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SNARL OF COLORED YARNS.

Magistrate Had a Job Untangling a Sheffield Street Mixup—Is Billy Burns a Gentleman?

John Gay, Wm. Burns and Henry Harrison Lewis, all colored, charged with fighting and using obscene language on Sheffield street, appeared in court this morning. His honor told Burns—who was by far the most stylish of the trio, and who came a half hour late—that he would rather he had come with his working clothes on and have been in time. Burns said he was at Mrs. Dixon's on Duke street last night.

"So that's why you did not 'wake' in this morning, is it?" remarked the judge.

Gay said that Lewis called him some names which were "too odorous to repeat." Gay then slipped against Lewis, who pulled out a knife and followed Gay to his home, entered the yard and "ripped and tore."

"With the club and knife" interjected Clerk Henderson.

Lewis said Gay was always picking a row with him "whenever he got a little liquor in his head." He said that Gay and "that other gentleman" came out of Dunham's.

"That," remarked his honor, "is the first time I ever heard Burns called a gentleman."

After a great deal of contradiction as to who was drunk, Joe Hector, a denizen of Sheffield street, testified that he thought they were all drunk, and that Lewis used the knife.

His honor allowed Burns to go scot free, and fined the others \$8 and allowed them to go on suspended sentence, to be imposed whenever they are reported drunk.

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RUSSIANS CLAIM A JAP DEFEAT

Assault on Russian Near Tie Pass Repulsed

Oyama Has 50,000 Russian Prisoners—Another Battle Near Tie Pass in a Few Days.

ST. PETERSBURG, Mar. 15.—Gen. Kuropatkin in a despatch dated Mar. 14, says:

"The Japanese attack on the centre of our positions at the Fan River, about thirteen miles south of Tie Pass, has been repulsed. More than a thousand corpses remain in front of our positions."

With General Oku's Headquarters, Mar. 14, 4 p. m., via Fusan.—(Delayed in transmission).—Reports received up to last night show that over 40,000 Russian prisoners have been captured by all the Japanese armies and that over fifty Russian guns have been taken.

Reports still coming in say that the Russians are still surrendering. There are many villages within the Japanese lines yet unoccupied and it is probable that they contain many more prisoners. The total number of prisoners, it is expected will reach 50,000. The Chinese are enthusiastically welcoming the Japanese into Mukden and flags are waving from all buildings. The Russians have no stores between Tie Pass and Harbin.

In the last stages of the battle, Gen. Linvitch's army became completely separated from the remainder of the forces. Captured prisoners report that General Kuropatkin believed that he was winning the battle up to March 7, when Gen. Nogi pressed him strongly on the northwest. Gen. Kuropatkin ordered his troops on the Shaka to fall back and defend Mukden thus forfeiting an opportunity to utilize the Hun river which afforded a stronger line of resistance than the Shaka. Ranges of hills command the plain and the crossing of the wide river bed is dangerous on account of the partially melted ice. The hills are strengthened by a series of earthworks, connected by deep trenches. This position was lost on account of Gen. Kuropatkin's rapid march.

Some of the foreign military observers criticize Gen. Kuropatkin's generalship severely. Field Marshal Oyama's plan seems to have been to hold the Russians along the Shaka, while working a flank movement. The Russian retreat from the Shaka rapidly pursued, gave the Japanese an opportunity to cut the Russian centre, surround Mukden and isolate the Russian left.

One thousand prisoners are being marched to Jiao Yang for shipment to Japan. They are a mixed lot, including Poles, Mongolians, etc. Their clothing is much inferior to the Japanese. The Siberians who fought in the earlier months of the war were the finest men that Russia has had. The Russians that are voluntarily surrendering, make an abject spectacle. The Japanese are treating them most kindly.

ANOTHER BATTLE SOON.

