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S I sat pondering, Thinking of the rights of men And the Declaration of Independence,

Rivalries forgotten, party politics for-

gotton In this the culminating fight for Democ Then suddenly I loved you, loved you as

You, my dear native land-America. EUGENE C. DOLSON. -New York Evening Post.

THE 'GLORIOUS FIRST OF JUNE'

WE should need to bring back the horrors of the first French Revolution to enable us to understand the wild delight with which Lord Howe's victory, in 1794, was regarded in England. A king, a queen, and a princess guillotined in France, a reign of terror, prevailing in that country, and a war threatening half the monarchs in Europe, had impressed the English with an intense desire to thwart the republicans. Our army was badly organized and badly generalled in those days; but the navy was in all its glory. In April 1794, Lord Howe, as Admiral-in-chief of the Channel fleet, went out to look after the French fleet at Brest, and a great French convoy known to be expected from America and the West Indies. He had with, him twenty-six sail of the line, and five frigates. For some weeks the fleet was in the Atlantic, baffied by foggy weather in the attempt to discover the enemy; but towards the close of May the two fieets sighted each other, and a great naval battle became imminent. The French admirals had often before avoided when possible a close contest with the English: but on this occasion convoy of enormous value was at stake, determined to meet his formidable opponent. The two fleets were about equal in the number of ships: but the French had the advantage in number of guns, weight of metal, and number of men. On the 1st of June. Howe achieved a great victory over Villaret Joyeuse, the details of which

The English valued this victory quite as much for the moral effect it wrought in Europe generally, as for the immediate material injury it inflicted on the French. They had long been anxious concerning Lord Howe's movements; and when they learned that he had really captured or destroyed a large part of the French fleet. the joy was great. In those days it took a considerable time to bring any news from the Bay of Biscay to London; insomuch that it was not till the 10th that the admiral's dispatches reached the Government. On the evening of that day the Earl of Chatham made known the news at the opera; and the audience, roused with excitement, called loudly for 'God save the King' and 'Rule Britannia,' which was sung by Morichelli, Morelli, and Rovedicco, opera stars of that period. Signora Banti, a greater star than the rest, being seen in one of the boxes, was compelled to go down to the stage, and join her voice to the rest in a second permost lively expressions of delight.

are given in all the histories of the period.

Of course there was much ringing of dows during the illumination saturnalia Stanhone on this occasion was marked by of his own rank, had concurred with the Anansi himself! the people. On the 13th, he inserted the from sight in a dark corner of the ceiling. ruffians attacked my house in Mansfield likely to see them. Street, in the dead of the night between

the aristocrat, or other person, who was the household of Anansi's cousin, Kofi. in the said carriage, gave money to the So Anansi was determined to find out how people in the street to encourage them: his cousin got food. they are now.—Chambers' Book of Days.

ANANSI THE SPIDER-MAN

STORIES FROM THE GOLD COAST

his badness. Listen now to WHY SPIDERS LIVE IN DARK CORNERS pleased he was, as you may believe, to ward the village. have such a store of corn, beans, and yams for the winter. But the more he thought about all the nice vegetables, the less he The pig came, ate enough, and left me! wished to keep them for winter.

Now, Anansi was greedy and badheart ed, and did not like to share anything with anybody, not even with his wife and son. So when he saw that the crops were quite ripe, he called his wife and son, and

away on business. When I get back we'll come to the farm and have a great feast." His wife and son thought that this was a good plan, and went to their house in the village. But the cunning Anansi did not go away on business; oh, no! He stayed there on the farm and built himself a nice little thatched but with everything to cook with. Then each night he crept softly from the hut and tetched a great quantity of vegetables from the barn, and feasted greedily all by himself.

It happened in about two weeks that Anansi's son said to his mother; I will go and weed the farm and surprise father when he returns." Se he went. But what was his wonder when he looked into the barn to see that half the rich harvest was gone! "Robbers have been here!" thought he. "I must hurry and catch them before they steal everything!" So he went back to the village and told the people, and they Coakley, Rolland Dixon, Morton Thurber, helped him to make a Rubber Man, black, grinning, and very sticky. This they car- William McMillan, Claud McLaren. ried to the farm, and set down in the Chorus, "Wait till the Cows Come Home, middle of the field to frighten the robbers. Then some of the young men stayed with Anansi's son to watch in the barn.

