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WON A KISS AT CARDS

Cut Husband's Throat and Broke Wife's Leg, and Still Failed to Collect.

CHICAGO, Mar. 16.—Thomas Preston, a kisser from the lips of his pretty young wife in a gambling game early today and lost.

The winner, Charles Cross, in trying to collect his bet, stabbed Preston and then stabbed Mrs. Preston and threw her down stairs.

Both victims are lying in the Baptist Hospital. Cross is locked up in the Cottage Grove avenue police station.

The three had been playing cards and according to others in the rooming house, quarrelled frequently. Preston lost all his money.

"I'll stake you the \$40 you lost against a kiss," said Preston.

Mrs. Preston was consulted. The cards were dealt and the game began. Mrs. Preston watched the game calmly. Preston lost Cross rose to collect his bet, but Preston protested.

"Keep away," he shouted when Cross approached his wife.

"You lost," said Cross getting closer to Mrs. Preston.

Then Preston struck Cross, the police say, knocking him down. Cross ran for a knife and attacked Preston, who seized a chair and beat Cross on the head.

Mrs. Preston aided her husband. Cross caught the chair and seized Preston about the waist and with his other hand cut his throat.

After Preston fell Cross then tried to steal the kiss, but Mrs. Preston fought him. The man knocked her down, then threw her down the stairs, fracturing her skull and breaking a leg.

BERLIN, March 16.—The congregation in a church at Mittels, near Dresden, had a narrow escape from being suffocated by gas Sunday.

After the congregation realized that quantities of gas were escaping they became panic-stricken and rushed to the doors. A number of persons were crushed, and the exits became blocked, thus delaying the escape of the others.

All the members of the choir were overcome by gas and became unconscious. The organist and a considerable number of the congregation were also overcome.

Ultimately one man had sufficient strength and presence of mind to smash a few windows. All the doctors in the town were busy relieving the sufferers.

FIRE CAUSED PANIC AMONG 1,500 PRISONERS

Building on Hart's Island Destroyed—Guards Ordered to Shoot Any Who Attempted to Escape.

NEW YORK, March 16.—A panic was threatened for a short time tonight among the 1,500 city prisoners on Hart's Island, when fire was discovered in a large frame building used as a shoe shop. There were no prisoners in this building at this time, but from all the dormitories the flames could be seen and the prisoners manifested great uneasiness. The authorities took immediate steps to quell any attempts at escape by warning the prisoners that the guards would shoot anyone who tried to get through the lines.

There was considerable difficulty in fighting the fire as the water mains failed to work properly, but finally a dozen keepers and forty "trusties" got it under control before it attacked the adjacent buildings. The shoe shop was destroyed with a loss of \$40,000.

SEVERAL INJURED IN MAINE RAILWAY WRECK

Little Girl Struck by Another Train Had Her Skull Fractured.

LEWISTON, Me., March 16.—Struck by the 3:40 p. m. train today, as it was entering the upper Maine Central station, little Veronica Gillespie, the eight year old daughter of M. B. Gillespie of this city, sustained a fracture of the skull. She has an even chance of recovery. The little girl was on her way home from school and in attempting to get out of the way of a shifting engine, was struck by the fast express.

LEWISTON, Me., March 17.—The regular passenger train on the Maine Central R. R. which left Brunswick at 12:10 this morning and was due at Lewiston at 12:50, had a wrong switch a short distance outside of Lewiston this morning, and crashed into a coal car. The fireman of the passenger train and two or three passengers were slightly hurt. One of the passenger cars went off the track and traffic was blocked for some time.

EIGHTH ANNIVERSARY OF BUSINESS OPENING

J. N. Harvey Will Celebrate the Event With a Big Sale.

Eight years is a short period in the life of either a man or a business, yet it has been long enough for J. N. Harvey to build up one of the largest and most popular clothing, tailoring and general furnishings business in the Maritime Provinces. Eight years ago last week Mr. Harvey opened his store to the public, with a small but well selected stock of clothing and furnishings, in one of the four stores in the Opera House block. Since then the history of the business has been one of rapid, steady, yet healthy growth. Two years later the adjoining store was added by tearing down the brick wall dividing, and the two stores into one large store. This seemed to add even greater stimulus to trade and it was found necessary to add another after another of the remaining stores in the block in order to accommodate the ever increasing business until the spring of 1907 when the last and fourth store was secured, thus giving the entire Opera House block over to the Harvey business.

El Glawel has refused the Sultan's command to proceed to Shawia and receive further instructions from the French at Beirut. It is reported that he has proclaimed Muhi Kobah, Muhi Hadd's halfbrother, as sultan at Morocco City.

Shared, another pretender, is reported to be among the Aasi Tusil tribesmen, who have ceased paying tribute to Muhi Hadd.

