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THE WEATHER. Increasing easterly winds tomorrow

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BODY OF SERGIUS LYING IN STATE

Gloomy Ceremonials in Moscow ---Police in the Dark Regarding Knowledge of the Assassins---Grand Duke Alexis Defies Death---Duke Paul Restored to Favor.

Moscow, Feb. 22:—The coachman who was driving the coach in which Grand Duke Sergius was riding when he was assassinated is dead of his injuries. He sustained 76 distinct wounds.

There was a continuous procession of Muscovites yesterday passing through the Kremlin gates to visit the Choudoff Monastery and the scene of the tragedy in Senate Square. They paused to cross themselves at the tall cross which has been erected at the exact spot where the assassination occurred and before which a lamp is constantly burning, as before a shrine. Pieces of the carriage and other evidences of the tragedy are continually being found.

The remains in the coffin are now covered with a light gauze, through which part of the uniform of the dead grand duke is visible.

Besides peactically continuous requiems, an unusually solemn funeral mass was conducted yesterday before the Moscow Metropolitan.

The body will be given temporary interment in the chapel of "Andrew the first-called." It is a gloomy room in ancient Russian architecture, pillared and gilded with Byzantine ornateness. The burial place is immediately behind the famous "red staircase" of the Choudoff Monastry, from which for centuries the emperor and the empress have greeted their subjects after the coronation ceremonies and on great state occasions.

In spite of four days diligent investigation, the police know practically no more concerning the assassin than when he was captured.

A Brave Man.

New York, Feb. 22.—A St. Petersburg despatch to the Herald dated Tuesday says:—

"Grand Duke Alexis started tonight for Moscow. When remonstrated with he replied: "I am on the list of those condemned to death, so it does not matter."

The Grand Duke Vladimir is too ill to go. The Emperor sent a representative to the frontier to meet Grand Duke Paul, bearing all his uniforms and decorations and a message. He has been restored to full rank and all his titles and emoluments which were sequestrated at the time of his recent marriage.

Dantchenko, a famous Russian war correspondent and a friend of General Kuropatkin, has made a sensational speech at the Hermitage Restaurant in Moscow. He denounces the war as futile, benefitting the beaurocrats only, and says it means ruin to Russia.

Czarevitch Ill.

New York, Feb. 22.—A special cablegram to the Sun from Berlin quotes the Lokal Anzeiger as saying that the Czarevitch is ill and that a specialist in children's diseases has been summoned to attend him at Taarskoe—Salo.

University Closed.

Moscow, Feb. 22.—The advisory board of the Moscow University has appointed a commission to devise means for inducing the students to return, and pending the report of the commission closed the university indefinitely.

Grand Duke Paul's Greeting

Moscow, Feb. 22.—Grand Duke Paul arrived here during the forenoon. He was met at the railroad station by his two children who had been under the care of the Grand Duke Sergius and Grand Duchess Elizabeth.

Railroad Strike Worse.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22:—1.10 a.m. —The railroad strike situation is reported to be growing worse in the Southwest, and private advices are said to show the existence of a reign of terror in Tiflis, and Caucasus generally. Many murders by Tartars and Armenians are reported. The railroad employes at Dorpat struck yesterday.

The situation in Poland along the Austrian border is also causing great uneasiness.

Trains for Vienna are unable to leave Warsaw in consequence of the strike which is expected to become general on the railroad. Later in the day all the employees of the Vienna railroad struck and the entire traffic by direct route from Warsaw to Austria and Germany was suspended. The strikers forcibly prevented the bringing out of locomotives from the round houses.

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Caucasus In Revolt.

Berlin, Feb. 22.—The Vorwaerts prints a special despatch without indicating the place from which it was sent, saying:

"The whole Caucasus region is in revolt. Armenians, Prussians and Circassians have formed a coalition against the Emperor of Russia, and seized arms and even cannon from Russian soldiers. They hold the governor of the district as a prisoner. The revolutionists are organizing camps outside the cities."

At Lodz.

Lodz, Feb. 21.—The factories here have commenced taking on new hands to replace strikers. The situation is extremely uncertain.

At Libau.

Libau, Feb. 21.—The number of strikers is increasing, but there is no disturbance.

Oppose Revolution.

