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TRAIN PLOUGHS PATH OF DEATH

SEVEN VICTIMS IN ITS METEORIC FLIGHT

Lake Shore Flyer Reaps Harvest of Destruction at Gary Station, Indiana.

Chicago, Oct. 7.—Sweeping from out the darkness like a meteor in its relentless course, without a warning sound, and with a train of sleepers in its wake a great Mogul engine crashed through a crowd of men who were standing in Gary station, Indiana, on Saturday night. On either side of the track the dead and dying were hurled with relentless violence, and when the death roll came to be made up it was found that seven had been ground to pieces, while the bits of their bodies were picked up for a distance of over a hundred yards along the track.

Cries of Wailing Women.

The train belonged to the Lake Shore railroad and was on its way eastwards from Chicago. When its murderous course was run, it sped onwards in the darkness, while at the scene which marked its Juggernautic path the cries of wailing women rose upon the night air mingled with the deep cursing of the men survivors.

Carnage It Wreaked.

Up to the present it has been ascertained that seven are dead, but it is possible that others have been carried miles away mangled by the relentless wheels. Whether the engineer saw the carnage that the train had wreaked is not known. Certain it is that he made no attempt to stay the progress of the Great Mogul.

From the Shadow of Night.

Gary is a temporary station, and at the time of the death carnival was unlighted. Over 100 persons were awaiting a train bound for Chicago. The train was late and several of the passengers had crossed the track to board it from the other side. When the Chicago train pulled in at the station the crowd drew back on either side to give it room. It had just come to a pause and the passengers were crossing the track to board it, when like a bolt from the shadow of night the flyer swept round a curve and dashed into the crowd.

Search for the Missing.

There was no time to avert the danger. Those nearest the siding jumped for safety, but others were too late. Even the wind of the flying monster tossed the people to the ground and swept some of them a distance up the track. For hours afterwards men and women were hunting for their missing relatives and friends.

The Victims.

The list of the known dead is:

A. Gersley, Chicago, wholesale liquor dealer.

J. M. Fortney, Chicago, agent of B. & O. Railway.

Albert Stein, Chicago, member of the contracting firm of Wyatt & Stein.

Those known to be fatally injured are C. J. Hultine, Kewanee, Ill., taken to Mercy hospital unconscious, skull crushed; John Swartz, Chicago, taken to Mercy hospital, ribs crushed.

STEAMER ASHORE.

Vancouver, Wash., Oct. 6.—General Greely has received a telegram from Major Richardson, commander of Fort Liscum, Alaska, stating that the steamer White Seal is disabled between Fairbanks and Yukon, about 123 miles above White Horse. The boat has 50 passengers aboard and there is a danger of suffering from hunger.

General Greely has telegraphed instructions to use every effort to get supplies to passengers. Major Richardson has replied that he is taking the matter up with Mr. Berdoe, manager of the White Pass & Yukon Route, and that arrangements have been made to send the steamer Selkirk from White Horse to-day loaded with provisions for the relief of the stranded boat.

CANADIAN GOLFERS.

Chicago, Oct. 7.—Play in the championship Ladies' United States Golf Association began to-day. Eighty-three players started in the 18-hole qualifying rounds. Thirty-two will be eligible for match play. Among the entries are Mrs. F. T. Perkins, the Californian champion, Miss Harvey and Miss Phepoe, of Canada, and Miss Harriet Curtis, champion of Boston. Showers fell throughout the early morning and low scores are not expected.

KICKED TO DEATH.

Mob Wreaks Vengeance on Negro Who Caused the Death of a Child.

Cumberland, Md., Oct. 7.—William Burns, a negro desperado, who on Thursday night shot a policeman named August Burns, inflicting a wound from which the officer died on Saturday, was taken from jail by a mob at an early hour yesterday and was first shot and then kicked to death.

THE MOROCCAN PRETENDER.

Foreign Board of Tangier Wants French Troops to Fight Mulai Hafid.

Paris, Oct. 7.—The Echo de Paris Tangier correspondent says: The Moroccan foreign board is greatly agitated over the recent successes of the pretender, Mulai Hafid, and has applied to M. Regnault, the French minister, for the loan of French warship transport troops to fight him.

M. Regnault refused the request pointing out that the pretender was in the Spanish zone, near Melilla, and said that the application properly should be addressed to Spain.

