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Flirt Stops The Play

Curtain Rung Down Because Man Ogled a Lady of the Cast.

So Said Julia Arthur in Surprising a New Haven Audience.

Offender Leaves the House and Bold Actress Is Applauded.

By Associated Press.

New Haven, Conn., May 12.—Julia Arthur made a sensation at the Hyperion Theatre last evening where she was playing "A Lady of Quality."

Near the end of the last act she stopped the play and pointed to a man in the audience, who, she said, was trying to flirt with one of the women in the cast. She declared that the play could not go on until this man left the theatre. She rang the curtain down and left the stage.

In the confusion that followed a half-drunken man arose and hurriedly left the house. Miss Arthur then told the audience that she could not play unless the audience gave her their attention. She said she was sorry to have to delay the performance. Then she rang up the curtain and the play proceeded. The audience almost went wild with applause.

BEGGING FOR RECIPROCITY.

Jamaicans Fear the Effect of Commercial Hostility on Part of United States.

Kingston, Jamaica, May 12.—Representatives to-day interpellated the government as to whether it intended to take steps to urge upon the Imperial government the necessity for securing American reciprocity before it should be too late. The reply was that the government would do so.

After the council adjourned the representatives in a body interviewed the governor, representing the gravity of the situation and the popular demand for prompt and effective action to avert American retaliation.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKETERS.

Make a Bad Start in Game With Essex —Draw With South of England.

Leyton, Eng., May 12.—Having recovered somewhat from the disappointment experienced in their draw match against the South of England yesterday, the Australian cricketers began a game here against Essex. Essex won the toss and the Australians, as in the opening game, had to take the field. H. G. Owen, the Essex captain, started the batting with Carpenter, and an excellent beginning was made. The telegraph showed 50 before a wicket fell, but then both men left suddenly. A. P. Lucas and Russell then got together and put a different complexion on the game. Lucas played in fine, strong form, and he held up his wicket to the end, when he was credited with 46, not out. Young, who came in last man, put on 33, and the innings ended for just one short run of 200.

The Australians made a bad start. Both Iredale and Darling were quickly disposed of. Hill and Gregory, however, made a good game. The latter played with great patience, and allowed Hill to do most of the run-getting. The left hander put on 36 in short order, and with Gregory 20, not out, and Kelly also at the wickets play ceased for the day, with the Australians' total at 75 for three wickets.

LADY GOLF CHAMPION.

London, May 12.—The ladies' open golf championship was concluded to-day at Newcastle, County Down. It resulted in a victory for Miss M. Hezelett, of the Royal Port Rush Club, who defeated Miss Magill, of the County Down Club.

MRS. CHOATE'S DEBUT.

London, May 12.—Mrs. Joseph H. Choate, wife of the United States ambassador, officiated for the first time at a public function this afternoon, opening the amateur art exhibition at Cromwell House in the presence of a distinguished company. The exhibitors include many people prominent in society. The proceeds of the exhibition will be devoted to charity.

FLYING MACHINE TEST.

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Prof. S. P. Langley, Secretary of the Smithsonian Institute and inventor of the aerodome, who was given $25,000 by the Board of Ordnance to experiment with his flying machine for war purposes, made the first test at Quantico, Va., yesterday with a new machine, larger than that with which he experimented two years ago. The machine was launched from the top of a boat-house on the Potomac. The result was not as successful as Langley's former experiments. The machine soared aloft 500 feet and descended after a horizontal flight of 800 feet. The former machine, which was propelled by a small steam engine, flew three quarters of a mile, and only descended when the steam was exhausted. It is understood Prof. Langley was to overcome the limited power capacity of the former machine by the use of a condensing machine which could repeatedly utilize the condensed steam from the boiler.

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SEVEN-DAY NEWSPAPERS.

Clerical and Labor Leaders Urge Home Secretary to Take Steps to Discourage Them.

