

LIFE STORY OF SIR A. JONES

Late Elder Dempster Head a Great General of Industry-- Was Associated With Many Enterprises.

Sir Alfred L. Jones whose death occurred Tuesday was born in Carmarthen, Wales, in 1845. Brought to Liverpool in childhood, he entered the shipping office of Messrs. Laird, Fletcher and Company, after receiving his schooling at the Liverpool College.

After becoming manager of Messrs. Fletcher's business, he broke out on his own account as a ship and insurance broker, and chartered a steamer to run to the West Coast of Africa. At this juncture, however, he was offered a partnership in the firm of Elder Dempster and Company, and together with Mr. W. J. Davey, who had been his colleague in the offices of Messrs. Laird and Fletcher's, he began the work which has since made the firm name known the wide world over.

A Plucky Apprentice. Liverpool people were proud of Sir Alfred and never tired of telling how he commenced his career as an apprentice on board certain ships which ran between that port and the West Coast of Africa--the White Man's Grave, as it was at that time. He continued this delectable existence for five years, when he achieved the secret ambition of most mariners by obtaining a berth ashore.

Alfred Jones commenced his business career on the lowest rung of the ladder, which was represented in this case, by the top part of an office stool! This was in the service of the shipping firm with whom he had served his apprenticeship on the ocean. They thought he had displayed qualities which might well be developed. Nor were they mistaken. Young Jones proved as clever in the office as he had been plucky on board ship.

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From that moment the record of Elder Dempster has been one of constant expansion. He was a banker on a large scale, for in 1874 he founded the British Bank of West Africa; he was a mill-owner, for he founded the African oil-mills in Liverpool; he dealt without delay with the West African palm ground nuts; he was a colliery owner and a great coal merchant, for at the coal stations established by his over a hundred shipping lines get supplies; he was a hotel proprietor, for he has built fine hotels in Jamaica the Canaries, and the West Coast of Africa; he was called "the banana king"; and, finally, he was the founder of the Liverpool School of Tropical Diseases, the various of whose work is now so widely recognized.

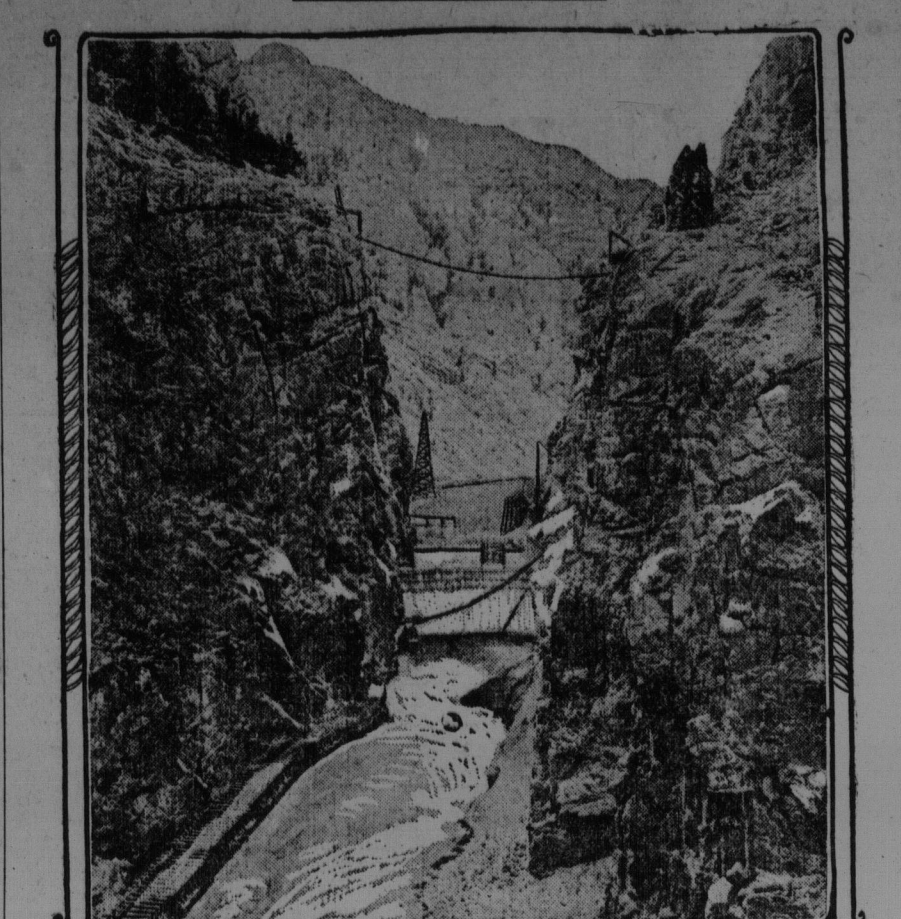
THE TEN MOST FAMOUS WOMEN IN FRANCE

London, Dec. 15.--The women readers of an evening paper have been voting on the ten most distinguished living women in France. The result of the 127,550 votes cast places Mme. Curie of radium fame at the head of the list with 2,448 votes. Sarah Bernhardt follows next with 2,236. Then Juliette Drouot, the telegraph heroine of the Franco-Prussian War, who died a few days before the poll closed, scores 3,577. The remaining seven are the Duchesse d'Uzes, Mme. Bonaparte, Gyp the writer, Comtesse de Noailles, the poetess, Severine, journalist, Colette Sorel, actress, who says that a woman needs \$200,000 a year to dress on, and Mme. Lermont, another heroine of the war.

