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A RAT IN HER TRUNK

Made Jess So Crazy that She Nearly Wrecked the Circus.

SAN FRANCISCO, Oct. 7.—The reason for the strange actions of Jess, the circus elephant, which went on a rampage early yesterday morning, and after breaking her fastenings and nearly wrecking the circus, roamed through the streets of San Francisco, has been discovered. Jess has always been perfectly docile and could be handled by any of the circus people. While she was being pursued through the streets this morning by her keepers they noticed that the animal acted as if frenzied by fright. Finally when she allowed them to come near one of the keepers noticed something protruding from the end of her trunk. He pulled it out and found that it was a live rat. The elephant had been lying on the ground asleep, with her trunk stretched out in front of her, and it is supposed that the rat ran up her trunk. The elephant contracted the muscles of her trunk and held the rodent fast. When the rat had been removed the elephant gave signs of great satisfaction and made no further resistance to being led back to the circus tent.

FALL FAIRS, 1894.

Wallaceburg.....	Oct. 8-9
Ridgeway.....	Oct. 8-10
Drumbo (Blenheim).....	Oct. 8-10
Elmhurst.....	Oct. 9-10
Leamington (Mersey).....	Oct. 9-11
Thorndale (West Niagara).....	Oct. 10-11
Lambeth (Westminster Society).....	Oct. 10-11
Bredon (Camden Agricultural Socy).....	Oct. 10-11
Carleton Place (Municipal).....	Oct. 10-11
Dorchester.....	Oct. 11-12
Burlington.....	Oct. 11-12
Bellevue.....	Oct. 12-13
Boscawen, Bedford.....	Oct. 12-13
Tilbury West and North.....	Oct. 12-13
Highbury (Oxford).....	Oct. 13-14
Harrow (Colchester).....	Oct. 13-14

Four Children Cremated.

FLORENCE, Ala., Oct. 7.—Four children of J. D. Chandler, all under 5 years of age, were cremated in the burning of the homestead, near Smithsonia, yesterday morning. The people are colored.

Jay Gould Didn't Pay His Lawyer.

NEW YORK, Oct. 7.—The former family lawyer of the Goulds, Thomas G. Shearman, of Shearman & Sterling, having been unsuccessful in collecting his fees, which he places at \$150,000 for legal services rendered the late Jay Gould during his lifetime, has begun an action to recover the amount. The defendants are George J. Edwin, Helen M. Anna and Howard Gould, executors of the will of Jay Gould. Lawyer Shearman claims to have attended to all the legal business of Jay Gould, even to the drawing of his will, for which he has not yet been paid.

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The Eastern Quarrel

Grave Character of the Present Situation.

Collapse of the Chinese Government Not Improbable.

Concerted Action to be Taken by the European Powers.

England, France, Germany and Russia in Accord—Missionaries Decline to Desert Their Posts.

THE POWERS WILL INTERFERE.

LONDON, Oct. 6.—It can be stated on authority that the developments of the past week in Eastern affairs will lead to concerted action on the part of the European powers. On Monday last N. R. Connor, the British minister at Peking, wired the Foreign Office by cable that the condition of affairs in China was such that the Government was not able to guarantee protection to the foreign residents at the treaty ports and the missionaries in the interior of the country. The minister in the same dispatch stated that the Chinese Imperial Council was disorganized and that the collapse of the Government was not looked upon as an impossibility. He advised that instant action be taken for the protection of the lives and property of British subjects in China. The substance of this dispatch was at once communicated by Lord Rosebery to the Governments of France, Russia and Germany, with the suggestion that the powers co-operate in increasing the guard at the treaty ports and in the measures for the protection of the missionaries. When the Cabinet met on Thursday friendly responses from all three of the powers named had been received, and this so thoroughly.

CLEAR UP THE SITUATION

as to enable the Ministers to give the Premier and the Earl of Kimberley, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, a free hand to take whatever steps in the matter they consider necessary. No question of intervention between Japan and China has arisen, however. It is reported that preparations are being made to send 10,000 troops to occupy the leading treaty ports, and if the present intention is carried out Parliament on reassembling will be asked to grant a credit of £4,000,000 to cover the expenses of the expedition. Since the holding of the Cabinet Council instructions have been given to the British Minister at Peking and to the British consuls at all the treaty ports to send to the mission stations in the interior imperative instructions for the withdrawal of all the missionaries to the protected coast districts. The consuls are empowered by their instructions to call for assistance upon Vice Admiral Freeman, commanding the British fleet in Chinese waters, who is authorized to send gunboats to any possible distance if such action be deemed necessary to cover the withdrawal of the missionaries. The instructions also direct that all missionaries, without regard to nationality, shall be protected. The few and meagre telegrams thus far received by the Minister and consuls from the nearest mission stations indicate that the missionaries there are determined not to desert their posts, but to continue their work in the face of all risks.

