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American Naval Officers Not Enthused Over the Dreadnought.

Washington, D. C., July 25.—The publication of the white book in London, giving some information concerning the main features of the large English battleship, the Dreadnought, has caused some discussion among naval officers, but the facts made public were already known by the officers of the navy who are interested in naval architecture. There is no great enthusiasm among many of the naval officers in regard to the construction of a ship which will equal the Dreadnought as a sea fighting machine. It is pointed out that the United States now has under construction two ships, the Michigan and the South Carolina, which can fire eight 12-inch guns on either side, and that is all that can be done by the Dreadnought. Another difference between the latest types of the American and English battleships is that in all of the 12-inch guns of the American ships can be utilized, while two of the 12-inch guns on the British ship must be inactive.

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LONDON AND DISTRICT

—Mrs. E. Laird and son, Mr. John Laird, B.A., have removed from Clinton to this city. They have taken up their residence at 875 Waterloo street.

—The literary program given at the Hamilton Road Epworth League Society's meeting on Monday last was an unusually interesting one. Mr. J. H. MacRoberts, public librarian, gave the address at the evening, taking as his theme Milton's "Paradise Lost."

—Mr. Chris B. Robinson, son of Mr. Blackett Robinson, editor of the Dominion Presbyterian, Toronto, has been appointed private secretary to the Minister of Railways and Canals. There were a large number of applicants.

—Mrs. S. C. Walker, of Chatham, sang a soprano solo "Out of Christ," on Sunday evening, in Adelaide Street Church, where she is much appreciated. Mrs. Walker always kindly assists in the musical services of this church when staying in London over Sunday.

—Rev. G. A. Robson, of St. George's Parish, Bridgeport, Conn., accompanied by his wife and family, is spending his vacation at Iderton. During Canon Farthing's absence, Mr. Robson is supplying at Woodstock. Mr. Robson was as assistant here about eleven years ago.

—The Daily News, of Argenta, Kansas, has the following: "The Argenta Summer Theater at Second and Main streets had its real opening last night. The first performance was given Monday evening, and the management regarded the show as more of a rehearsal than anything else. Last night, however, the tent was filled and the performance went with a dash and a swing that brought forth rounds of applause. The entertainment was thoroughly enjoyed and Hi Tom, LaRose, the Marten sisters and other features were appreciatively received. The piano playing of Cyril Brennan came in for a share of the favorable comment, and many who have been unfortunate to have been inside of Canada wonder where Canon Canuck ever picked up so much ability. The young man 'comes' from London, Ont. And an evidence of his cleverness is the fact that he 'came' from there. No one with any horse sense would stay there."

DEATH OF WILLIAM WEIR.

Yesterday afternoon, William Weir, well-known and highly-respected resident of this city, died at his home, 428 Horton street. Deceased was born in London Township in 1862, and in 1885 he moved into this city and entered the employ of the London and Petrolia Barrel Company, by whom he has been employed ever since. Among the lumbermen all over the country Mr. Weir was well known, and was acknowledged as one of the best judges of timber throughout Canada. He is survived by his wife and one daughter, Myrtle, at home. The funeral will take place on Thursday afternoon at Mount Pleasant Cemetery.

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I. B. S. Committee Will Ask Merchants to Close on the Afternoon of Aug. 9.

The sports committee of the Irish Benevolent Society picnic is composed of workers who will leave no stone unturned to make the outing a success on AUG. 9, a day of pleasure for several thousand Londoners and St. Thomasites. The committee met at the city hall last night and considered a plan which, if successful, will mean much for the picnic. Wednesday is a half-holiday for many of the retail stores, and the I. B. S. committee will ask that, as the preceding Monday is a holiday, the half-holiday be changed to Thursday. "This will make it possible for many to attend the picnic who will be unable to do so if the change is not made. A committee was named to walk on the retail merchants in reference to the matter."

There will be an abundance of music at the picnic, as the newly-organized band of the seventh is to be engaged, in addition to the "Piper of the Regiment" Band, while Dayton & McCormick's orchestra will provide the music for the dancing.

Special prizes are to be offered for a number of sports.

The Pere Marquette has guaranteed a train service for the day that will be in every way satisfactory.

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THE LATE ALEX. JOHNSON
The Demise of an Esteemed Old-Time Resident of Lambton.

