

Gregory Rasputin Was a Necromancer

Wierder Stories Than Ever Are in Circulation Concerning the "Sacred Devil of Russia"

New York, Jan. 3.—Ilodor, the "Mad Monk" of Russia, who is finding great difficulty in getting his revelations of the Russian court published in this country, on account, as he says, of the interference of the Russian government, gave today an explanation of the murder of Rasputin, Russia's Sacred Devil, that illuminates and gives a sensational turn to the London reports of the crime.

According to Ilodor, the "Sacred Devil" was murdered for reasons having to do not only with his prophetic love affair in Russian noble circles.

The London despatches indicate that suspicions has been turned on Prince Yusupoff, and in mentioning that three attempts have been made on Rasputin's life, he says that the death of Rasputin was finally accomplished by official intervention. The actions of Prince Yusupoff are said now to be under examination. Ilodor says that the day that Felix killed Rasputin, and that Rasputin died "a pro-German and an arch-fiend, trying to bring evil into the Felix family."

Why He Left Russia
"I believe," said Ilodor, through an interpreter, "that Rasputin is dead. I left Russia because Rasputin was victorious in getting the upper hand with the Czar. Otherwise I would have been put to death. The first attempt to assassinate Rasputin was on July 1, 1914. The girl, Chria Huzzena, made the attempt. She was a good friend of mine. The cause for her action was Rasputin's attempt to use violence upon her. Her effort to use violence failed because her stiletto was too long. Rasputin saw to it that she was not tried, so the facts could not come out.

"Rasputin had her committed to an asylum in Siberia, where she is to this day. She was just a woman in the city of Tzarizan. Rasputin accused me of instigating the attempt, saying that I sent the woman to murder him.

A Second Attempt
"The second attempt to assassinate Rasputin occurred at the end of January or beginning of February, 1916. The Minister of the Interior sent a Russian official to me who offered me the sum of \$200,000 on condition that I hire five men for the purpose of inducing Rasputin to reveal to the Russian Press. This attempt has been a success. Rasputin is dead, for political reasons as well as for romantic ones.

Could Not Deny Connection in Facts
"In September, 1916, while in New York, I made known to the Russian Embassy that Rasputin was striving for separate peace between Russia and Germany. I was informed that Rasputin had been taken to put him out of the way. I cannot deny the connection between the two facts, namely by revelations to the English Embassy in Washington and the present assassination.

"But since Prince Yusupoff is mixed up in this affair I am of the opinion that the assassination was not merely political but that there was an air of romance in it. The family of Prince Felix Yusupoff are richer than the Czar himself. They are the richest family in Russia. In this romance the following persons are concerned:

"Rasputin, myself, Prince Felix, his wife, Erina Alexandrovna, daughter of the Grand Duke Alexander Mikheevitch, the Court Lady, Lachitina, and Maria Holovina, a niece of the wife of the Grand Duke Paulo Alexandrovitch, who is an uncle of the Czar.

"In June, 1913, Prince Felix, who was concerned in this matter, married the Princess Erina. Maria Holovitch was for a long time in love with Prince Felix. She is a good friend of mine. In conversation with me, I am a priest, she often spoke to me not as in confession but as in conversation with a friend. She disclosed these things to which I refer. I told her that if Prince Felix chooses to marry another she ought not to interfere.

Could Not Reconcile Himself
"She could not reconcile herself to this. This Holovina, after the marriage ceremony had taken place, wrote letters to Lachitina, saying: 'I have been deprived of my treasure but I hope that with the aid of Rasputin, he will help to alleviate my sufferings.' Lachitina submitted the letter to me, asking my advice. I asked Holovitch to forget the past and to let Rasputin do his work. By manipulating his psychological powers, Rasputin had power to induce certain men who love to forget their love, and cool down. Rasputin went to the castle of Prince Elston (Felix). By the use of psychological powers, he tried to weaken Erina's love for Felix. He did it in order to bring Felix and Holovina together. This affair lasted three years. At last Felix could stand it no longer, and put an end to it by killing Rasputin. Rasputin perished as a political fiend trying to induce Russia to conclude a separate peace, a bad man, an arch fiend, who tried to bring misfortune into the family of Prince Felix."

Ilodor made it clear to-day that he does not pretend ever to have been a confessor to the Czar or the Czarina.