AN EXPLANATION.

Private advices to the Army and Navy Gazette explain away the Japanese charge that Vice Admiral Freeman signalled to the Chinese the approach of the Japanese fleet. The British vessels, it is said, used their search lights in order to reveal their nationality, and thus prevent an assault on them by mistake.

THE TALK OF MEDIATION.

The offers of mediation between China and Japan are all widely divergent. The truth of the matter is that it is the general belief in official circles that the members of the Cabinet are unanimously against any foreign intervention, and so far as Great Britain is concerned, favoring the Japanese to reap the full fruit of their victories, unless, of course, they seek to injure the commercial interests of Europe.

THE MISSIONARY INTEREST.

The largest Protestant inland mission in China is engaged in the Province of So Chuen and Hu Pei, in which provinces anti-foreign riots have most often occurred. The managers of this station, instead of withdrawing the workers under their supervision, are sending fresh drafts of missionaries to the various sub-stations in the district, they having received advice that there is no more cause for fear of ill-treatment than usually exists. The society which operates there has most often been stationed in the Province of Pe Chi Li, in which province Peking is situated, and these four stations employ 614 missionaries, none of whom, so far as is known, is preparing to retreat. The same may be said of the Catholic missionaries, whose numbers are largely in excess of the Protestants. In New Huang and Moukden, which are near the center of the district, where the war is now being carried on, there were stationed 23 Catholic and 17 Protestant missionaries. The latest mail advices received from these points state that the churches and houses of native converts have been pillaged and burned, but that the foreign residents have meanwhile remained unharmed.

PERSONAL OF THE BRITISH FORCES.

The position of affairs debars the Admiralty from sending explicit orders as to how to dispose of the vessels covering the posts, but Vice-Admiral Freeman has been advised to station gunboats at Choo Foo, Ichang and Hankow, and also at the furthest inland port, Chung King.

At Shanghai the Indo-European police force will be increased on representations made by British shippers there.

USELESS CHINESE FORCES.

A letter from Peking published in the Standard says reports have been received from all parts of the Chinese Empire and notably from Foo Chow, that the forts are useless as means of defense and that the guns in them are not fit for use.

GERMANY READY TO CO-OPERATE WITH

BERLIN, Oct. 7.—Under the approval of the Emperor, Chancellor Von Caprivi has telegraphed to Lord Kimberley, British Foreign Minister, informing him that the German squadron will co-operate with the English fleet to protect Europeans at Chinese ports, and requesting a mutual entente on the part of England whereby the British squadron shall protect German subjects and the German fleet protect British subjects.

The Standard's Berlin correspondent telegraphs: "The Japanese Government has instructed Gen. Count Yamagata to inform the diplomats at Seoul that the Japanese will not be allowed to plunder Peking in the event of their capturing the city."

NOTES.

Native reports from the Korean frontier

say that the Chinese have abandoned their positions at Ngan and retired to Kichan. There is a vague rumor that the Chinese officials contemplate totally blocking the Woo Sung bar.

The Chinese Government has authorized a firm in Tien Tsin to raise a loan of £10,000,000. The sum of £1,000,000 has been placed privately.

A report from Shanghai says it is believed there that the Chinese forces at Moukden have been ordered thence to oppose the attempt which it is feared will be made by the Japanese in the Gulf of Liantung or the Gulf of Pe Chi Li. The fortifications of New Chang have been increased and strengthened in anticipation of an attack by the Japs.

LATTER DAY SAINTS.

Semi-Annual Conference of the Chatham District.

PETROLEA, Oct. 7.—The semi-annual conference of the Chatham district of the Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ to Latter Day Saints convened here Oct. 6. The meeting was called to order at 10:30 by Elder G. Green, president of the district. Elder J. H. Lake was chosen to preside, with George Green, assistant; S. Brown, clerk; George McFadden, assistant; Emma Blackly, organist; Bro. J. H. Tyrell, chorister.

A committee on credentials was appointed consisting of Bro. R. C. Evans, A. E. Grant and J. A. Grant. The same committee was appointed to audit bishop's agent books and report.

The president gave a lengthy address on decorum and the duty of the Saints in branches, districts and General Conference. Five-minute speeches were made by Bro. J. H. Lake, George Green, J. H. Tyrell, R. C. Evans, R. E. Grant, J. A. Grant, E. Delong and others, who spoke very encouragingly of the success the work is making, also of their faith in God and his work.