Alexander Johnson, son of Alexander and Margaret (Leach) Johnson, was born in Skipsness, Argyllshire, Scotland. He came to this country with his parents, six brothers and one sister, in 1846. The family settled on lot 36, Lake Road, at Brompton, where the parents spent the remainder of their lives. In 1867 he united with the Methodist body, becoming a class leader, and doing good work for the Master among the Indians on the reserve. In 1871 he was married to Miss Susie Howard, of Arkona, who survives her kind-hearted husband. James Johnson, of Theford, Mrs. Flora McNeil, of Barnes, Helen and Hamilton Johnson, of St. Catharines, were adopted by Mr. and Mrs. Johnson. The deceased is also survived by his two brothers, James Johnson, of St. Catharines, and George Johnson, of Havelock, Ontario. The funeral will be held at the residence of Mr. Johnson, on Lake Road, at Brompton, on Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. The burial will take place in the cemetery at Brompton.

In January last he was stricken with apoplexy, from which he partially recovered, but two weeks ago he experienced a second attack to which he succumbed on the 19th inst. Rev. R. S. Lackland preached the funeral sermon in the home that Mr. Johnson had occupied for 36 years, at the home of the late Mrs. Shore Cemetery. The bearers were Jacob Hodgson, William Fraser, John Fuller, Hugh McNeil, Richard Macken and Donald Sutherland.

CONTRABAND OF WAR
Inter-Parliamentary Union Asks That Ships Be Not Destroyed.

London, July 25.—The conference of the Inter-Parliamentary Union, after a prolonged debate this morning, adopted the following resolution:

"The Inter-Parliamentary Union, now assembled in London, expresses the view that the second Hague conference should:

"First, by treaty define contraband of war as being restricted to arms, munitions of war and explosives.

"Second—Reassess and confirm the principle that neither a ship carrying contraband of war, nor other goods aboard such ship not being contraband of war, may be destroyed.

"Third—Affirm that even when belligerents private property should be as immune as it is on land."

The conference also adopted a resolution in favor of the discussion by The Hague conference of means to cut down the "intolerable expenditure on armaments."

Another resolution provides that each national government shall apply to its own government to grant funds to aid future conferences of the Inter-Parliamentary Union.

The decision as to the time and place of the next conference was left in the hands of the international council. It is expected that it will be held in Berlin in 1908.

The conference then concluded its sessions.

The delegates were entertained at luncheon at the House of Lords.

A deputation of the visitors will be received by King Edward at Buckingham Palace tomorrow.

CAN ESCAPE ARREST
John D. Rockefeller Will Do It by Appearing in Court.

Findlay, O., July 25.—John D. Rockefeller now can come to Cleveland without fear of the iron hand of the law. Sheriff Groves will not execute the warrant which he holds for the oil king's arrest as Judge Banker of the probate court has decreed otherwise. Late this afternoon Attorney Troup, of Bowling Green, appeared in the probate court and expressed his desire of entering the appearance of John D. Rockefeller in the criminal case brought before Judge Banker, in which he, with the Standard Oil Company, is charged with violating the anti-trust laws of Ohio.

Judge Banker allowed the motion and Mr. Rockefeller stands in the same predicament as he has since he was arrested. The journal of the probate court shows that Rockefeller has appeared in the probate court and pleaded not guilty.

In September Prosecuting Attorney Davis says he will bring Mr. Rockefeller in the criminal case brought before Judge Banker, in which he, with the Standard Oil Company, is charged with violating the anti-trust laws of Ohio.

The law provides that in a criminal case the defendant must appear in person, or by attorney. He cannot be tried by an attorney appearing for him.

It is the intention to afford Mr. Rockefeller all possible courtesy compatible with justice, and not hear any indignities upon him.

Mr. Rockefeller has granted the same favor to any person under the same circumstances," said Judge Banker. "As long as Mr. Rockefeller enters his appearance it would be but an exhibit of petty feeling for us to arrest him."

It is now known that the wires were used to connect France and this country by Mr. Rockefeller in his attempt to fix the matter up. He was successful so far as his arrest at present is concerned. It will be necessary for him to face a jury in September.

A THRILLING EXPERIENCE
A Woman Carried 1,000 Feet Upward Hanging to Parachute.

Binghamton, N. Y., July 24.—While making a balloon ascension near this city yesterday, Mme. Belle Lockhart, a daring professional aeronaut, was jerked from her seat on the trapeze bar of the parachute. Unable to regain it owing to a bulky life preserver which she had about her arms, the woman was obliged to hang to the ropes by her hands at a height of 1,000 feet, with no way of getting hold of the cutoff rope.