London, May 12.—A deputation, including the Right Rev. Mandell Creighton, Bishop of London, Mr. John Burns, the labor leader, and Rev. Price Hughes and others representing religious bodies, waited to-day upon the Right Hon. Sir Matthew White Ridley, secretary of state to the home department, objecting against seven-day newspapers. Mr. John Burns said that Sunday was the British workingman's treasure, and that Sunday newspapers were unnecessar The home secretary said that he was entirely in sympathy with the deputation but that he was afraid the government could do nothing in the premises. However, he would fully consider the matter. Sir Matthew White Ridley added that he would be glad to authorize local authorities to frame by-laws with the object of discouraging Sunday editions of newspapers.

PARCELLING AFRICA.

French Chamber Approves Agreement With British, Disposing of a Vast Tract.

Paris, May 12.—The chamber of deputies to-day approved the Anglo-French Niger and Nile convention. This agreement between Great Britain and France disposes of thousands of square miles of African territory, and leaves only four recognized independent states throughout the continent,—Morocco, Abyssinia, Liberia and the Orange Free State. An important feature of the agreement provides for an equality in the commercial treatment of the territory between Lake Tchad and the Nile.

DROWNED ON WEDDING DAY.

While Fording River Bride Elect Swept Away From Her Lover.

Special to the Colonist.

Winnipeg, May 12.—(Special)—Rosalia Cromoot, a Polish girl, was drowned to-day in the Valley river at Dauphin. The deceased, with her intended husband, named Shackinger, attempted to ford the Valley river, when the wagon box was carried away and the occupants dumped into the river. All but the girl reached the shore in safety.

A priest was going from Winnipeg to-day to marry Shackinger and the unfortunate girl.

A MAJOR CASHIERED.

He Divulged French Official Secrets to a Newspaper.

Paris, May 12.—At a cabinet council in the Palace Elysee to-day, President Loubet, on the suggestion of the minister of war, M. Krantz, signed a decree cashiering Major Guignet on account of his having divulged to Le Petit Journal the contents of certain letters.

In the chamber of deputies M. Rene Viviani, Radical-Socialist, questioned the government regarding the letters. In reply the minister of war said Major Guignet came spontaneously to him and confessed he gave the letters to a friend, who communicated them to Le Petit Journal.

M. Delcasse, minister of foreign affairs, said the letters as published were garbled and mutilated. Amid mingled cheers and hisses M. Delcasse explained his position in the matter. He said that Major Guignet, as a member of the war office, had impugned the good faith of the foreign office in certain matters. He (Delcasse) therefore wrote M. de Freycinet, then minister of war, asking an explanation from the war office, and showing that Major Guignet's accusations were unfounded. The impression gained from M. Delcasse's speech was that M. de Freycinet resigned the war portfolio instead of making reparation. The discussion in the chamber of deputies ended with a vote of confidence in the government, 389 to 64.

Deputy Lasies sent seconds to M. Delcasse to demand explanations of the latter's statement in the chamber of deputies yesterday with reference to M. Lasies' attacks, to the effect that he spurned them with his toes, although that was more than they deserved. M. Delcasse informed M. Lasie's seconds that he had nothing to add to his previous remarks, and that he declined to appoint seconds.

M. Grosjean, a judge of the Versailles court and an intimate friend of Major Guignet, has been cited to appear before the superior council of magistracy to-morrow, to explain his participation in the divulging of the letters published in Le Petit Journal.

A QUEER ACCIDENT.