The Petit Republique's Tangier correspondent says that the hostile tribesmen have adopted new tactics and are holding up all cattle and farm stuffs coming from the interior.

Respect Independence.

Madrid, Oct. 7.—A meeting of three thousand people held here on Sunday to protest against the actions of France and Spain in Morocco passed off quietly. A resolution was voted calling on the Spanish government to recall its troops, and to respect Moroccan independence, and protesting against the expulsion of French Socialists and of Spanish Socialists from France.

SWORDS AND PISTOLS.

Count and Marquis Fight a Duel in the Bois de Boulogne.

Paris, Oct. 7.—The Count De Rosan and the Marquis De Sarles fought a duel in the Bois De Boulogne on Saturday as the result of a private quarrel. After exchanging two shots with pistols without any effects, the duel was resumed with swords, and the Count sustained a wound in the right arm, which caused the seconds to separate the combatants. The wound is not serious.

STRUGGLE AGAINST RAILWAY MONOPOLY

Dutch Shareholders Hold Key to Battle Between Fish and Harriman.

Chicago, Act. 7.—Upon the votes of hundreds of small Dutch investors may depend the outcome of one of the greatest battles in the campaign that many enemies of E. H. Harriman are waging to depose him from the dictatorship of railroads, covering one-third of the area of the United States. In the contest of Stuyvesant Fish against Harriman for control of the Illinois Central railroad, the Hollanders have sent to Fish, it was learned to-day, proxies for forty thousand shares of stock. About 20 per cent. of the Illinois Central stock is held in Europe, the greater part of it in Holland, and if Fish gets all the European stock those shares probably will swing the railway election in his favor. With the Dutch shareholders actively at work for Mr. Fish, as was disclosed to-day, he has a good chance to get all the European proxies.

It is also learned that New Orleans and Galveston holders are swinging to the Fish side. It is interesting also that the position of the Illinois Central is similar, in one important respect at least, to that of the Kansas City Southern a few years ago. Harriman took hold of the Kansas City Southern in 1900 for the announced purpose of rehabilitating this property. The stockholders were overjoyed to get a man of his ability to take charge of the road, and when he told them he would serve without pay their delight was unbounded. For two years Harriman did serve as chairman of the board without pay, but in the third year he became weary of such philanthrophy, and it is charged that he not only decided he was entitled to a salary of $25,000 a year, but he made the salary retroactive, to cover the two years during which he had drawn no pay. It is even charged, and Harriman never has denied the accusation, that when he decided in 1903 that he should have a salary, he called a meeting at which there were present only Otto S. Kahn, his banker, and himself, and voted himself not only that year's salary, but two years' back pay, making $75,000 in all. Subsequently the directors ratified his action.

WEATHER KITE'S ALTITUDE.

Washington, D. C., Oct. 7.—The highest altitude ever reached by a kite in this country, according to Prof. Henry, of the weather bureau, was that recorded last Thursday at the Mount weather station in Virginia, when an altitude of slightly over 23,000 feet was attained. At that height a temperature of degrees below zero was recorded. It is Prof. Henry's belief that the kite will yet attain a higher flight.

In Great Britain a weather balloon has reached an altitude of over eight miles.

CHINESE UNREST.

One Hundred Boxers Killed By Government Troops—Rioters Punished.

Kanchowfu, Oct. 7.—For participation in the recent riots here, the Chinese government has arrested and punished 20 rioters. One hundred Boxers have been killed by the government troops at Cananfu.

OUTLAW GANG MAKES BIG HAUL

LOOTS BANK OF OVER HALF A MILLION

Alabama Sheriff Killed While Endeavoring to Arrest Men, Who Accomplish Daring Escape

Seddon, Ala., Oct. 7.—One of the most daring and successful crimes ever recorded in the South was committed here on Saturday night, when four masked robbers looted the First National bank of $575,525, murdered Sheriff John Williams of this county, who was endeavoring to stop them, and escaped with their booty.

A little after 10 o'clock a man on his way home noticed a ray of light coming from the window of the bank. The curtains were down. Curiosity prompted him to peer in through the crack. He was horrified to see four masked men in the back room around an open vault, while the floor was covered with coin and piles of paper money. One man held in his hand a flour sack, and as the surprised onlooker stood watching, the robbers began to gather up money and thrust it into the sack.

