

REST MADE IN TRUNK MYSTERY

STERIOUS NEW YORK TRAGEDY REVIVED

Story of Murdered Armenian
Priest-Sarkasian Tells of
Discovering Body.

New York, Dec. 21.—Paul Sarkasian, whose room in West Thirty-Seventh street was the scene of the murder of the murdered Armenian priest, found on May 26th last, was arrested last night.

Sarkasian returned to the United States five days ago from Marseille, in the city he fled after the murder. He later arrested there, but as no one was looking to his extradition was released.

He told the police he was at the United States consulate at Seattle that he could safely return to the United States.

His Vartanian was murdered probably for the money he carried, some found a connection between his death and the political ideas and promulgated. The body was found in a trunk and left in a furnished room occupied by Sarkasian and Morrodian.

Sarkasian, who is 22 years of age, last denied complicity in the murder, said that he was employed in a restaurant at the time. On the night of May 22nd he went to his room and found the trunk containing the priest's body. It had been brought to him after he had left that morning. He found a key and opened the trunk, recognizing the body of the priest.

He remained in the room all night, Morrodian did not return. The next morning he went to the police station and from there he sailed for Europe. While in Montreal Sarkasian said he communicated with his brother-in-law, Manoghazarian, at 49 Quai de Providence, R. L., who sent him a letter.

SPEED OF WIRELESS.

With the consent of Mr. Marconi, the press correspondents at Clifton, the Irish station for the transmission of Atlantic wireless messages, and Mr. Morley (Gloucester), the Nova Scotia station, have been conducting a series of tests to ascertain the actual speed of wireless transmission. Monday afternoon it was reckoned as 2,250 p. m. (New and 4 p. m. in London).

A message from Port Morley was received and deciphered in Clifton and a written and transmitted to Clifton in the space of exactly two minutes. The figures are supplied by a time correspondent. A Port Morley message, in a message also sent by wireless and which went from Port Morley to London in a little over an hour, supplements the account of the test.

I sent a message to correspondent at Clifton and received a reply in five minutes. Mr. Marconi complains of trouble with the wires. Everything working splendidly.

A test message referred to was deciphered from Port Morley at 11.40 a. m. (English time), and, when it reached Clifton in the time indicated, did not reach London at 4.28 p. m. This would seem to show Mr. Marconi's complaint of the speed of the land wires on both sides.

From the tests, the Port Morley correspondent sent a news message twenty-three words relating to the Canadian fisheries. Dispatched at 4.28 p. m. (Greenwich time), it reached London at 2.27 p. m., and London at 2.27 p. m.

NEW YORK XMAS BUSINESS.

New York, Dec. 24.—That the Christmas business this year will be smaller than last year is admitted by dealers in New York. The crowds are larger than the oldest dealer has seen, but the people are spending money.

BURNS VERSUS ROCHE.

London, Dec. 24.—Articles of agreement have been signed for a boxing match between "Tommy Burns" and "Rocky" Roche, the Irish champion, at London on March 17th, for \$25,000, and a purse of \$1,500.

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ANGRY MOB STORMS CHINESE QUARTERS

Sudden Outbreak of Racial Antipathy in Lethbridge—Restaurant Windows Smashed—Crowd Dispersed by Mounted Police

Lethbridge, Alb. Dec. 26.—The interior of the Columbia restaurant was partly wrecked last night and the windows of nearly every other Chinese restaurant were smashed by a mob of nearly three hundred persons.

The affair took place quite suddenly and the windows of the Alberta restaurant and Joe Fong's were smashed at the same time. Constable Rose telephoned for the mounted police, a number of whom promptly arrived and cleared the premises and arrested several of the mob, but not until a Chinaman or two had been roughly handled.

The police patrolled the streets and went down to protect Quong Wong's place near the post office. Meanwhile a portion of the mob slipped round to the Barons Road and smashed the front of the Chinese restaurant near the Arlington. The mounted police came over and in a few minutes nothing was to be seen of any mob.

Shortly after 7 o'clock last night the rumor spread that Harry Smith, a well-known and popular rancher from Lethbridge, had died at the hospital from the effects of a blow with a hammer, struck by a Chinaman in the Columbia restaurant.

As a matter of fact Harry Smith was quite well and enjoying a social evening with a Christmas party. This fact was not known, however, and the rumor was believed. The Chinaman who had struck him was arrested and put in jail, but this fact also was unknown and an indignant angry mob gathered in front of the restaurant and there was talk of lynching. Presently it seemed to boil over, and doors were burst open, counters and tables overturned and any Chinaman who could be caught were roughly treated.