At the afternoon session the committee on credentials reported favorably of the fifteen branches—nine reported by resolution.

J. H. Tyrell and Geo. Shippey were granted elders' license.

Elder Geo. Green, of Appleton, was sustained as president of the district; Elder Richard Coburn of Blenheim, was sustained as vice-president; Elder J. H. Tyrell, of Chatham, was sustained as bishop's agent; Elder George Humphreys was appointed district secretary, and Samuel Brown, of Blenheim, was sustained as clerk.

A request was read from the Petrolea Saints that the church be dedicated at 11 a.m. by Elder J. H. Lake, president of the mission.

At 8 p.m. Elder Lake spoke, and re-organized the Saints to meet at 8:30 a.m. Sunday for prayer and testimony and Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

Elder J. H. Lake was chosen delegate to represent the district at the General Conference to be held at Independence, Miss., commencing April 6, 1895.

The conference meets again Monday.

The Supreme Court.

OTTAWA, Oct. 7.—The Supreme Court concluded the Quebec list yesterday and adjourned. It will take up the Ontario list in one week from Tuesday next.

A Lindsay Boy Drowned.

LINDSAY, Ont., Oct. 7.—A drowning accident occurred here today. Four boys were out in a boat near the station, when the craft upset. Three of the boys got out safely, but Willis Brown, messenger boy at the G. N. W. telegraph office, was drowned.

Gen. Booth at Montreal.

MONTREAL, Oct. 7.—Today was a great one in Salvation Army circles in this city. Gen. Booth, the famous head of the army, addressed four gatherings at the Salvation Barracks and there was a big attendance at all of the services, and a large amount of money collected.

"Gen." Kelley Laid Out.

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Oct. 7.—"Gen." Kelley, leader of the industrial army which left here last summer and went to Washington, while addressing a crowd last evening in Oakland, was ordered by Officer Scanlan to desist. Kelley refused and Scanlan took him into custody. They had not gone far when Scanlan began clubbing Kelley and fractured his skull. Scanlan was arrested.

Death of Gov. Curtin.

BELEFON, Pa., Oct. 7.—Andrew Gregg Curtin, the war governor of Pennsylvania, died this morning at 5 o'clock. His death was painful, the vital spark going out after a sleep of twelve hours. During the part of yesterday the ex-governor was delirious. To quiet his nervous system it was necessary to administer an opiate, and under its influence he sank into a quiet sleep about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, from which he never awoke. The cause of the ex-governor's death was a general breaking down of his nervous system.

Gov. Curtin was born April 22, 1817, was admitted to the bar in 1837, and he was appointed Secretary of State by the governor. In 1860 he was elected first Republican governor of Pennsylvania, and served in that capacity throughout the war. Succeeding Grant's election Gov. Curtin was appointed Minister to Russia and spent nearly four years at St. Petersburg. He later on renounced his allegiance to the Republican party, and as a Democrat served six years in Congress.

Banana Plantations Destroyed.

PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 7.—According to reports made by Capt. Holman, of the British steamship Baganza, which has just arrived from Baracoa, Cuba, bananas were a scarce commodity at this port for some time to come. While the Baganza was in Cuba on September 22 and 23, the northeast end of Cuba was visited by one of the most terrific hurricanes that has swept that locality for twenty years. All the banana plantations were either totally destroyed or badly damaged. Houses were blown away, trees uprooted, and other great damage was wrought. The coconut oil factory, run by American capitalists, was badly damaged. Great damage was done up the mountains in the locality of Mata and Yumuri, and the Baganza returned with only a part cargo of fruit.

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WHAT TOMMY DODDS SAYS.

A bright little 4-year-old in the East End wanted some sponge cake the other day. "Some cake what is wrapped up, please," was the way he asked for it.

A man named Egg got crushed by a trolley car in Montreal last week. He may sue for damages. At the retail price for eggs in London he would be entitled to exactly 1 cent for the breakage.

Daddy Wheeler says that you tighten the head of a bicycle to keep it from rattling, but when you tighten a man's head he immediately gets very rattled. Wheelmen of experience will please state if this is correct.

"To cough up the cash."

In a colloquialism that is "all the go" in the States, William Corbett, a Western Ontario man, swallowed a copper 14 years ago. He coughed it up the other day, but the newspaper dispatch did not state whether it was stringency of the money market or a relaxation of the asepticus. Perhaps with money bringing much as 43 per cent, he thought it pretty near time to invest his copper and get some of the interest that is floating about.

