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IMPROVING SUEZ CANAL.

West Dock to be built at Port Said, the Mediterranean End.

LONDON, Jan. 26.—The Suez canal is no unprogressive ditch. The company is wide awake. It moves with the times.

At Port Said, on the Mediterranean, the northern terminus of the canal, on what is known as the African side, the existing accommodation in the Abbas, Arsenal and Commercial basins is to be greatly enlarged.

Another important improvement in immediate prospect is the relaying of the little metre-gauge railway which runs beside the canal from Port Said to Ismailia.

In the canal, between Port Said and the other terminus, Suez, the garages, or crossing stations which were about six miles apart, have lately been doubled. Between each pair of the old 10-kilometer "stations" a new gauge is being constructed and of the 11 thus needed nine are already completed and ready for use.

This improvement, though it will in itself greatly increase the rapidity of transit, is after all but an earnest of the ultimate intentions. Plans are framed for widening the canal within the next three years, so that the largest ships will be able to pass at almost any point from Port Said to Suez.

Dredging has already deepened the canal to a generally uniform depth of about 24 ft., and only the largest North-German Lloyd liners have any anxiety in attempting the transit at any time. As a matter of fact, they would not, at her ordinary draught, be any difficulty in sending the Campania or the Lucania through the waterways at the present moment, though the directors have set themselves the task of providing ultimately throughout a clear three feet of water below the bottom of the largest steamer that has yet been launched. Incidentally, it is curious to note that the company has discovered that a growth of reds forms a better protection for the banks of the canal for the wash of ships than the courses of expensive sun-burned brick or sandstone which have been laid in many places. The reeds will be favored in future.

THIRTY YEARS OLD, WEDDED SEVEN TIMES.

Industrious Woman, Matrimonially, Has Just Remarried Man for the Third Time.

COLUMBIA, Mo., Jan. 25.—The marriage for the third time of Mrs. Sharfer-Smith, Altheiser-Smith-Berry-Berry to "Joke" Smith, after having been separated from him twice and married to four other husbands, gives Mrs. Smith the most remarkable matrimonial record of any woman in Missouri. Her life shows what may be accomplished under the marriage and divorce laws of Missouri by a woman who is active and industrious and not slow in either falling in or out of love.

Mrs. Smith has always lived near Calwold, Callaway county, and her various husbands are living in the same locality. So far as can be learned, her many matrimonial adventures have caused no hard feeling toward each other on the part of the husbands, and they have accepted their fate with becoming meekness. Notwithstanding her many marriages and divorces, Mrs. Smith is still a young and very handsome woman.

Her seven marriages have all occurred within the last seven years. She is only thirty years old.

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A MONTH OF MUCH SNOW

This January is a Record Breaker Last Night's Storm added Four Inches to the Level—Trains Badly Delayed

January so far has been a month of snow, and in January of past years in this respect are hardly to be compared. The January of last year, for instance, was notable for its scarcity of snow, the total fall for the whole month not more than equalling the fall of last night. Sighing as we come to the already thick and compactly trodden covering of snow on the ground last night's storm added its quota. While the indications yesterday pointed to a fall of snow, they as well seemed to tell of coming rain; but though the temperature for some time showed the progress of the storm moderating rapidly, it never approached that degree of warmth favorable to rain. Moreover, the atmospheric disturbance, coming from the direction it did, was too rapid in its passage to cause anything like a thaw.

Director Hutchinson, of the Weather Bureau, furnished the following particulars of the storm: Snow began falling about ten o'clock last night, and ceased about daylight this morning. The wind was at first from the east, but latterly shifted to the north and northwest, varying in velocity from 31 to 40 miles an hour. Shortly after eleven o'clock this morning it was blowing at a hard 40-mile rate from the northwest. The mercury during the storm rose gradually from ten degrees above to 31 above, reaching the latter point at nine o'clock this morning. After this the mercury dropped rapidly and at the noon hour was just six above. The precipitation of snow was four inches.