NEW YORK, March 15.—A St. Petersburg despatch in the Times says: "According to the latest news from Tie Pass, the Japanese are within a few miles of that position and a resumption of fighting is expected. The Japanese general staff, however, declares that the enemy is too much exhausted for immediate attack. According to General Kuropatkin, the Russian army is in a state of complete demoralization and is unable to re-organizing their forces and are on the alert. According to General Masloff the extent of the losses of the third army is still unascertained. General Kuropatkin is highly commended for leading the onslaught against General Nogi near Hsashan, on March 10, which resulted in the complete annihilation of the second and third armies. There is no news of General Rennenkampf. It is feared that his division of the Trans-Baikal Cossacks shared the fate of the Caucasian cavalry brigade. Two officers, Albrecht and Hartmann, report that they are the only survivors of that brigade who remain on the spot. They are waiting for the Japanese to tell the tale of the fighting of Friday and Saturday, when the cavalry were sacrificed in order to cover the retreat of the Russian army."

A Japanese force of infantry and artillery is reported to be approaching Vladivostok. This gives rise to the belief that a siege is contemplated.

In connection with the announcement of General Kuropatkin's offer to resign, comes a statement from an equally authoritative source that Kuropatkin attributes his failure to the inadequacy of his reinforcements and that he points out the hopelessness of achieving any conclusive result until overwhelming reinforcements are sent to the Far East.

ST. GEORGE'S SOCIETY.

A special meeting was held last evening when it was decided to celebrate St. George's Day by a dinner at the Union Club on the evening of April 25th, as St. George's Day comes on Easter Sunday; the anniversary service will be held at Trinity on the evening of April 30th.

The society will also celebrate the centennial of the battle of Trafalgar on October 21st next by a ball or similar fun-fun; it was stated that this day will be celebrated in England and preparations are already being made there for the event.

The society elected some new members and proposals were received for election from 22 candidates who will be balloted for at next meeting.

The weather today is still wintry. While the lowest temperature in St. John was 6 above zero, Chatham and Charlottetown each had 14 below, Sydney 19 below and Quebec zero.

FRANCE MAY FORCE RUSSIA TO END WAR.

French Financiers Refuse to Lend Russian Government Any More Money, Unless They Agree to Make Peace.

PARIS, Mar. 15.—The postponement of the Russian loan is definitely confirmed. This is likely to exert powerful influence towards peace as it is the first time the French financiers have shown an indisposition to advance funds while the uncertainties of war continued. The following details of the postponement are from an authoritative source:

A committee representing the syndicate of French underwriters went to St. Petersburg to arrange the conditions with the minister of finance and a contract was drawn up for \$120,000,000 loan, taking the form of treasury bonds, running seven years at five per centum. The contract was then brought back to Paris for the approval of all the underwriters and in the meantime in view of events in Manchuria, naturally there was a doubt on the part of the underwriters as to whether Russia should make peace or continue the war. The influence of the financial elements was almost unanimous for peace, but Russia's disinclination to consider peace appears to have induced the decision not to proceed with the contract and accordingly the signing of which was expected yesterday, has been postponed and all the pending negotiations are also postponed. According to the Russian view this does not mean that the negotiations have been broken off, but merely that they are adjourned as the Russian authorities say the syndicate holds itself bound towards Russia now and before. However, the circumstances of the adjournment tend to show that the syndicate inclines to some definite development of peace before proceeding any further. It is authoritatively denied in the highest Russian quarters that the French government exercised any pressure towards preventing the increase of French holdings of Russian securities, nevertheless it is established that some members of the government acting individually voiced the prevailing view that caution was desirable. The Matin prominently displays a statement supposed to reflect the view of financial circles, which declares that if Japan is ready to adopt a generous attitude, by waiving an indemnity or imposing any humiliation upon Russia, then Russia's policy of war to the bitter end will cease.

MORE EXITS FOR THE OPERA HOUSE

Grand Jury May Order Them Tomorrow

Management Will Furnish New Entrance and Exit for Gallery and New Exit for Balcony.

