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ST. JOHN, N. B., APRIL 30, 1907.

## REFORM MAY FOLLOW.

A few words tacked on to the tail end of a somewhat uninteresting despatch from St. Petersburg convey information of an appointment which will probably have a far reaching effect on the present situation in Russia. M. Akimoff has been chosen president of the Council of the Empire. He was Minister of Justice in Count Witte's cabinet, is a brother-in-law of the notorious Durnovo, formerly Minister of the Interior, and is a Conservative. Akimoff's appointment is regarded as strengthening the reactionary party, nevertheless he is reputed to be conscientious. He is neither a fanatic nor a despot, but, perhaps, the most striking qualification of the man in view of existing conditions is that he is strongly opposed to the continuation of the present military field tribunals. The system of field courts martial, established a short time ago in Russia is, more than any other, the cause of most heated discussion in that country today. Economic and sectional questions are forced to stand aside while the matter of life and death as administered by these courts martial is considered. The manifesto of freedom was issued on October 17, 1905, and within a year afterwards some 200,000 persons had been exiled, 100,000 imprisoned and many hundreds shot for political offences. This was done by the ordinary form of court martial. The first Douma directed its attention to the exposure of this barbarous administration of so-called justice on the part of the government, and in the assembly room, it will be remembered, a dramatic scene occurred. Eight persons had been sentenced to death at Riga, and the members of the Douma had pronounced strongly against the death penalty in general, but in that particular case had ample evidence that the men under sentence were innocent. They asked for a stay of sentence, but General Pavlov, head of the courts martial in Russia, realizing that the government might be forced to grant this request, had the execution hastened in order that his victims might not escape. As a result of this he was driven from the assembly room. That Douma soon afterwards ended its brief existence, and a short time later the Russian Government took a further step in its efforts to repress insurrection among the people. A very few weeks after Stolypin came into power field courts martial were established all over Russia to supplement those previously organized, and these impose the death sentence for any crime from insignificant robbery to murder. Instances have occurred in which twenty and thirty men have been executed in a day. The total number of convictions and death penalties has in the past few months reached well up into the hundreds and is still rising. All classes of citizens have suffered, students, peasants, working men, professional men and public servants. As a result of the extreme cruelty of the methods employed, the revolutionary and opposition parties in Russia today unite in their demand for the abolition of this form of administration of justice. The appointment of Akimoff will, no doubt, strengthen the hands of those who are so strongly calling on the government for this much needed reform.

## PUT ON SOME PAINT.

The strong salty breezs wafted in from the Bay of Fundy, the fog, and the dust which is inevitable in a city founded upon a rock, are all hard on paint. People living here complain that there is but little sense in painting their houses, for in a year the old dingy tint is again to the front and the houses look as if they had never seen a brush. This is partly true. The freshness does very quickly disappear, but isn't it pleasing while it lasts? And besides, the paint protects the wood, so that it is of some material value even if for appearances only it is not a great success.

Property owners here do not use half enough paint. They are content to let things go, and as a result we see row upon row of fine residences dull, dingy and depressing; residences which by the outlay of a few dollars each year might be made attractive. It is a bad plan for anyone to own a house with a Queen Anne front and a Mary Ann back, but supposing the sides and rear of buildings were given that amount of paint necessary for preservation of the wood, and the front or other exposed portions brightened and kept bright, the effect would be most pleasing. This town is dull enough at best, but it is to be feared that few of those who own buildings display a sufficient interest in their property. They mend the holes in the roof, but do very little more. It would be a good plan if someone were to start a campaign of fresh paint, do the town a brilliant vermillion if necessary, but at any rate get away from the dreary drabs and sodden slate tints which now tire the eye by their monotony. Let us change our complexion.

## THAT DUKE STREET CORNER.

The lessee of the building at the corner of Duke and Sydney street, which was referred to in the Star yesterday, asserts that conditions are not as bad as stated. He informs this paper that there are now only twenty-seven persons in the house; that the little store on the corner is not a grocery, but a candy shop; that the ashes from one flat are taken away in barrels every two weeks; that in the yard referred to there are only eight outdoor closets instead of nine; that this place is cleaned out once a year, usually in June; that the ashes and other rubbish are hauled away more frequently; and that the board of health which knows all about the building, has no objection to existing conditions. The Star is pleased to add this further explanation, but isn't the board of health easily satisfied?

