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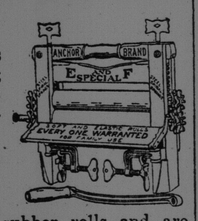

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SIR ROBERT HART NOT VERY ENTHUSIASTIC ABOUT CHINA

Talk of a Constitution is an Old Story He Says, But Gradually the Country Will Learn to Take a Higher Place Among the Nations

LONDON, Sept. 4—Sir Robert Hart, Director General of Chinese Customs, who is here on a year's leave of absence from his post, in an interview concerning the granting of a constitution to the Chinese people did not appear sanguine of any immediate reform in the direction of Chinese government. He said that edicts similar to the one recently issued at Pekin promising a constitution within a stated period, had been issued before. It is impossible to say, he added, when parliament would be summoned, it may be next year and perhaps not for a decade. He pointed out that China did not assimilate western ideas quickly and it was to be feared that even if a parliament was constituted the four hundred million of Chinese in the interior would remain passive. He did not think the imperial power would be lessened by the granting of a constitution, still he was of the opinion that China was feeling her way and preparing the foundations for progress and when the new generation began to build, China's pagoda would tower higher among the nations.

EMPLOYES RELIEF FUND ANNUAL REPORT

Fifty Six Death Claims Were Paid During the Year—Assessments Were Low in St. John District.

MONCTON, N. B., Sept. 4—Secr'y. Paver, of the I. C. R. Employes Relief and Insurance Association is issuing his nineteenth annual report of the Association which contains many interesting statements. The total receipts during the year were $73,310.83, and total expenditures $73,135.03, the net surplus including last year's credit balance being $12,343.14. The expenditures in sick and accident fund were $5,592.94 less than last year. The surplus in the temporary employes accident fund after transferring $5,300 to the sick and accident fund, is ten thousand. Fifty-six death claims were assessed and paid during the year. Fifty were due to natural causes, aggregating $22,750, and six due to accidental injuries, aggregating $2,250. Six claims for total disability were paid, aggregating $4,500, making a total of $29,500. The amount paid for death claims shows an increase of $500 over last year and the amount paid for total disability claims a decrease of $2,500. Levis had the highest average cost for sick and accident indemnity, each member of that division contributing $4.71. Campbellton had the highest average payments for surgical and medical attendance, each member contributing $3.74. In St. John district the average was low, the cost per member for sick and accident indemnity being $2.16 and for surgical and medical attendance $2.50.

THE DOUKHOBORS HAVE PROMISED TO BE GOOD

Tired of Living Under Guard of the Police—They Have Been Sent Back to Their villages.

YORKTON, Sept. 4.—The last of the fanatical Doukhobors at Orcadia have been taken back to their villages on the C. P. R. Their leaders were arrested and imprisoned some time ago, their children taken from them and placed in villages and the remainder, tiring of their mode of life and of living under police surveillance, promised to be good if released and the police are now rid of their troublesome company.

Mr. Harry S. Dixon, aged 32, son of the late bandmaster and Mrs. Helen Dixon, took place on Wednesday at his home, 115 Sydney street, after an illness of some six weeks. Nine years ago Mr. Dixon suffered paralysis of the optic nerve, which resulted in total blindness. At that time he was a member of the Artillery band, a very fine player on the slide trombone, and was by trade a painter. The loss of his sight practically ruined his life and his helplessness was a great source of worry to him. Some few weeks ago he became quite ill with internal trouble, and gradually grew weaker until on Wednesday, as stated, he passed away. In addition to his mother, Mr. Dixon is survived by one brother, S. H. Dixon, of this city. The funeral will take place at 2.30 p. m. Sunday from 115 Sydney street, and will be attended by the Artillery band.

JORDAN TELLS COMPLETE STORY OF HORRIBLE CRIME

The Boston Murder Case Now Practically Clear to the Police—Murderer is Said of Course to Have Been Insane.

