

THE POLAR REGIONS

There is no direct evidence that men lived in the north contemporaneously with the mammoths, but we have proof that they inhabited Europe when the mastodons and mammoths roamed over that part of the world. Thus we know that man has been contemporary

HENRY HUDSON

Elsewhere in today's Supplement are some pictures illustrative of the discovery of the Hudson River and the first experiment in steam navigation thereon. Accompanying them is a picture of the *Lusitania*, and this affords some means of comparing the progress in navigation during the last three centuries. We have already dealt with the invention of the steamboat, and shown that Robert Fulton was not entitled to the whole credit of it, as is frequently claimed by writers in the United States. He was, however, the first person to inaugurate successfully a passenger service by a steamer, and is therefore well worthy of a

It has been said above that belief in geographical notions dies hard, and although explorers subsequent to its discovery examined the shores of Hudson Bay, it was not until Vancouver had chartered the Northwest Coast of the Continent that the idea of the existence of a passage from the Bay to the Pacific Ocean was abandoned. A staunch upholder of this theory was Captain Meares, who explored the western coast of Vancouver Island in 1789. He sailed up the Strait of Juan de

The Great Novelist

(N. de Bertrand Lugrin)

George Meredith

If we are to believe those who knew his father, Meredith's terse description of his parental relative is in no sense a fair one. He is described in a contemporary's reminiscences as being a man of fine presence, dignified and reserved and frankly proud of his talented son.

The following is a specimen of Meredith's poetry, and reminds one in the obscurity of its meaning of Robert Browning:

Evening

Expanded to the upper crimson cloud.
Love that had robbed us of immortal things,
This little moment mercifully gave,
Where I have seen across the twilight wave
The swan sail with her young beneath her
wings.

MARRIAGE WAGE FOR BANK CLERKS

Molson's Bank, Ottawa, has raised to £240 per annum the limit of the salary on which its clerks are allowed to marry. Few banking firms permit their clerks to marry until their income has reached a certain figure.

"The usual limit," says a banker, "is £150 or £160 in London, and in the country it is generally rather less. It is based, of course, on the cost of living, and while in many banks the limit is strictly defined, in some it is merely an unwritten rule. In either case, however, the clerk cannot afford to disregard it, for such a course has often spelled instant dismissal. The rule, I think, is a very salutary one, taken all round. A man is generally from twenty-seven to thirty by the time his income has reached the limit imposed, and at that age he has reached a stage of life when the temptations and hardships are not many. The marriage salary limit is really a matter of policy. Bank clerks are exposed to a good deal of temptation, and their employers take this means of safeguarding their clerks and their own clients."

**WILL BRING
ON ELECT**

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**Effort to End Suffragettes
Strike" Causes Wild S
in Prison**

LONDON, Sept. 24.—W are reported to have taken the prison at Birmingham as a result of the forcible feeding of the stomach pump of the suffragettes on a "hunger strike." The women resisted the efforts of the wardresses, and finally smashed windows and handcuffed and placed in confinement. The leaders of the suffragettes here are indignant at the attempt to force the women to eat food. They intend that forcible feeding should be resisted and that the medical authorities of the prison be concerned in it.

FAST CUNARD AND WAR V

Lusitania's Passenger
Her Leave Cruiser
ible Astern

NEW YORK, Sept. 24.—Passengers on the steamer Lusitania arrived today from Queenstown, where they were treated to a magnificent dinner at 4 o'clock the ocean liner, the British battleship cruise ship, the flagship of the fleet, came here to take part in the celebration. The Lusitania was a war vessel manned by British sailors, and the band played the American national anthem. The Lusitania's passengers cheered as the battleship sailed by, after which she steamed on to Liverpool at 9:37 last night.

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Strike Rioting Gives Police to do—Hope of Sett Entertained

OMAHA, NEB., Sept. 11.—It has been a busy day today for the riot clots have come from all parts of the city, there are several within an hour of the city. Not over half a dozen arrests were made, although dozens were stoned, and several of their crews more or less injured. President Waters, of the Pullman company, had a conference with the city and county mayors of Omaha, Council Bluffs, South Omaha, Florence, and Lincoln, and also with the directors of the company, and expressed the hope that no more riotous meetings to be held tomorrow. He also expressed his feeling towards a settlement of the situation. Car service was suspended at seven o'clock to avoid further trouble.

Trail's Water Supply

TRAIL, B. C., Sept. 24.—The council of the city of Trail, B. C., has authorized the city to raise the sum of \$25,000 for the purpose of acquiring or installing a water supply system. The vote at the close of the meeting was highly gratifying to the citizens of a municipally owned water supply. The steps will be taken at once to secure an ample supply of water for domestic and fire purposes, the water to be taken from Cambridge lake, a mountain stream about 10 miles southwest of the city.

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