Kaid Belton has been recalled from Seffrono and replaced by a French officer.

I hear that an attempt was made to assassinate Commander Menger, the head of a French military mission, while he was having an audience with Muhi Hadd. This incident gave rise to the statement that the sultan himself had been assassinated.

CHAOS IN JERUSALEM

Conflict of Greeds Results in All Churches Being Closed.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Mar. 16.—The special commissions appointed by the Turkish government to settle the Greek Church conflict in Palestine has arrived in Jerusalem. It is hoped that the dispute caused by the revolt of the Syrians against the supremacy of the Greek oligarchy in all church matters will be quickly ended.

The fight has been going on for months, and has been most bitterly waged. All the churches are closed, for the simple reason that the natives refuse to attend them. All funeral services are conducted in the cemeteries, and marriages are solemnized in the open air.

The crises came a few weeks ago, when the natives seized the convents and monasteries, turning the monks into the streets. Troops had to be requisitioned from Jaffa to maintain order. Most of the convents, monasteries and hospitals, both here and at Bethlehem, and other cities in Palestine, are in the joint hands of soldiers and representative natives.

ATTEMPTED MURDER TO SETTLE OLD GRUDGE

Caught College Student by the Neck and Fired at Him—Bullet Only Reached His Arm.

YARMOUTH, Me., March 16.—This evening, Carroll D. Bach, aged 28 years, shot at Joel Kelley, 18 years of age, a student at the North Yarmouth Academy, who lives in Freeport. The shooting is said to have been done because of an old grudge. Rich, who is said to be an arm around Kelley's neck and fired a shot from a .32-caliber revolver. Rich said: "I have got you this time," and then fired toward Kelley's head but the bullet went to one side and struck the left arm.

Rich at once took to his heels and shortly afterwards Chief of Police Gerow heard of the affair and started in pursuit. Sheriff Trefethen was notified and the Portland Police were asked to be on the lookout for Rich but up to a late hour he had not been found.

66TH SESSION ORANGE GRAND LODGE OPENED

Fredericton Scene of Annual Meet

GD. MASTER'S REPORT

Advises That Order Go Slow in Matter of Orphanage—Mixed Marriages

FREDERICTON, N. B., Mar. 16.—Grandmaster Rev. R. G. Polton called the Grand Lodge to order promptly at two o'clock this afternoon with a full representation present. Bro. Rideout, on behalf of the county master of Orange, presented a report of the lodge, which was read and approved. The Grand Master advised that the lodge should go slow in the matter of Orphanage—Mixed Marriages.

The Grand Master then read his address. After a warm welcome to the sixty-sixth annual session and a reference to the beautiful city in which the lodge meets and another paragraph pointing out the principles of the order and what constitutes its membership, the Grand Master delivered upon the important work outlined at the last session in St. John a year ago, and indicated that these important matters would be reported on by respective committees. He recommended that the lodge "make haste slowly" in the Orange orphanage matter, and his opinion was that the Grand Lodge of British America should appropriate a double the amount that this Grand Lodge contributes.

Not Satisfactory

The interview by the executive with the local government was not satisfactory to the executive. Outside of cordial greetings from the Grand Master, Mr. Polton's request seemed to meet with little sympathy and out of a cabinet of seven, four being Orangemen, the order was entitled to better treatment.

He asserted that in reference to the local government he was not satisfied. The letter issued from the Palace in St. John can only be looked upon as a blow at liberty and against the mind controlled by bigotry and intolerance.

"I do not like to have to make a statement like this," he said, "but for any pastor or bishop of souls to urge the social ostracism of those who see that as he sees, is surely a reversal to the things of a past better forgotten. Strong ground should be taken in such cases and followed up by action upon the part of this Grand Lodge."

Little Controversy

Very little controversy occurred among the lodges that constituted the executive and he was only called upon to give rulings on interpretation of constitutions. He has nearly always held public meetings in connection with his official visits and had visited the greater portion of the primary lodges. He referred to the sermon he delivered before the brethren in St. John last month of July, when one of the most interesting church demonstrations of the order has ever held came off. He drew attention to the successful year just closed and asked more serious attention to the Orange mutual benefit fund.

In reference to his visit to the Grand Lodge of British America he pointed out that a resolution would be brought up before that body to restore the purple and blue degrees. He pointed out the need of cordial support to that great Orange organ the Sentinel, and thanked the members for their kind and courteous treatment during the year past, more especially to the officers of the executive.

His address is referred to a special committee of six, Past Grand Master Thomas Heine and Bros. A. W. MacRae, George Blair and Thomas King.