"I was his friend," he said. "I come to America to tell the truth about the horrors of the Russian court and this I am now going to do through the press, though my earlier efforts have been suppressed by various forms of intervention."

Ilodor "The Mad Monk" as he was known, came to this country last autumn and announced that he was ready to expose on the lecture platform and in the magazines conditions at the Russian court. He was Rasputin's predecessor in favor of the Romanoff's and the Metropolitan bought the manuscript of his story.

Then came the first hitch. The heralded story of Rasputin did not appear as advertised. Ilodor rushed into print with a charge that the Metropolitan had been prevented from the publication of the story by a visit to the offices of the magazine which in reply declared that the story had to be held up because of Ilodor's lack of documentary evidence of some of his most serious charges.

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The O. C. stated this morning that he was immediately making application for the sum. Lt. Col. Williams will also be present at the meeting of the Brant county recruiting league at 7.30 to-night in the Y. M. C. A.

Notes
Captain S. E. McKegney has been recalled from the P.S.I. to resume his duties as chaplain of the unit, and also to assist in recruiting, in which active steps are anticipated for the near future.

Captain Mattesso will be here on February 6th for the purpose of lecturing to the officers and N.C.O.'s of the battalion on trench warfare. The regular semi-weekly route march of the battalion took place yesterday afternoon, extending to about six miles, the usual distance covered in marches of this nature. The route chosen was around the outskirts of the city, the men returning by way of the Cocksbutt road shortly before 4 o'clock.

Four N. C. O.'s and 36 men have been detailed to leave on Sunday for a course in bombing at St. Catharines, commencing on Monday. For the past few weeks, almost without exception, similar detail has been despatched to St. Kitts to attend classes there, leaving the local strength of the unit somewhat depleted.

In the orders issued this morning attention was drawn to the fact that the National Service cards are to be signed by all members of the C. E. F. permanent force, and permanent staff, and all officers, attached to headquarters.

One recruit was taken on the strength of the battalion yesterday, the latest acquisition being H. Powell, a married man, aged twenty-one years, who resides in Brantford. The following is an extract from camp orders, issued January 8th: It has again come to notice that sergeant-cooks and other staff sergeants are wearing unauthorized badges. Officers commanding units are requested to hold periodical start parades and to note and correct any such improper practices."

Two firemen were killed and six injured when an auto engine of Union Hill, N.J., skidded and crashed into a tree.

GLASS OF SALTS IF YOUR KIDNEYS HURT

Eat Less Meat If You Feel Backache or Have Bladder Trouble—Salts Fine for Kidneys.

Meat forms uric acid which excites and overworks the kidneys in their efforts to filter it from the system. Regular eaters of meat must flush the kidneys occasionally. You must relieve them of the burden of uric acid; removing all the acids, waste and poison, else you feel a dull misery in the kidney region, sharp pains in the back or sick headache, dizziness, your stomach sour, tongue is coated and when the weather is bad you have rheumatic twinges. The urine is cloudy, full of sediment; the channels often get irritated, obliging you to get up two or three times during the night.

To neutralize these irritating acids and flush of the body's uric acid waste get about four ounces of Jad Salts from any pharmacy; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine and bladder disorders disappear. This famous salt is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia and is used by two generations to clean and stimulate sluggish kidneys and stop bladder irritation. Jad Salts is inexpensive; harmless and makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water drink which millions of men and women take now and then, thus avoiding serious kidney and bladder diseases.

GRANT OF \$1000 TO THE 215TH

Is Made by the Government For Recruiting Purposes; Other 215th News

An enthusiastic meeting of the Haldimand County Recruiting League was held in Cayuga yesterday, at which Lt. Col. G. H. Williams, the chief recruiting officer for military division number two, was present, as well as a large number of the representative residents of the county. The 215th battalion was represented by Lt. Col. H. E. Snider and Lieut. Corrie. The meeting was held in the evening and was held in the evening and was held in the evening.

Two committees were organized on recruiting in the two divisions of the county, and these committees undertook to arrange meetings throughout the district to stimulate enlistment. The League will aim to secure enough men to supply a company for the battalion, and appoint a committee to approach the county council for the purpose of obtaining a grant of \$50 to assist in the undertaking. A registration of the entire county has been made, and with this aid, it is expected that the work will be greatly lessened, as much of the unnecessary details will be eliminated.