Waiting to see no more, he shouted to some men passing on the other street and ran to summon Sheriff Williams. The robbers hearing cries, immediately put out the light and when a crowd gathered about the building nothing within it could be seen.

Just as the sheriff arrived the robbers threw open the door, one man carrying a bag of money, and all having revolvers in their hands.

"Stop," shouted the sheriff, and he called to the crowd to help in the capture.

The reply was a volley of pistol shots and Sheriff Williams fell dead, his body pierced by two balls. Before the frightened crowd could offer any resistance the men dashed down an alley at the corner of which the bank stood, firing as they ran.

By this time a score of men, most of them armed, were in pursuit. The robbers ran through the alley and towards the north where a car was on the track, evidently prepared for their escape. By the time the bandits had reached the car, the foremost of their pursuers were only a hundred yards away. Firing a last volley in their direction the bandits jumped on the hand-car and strained every muscle to make speed.

A hundred shots were fired after them, but none seemed to take effect. Just beyond the station a steep down grade begins and as soon as this was reached the hand-car shot swiftly forward, and the efforts of the pursuers were futile.

Mounted posses were soon formed, and dispatched along either side of the track. On Sunday morning the hand-car was found thrown to one side of the track a few miles from town, but no trace of the robbers could be discovered.

During the last few days the bank had received large sums of money from Atlanta and Savannah to be used in the purchase of cotton. The robbers evidently knew of these shipments of currency, and planned their raid at a time when the vaults contained booty such as has not often fallen into the hands of an outlaw gang.

YOUTHFUL HERO'S UNAVAILING FEAT

Thirteen Year Old Boy Tows Unconsious Elder Brother Through Ice Cold Water.

Travers City, Mich., Oct. 7.—William Egler, aged 22, of this city, was drowned in Lake Michigan yesterday under circumstances that reveal his brother Harry, aged 13, in the light of a hero, as well as a powerful swimmer.

While turning the point in an 18-foot launch that they had built themselves, the young men encountered a southwest gale, too heavy for them to go forward. In turning back, their boat was capsized and sunk, the older brother going down with the launch.

Harry Egler dived to the bottom, secured hold of his brother's clothing, and being an expert swimmer, fought his way through the icy water for nearly a mile, to the shore. Cold and exhaustion began to overcome him as he was rolling the unconscious form of his brother on a barrel, and he was compelled to leave the dying boy on the beach and run a mile to the nearest farm house for help. There, he fell, utterly exhausted, after explaining what had occurred, and urging that help be sent quickly to his brother. It was too late, however, to recusitate the older brother, whose heart had stopped beating before assistance reached him.

LUSITANIA'S PROGRESS.

Mammoth Liner in a Heavy Sea Makes 23.26 Knots—Wind Dead Ahead.

Aboard the Steamer Lusitania, 9 p.m., Sunday, Oct. 6.—(By wireless telegraphy, by way of the Lizard, Eng., Oct. 7.)—The Lusitania, which left Queenstown at 10.25 this morning for New York, will be approximately in latitude 51.05 degrees north and longitude 15.08 degrees west at 9 p.m. today. From Daunts dock the steamer had averaged 23.26 knots, and was 257 nautical miles from this point. The wind was westerly, rain was falling and a heavy sea was running. It is understood that the Lusitania is attempting to make a record. The vibration aft was marked.

FIGHT FOR FREEDOM.

Twenty-Two Convicts Killed in the Wilds of Siberia—Eleven Escape.

Obolosk, Siberia, Oct. 7.—A gang of convicts who were being escorted from Tyumen, Eastern Siberia, attacked their guards yesterday, wounding six of them. The guards fired on the convicts, twenty-two of whom were killed.

Eleven of the prisoners escaped with rifles they had wrested from the members of the escort in a hand to hand fight.

PEOPLE OF B. C. HAVE SOLUTION

NEED NOT EMPLOY ASIATIC LABOR

"Give Work to White Men," Says Senator McHugh--Japan Studies Experimental Farms

Edmonton, Oct. 7.—Senator McHugh, of Lindsay, Ont., who has been making a tour of the west for several weeks, arrived in the city on Friday afternoon on his return from the coast. His visit to the west is one of pleasure only. According to him the eastern man in public life should learn all he can at first hand about the marvellous country west of Winnipeg.