When it was quite dark Anansi came Red Riding Hood, out of his hut to fetch more food. As he Georgy-Porgy, was creeping through the field he saw the figure of a strange man in front of him. At first he was very much frightened, but Rock-a-bye Baby, formance of these songs. The Duke of seeing that the man did not move, he went Wee Willie Winkie, Clarence went and told the news to the up to him. "What do you want here?" Clarence went and told the news to the manager of Covent Garden Theatre; said he. But there was no answer. Boy Blue, Mother Hubbard, Lord Mulgrave and Colonel Phipps did "What do you want here?" said he again. Lord Mulgrave and Colonel Phipps did What do you want here: Said he again, the same at Drury Lane Theatre; Mr. getting angry. But still no answer. So Humpty Dumpty, Miss Muffet. Suett and Mr. Incledon made the announcement on the stage to the audiences of the cheek with his right hand stuck fast the Clouds Roll By," duet the same at Drury Lane Theatre; Mr. Suett and Mr. Incledon made the announcement on the stage to the audiences the cheek with his right hand stuck fast Tom, Tom the Piper's Son, Earl Coughey the cheek with his right me go," cried he, Chorus, "Till the Clouds Roll By," duet gnashing his teeth, "or I'll hit you again!" And he hit the man a blow on the other Duet, Miss Flossie Anning, Mr. Sydney bells and firing of guns to celebrate the cheek with his left hand. And his left victory; and, in accordance with English hand stuck fast in the rubber. "How dare How The Story Grew: custom, there was some breaking of win- you hold me!" cried he, foaming with rage. Mrs. Green, Mrs. Brown, "Let me go or I'll you!" Then he put up Mrs. in the evenings. The conduct of Earl his right foot to kick himself free. And Mrs. Rice. his right foot stuck fast in the rubber. some of the eccentricity which belonged Then he kicked with his left foot, and some of the eccentricity which belonged to his character. He was among those statesmen (and they were not a few) who deprecated any interference with the internal affairs of France; and who, to hang helpless until daybreak. Then though not approving of regicide and the his son and the young men came out of reign of terror, still saw something to the barn to catch the robber, and were admire in the new-born but misused very much astonished, as you may well liberty of that country. The earl, in spite believe, to find that the evil-doer was

French in regarding an 'Aristocrat' as After that Anansi was so ashamed that necessarily an enemy to the well-being of he changed into a Spider, and hid away following singular advertisement in the And ever since then Spiders have been newspapers :- 'Whereas a mixed band of found in dark places, where people are not

This is another tale of Anansi the 11th and 12th of June instant, and set greedy Spider-Man. Once there was a it on fire at different times: and whereas sore famine in the land. The villiagers a gentleman's carriage passed several were thin and pale for lack of food. Only times to and fro in front of my house, and one family was fat and well. This was

this is to request the friends of liberty Now it happened this way. One morn-Halifax, N. S., May 21.—The Newand good order to send me any authentic ing when Kofi was hunting, he had found foundland coastal steamer Ethie which information they can procure respecting a wonderful mill-stone. It ground flour went ashore at Mistaken Point, seven a collision, Lloyd's Shipping Agency an-And then of you, my country, as you the name and place of abode of the said of its own accord, heaps and heaps of rich miles west of Cape Race, last week, was nounces. stand to-day—

aristocrat, or other person, who was in yellow corn-flour. Near it ran a stream refloated yesterday. The Ethie was haul-Revered and honored now the world the carriage above-mentioned, in order of honey. Kofi was delighted. He sat ed into deep water by the Dominion of 4,500 tons gross, built in 1917 at Sunder- yard were jammed soon after noon to-day that he may be made amenable to the down by the stone, and made cakes, and Government steamer Lady Laurier, and is land. She was owned Cayzer, Irvine & with one of the biggest crowds ever Your sons united, one in heart and pur- law.' The words 'aristocrat' and ate them, and drank all the honey he proceeding to St. John's, Nfld., under her Co., Limited, of Glasgow. The last gathered in lower Manhattan; windows of 'liberty' were then more terrible than wanted. Then he carried away enough own steam, according to a wireless to the flour and honey for his family. And this Marine and Fisheries Department here tois why his wife and children were fat and day from Captain Travers of the Lady well, while the other villagers were thin Laurier. and hungry.