The snowfall was general and at points much heavier than here. At Halifax snow fell to the depth of six inches; at Yarmouth five inches; at Sydney, 11 1/2; at St. John, 11 1/2; at Chatham, two and a half inches; at Quebec, two inches; at Montreal, six inches; at St. Lawrence, 1 1/2 inches. The New England States were also affected. At Boston and New York the fall of snow was heavy, but it was largely mixed with rain.

This day last January was overcast and foggy. The fresh breeze blew from the southwest, but there was not a trace of snow on the ground. The lowest temperature being about eight above. The storm was quite general through Maine and the upper portion of New Brunswick, and the C. P. R. had considerable difficulty in moving its trains. The Boston express was received eight hours late from the Maine Central, and the Montreal express was delayed at the junction of the two roads. The Montreal train is now reported as four hours late, but the tracks are held up by the snow. The street railway employes also had their hands full and the service this morning was in a bad condition. Last night both sweepers were sent out, but they were unable to clear the sidewalks. The street was covered with snow, and the street railway employes also had their hands full and the service this morning was in a bad condition.

Y. M. C. A. GYMNASIUMS.

The regular monthly junior symposium contest was held in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium last evening and resulted as follows: R. Smith, 128 1/2 points; J. Barker, 114 1/2; E. Gates, 111 1/2; L. O'Neil, 105 1/2; J. Bates, 101 1/2; L. Burton, 94 1/2; A. Finn, 89; F. Smith, 85; E. Stelling, 81; C. Arnold, 78; R. Simms, 64; C. Burton, 60 1/2; A. Stevens, 58; B. Climo, 49; G. Melrose, 45; A. MacNeil, 47; W. Rhea, 44; A. Ferran, 32; B. Millan, 27; D. Skinner, 21; J. Carrite, 12; J. Morrison, 12.

The senior monthly contest takes place this evening. The Young Ladies' Auxiliary will provide supper in the Y. M. C. A. after the return from the senior night drive on Tuesday evening next.

INSPECTING BUILDINGS.

The building inspectors have not yet finished their work in the city, but before doing so will go to Carleton and have a look at the school buildings and a few other places there. In the city all the hotels have been seen, and there yet remain the churches along with a few other buildings, including the cotton mills.

ELECTION SIGNS.

The I. C. R. elevator is actually working today, and is putting 90,000 bushels of oats in the Manchester train. The elevator was started late last night, and was run for a short time on the quiet, but this morning it was felt that the thing need be kept a secret no longer, and now the machine is going in broad daylight.

A CHALLENGE.

L. the undersigned, wish to skate Louis Stone a mile race on Victoria rink. Race to take place soon as possible.

DAN. LONGLEY. (Signed)

KILL SICKLY CHILDREN.

Chancellor of Nebraska University Says Society When Enlightened Will Adopt Spartan Methods

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 26.—Since John D. Rockefeller agreed to donate to the State University for the purpose of building \$50,000, conditional on gifts by the public of \$33,333, the newspapers of the state in many instances have expressed opposition.

Replying to criticisms, E. Benjamin Andrews, chancellor of the university, said that the time has come when universities of the land are dependent on the support of the wealthy. Referring to Rockefeller's alleged methods of requests to crush out competitors, Chancellor Andrews said: "Mr. Rockefeller is but the head of a great corporation. It may not be fair to hold him personally to account for all the acts of that corporation. 'Conceding Mr. Rockefeller's responsibility for all the acts of the Standard Oil Company, I suppose he would attempt to justify them in some such way as this: 'In the first place, I have never crushed a competitor without offering him a liberal price for his industry. It was inevitable that in a longer or shorter time he must be crushed anyhow, because he was weaker than the competitors. It is more merciful, short, it was so much the more merciful.'"

GERMANS HOLD THEIR OWN

Besieged Garrison in South West Africa Still Safe—Wholesale Murder by Natives.