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NEWS OF NORFOLK

H. A. Carter Elected Reeve Over Chas. E. Misner, Other Simcoe Items

Simcoe, Jan. 10.—In the re-shipment elections held here yesterday, H. A. Carter defeated Chas. E. Misner by 110 votes.

The result by wards was:
Carter 66 74 52 70 66—328
Misner 81 45 27 47 18—218

How doubtful matters were up to the last moment may be gathered from the fact that Mr. Carter, who left at five o'clock for St. Catharines, told us as he boarded the car that he feared defeat.

Another broken soldier has reached his home unannounced and without a word. Yesterday morning there arrived and joined his family, Joseph Del Salvo, an Italian who worked with the Dominion Cannery here and enlisted on Feb. 8th, 1915. He went overseas with Lt. J. J. O'Connell and comes home with a bad wound in his head and a gash in his shoulder. Mrs. C. E. Innes who rode in the same train became aware of the presence of the unfortunates and passenger on arrival at the depot, offered him a ride to his home in her car which was in waiting but the modest fellow courteously declined and hurried to the shortest route to greet his wife and babe in their humble home on Queen St. North.

Del Salvo has a bad wound in his head and a gash in his shoulder but to protect the infant and himself at home. His loyalty will be recognized no doubt one of these days.

The sheep of Wallace Green of Tobermowry have been ravaged by dogs this week. The sheep industry is being abandoned in the north of the county. Up to the present we have not learned of any farmers putting a small bell on each of every fourth or fifth sheep in the flock as a deterrent, though some believe that this device will effectually ward off dogs which do their work in silence.

St. Pauls Church, Missionary Society has undertaken to support a Bible woman in India for the year. Mrs. W. J. Dey is at present critically ill at the manse.

Miss Mary Helena Dey, M. A., of Providence R., has been called to her mother's bedside.

Captain Simpson of the Imperial Army service Corps leaves tomorrow morning for the front after a few weeks absence following a year and a half in the fight in France.

Charles Hunter of Wycombe, while driving a load of logs to Delhi, got into trouble with a horse named "Dick's Hill." The horse slipped on the icy road and upset. Mr. Hunter was caught and rendered unconscious. He was when found taken to the hospital at Delhi and is reported to be suffering from severe injury to the base of the skull.

Mrs. W. B. Tomlinson has received a gift from her son, L. Corp. Gordon Tomlinson, of the Middlesex Batt., now overseas. The gift is a knowledge of a splendid gift of cigars for the signallers of the regiment sent by Jack Sutton, formerly of London, who is in the Chicago office of the Traveller's Ins. Co. To present was sent through Mr. W. B. Tomlinson and along with it a similar gift from a survivor of the King's Light Horse, the latter inscribed "From an Old Soldier, who knows a soldier's need." The smokes arrived in time for Christmas distribution.

Word has been received that the \$100 in cash forwarded to the Canadian Field Comforts Commission for "Santas" for the men of the 133rd was used for the purpose intended and reached the men with surprising regularity.

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Steelcloth Galateas, a very fine material, for house dresses, etc., worth 30c yard, special 23c at per yard

Scotch Ginghams 15c yd.
Old Stock of Scotch Ginghams, 27in. and 30 in. wide, worth 20 and 22c., yd 15c Clearing price

Horrockses English Sheetings Cambrics Longcloths and Pillow Cotton at Special Prices.

Horrockses' Linen Finished Sheetting, suitable for initialing purposes and bridal outfits, 72 in., special at 58c yard, 80 in., special at per yard **65c**

Pillow Cotton, circular, to match Sheetting, 40 in., 42 in., and 44 in. widths, special at per yard **50c**

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Horrockses' Bridal Cloth, 40 inches wide, fine even thread, special at per yard **25c**

Big Savings On Flannelettes

Ends of White Flannelettes, 29 inches wide, worth 12 1-2c. yard, sale price **9c** per yard

Fine Twilled White Flannelette, very soft, finish, special at **15c** per yard

Heavy White Flannelette, 36 inches wide, special at per yard **18c**

Horrockses' English White Flannelette, unshrinkable, 35 inches wide, special at per yard **22c**

34 in. Fine colored Flannelette, special at per yard **15c**

10 Pieces of Striped Flannelette, 36 inches wide, extra soft, no filling, special at per yard **18c**

Extra Bargains In Circular Pillow Cottons

25 Pieces Only of Heavy Circular Pillow Cotton in 40 in., 42 in., and 44 in. widths, selling now at 35c., 37 1-2c., 40c., sale price for all widths—**33c Per Yard**

Great Values In White Sheetings

1 Piece only of Heavy White Sheetting, 72 in. wide, nice, sound, even thread, and free from dressing worth 50c yd., sale price per yard **39c**

Same Sheetting in 80 in. width, special at—**49c Per Yard**

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was also good and the whole production thoroughly enjoyable.