> Why Spiders Live Under Stones
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> These are stories about the SpiderMan, Anansi, which the African
> Grandfather tells to the children of the
> Gold Coast:
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> Come, comrades, listen to a tale. Once upon a time there was a man named
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> Anansi Hawas a cunning and described.
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> The Admiralty made this official announced to-day. Eleven officers and sixty-one men were landed uninjured. One engineer and two men of the engineer force were killed.
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> The Admiralty made this official announcement last night:
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> "One of our Atlantic escort submarines, returning to its base, reports that on May of the engineer force were killed.
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> —A Canadian Pacific Port, May 23.—
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> While proceeding to meet a convoy, she sighted and sank a German submarine of the scout cruiser type. A heavy sea was the stone he cried out the stone has a cunning and described. Anansi. He was a cunning and deceitful in a loud voice: "Ho! ho! Here is night by the local agent of the Osaka creature, who liked to get the better of plenty of food for me! I need never go Shoshen Kaisha Line, owners of the his neighbours; but he was punished for hungry again!" "Hush!" said his cousin. Japanese freighter Burmah Maru, says "You must not shout here! It is a magic that the vessel, which was reported on fire spot. Sit down quietly and eat your fill." at sea, is returning to port under her own There was a time when Anansi was a So they sat down. But when they had steam, the flames having been checked. very industrious farmer. One year he eaten all they wanted, and drunk enough The freighter Canada Maru, of the same, and his wife and son planted a large farm, honey, Anansi shouted again: "Ha! ha! line, which stood by the burning vessel, with yams, maize, and beans. The crops Now I'll take the stone with me!" And and to which the crew of the Burmah flourished. When the harvest came it in spite of all that Kofi could say, he lift. Maru was being transferred, according to was ten times greater than any Anansi ed the stone on to the top of his head, and earlier reports, has proceeded on her wayhad ever had before. And very well went staggering through the forest to-

> > But as he went the stone cried out: Spider! Spider! Put me down! The antelope came, ate enough, and left me!

Kofi came, ate enough, and left me! Greedy Spider! Put me down!

But Anansi only laughed scornfully, and said to them: "We have worked hard went staggering along, and would not put raising our vegetables. They have repaid the stone down. Then the stone began pedoed without warning. It was a moonus well. Let us gather the harvest into to grind and grind of the top of Anansi's light night and although a good lookout our barn." So they gathered in the har- head. He tried to throw it on the grass, was kept the attacking submarine was vest.

Then Anansi said: "Now we three need a rest. Go home to the village and have a good time for three weeks, while I go little pieces litt

> That is why to-day, whenever one lifts up a big stone, one finds so many small Spiders under it.

-Retold by Frances Jenkins Olcott in The New York Evening Post. Taken from clothing at the different naval ports where "West African Folk Tales," by Barker and Sinclair.

Y. W. P. A. ENTERTAINMENT

The programme of the G. W. P. A. vaudeville show held in Memorial Hall, Thursday evening, May 23, was as fol-

Gillman's Orchestra Piano Solo Miss Muriel Davis Maypole Dance—Stella Williamson, Eliza-beth Chase, Mary O'Neill, Indah Chase, Edith Finigan, Kathleen Howard, Phyllis Hazen Williamson, Paul Gilman, Horace Hanson, Leonard Chase, Harold Sinnett,

son and Mr. Roy Gillman. Mother Goose Play:-

Gladys Horsnell Marjorie Hanson Donald Ross Emma Odell Douglas Chapman Elva Larsen Mildred Rigby Horace Hopkins Margaret Keay

by Mrs. Vern Lamb and Mr. Sydney

Anning. Miss Phyllis Cockburn Miss Ethel Cummings Miss Dorothy Lamb Miss Freda Wren Mrs. Doolittle Miss Mattie Mallock Miss Carolyn Rigby Miss Alice Holt

mer, Miss Laura Shaw.
God Save the King.
The members of the chorus were Mrs.
Vern Lamb, Mrs. Ralph Goodchild, Mrs.
Ben Hanson, and the Misses Bessie
Thompson, Gladys Thompson, Muriel
Davi., Phyllis Cockburn, Francis Thompson, Elsie Finigan, Julia O'Neill, Margaret
Rigby, Carolyn Rigby, Mattie Mailoch,
Ethel Cummings, Freda Wren, Marie
Douglas, Dorothy Lamb, Viola McDowell,
Fern McDowell, Flossie Anning, Gertrude
Anning. Alice Holt, Laura Shaw, and
Bessie Grimmer.

see no submarine.

"There were some destroyers convoying us, and they at once scattered around in search of the submarine. Only one
torpedo was fired.

"When it was realized that we should have to abandon the vessel, the destroyers came along side to take off the troops."

The Leasowe Castle, 9,737 tons gross, was built at Birkenhead, and was owned by the Union-Castle Mail Steamship Company of London.

"I make it a rule not to read what the newspapers say about me," remarked Senator Sorghum. "But some of the things are complimentary." "I don't have to read those. As a rule such articles are prepared and sent out under my own direction."—Washington Star.