BERLIN, Jan. 27.—The Neueste Nachrichten of Brunswick has received a despatch dated from Karibib, German South-West Africa, yesterday, saying Okahandja was then still held by the Germans against the rebel natives. Official intelligence from Swakopmund dated yesterday, says Okahandja is held by the Germans. It has been reported that several people are missing.

SIXTY BODIES RECOVERED.

But Most of Victims of the Pennsylvania Mine Explosion Are Still Missing.

PITTSBURGH, Jan. 27.—At six o'clock this morning twenty-two charred and blackened corpses are lying at the foot of the ill-fated Harwick mine shaft where it is held to the surface, and further back in the first and second right headings of the main entry are from ten bodies, making 32 bodies recovered up to that hour. The searchers have not yet reached north entry, where it is expected most of the bodies will be found. Within an hour it is expected all these bodies will have been recovered in handkerchiefs, and the large sleigh awaiting them and carted away to the morgue, which has been improvised in the school house.

POLICE COURT.

A Damaged Lot of Drunks Face the Magistrate.

According to the own stories the prisoners in police court this morning were a badly demoralized gang. Actor Connolly had been found with a fair shake on down on Robertson's wharf, and hopped into court on one foot. He explained that his other ankle had been sprained in a fall while on his way to work. He hopped back to jail for ten days' treatment.

The regular monthly prisoners were taken as a reason why they went to Sheffield street last night. It did not seem quite clear, and the magistrate remarked that Sheffield street was a rather poor place to go. To this the frozen fingered crew replied that sailors usually went to red places, and it was not to be expected that they were to call at the best houses in town. Very little encouragement was offered for that. Two of the men who were charged with using profanity were fined in all twelve dollars each, and the other one eight dollars.

PARENTS AND TWO CHILDREN KILLED.

MADISON, Wis., Jan. 27.—Four persons have been killed by the Chicago and North Western passenger train at Carry, near Crystal Lake. The train struck a sleigh containing a minister, his wife and four children, instantly killing the father, mother and two children. The other two children are said to be fatally injured. The name of the family is not known here.

STEAMSHIP RATE WAR.

NEW YORK, Jan. 27.—A rate war has begun on steamer business between New York and Mediterranean ports. Thus far, according to the lines concerned, the cut affects only east-bound traffic. The rates are now four dollars less by Italian lines, and four less by German ships.

CANADIAN BANK CLERK KILLED.

PORTLAND, Ore., Jan. 27.—P. B. Bulea, who recently arrived from Toronto, as agent for the Bank of Commerce, has been probably fatally injured at the Multon Athletic Club. Without noticing that the swimming tank had been drained, he dived from the springboard, his head striking the cement bottom, 12 feet below.

DEATH FREED HIM FROM LAW

Whittaker Wright Probably Committed Suicide

British Government Attacked for Dealing to Prosecute Him—Fear of Exposure Alleged.

LONDON, Jan. 27.—The inquest over the remains of Whittaker Wright who died suddenly yesterday, after being sentenced to seven years' penal servitude for fraud, in the court of king's bench, has been definitely fixed for tomorrow morning. The tragic event is the one topic of interest. The possibility of the financier's escape from justice by suicide was clearly foreseen by Detective Willis, who brought Wright from New York. Acting on his report, Wright was taken to the voyage, Willis gave the court officials a special warning to keep the closest guard over him. Towards the conclusion of the trial, especially during Justice Bingham's trenchant criticism, it became evident that there could be only one verdict, so if Wright was determined on self destruction in the event of his conviction, he had time to prepare a method of committing suicide. A strange document was found on the seat in court which was found occupied by Wright, showing that he had a premonition of his sentence. This was a sheet of blotting paper on which he had scribbled during the justice's summing up. The Roman character "W" was thickly scattered over the whole sheet. This was before the verdict, but the number coincides with the number recorded in the middle of the sheet appears the word "intent."