It was on a Dundas street car. The little boy was dressed in faultless posttime, and he carried one arm under his jacket while the empty sleeve bobbed airily about. Big tears stood out of his eyes as his mother lifted him carefully up to the seat. A little girl brought up the rear, and she looked as if some dreadful tragedy had just been enacted and she had been an involuntary witness of it. The car had stopped in front of a doctor's office to let them on, and the air of misery that accompanied them excited general pity and interest.

"Poor little fellow," said one matronly-looking woman to an elderly lady; "I wonder how he broke it."

"I dare say the little dear has had his arm scalded badly," suggested the young woman with glasses.

The sympathizers would undoubtedly have imagined that little faultless boy's arm was off at the shoulder if the car had not stopped.

"Now, be careful of your vaccination, Freddie," said the mother as Freddie clambered out, "and be sure you don't rub it off. There's a good boy."

A couple of feeble gawks followed this announcement, and as the car went on there was an amused smile on the features of two men, while a hurt look lingered about the faces of the sympathetic women.

I was sitting in the park one morning last week, when I was approached by a comparatively well-dressed man. He was very anxiously in his gait and carried a well-developed "wig" that might have cost anywhere from \$15 to \$25 during the dry season. In his hand he held a crumpled piece of paper which he insisted on showing to me as soon as he had assured himself that his seat was as steady as it looked.

"Wasser think of that? (hic). Believe it's so?" he asked in a husky voice, as he turned his heavy eyes in my direction.

I found out he had got possession of a torn piece of newspaper on which was printed in startling lines:

OFF ITS NUT.

THE EARTH'S AXIS WOBBLING, SO SCIENTISTS SAY.

"Do yer believe it?" he anxiously asked. "Well, if scientists say it is so, I suppose it is."

He looked around to see that we were not overheard, and then he whispered confidentially: "I've noticed it myself. (Hic). It was wobbling just now. Noticed it since. I haven't haven't been home last night. Inquiringly, 'Do you think my wife could be induced to believe it?'"

"Undoubtedly," I said, "providing you produce the necessary document." He laughed softly, and folding the paper carefully he came more launched out into uncertainty.

Late that night I saw him again and he did not look at all joyful. I asked him what success he had met with. He became very talkative and told me that his wife had greeted him with "Drunk again, you horrid thing!"

"No," he answered stolidly, as he fumbled for his paper. "I deny the acquisition. Great discovery. Last night's paper. Earth wobbles. There!"

Then she looked at me and said, "Got 'em again!" and went home to her mother's. Say, ain't got 10 cents to give a stick to help steady the wobbling, have you?"

I had not.

A GENIAL POET GONE.

Death of Oliver Wendell Holmes at Beverly, Mass.

BEVERLY, Mass., Oct. 7.—Oliver Wendell Holmes, the poet, died at his residence at Beverly, Mass., this afternoon.

Oliver Wendell Holmes was born at Cambridge, Mass., Aug. 29, 1809, and graduated at Harvard College in 1829, and began the study of law, which he subsequently abandoned for that of medicine. Having attended the hospitals of Paris and other European cities, he commenced practice in Boston in 1836. In 1838 he was elected professor of anatomy and physiology in Dartmouth College, and in 1847 was appointed to a similar professorship in the Massachusetts medical school, from which he retired in 1852. As early as 1836 his contributions in verse appeared in various periodicals. As a writer of songs, lyrics and poems for festive occasions he occupied the first place. He was for many years a popular lecturer. In 1857 he commenced the Atlantic Monthly a series of articles under the title "The Autocrat of the Breakfast Table," which were followed in 1860 by "The Professor at the Breakfast Table," in 1872 by "The Poet at the Breakfast Table," and in 1885 by "The Newport Folio." In addition he published "Astoria," "Currents and Counter-Currents in Medical Science," 1861; "Borderlands," a Romance of Destiny, 1861; "Borderlands," 1862; "Songs in Many Keys," 1864; "Soundings From the Atlantic," 1864; "Humorous Poems," 1865; "The Guarding Angel," 1868; "Mechanism in Thought and Morals," 1870; "Songs of Many Seasons," 1874; "John L. Motley, a Memoir," 1878; "The Iron Gate" and other poems, 1880; "Medical Essays," 1883; "Pages from an Old Volume of Life," 1883; "Ralph Waldo Emerson," 1884; "A Mortal Antipathy," 1885; "One Hundred Days in Europe," 1887; "Before the Carlew," 1888, and numerous poems recited at various reunions and dinners.

In 1886 he visited England, where he was received with great cordiality. Editions of his collected poems have appeared from time to time, the first in 1836, the last in 1889. He has contributed largely to current medical literature, as well as to literary journals and reviews. A series of genial papers from his pen, entitled "Over the Teacups," appeared in the Atlantic Monthly during 1890.

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