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MILITARY AIRSHIPS.

Germany takes great pleasure in announcing to the world that in a very few months she will have completed eight air ships, or balloons, suitable for military purposes. Emperor William has declared, and not without reason, that Count Zeppelin's flight into Switzerland marks the beginning of a new national era. This was the first occasion on which a dirigible military air ship crossed an international frontier, sailed over the territory of a foreign state, hovered above its towns, exchanged messages with the people and finally returned to its starting point. The balloons which Germany now has under construction are of different classes and construction and are for experimental purposes only. It is believed that the results of tests made will establish Germany's future policy in aerial construction, and even although this is only in a sense the first stage, it indicates sufficiently rapid development to create anxiety on the part of such other nations as have not yet made any material progress along this line. British newspapers take a serious view of the situation created by Count Zeppelin's success, and there is a tendency towards censoring the government for not making a more generous grant to investigations along this line. The London Daily Mail concludes a lengthy article on this subject with the following:

"As foreign powers are acquiring practical airships, it would appear that this country has no choice. Its War Office or its Admiralty, or both combined, should prosecute experiments on a large scale, and Parliament should provide the necessary funds. The final solution of the problems of aerial navigation will be the greatest advance recorded in the whole history of the human race, and, so far as can be seen, steady progress is being made by three foreign nations towards that solution. However reluctantly, England must contemplate the bridging of her moat, the opening of her roads through the air, and the vast question of holding her own in that unsubstantial element."

THE EXHIBITION.

The St. John exhibition takes place from September 12th to 15th. For several months the board of directors have been devoting a considerable portion of their time to preparations for this event. Various committees have been holding frequent meetings and efforts are being made to interest as large a number as possible of exhibitors in all lines, in the fair. The success of such an undertaking depends on three things. The ability in the management, the attractions in the display of exhibits, and the interest of the patrons. The directors may safely be left to satisfactorily perform their part. It is intimated that nothing will be lacking in the makeup of the exhibits. It remains, therefore, for the people of St. John to do their share towards the general success. Everyone has the opportunity to assist and it is not only an opportunity but a duty as well. An exhibition in any city draws business. It puts a very large amount of money in circulation. It brings to a city and brings to it thousands of persons who might not otherwise think of making such a visit. It is in this beneficial to the city as a whole as well as to the residents as individuals. From the purely material point of view all St. John people should do their utmost toward helping this exhibition by speaking of it to their friends and correspondents, and when the proper time comes by extending towards it their own generous patronage. It should be remembered that the exhibition is not a thing of interest to the board of management only, but is arranged by a representative executive for the benefit of all, and the poorest citizen should be just as much concerned about its success as the president of the board himself. There is a possibility that the federal grant will be given to New Brunswick next year. Already a number of applications for this grant have been sent to Ottawa. St. John among others, is desirous of holding the Dominion exhibition and an argument in support of its claims will be the success of the fair of September next.

SIX YEARS PROGRESS.

The Wall Street Journal of New York recently printed an article which was in a sense a catalogue of the gains made in the processes of trade, and the methods of conducting business during the six or seven years of Roosevelt's administration. The chief of these are: Greater publicity in transportation; abolition of railroad passes, the doing away with much of the former rebating and secret discrimination; exposure of corrupt alliances between dishonest corporations and politicians; reform in the campaign contribution funds; unfair com-

petition checked by legislation; marked reform in the administration of the great insurance companies; provision made against the danger of powerful financial concentration; higher standards reached in trusteeship; establishment of weekly banking statements in the New York money markets; a most noteworthy growth of the temperance sentiment throughout the entire country; a re-creation of industrial activity in the South; national movement for the improvement of waterways and in preventing loss of natural resources; gradual elimination of wood from railroad rolling stock and road beds, steel and cement taking its place; in agriculture greater knowledge in the selection of seeds tending to increase production; wireless telegraphy has been made a commercial fact, thus adding to the facilities of communication; legislation enacted to prevent adulteration of food and drugs; a more scientific and more effective management of philanthropy; increasing attention to technical education; forgetfulness of muck raking methods of reform; advances in the problem of aerial navigation; cessation of revolutions in Southern and Central America; and the strengthening of the sentiment against war together with the growing hold of arbitration in all civilized governments. The Journal does not contend that Roosevelt is directly responsible for any of these, as, of course, he is not, but the fact that since his accession to the highest office in the States, he has witnessed such great strides is notable in itself.

