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## MANIA FOR HYPNOTISM!

Afflicts the Good People of Stratford.

Even Children Carried Away by the Latest Craze—The School Board Interferes.

[Stratford Herald.]

A mania for hypnotism has developed in this city of late, and the worst of it is that those who are exercising the power include not only "grown-ups," but irresponsible children of ages as tender as seven years.

The beginning of this latest craze was the visit of the Jolly Pull Company to this city. Their first week's engagement did not seem to have much result, apart from the twirling of broomsticks by a number of boys, in imitation of the Pull juggler. This was an innocent amusement enough, and doubtless afforded good wrist exercise. The second visit of the hypnotic company, however, interested the youngsters in the more abstruse part of the performance, and more than one began to try such feats himself.

The results were surprising. It was recorded in the Herald some time ago that a young man at the business college sent a whole family to sleep, and had great difficulty in waking one of them. There are said to be others at the same institution who practiced the art with more or less success. At the Collegiate Institute, too, some of the boys are making an effort to master the science, and in addition to this, there are a number about town who amuse themselves in a similar way.

But strange to say, the worst cases exist among irresponsible children in the public schools of the city. There are not more than three or four who act as mesmerizers, but their subjects include every boy who is willing to go under their influence. One youth, who has been holding entertainments in a barn, is reported to have made his schoolmates, while in a hypnotic state, imagine that they were swimming, strip themselves of nearly all their clothes, get down in the straw and

perform all the motions necessary in the water. The same boy is said to have made his companions turn somersaults in puddles and do other acts not calculated to their mental or physical advancement. Some boys, it is stated, were even put in a cataleptic state and stuck with pins.

With commendable promptitude the public school board has set about suppressing such performances. The boys who have engaged in them have been threatened with expulsion and this will likely have a beneficial effect upon the youngsters.

The difficulty is that the public school board has only control of the children during school hours, and on the way to or from school. The parents have therefore been approached and asked to forbid the practice of mesmerism or hypnotism. If they value the morality of the city, they will comply with the request.

Some years ago in an American city a similar outbreak reached such proportions that hypnotism began to figure frequently in the courts, as having been used for unlawful purposes. In that place a bylaw was passed against it and the nuisance was at last stamped out.

Even without a bylaw, however, it would seem that hypnotizers and mind readers could be arrested and that on a criminal charge. Section 396 of the criminal code, 1892, reads as follows: "Every one is guilty of an indictable offense and liable to one year's imprisonment who pretends to exercise or use any kind of witchcraft, sorcery, enchantment or conjuration, or undertakes to tell fortunes, or pretends from his skill and knowledge in any occult or crafty science, to discover where or in what manner any goods or chattels are supposed to have been stolen or lost may be found."

If hypnotism is not enchantment, it is something akin to it, and those who are using it in the city had better abstain, lest continuing, they find themselves some day within the clutches of the law.

The Herald says editorially: The article printed elsewhere in this issue descriptive of the researches of some local juveniles along hypnotic lines should call forth action on the part of parents, teachers, and school trustees. The possibilities of hypnotism in the hands of anyone mischievously disposed are disturbing to contemplate. It is hard to imagine a more dangerous state of affairs than to have young boys indulging in this uncanny power over their schoolmates. It is not contended that serious harm has yet been done, but the practice has already gone too far, as the article shows, and stern measures should be taken to stamp it out. It is a question whether it would not be well in the future to prohibit any public display of hypnotism, whether by "professionals" or others. The practice is too dangerous to compensate for its amusing features.

### ONTARIO'S DEATH RATE.

Toronto, April 1.—The total recorded deaths in Ontario in February were 2,454, as against 1,963 in 1900, and this notwithstanding the fact that only 90 per cent of the population was reported on this year, as compared with 97 per cent in 1900. The deaths from consumption were 238, against 188 in February, 1900. On March 25 there were 124 cases of smallpox in the province. In twelve districts the disease has been stamped out.

### VETERINARY OFFICERS.

Ottawa, April 1.—The following have been appointed veterinary surgeons for the department of agriculture in connection with the tuberculosis tests for cattle going to the United States: Messrs. Stubbs, Toronto; Charles Little, Winnipeg; J. B. Hart, British Columbia; J. C. Hargrave, Medicine Hat.

## WARNING GIVEN TO RUSSIA!

Signing of the Manchurian Treaty  
Mean's China's Partition.

Identical Declaration Said to Have  
Been Made by Britain, Germany  
and Japan.

Vienna, April 1.—The Allgemeine Zeitung, a newspaper in close touch with the Austrian foreign office, publishes the following: "Britain, Germany and Japan have presented identical notes to Russia and China, warning them that the signing of the Manchurian agreement will involve the partition of China. This combined action deters Russia from insisting on the signature of the agreement. France, while declining to co-operate with England, Germany and Japan, has intimated to Russia that she would regard the conclusion of the Manchurian treaty as an unfriendly act."

The correspondent of the Associated Press at Berlin hears on the best authority that regarding the Chinese indemnity and the mode of apportioning it, there is no divergence of opinion between the United States and Germany. It is said in official circles that the negotiators at Peking are now wholly confined to the details of questions regarding the indemnity, etc., and that nothing of importance is transpiring there. Germany does not know whether the Russo-Chinese Manchurian agreement has been signed or not.