NEW YORK, May 12.—A Herald dispatch from Chester, Pa., says: The skill of young Frank Beaumont in throwing the lasso resulted in his death last evening. Ever since the Wild West show exhibited in this city, the boys of Chester have been practicising with lassoes. Young Beaumont, when he tired of lassoing boys of his own age, looked for bigger game. He stationed himself along the Reading Railroad near his home and prepared to lasso an engine. The end of the lasso was tied about his waist and the loop he circled about his head as a freight engine came up the grade. With a whoop he sent the loop whistling through the air. The engine driver leaning out of the cab window unconscious of the boy, was startled to find his arms pinned to his sides. The loop had fallen with great precision and as the train moved forward the loop was jerked taut, rendering the engine driver helpless. Young Beaumont was thrown from his feet when the jerk came, and, unable to untie the rope around his waist, was dragged along the track, the rear of the train drowning his shrieks, and he was finally drawn under the car wheels. The engine driver succeeding in freeing his arms and stopping the engine but the boy was dead, the wheels had scalped him and he was bruised and mangled.

Robbing The Banks

Gang Tie Up Policeman, Open Safe and Secure Many Thousands.

Second Great Haul Within a w Days by Experts Who Puzzle Police.

Naval Deserters Birched at Halifax—Mr. Tarte Commissioned to Paris.

Special to the Colonist.

Bowmanville, May 13.—A daring bank robbery was perpetrated early this morning, when the Standard bank was relieved of over $11,000. There were seven of eight men in the gang, who thoroughly understood the business of safe-cracking. The burglars first went to the police station and seized Nightwatchman Henry Metcalf, whom they blindfolded, gagged and handcuffed. Metcalf was guarded by one man with a revolver, while the others entered the bank by removing a pane of glass. Three explosions took place in quick succession, which apparently worked well, for in about half an hour the three doors leading to the place where the valuables were deposited were shattered as though they were wood. About $11,000, belonging to the bank, $110 belonging to the Canada Life Insurance Company, and a lot of valuables belonging to private citizens were carried off.

Toronto, May 13.—Chief Inspector John W. Murray has been down in Western Ontario investigating the Dresden bank robbery, which he ascertained was accomplished by the most advanced type of professional burglars. The method used was quite scientific, and the crooks were evidently possessed of an air pump of very fine dimensions. This was applied to the crevice between the door and the frame, and all the air was pumped out of the safe. Then the thieves pumped detonating powder and fulminate of mercury into the safe, and set a fuse. All the crevices in the safe, except at the point at which they worked were plugged with soft soap, so as to let no air in. Murray thinks the work was done by American crooks, none of the Canadian safe-crackers whom he knows being, he thinks, capable of doing the job. So far there is no trace of the robbers.

The Ontario government has decided to offer a reward of $1,000 for the capture of Pare and Holden, the bank robbers who escaped from Napanee gaol, or $500 for the capture of either of them.

Church Graft in Politics.

Toronto, May 13.—The Mail and Empire, speaking of Mr. Costigan's change of heart, says: "There can be little doubt that Mr. Costigan's renunciation of his association with his co-religionists in the Liberal-Conservative party is a step looking to his assumption of the leadership of the Irish Catholic Liberals."

Yukon Millions.

Toronto, May 13.—The Globe's latest Dawson letter gives the following output of gold, estimated by the Midnight Sun: Eldorado, $5,000,000; benches, $500,000. Bonanza, $3,500,000; benches, $1,500,000. Hunker, $2,500,000; benches, $500,000. Dominion, $3,500,000; benches, $200,000. Gold Run, $200,000; sulphur, $500,000; Quartz, $100,000; benches, $150,000. Eureka, $250,000. All other creeks and benches, including Stewart River, $1,000,000.

Saved His Life.

Hespeler, May 13.—Archie Fennell, employed in the Brodie Woollen Mills, fell down an elevator shaft a distance of 60 feet. When near the bottom he grasped the lifting cable, and it is thought he will recover.

A Village Burned.

Port Burwell, Ont., May 13.—Almost the entire business portion of this village was wiped out by fire last night. The postoffice, two hotels and telegraph office are gone.

Banking Profits.

Montreal, May 13.—The Bank of Montreal has issued a highly satisfactory statement. The profits for the year ending April 30, after deducting charges of management and making full provision for bad and doubtful debts, amounted to $1,350,382.65. The bank has thus earned for the financial year about 11¼ per cent. on its capital of $12,000,000, against rather over 10½ per cent. for the financial year ending April 30, 1898.

Because It Baulks Jobs.

Montreal, May 13.—Senator Dandurand, one of Sir Wilfrid Laurier's appointees to the Dominion Senate, speaking before a French-Canadian meeting, said that he now, more than ever, realized the great mistake which had been made at confederation when a chamber irresponsible to the people was saddled upon the country, and he expressed a perfect willingness at any time to vote for its radical reform.

Mr. Tarte's Holiday.

Montreal, May 13.—Hon. Mr. Tarte is to lay off for five or six months, and will be appointed by the cabinet to exercise a general supervision over Canadian affairs at the Paris exposition. This is what well-known people here say. He is to retain his portfolio. His illness, it is declared, rendered consultation with London necessary.

World's Bicycle Meet.

Montreal, May 13.—The committee in charge of the World's Bicycle Meet to be held in this city decided that there will be three days' racing during the week from August 7 to 12.

Naval Deserters Birched.

Halifax, May 13.—Two naval deserters from the cruiser Comus were detected by military police yesterday boarding the steamer bound for New York, where they intended joining the United States navy, being attracted by the larger pay on United States ships. The deserters were handed over to the naval authorities. The younger lad was sentenced to twelve lashes with a birch, and the other to twenty-four lashes.

Bricklayers Win.

Toronto, May 13.—The bricklayers' strike has ended, by the surrender of the masters, who have agreed to accept the demand of the men for 37½ cents. The strike has lasted since May 1. The men resume work on Monday.

Too Many Wives.

Toronto, May 13.—George Decarr, a middle-aged man with a police record, has been arrested in Hamilton on a Toronto warrant, charged with bigamy. His legal wife is an inmate of the House of Providence.

Personal.

Toronto, May 13.—H. R. Frankland, who came within three votes of defeating W. F. Maclean for East Toronto at the elections of 1896, has been appointed deputy collector.

Quebec, May 13.—Lady Minto is here from Ottawa.

Winnipeg, May 13.—Dr. Milne of Victoria, B. C., was here to-day, en route home.

Almonte, May 13.—Mr. Munro, collector of customs, was found dead to-day, of apoplexy.

METHODIST CONFERENCE.

Proceedings of First Day of Annual Session at Nanaimo.

Nanaimo, May 10.—The British Columbia Methodist Conference convened in ministerial session in Wallace Street Methodist Church at 9:30 o'clock this morning, Rev. J. F. Betts, President of the Conference, in the chair. After the opening devotional exercises, the roll of conference was called, when 33 mininsters responded to their names. Upwards of 30 more were absent, many of whom are expected to arrive to-day. Revs. Cornelius Bryant and T. D. Pearson were continued as superannuated ministers, and Rev. J. Roseman as a supernumary minister, while the application of Rev. W. D. Misener that he be superannuated for one year on account of ill health was referred to the Committee on Conference Relations.

The following transfers into the conference was reported: Revs. J. W. Sipprell, B. A., B. D., J. E. Gardiner, B.A., Akroyd Stoner, B. Healey Balderstone, B. A., and E. E. Scott. Rev. C. S. Eby, D.D., has been transferred to the Toronto conference.

The temperance anniversary will be held this evening at 8 o'clock in the Wallace Street Church, to be addressed by Rev. S. J. Thompson, a lay delegate, and Rev. W. H. Pierce.

The lecture on "Literature," delivered last evening by Rev. J. C. Speer, of Victoria, before the Epworth League, was a rich treat. The talented orator held the attention of a delighted audience for upwards of an hour.

CASTING OUT DEVILS.

Divine Healer Attempts This Feat and Lands in Southern Gaol.

New York, May 11.—A New Orleans dispatch says a most extraordinary case of physical agony caused by the barbarous fanaticism of a "divine healer" has come to light at Waggiman, La., twelve miles from New Orleans. A young Italian woman, Mrs. Nicoloce, yielding to persuasion was convinced she had a devil in her throat and suffered a healer, an Italian named Dicarlo, to beat her cruelly and gash her neck in an effort to drive out the demon. The woman may die. The healer is in gaol.

PICNIC IN THE RAIN.

Store Hands of Nanaimo Celebrate Just Half Holiday—Fire Boys at Practice.

Nanaimo, May 11.—(Special)—The Merchants' Employees' Association held a grand picnic to-day, and all places of business men closed. Owing to heavy rains, Ralph Smith, M. P., did not deliver his speech.

Wellington fire boys are practising hard for hose reel races at Victoria on Queen's Birthday.

Rucker has sent in his entry for the bicycle races on Queen's Birthday.

VANCOUVER NOTES.

Woman's Missionary Society in Session—Van Horne on the C. P. R. Boom.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, May 11.—The British Columbia Woman's Missionary Society convened in Vancouver yesterday. Delegates from Victoria, Port Simpson, Chilliwack, New Westminster and Richmond were present. The reports from the different auxiliaries were read, and were on the whole very satisfactory. A pleasing feature of the meeting was the reading of the Chinese mission band report by Mrs. Faun, who was married from the Chinese mission home for girls in Victoria.

Sir William Van Horne, president of the Canadian Pacific railway company, arrived in the city yesterday, after a trip through Southern California, on pleasure bent. Numerous questions were put to him by the newspapers, but he had "nothing to say." He attributed the rise in C. P. R. stock to the prosperity of Canada and to the present and probable earnings of the road.

A GREAT FIRE.

Vienna, May 11.—In a great fire today in the town of Guera Humeora, province of Bukowana, 200 buildings, including the principal church, the town hall and other public offices and all the school houses were destroyed.

A BOXER'S DEATH.

Buffalo, May 11—A private despatch received here to-day announced the death at Providence, R. I., of Luke Stevens, the well-known boxer. Stevens' last contest was in Hamilton, Ont., with Kid Goulette, and at that time he complained of being ill.

THURSDAY'S LEAGUE BALL.

At Chicago—Chicago, 4; Louisville, 5.
At Pittsburg—Pittsburg, 0; Cincinnati, 1.
At Boston—Boston, 4; Baltimore, 1.
At Cleveland—Cleveland, 6; St. Louis 8.

Queer Items In Supply

Result of Giving Contracts to Friends Without Calling for Tenders.

Minister of Customs Reading Up to Be His Own Lawyer.

Insurance Men Want Reserve Interest Calculated at Four Per Cent.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, May 12.—Sir Charles Tupper and other members of the opposition to-day made a strong protest against the delay in bringing down papers, and neglect in not calling the public accounts committee.

The house went into supply, and some funny items were exploited by the opposition.

Mr. Paterson, it appeared, had bought a picture of the Premier for his office, and when questioned as to the item, invited Mr. Foster to go over and see it. Mr. Foster declined with thanks. "I see enough of the original here," he remarked, amid laughter.

Another purchase by Mr. Paterson was a book called "Be Your Own Lawyer." Sir Hibbert Tupper said the purchase of such a work was a reflection on the minister of justice.

No Competition.

A government steamer is now building in Scotland, to be named the "Minto." Mr. Clarke, of Toronto, severely criticized Sir Louis Davies for not inviting Canadian shipbuilders to send in tenders for its construction. The method of purchasing supplies for government steamers also was criticized. In every case, it was shown, the government pays top-notch prices for everything and buys only from good Grits.

Expensive Favoritism.

In the house to-night strong opposition was manifested to the proposed increase of $33,000 for the maintenance and repair of government steamers. Mr. Taylor said the increase was the result of purchasing supplies without competition. Sir Louis Davies made a weak defence, whereupon Taylor moved an amendment to reduce the vote. The government side got alarmed, as they were in a minority of eight in the chamber, but an urgent whip was sent to the theatre and hotels, and presently sufficient Liberal members collected to vote the amount.