NEWS OF THE SEA

-London, May 24-The British Admiralty announced in an official bulletin as follows:

"The armed mercantile cruiser Moldavia, was torpedoed and sunk yesterday morning. There were no casualties among the crew, but of the American troops on board, fifty-six, up to the present. have not been accounted for. It is feared they were killed in one compartment by the explosion. The Moldavia was torinto line and awaited orders. When it was seen that the Moldavia was settling down all on board were taken off by the escorting ships. The men lost all their belongings, but were supplied with new ments would enable her to reach port." have been landed.

The Moldavia is of 9,500 tons gross, and owned by the Peninsular and Oriwas built at Greenock, in 1903, and is 520 feet long.

steamer Inniscarra, bound from Fishguard to Cork, has been torpedoed and sunk. Thirty-seven members of the crew are missing, and are supposed to have been lost. Five survivors of the disaster have been landed. They are the captain, the

She listed immediately, and foundered in four minutes. The Inniscarra was a vessel of 1,412 tons. She was built in 1913 and belonged to the City of Cork Steam Packet Company.

---Sydney, N. S., May 24.-The steamer Angoulene which went on the rocks at Scatarie Island early last winter was released by her own steam yesterday morning. The vessel went on the rocks during a fog. She is little damaged, but George Higgins during a rog. She is into dry-May Malloch it will be necessary for her to go into dry-Mary Anderson dock for repairs.

> announced that the German submarine U. 65 entered the port of Santander at Holland and Germany. 6 o'clock this morning.

-London, May 25.-Survivors agree that the steamship Moldavia was torpedoed and not mined. One seaman said:

bound for an English port early Thursday morning; The weather was fine and nine of other ranks, and of the ship's in the Stefansson expedition in 1915 to explosion amidship. The ship had been struck just below the bridge, but we could It is presumed all were drowned." see no submarine.

her of the crew as saying : "A very careful watch was kept, but a submarine does not seem to have been sighted before the torpedo struck. Only worth."—Washington Star.

th-east coast port. He quotes a mem-

half a dozen men who were put off on a raft got so much as a wetting and they were saved "

-London, May 27-The British steamer Clan Matheson, has been sunk in

ashington, May 22.—Three men marine of the cruiser type was sunk on were lost in the sinking of the American May 11, in the latitude of Cape St. Vincent to find out how Kofi got food, and he gave oil tanker Wm. Rockfeller, of 7,157 tons, his cousin no peace until he told him torpedoed in European waters, the Navy The Admiralty made this official an-

sighted and sank a German submarine of tions for the Red Cross War Fund. the scout cruiser type. A heavy sea was running at the time. There were no survivors.

"Shortly afterwards another enemy submarine was sighted, but by swift div-

ing she escaped the fate of her escort. This being the first cruiser submarine destroyed, it has been decided to depart from the usual rule of not announcing the destruction of individual enemy sub-

Cape St. Vincent is on the south-west extremity of Portugal.

--- Cork, May 24-The commander of the submarine which sank the Cork steamer Inniscarra on Friday, handed the ship's steward two letters addressed to David Lloyd-George, with instructions to post them when he reached shore. The steward, however, turned them over to the authorities on landing. The steward was one of five survivors out of a total climbed the blank smooth wall by the aid complement of forty-two men on board

After torpedoing the Inniscarra the submarine came up alongside a boat with in the street struck up the "Star-Spangled survivors in it and took several of them, Banner,' and, like a good soldier, the including the steward, aboard in an effort climber drew off his hat and stood at to learn if the Inniscarra's eaptain was attention. among them. It was desired to make the The "stunts" performed by the cliwas among the survivors his identity was concealed from the Germans.

The Inniscarra was bound from Fishguard to Cork.

-London, May 25-The German subthey were taken. The vessel was struck marine which torpedoed British steamer below the bridge. She steamed ahead for Inniscarra was sunk by an American dessome time after being struck, and at first troyer shortly afterward, it was announced it was hoped that her watertight compart- to-day. Prisoners from the submarine

-Madrid, May 25-Seventy-eight Spanish merchantmen have been sunk by ental Steam Navigation Company. She German submarines, according to a list printed by the Epoca. In a discussion of what has suffered since the beginning of Queenstown, May 24—The Cork the U-boat campaign, the newspaper says the Tava Company of Barcelona has been the heaviest individual loser.

-London, May 25-The newspapers nnounce that the American steamer Neches was sunk on the night of May 14 off Start Point, in the Orkney Islands, as chief officer, one steward, and two sailors. a result of a collision with another steam-The Inniscarra was struck amidships, er. The crew of the Neches was saved while the other vesael sank immediately. with the loss of all on board.