BOSTON, Sept. 4.—But four points in connection with the most horrible and gruesome murder in the annals of crime in Greater Boston, that of Mrs. Honoro Jordan, an actress, known on the stage as Irene Shannon, by her husband, Chester S. Jordan, remained to be cleared up by the police today, although the severed portions of the woman's body were discovered only last night. The confession of the husband to the police, following his arrest after the accidental discovery of the mutilated torso of his wife in a trunk which he caused to be placed in a room at 7 Hancock street, this city, was believed to be a substantial recital of the incidents of the brutal crime, but several minor details of his confession conflicted with each other and his story was unconnected in parts. As a result of his examination by the police at the headquarters in this city last night, he disclosed all the apparently important facts in connection with the murder, and gave the information which led to the discovery of the thighs and scalped head of the murdered woman, the only parts not contained in the trunk at his home at 509 Medford street, Somerville.

He also gave a plausible reason in a remark by his wife, which was incited, according to his story, by a belief that he was unfaithful. He stated that following her epithet he struck her, knocking her down a flight of stairs. He claimed that this blow was the only cause by which he is responsible so far as he knows for death, as following his striking her, he remembered nothing until the next morning, and on awakening he found her body at the foot of the stairs. At this latter time, however, his wife's neck was slashed from ear to ear. On this portion of his confession, the police placed the least credence, and their efforts in today's investigation is centred in a search for another strong motive while the medical examiner carefully examined the body for marks of the blow which caused her death. The evidence of the gashing of the neck was plain and it may be that this caused the woman's death, but Jordan's denial of any knowledge of this act made the matter one for close attention. His story of aphasia following the blow which knocked Mrs. Jordan down the stairs and also the point upon which the police have laid particular stress in their report to medical examiner during the latter's examination of Jordan himself, as it was supposed that he might be a victim of drugs. This latter idea he denies.

Attorney Scharton, who has been procured for the defense by Jordan by his brother-in-law, Jesse Livermore, the cotton market operator of New York, states that he already has evidence of Jordan's mental derangement several weeks before the murder, and in this case the murderer's insanity may account for some of the lapses in his confession although as a whole it was remarkably clear. In anticipation of a plea of not guilty when Jordan was arraigned before Judge Wenwright in the Somerville police court today, the police had arranged to ask for a continuation of the case, while a plea of guilty would mean his commital to the East Cambridge jail to await a hearing by the grand jury.

When brought before Justice Butler in the Somerville police court today Jordan pleaded "Not guilty" to the charge of having murdered his wife. The case was continued until Friday Sept. 11, and Jordan was remanded to jail.

IMPERIAL SERVICE MEDAL PRESENTED TO MR. BABBITT

FREDERICTON, Sept. 4—At noon today an interesting event occurred in the executive council chamber in the presence of the members of the government and the officials of the departmental buildings, when Governor Tweedie in a neat speech, presented George N. Babbitt, Receiver General, with the Imperial Service Order Medal granted by the King in recognition of long service as an official. Premier Hazen and Provincial Secretary Flemming warmly congratulated Mr. Babbitt and each spoke of his long and faithful service to the Province and the diligence and integrity with which he had performed his duties. For forty-eight years Mr. Babbitt had been an official of the Province and during that period his duties had been performed in a manner which reflected credit not only upon himself but upon the country.

Mr. Babbitt made a most appropriate reply in thanking all present for the kind words said about him. He had always tried faithfully to do his duty and it was a great gratification and pleasure to him to have the work he had done appreciated. He said he would not attempt to give a discription of his forty-eight years of service as it might tire his audience. He spoke of his pleasant connection with all people under whom he had done service and in conclusion thanked all for the kind regards extended to him.

CARNEGIE PLANS TO BUILD GREATEST SCHOOL IN THE WORLD

He Has Already Given Ten Millions and Will Provide That Much More for the Extension of the Technical Institute at Pittsburg

NEW YORK, Sept. 4.—A despatch to the Sun from Pittsburg says "At a recent conference held at Skibo Castle, Andrew Carnegie made arrangements for the completion of the Carnegie Technical School at Pittsburg on a colossal scale. He plans to make it the greatest school in the world, his real monument.