Simultaneously a portion of the mob smashed the windows but little actual damage was done though there were a lot of badly scared Chinamen fleeing wildly to cover.

Mayor Galbraith was on the scene and called on good citizens to disperse and go to their homes. Magistrate Humphreys, when a portion of the crowd visited the Quong Sang restaurant on Ford street, persuaded them on evil bent, that Quong Sang had been a good citizen and that he had never given any trouble and the mob acting on his advice dispersed.

When Britain Sought German Aid

Oversea Possessions See Far More of Foreign Warships Than Those Flying White Ensign

The Berlin correspondent of the London Standard sends particulars of an incident at Zanzibar which he says has made a considerable impression not only on the natives of that place, but also all along the coast far into the interior.

Some time ago, he writes, before the Sultan of Zanzibar left for England, the soldiers of the imperial bodyguard and, for several days, the Sultan himself was in imminent danger of death, or, at least, debilitation. In this predicament Ali bin Hamud appealed to the British consulate-general for assistance.

The vice-consul in charge was obliged to inform the Sultan that there was no British warship within hundreds of miles. However, recognizing the urgency of the case, he telegraphed to the captain of the German cruiser Bussard, then lying off Dar-es-Salaam, the capital of German East Africa, asking him to hasten to Zanzibar. The captain hesitated to intervene in a British protectorate on his own responsibility, and cabled to Berlin for orders.

The German admiralty referred the matter to the Emperor, who immediately ordered that any assistance required by the British authorities at Zanzibar should be given with the least possible delay.

As the result, the Bussard proceeded at full speed to Zanzibar to restore order, and the British government, subsequently sent a cordial message of thanks to the German government for their friendly action at Zanzibar.

The whole proceeding, adds the correspondent, is somewhat humiliating to the greatest naval power in the world, which was given to appear as a German aid in quelling a disturbance in a British protectorate, the native troops in which were commanded by a British officer.

Naval Opinion on Incident.

The incident is recorded with some prominence in the Standard, in which German prestige in Africa was enhanced at the expense of Great Britain, occurred, writes the Pall Mall special correspondent, in September, 1906. It was then that the Sultan of Zanzibar's bodyguard mutinied, and an appeal was made in vain to the British consul-general for assistance. There was, in fact, no warship in the waters to protect our protectorate, and help had to be rendered by two small German non-protected cruisers, the Bussard and the Sessler. Both the foreign office and the admiralty are well aware of the particulars of the incident, and they are also a matter of common knowledge in naval circles.

Two views are expressed to-day by naval men with regard to the incident. The one agrees that it was humiliating to the greatest naval power in the world, but the other takes the line that, however desirable it may be to have British warships at hand in case of emergency in every part of the globe, such a policy is quite impracticable.

In this case it is pointed out that a cablegram could have been sent from Zanzibar to the Cape for a warship, and such a message would have met with a ready response; whilst, as the German cruisers that were on the scene it is explained that they were vessels of only eleven hundred tons, much too small, of course, to have been of use if there had been any serious development of the mutiny.

At the same time the Zanzibar incident is only one of several that have occurred since the Radical government has been in power, and it must be confessed that there is some ground for the feeling of uneasiness that is caused by the knowledge that some, at least, of our colonies and protectorates see far more of foreign war vessels than of our own.

INFORMATION SOUGHT.

Magistrate Jay Will Hear All About the Fischer-Barnwell Fight.

As an aftermath of the exciting fistfight at Goldstream a week ago yesterday, the provincial police have issued summonses against the participants, James Barnwell and Oliver Fischer.

The latter so far cannot be located and is believed to have taken a trip to Seattle. Barnwell was somewhat damaged in the bout and is still suffering from the beating he received.

The sequel will be enacted before Magistrate Jay in the provincial police court to-morrow, when several of the spectators will tell how the men exchanged hooks, jabs and uppercuts and of the negro's defeat at the hands of Fischer.

TOWN ENVELOPED BY FIRE.

Boulder, Col., Dec. 24.—Prairie fires are burning in several places in the prairies near this city and the surrounding country, and are spreading rapidly before a high wind.

Already twelve buildings in Boulder have been burned. It is feared that a fire which started late this afternoon on Flagstaff mountain will sweep over University hill, through the best residential part of the city and through the university campus.

Many volunteers are fighting the flames, but are hampered in their efforts by lack of water.