Warsaw, Russian Poland, Feb. 23.—The Polish national democratic party has issued a manifesto discountenancing revolution, "there are no arms," says the document, "no money and no leaders, and no aid can be expected from other countries. Austria is weak, France is Russia's ally and England is always practical. Therefore a revolution would only result in useless bloodshed. Better continue work peacefully and attain our ends." All the schools in the city are now closed except the elementary schools for young children, and proprietors of private schools have decided to close owing to the uncertainty of the situation.

TO ESTABLISH STEEL WORKS.

Wealthy New York Syndicate Has Purchased a Site at Morrisburg.

Montreal, Feb. 22.—(Special).—William J. Allison heads a strong New York syndicate which has purchased a site at Morrisburg for the establishment of a monster steel and tin plate plant. Mr. Allison, who has for many years been connected with the Vanderbilts, is reputed to be very wealthy. He has also purchased Dry Island at the foot of the Gallops rapids and intends erecting a palatial summer home there.

JUST LIKE RUSSIA.

Lima, Peru, Feb. 21.—A sensation was created here today when health officers, who were disinfecting a house in front of the police station, discovered under the floor of one of the rooms, 150 hand grenades, charged with dynamite, and with fuses attached. The police are endeavoring to ascertain from whence these bombs came.

BUILDING WITHOUT WOOD.

Two Baltimore architects have drawn plans for a building entirely without wood. It will be six stories, and will have a frontage of 41.5 feet. The entire structure is to be of re-enforced concrete and steel. Even the doors, trims, window sashes and door jambs are to be of metal. The windows will be glazed with wire glass. The frame for the showwindows will be of steel, into which the plate-glass will be fitted. The side walls, columns and rear walls, as well as the supporting columns of the front walls, will be of concrete. The floors will all have a top-dressing of cement one and a half inches thick. The stairs will be of concrete, with slate treads and wrought-iron balustrades. The elevator shaft will be of concrete, as will also the inclosure around the stairway and the elevator hall. The cellar and roof are to be of cement. In order to eliminate all wood, even the flagstaffs on top will be of steel.—Engineering and Mining Journal.

BRANCH ROADS STILL BLOCKED.

Salisbury and Harvey Making a Desperate Effort to Get Through.

There is no change today in the branch line service.

The Salisbury and Harvey Road is making desperate efforts to break through the drifts. Superintendent Sherwood has a gang of men along the line picking and shovelling out the roadbed, but progress is very slow owing to the very heavy drifts, which have in some instances piled from twelve to fifteen feet high.

On the shore line every effort is being made to get the locomotives, which have been stalled at Spruce Lake, to Carleton.

Mails along both these lines, and along the N. B. R. and Coal Co., railway, are being conveyed by teams.

WHAT GLITTERS IS NOT ALWAYS GOLD!

Such Is the Experience of Two Young Englishmen Who Arrived Recently in St. John.

Two Englishmen arrived here on the Parisian and their story as told to a Times reporter is like that of the Irishman who some years ago emigrated from good old Tipperary with visions of finding gold pieces on the streets of New York. However, they were disappointed.

So are the two Englishmen in question, who according to the statement made by them were under the impression that capital did not control labor but rather vice versa in Canada and that if a man goes to work and his employer finds fault with him all he has to do is to leave and go to the next door-neighbor and get a job.

"This, "said one of the young men "was the representation made by steamship agents in the old country, but we found the state of affairs considerably different on arriving here."

They further contended that it is not right for agents from this side to misrepresent the actual state of affairs in Canada, but in many such instances people have been grossly deceived.

The young men left for Springhill where they will endeavor to secure work in the coal mines.

OBITUARY.

Mrs. Wm. Lester.

P. G. Lester, of Nauwigewauk, arrived in St. John this morning on a sad mission, that of meeting the body of his mother who died in Boston, on Sunday last. Mrs. Lester left her home about the middle of December to visit her son in Boston. She was 78 years old and up to a week before her death enjoyed remarkably good health. The body passed through today to Model Farm where interment will take place tomorrow.

Mrs. Lester, who was the widow of the late William Lester, leaves to mourn:—P. G. and H. T., of Nauwigewauk, and Allen F. W. and John M. C. G. of Boston. The daughters are, Mrs. Alex Garvin, of Boston, Mrs. L. R. Foster and Mrs. W. Carson of Roxbury, and Mrs. E. B. Clarke, of Forest Hill, Mass.