The Grand
F. Stuart-Whyte's production of "Aladdin" which comes to the Grand Opera House, is making a great hit on its Canadian tour, as the following clipping from an exchange paper will show:

"Aladdin and His Wonderful Lamp" yesterday awakened Canadians to what they have missed in not having oftener with them the pantomime that at certain seasons of the year brings such an amount of pleasure into the lives of old and young in the Old Country; and the audience that filled every seat of the theatre at afternoon and evening productions showed the wizardry of a name, notwithstanding learned disquisitions to the contrary. Past experience led many to attend; they did and were conquered by the fascination of the old story in a new dressing. And what a brilliant and fascinating dressing it is. Beautiful scenery, beautiful costumes and tuneful music satisfy the eye with a variety of coloring as charming as in good taste, and provide a spectacle delightfully pleasing. But excellent as the setting it would not make the pantomime. Even the most resplendent scenic effects without that play of wit and humor, that holding the mirror up to nature, if not as the Bard of Avon meant it, that makes 'the play the thing,' would be 'stale and unprofitable' to those who came to be amused and entertained. One goes to the pantomime to laugh, laugh at the follies of the other fellow, perchance at himself, unconsciously, in seeing the other fellow made a but of. All the same, all laugh, that is the business of the pantomime, if the word can be used in this sense, and that is what "Aladdin" has come to do."

Hair Coming Out?

Dandruff causes a feverish irritation of the scalp, and the hair roots shrink, loosen and then the hair comes out fast. To stop falling hair at once and rid the scalp of every particle of dandruff, get a 25-cent bottle of Danderine at any drug store, pour a little in your hand and rub it into the scalp. After a few applications the hair stops coming out and you can't find any dandruff.

The Supreme Rules

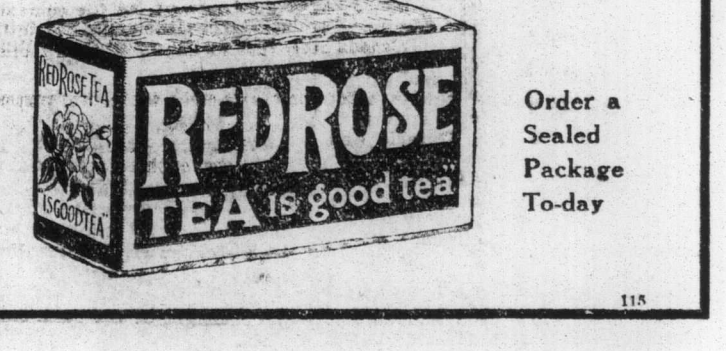
To successfully sell goods there are two outstanding rules to follow:

1st. ESTABLISH THE QUALITY OF YOUR PRODUCT. The best advertising on earth will never sell an inferior article.

2nd. ADVERTISE. And do it continuously. People have short memories these days. Don't think for a moment that because you or your business are well known you do not need to advertise.

Keep your business before the public through the best local medium—THE DAILY COURIER.

It is hard to break the chains of habit. It took one man six months to stop saying "Gee Whiz." It is astonishing how habit will keep a person asking for "the same as usual" tea long after she has intended to try Red Rose Tea. Why let habit prevent you enjoying this richly flavored Indian-Ceylon blend?



Order a Sealed Package To-day

Water Power Plays a

Many New Hydraulic Shells, Chemicals

(The Associated Press)
Paris, Jan. 10.—The water of the Alps, the Pyrenees, an central mountainous region is playing a big role in the military of France, and will have a greater share in the after-war omie struggle.

Many new hydraulic power born of the war needs, are out shells, chemicals and necessities for the army. Many born of the coal famine and sons will replace steam power the war.