Asked in reference to the Asiatic question in British Columbia, he said: "That is a question the settlement of which lies best with the people of British Columbia. It can be arranged by themselves if they choose, in a way, out of which, no international difficulties may arise.

"If the people do not want to employ Asiatic labor let them employ white labor, and there will simply be no opportunity for the others to come in. If they do want to employ the yellow races, then the other provinces cannot dictate to them. It is a question, however, whether the province at this stage of its progress does not necessitate the employment of Asiatic labor."

Horse Stealing Case.

Winnipeg, Oct. 7.—Magistrate McMicken gave judgment on Saturday in the preliminary hearing of the charge of stealing a pair of horses valued at $500 at Andrew Anderson's wood camp at Neva, Man., and committed Oswald Guesnelle and Geo. H. Porter, lumber dealers, to trial. The charge also included John Mattson and W. S. Lennell, members of the lumber firm of Mattson, Linnel & Guesnelle, but the charge against the two senior members of the firm was dismissed.

Studying the West.

Brandon, Man., Oct. 7.—Mr. Sigamura, secretary of Consul General Nosse at Ottawa, is in Brandon to inspect the experimental farm. After a very full investigation of the conditions in eastern Canada, from a dairy and agricultural standpoint, he is making similar inspection of the west. The Japanese government intends importing Canadian thoroughbred cattle very heavily.

Government and Strikers.

Halifax, Oct. 7.—Premier Murray and other members of the provincial government will be in Spring Hill to-day, and have requested a conference with the miners on strike.

BRITAIN'S GROWING TRADE.

Large Increases in Both Exports and Imports During September.

London, Oct. 7.—The September statement of the board of trade shows increases of $1,407,000 in imports and $23,000,000 in exports. The principal increases in exports were: Coal, $5,000,000, and manufactured goods, $15,000,000, of which textiles totalled $5,000,000.

A BELATED TRIAL.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 7.—The trial of Elbert Hargis, Wm. Britton, and John Abner, charged with the assassination of Dr. B. D. Cox, at Jackson, Breathel county, April 13th, 1902, was scheduled to be called at Sandy Hook this afternoon. The cases will be either tried this term or the charges against the men dismissed

HEAVIER RAILS ON THE ISLAND

E. & N. IS TO BE BETTER EQUIPPED

Growing Trade Calls For Increased Weight in Track--Other Improvements on Line

(From Monday's Daily.)

One of the improvements contemplated for the betterment of the island lines by the Canadian Pacific Railway Company is to make the roadbed suitable for heavier traffic. At the present time work is going on at Waugh Creek, designed to do away with the trestle work which carries the road across the gorge, and give a more permanent way, and it is thought that all the wooden structures now used on the line will be either supplanted or removed.

At the present time the rails used on the E. & N. are of the lighter grade. For the most part they are 52 pound, although there are some 73 pound rails employed between Victoria and Esquimalt. It is said to be part of the scheme of improvement to replace these rails with 60-pound steel all over the system, or at least on the main line. In fact it is believed that this work should be now in closer prospect, if not actually under way, were it not for difficulty in getting the rails.

The addition of some new equipment in the way of rolling stock, etc. is not unlikely next year and as this will eventually mean the engagement of heavier cars and locomotives there must be a corresponding increase in the strength of the track to support them. There are parts of the C. P. R. on which 83 pound rails are used and some of the American roads employ rails as heavy as 100 pounds. There has been an increase in the weight of the rolling stock. The average box car of some years ago was of 15 tons capacity while at present they are about 40 tons. The standard car used to-day has a capacity of 30 tons. Then again there are lots of 50 tons cars in use. And locomotives have grown in weight to 100 tons and over.

Therefore the consideration of rails has come to be important in railway operation, and the E. & N. while yet considerably removed from the limit of necessity in this regard, has prospects ahead that have invited attention to an improvement of the steels. The work of replacing the rails will probably be begun in the spring.

The E. & N. passenger depot has just received a new coat of paint and is looking considerably improved. The building has also been painted and renovated inside.

President Shaughnessy and party are expected at railway headquarters this week. The president is travelling in a special train, but it has not yet been decided whether it will be brought over to the island lines or not. The train is made up of heavy private cars and might occasion some trouble at the transfer.

DEATH CONFIRMED.

