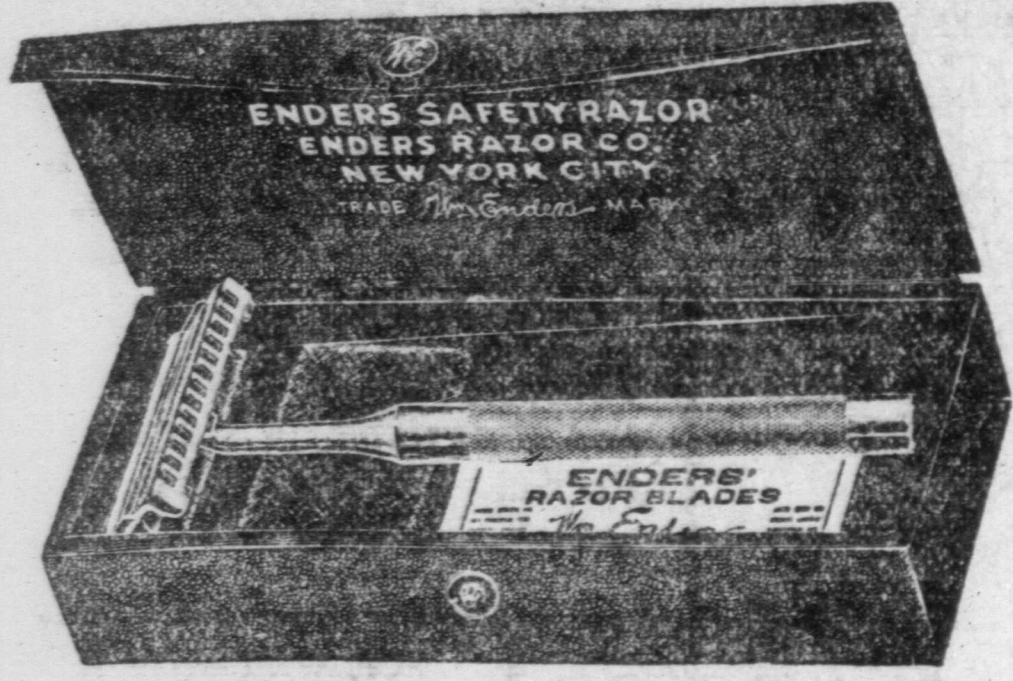
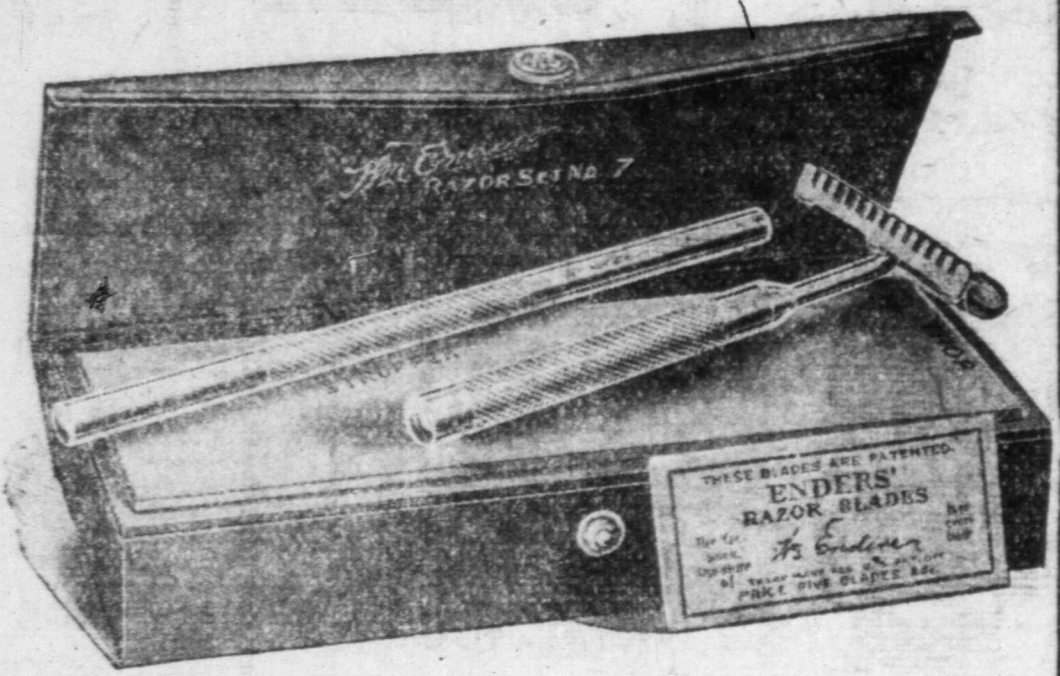


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CAPTAIN'S FIGHT WITH A PIRATE

Extraordinary Story of Masked, Armed and Moustached Desperadoes on the High Seas.

