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AMUSEMENTS THIS WEEK.

Auditorium Theatre — "Northern Lights."
New Savoy—Burlesque and Vaudeville.

WISE WORDS.

Lord Chas. Beresford has given utterance to certain strong sentiments respecting the present condition and equipment of the navy. It is a point in favor of any nation when its strong men are willing to admit its weaknesses. Lord Beresford demands a general shaking up among the figureheads who occupy positions of responsibility in the navy, and also points out the necessity of abandoning worn out vessels and of securing new ones in their stead. The lack of sources of coal supply is also pointed out and a remedy suggested. The words of his majesty's rear admiral are not words of fear nor are they the utterances of an alarmist. They are merely the sound, sensible views of a man who has a grasp of affairs and believes in the application of practical measures wherever such measures are required.

It is not best to be continually looking upon the bright side of things and never give consideration to the possibility of reverses. Lord Beresford's utterances may give a temporary shock to the tender sensibilities of some critics, but in the end they will inure to the profit of the empire.

The discovery of a brand new Shakesperian cryptogram has been announced. The discoverer, who is a woman, claims to have solved the historical secrets which for many years have been believed by certain enthusiasts to be hidden within the text of Shakespeare's plays. As has been the custom with others who have sought to take the glory away from Shakespeare of writing the dramas which have so long been credited to him, the discoverer of the new cipher attributes the authorship of the plays to Lord Bacon. Hidden within the lines of Romeo and Juliet she alleges to have found a confession of Lord Bacon's passion for the Queen of Navarre, and elsewhere, she alleges, is revealed proof of the old claim that Bacon was a son of Queen Elizabeth and brother of the Earl of Essex, who was executed by the Queen's orders. The revelations made by the new cipher have attracted considerable interest among scholars, most of whom it must be admitted, view the matter with incredulity.

The United States senate has ratified the recommendations of the Hague Peace Conference in reference to rules of warfare. While it is rather strange that a convention which was called for the purpose of finding a means for bringing about universal peace, should end by adopting rules for the proper conduct of warfare, it is satisfactory to note that the purpose of the recommendations made is to reduce unnecessary mortality and place the prosecution of war upon as humane a basis as possible. In that respect the Hague convention may be said to have accomplished something worth while.

At the great dinner which was tendered Prince Henry in New York, the guests, numbering 2000 in all, are said to have appropriated so many pieces of table silver as souvenirs of the occasion, that the caterer, who had rented the plate, was forced into bankruptcy. A meaner trick could scarcely be imagined. Some of the millionaire petty larcenists who were implicated ought to club together and make the unfortunate chef a present of a new hotel completely furnished.

Reports have been sent out from Chicago to the effect that many buildings in that city which are constructed almost entirely of iron, are exhibiting serious indications of corroding, and fear is expressed that they are liable to fall to pieces. Should it prove true that the big iron sky-scrapers of the windy city have actually become a source of danger to their occupants, the consequent loss from a dollars and cents standpoint would be almost incalculable.

It will grate rather harshly on the nerves of many people to learn the facts as published today in connection with the remains of Chas. W. Watts. Briefly the body of the dead man has been held in a local undertaking establishment for a period of two years, awaiting the settlement of funeral expenses. It would appear that the case has reached a point where the local authorities should step in and direct that some disposition of the remains be made.

A few weeks of such weather as has been enjoyed for the past 24 hours will spread a wave of prosperity over the land. The "merry, merry" clean-up will then be in progress and the channels of local trade will once more be filled with a golden stream. We opine that the opening of spring will not come any too quickly to suit either the mining or commercial interests of the community.

Cecil Rhodes, the great empire builder of South Africa, is dangerously ill and is not expected to survive any length of time. His work, however, will live long after his body has been interred. Rhodes has built a monument to himself more enduring than any shaft of granite or statue of bronze that might be erected.

At last it seems reasonable to believe that gentle spring has actually arrived.

Johnnie Tackum

Special to the Daily Nugget.

Vancouver, March 15. — Indian Johnnie Tackum has been arrested and brought here for the murder of J. Hussey and wounding of Carr at Taber Inlet.

Strike Averted

Special to the Daily Nugget.

Fall River, Mass., March 15. — Manufacturers are acceding to the demand of employees for 10 per cent. increase in wages and a general strike has been averted.

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Probably the only resemblance between Ireland and the Yukon is that there are no snakes or reptiles in either and for that reason St. Patrick's day should be observed here with as much spirit as on the Emerald Isle from which St. Patrick drove the snakes many years ago. It is possible, however, that had not officers of the law discovered and abolished a number of industries engaged in the manufacture of stark naked oil of joy that all kinds of serpents would have been seen in the Yukon vale 'ere the robins nest again.

In the large cities of America this will be a great day for the Irish but a bad day for yellow coons; in fact, the latter will exercise good judgment by going a couple or three blocks out of his way to avoid meeting the Hooligan brigade as it comes out of Finnegan's saloon on its way to O'Rafferty's brewery.

This is one day that nearly all persons can wear the Shamrock, for the majority of us in tracing our ancestry back find in it a streak of Irish, and the occasion is rare when there is found cause to blush for that streak.

In Dawson are to be seen evidences of St. Patrick's day on every hand. The majority of the stores have displayed green decorations and in the lapel of nearly every coat is seen a Shamrock or bow of green ribbon. Tonight the occasion will be fittingly honored by an entertainment for a most worthy cause, the establishing of a memorial for that good man, Father Judge, whose name, like the emblem of St. Patrick's day, will ever remain green in the memory of those who knew him and witnessed his unselfish devotion in the cause of good in the early days of Dawson.

Long live Ireland!