The grand jury that have been considering the safety of the opera house, will report tomorrow to Judge Forbes and it is intimated that the presentment will be, to use a slang expression, "hot stuff." What they will say about the jail is beyond the best guesses. There was a rumor about town this morning that the jury would deal severely with the Opera House, but this was entirely without foundation. It is understood that the presentment will say that the committee of the jury who called on A. O. Skinner, the president of the Opera House Co., found him ready to do anything required, and agree to his claim that he should be told definitely what is wanted is just. Mr. Skinner will be asked to provide a separate entrance and exit for the gallery and also a separate exit for the balcony. This latter is something new, while the former has been in contemplation for some time, and has only been delayed because the late building inspector and the committee appointed by the common council could not agree on exactly what they wanted.

WINTER PORT NEWS.

Allan Liner Iolan Docked Today—Str. Montrose Sailed Yesterday.

The Allan liner Iolan that arrived off the island yesterday afternoon docked this morning and at once commenced discharging her cargo.

The C. P. R. steamer Montrose sailed from this port at 5 p. m. yesterday. Four car loads of cattle arrived for her yesterday morning and were loaded immediately. These cattle came from the train which was wrecked on the Maine Central Monday. It was stated that a number of the cattle were hurt in the wreck and had to be killed, but A. C. Smith & Co. contradict the statement. The cattle, they say, were not even injured, but all arrived in good condition.

It is expected that the C. P. R. steamer Lake Erie will sail this afternoon for Liverpool. She is expected to take away over 300 head of cattle.

Wire cables will often rust and break down in the interior when there is no manifestation of this on the exterior. Sometimes the defect can be detected by a certain slackness and yielding to pressure at the point infected. Corrosive water and fumes may be responsible for this hidden decay.—London Engineer.

TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION

WANTED—A girl for general housework. Apply at once to 27 Dorchester street. 15-3-6

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DRUNKEN MAN AND DEAD WOMAN IN CAB.

Strange Arrival at Brooklyn Police Station Today.

Man Was Apparently Dying and Can Give No Explanation of the Mysterious Affair.

NEW YORK, Mar. 15.—The body of a woman who had been dead several hours and a man unconscious and apparently dying, were found in a cab which was driven up to a Brooklyn police station on a gallop early today.

The man who was suffering from alcoholism and possibly from the effects of a drug, may recover. Both he and the driver of the cab have been detained by the police pending an investigation of the affair.

Although the condition of the man was so serious that he could give the police little information which would aid them in their investigation, he said that his name was Thomas Deegan, and that he lived in Comroe street, one of the better class residential sections of Brooklyn. The dead woman, he said, was Miss Mary Savage, twenty years old. Both Deegan and Miss Savage were well dressed.

The cab, driven by a man who said his name was David Good, dashed up to the police station early today and when the policemen came out, they found the man and woman lying in the cab. It was seen at a glance that the woman was dead, but the man was still alive and physicians were hurriedly summoned. By administering antidotes, and using a stomach pump the man's life was saved and he finally was restored to consciousness. He became greatly excited when told that his companion was dead.

PRESIDENT'S AUTO KILLED A BOY.

HAVANA, March 15.—An automobile in which President Estrada Palma was riding yesterday, ran over and killed a boy in the city of Havana. The machine is owned by Louis Marx, an American tobacco planter, who, with General Montalvo, secretary of public works, Senator Ivan and a chauffeur was returning from a visit to the agricultural experiment station at Santiago las Vegas.

The automobile was proceeding slowly on Monte Ave., a crowded thoroughfare, when the boy ran between a street car and the automobile. The auto struck him and then ran over him. He died a few minutes later. President Palma is deeply affected.

RAZORS STOLEN.

North End Barber Has Police on the Track of an Unknown Thief.