REMEDIAL FISANSHIP.

Park Wells's bay trotter, Queen Thorpe, got hit on the track by the Lightning Express. An' they beat Park in court, 'cause he's down on the courts an' the railroads an' such. He voted for Teddy last time, but he said He's afraid Taft ain't no such buster as Ted. So it's Bryan for him!

Jay Gibbons ain't got any job any more. An' they shut off his credit at Jenkins. So Jay is riproarin' an' makin' 'em jump. Th' bankers an' shysters, from out on th' stump. He's read all th' platforms, behind an' before. An' says that th' Bryan one promises more. So it's Bryan for him!

Bud Hicks hasn't raised any crop that's with shucks. Since I can remember, he lost all his ducks. From pharisee bug an' his medder's all weeds. So he ain't goin' to 'git enough hay for his needs. He lost his hay team on a mortgage last week. An' his very best cow drowned down in th' creek. So it's Bryan for him!

And Nunn got halied out of a section of wheat. Thard's got twenty bushels—it never was! Till the cursed hall come down an' laid it all flat. An' Auker never thought of insurance for that. An' a lightning bolt fell an' it burned down his crib. An' his wife fell downstairs an' broke four of her ribs. So it's Bryan for him!

An' if we git bugs in th' wheat an' th' oats, I tell you Bill Bryan is goin' to 'git votes! An' Amos Hawk told me a good deal depends on how things pan out when th' crop season ends. An' if th' yield's light an' th' price is down low. Wal—it's Bryan for him!

—J. W. Foley, in New York Sun.

"They are quite ordinary people, aren't they?" "Yes—keep their engagements, eat plain food, pay their bills and all that sort of thing."

Sillicus—What do you consider is the proper time for a man to marry? Cynicus—Oh, I suppose when he hasn't anything else to worry him.

A poor lady the other day hastened to the nursery and said to her little daughter: "Minnie, what do you mean by shouting and screaming. Play quiet like Tommy. See, he doesn't make a sound."

"Of course, he doesn't," said the little girl. "That is our game. He is papa coming home late and I am you."

"There's eight nations represented in this ward of ours," said Mr. Halloran to his wife on his return from a political meeting. He began to count them off on his fingers.

"There's Irish, French, Eysellians, Poles, Germans, Russians, Greeks an'—an' an' it goes on. I remember the other was 'Th' Irish, Frin'—'Mays' 'twice Americans," suggested Mrs. Halloran.

"Sure, that's it!" said her husband. "I couldn't think."

AMERICAN BISHOPS VISITING ROME.

ROME, Aug. 2.—Cardinal Gibbons today visited several of the high church dignitaries, including Cardinal Satoli, prefect of the Congregation of Studies and Cardinal Martelli, convener with them at length concerning American affairs and especially with the former regarding the University at Washington.

Cardinal Gibbons, Bishop Foley, of Detroit, and Bishop O'Connell, of Washington, will go tomorrow morning to Castel Gandolfo to visit the Villa of the American College there.

BIG WELCOME FOR KNIGHTS IN BOSTON

City Enthused Over Big Convention—Colors of the Order Appear Everywhere.

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 2.—Boston, the great cotton city, the coming week welcomes the 25th national convention of the Supreme Lodge and the Biennial convocation of the Uniform Rank of the Knights of Pythias, and for a week or more 35,000 delegates representing the Knights of the Uniform Rank and the Pythian States from all parts of the United States, the Canadian northwest and the provinces, will have the freedom and honors of the city.