Down below a thousand spectators looked up as the woman imploringly assistance.

The balloon ascended higher and higher and the woman hanging to the bar became a mere speck in the sky. For the ascension was the highest ever seen in Binghamton.

At the moment when everyone had given up hope of seeing her land alive, the parachute began to descend. It was a remarkable feat to have cut loose, but through the swaying of the cutoff rope, Mme. Lockhart was able to catch hold and give it a quick pull with one hand and her life was saved.

The woman landed a distance from the starting place, and when the onlookers reached the spot they found her unconscious and almost choked to death by the life preserver which was about her head and throat. She was soon resuscitated.

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FARMER BURNS
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Mat Veteran Says Nouralah Is the Best in the Game at Present.

Farmer Burns, the well-known veteran wrestler, who taught Frank Gotch the rudiments of the game, and who is acknowledged today to be one of the best wrestlers in America, despite his age, in an interview recently selected the best wrestler in his opinion in the world as Nouralah. He believes he is even a better man than Hackenschmidt. To Frank Gotch he awards the championship of America, claiming there is no man here who has an even chance to defeat him.

"You see," said Burns, "Gotch is a big man with the speed of a little man, and the strength of a giant. Gotch is the greatest American wrestler."

"Jenkins was a very good man. Tom, however, is getting a bit old. And one thing against Jenkins, he would not work to get himself in condition. Jenkins never was perfectly trained for a match. He was a loggy fellow and too lazy to get in his best shape."

"Dan McLeod was a very clever and tricky fellow in his days, but poor Dan is given over to Scotch highballs, and is easy now for men whom he used to toss ten times in an hour."

Evan Lewis was a wonderful wrestler. He has now got a farm in Wisconsin.

"Of all the old wrestlers," said Burns, "Clarence Whistler stood out alone. He was in a class by himself, and really the only one of the old-timers who was as all to be compared to the modern wrestlers. He was much the superior of Muldoon."

Frank Gotch gets credit for a lot of holds that were invented by Burns.

It was the farmer who invented the toe hold. But the farmer says this is not the most deadly grip. The best hammerlock is more dangerous. "And let me tell you," said the farmer, "there is a young man named Beal who is surely a terrible wrestler. Beal has perfected a hold which he calls a head hold. He has short but powerful arms. He allows the opponent to try for various holds on him. Suddenly Beal will grab his opponent's head under that viselike arm and that will be the end of the match; that is, if Beal gets a perfect hold. That head hold is wonderful punishing. A man like Beal can almost crush an opponent's skull with the hold."

"Beal is the most underrated wrestler in America."

A CORNER FOR THE FANS

Harry Lumley is Brooklyn's only 300 batsman. He hits the ball sharply and generally on a line. He is tall. Paikenberg's height is 6 feet 5 inches, which enable him to pitch the longest drop ball of any pitcher in the country.

With his pitchers coming right Clark Griffith says he does not see how he can be beaten for the American League pennant.

Nick Atrook has been Boston's bet noir this year. He has won five games from Boston, the club which once released him.

It is a long time since a college pitcher won his first major league game by shutting out his opponents as did Coombs, who joined the Athletics from Colby and whitewashed Washington on his trial trip.

Outside of Hill, Cross and Kittridge, the Washingtons are a band of giants. Catcher Wakefield, of the Washingtons, is coming strong in the batting averages.

Bill Coughlin is playing better ball with Detroit than he ever put up in Washington.

Lajoie has made but eight errors all this season at second base.

Pitcher Hogg, of New York, last week lost his first game since May. Doc White has done the most effective slab duty for the Chicago team.

Hans Lobert is playing a fine fielding game for Cincinnati and is hitting better than 2.70. Lobert is speedy and a good heady ball player.

Catcher Lou Criger, of Boston, declares that he will be able to play ball by Aug. 1—provided the Boston Club pays him the \$500 bonus he claims it owes him since last fall.

As a result of further tampering by Lancaster with Altizer the Washington Club is said to have signed that player to a three-year contract at \$800 per month.

The New York Club released Pitcher Frank Hahn at his request. He intends to go into business and to give up base ball. He has pitched but little this season, winning three games and losing one.