Berlin, April 1.—A dispatch received here from Seoul, Korea, says that two Russian warships have arrived at Chemulpo.

### FRANCE WANTS PEACE.

London, March 31.—The Sunday Express St. Petersburg correspondent says it is surmised the visit of the French foreign minister to the Russian capital on April 20 is connected with the far eastern question and that he desires to warn the Russian foreign office not to push matters in China too far and thereby endanger peace. France desiring to avoid all warlike complications.

### HAS THE TREATY BEEN SIGNED?

London, April 1.—"There is reason to believe," says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail, "that the Manchurian convention between Russia and China will be ratified in April."

The Yokohama correspondent of the Daily Mail, who records various indications of preparations for war on the part of Japan, says: "Interviews have appeared with prominent statesmen, ALL BREATHING THE WAR SPIRIT

and expressing the general opinion that it is impossible to allow Russia a free hand in Manchuria. This is the gravest from a Japanese point of view since her war with China."

It is almost the unanimous voice of the native press that if the powers do not take measures to avert the Russian aggression Japan must undertake the task alone.

Unceasing activity at the various naval stations is reported. The nation is evidently gathering its resources and energies for the struggle. According to a dispatch from St. Petersburg, the Koreans at Sa-Mau, a frontier town, recently repulsed an attack of 200 armed Chinese.

### FATAL FIRE

Mother and Two Children Perish in a New York Tenement-House Blaze—Deadly Gas Explosion.

New York, March 30.—A mother and her two children met death in the flames in the burning of the big five-story tenement house at Delancey and Norfolk streets at 3:30 o'clock this morning. In the panic which occurred, mothers lost their reason and threw their little ones from the windows, and the fire escapes, to the street below. That all were caught by policemen and firemen and escaped serious injury seems extraordinary.

The dead: Esther Cohen, 35 years of age; Sophia Cohen, aged 1, and Benjamin Cohen, aged 5. There were thirteen fatalities in the house. Damage, \$100,000. The bodies of the victims were found at the foot of the stairs.

Cleveland, Ohio, March 30.—The six-story building, Nos. 234-238 Erie street, owned by M. A. Bradley, was burned last night, causing a loss of \$60,000.

### FIVE FIREMEN INJURED.

Kansas City, Mo., April 1.—A fire in which \$200,000 worth of property was destroyed and five firemen, including Chief Hale, were injured, occurred at the Jacob Dold Packing Company's plant on Eighth street, near the Kansas line, Saturday night. The injured firemen are: Chief Hale, Ed Dyer, Mike

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### MEN BURNED BY GAS

Pittsburg, April 1.—By an explosion of gas at furnace C of the Edgar Thomson steel works, at Braddock, Saturday, five men were terribly burned. They are: George Rader, will die; Geo. Hosack, will die; Geo. Gager, Charles Porter and Michael Grannon. The men were plumbers, and the explosion was caused by escaping natural gas from a broken main igniting from the furnace.

### The April Fool of Long Ago

In powdered wig and buckle shoe. "I'm back, coat and waistcoat gay. The wealthy squire rode forth to woo 'Upon a first of April day."

He would forget his lofty birth. His spreading acres and his pride. And Betty, fairest maid on earth, Should be his own-his grateful bride.

The maid was young, and he was old; The maid was good to look upon. What cared she for his land or gold? Her love was for the good squire's son.

He found her as the noonday hush Lay on the world, and called her name. She looked up, conscious, and her blush A tender interest did proclaim.

For he was Hubert's sire, and she Where'er he wills—should please him— "To keep a secret trust did go. He said: 'Methinks she cares for me'— That April fool of long ago.

The flattered squire his suit did press. Without delay: "Say, wilt thou come," He said with pompous tenderness, "And share my wealth and grace my home."

"Kind sir," the lovely Betty cried, "In tears and laughter were at strife— "The love that is controlled by pride Is not true love at all," quoth he.

"I hold a man should woo and wed Where'er he wills—should please him— "The barrier strong," she said, "Of pedigree, and place, and pelf.

"Could one so lowly hope to grace Your home?" Right proud his air and tone: "You're pure of heart and fair of face; Why, Betty, you would grace a throne!"

"Since you so highly think of me—" His tears and laughter were at strife— "You will not mind so much, maybe, That I am Hubert's promised wife."

Pale went the good squire's florid cheek. His wrath flamed out—but Betty stood. Brown-haired, red-lipped, blue-eyed and long. A sight to make a bad man good.

She won him. "But why this gulf—" This secret—"His voice was rough. "We feared," she whispered, with a smile, "You would not think me good enough."

"An April fool am I. Come, come— My offer stands—as Hubert's wife." He laughed. "You'll share my wealth and home. And brighten up a lonely life."

He kissed her cheek and rode away. Unbroken was his heart, I wist. For he was thinking of a day— A day back in youth's rose mist.

And of a form and of a face. "My dear, dead love," he whispered. The while he rode at sober pace— The April fool of long ago.

—Jean Blawett, in Toronto Globe.

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