The grand secretary, N. J. Morrison of St. John, said in part: Five new lodges were organized during the year, viz.: Gladstone L. O. L. No. 38, Tracey, Sunbury County; Ashburnham L. O. L. No. 104, North Head, Grand Manan; Westfield L. O. L. No. 28, Westfield, Kings (west); Star of Northumberland L. O. L. No. 124, Northumberland Co., and Beattie L. O. L. No. 137, York Co.

The following lodges have been re-sanctuated during the year, viz.: L. O. L. No. 12, York (west); L. O. L. No. 66, Carleton Co.; L. O. L. No. 19, Kings (east); L. O. L. No. 106, Kings (west), making a total of nine lodges added to our roll during the year.

The following dormant warrants have been returned, viz.: No. 98, formerly held at Chipman; No. 157, formerly held at Point Wolfe, Albert and released to new lodges as above.

The warrants held at Nixon, Albert and Boutouche, Kent Co., were cancelled, and these numbers 104 and 134, also given to new lodges organized during the year.

The reports show a total of 128 primary lodges, 1 district, 17 county and 15 Royal Scottish Chapter returned with 11 primary and 1 county lodge yet to be returned. The above returns show that 428 were initiated, 114 reinstated, 71 joined by certificate, a total of 611 new members by certificate, 112 suspended for other causes than non-payment of dues, 2 expelled, 4 died, 48. Haverlock, L. O. L. St. John Co. is the banner lodge this year, having captured that honor from L. O. L. No. 62, of Moncton, which it held for a number of years, and which now holds second place.

During the year we have lost forty-

HALF A DOZEN BURLY FIREMEN RUN AMUCK

Started Row in Launch in Which One Was Injured—Two in Jail and Three Still at Large.

NEWPORT, R. I., Mar. 16.—An encounter in the small naval launch which conveys persons from one point of the naval training station to another today, between six burly firemen from the Charlestown navy yard and the coarsened and crew of the launch and several coast artillerymen was the starting point for a prolonged rampage. The firemen, who were on duty in the police station, while a third is in the city hospital suffering from a severe scalp wound. The other three were still at large tonight. The men had been ordered here from Charlestown to take an assignment on the coast coast of Salem. They commenced a disturbance on the launch, it is said, while being taken out to the Salem, and were so objectionable that the crew of the launch ordered them to stop. Refusing, a general melee was started, in which one of the firemen, J. T. Madden, was hit upon the head by some blunt instrument, necessitating his removal to the hospital later.

The launch was turned back and the men put off. Then the men started to run amuck through the city until the police rounded up two of the five and took them into custody.

DISHONEST STUDENT GETS ROUGH TREATMENT

Taken From Police by Fellow Students and Ducked in River, Then Ordered to Leave Town.

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., March 16.—After his rooms had been searched and a number of articles said to have been stolen from other students had been discovered, Ralph McCune, a student in the West Virginia University, was seized by a mob of more than 400 students as he was being taken to jail late last night and ducked in the icy waters of the Monongahela River. The mob, augmented by a force of at least 100 more students, then dragged the youth from the river and took him to the central square, where he was held in an impromptu platform. After this he was ordered to leave the city on the next train. He obeyed.

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eight brethren, many of them had been returned from their early manhood, and continued during the many years in which they were blessed with health to stand by the principles which they professed, we reverse their memories, and let us try to emulate their virtues by doing our best to advance the interests of our order. To the bereaved families of our departed brethren we extend our sincere sympathy, and trust they will be comforted by the Grand Master above in this their time of sore trial.

The grand treasurer submitted his report, which showed a cash balance on hand of \$4,412. The committee to strike the annual dues and to compile the following report: Crockett, G. A. Blair, N. J. Smith, H. O. Gardner, B. B. Clark, J. Marzetti; correspondents: A. D. Thomas, R. G. Jefferson, G. B. Reid, B. S. Henglar, J. Fowler, George, J. W. Clark, D. Hipwell, S. W. Smart, John Henry, N. Crockett, J. King, B. B. Clark, J. Marzetti, J. M. Moore, J. A. D. Thomas, R. G. Jefferson, J. H. Bailey, F. Borrie, A. McFarlane, B. Ackroyd, H. Carle, constitution and laws, W. M. Campbell, J. Moore, J. Menzies, B. B. Clark, J. B. Moore; returns, J. Kerr, W. J. Travis, Geo. Thomas, George Maxon, E. Grimmer, E. Corbett.

A request from St. John County Lodge asked for \$200 to defray expenses in connection with the next 12th of July celebration in St. John city. The audit committee reported a satisfactory examination of the books and accounts of the secretary and treasurer with a balance as shown, \$2,500 of which is drawing interest in the bank at Moncton.

A special report was then read from the executive committee and is on the Orange orphanage question, outlining the work of the committee during the year. Grand Lodge then adjourned to meet again at 7:30 and to adjourn at 9:30 till tomorrow at 9 a. m.