Andrew Atchison.

Andrew Atchison, a teamster, died this morning at 7 o'clock. He had been in poor health for several years, and is survived by four sons, William employed by Emerson and Fisher; George employed in the gas house; Robert, employed by C. E. Harding, James, employed by Macaulay Bros. and one daughter, Maud, at home.

Thomas Dixon.

Halifax, Feb. 22:—(Feb. 22—(Special)—Thomas Dixon, a well known master stevedore, died this morning at his residence, Lockman St.. He had been ill for some months but was at Pickford & Black's wharf Saturday attending to business, coming out too soon after his illness. He suffered a relapse and had to be sent home in a cab on Saturday. He was 74 and left a widow.

KILLED AT SYDNEY.

Sydney, Feb. 22.—(Special).—Metro Melnoik, a Polander was instantly killed this morning, at the open hearth furnaces of the Dominion Iron & Steel Co., by being struck in the head by a flying piece of steel.

The steamer Calvin Austin, Captain Pike, arrived last night from Boston with 40 passengers. The steamer went on Rodney slip to overhaul her bottom and to look at her propeller.

Battle line steamer Himera sailed from Aarhus yesterday for the Tyne, and the Platea arrived at St. Vincent yesterday from Cardiff.

TAKING OUT MANY BODIES.

No Doubt That Mining Disaster at Virginia Mines Has Had Terrible Results.

Birmingham, Ala., Feb. 22.—Two staff correspondents of the Birmingham News, who have returned from Virginia mines, say that when they left there this morning, 48 bodies had been taken out. A number of other bodies were in sight, but could not be reached because of the water. The explosion broke the water pipes, flooding a large part of the mine. It is therefore possible that some of the miners were drowned. Forty-four bodies have been taken to Bessemer. In many instances, it is impossible to identify the dead, so badly are they blackened and mangled. Absolutely no hope is held out now of finding any one alive in the mine.

There were 116 men in the mine and no doubt all are dead.

MONCTON DEMANDS

Better Train Service to St. John and Better Water.

Moncton, Feb. 22. — (Special.)—The board of trade will take up the agitation commenced by local merchants for a better train service between Moncton and St. John. A train leaving here in the morning is wanted so that those having business in St. John, can get there before afternoon. At present the first train after three o'clock in the morning is at 10.50. A train leaving here about seven would fill the bill. The matter has been referred to a committee of the board of trade, who will take it up with the railway, and also discuss the whole train service affecting Moncton.

Samples of Moncton water are to be sent to Dr. Moore, of Michigan, whose treatment for purifying water. Moncton is thinking of trying. The question of improving the condition of the water was discussed by the city council, and board of trade last night, and Engineer Edington recommended giving Dr. Moore's experiment of sulphate of copper a trial. No action will be taken until the sample of water has been returned from Dr. Moore.

The post office department is to be memorialized by the city on the question of providing better postal accommodation here.

ANNAPOLIS ISOLATED.

Nova Scotia Town Has Been Cut Off From Mail Communication For a Week.

Annapolis, Feb. 22.—(Special)—The fierce blizzard which swept over this part of the province, on Wednesday last, prevented trains due on Wednesday, from reaching here until Thursday, since then all trains on the D. A. Railway have been cancelled and the town has been without mail communication, until Monday, when the steamer Granville was sent with mail matter to Digby, returning with over 200 mail bags, yesterday. How long Annapolis is to be without train service is a problem the D. A. R. Company, are unable to solve. In the meantime the want of some lines of goods are felt by consumers, inconvencing them greatly.

BACK INTO THE WORLD.

Blockade on Cape Breton Division of the I. C. R. Has Been Raised.

Sydney, Feb. 22.—(Special)—The blockade on the Cape Breton division of the Intercolonial has been raised and the first express since Thursday, left for Halifax, this morning. The first mails in six days are expected to arrive this afternoon.

WEARIED OF SUCCESS.

From the Nashville (Tenn.) News.

The mysterious disappearance of a reputable and successful business man of Lafayette, Ind., five years ago, and his recent reappearance, with the explanation that he had simply grown "tired of everything" and sought a new life, does not appear so strange to the heart as it does to the mind. Such a feeling is incomprehensible to the intellect, yet it is a more or less familiar one to those hidden depths of human nature where lie the real life forces. Paradoxical as it may seem, it is simple truth that we weary of pleasures and ease sooner than of sorrows and toil. This Indiana man had a prosperous business, a comfortable fortune, pleasant family relations, and the respect of his neighbors. Maybe you think nothing more is necessary to perfect content. But if you think that, think again. The happiest laugh does not ring out from the home of such a man as this. The most radiant smiles are those that alternate with tears. Wealth, good repute, and family, even, are externals. There is another world in which a man really lives—the world of his ideals; and when these have dulled and levelled down to commonplace, and aspiration has atrophied and effort ceased, his surroundings, however, favorable, turn into the tomb of a soul that is dead."

ST. JOHN AND FREDERICTON

Ladies Play Hockey---Curlers Meet--- Very Cold Snap--- Got Two Years.

Fredericton, N. B., Feb. 22.—(Special.)—Annie May Watters, a colored girl here, who pleaded guilty of robbing the house of Mrs. Gilbert Dykeman, was this morning sentenced by Police Magistrate Marsh to two years imprisonment in Dorchester penitentiary.

The St. John ladies' hockey team arrived this morning, and will play the Fredericton ladies' team at the Arctic rink, this evening.

Four rinks of Thistle curlers arrived this morning, and play Fredericton this afternoon and evening.

The therometer registered 25 below here last night.

A. G. T. P. APPOINTMENT.

Joseph O'Brien Who Was Hurt on the C. P. R. Loses Part of His Foot.

Fredericton, Feb. 22.—(Special)—C. O. Foss who had charge of one of the Grand Trunk Pacific surveying parties has been appointed Assistant District Engineer for New Brunswick.

Jos. O'Brien, the tramp injured by a train while trying to steal a ride at Fredericton Junction, last evening, had a portion of his right foot amputated at the Victoria Hospital this morning.

ACCIDENT AT OKA.

Two Monks Killed and One Other Severely Injured by Bursting Grindstone.

Montreal, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—News reached this city early today of the bursting of a grindstone in the flour mill at the Trappist monastery at Oka, Que., resulting in the death of two monks and severe injuries to an assistant. Brother Marc, known in the world as Ducharme, was instantly killed and Brother Abel, whose family name was Cousineau, died shortly after. The accident started a fire in the mill, which caused $2,000 to $3,000 damage.

SUPREME COURT.

The case of John White against the liquidators of the St. John Sulphite Pulp Co., came up in Supreme Court Chambers, before Chief Justice Tuck, today.

Mr. White made application for damages to his fishing privileges on the Mispec river, caused by the erection of dams by the defendants.

The amount claimed is $2,335.85.

One witness Hugh Toner was examined with reference to salmon and fry being placed there, and the case was adjourned until tomorrow afternoon at 2.30, in order to enable Judge Trueman to obtain further witnesses.

C. J. Coster, K. C., appeared for the liquidators, and Judge Trueman for Mr. White.

THE WEATHER.

Forecasts—Easterly winds, fair and cold. Thursday, increasing easterly winds.

Synopsis—The weather is cold in Quebec and the maritime provinces and mild in other parts of the dominion. There is a disturbance near the Middle Atlantic coast, and the development of a storm is not improbable.

Local Weather Report at noon, Feb. 22, 1905.

Highest temperature during past 24 hours	34
Lowest temperature during past 24 hours	2
Temperature at noon	14
Humidity at noon	88

Barometer readings at noon sea level and 32 deg fah 30.64.
Wind at noon. Direction N.
Velocity 8 miles per hour
Clear.

D. L. HUTCHINSON, Director.

WATCH FRONT WHEEL.

(From the Washington Star.)

"Watch the front wheel," said a venerable citizen the other day, just after he had witnessed a serious accident on Pennsylvania avenue, in which a man had been knocked down and run over by a wagon. "Those four words constitute a whole warning chapter, and if people in their hurry and scurry would only heed them there would be fewer broken bones, cripples and fatalities. Do not" he cautions, "look at the horses or the driver. The animals may be turned suddenly in your direction by a quick jerk of the reins or some other cause, and the driver's gaze rarely indicates the direction his team is going to move in. The attention of the average driver is usually attracted by matters that are happening about him—passing teams, pretty girls and the like. But watch the near front wheel and you will find it an easy matter to avoid an approaching team, even though it be a runaway. The next time you go across the avenue try the experiment of watching the front wheel and and you will agree with me that it is 'a saving clause,' as they say in Congress."

JAPS ARE ADDING TO THEIR NAVY.

Twenty-Five Additional Torpedo Boat Destroyers Ordered--- Siberian Railway Giving Way ---A Sharp Engagement--- Oku Exhorts His Forces to Die Fighting.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—A telegram from Huan Mountain, Manchuria, says sharp outpost fighting occurred February 20, in the Tzinchen mountain district.

The Russian losses in the outpost skirmishes southwards of Tzenchen were 14 killed and 63 wounded.

Sergius

Russian Raiders.

Tien Tsin, Feb. 22:—About 300 Russian raiders attacked and slightly damaged the railway between Haicheng and Tatchekiao on Monday night and again disregarded the neutrality of the territory west of the Liao river.

The presence of regular soldiers was not reported. It is evident that the villagers keep the Russians well informed as to the disposition of the Japanese troops. The damage to the railway was immediately repaired.

A Sharp Fight.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—The headquarters of the Japanese armies in Manchuria report a continuance of the Russian bombardment of various parts of the Japanese line. The Russians recently placed a number of heavy guns at Chiacitun, which is two miles west of Ta mountain. Scouts of both armies collided west of Shahopao, Monday night. A sharp fight took place.

Jap Prisoners Released.

St. Petersburg, Feb. 22.—Three Japanese physicians who were held prisoners in the province of Novgrod, Russia, have been released, representations having been made that their detention was a violation of the Geneva convention.

General Oku's Instructions.

Mukden, Feb. 21:—Reports from scouts show that the Japanese have constructed three lines of narrow gauge railway from Beiuligai to Padyaza, or Houhai Hill, and from Sharkhe to Sinchinpu.

The staffs of Field Marshal Oyama and General Kuroki and Oku are at Liao Yang which is strongly fortified. The Ninth Division commanded by General Nogi has arrived at Liao Yang and the First Division is now arriving there.

There are reports that the Japanese are reinforcing Korea, Chinese say siege guns are being retired.

A secret order issued by Gen. Oku has been captured, It says: "Through all fights all, from the Chief to the last soldier, have done their duty. They have not spared their stomachs and have driven back the enemy everywhere. Nevertheless, we have not yet been able to thoroughly defeat the enemy. The most difficult and heaviest fighting is yet before us and the end of the war is far distant. Let commanders instruct subordinates that any hesitation or irresolution increases the loss, and a determined attack causes less loss. It is therefore imperative to advance with determination. Commanders must punish the unworthy without the slightest mercy. There must be no following of personal inclinations, but in the strict line of duty."

Japanese say their troops are well fed, having meat almost daily. The prisoners have been touched with the sympathy of the Russian soldiers who provide for them with care.

Railway Giving Way.

London, Feb. 22.—According to the Daily Telegraph's St. Petersburg despatches, the Siberian Railway is giving way under the tremendous strain to which recently it has been subjected. A general sagging of the rails and other serious defects are showing themselves and though the railway is only capable of carrying barely sufficient provisions for General Kuropatkin's army, this is becoming increasingly difficult and the number of trains daily soon must be reduced.

Building More Destroyers.

Tokio, Feb. 22.—The Japanese government has ordered the immediate construction of twenty-five torpedo boat destroyers. Fifteen are to be built in the government yards and ten in private yards. It is reported that a steamer bound for Vladivostok has been caught and held in the ice between Strait of Kunishi and Hokudo since Feb. 12. The name of the steamer has not been ascertained.

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FROM HALIFAX

Work of Opening up railway Service is Rapidly proceeding--- Prominent Windsor Man Dead.

Halifax, Feb. 22.—(Special.)—The officers of the French steamer Pro Patria which arrived here today from St. Pierre asked as to reported distress there, stated the reports have been exaggerated as there is no unusual distress apparent in the French colony.