France utilized thirteen per cent of its total estimated natural power in 1914. She was using more than twenty per cent. of this year, and the proportion every day increasing. Compete engineers fix at 4,000,000 horse the energy France could get from its water falls at low estimate for average seasons, total steam energy used in before the war was only about 500,000 horse power divided about 4,000 establishments.

The water power of the Alps given the name of the "Aluminum" to the Valley of the where 32,000 horse power is transforming alumine into aluminum bars. La Romanche, a wild valley from Bourg d'Oise Pont de Claiz is the "valley of the electric furnaces," and 62,000 horse power. Electric plants are concentrating in the basin of the Arly where one has installed a complete set of 22,000 horse power. Several new plants are being in the region of Grenoble.

In the valley of the Duran plants aggregating 74,000 horse power for the electro-chemical industry are under way, while Modane one of the biggest of works in France has acquired to about 120,000 horse power.

Ray Keating Easy

Mighty Indian Success Dethroned

Tris Speaker achieved in what many had considered impossible—the dethroning of Cobb as the batting king of the For 10 years, Tris reigned supreme. Wonderful batsmen rose up that sweep of years and tried to wrest from him his crown, none succeeded. Lajoie, Jack Collins, Baker, Melton and others tried to rule in the world—but their efforts were "Ty" is unbeatable," the confidently declared, when 1916 season began. "No matter the other fellows bat, he'll hit just enough beyond their to retain his laurels."

But when the October flag ped—when the terrific race was—Tris Speaker led the field mighty Indian outfielder had ceded where all the other failed during a decade—and "How did Tris accomplish trick?" is the question that inquired asked on all sides. "What the 'easy mat' for Tris among pitchers? From whom did he most of his hits?"

Answers that the Records? Here below is the answer that was found after weeks search and checking through newspaper files. It's the story of new batting king—and how it to the throne.

The first table, showing how batted against each club 1916, demonstrates that he the Yankee pitchers the easiest all to solve, despite the fact

Preparation For Peace in the Prison Camp

Interned Aliens on Isle of Man Study Trades of all Kinds For After the War

Douglas, Isle of Man, Dec. 15.—(Correspondent of the Associated Press)—They are busily engaged in preparing for peace in the prison camps on the Isle of Man.

Here are nearly 25,000 German and Austrian civilian prisoners. Many of them have been residents of the British Isles for ten or fifteen years and expect to go back to their civilian employment as soon as peace comes. Others have been in England for much shorter periods and plan to seek fresh fields.

Two years of imprisonment has a sobering effect on the most frivolous and the frame of mind of the interned camp prisoner is almost uniformly serious. Some are learning new trades, others mastering new languages, others studying the course of the war in map and law book with a view to being on the spot for post-war developments of business and commerce.

Most of this preparation for peace is being done by the prisoners themselves. Their teachers are all from their own number, and much of the equipment for the schools and workshops have been purchased through

OPEN NOSTRILS! END A COLD OR CATARRH
How To Get Relief When Head and Nose are Stuffed Up.
Count fifty! Your cold in head or catarrh disappears. Your clogged nostrils will open, the air passages of your head will clear and you can breathe freely. No more snuffing, watering, mucous discharge, dryness or headache; no struggling for breath at night.
Get a small bottle of Ely's Cream Balm from your druggist and apply a little of this fragrant anesthetic cream in your nostrils. It penetrates through every air passage of the head, soothing and healing the swollen or inflamed mucous membrane, giving you instant relief. Head colds and catarrh yield like magic. Don't stay stuffed-up and miserable. Relief is sure.

Music and Drama

THE GRAND
A musical comedy which is possessed of more genuine plot and comedy than the average farce comedy, was witnessed at the Grand Opera House last evening by a large sized audience in "The Only Girl," one of the hits of the dramatic season. The plot of this story has to do with the matrimonial ventures of three chums, and the complications which ensue when their three wives meet for the first time.

Interest is added by a fourth friend of the husbands, who openly proclaims himself not a woman hater, but a woman avoider, and who takes as his collaborator in writing an opera, a girl of exceptional musical talents as well as personal beauty, with whom he decides to associate professionally only, but he also finally succumbs.

The honors of the evening fell to Mr. Torrence, an elongated Scotchman. In addition to an odd physical appearance, he is also the possessor of exceptional abilities as a comedian. Miss Carson, as Patsy, a subterfuge, was delightful and the work of Alfred Fisher as a valet was excellent. The rest of the caste

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA