

ABRAHAM LINCOLN.

His 98th Birthday Celebration Just
An Echo of What His Centenary
Will Be Two Years Hence.

Tuesday, 12th Feb., 1907, was the ninety-eighth anniversary of the birth of Abraham Lincoln and also of Charles Darwin. Peter Cooper and Cotton Mather were born on Feb. 12, so that the day is a memorable one in the calendar of all Americans. All ready preparations are under way for the Lincoln centenary, which is two years away, and which will be one of the greatest celebrations in the history of the United States. Nor will the commemoration of the day be confined to American citizens, for Lincoln, like Darwin, belongs to the world's great men, and his memory is universally honored. As the years go by the conviction is strengthened that Lincoln was the greatest man ever produced in the United States. Over there they call him the First American.

Incredible as it may appear, the spot that should be priceless to every American—the farm where Lincoln was born—was put up at auction not long ago and almost sold to a company that desired to exploit it as a pleasure resort. Happily, one of the proprietors of Collier's Magazine was rich enough to buy it in. He then offered a number of prominent citizens in the enterprise to make the place a kind of national park. It was felt that the people should maintain the birthplace of their greatest man, and so subscriptions ranging from 25 cents to \$25 were asked for a fund which will be used to keep the homestead in good condition after it is handed over to the nation a year from next February. Famous architects and landscape gardeners are at work on the old Kentucky farm, and it will be made one of the most beautiful spots in the United States.

A long time ago some ghouls bought the log cabin in which Lincoln was born and toured the country with it, taking in the fairs, and charging an admission. This historic building was finally discovered in the cellar of an old building and was bought back again. It is now on its former site on the farm. Abraham was only 7 years old when his father left Kentucky and settled his family in Indiana. When he was 23 another move was made, this time to Illinois, and it is of Illinois that one first thinks as the home of Lincoln. All these States have their spots sacred to the memory of Abraham Lincoln. At Springfield, Ill., is the only piece of real estate ever owned by him. It was this house he left for the White House at Washington. On the spot where the Lincoln home in Indiana stood have been erected the municipal buildings of Lincoln City.

From Out of the Deep.
Still smelling with the rank odor of seaweed an encyclopaedia hydrostatic, fished up from Kingston harbor, has been received by R. F. Killy, judgment clerk at Osceola Hall, Toronto.
The book was part of the library which was being brought from Montreal to St. Catharines with the household effects of Hon. Hamilton H. Killy, then Commissioner of Public Works. In Kingston harbor the boat sank, taking with it a couple of chests of silver, a harp, some oil paintings, and bulky volumes. The thirty years ago. Till a week ago, the Killy family did not know that anything had been recovered from the wreck.

The other day there came a letter from Capt. George Stringer, of Chatham, with bulky volumes. The letter stated that Capt. Stringer, now a feeble man of 92, had been a member of the wrecking crew that endeavored to raise the sunken boat. He stated that two books had been recovered, one of which was the volume forwarded; the other had been mislaid and would be forwarded later.
The book is by Andrew Ure, and is dated Glasgow, 1820.

\$50,000,000 Spent for Smokes.
Statistics show that nearly 4,000,000,000 cigarettes were smoked in Austria in 1906, with some 1,200,000,000 cigars. These figures, furnished by the Government tobacco monopoly, show an enormous increase in the smoking of cigarettes. Thirty years ago 2.3 cigarettes were the annual average consumption per capita for the whole population. Last year it was 145.5 per capita. The smoking of cigars decreased in the same period from 49.7 to 44.3 per capita. In 1906 \$1,000,000 cigars less were smoked than in 1904, cigarettes showing an increase of 167,000,000. The country smoke bill for the year was \$50,000,000, \$300,000 above that of 1905. The tobacco monopoly's receipts exceeded the outgoings by more than \$30,000,000.