Some headway was made yesterday in opening up the railway service, the I. C. R. being opened as far as Oxford Jct., and the D. A. R. operating between Kentville and Windsor. The D. A. R. management expect to get a special through to Halifax this evening. The I. C. R. men working from Windsor Jct. out on the D. A. R. line were as far as Beaver Bank last night, the D. A. R. men are working from Windsor to meet them. The I. C. R. train which had been stalled at West river, reached Halifax at 3 o'clock this morning, and No. 19, which had been at Truro, left there at 3.30 yesterday afternoon, going by the Oxford branch. The train took about two hundred stalled passengers. It is expected that the line between Truro and New Glasgow will be all open today.

The death occurred at Windsor this morning of John Nalder, a prominent citizen of the town. He leaves a widow and grown up family. One son who is attending the University of New Brunswick is now on his way home.

HOTEL ARRIVALS.

At the Royal.—H. D. McKellar, Berlin; W. J. Archibald, C. E. Baird Toronto; L. T. Flaherty, Morris Hall, Boston; D. H. Wellman, Providence.

At the Victoria;—J. W. McRae, Halifax; A. H. Barker, T. Edgecombe, Fredericton; S. W. Horn, Brandon; R. W. Bruce, Montreal; Miss White, Sussex.

At the Dufferin:—F. M. Glass, Boston; Rob D. Allan, Truro; J. J. McDonald, Newark, N. J.; G. Hawkhurst, Halifax; G. H. Ansley, Toronto.

The body of Theodore Appleby, who died at Halifax, was brought to St. John this morning. The funeral will take place tomorrow afternoon from his home.

PRICE IS PLEASED.

The St. John Skater Was Splendidly Treated in Moncton Last Night.

Jimmy Price, who skated in Moncton last night and won from Smith in three events, has gone to Westville, N. S., where he will meet McDonald, the champion of that section in a mile race tomorrow night. The rink in Westville is 12 laps, with posts extending from the ice to the roof. It is expected that Price will give a good account of himself. Percy Lyons, Price's manager, said this morning that they were royally entertained in Moncton. John Cochran, of the passenger department, I. C. R., and Walter Davidson, formerly of this city, did all in their power to make it pleasant for them. At the rink everything was satisfactory. Smith skated gamely, but is evidently not in Price's class, as the St. John boy had no trouble in beating him.

In the 440, Price won by about 25 feet, in 41 seconds.

In the half-mile the pistol missed fire three times, so it was decided to start on the word "go." Price was a little late in starting, as he failed to get the word, but he finished with a good lead.

In the mile event, Price caught Smith in 8½ laps and trailed him to the finish. Mr. Lyons says there was a lot of money changed hands. The betting on the mile race was 15 to 5 in favor of Price.

Speaking of hockey, Mr. Lyons said the Moncton boys have chartered a special train to take the crowd to Sackville for tomorrow night's game. In the event of the Moncton team winning, St. John is talked of as the place to play off.

There is somewhat of a mix-up in connection with the waterworks system at Partridge Island. It is learned that yesterday on acount of the dismissal of a number of employes by Contractor Kane, the remaining workmen decided to strike. Some of the men returned to work today and the places of the others, who returned to the city, have been filled.

The Times New Reporter.

Mr. Peter Binks wishes it stated that he will not run for the mayoralty unless he is sure there will be no opposition. Peter is a foxy gent.

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The police are looking for a few hundred idle men to stand in doorways along Charlotte street on Saturday evenings. Wages three to six months. No references required.

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THE RETORT COURTEOUS.

An icicle fell from the eaves of the Orange Hall, Germain street, this morning, on the head of a gentleman who boasts that he is a member of a fine old Norwegian family named O'Flaherty.

Mr. O'Flaherty looked at the icicle and then looked up.

"What place is that?" he demanded.

"That's where the Orangemen meet," replied a passing citizen.

Mr. O'Flaherty shook an angry fist skyward, and, apparently believing that an enemy had done this thing, shouted:—

"That's a dirty thrick. But go ahead. Ye'll be lookin' for ice in the nixt world."

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A man on Canterbury street wants a boy. The boy must have at least the usual number of ribs on each side. If he has any spare ribs the fact will not spoil his chances.

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Our esteemed fellow citizen Mr. Jamesey Jones says that if he were a grand duke he would carry a zemsky zobor in his pocket all the time.

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The city council has its ear to the ground, listening for the rumble of an earthquake. The aldermen fear that a fissure will open and swallow them up.