Catcher Eddie McFarland has refused to join the Chicago White Sox after a long conference with Manager Jones on the matter. No reason is given for his second refusal.

Outfielder Brown, of New York, is just recovering from a bad case of blood-poisoning in one of his hands, which at one time threatened amputation of his arm.

Griffith is placing much confidence in Orit, "the curlew's wonder." He is pitching good ball this season.

Patsy Donovan has done much to

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O'BRIEN IS AFTER ANOTHER FIGHT

Accepts Offer for Twenty-Round Go or to a Finish at San Francisco.

Atlantic City, N. J., July 24.—In a statement made here today, Jack O'Brien, now at his cottage in South Atlantic City, where he trained for his go with Berger, says that he has accepted an offer to fight Berger twenty rounds or to a finish at Eddie Graney's club in San Francisco, if the match can be arranged.

O'Brien received two offers, one from Graney on a 60 per cent basis, and the other from Coffroth.

"I am perfectly willing to make a finish fight or any other sort of a go with Berger that will give me a chance to put him out," said O'Brien, "but I don't believe he will fight. He is a present theatricality engaged, and it is an even bet that he will dig up some excuse for dodging the battle that would put him among the 'has beens'."

Welcome to Heavies.

The advent of Al Kaufman and Sam Berger in the boxing ring at this time will prove of immense interest to the sport of boxing, for it began to look as if the heavy-weight class had been completely depleted.

With Jeffries, Fitzsimmons, Sharkey and Ruhlman out of the sport, there was a vacuum in the ranks of the big fellows that appeared very hard to fill. Jack O'Brien was not taken very seriously in his claim of being the heavy weight champion through the verdict gained by the collapse of Lanky Bob at San Francisco.

And the funny thing that when Berger gave him a hot contest, Jack fell back on the argument that he was only a middleweight. Reports from the west for a long while state that Jeffries had grown fat, and, as he was always lazy, it is not likely that he will ever again train for a championship contest, but will leave the younger fellows to fight it out amongst themselves.

California is very much in it at the present time with two candidates for heavyweight championship honors, but heavy parts of the country will no doubt be heard from in good time, as the remuneration in that line of business is so great that it offers big young fellows special inducements to take up the sport of boxing for a livelihood.

Kaufman claims that he is anxious to get Berger in the ring with him in the east, but his fellowtownsman refuses to consider the proposition. It is possible that Berger feels that it would not be wise from a money point of view to box Kaufman in a six-round match, while a much larger gate could be gotten in California in a longer bout, and it is likely that the men will meet in their native state before the snow flies.

The man behind the plow makes an impression in the world. There's nothing new under the sun—except methods of distorting the truth.

ve the baseball spirit in Brooklyn parts this year.

Lajoie's business partner in Cleveland has placed a large bet on the Naps to win the pennant.

The Boston Club was the first to lose 50 games. That number of defeats was reached July 5.

Fred Clarke is playing ball when the average man would be in a hospital.

Witnerup, of the Boston, is only 19 years of age, though over six feet in height. He expects to reach seven feet before he stops growing.

Outfielder Jude, the Toledo recruit with the Cincinnati Reds, is already reported as being the best base runner on the team.

New York, July 24.—George Rose is by long odds the king pin among the bookmakers of America. From him the lesser lights of the betting rings radiate. He attracts the major portion of the money wagered each day at the race tracks by offering big prices and by being courteous to his patrons.

"Gentleman George," as he is called by the habitués of the race tracks, handles from \$75,000 to \$120,000 a day. This money passes through his hands and those of his two cashiers during the two and a half hours devoted each racing afternoon to speculation.

Rose has made a fortune as a bookmaker and is now known to worth \$800,000. This money did not come to him suddenly, but by long years of hard work. In twelve years he has had only one vacation—last season, when he took a three months' trip abroad with his wife. During every other racing day he was hard at work in the various race tracks of the country.

It is not generally known that Rose is a Brooklynite. For years he has made his home in San Francisco, and for this reason he has been regarded and called a Californian. But he was born and brought up in Brooklyn, and for many years resided in the Sixth Ward of that borough.

Rose never visited a race track until he was past man's estate. A friend took him to the old Brighton Beach track, and he was so fascinated by the sport that in quick succession he became a mid-plunger and a horse-owner. He soon tired of both ends of the game, and shortly after he had received \$15,000, his share of his father's estate, he branched out as a bookmaker.

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