The well known reputation of the Knights for leaving behind them from \$100,000 to \$2,000,000 at their national conventions, have enthused the merchants and traders of the city. The result is a brilliant and cordial welcome, seldom offered to any but great conventions in the city.

IT FEELS LIKE FALL.

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VICTIMS OF CANNIBALS

Natives of Bismark Islands Captured and Ate Three Mission Boys.

VICTORIA, B. C., Aug. 3.—News of murders and cannibalism in the Bismark archipelago, and a protest against a punitive expedition, in which some villages were burned, was brought by the steamer Kaituma, which arrived last night from Australia via Honolulu. Rev. W. Dank's mission station was attacked and destroyed. The three boys who were captured were killed and their bodies carried to the hills, where a feast was held. The natives were roasted and destroyed. Evidence of the feast were found by an expedition sent to punish the natives.

THAT GENERAL STRIKE

IN PARIS A FAILURE

PARIS, Aug. 3.—So far as could be learned during the early part of the twenty-four hour general strike in Paris which was called by the general federation of labor as a protest against the killing of strikers at Lyons, last week, was not as extensive as the leaders had planned. No violence so far has been reported. The infantry and troops which were massed at the central points of the city found nothing to do as everything was orderly. The employees in many of the trades called off absolutely refused to join the movement, the principal success of which was found in the tying up of the newspapers and such journals as the Gilbeus, the Siecle, the Radical, the Republique and the Libre Parole, failing to appear.

MURDERED A TRADER.

Natives in the Solomon Islands Looted and Burned His Schooner.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 3.—The steamer Aorangi brings word of the capture of a trading schooner and the murder of Oliver Burns, a Sydney trader, in the Solomon Islands. Burns had a trading station at Marova Lagoon. Two blacks boarded the schooner to trade, and while Burns was stooping to pick up some goods he was struck from behind with an axe. The trader's wife was then seized and the natives looted the schooner. Kerosene was found in the vessel and it was scattered about and the schooner set on fire after being looted. The natives then robbed the dead man's store of everything and burned it.

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PROPOSED CHANGES IN CURRENCY LEGISLATION

Officers of National Banks Will Not Be Able to Borrow Funds Without Permission of Board of Directors.

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—In its monthly circular the National City Bank, of this city, presents at length proposed changes in the currency legislation of Congress, and discloses the suggestions which have been made to the National Monetary Commission in session at Narragansett. Among the changes contemplated are the following:

In the reports of conditions of national banks as now published in newspapers after the calls made by the comptroller for statements no mention has hitherto been required to be made showing the liabilities of officers and directors to their own institutions. It is proposed that the law be so amended as to require compulsory publication of these items in the aggregate. It has also been suggested that the law be amended so that no loans to officers of a national bank shall be made except upon written application to the Board of Directors, which application shall, before a loan can be made, be approved by a majority of the board.

TO WARN NEW YORK

OF ITS DESTRUCTION

"Last of Prophets" Goes to Metropolis to Tell People to Flee.

YORK, Pa., Aug. 2.—Lee J. Spangler, "The Last of the Prophets," and who has been issuing annual bulletins foretelling the destruction of various cities in this country and Europe, and finally the destruction of the world next December, has started to New York to warn the people there of the fate which awaits them. He will urge them to flee to other parts before the city is destroyed.

Spangler has had two cards printed, the one which he will wear on his back reading "The End of the World," and the other on his hat. Upon it is the inscription, "Lord of Lords and King of Kings."

Spangler has been receiving numerous communications from sympathizers and he will visit them personally.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN PEKIN LEGATION.

PEKIN, Aug. 2.—Fire in the German guard section of the legation quarter of the city at half past ten tonight reached the stage of a conflagration and exploded a quantity of ammunition. Two German and one French soldiers were killed, and eight German and five French soldiers were severely, and four soldiers and civilians slightly wounded.