Tokio, Oct. 7.—The report of the death on Friday of the real mother of the Empress of Japan, Lady Nakayama, has been confirmed.

THAT ROYALTY MAY HOLD CONVERSE

Artificial Hearing Instruments Shipped For Use of King Edward and Queen Alexandra.

New York, Oct. 7.—Three sets of artificial hearing instruments were shipped to London on Saturday for the use of King Edward and Queen Alexandra. The latter has long suffered from deafness, but the fact that King Edward is hard of hearing, it is stated, will be a great surprise to the public generally.

The instruments have been made to enable the King and Queen to talk together without the use of a trumpet or horn. The transmitter or sound concentrator, will be attached to the clothing of the royal couple. The sounds are focussed on the concentrator in the same manner that the rays of the sun are focussed by means of an ordinary reading glass. At this point of the focus is placed a super-sensitive michrophone, which takes up the focussed or magnified sounds, and conveys them to the ear by means of a small silk covered tinsel cord through which an electric current is conveyed by a small battery to the earpiece held to the ear. The batteries, carried in the pocket, are small. The earpiece is somewhat smaller than an ordinary telephone earpiece.

COMING TO VICTORIA.

E. A. James, Late Manager of the Canadian Northern, Will Winter Here.

Winnipeg, Oct. 7.—E. A. James, late manager of the Canadian Northern railway, left last night for Victoria, B. C., where he will spend the winter, accompanied by Mrs. and Master James and his brother, Harold James, of Kimberly, South Africa, and Miss James, of New York. A car from Lethbridge was placed at Mr. James' disposal. He will visit Edmonton en route, as he has extensive coal mining interests in that district.

JAIL FOR SMUGGLED CHINESE.

Must Serve Nine Months for Surreptitiously Entering Dominion.

Ottawa, Oct. 7.—The Chinese who were caught while being smuggled into Canada from Newfoundland, have been sentenced to nine months in jail at Sydney. The captain and crew of the schooner which brought them in, have also been found guilty of smuggling.

RUGBY AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—The first game in the newly-formed inter-provincial Rugby football league was played here on Saturday, Montreal defeating the Argonauts of Toronto, by a score of 17 points to 8.

SOCIALISTS EXPELLED.

Paris, Oct. 7.—Four Spanish Socialists who came to Paris for the purpose of addressing the social mass meeting of protest against the French and Spanish operations in Morocco, were served with expulsion orders immediately on their arrival and left on the next train.

SUICIDE AT THE ALTAR OF LOVE

Frenchman Dies Because 16 Year Old Girl Would Not Marry Him at Once.

Montreal, Oct. 7.—Victor Hanc, a Frenchman, 21 years old, just out from France, killed himself on Saturday at his boarding house. Hanc had fallen in love with Mary Hane, the sixteen-year-old-sister of the woman who kept the boarding house. The young woman's relatives had no objection to Hanc who was a steady fellow, and was employed in the Angus shops, but they objected to the marriage on account of the girl's age.

On Saturday he endeavored to persuade the girl to marry him in six months' time, but while she reciprocated his affection, she was determined to follow the advice given her and wait for a couple of years.

The decision depressed Hanc so much that he shot himself in the girl's presence. She fainted and had to be taken to the Notre Dame hospital.

AN IMPOSING CEREMONY.

Emperor William Attends Funeral of Grand Duke Frederick of Baden.

Karlsruhe, Oct. 7.—The funeral of the Grand Duke Frederick of Baden, who died at Mainau, Sept. 28th, took place to-day and was an imposing ceremony. Emperor William, the Imperial Princes, the Duke of Connaught, Ambassador Tower, and representatives of all foreign nations and the military authorities participated in the procession to the Ducal mausoleum passing through streets lined with troops and veterans who fought with the Grand Duke during the war of 1870-1871 against France. Many thousands of mourners took part in the procession.

GREAT NORTHERN DIVIDEND.

New York, Oct. 7.—Announcement of an extra dividend of 1½ per cent by the directors of the Great Northern Railway Company, was made to-day.

It was announced that the funds for the dividend from the Lake Superior Company would come, not from the ore land which that company leased the United States steel corporation, but from other of its holdings, such as coal lands and express companies stock.

DIADEM TO PAY DEBTS.

Belongings of Late Queen of Belgium Auctioned for Her Daughter's Benefit.

