying and satisfying ratably and proportionately all the creditors of the said Axel Berg according to law, the said deed was executed by the said assignee on the 19th day of June, 1905.

All creditors having claims against the said Axel Berg are required to forward particulars to the said assignee on or before the 19th day of July, 1905, after which date the said assignee will proceed to distribute the assets of the said estate among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only of the claims of which he shall then have notice.

Notice is also hereby given that a meeting of the creditors of the said Axel Berg will be held at the office of the undersigned, Ladysmith, B. C. on the 4th day of July, 1905, at one o'clock in the afternoon, in pursuance of the said Act, for the givinb of di- of the said Act, for the giving of directions with reference to the disposal of the said estate.

Dated at Ladysmith, B. C., this 19th day of June, 1905

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TREASURES OF BROOKMERE

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mitted, then do your best to take him away from her. You can do it, never fear. He's human, if he is a preacher, and no more man yet born of woman is able to stand against you"—

"Thank you again," Jessamine said, tossing her head. "Oh, I want that clump of cardinal flower," leaning as she spoke toward the shelving shore.

Wills shook his head. "Snakes!" he said laconically, speaking very loud; then, in a low aside: "Here's where we quarrel, Jess. Insist upon getting out. The bishop to be is coming down the path."

"Oh, Mr. Beveridge," Jessamine called eagerly, "do come and pick some flowers for me. I want to pick them myself, but I find I am a prisoner," with a withering glance at Wills.

Beveridge ran down to the water's edge. "Won't you let me rescue you?" he cried, holding out his hand. "Jump! I promise you shall get nothing worse than a pair of wet feet by it."

"She needn't have even them," Wills said boorishly. "If you'll agree to see her to the house I'll be glad enough to put her ashore. Not in the humor for walking myself and still less for botanizing."

Half an hour later Mrs. Brookmere was surprised and, if truth must be spoken, not wholly pleased to see Jessamine sauntering home, her hands full of scarlet bloom, with the Rev. Bewly Beveridge at her elbow. Now the minister had been madam's own companion all through the earlier afternoon, and, though he had not said much—quite too little to make madam aware of her own state of mind—he had looked unutterably things. She had found the looking pleasant—she was of the women made to be married, childless, although she had buried three husbands, and still possessed of an alert and lively vanity. She liked to see her name at the head of lists of patronesses, especially missionary and rescue bands. Further, flattery was meat her soul loved to feed on. The Rev. Bewly had found that out at about the second minute and acted upon the knowledge. Indeed, his mind was pretty well made up to marry her before the interview ended. But then he had not seen Jessamine in this mood. Jessamine upset his calculations; she fairly swept him off his feet.

Madam was sadly puzzled throughout the next week. Wills haunted the house as much as ever, though Jessamine openly flouted him, at the same time smiling shy propitiation at the bishop to be. He also was in a maze. Jessamine's encouragement was too elusive to warrant giving over his pursuit of madam, yet sufficiently unsettling to make him at times distrait. Wills glared at him and ostentatiously ignored him. It was that which gave him the strongest hope. Wills must be jealous—madly jealous. If only Beveridge had never begun to court that old woman! She was in the beginning eager to play fairy godmother. It was sickening to feel that he had disturbed this pious purpose, making the lady feel that she was not too old to inspire grand passion number four.

Presently he began to see light. He would have it out with Jessamine—ask her plumply to be Mrs. Beveridge, and, if she said "yes," go to madam for her blessing, along with an apocryphal tale of a distant wooer ready to sue for her hand. He could make it appear he had been finding out her mind toward a fourth marriage. It would go hard with him, but that somewhere he would find a man to make good. Indeed, providentially he already knew the man—a college president, poor and pious, entitled to write half the alphabet after his name in honorary distinctions, with children all safely married, and much in want of a good home. So he went straight to Jessamine, begging her to sing to him. The music room was at the very end of the house, thus well apart. There was small chance of interruption. All the rest were busy with games or flirting or walking in the flower garden under a white moon.

Jessamine went with him, walking high headed and joyous. At the door of the parlors she waved him forward, running back herself upon some errand he did not understand. Whatever it was, she did it very quickly. He had hardly found the songs he wanted when she was beside him, smiling at him in the most bewildering fashion. As she reached for the music her hand, apparently by chance, fell lightly upon his. He tried to hold it, but she snatched it away, turned from him and began to sing very softly. He watched her with burning eyes, his breath coming hard and fast. As she made to rise he put his arms about her and gathered her to his breast, saying hoarsely: "Jessamine, darling, won't you make music for me always? Unless you do my life will be wasted."

"You—you are not in earnest!" Jessamine said, slipping from his arms and averting her face. "You, who are so great, so wise, so good, need another sort of wife—somebody who can help you. I—I should be only a burden."

"A blessed burden, one I shall rejoice to carry," Beveridge said, trying to take her hand. She drew away from him, saying as though in despair: "You—you are playing with me. You really want grandmother"—

"Grandmother! Oh, you jealous darling! How dare you name anything so preposterous?" Beveridge said, catching both her hands. "Grandmother is the most estimable of old ladies, but even if I knew she would take me I could not think of marrying her—not for all the money in the world."

"H-m-m! You've been trying to do it for a very moderate part of the money," grandmother said, stepping through the French window upon Austin Wills' arm. After one look at her the Rev. Bewly Beveridge stepped out through the same window. He knew the treasures of Brookmere were wholly lost to him, no matter how they were reckoned.

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