LONDON, Jan. 27.—There are indications in the columns of the liberal newspapers on the case of Whittaker Wright that this case be used as a precedent in the case of the government, which declined to prosecute Wright, Premier Balfour, acting on the advice of the law officers of the crown, having announced in parliament in December, 1902, that the case was because he was a strong supporter of the cause and because he had no constructive friends.

CHILD SAVED FIFTY LIVES

Carrie Anderson Heroine of Iroquois Fire Name Never Revealed Till Today of Girl whose Noble Deed Rescued Many

CHICAGO, Jan. 27.—At the Samaritan Hospital, her head and left side buried in bandages, lies Carrie Anderson, the child whose deed of heroism at the Iroquois fire was never revealed until today. Through the bravery of this fourteen-year-old girl at least fifty lives were saved on the fatal afternoon. Despite the regular fire department, it was Carrie who caught the end of the ladder thrown across the alley from the Northwestern University building and guided it to a resting place on the fire escape on the second balcony. Across this ladder many men, women and children scrambled to safety. She was in the balcony with her mother, who was employed as a cleaner at the theatre, and while she escaped, her mother perished. The child does not know yet that her mother is dead.

A SHORTCOMING ABOUT MILESTONES.

(Washington Star.) The late John R. Proctor, president of the civil service commission, was a student of the University of Pennsylvania in 1863 and 1864, and in his college days liked nothing better than to set out early on a frosty morning and walk twenty-five or thirty miles through the country.

Once he met an Irishman on the road to Morristown. He and the Irishman plodded along together a matter of six or seven miles. They stopped and read each milestone, and Proctor said: "I think that milestones cheer a road up wonderfully, don't you?"

"Faith, and I do that," said the Irishman. "I find them a great comfort. It would be an improvement, though, if they were nearer one another, wouldn't it?"

ALAS!

"I should think," said Mrs. Flighty, "that the criticisms your husband receives on his books would fairly make him smart."

Mrs. Writolowson smiled sadly. "Yes," she replied, "I guess they do, but they don't make him smarter!"—Cincinnati Times-Star.

SWEET CHILD!

Lady (entertaining friend's little girl)—Do you take sugar, darling?"

"No, thank you, please, I don't like it."—Punch.

The funeral of Thomas F. Sutherland was held this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from his late residence, Brussels street. Rev. Mr. Colton officiated and interment was made in Fernhill cemetery.

WHITE SLAVES IN CHINATOWN.

Two Nova Scotian Girls Held Captive for Months—Pitiful Story of Brutality.

BOSTON, Jan. 27.—A startling tale of torture and abuse was told in Judge Sullivan's session of the municipal court yesterday, when Chin Tye and his white wife, Emma C. Tye, of 22 Oxford street, Chinatown, were being tried on the charge of keeping a house of ill-repute under the "ironclad" law, and Tye, also, on a second charge of abduction of two young girls from Nova Scotia.

The story revealed so much brutality and depravity that the indignation of the hearers may result in the thorough cleaning out of that district. The case against the Chinaman and his wife was continued until Jan. 28, and the Chinaman was held in \$1,000 bail on the two charges. His white wife was held in \$500 bail on the one charge. The story is that Gertrude Welch and Josephine Reed, two 23-year old Nova Scotia girls, came to Boston last July, and sought employment as waitresses in hotels. They met a woman who induced them to visit Chinatown. She took them into the restaurants, and there they met Chin Tye, who told them that he had a white wife, and invited them to call upon her. They told him of their search for work, and he promised to help them. They called upon his white wife, who was Emma C. West, one of the notorious West sisters, all of whom married Chinamen. One is living in Philadelphia today, while the other died of consumption recently, and was given a big funeral in this city by the Chinamen.

ARRESTED HIS OWN SON

The Painful Duty of a French Magistrate—The Boy Had Stolen the Sum of \$80,000.