The Kaiser's Humor.
"The Emperor, not long ago," said a German editor, "was taken ill. Two physicians were called in. They examined the patient, decided that he had influenza, and advised that he remain in bed three days.
"In the midst of their advice and talk the imperial bodyguard drew up before the palace. Loud hurrahs sounded from the crowd outside, and the Emperor rose and ran to the window."
"One of the physicians remonstrated, but the Emperor interrupted him. 'It is necessary,' he said with a laugh, 'for me to show myself at this window, for it is stated in Baedeker and the other guide books that I may be seen here from the street about this time every day.'"

Salting the Butter.
Only the best grades of dairy salt should be used for butter. It may be added as a brine after washing the butter. This method wastes a good deal of the salt and is only desirable where a very mildly salted butter is wanted. The salt may be sprinkled on the butter while it is yet in the churn; then revolve the churn a few times till the butter is partially gathered and allow it to stand, if convenient, for an hour or two, so the salt may become thoroughly dissolved, and finish working either by revolving in the churn or taking it out.—Bulletin Indiana Station.

SUFFOCATED BY FUMES

Two Firemen Dead and Eleven
Rendered Unconscious.

Flames Melted Coupling and Allowed
Poisonous Fumes to Escape—Men
Were Overcome in the Basement—
Three Brave Rescuing Parties En-
tered Fatal Cellar Thus Preventing
More Deaths.

New York, Feb. 28.—Two firemen were killed and 11 others rendered unconscious by ammonia fumes at a fire yesterday morning in the basement of a market in Eighth avenue. One of those who was made unconscious may die, while the condition of two others is serious. But for the heroic work of three rescuing parties the death list would have been larger.

The dead are Adam Damm and Harry Baker. The had carried a pipe through the basement and into an opening leading to a sub-cellar, when they called for water pressure. However, when other firemen reached the hole to assist them in directing the hose upon the blaze, Damm and Baker were not to be seen. Ammonia fumes poured up through the hole and filled the basement.

The flames had melted the coupling of one of the ammonia pipes connected with the cold storage plant of the market. Rescuing parties were formed of volunteers and Damm and Baker carried up from the hole with difficulty.

Each of the rescuers succumbed on reaching the outer air and writhed on the sidewalk. Roll call revealed the fact that Capt. B. Carlock, of Engine No. 26, was down in the hole where he had gone in search of victims of the fumes, and he was brought to the surface. It is believed that he will not recover.

Damm died in a street car which was utilized as an emergency hospital, and Baker died at a hospital.

The financial loss will be about \$2,000.

\$500 SHOOTING TROPHY.

Earl Grey Gives Prize to Encourage
Cadet Training.

Ottawa, Feb. 28.—Replying to a vote of thanks at the annual meeting of the Dominion Rifle Association His Excellency the Governor-General said that every man should be a good rifle shot. He was never prouder in his life than when he wore a rifle marksmen's badge of his country on his arm. He asked where were the grants of the millionaires to the association. He was in favor of physical training in the schools and the development of the cadet system. In this connection he said that it was his intention to give a \$500 trophy to be shot for annually by the cities of the Dominion having the largest and most efficient number of cadets. The details as to the shooting for the prize would be arranged with the association.

NURSE IN TROUBLE.

Warrant For Her Arrest For Circulating
Slanderous Stories.

Port Huron, Mich., Feb. 28.—A week ago Miss Jennie Alexander, a nurse, whose home is in St. Thomas, Ont., came here and threatened to bring suit for heavy damages from some prominent people, claiming that malicious stories had been circulated by them, affecting her character, and that when she protested against the reports, she was hurried off to an asylum in London, Ont., where she was confined for several weeks.

A new turn is now given the case by the issue of warrants for, Miss Alexander's arrest because of the sensational charges made by her against some physicians here. Miss Alexander is well known here and has been employed by several prominent families.