Insurance Reserve.

A deputation of insurance managers interviewed the minister of finance in reference to the government bill introduced by Mr. Fielding. They asked that the reserve be computed on the basis of interest at 4 per cent., instead of 3½, as the bill proposes. The deputation also asked that the special privileges as to investment given by parliament to two companies—the Canada Life and Sun Life—should be extended to all other companies doing business in Canada. Mr. Fielding promised consideration.

Minor Notes.

Many commanding officers have neglected to notify the government of the air chosen by them as their regimental march, and are reminded of the fact.

Col. Aylmer, adjutant-general, will sail on Saturday for England to take a special course. He will be absent about six months.

The Governor-General will review the troops in Montreal on the Queen's Birthday.

Mr. Penny, of Montreal, to-day introduced a bill to prevent the docking of horses' tails by unqualified persons. He stated that many complaints had arisen in Montreal owing to the manner in which horses destined for England had been treated.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier stated to-day that the redistribution bill will be introduced early next week.

Mr. Bostock's bill to incorporate the Yale-Kootenay Telegraph Company was passed to-night.

LOSS BY BOMBARDMENT.

Claims Against United States by British Residents of Iloilo.

London, May 12.—In the House of Commons to-day the Right Hon. William St. John Broderick, parliamentary secretary of the foreign office, replying to a question by Capt. John St. Clair, Radical, relative to the destruction of British property by the bombardment of Iloilo, said that the government had no information with regard to the intention of the United States to compensate traders. "The question of these claims," he said, "is under consideration by the British government, and will not be lost sight of."

EXPLOSION OF CHEMICALS.

Four Lives Lost and Great Damage to Property in Lancashire.

London, May 12.—A fearful explosion occurred to-day at Kurtz's chemical works, St. Helen's, Lancashire, killing four persons and seriously injuring 20. A fire broke out in the chlorate house, and a large quantity of chlorate exploded. Subsequently the boiler exploded, and the whole works were razed. The town was strewn with debris, and most of the buildings in the place damaged. The loss is about $500,000.

Eighty tons of chlorate exploded. Vitriol which streamed into the sewers spread devastation. The gas works were badly damaged, and the gasometer, which contained 250,000 cubic feet of gas, had a hole burned in the top. The escaping gas took fire, and the flames were seen for miles.

VANCOUVER AND VICINITY.

Mr. Cotton and the Disputed Island—Electric Company's Profits—Italian Courts Death.

From Our Own Correspondent.

Vancouver, May 12.—Mayor Garden has received a letter from Hon. F. Carter-Cotton in answer to a communication asking if the interests of the city would be looked after, provided provincial ownership of the island was proved. Mr. Cotton says: "It is impossible for me at this time to give any answer to the question you ask, beyond saying that the government, if its claim is sustained, will deal with it as it sees best in provincial interests."

The secretary of the British Columbia Electric Railway & Light Company announces that the company has earned for the year $81,400 net, which would enable the company to pay a dividend of 5 per cent. A 4 per cent. dividend will be paid and the balance placed to the reserve fund account.

The boiler-makers have joined the many other unions in backing up the tailors' strike, and offering financial assistance.

An Italian fisherman deliberately stood between the tram rails on the Granville street bridge at 10:30 last night and let a car run him down. He was struck on the side of the head and tumbled into the fender, where his bruised body was found when the car was stopped. It is thought that he will die.

Donald Perrier, the condemned murderer, is writing wild, disjointed letters to the police and press, accusing the police of conspiring for his life, of egging him on to murder and then wounding the body of the victim with ten wounds after death. It is thought that the letters are written with the purpose of making himself out crazy with a view to mitigation of the death sentence.

MINE LABORERS KILLED.