UNIVERSITY CLOSES FOR THE VACATION

Special to The Standard. Fredericton, N. B., Dec. 16.--The University and Normal school closed today for the Christmas vacation and will not resume until January 4th. The city schools will close tomorrow. The feature will be the presentation of the Lieut. Governor's medal, to Miss Esther Clark, daughter of ex-Ald. W. G. Clark. Bishop Richardson will make the presentation at the High school at noon. Miss Taylor, a teacher at the Charlotte street school, who has been given a leave of absence for the next term, will entertain her scholars at a private performance at the Unique moving picture theatre tomorrow.

TOWN IS DEMOLISHED AND RIVER WIPED FROM MAP TO MAKE WASTE LANDS GOOD



WHERE THE DAM IS BEING BUILT IN THE SHOSHONE CANYON IN WYOMING.

The Most Spectacular of All the Irrigation Projects in the West--Swinging Men and Material Down a Precipice--Directing River Through Man-Made Hole in the Mountain and Creating Cataract Twice As High As Niagara Falls.

Facts About "Dam of Danger" in Wyoming. Height above river bottom, 238 feet. Depth below river bottom, 87 feet. Height of top parapet wall, 3 feet. Total height, 238 feet. Width at bottom, 108 feet. Width at top, 10 feet. Concrete used, 75,000 barrels. Stone used, 90,000 tons.

Cody, Wyo., Dec. 16.--The United States is building eight miles from here a dam that will spread the torrent waters of the Shoshone river over an area of four miles wide and nine miles long, although the river is now only 100 feet wide. The reservoir thus created means department over did, though it is not as costly.

It is more dangerous, it is more spectacular, and in it more lives have been put in peril than in many projects costing ten times the \$300,000 that has been sunk for this dam.

They wiped the Shoshone river of the map for several miles, and then they put it on the map again. They dammed a mountain chasm half a mile deep. They are creating a cataract that will be twice as high as Niagara Falls. They cut a gash in the solid granite of a mountain 600 feet long, through which the Twentieth Century limited could run.

And, to cap it all, they are going to demolish the neighboring town of Marquette to make room for more work in this wild domain made famous by Buffalo Bill and near this city

LUNENBURG HAS A STRANGE VISITOR

Man Claiming to Come from Windsor Runs Amuck and is Transferred from a Boarding House to the Lock Up.

Lunenburg, N. S., Dec. 16.--About noon yesterday a man claiming to have come from Bridgewater went to a house in town and asked for board. He was given his dinner and his tea. By supper time, however, his line of talk had grown so queer that his landlady became alarmed. A medical man was called in to examine the new boarder.

To the doctor the stranger handed out this amazing sentence: "I was born in the Canary Islands, flew to the head of the cockyard, and my two brothers changed into niggers." Police-man Smith took the fellow in charge. He spent last night in the town lock up. Questioned last night he said he was looking for a ship. He had come from Bridgewater. His name was William Burgess. The fellow is dark, weighs about two hundred pounds, is full bearded, about forty-five years old, and is well dressed. Papers in his pocket book contained some money, and showed that he had lately been working in Windsor. Asked about the matter this morning, Town Clerk Love said that inquiries were being investigated and some disposition would be made of the man.

HOW TO BE UNHAPPY ON \$30,000 A YEAR

Mrs. Bradshaw on Stand Tells Where the Money Went--\$175 for Candy--Case Being Nearing Conclusion.

New York, N. Y., Dec. 16.--How to be unhappy on \$30,000 a year was the burden of testimony introduced at the Brokaw separation hearing today. Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw, as proxy and as evasive in her answers as ever was on the stand part of the time for the seventh consecutive day. She was followed by her brother, J. Bullard Blair, who gave testimony intended to show that W. Donald Brokaw treated the plaintiff cruelly and that she was justified in asking for a separation with \$30,000 a year alimony. The case will go on tomorrow.

Statistics figured prominently in the trial today, rather unique figures compiled concerning Mrs. Brokaw's refusal to answer questions and elaborate lists of expenditures for her. Other figures introduced by Brokaw's lawyer read like those in the Howard Gould suit as interesting sidelights on how a woman of wealth can spend \$30,000 in a single year. Corsets cost \$250 a pair and for candy Mr. Brokaw at one time spent \$175. It developed during the trial that Walter Byford, Brokaw's private secretary, much sought by the plaintiff's lawyers, is in Europe and cannot be subpoenaed.