Colonial Preference.
London, Feb. 28.—(C. A. P.)—In the House of Commons, replying to a question as to whether his attention had been drawn to a declaration of the Cape Government that the continuance of the preference with Britain was largely dependent on reciprocity, the Premier said the matter was not one which called for a declaration from the Government. As to whether the British representatives would be instructed to keep an open mind upon the subject at the colonial conference, he said Lord Elgin would be fully acquainted with the feelings and opinions of the Government.

In reply to Gilbert Parker, Mr. Runciman stated that the Foreign Secretary had seen the report of Mr. Fielding's budget speech in relation to the possibility of the surtax imposed on Germany, but it would be hardly proper for him to interpret it. If the hon. member considered any interpretation required; nor could the Foreign Secretary say on what grounds Fielding based the statement, though, he was sure, Fielding had good reason for what he said.

To Disestablish Church.
London, Feb. 28.—In the House of Commons last night a resolution in favor of the disestablishment and disendowment of the church in both England and Wales was adopted by 186 votes to 90.

This is the first time in its history that the House of Commons has adopted such a resolution. The only previous time a similar resolution was pressed to a division was in May, 1871, and it was then rejected by a large majority.

Notable Unionist Victory.
London, Feb. 28.—The bye-election in the Brigg division of Lincolnshire yesterday, necessitated by the resignation of Harold J. Beckett, because of ill-health, resulted in a notable Unionist victory, Sir Berkeley Sheffield being returned by a majority of 116 over Capt. Guest, the Liberal candidate. This will be the first time since 1894 that a Unionist has held the seat. The Liberal majority at the last general election was 1,726.

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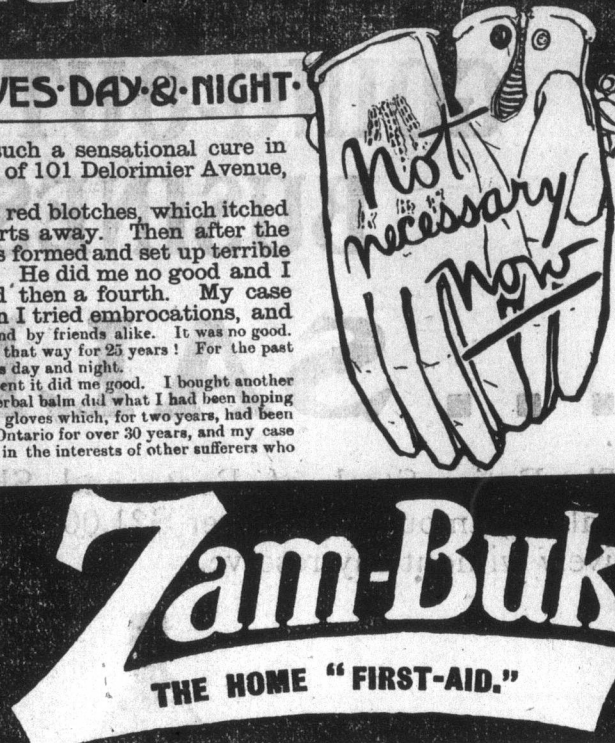
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AFTERMATH OF WRECK.

Inquest Opens Tuesday—Mrs. Doran
of Toronto in a Critical Condition.

Guelph, Feb. 28.—The coroner's jury empaneled at the order of County Attorney Peterson to enquire into the cause of the wreck, met yesterday morning to view the remains of Charles Rankin of Stratford. They then visited the scene of the accident, taking note of the position of the several cars and the condition of the track.

After returning to the city the enquiry was postponed until Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. The remains of ex-Mayor O'Donohue of Stratford were taken to Stratford on the 8.55 train yesterday morning. The body of Charles Rankin left for Stratford yesterday afternoon.

All the injured except Mrs. John Doran of Springhurst avenue are doing well. She was reported last night to be in a very critical condition at St. Joseph's Hospital.

The cause of the accident, it has been fully determined, was a broken rail. Perhaps two hundred yards to the rear of where the coaches are lying overturned at the foot of the 60-foot embankment is a bright, clean cut piece of steel, to which the disaster may be attributed.

Gored by a Bull.

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