Bank of Coal Refuse Falls Upon Them While Engaged in Screening.

Shamokin, May 12.—Four men were instantly killed to-day by a slide of a portion of a large culm bank at Centralia. Several were badly injured. Four bodies were recovered so badly disfigured that it is difficult to identify them.

The accident occurred while a large number of Hungarians were screening coal in the Centralia breaker. The big bank of coal refuse towered above, which was seen to quiver and collapse, completely burying the workmen. A rescuing force immediately started to work, and after two hours' labor succeeded in recovering four bodies.

The killed are: James Gangham, aged 35, married; John Koko, 25, single; Joseph Stranche, 22, married; John Conyock, 40, married. Five men at first missing and thought to be dead were subsequently found uninjured.

MICHIGAN'S MULTI-MURDERER.

Not Greatly Concerned Over His Cowardly Deeds, but Invents Flimsy Excuses.

Howard City, Mich., May 12.—Joseph Harvey, murderer of his grandmother, uncle and wife, who also fatally wounded his father-in-law, and tried to commit suicide, was taken to the county gaol at Stanton to-day, after being arraigned before a justice of the peace. He waived examination, and was held for trial.

The young man expressed no emotion over his atrocious crimes. He has given no evidence whatever of insanity, saying that his uncle abused him and quarrelled with him because he had been driving his horse in the rain. He still insists that his dead uncle killed his grandmother, and that he killed his uncle out of revenge. He says he is sorry he killed his wife, but he did it because he intended to kill himself and did not want her to live after he was gone.

Aside from having a fiery temper, Harvey was not known to have any vicious traits.

RACING IN ENGLAND.

Sloane Makes Notable Win at Newmarket—Harrow Riots Over Starters' Decision.

London, May 11.—Tod Sloane opened to-day's sport at Newmarket with a sequence of three wins. His victory on Florio, in the race for the Flying Handicap, was the most creditable of the day. Florio Rubattince was one of Mr. R. McCalmont's castoff lot, having hitherto been a very disappointing animal. To-day, after appearing hopelessly beaten at the bushes, Sloane injected new life into the creature, and Florio dashed up and snatched the race by a head.

Vain Duchess was regarded as a sure winner in the contest for the Breeders' Plate, and Sloane got home without an effort.

The American contingent plunged on Vain Duchess. The Evening Sun's race reporter says: "One man wagered $2,000, and I personally saw the American backer, Grannan, lay $6,750 to win $4,000."

There was no big betting on Caiman, the winner of the Payne stakes, in view of the price. Caiman won in a canter.

The third welter handicap of 100 sovereigns was won by Sir Tatton Sykes' My Boy. There were twenty-one starters over the ditch mile.

In a riot that broke out at the Harrow race course to-day over the decisions of the starter, the English pugilist, Jem Smith, was attacked by the mob and carried off unconscious. Many other persons were injured and the races were stopped by the police.

COLORED MAN HANGED.

Washington, May 12.—Edward Smith, colored, was hanged in the corridor of the District gaol at 12:07 p. m., to-day. Smith murdered a colored woman named Edmonia Jackson in this city on the 15th of November, 1897.

A GIRL'S ESCAPADE.

Todedo, O., May 11.—Local police yesterday located Miss Ethel Alexander, a prominent young lady of St. Thomas, Ont., who has been missing for the past month. She went home with her parents.

Rosebery A Unionist.

Belief That He Would Willingly Follow Mr. Chamberlain's Lead.

Liberal Ranks Disturbed by the Differences Between the Ex-Leaders.

Harcourt's Rancorous Speech the Chief Topic inPo itical Circles.

By Associated Press.

London, May 13.—Lord Rosebery's speech before the London Liberal club on May 5, in the course of which he expressed a wish for the revival of the old Liberal spirit, has proved an oratorical apple of discord of the first order.