CHICAGO EXPRESS IN COLLISION.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Dec. 24.—Chicago express No. 7, leaving here at one o'clock this morning, collided with a yard engine at the west end of the road. Both engines were damaged and Fireman Callahan of Sarnia, of the express, was slightly injured. Five passengers were slightly injured. The cause of the accident was supposed to be a misunderstanding of signals.

PROPOSED BOATING CLUB FOR OAK BAY

Committee of the Municipal Council Will Consider the Proposal on Saturday.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

The question of the granting of concessions to a boating club who have formed themselves into a company will come up for consideration at the meeting of the bridges, roads, and sewers committee of the Oak Bay council, to be held on Saturday next. The question is a live one, as almost all the inhabitants of the district are interested in it.

At a meeting of the council held recently, Alderman Newton stated that, had the application come from a business corporation whose object was to make money, there might have been some valid objection to the proposal, but as the sole object of the club was to provide much needed accommodation for both the members and the general public, at a minimum expense, he thought it would be wise for the council to give every assistance to the project, under proper restrictions. He mentioned that every member of the club had agreed that a properly conducted boat house was one of the most urgent needs of the district, and that the club had agreed that the intention of the club to keep the fees for the hire of boats and use of club privileges as low as possible consistent with rendering it a self-supporting concern.

Suggestions have been made that the municipality should build a wharf and boathouses at the point suggested, but it is thought that it could scarcely make it a paying concern. It would entail a good deal of outlay, and a special by-law would be necessary to raise the money.

Should the club be given the use of the foreshore, as suggested, they could be compelled to provide in connection therewith a public landing stage, and, for the whole thing, a certain price per boat would be charged. The whole thing, it was pointed out, could be annulled at any time if the club did not live up to its agreements.

Boating is one of the features of Victoria and district, and could be made so much more than at present. The fact that there was a good boating club would enhance the value of the properties not only on the waterfront, but throughout the municipality.

GOLD-FIELD CAMP.

Efforts to Bring About Understanding Between Miners and Owners.

Goldfield, Nev., Dec. 24.—If a compromise of any nature is possible at the date between the mine owners' association and the Western Federation of Miners, it will be brought about through the efforts of Acting President Mahoney, of the Western Federation of Miners.

Night and day since his arrival here on Sunday last, Mr. Mahoney has been working on a proposition to bring about a compromise between the mine owners and the miners' union, but to-day he is ready to confer with the mine owners. This privilege has, however, been denied him thus far. It is intimated that the first conference will be held on Thursday.

The mines and mills are running to-day as usual, with about 250 men at work.

TO EXCAVATE HERCULEANEUM.

New York, Dec. 24.—A dispatch from Rome to the Times says the Italian government announces that the excavation of the buried city of Herculeaneum will begin at once. The work will be carried out by the Italian government with Italian funds and the advice of eminent foreign archaeologists will be gratefully accepted.

PICTURE THEATRE AFIRE.

Brandon, Man., Dec. 26.—A fire in a picture theatre here last night destroyed the moving picture machine and three sets of films.

TIN TAG CLUE IN MURDER CASE

TWO SUSPECTED OF GRIM GREYNA CRIME

Circumstantial Evidence Points to Negroes Having Done to Death Fred Leclair.

Gretna, Dec. 24.—The preliminary trial of the men suspected of murdering Fred Leclair on Sunday night, and robbing his corpse and concealing the body in the river, commenced this morning. J. Brynjason state attorney from Pembina, is prosecuting and Dr. Brown, coroner from St. Thomas is assisting.

The prisoners are tramps, one a white man and the other a negro, R. T. Dugan, on the point of scoring. Had these men remained, the result might have been a win for Egeria instead of a defeat. Esquimaux have now completed their Christmas gift League games with 16 points to their credit which is not likely to land them in second place.

WALKED 400 MILES.

Ottawa, Dec. 24.—Peter Stintoft, a Dane, 29 years old, arrived here this morning, after walking from the lake near Bling river, a distance of 400 miles. He slept out in boxcars. He seemed to be in good spirits after his trip. The journey took 24 days.

THREW LIGHT ON SKIDGATE MINES

Inspector Green Says He Remembers the Time When Works Were in Operation.

Rev. A. E. Green, who has been inspector of the mission schools of British Columbia for the past number of years, is registered at the Dominion hotel.