Hugh Campbell, well known tonorial artist, and a singer who has ranked among the best in this city, is short four razors and would consider it a favor if any one would tell him just where those steel blades have gone. The other morning Mr. Campbell complained to the police that he had lost four razors. The police investigated, with the result that it was found that one day not long ago, when Mr. Campbell's brother went to open the store, he found a man in the shop, who said that he called for a shave and finding the door open had walked in, thinking that the proprietor might have been called out for a minute or so.

It was some time after he was shaved that the razors were missed. They are still missing.

PROBATE COURT.

In the probate court the last will and testament of the late Ellen Lang was administered to probate, and letters testamentary granted to Richard Sullivan and T. P. Regan. The estate is valued at \$71 personal and \$2,800 real estate. B. P. Raymond proctor.

Administration of the estate of the late Fred B. Galbraith, who was killed while coupling cars at the west side, at the close of last year, letters testamentary were granted to his father, Samuel F. Galbraith. The estate is valued at \$100 personal. J. B. M. Baxter, proctor.

Administrators of the estate of the late Joseph Barton presented his petition to pass the accounts. Citation was made returnable April 1st. E. T. C. Knowles, proctor.

U. S. STEAMER SEIZED BY JAPS.

TOKIO, March 15, 2 p. m.—The American steamer Tacoma was seized by the Japanese guardship yesterday March 14. The Tacoma is an iron screw of 2,812 tons register. She is owned by the Northwestern Commercial S. S. Company of Seattle, from which port she sailed January 6th with a cargo of barrel beef for Vladivostok. It is said, although ostensibly for Shanghai. When last reported the Tacoma was fast in the ice north of the Hokkaido Island, where the Japanese guardship lay in wait to pick her up when she worked her way clear.

NEWFOUNDLAND LEGISLATURE.

ST. JOHN'S, Nfld., March 15.—The legislature summoned to assemble on Thursday, March 20, will consider many important measures, including regulations for policing the French shore fisheries, action on the Bond-Hay treaty, parliamentary approval of the Harmsworth Pulp Making project and various bills relating to fishery matters.

You can reach more people in the best manner, and get better results for your money, in the columns of a good newspaper, than you can in any other way.—Mansfield, O., News.

HURRICANE ON BRITISH COAST

Great Havoc All Around the United Kingdom.

Several Wrecks Reported—British Ship Khyber Lost With 23 of Her Crew—Damage on Land.

LONDON, March 15.—A storm of hurricane force burst over the Irish and English coasts during the night and it is feared that many disasters have occurred, but the telegraph lines are broken at many points. The British ship Khyber has been totally wrecked off the Cornish coast. Twenty-three of her crew were drowned and three were saved. The Khyber was on her way home from Melbourne, Australia.

The storm swept over the north of Ireland early this morning and did great damage to property. Fears are entertained for the safety of the fishing fleets. The high winds have caused considerable havoc along the coasts of the United Kingdom. Telegraphic communication between London and many points is cut off. The lifeboat stations are busy and shipping everywhere is seeking shelter. A number of inland wrecks accompanied by loss of life have been reported. Terrific seas are running.

The departure of Queen Alexandra, Princess Victoria and other members of the royal family from Portsmouth for Lisbon, to return the visit of the King and Queen of Portugal, which was to have occurred yesterday and which was prevented by the weather, has again postponed, this time until tomorrow.

The Khyber was built at Liverpool in 1888. She registered 1,227 tons net and was owned by J. Joyce & Co., of Liverpool.

QUEENSTOWN, March 15.—A large iron vessel, the British ship Wray Castle, from Portland, Ore., (which arrived at Queenstown yesterday, has been driven ashore and several others have dragged their anchors owing to the severity of the gale off this coast. The Wray Castle lies on the eastern bank in Whitegate roads. Seas are breaking over, but possibly she may be towed off after being lightened.

A slight fire occurred at the Portland Rolling mills this afternoon, but was extinguished by the firemen before the firemen arrived.

Rev. Mr. Clement, of Pennsylvania, who a few years ago conducted evangelistic services in this city, will deliver an address in Centenary church this evening.

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