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MARRIAGES

CLARKSON-CAMERON.—At Lancaster Heights, on Aug. 1st, by the Rev. H. R. Reed, J. R. Clarkson to Christina Cameron, widow of J. A. Cameron, Kirkcubright, Scotland.

DEATHS

CRAWFORD.—At Renforth on Sunday, Aug. 2, Sarah, widow of Moses Crawford, aged 87 years.

Service at Renforth on Tuesday, 4th inst., at 1 p. m. Funeral from St. Paul's church, St. John, at 2 1/2 p. m.

MARRIAGE, BAPTISM, BIRTH ALL AT ONCE

Preacher Puts In Busy Afternoon in a New Jersey Home.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Aug. 2.—At the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Schipman here, all in one afternoon, there were a birth, a marriage and a baptism.

The Rev. W. W. Knox, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, performed the wedding ceremony for Mr. Schipman's brother-in-law, Percy Hunter, and Miss Bertha Elizabeth Maria Schipman.

He was also called upon to baptize two baby boys just born to Mr. and Mrs. Schipman, which he did after performing the wedding ceremony.

"I saw 'Buddy' was in trouble, but my nerve failed me," declared the father.

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GIRL WITH A SAFETY PIN RESCUES BUDDY; BOARDWALK BLUSHES

Pretty Blond Turns the Trick While Others Faller.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 2.—William Garlick Thompson created a sensation that blocked the boardwalk for twenty minutes this afternoon. William is two years old, and better known as "Buddy," and that such a small mite could raise such a fuction among the big crowd of promenaders reached the stage of knickerbockers, it is likely that no further explanation will be necessary.

"Buddy" had been with his father in a boardwalk shop, but wandered forth while the parent was busy at the counter and started on a side trip of his own. It was during this trip that the catastrophe occurred. Somewhere in the maze of fluff garments under "Buddy's" short skirt a safety pin suddenly loosed the hold which his mother intended it to keep and in a flash the miniature gentleman was in trouble.

A most vital garment dropped around Buddy's feet. Buddy was tripped up with great celerity and arose in haste. A hundred sympathizing women halted and blushed as they saw Buddy's predicament. More than a hundred male promenaders followed suit. Others from both ways on the walk saw the sudden halt in the procession and ran with all speed to see the cause of the excitement.

"Won't someone please fix me up?" wailed the golden-haired Buddy. Half a dozen women bustlingly started forward to perform the necessary operation that would again place Buddy in position to continue his adventure; but nerve of each and every one failed as she spied the concerted group of men's faces.

"Please fix me up, my mamma isn't here," whimpered the juvenile adventurer, but in the face of the battery of male eyes the plea went unheeded for a moment. Then the heroine appeared. She was a pretty little blonde, but she made up in nerve what she lacked in size.

To the pleading of a girl companion she paid no heed. Down on her knees she went and with trembling fingers attempted to "fix up" the weeping youngster.

"That ain't the way mamma does it," declared the grateful "Buddy," and in a flash the plucky girl had turned the now sniffling tot over her knee in approved fashion.

There was a flash of lace-trimmed baby skirts, a quick snap of a safety-pin and the incident was closed, so far as the sniffling crowd was concerned, and they proceeded on the afternoon stroll.

Buddy's father appeared just as the operation was properly finished and stamped out his thanks to the now blushing girl, who completed her labors with a kiss invited by the happy "Buddy," who stuck out his lips for the caress.

"I saw 'Buddy' was in trouble, but my nerve failed me," declared the father.

CAN'T AFFORD HIM NOW.

Lily Bell—No, Rufus. Ah, can't marry 'ya' just yet awhile. Y'll have to wait. Rufus—Why for mose? I wait, Lily Bell? Lily Bell—Cause three of the families mammy washes for done quit her, an' an' new she's scovely makes tough to support me an' paw—Judge.

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