Mr. Green has just returned from a visit to Kuper Island, which is situated about seven miles from Chemainus in the Gulf. At this point an industrial school has been established for twenty years or more. The first superintendent identified with this school, Rev. Father Donnelly, died in St. Joseph's hospital some months ago. He had been in charge of the school since its inauguration.

Mr. Green expresses himself as being very well satisfied with the condition of affairs at the Kuper Island mission. The privileges of the establishment are restricted altogether to the Indians, and at present there are about fifty boys and girls in attendance. About seventy-five acres of land are used in connection with the establishment for agricultural purposes.

A few days ago reference was made in the local press to an old mine recently re-discovered in the neighborhood of Skidgate, in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

Rev. Mr. Green was able to dispel any idea of mystery connected with this mine, for he recalled that he had occasion to observe its development a considerable number of years ago when he first assumed connection with the mission work. This old mine, he says, was opened up by parties resident principally in Victoria, and was abandoned owing to the fact that the appliances for mining and smelting were comparatively crude twenty or thirty years ago. Some of the parties who were interested in this old mine, Mr. Green says, are still living in this city.

This mine is situated about twelve miles from Skidgate, in the Queen Charlotte Islands.

TORNADO WRECKS TRAIN.

Mighty Gust of Wind Responsible For One Killed and Ten Injured.

Denver, Col., Dec. 25.—A terrific tornado blew a passenger train off the track one mile north of Marshall, Col., on the Colorado & Southern railway, shortly before noon yesterday. Baggage men Chiles, of Denver, were killed and eight or ten train men and passengers injured. A few wires in that direction are down, and no details have been received.

CLEVER SCROLL WORK.

Alex. Semple, of Victoria West, Has Made Very Ingenious Clock.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

Alex. Semple, of Victoria, has in his possession two most beautiful pieces of scroll work in his own handiwork. Both are his own handiwork, and are splendid examples of scroll saw work.

The first is a parlor cabinet 5 ft. 4 in. high, 37 in. wide, made of two Australian woods, beech and rosewood. The fret work design is exceedingly pretty, and is greatly enhanced by the various figures, inlaid on the panels. The base has three drawers, above which are cupboards and shelves of various sizes. The whole has a very pretty effect, and the difference in the color of the two woods, used in the construction, is well brought out. But the article that catches the visitor's eye is an elaborate eight-day clock, called "The New Apostle Clock." This stands 34 in. high and is 21 in. wide and 10 in. deep, and of exquisite design. As it stands complete it represents an enormous amount of painstaking labor, and proves beyond a doubt that Mr. Semple has special aptitude for this kind of work. In the two towers which strike the chimes as the clock marks the hour. Each hour and half hour a tune is played, and while the music is ringing pleasantly in the ears an

COTTON CARGO IN FLAMES.

New York, Dec. 24.—While the steamer Bulgaria with 2,000 stowage passengers on board was passing down the river to-day outward bound for Europe, fire was discovered among several bales of cotton on deck. The flames were quickly subdued by two fire-boats, which responded to the calls for assistance, and the steamer proceeded with very little delay.

WIN FOR ESQUIMAULT.

Three Goals to Nil Result of Game Against H. M. S. Egeria.

Despite the stormy weather Christmas morning the Esquimaux and Egeria teams lined up for their league game, Egeria playing one man short. Both teams were unwilling to play, claiming the grounds were not in good condition. Referee Brown, however, was inexorable, having inspected them previously and declared them playable. While the ground was wet and soggy, it was not as greasy and slippery as the Saturday before and the players were better able to keep their feet than on many other occasions. The play was not of a first-class order, but a very even game during the first half, although Esquimaux managed to score from a scrimmage in front of goal. Egeria badly missed their crack back Dunn. In the second half Esquimaux was continually off side on account of the Egeria playing the one back game which the forwards of the Esquimaux team did not seem to comprehend. After about fifteen minutes' play in this half, Esquimaux again scored off side, being claimed, but not allowed. At this juncture two of the Egeria's players left the field, leaving only eight men, but in spite of this handicap Esquimaux only managed to add one more goal—and quit a number of times. Egeria was on the point of scoring. Had these men remained, the result might have been a win for Egeria instead of a defeat. Esquimaux have now completed their Christmas gift League games with 16 points to their credit which is not likely to land them in second place.

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PREMIER FOUGHT BLOODLESS DUEL

Hungarian Minister Refutes Allegation of Dishonesty by Colleague at Point of Sword

Budapest, Dec. 23.—Dr. Wekerle, the Hungarian premier, and former Minister of Justice Polanyi fought a duel yesterday with swords, as a result of an allegation of political dishonesty made against the premier by the ex-minister at a sitting of parliament a few days ago. The meeting took place at noon and was a bloodless one. Neither man was in any way injured and the affair became reconciled.