BODY OF CHAS. W. WATTS

Remains Unburied for Two Years

Now Lies Embalmed in Green's Undertaking Parlors—Newspaper Correspondent

The body of Charles W. Watts, the newspaper correspondent who died in Dawson something over two years ago, still remains unburied in the local undertaking establishment of J. A. Greene.

Watts was connected with the Portland Oregonian, for which paper he corresponded for about two years. He was a member of the Woodmen of the World and carried a two thousand dollar policy in that order. Undertaker Greene states that when Watts died, an expensive funeral was given him, the understanding being that the costs would be defrayed by his family from the life insurance policy. With the same understanding on the part of the lodge, the insurance money was paid to the heirs, who have refused to settle any of the funeral expenses. Mr. Greene says he proposed burying the remains on his own account last spring but members of the order prevailed on him not to do so, stating that when the facts were known outside the matter would be attended to in the proper manner. Nothing has been done as yet and Watts' body still lies in a hermetically sealed casket in Greene's undertaking parlors.

The affair has recently been discussed in a number of the coast newspapers, the following article being taken from a late issue of the Albany, Ore., Herald:

It will be remembered that several months ago there was some discussion as to whether or not Charles Watts of Albany, Ore., who died in Dawson over two years ago, had been buried. A dispatch from Seattle has the following concerning the affair:

Seattle, Feb. 5.—Mail advices from Dawson via the steamer City of Seattle state that the body of Chas. Watts, a newspaper man from Oregon, who died there two years ago, lies at a Dawson undertaking shop still unburied. Uncared for by kindred and the fraternal order of Woodmen, of which he was a member, the remains have been allowed to occupy such inglorious quarters as they have found about the storage rooms of the undertaker's establishment.

Watts was a member of the Albany, Or., lodge of Woodmen, and formerly lived in that town. He also lived in Salem, where he was well known and was for a time engaged in newspaper work. He died of pneumonia.

"The proposition to give Watts even a decent burial in Dawson was strongly agitated last spring by people of Dawson and letters were written by Woodmen there to Oregon strongly condemning the neglect of the Oregon lodge, which, it was claimed, was bound under its rules to give the man a burial and to place a grave stone over his resting place. The matter created quite a stir in Dawson for a short time, but was referred by the lodge to a committee, and has since seemed to die from memory.

FALKENBURG EXPLAINS.

Before leaving Portland Head Consul Falkenburg was interviewed by the Oregonian with reference to Charles Watts, the Albany man and member of the Woodmen, whose body still lies in an undertaker's shop in Dawson. Mr. Falkenburg said:

"Watts died in midwinter, at a time when it was impossible to bring out the body. He carried an insurance policy payable to his family, with whom I understand he had had some differences before he went to the Yukon. The heirs asked that payment be made upon the report of his death in Dawson, and I waived the formality of the body being returned, paid the money, and understood and believed that the family would see that the body was given respectable interment. The obligation of the Woodmen ceased when the insurance was paid. We did not contract to conduct funerals, but where the family requests we arrange for the erection of a monument over the grave of a deceased member. Knowingly, however, we would not allow a deceased member to remain uncared for. When I go to Albany I shall take up the matter with the local lodge and arrange for burial of the body, if the family refuses to care for it."

Military Blunder.

Honolulu, T. H., Feb. 15.—Advices from Japan are to the effect that a military commission of seven officers has been appointed to inquire into the cause of the disaster on January 24th, in which 208 officers and men of the Japanese army were frozen to death while on a practice march from Aomori to Mount Yakoda, in the northern part of the island of Hondo. It is openly charged that a blunder was made. It is stated by the "Kokumin Shinbun" that the purpose of the expedition was not to practice the transport of baggage in snow, as was originally stated, but to test the possibility of making a long movement in deep snow.

"In such circumstances," says the "Kokumin Shimbun," "and in view of the season, the military authorities should have anticipated the possibility, if not the probability, of heavy snowstorms and other climatic difficulties. It appears from the report of Colonel Tsugawa, who commands the Fifth Regiment, that the food carried by the men consisted of ordinary provisions for one day and dried rice for one day. Any delay meant, therefore, that the men would have been without food."

The "Jiji" prints the following story of Corporal Goto:

On January 23d the party left the barracks and arrived at the Hinchiyama, where they had tiffin. Upon ascending the mountain they found it impossible to move the sleds in the deep snow drifts. Loading the cooking utensils on their backs they marched until 6 p. m. and camped. The next morning at 2 o'clock they had only provisions for one meal, and were again on the march at 4 o'clock. As there occurred a heavy gale of wind and deep snow drifting that morning, Major Yamaguchi ordered a return, but the party missed the way in the blinding snow, and was obliged to camp for a second time. On the 25th at 2 a. m. they started kn the way back, but only reached the same spot they marched through the day before, after resting for some minutes there they marched some two ri thence and camped. The party missed two or three officers by this time, but no soldiers. Early in the morning, when Corporal Goto awoke, the whole party was dispersed, only a few of them remaining in camp here and there.

Captain Kuraishi, another of the survivors, is quoted as saying:

On January 26th the surviving officers and men attempted to make their way in various directions, but were obliged to seek shelter under an overhanging rock. Major Yahaguichi became unconscious several times, as if frozen to death, and it was thought of leaving him behind. however, it was more than the soldiers could endure to part with their commander even with death staring them in the face, and they carried him under the rock, where he was found barely alive. Most of the dead soldiers looked as if they were still alive, having their eyes wide open. They had died in a standing position or were lying on their backs. Their heads were bare and their overcoats were still with frozen snow. The straw shoes they had one were so firmly fixed that a knife had to be used in removing them from their feet.

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