It has elicited a virulent reply from Sir W. Vernon Harcourt, in a speech before the Devonshire Club, which has been the political sensation of the week. Sir William's speech bore witness to the bitterness of the duel for the leadership of the Liberal party between himself and Lord Rosebery, and to the pent-up personal feeling of the speaker against Lord Rosebery, who was responsible for his temporary effacement. In the course of Sir William Vernon Harcourt's speech he declared that Lord Rosebery's words were tantamount to advice to "take a sponge and wipe out the glorious inheritance which Mr. Gladstone left the party, before his ashes are cold."

The Liberal organizations have taken up the cudgels in behalf of Lord Rosebery and talk to Harcourt very straight. The Speaker calls his interpretation of Lord Rosebery's words "a most absurd and malicious falsification of his meaning, and the first example in recent years of downright misrepresentation."

The British Weekly says: "Harcourt's words are grossly unjust and slanderous, and only to be accounted for by a rancor of hatred amounting almost to madness."

Other mouthpieces of the Liberal party insist that Lord Rosebery, in urging a return to the Liberalism of 1886 did not mean a change of programme, but a return to the party discipline in the halcyon days of Liberalism.

Sir William Harcourt to-day announces that he will speak to his constituents on May 24. His utterances are awaited with the keenest interest, and another sneech in the best fighting style is expected.

Meanwhile the Conservative press interprets Rosebery as Harcourt does, and in some quarters the opinion is expressed that Rosebery's utterances are nothing less than a direct bid for Mr. Chamberlain, and a prelude to Rosebery identifying himself with the Liberal-Unionists.

The Sun says that Lord Rosebery's abandonment and his explicit acceptance of the Liberal-Unionist programme might in the event of a Conservative victory at the next election possibly be marked by the offer and his acceptance of cabinet rank.

MANITOBA AND NORTHWEST.

A Bridegroom's Enterprise—The Voters' List Muddle—Commercial Traveller's Mishap.

Winnipeg, May 11.—(Special)—D. Clarke Robertson, of Honolulu, formerly of Vanallen Hill, Ont., was married at Russell on Monday. He missed the regular train out and chartered a special for the trip of 200 miles from Winnipeg and return, in order that the wedding should not be postponed.

A Canadian Pacific section man named McQuinn was probably fatally injured while working on the track east of the city to-day.

There are no further developments in the carpenters' strike. Ten men joined the ranks to-day, and carpenters claim that there are scarcely any competent men now at work.

Thomas Montgomery, a commercial traveller of this city, was badly injured yesterday in a runaway accident at Wawanesa.

Instructions have been received by the registration clerk from Ottawa to discontinue the compiling of special lists for the Dominion bye-election for Winnipeg. The new provisional lists now being made up will be used instead.

Mr. A. E. Diffin, for some time teller in the Canadian Bank of Commerce here, left this afternoon for Vancouver, en route to Atlin to take a position in the bank's branch there.

Mrs. R. D. Patterson and family left to-day to take up their residence in Vancouver.

J. C. McLagan, of the Vancouver World, is here.

ENDORSES BRYAN.

Lewiston, Me., May 12.—The Democrats of the Second congressional district have nominated by acclamation Hon. John Scott of Bath as candidate for the vacancy caused by the death of Hon. Nelson Dingley. Mr. Scott delivered an address in which he endorsed Mr. Bryan and the Chicago platform.

THE CARLIST BUGABOO.

London, May 12.—The Saturday Review claims to have particular information to the effect that the present lull in Spain will be short-lived, and that Don Carlos will soon submit his fortunes to a final issue.

SYRIAN FAKERS.

Washington, May 12.—The manifesto declaring the independence of Syria, issued yesterday in New York by the "Young Syria Junta," is not taken seriously in official quarters here. The Turkish minister, Ali Ferroueh Bey, was seen at the legation to-day concerning the manifesto. He said it was entirely without importance and did not represent a sentiment prevailing among the Syrians in this country or at home.