## SWINBURNE AT SEVENTY.

(A. Noyes in North American Review.)

I.

He needs no crown of ours, whose golden heart
Poured out its wealth so freely in pure praise
Of others; him the imperishable bays
Crown, and on Sunium's height he sits apart;
He hears immortal greetings this great morn!
Fain would we bring, we also, all we may—
Some wayside flower of transitory bloom,
Frail tribute only born
To greet the gladness of this April day,
Then waste on death's dark wind its faint perfume.

II.

Here, on this April day, the whole sweet Spring
Speaks through his music only, or seems to speak;
and we that hear, "with hearts uplift and weak,"
What can we less than claim him for our king?
He is here on earth, and many a hawthorn-time
Spring shall return and find him singing still;
But, ah! his heart is far beyond the years,
One with the pulsing rhyme
Of starrier heavens that work their rhythmic will
And hold the secret of all human tears.

III.

For he—the last of that immortal race
Whose music, like a robe of living light,
Reclothed each new-born age and made it bright
As with the glory of Love's transfiguring face,
Reddened earth's roses, kindled the deep blue
Of England's radiant ever-singing sea,
Recalled the white thalassiam from the foam,
Woke the dim stars anew
And triumphed in the triumph of Liberty—
We claim him; but he hath not here his home.

IV.

No here: round him today the clouds divide!
We know what faces through that rose-flushed air
Now bend above him; Shelley's face is there,
And Hugo's, lit with more than kingly pride!
Replenished there with splendor, the blind eyes
Of Milton bend from heaven to meet his own:
Sappho is there, crowned with those queenlier flowers
Whose graft outgrew our skies,
His gift; Shakespeare leans earthward from his throne
With hands outstretched. He needs no crown of ours.

## THE BUSY MAN.

If you want to get a favor done
By some obliging friend,
And want a promise safe and sure
On which you may depend,
Don't go to him who always has
Much leisure time to plan,
But if you want your favor done,
Just ask the busy man.

The man with leisure never has
A moment he can spare;
He's busy "putting off" until
His friends are in despair;
But he whose every waking hour
Is crowded full of work
Forgets the art of wasting time—
He cannot stop to shirk.

So when you want a favor done,
And want it right away,
Go to the man who constantly
Works twenty hours a day;
He'll find a moment, sure, somewhere,
That has no other use,
And fix you, while the idle man
Is framing an excuse.

—Michigan Tradesman.

## WHITE WOMAN ON CENT.

The emblem of liberty on the one cent coin is the goddess in an American Indian head-dress, but the face shows no characteristics of the North American aborigine. It is the face of a little girl, Sarah Longacre Keen, upon whose head was placed the feathered ornament of a Sioux Indian. Her father was an engraver and he took the idea and placed his daughter's head on the coin. Sarah Longacre Keen died in Philadelphia not long ago, after having served thirty-five years as the secretary of the city's branch of the Methodise Women's Foreign Missionary Society.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

## TIME TO CHANGE.

It was at a table d'hote dinner at a hill station in India that a very young officer just up from the plains found himself seated next to a lady whom he took for one of the grass widows common in those parts. He made himself agreeable, but his neighbor seemed a good deal out of spirits, so he said sympathetically:

"I suppose you can't help thinking of your poor husband grilling down below?"

But the lady was a real widow, and when he learned that he changed his seat.—London Answers.

# BLOODHOUNDS TRAIL FOUR TRAIN WRECKERS

### Repeated Attempts to Burn the Southern Railroad Bridge in Indiana Frustrated

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 29—Repeated attempts by train wreckers to burn a bridge on the Southern Railroad near Temple, Ind., and the shooting of the town marshal of English while attempting to arrest two of them early this morning have aroused the people of the surrounding country, and the woods in all directions are being scoured by bloodhounds and posses.

The first fire was discovered in the middle of the bridge, near his station, by the night telegraph operator at Temple, about midnight. He extinguished the blaze, and three freight trains passed over before the second fire was discovered. The operator immediately notified the train dispatcher at Princeton, Ind., who, in turn, sent the town marshal of English and a posse to the bridge.