> Announcement was made by the American navy department on May 16 that the steamer Neches had been torpedoed and sunk by a German submarine. She was returning without cargo and all on board himself!" was shouted through the crowd. were reported saved.

-Amsterdam, May 27.-The Gernans have seized and taken into Swinemuende the Dutch steamship Jantie and sailing vessels Marie, Jacoba, and Gerzine. This is in pursuance of their policy of not permitting Dutch vessels to sail without -Madrid, May 24.-It is officially German safe conducts, pending arrangements of the trantit question between

> -London, May 29.-The British Admiralty announces "The transport Leasowe Castle was tor-

nedged and sunk by an enemy submarine. lett. well-known to Canadians. "We were proceeding up the channel May 26, in the Mediterranean. "Thirteen military officers and seventy-

there was a bright moonlight. We felt an company the captain, two wireless oper- the Arctic on behalf of the Canadian ators and six of other ratings are missing. Government, and the award was made

The Leasowe Castle, 9,737 tons gross,

coast when she was attacked, says the cles are prepared and sent out under my correspondent of the Daily Mail at a own direction."—Washington Star.

"Did you make any Liberty Bond speeches?" "Only one," replied Mr. Dustin Stax. "But I flatter myself it was a pretty good one." "What was it?" "I

"HUMAN FLY" CLIMBS BEFORE VAST CROWD

Broadway from the Post Office to Fulton Street, Park Row, from Broadway to Printing House Square, Barclay, Vesey, The Clan Matheson was a new steamer, and Fulton Streets, and St. Paul's Churchmention of her in the shipping records all the buildings commanding a view of was on December 16 last, when she was the Park Row and Broadway corner were reported at a United States Atlantic port. filled also, and the crowd was held spell--London, May, 27.—A German sub- bound for an hour and a half while Harry H. Gardiner, who has been nicknamed "The Human Fly," gave what he called "merely a demonstration of the power of mind over matter" by climbing up the

front of the Park Row Building. And while he climbed, several hundred Red Cross girls, working, by twos and threes, and in groups accompanied by soldiers and sailors, collected contribu-

Some of the girls passed collection plates borrowed from St. Paul's. Some had Red Cross boxes. Several of the convoyed groups bore horizontally large American flags into which the crowd was asked to toss its gifts. Anything from a copper cent to a greenback, as large as one would, was accepted, and more than a barrelful of coins'and bills was collected.

The Park Row Building is twenty-nine stories high, towering 309 feet above the sidewalk. Gardiner scaled it to the top of the south tower, and then for good measure shinned up a sixty-foot flagpole atop of that; and from the dizzy height waved his greeting to the wildly cheering throng

Clad in the white suit of a Red Cross worker, with a huge red cross on the back. of his coat, Gardiner began his hair-rising climb at 12:30 o'clock. Starting from the ground with the agility of a monkey, he of a sign, and soon was on corner blocks of the second floor, bowing to the crowd When the fifth floor was reached a band

on his nimble way brought cheer after cheer from the watchers below. First he would hang on by his feet and throw out his arms, then he would throw out his feet and hold on to the corner blocks with his hands. Several times he would move half-way across the front of the building. apparently looking for a better foothold or finger-hold for his progress, but always he returned to the southernmost corner, and kept on going up and up.

While the thousands were straining their eyes watching him, there was a flutter in the crowd grouped against the Federal Building. A hasty survey of the old Post Office Building revealed the cause of the stir. People were scurrying away from the protection of the building so as to avoid, as it were, being the victim of an amateur scaler.

Midway between the second and third floors of the Federal Building, between two pillars in the cornice, clinging monkey like by his finger tips was a postal clerk struggling to reach the ledge above. As his body swayed to and fro gasps went up from the crowd. The postal clerk performed a feat which would baffle many a steeplejack. He actually climbed head backwards up and around a protruding ledge.

"Stop that fool! Stop him! He'll kill But with a grin he looked down at the crowd, and then slowly turned his gaze toward Gardiner, far above in the heights of the Park Row Building-New York Evening Post, May 27.

RECOGNIZE WORK OF CAPT. BARTLETT

London, May 28-At last night's meet ing of the Royal Geographical Society a grant awarded to Captain R. A. Bart-

The President of the Society said Capt. Bartlett commanded the steamer Karluk chiefly in recognition of his splendid leadership of the expedition after his vessel had been lost.

CANADIAN TROOPS ACROSS

Ottawa, May 28.-It is officially announced, through the chief press censor's office that the troops arrived safely in England:

Infantry-Central Ontario, Nova Scctia. New Brunswick, and British Columbia. site Battalion from Halifax. Railway Construction Battalion. Siege Artillery.