Dr. Wekerle proved his superiority as a swordsman in both the bouts that were fought. He broke down his opponent's guard and dealt him harmless blows with the flat of his sword. Minister Polanyi then apologized to Dr. Wekerle, whereupon they shook hands. After the duel the premier telegraphed an account of the affair to the emperor, who sent back his congratulations.

TINNED VOICES.

Records of World Famous Singers Preserved For Benefit of Posterity.

Paris, Dec. 24.—There was a unique ceremony this afternoon in the subterranean passages of the opera house. It consisted of depositing in a specially prepared vault a talking machine and a number of discs bearing records of the voices of the greatest singers of the twentieth century—Toscanini, Caruso, Stouff, Planes, Zatti, Melba, Calve and others are represented in the selection. The discs are in double boxes, each separated from the other.

Neither light nor can penetrate the coverings, and it is believed they can thus be preserved for a century. At the end of a hundred years they will be opened, and the people of that age will have the opportunity of hearing voices of this era, as well as seeing the talking machine as manufactured to-day.

MAY MEET IN DEBATE.

Hon. W. Pugsley Challenges R. L. Borden to Make Good Attack of Member of Opposition.

St. John, Dec. 24.—Hon. W. Pugsley, denounced the attack made upon him by E. Kemp, Conservative member of parliament for East Toronto, said it would have been out of place to refer to these matters in the debate on the reply to the speech from the throne. Mr. Kemp's remarks were not such as were calculated to raise the debate on the question of the House, and he (Pugsley) did not feel called upon to reply. Other members of the government agreed with him that they could not be mistaken. His statement had not been denied by the leader of the opposition or gentlemen in New Brunswick or Montreal, who were cognizant of the facts. Whenever R. L. Borden was ready to discuss the matter with him, either in parliament or elsewhere, Mr. Pugsley says he is ready to meet him in debate.

BOGUS CHEQUES WERE PASSED HERE

Young Man Pleaded Guilty to Offence Will Receive His Sentence Later.

(From Thursday's Daily.)

John E. Ainsworth this morning pleaded guilty to passing a worthless cheque on E. Williams & Co., to the amount of \$47. The case is adjourned until to-morrow morning in order to allow the E. Williams Company to give evidence in order to determine the sentence. It seems that the man, who is of an exceedingly respectable appearance, also went to the Baker Shoe Company, where he bought the best pair of shoes he could pick out and also a pair of rubbers, the price being \$215, giving a cheque which was also found on presentation to be valueless.

The man was staying at the Dominion hotel at the time of the fraud. He bought the goods from the E. Williams Company and they were sent up to the hotel. When it was found that the cheque was valueless, they tried to find him, but in the meantime he had decamped. It seems that he went to Vancouver, but he could not be found there. A few days ago, however, the Seattle police, who had received full descriptions from Chief Langley, located Ainsworth, and a man was at once despatched to bring him over. He chose summary trial and will be sentenced by Magistrate Jay to-morrow morning.

The Dominion Express Company this morning fined the sum of five dollars for obstructing the highway on Broughton street. The company had been previously warned to move the obstruction, but had not done so. Their defence was that they were moving, and therefore rather disorganized for a few days.

ST. JOHN NOMINEE.

Order Issued For Arrest of Conservative Candidate—Charged With Libel.

St. John, N. B., Dec. 24.—An order for the arrest of Alfred B. Clark, the opposition candidate in St. John county in the legislature, was issued yesterday at the instance of W. A. Quilston, steward of the Provincial hospital for nervous diseases, who alleges he was libelled in a statement made by Clark when accepting nomination.

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TATOOSH WIRELESS DAMAGED BY STORM

Gale Velocity in Straits Reached Eighty Four Miles an Hour Yesterday.

Tatoosh, Dec. 24.—(By wireless)—Yesterday the wireless station here was damaged by the storm which attained a velocity of 84 miles an hour off the straits. An exceptionally heavy gust of wind carried away what is known as the aerial on the wireless mast. This was repaired this morning. A large plate glass window in the building had been smashed in while other minor damages are reported from various points.

To-day the wind has died away altogether and this morning was scarcely breezy for years. The barometer reading is 29.89, temperature 42. No shipping in the straits up to 11 a. m.

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