News was brought by the Anchor liner Cameronia to Queenstown of a murderous attack which was made upon the captain of the steamship Williamette while in his cabin on the high seas by an armed and disguised man, who had other armed accomplices on the vessel.

The alleged object was to loot the steamer of the gold and valuables known to be in the cabin, to overpower the crew and passengers, rob the latter, and then escape in a small steamer which followed in the wake of the Williamette.

Attacked the Captain.

It would appear from the statement made by Captain Reiner that the Williamette was bound from Los Angeles to Seattle, and that shortly after seven p.m., when the steamer was at Cape St. Vincent, he was sitting in his cabin, going through his accounts and papers, when he heard the knob of his door handle turn gently. There entered a strange figure of a man in a white mask, wig and false moustache; he held in his right hand a loaded revolver. Captain Reiner, in his own words, thus describes the struggle he had with his assailant:

"In an instant I jumped for the revolver, and before he could crook his trigger finger and fire I had closed with him. Then began a terrible struggle. We fought all over the cabin. He never relaxed his grip of the magazine, and I was not strong enough to wrench it from him, as he was a man of great physique.

Called Help.

"Meanwhile my little nephew, who was in the cabin with me when the pirate entered, rushed to the fore-castle, where he collapsed in a faint after calling out one word, 'Captain!' Several seamen came out on deck to know what had happened, but nothing seemed amiss to them, so they strolled aft. Then they heard my half-mothered shouts for help from the cabin, and burst in to see me fighting for my life.

"My powerful assailant was quickly overpowered and put in irons, as was also another man who was discovered on deck, full armed, and who had no passage ticket, and was unquestionably in the conspiracy."

On the arrival of the Williamette at San Francisco the two men, who gave their names as Nelson and Lorimer, were placed under arrest by police officers who boarded the steamer in response to signals. On the former were found papers showing the landing places on the coast between Los Angeles and Seattle, as well as the distances to reckon with, both by land and sea.

LIFE IN ICE HOUSE IN ANTARCTIC

Frozen Champagne: Lard and Butter Eaten Like Apples

An enlightening glimpse of what life in the Antarctic is like was afforded by Surgeon Murray Levick, a member of Captain Scott's expedition, in the course of an address at the hall of the English Royal Society of Medicine recently.

He told how his party lived for seven months in an igloo—a hut built out of a hard snow-drift, with walls of ice. They lived in a still atmosphere underground, where there was not sufficient oxygen to support the combustion of a lamp, or even a match. This was caused by a blizzard and snow-drift, which had clogged the entrance to the igloo, and proved that far less oxygen was required to support life in a cold atmosphere than in great heat.

In winter the air in South Polar regions was fairly still. At other times the seas were terrific, and great boulders were rolled up on the beach. Ice formed on the sea with great rapidity and when the temperature was fairly low a couple of days was sufficient to form ice eighteen inches thick. A bottle of champagne, which was broken frozen, and crystals of colouring matter were formed which remained insoluble when the champagne was thawed.

The lecturer gave an amusing account of the satisfaction with which a hut was discovered with an abundance of biscuits, lard, butter, chocolate, and "hoosh" (pemican and oatmeal), and the ravenous manner in which some of the party feasted upon the good things. They ate the frozen lard and butter as if they were apples, but none suffered from indigestion.

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SOCIETY NOTES.

(With apologies to this paper)

Mr. S. Tony Broke proposed to Miss Lotzer Cash to-day. She broke his heart by turning him down, but it didn't matter as he had invested his Five Spot with "Neddy" Outerbridge.

The wife of a prominent citizen presented her lord and master with twins a day or two ago. The lady who is quite up-to-date insisted upon naming one "Fivie" and the other "Spot," but the old man says they're not worth it.

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Write and tell us about it. 'Tis only fair to give all a chance of enjoying the joke, even at your expense, although nobody will ever guess your identity, if you wish it kept secret.

Make your story as short as possible.

BURGLARS SHOWED GREAT AUDACITY

Discovered in Easy Chairs by the Fireside

Two well-dressed burglars surprised in a house in East Sheen so impressed the occupier's son by their plausibility that he allowed them to go.

The house had been temporarily unattended after nightfall. Returning alone, the occupier's son, a young man, was surprised to see a light in the dining-room, which vanished when the front gate clicked as he opened it. Entering the dining room and switching on the electric light he saw two men sitting in easy chairs by the fire.

"What are you doing here?" he demanded. "What are you?" in turn demanded one of the men, who appeared to be slightly the worse for drink.

"This is my house. I live here." "What's the joke? This is my house," said the man.