PARIS, Jan. 27.—M. Bacot, a magistrate in the Parquet Quarter, has had to perform the unpleasant duty of arresting his own son, aged twenty years, on the charge of theft. The sum of \$80,000 was secretly stolen from the Christian Brothers College, at Passy, and evidently by a person familiar with the institution. M. Bacot was appointed to investigate, and he found evidence that the thief was his own son. The boy, accompanied by a French woman, had fled to Brussels with the money. He was formerly a pupil at the college. The father followed his son to Brussels and induced him to return to French soil, where he was promptly arrested. Only a small part of the money was missing and the remainder has been returned to the Christian Brothers, who declare they will not prosecute young Bacot.

RUSSIA IN COREA.

2,000 Soldiers Will Proceed to Seoul—Russian Troops Mobilizing Rapidly.

TOKYO, Japan, Jan. 27.—Jiji Shimpo says that Russia and Korea have agreed that 2,000 Russian soldiers be employed toward the palace at Seoul, and that these troops will come from Port Arthur about the middle of February.

SEOUL, Korea, Jan. 27.—The government, are levying blackmail on all wealthy houses in Seoul, except those of the high officials, on the pretext of guarding them. If a riot should occur a thousand soldiers will be sent south to quell the insurrection. The Korean government believes that the declaration of neutrality would prevent the landing of any troops by foreign powers.

PORT ARTHUR, JAN. 27.—It is reported that wagons, loaded with army stores, have left Liao Yang daily for four days for the Ya Lu river, where it is intended to concentrate 8,000 Port Arthur and Mukden troops.

The authorities claim that the hostility of Japan compels mobilization on the Ya Lu and that on this river Russia has heretofore carefully avoided threatening Korea by an appearance of alarming Japan.

ZULUS PASS THROUGH CITY. George Richards, constable of the Canadian Pacific staff, Windsor station, had a lively time Saturday night looking after the wants of a party of two young women, ten children and an old Scottish woman who could only speak Gaelic. They were bound from Pictou, N. S., to Pittsburg, where both the Zulus and the white woman have friends. Constable Richards made tea for the Zulus and furnished their children with cake and pie.—Montreal Herald.

To Clean Chamouis Leather.—Leather must always be washed in tepid water, made into lather previously by boiling soap in it; then dry them in the open air.

THE WEATHER.

Maritime forecasts—Strong winds and gales, shifting to west and north-west, clearing tonight and turning colder again. Thursday, decreasing north-east to west winds, fair and cold.

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The editor of a small paper in a remote part of South California found himself on one occasion unable to insert his usual column of "Births, Marriages and Deaths." Thinking that some apology was needed for such an untoward circumstance, he inserted the following in clear type: "We regret that owing to pressure upon space, several deaths have been inevitably postponed."

Maad—How is Mr. Bushman getting along? Has he proposed yet? Edith—No, but he is improving. The next night he called her the album in his hands all the evening; the second night he had my pug dog in his arms; last night he held Willie on his lap for an hour. I have hopes.

Feathers.—The feathers of fowls and ducks, if carefully kept when they are plucked, make beautiful pillows; they should be placed in paper bags, and baked in the oven, and then hung in an airy place until you have enough. They are then trimmed with the setsoners and are ready for use.—E.C.

POTTS

Grand Evening Auction Sale! At store corner Mill and Main streets, commencing Saturday evening at 7:30 o'clock, and continuing every evening until whole stock is sold. The goods comprise Fancy Lamps, Crockeryware, Glassware, Cans, Sauces and Plates, Fancy Goods, Knives, Forks, Spoons and a general assortment of fancy and useful articles. F. L. POTTS, Auctioneer.

NOTICE OF SALE!

The estate of the late Mr. T. F. Raymond, situated at Des Lomonds, together with that well known summer resort, Des Lomonds House, will be sold at Chubb's Corner, St. John, N. B., April 2, 1904. F. L. POTTS.