At the evening session reports were received from the county lodges of St. John, York (west), Kings (west), York, Victoria, Restigouche. These were very enthusiastic and spoke well of the excellent condition of the order in this jurisdiction.

The following were appointed as a special committee to look into the financial affairs of the Orange Hall in Newcastle and to recommend some plan whereby the lodge there may be relieved of the financial burden now imposed upon it: H. G. Wadman, J. K. Kelley, J. W. MacRae, J. H. Burley, S. W. Smith.

The special committee appointed to draft a set of by-laws for this grand lodge reported the adoption of these by-laws took up the rest of the evening's session up to the hour of adjournment.

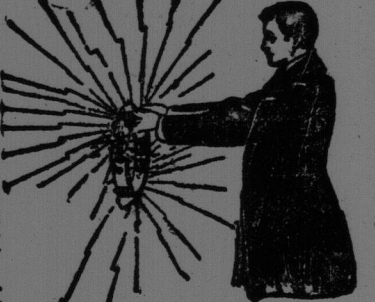
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GERMANY THREATENS TO SUPREMACY OF THE NAVAL

LONDON, March 16.—The dramatic revelation that Reginald McKenna, the lord of the admiralty, in parliament today of Germany's extraordinary development in her capacity to build big battleships rapidly seems likely to mark a crisis in Great Britain's naval history. Quite certainly it will thoroughly arouse and alarm the country as to the possibility of England's maintaining naval supremacy. Its effect on the members of the navy estimates was concluded a hurried meeting was called of the members of the house representing the "small navy party," at which the situation thus unexpectedly revealed was anxiously debated. No decision was arrived at, but the speeches showed that little more will be heard of cheapening so far the navy is concerned. On the contrary it seems that the government will be strongly urged by the majority of the members of their own party to make the "conditional" programme for additional "Dreadnoughts" an absolute building programme.

It becomes, as Mr. Balfour pointed out in today's speech, which greatly impressed the house, a question not of maintaining a two-power standard, but of maintaining a one-power standard in first class ships.

Face a Crisis

"I am forced," said Mr. Balfour, "to the conclusion that now, for the very first time in modern history, we are face to face with a naval situation so grave and so dangerous that it is difficult for us to realize all its imports."

Mr. Balfour declared that according to his information, which he lent to Mr. McKenna to refute, Germany had laid down last year eight Dreadnoughts and that she was several months in advance of her programme. If Germany continued at the same rate, he said, the relative position of the two nations in 1912 would be: Great Britain, twenty Dreadnoughts; Germany, twenty-one, or if the Germans imitated Great Britain's new policy of collecting materials and armaments beforehand Germany would have twenty-five Dreadnoughts.

Mr. McKenna questioned these figures as being beyond Germany's constructive power, but Mr. Balfour reported that it was difficult to discover what the Germans were doing.

The sensations caused by the debate is reflected in all the editorials this morning (March 17) irrespective of party. The Liberal organs make a feeble attempt to justify the government's programme as adequate, but apparently with considerable misgiving.

The matter was warmly discussed in the lobbies of the house and the very general opinion was held that the government would be obliged in the autumn to introduce fresh estimates for one or two "conditional" Dreadnoughts.

The safety of the country stands above all other sacrifices, and no matter what the cost, the safety of the country must be assured. This was the ground upon which Reginald McKenna, first lord of the admiralty, said that the increase of nearly \$15,000,000 in the naval estimates when they were introduced by him in the House of Commons this afternoon. "No one could suppose," went on Mr. McKenna, "that these present assumed the responsibility of these estimates with a light heart, but there were cases when even the most determined economist would have made sacrifices."

It was automatic the speaker con-

tinued, that Great Britain should have to maintain a navy sufficiently strong to ensure Britain's shores from invasion, the empire from hostile attempts and trade from destruction in time of war. The limits of the navy must be fixed by the progress of foreign powers. Several powers were rapidly developing their naval strength at the present moment, but not one at a pace to be compared to Germany. Mr. McKenna explained that he only selected Germany as a standard by which to measure British requirements for antinatal purposes, and he did not presume to any expression of feeling or opinion except one of respectful admiration for Germany's administrative and professional efficiency.

NEWFOUNDLAND HOUSE WILL OPEN MARCH 30

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Mar. 16.—For the fourth time this winter, Governor Macdonald today introduced a resolution summoning the legislature. This time the date set for the opening of parliament is March 30. The government have been necessary on account of the deadlock, which finally resulted in the resignation of the premier Sir Robert Bond.

It is not known whether Sir Edward Morris, leader of the opposition, will be able to carry on the government.

LIKE THE BEE

"I, sir," said Mr. Dustin Tax, "am like the busy bee. I have industriously stored the good things of life—'vices.' And anybody who tried to stop you was very likely to get stung."

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