Brussells, Oct. 7.—An auctioneer has been commissioned to sell the linen, jewels, souvenirs, etc., belonging to the late Queen of Belgium, the proceeds to be devoted to paying the debts of her daughter, Princess Louise, who was divorced last year by Prince Philip, of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha. Among the objects thus to be sold is a diadem presented to the Queen by the people of Belgium on the occasion of her silver wedding anniversary. The diadem cost $30,000.

UNRAVELLING MURDER.

Baker City, Ore., Oct. 5.—The investigation into the assasination of Harvey H. Brown, the former sheriff, is progressing. The developments today were the arrest of a suspect and the unravelling of a second plot to murder C. A. Elger.

GARRISON MAY BE INCREASED

BY STRENGTHENING ENGINEERS' BRANCH

Col. Weatherbe Has Paid an Official Visit of Inspection to Work Point.

(From Monday's Daily.)

As a result of official inspection on the part of the commanding officer, it is not improbable that the strength of the Royal Canadian Engineers in this garrison will be considerably increased in the near future.

At present the complement consists of 32 men only, and it is said that the corps is heavily taxed to take care of the material condition of the Work Point barracks establishment and the fortifications of Esquimalt. The engineer corps consists of skilled mechanics. Every man is a master of one or other of the basic trades. They are carpenters, masons, plumbers, machinists, blacksmiths, electricians and what not. In the multitudinous tasks of repairing, building, re-building and operating, that are imposed by a large garrison establishment, the engineers are looked for to grapple with them alone. There was a time when the engineers must have divers and hands skilled at doing the work in connection with submarine mines, but the doing away with this service locally has relieved the garrison of the necessity of providing in this regard. They must have electricians, however, to look after the lighting plant and apparatus as well as the searchlights employed in the service. The engineers on this station are not idle by any means.

The local garrison has just received a visit from Lieut.-Col. Paul Weatherbe, O. C., R. C. E., of Halifax, who is just completing an official inspection of all the Canadian military stations, commencing at Halifax and including Quebec, Toronto, London, Kingston, Montreal, St. Johns, P. Q., Ottawa and Victoria. He left Halifax about the first of September and has been over a month on the road.

So far as the personnel of the local establishment is concerned, the commanding officer said it was excellent, and he also expressed satisfaction at the appearance of the barracks premises, the forts and equipment. He recognized the need for strengthening the station with regard to the number of men enrolled, and it was suggested that his report to the department would be to this effect. The total strength of the local garrison, including engineers, artillery, ordnance, pay department, army service corps, army medical corps, etc., is about 130 men. In Halifax there are at least 1,500 Canadian troops, consisting of infantry, artillery, engineers and other branches of the service; and the probabilities are that an effort will be made to build up the local strength from that station.

Within a few weeks an interesting educational course is to be inaugurated at the Work Point station, under the conduct of Capt. Hughes, of the engineers; Lieut. Wright and other officers, for the instruction of guide officers, which will be open to members of the militia and others desiring to take advantage of it. This will be the first instruction in this branch of the service undertaken in British Columbia, and it is being looked forward to by those interested in the work. The "guide" service has to do with all those matters relating to the advance work for the army, the nature of the country, trails, accommodation and everything necessary for the successful movement of troops. The course will include lessons in sketching, topography and reconnaisance.

Lieut.-Col. Weatherbe left for the east on Saturday.

PRINCE'S BENEVOLENCE.

How Emperor William's Son Acquired Popularity.

Berlin, Oct. 7.—Prince Eithel Frederick, second son of the Emperor William, has, as grandmaster of the Knights of Malta, famous for their benefactions, acquired great popularity by his decision that the treasury of the order should pay twice, rather than that a workman employed on an extension of its hospital at Sonnenburg should suffer by the bankruptcy of a firm of contractors at Berlin.

The firm was given a contract, which was sublet to the workmen at Sonneberg, and when the work was finished and paid for by the knights, the original contractors became bankrupt, and the sub-contractors could not recover the amount due them from the contractors or from the treasury of the order. The workmen, therefore, appealed directly to Prince Frederick for redress, and were immediately informed that the amount due them would be paid. The Prince adding, "The Knights' treasury can afford the double payment, but the workmen cannot afford to lose what they had laid out, as well as give their work for nothing."