It is said Mr. Carnegie has authorized the expenditure of $10,000,000 more. Judge Joseph Buffingham and Joseph Metcalf, Jr., who were called to Scotland to confer with Mr Carnegie, have returned with broad smiles, but they say they will reserve the good news for the trustees to give out at a meeting soon to be held. The Carnegie schools, which are caring for 1,200 students, have been found altogether inadequate to the demands, and Mr. Carnegie has held several conferences with trustees regarding the best way to extend the schools. About $10,000,000 has been expended already on the schools and those in charge have not been hampered for funds.

ROBBERS MADE A BIG HAUL IN P. E. ISLAND

Took $600 Worth of Goods From a Store—Police Now Searching for Them—Borings for Coal.

CHARLOTTETOWN, P. E. I., Sept. 4—The police are searching today for two young men suspected of breaking into Tracadie Station on Wednesday night and R. W. McEwen's store, St. Peter's Bay, last night. Nothing is missing from the former place, but from the latter $600 worth of goods, including jewellery, clothing, etc., was stolen. The robbers stole a horse and wagon on two occasions to enable themselves to travel expeditiously. From latest reports they are hiding in the woods near Mount Stewart.

Dr. Ells, of the Dominion Geological survey, is here in connection with borings for coal at the south side of the island. He says a thorough test is to be made to determine absolutely whether minerals are here or not. Contractor Stover of Tilbury, Ont., arrived some days ago with a boring plant, but the work has been delayed waiting for timber.

BAYNE SENT UP FOR TRIAL IN THE COLCHESTER CHOICE TOMATO CASE

Magistrate Crowe Finds That Money and Liquor Were Provided by Friends for the Purpose of Corrupting the Electors in Stanfield's Interests.

TRURO, N. S., Sept. 4.—Stipendiary Magistrate Crowe convened his court this morning to give his recision in the Bayne bribery trial. After beginning, Mr. A. C. Patterson interrupted him and stated that A. L. Davidson, the Conservative organizer was present and wished to make a statement. Mr. Davidson rose and said he had no connection whatever with this matter, whereupon the magistrate stated that he was not entiled to be heard. Mr. Davidson persisted in attempting to address the magistrate, but was told decidedly to sit down, Mr. Crowe explaining that the court had met for one purpose only, and that he would not allow anyone to address the court.

The stipendiary then went into the nature of the charges and briefly reviewed the evidence, stating that certain witnesses swore they were given sums of money and other considerations in Stanfield's interest and this evidence was uncontradicted. He said that any one who had heard the evidence could come to no other conclusion than that the rum and money given were for the purposes of influencing the electors, and that it was of no consequence where Bayne got the money and rum, if it was used for the purposes charged against him. He further stated that there was considerable evidence that the money was not the property of Bayne alone. By the testimony of the witnesses it came from friends outside this man altogether, and if furnished in this way it must strengthen the belief that it was for the purpose of corrupting the electors. There is no other course, he said, in conclusion, open but to commit the defendant for trial under the charges made against him.

The stipendiary again stated, on Davidson re-attempting to speak, that he would not permit any statement, whereupon Davidson filed a document with the court. Mr. Crowe declined to let reporters see the document and it is for all public purposes quite ignored.

EXTRAORDINARY INCIDENTS AT KING SQUARE HOTELS

Actions of Police Officers May Lead to an Investigation—Hotel Guests Insulted and Annoyed by Officious Cops

There is likelihood of an investigation at police headquarters into the actions of some police officers who have recently exceeded their duties in an endeavor to be energetic as detectivs.

On Saturday evening Inspector Jones with Policeman Lucas made a visit to the Hotel Edward in an endeavor to find if liquor was being sold after hours. They found the bar unoccupied. Then Policeman Lucas rushed upstairs by way of the ladies' entrance. As he hurried along the hall he narrowly escaped colliding with one of the lady guests at the hotel. There was no apology made, but the officer is said to have entered one of the guest's rooms. The lady became greatly alarmed at the presence of a uniformed policeman running through the corridor of the hotel, and when she entered her room she fainted.

The officer is said to have then entered another guest's room and pulled out the bureau drawers, claiming he was in search of liquor. In one of these rooms were seated four or five gentlemen who were smoking cigars. He abruptly broke in on their conversation and took their names and addresses.

Proprietor Driscoll, of the Edward, is not very well pleased over the affair, and says that he has never heard heard of any hotel being subjected to such an outrageous search as his hotel was. He thinks that the officer went just a little too far and may have to give an account of his actions to his superiors. Mr. Driscoll further says that such affairs as above mentioned do not help the business of the King Square Hotels.

The episode at the Edward was followed by an extraordinary incident at the Ottawa Hotel Wednesday night, when a Mrs. Jackson, who was at the hotel with her husband, was awakened out of her sleep and compelled to appear before Officer Marshall and others to be accused of unlawfully rooming with an unknown man. When it was learned that there had been a mistake made the embarrassed lady was allowed to again join her husband and retire.

Mrs. Jackson is well known in the city and was a guest at the Ottawa all last winter. She was mistaken by Sanford Scammell for a cook in his Gerrard street restaurant. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson had been in the city for a few days and the lady was having her teeth attended to at a dentist's. On Wednesday night Mrs. Jackson and her husband were returning from the dentist's. Mr. Scammell believed that the woman was his cook. Mr. and Mrs. Jackson entered the hotel and retired unaware that any suspicions were directed against them.

Officer Belyea was approached by Mr. Scammell and informed that a woman, believed to be his cook, had gone to the hotel with a strange man. The policeman took steps to investigate but was told by the proprietor of the hotel that no couple occupied a room in the hotel who were not known to him to be married. The register showed no late entries.

Mr. Green, the proprietor, further stated that he knew all his guests and was positive that Mr. Scammell's cook was not in the house. The policeman then left the premises. Later on other officers were informed of the suspicious woman at the Ottawa and these secured the same information as Officer Belyea.

Mr. Scammell, however, was still convinced that the woman was his cook and Policeman Marshall who is doing night detective duty was notified. The proprietor of the hotel was once more approached and ordered to bring the woman from her room for identification. Mr. Green then went to Mrs. Jackson's room and announced that it was necessary for the lady to appear before the officers and thus prove that she was was a married woman and rooming with her husband. She immediately dressed and appeared before those assembled and then Mr. Scammell stated that she was not his cook.

Mr. Green considers that the policemens' actions in disturbing and insulting his guests was quite uncalled for, especially when he had given his word that the couple were Mr. and Mrs. Jackson.

The gentleman and his wife left for the country yesterday.

It is also stated that some policemen climbed up ladders in the rear of the hotel and looked in the windows to see if liquor was being served after hours. A nervous stranger might mistake the cop for a burglar and do some damage to the official for such actions.

BARRIE'S NEW PLAY IS A DECIDED SUCCESS

"What Every Woman Knows" Made a Hit in London on the Opening Night

LONDON, Sept. 4.—The lifting of the curtain on a new Barrie play has the importance of an historic event for the English stage. J. M. Barrie's latest production "What Every Woman Knows" was produced under Charles Froham's management at the Duke of York theatre last night and it proved the equal of its predecessors. Perhaps it will be considered the best he has done. The audience received all of the acts of the play with unflagging interest and delight.

Two acts are laid in Scotland and two depict English political society. The plot and incidents are fresh and strong, the conversation sparkle with witticisms at the expense of Scotch thriftiness, English politics, society, and human nature generally.

Gerald Dumaurier and Miss Hilda Trevalin achieved the best work in their casts in the leading parts. Henry Vibart as a canny father in law, Mrs. Beerbolm Tree, Lillah McCarthy and Sydney Valentine, the latter as a cabinet member, pointedly impersonating Secretary Birrel, distinguished themselves.

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