MARIE CORELLI TAKES UP CUDGELS IN FIGHT

Famous Novelist Plays Socialist Movement in England--At War With Nature She Declares in Statement.

London, Dec. 16.--Marie Corelli's irreconcilable antagonism to woman suffrage does not prevent her from striving to obtain political influence. She has written an address to the electors of the United Kingdom, assuring them that the very life of England is now in the balance. The Empire, Miss Corelli says, is standing like a victim on a rock of suspense, waiting to be hurled into the devouring waters of socialism or rescued and led back to the security of home with peace and honor. The socialist she describes as a sort of male suffragette seeking to upset the laws of nature in order that he may assert himself as superior to nature. The danger is that in the struggle between nature and her pigny antagonist many things may be lost which will take centuries to replace, and sacrifice of splendid history may be made uselessly at a cost of ruin of thousands. Disloyalty to the throne and constitution has seized a great part of the people. Miss Corelli appeals to voters to think and to be true to God, King and country.

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James Rossen, the brother, was called to identify letters from Rosen whose contents were held to show his insanity. The court asked Rossen if he objected, and he said: "As counsel for Rossen I don't object to any letters they have. They may put in anything they wish." Later Rossen protested against the admission of telegram purporting to be from him on the ground that a telegram bears no proof who sent it.

Rosen's mother testified that in Bellevue he told her to have the food brought to him sealed up so that it would not be tampered with in hospital. On one visit Rossen said to her: "Where are these cheques for \$10,000 that Mrs. Taft sent me sealed up in candy?"

Rosen told her that his wife had been in Canada disguised as a messenger boy and had been choked to death. "You have no way of proving that Rossen said that, have you?" asked Justice of his mother. "You are a prejudiced witness anyway, aren't you?" "I don't consider that I am," said his mother.

"You brought proceedings to have me committed, didn't you?" "Yes, I had something to do with them," admitted the mother. "Did you hear me say all these things?" "I give them just as I heard them from you."

"My respect for my mother is so great that I think it is not fit for me to question her veracity," said Rossen to the court. "Rosen's wife, Lona, said she had not seen him for eight years. 'Have you ever seen Rossen in New York state?' asked Rossen. 'He is in New York state,' she said. 'He asked her if she hadn't lost the right to his name. She said she hadn't.'"

Helen Taft. Etta Rossen, the sister, testified that when she went to Bellevue to see her brother last Friday night he thought she was Helen Taft. He told her that he had just received three boxes of red, white and blue nuts from President Taft, and that she was in the bottom of each bag. "Did you take those conversations you had with Rossen seriously?" asked Rossen.

"I am only repeating what you told me," said his sister. "Dr. Menna S. Gregory, the Bellevue alienist, testified that Rossen told him that he was being appointed 'Consul to Germany.' Rossen said that a man wearing a rubber mask and impermeable had had been reported taking the tests to which he had been appointed. Rossen said that Miss Taft had visited the insane ward disguised as a nurse and left money there for him. Rossen also testified that he had been elected Lieutenant-Governor of Rhode Island. He told Dr. Gregory that his relatives were all dead and that was the son of a President. Dr. Gregory asked him why he didn't get a rubber mask and defeat the purpose of the other man, and Rosen said that the other man controlled the supply of rubber masks. The alienist said that Rosen should certainly be restrained as dangerous. He had some inkling of the nature of the man, he had a trace of hereditary insanity.

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GIVEN TASTE OF THEIR OWN MEDICINE

Suffragettes Re-Suffrageted in England--Miss Pankhurst Gets Warm Reception at Bristol Meeting --Cheers for Churchill.

London, December 15.--It is not often that the suffragettes in England have their own methods turned against them, but Miss Christabel Pankhurst had a hostile reception at the Colston Hall, Bristol, the night, when she attempted to address a meeting there. Among the audience who filled the hall were about 300 young men. Miss Pankhurst's appearance on the platform was greeted with cat-calls and hisses, while ruffians contributed to the uproar. Miss Kenny tried to speak, but could not make her voice heard. When Miss Pankhurst stood up there was a renewed outburst, and noxious chemicals were thrown about. Two flourbills struck Miss Pankhurst on the face, covering her from head to foot. Still she stood smiling, when suddenly there was a movement toward the platform. A banner in front of the platform was torn down, and as matters were taking a serious turn a dozen constables entered and charged those who were taking part in a free fight. The front part of the arena was quickly cleared, and then Miss Kenny and Miss Pankhurst made another attempt to speak, but still they could not make themselves heard.

Finally, the speakers gave up their attempt and left the platform, amid loud cheers. Fifty police then cleared the hall in ten minutes. A crowd of some thousands lingered outside the building raising cheers for Mr. Churchill.

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