Two men were seen loitering in the vicinity of the bridge, and when the marshal demanded an explanation of their movements during the night, one opened fire, shooting the marshal, one in the hip and once in the stomach. The wounds, while serious, are not considered fatal.

Word was immediately sent to Louisville for bloodhounds, and as soon as they reached the bridge the animals took the trail and ran directly into the woods at the side of the track. It is thought that four men are in the band, and they have been located in the woods near English, it is reported.

# GIRL CUTS DENTIST'S BILL $9 FOR 3 KISSES

### Charges He Stole False Teeth When She Suggested Deduction

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 29.—Fixing a price of $3 on a kiss, Miss Cora Wilson, 20 years old, a pretty housemaid, today asked for the arrest of Dr. R. B. Cochrane, a dentist.

She asserts that she went to Cochrane's office to have a set of false teeth made and fitted in her mouth, and that while the dentist was performing his duty he made love to her and helped himself to three kisses.

Dr. Cochrane fitted her up with false teeth and Miss Wilson made part payment on them, giving him $11. His bill was $20. A week later, she says, he called her to his office by telephone and demanded the remaining $9.

She refused to pay him, declaring that as he had stolen three kisses they were square. Then, she says, he took the false teeth from her mouth by force.

# 450 CHILDREN IN PANIC, LIGHTNING HITS SCHOOL

### Fire Follows—Teachers Prevent Little Ones from Wild Rush

CINCINNATI, April 29—Lightning struck the flagstaff on the Park Avenue School building in Newport, Ky., this afternoon and caused a panic among the 450 children who were there.

Teachers soon quieted them, but shortly after school was called fire started in the building as a result of the lightning. The little ones made frantic efforts to get out.

Window glass was broken and the cupola of the building wrecked by the lightning. None of the pupils was hurt, but it was only through the coolness of the teachers that the little ones were not crushed to death while trying to get out.

After quieting their charges, the pedagogues marched them out.

## BRET HARTE ON DICKENS.

The war correspondent, Frederic Villiers, has recorded a talk with Bret Harte apropos of the poem, "Dickens in Camp":—"We all felt his loss most keenly in the States," said Harte:—

On hearing of his death I sat down about 3 in the afternoon to write an editorial on the great author. I wrote one and then tore it up. Then another, after much pains, was written. This did not please me, so I tore it up. I wrote yet another and threw it into the waste paper basket; it would not do. It was getting late, and I was now keeping the paper waiting for press. I was drumming on my desk, absolutely without another thought in my head; I had run dry. Suddenly I mechanically began to write, and the result was the thing you seem to like so much. Well, Mr. Villers, you are not far out, I like it, too.

A sharp tongue is the only edged tool that grows keener with constant use.—Irving.

# BIGGEST BALLOON LANDS SAFELY

### The Aigle, with Ten Aeronauts, Makes Trip from Saint Cloud to Point Near Blois

PARIS, April 29.—The biggest balloon in France, the Aigle, which left the Aero Club grounds, at St. Cloud, last evening, carrying ten famous aeronauts, M. Georges Besancon, Comte de Castillon de Saint Victor, M. Rene Garnier, M. Etienne Giraud, M. Alfred Leblanc, M. Georges Le Brun, M. Francois Peyrey, M. Santos Dumont, M. Paul Tissandier and M. Ernest Zenes, is of 4,150 cubic metres capacity and is owned by M. Jasques Balsan. It was manufactured in 1904 by Maurice Mallot. Last night's ascent was its second.

Leaving at nearly the same time as the Aigle, was the Micromegas, of 400 cubic metres, piloted by M. Georges Bans. If a race were possible, with both balloons mainly depending upon the wind for direction and speed, it was a case of the biggest versus the smallest, as the Micromegas is one of the most microscopic of valloons.

The Micromegas descended at seven o'clock this morning at Persac, in the department of Vienne, between Poitiers and Limoges. The Aigle landed about the same time near Blois. The wind remained light throughout the voyage.

## THAW-WHITE TRAGEDY.

The Thaw-White tragedy pictures still draw the crowds at St. Andrew's Rink and those who have not seen them will have a chance on Tuesday and Wednesday as they will be shown then for the last times in St. John. On Wednesday afternoon by special request we will give a matinee for ladies at which the Thaw-White tragedy pictures will be shown. This is a rare chance for the ladies to see them. The admission will be small, and also Tuesday and Wednesday, to give everybody a chance, we have reduced the admission on those two nights. This is your last chance, don't miss it.

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## DEATHS.

FANJOY—In this city on the 29th inst, Captain George A. Fanjoy, aged 70 years, leaving three sons and two daughters to mourn their loss.
Funeral on Thursday, May 2nd, from the residence of his son-in-law, George Waycotte, 70 Metcalf street. Service begins at 2.30 o'clock.

HORNCASTLE—In this city, on Sunday, April 28th, Alexander Gilson Horncastle, in the thirty-third year of his age, leaving a wife and two children, also father, mother, sister and three brothers, to mourn their sad loss.
Funeral from his late residence, 203 Main street, North End, on Wednesday, May 1st. Service at house at 2.30. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.
Boston papers please copy.

HUESTON.—In this city on the 29th inst., at his residence, 43 Marsh street, Kennedy Hueston, aged 63 years, leaving a widow, one son and a daughter to mourn.
Funeral on Wednesday, May 1st, from his late residence. Funeral service begins at 3.30 o'clock. Friends and acquaintances invited to attend.

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Main 1395-21—Tanzman, A., residence, 188 Brussels.
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A. W. McMACKIN,
April 25th, 1907. Local Manager.

# SCORES ESCAPE DEATH BY MISSING TRAIN

### Change in Schedule Caused Car Which Fell from Trestle Near Pittsburg to be Empty

PITTSBURG, Pa., April 29. — Sixty persons who missed train No. 27 on the Wabash Railroad, westbound from this city today, escaped death by doing so.

The engine and forward car of the train fell off a trestle half a mile west of Bridgeville into Chartiers Creek, forty feet below.

Marion Boyd, of Rook Station, the engine driver, and Frank McIsaacs, of Barbertown, Ohio, the fireman, were instantly killed, and the front car was smashed to splinters. This car was empty, because the sixty persons had failed to board the train when it left Pittsburg.

None of the forty persons in the three rear cars knew of the wreck until it was all over. Then they learned that the only thing that saved them was the fact that the coupling pin which would have drawn them into the death plunge snapped as the front car and engine left the tracks.

## SPARING THE SMASHER.

"I told you," said the merchant, "to mark this box 'Handle With Care.' What's this nonsense you've painted here?"

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### Protracted Absence of Assyrian Peddla Causing Anxiety—His Wife and Child in Historic Lebanon

The nine weeks' absence of John Thomas, a Syrian pack peddler, is greatly discomfiting friends and relatives here.

Word was received about three weeks ago that Thomas had passed through Fredericton on his way down river, but nothing since has been heard of him, and it is feared that he may have fallen through the ice and been drowned.

This forenoon Michael Charlie called at the Star office to say that anything the newspapers could do to help locate Thomas would be gratefully appreciated. The missing man is 29 years of age and of good habits. He has worked in St. John and other provincial parts, and is very well liked.

Mrs. Thomas French of 25 Brunswick street, is a sister of the missing man, and away out on historic Mount Lebanon, Syria, a wife and child are happily anticipating the return of their loved husband and parent.

# MANICURING PARLOR FOR CATS

### Select Feline Pets of Fashionable Cleveland Club Members Will Have Nails Treated

CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 29—The Cleveland Cat Club decided last night to establish a manicuring parlor for their felines. The members placed the matter in the hands of Dr. W. C. Fair, of Carnegie avenue, S. E., and decided to employ a competent veterinary surgeon to take charge of the parlor.

"We believe that disease is spread under cats' nails," says Mrs. Stephen Buhrer, president of the club, who is a West Side society leader, "and that often much damage is done by unkempt claws. Our manicuring parlor will keep our pet felines in clean, healthy condition. Dr. Fair will work out the details of the plan."

Only a select few cats, those belonging to members of the club, will be admitted to the parlor.

SALONIKI, European Turkey, April 28.—Robert Abbott, the son of a prominent British subject here, who was kidnapped from his father's garden March 24, has been liberated.

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