Then, looking round the room, the man allowed himself to be persuaded that he had made a mistake. He explained that he had lived in a precisely similar house, a corner one, in a road nearby. His key fitted the door of the house he was now in, and having drunk a little more than he was accustomed to he had made a most regrettable mistake. He was profoundly sorry.

The man's companion put on an offended air and roundly upbraided him for making fools of both of them through drinking too much. Then, with renewed apologies, they walked off.

The son noticed that, after departing, they did not turn in the direction of the address they had mentioned, and in the dining-room he afterwards discovered an overcoat behind an easy chair and found jewellery in the pockets. Nearly every room in the house, he found, had been ransacked. The overcoat in which one of the men walked off belonged to the son.

GUARDING STATE SECRETS.

Every Foreign Office in Europe acts on the theory that an army of spies is constantly on the alert to steal its secrets, and infinite precautions are taken to baffle their efforts.

Very shortly after the first use of blotting-paper it was discovered that it was quite possible to cause a blotting-pad to give up jealously-guarded secrets by simply holding it in front of a mirror. Long after all the commercial world had forgotten the existence of such a thing, the British Foreign office used a sand-shaker to dry its important written documents.

Then specially manufactured ink blotting-paper was used, but this was not found to be absolutely spy-proof, and a return to the sand-shaker was contemplated, when someone suggested the simple expedient of a small absorbent roller. These rollers have since been used for drying diplomatic documents. When such a roller has been run up and down a document once or twice, the cleverest spy in the world is at liberty to try his hand at deciphering the impressions.

WHAT WOULD YOU DO IF YOU WERE PREMIER?

With the House of Assembly in session, things political and legislative are very much to the fore. Now anybody and everybody can perform a job better than the chap who holds it down. What would you do if you were in Sir Edward Morris's place? We'll be glad to hear from you and publish in *The Daily Mail* your ideas of what the Premier should undertake. Get busy and drop us a note.

King George The Fifth Seamen's Institute.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Girls' Department

NOTICE

Classes for reading and writing will be held in the Girls' Department of the King George the Fifth Seamen's Institute every Tuesday evening at 8 o'clock from March 3rd. Any girls who do not know how to read and wish to learn will be welcome. Everything will be free of charge.

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ESTIMATED EXPENDITURE, 1914.	ESTIMATED REVENUE, 1914.
Interest on City Debt	Interest on Credit Balance
Interest Acct. Savings Bank	at Bank
Watering Vessels	Watering Vessels
Town Improvements	Theatrical Tax
Overdraft City Hall	Roads, East
Fire Department	Roads, West
Sprinkling Streets	Blackhead Road
Flushing and Grassing Drains and Gullies	South Side Road
Pound Account	South Side Lighting
Open Spaces	Motor Drivers' Licenses
Roads, East	Motor Car Tax
Roads, West	Motor Cycle Tax
Blackhead Road	Water Rates
Salaries Account Officials	Sewerage Rates
Remuneration Mayor and Councillors	Arrears
South Side Road	Interest Overdue Rates
Sewerage Dept.	Vacant Lands
Legal Expenses	Crown Rents
Contingencies	Water Works
South Side Lighting	Customs Water Rates
Engineer's Office	Customs Coal Duties
Printing and Stationery	Bank Tax
Public Closets	Life Ins. Co. Tax
Motor Drivers Licenses	Snow Shovelling Contract
Motor Car Tax	Horse Tax
Motor Cycle Tax	Lighting Streets
Crown Rents	Snow Shovelling Contract
Water Works	Horse Tax
Customs Water Rates	Cart Tax
Customs Coal Duties	Licensed Cab and Truck Drivers
Fish Markets	Brokers on Margins
Offices	Marine Ins. Co. An. Tax
Road Making Machinery	Steamship Tax
Lighting Streets	Accident Ins. Co. Tax
Snow Shovelling Contract	Pedlars' Tax
Horse Tax	Fire Ins. Annual Tax
Cart Tax	Fire Ins. Special Tax
Licensed Cab and Truck Drivers	Placentia Water Co.
Street Crossings	Lighting and Sanitation
Sanitary Department	Telegraph Co. Tax
Bannerman Park	Sanitary Department
Victoria Park	Strat Railway Tax
City Health Officers	Billiard Table Tax
Job's Bridge Repairs	Municipal Election Expenses
Swimmings Pool	
Oiling Streets	
Special Appraisements	
General Tax and Water Rate Collectors	
Mullin's Bridge	
Retaining Walls	
Municipal Election Expenses	
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S.S. FLORIZEL will sign crew on Monday, March 9th, Sailing Friday, March 13th, at 8 a.m.
S.S. STEPHANO will sign crew on Tuesday, March 10th, Sailing on Friday, March 13th, at 8 a.m.

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