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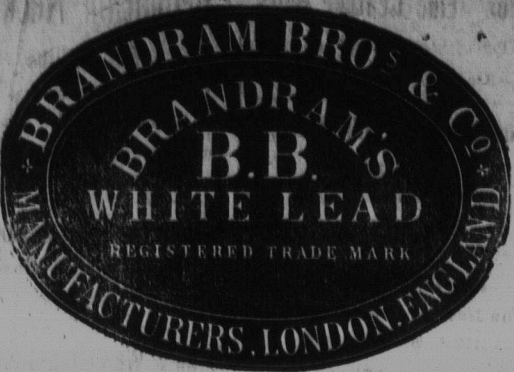
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LONDON, March 18.—Half a million of London people will be the guests of King Edward during coronation week. His majesty has notified the mayors of the metropolis that the sum of \$150,000 was placed at their disposal, and he invites them to make the necessary arrangements for entertainment of the many poor, to the number of 600,000 at a dinner in celebration of his coronation.

764 CASES OF SMALLPOX.

LONDON, March 18.—Following a meeting of the state board of health at which it was announced that there were 764 smallpox cases in the state, the secretary of the board was ordered to report as to the best means of stamping out the disease. It was decided to telegraph the Marine hospital service to send a special messenger to Nebraska and a message will go to Washington some time during the day.

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COUNTESS DE LA WARR

Wants the Dear Count to Return to Her Arms.

LONDON, March 18.—The divorce court today granted the Countess De La Warr a decree providing for the restitution of her conjugal rights. The case was not defended.

Counsel for the countess told how the De La Warrs visited South Africa in 1899 and returned in 1900, since when their relations had been most unhappy. Last June the respondent left the family mansion and had not since lived with his wife.

In December the countess wrote to "My dear Canteleupe," inviting him to return and restore her all her wifely rights. The earl's reply was prompt and uncompromising.

"My dear Marie," it began: "I have come to the conclusion that it will be much better if we live apart, and I have finally decided not to return and live with you. I have no explanations to give of reason for my decision."

The countess went into the witness box and gave just sufficient evidence of her husband's desertion to justify a decree for the restitution of her conjugal rights.

FOUND HIS VOICE

After Having Lost It for Eighteen Years.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 18.—Eighteen years ago yesterday R. C. Dives, a resident of the west side, lost his voice. He was then a bass singer of some note in the choir of a church at Indianapolis. His misfortune came like a flash, and refused to yield to the treatment of several of the most noted specialists of the country.

Yesterday morning Mr. Davis was seized with a violent fit of coughing and ejected a small substance, which proved to be a bit of tooth, which he had unconsciously swallowed. The removal of this obstruction, which had formed a secure lodging place in a little pocket in the oesophagus just below the larynx, immediately restored his voice.

SAFE BLOWERS

Caused a Fire Which Destroyed \$150,000 Worth of Property.

MANHATTAN, Ill., March 18.—Safe blowers are responsible for a fire which destroyed \$150,000 worth of property in Manhattan last night. The thieves entered the Commercial Hotel, where 50 people were asleep, about midnight, and blew open the safe, obtaining \$2,500. The robbers escaped, leaving the building in flames. The fire spread rapidly and was not checked until a dozen business blocks and several residences, with their contents, were destroyed. The property destroyed included the Commercial Hotel, Brown & Company's grain elevator, Hamilton & Company's bank, and Lyon & White's lumber yard. The loss is well covered by insurance. Several persons had narrow escapes from death.

REDUCED RATE ON FLOUR

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 18.—One of the most important freight meetings from a northwestern standpoint this season has just completed its session. At this meeting lake and rail rates on export and domestic flour and products were determined upon. The flour rate was cut three cents from tariff in effect when the season of 1901 opened. This season the lake and rail rate on domestic flour will be 32 cents to the seaboard and 19-1/2 cents on the export business. These rates are three cents under the agreed all-rail rate, the recognized differential allowed the lake carriers. These new tariffs will take effect on April 1.

HUGE ARMOR PLATES.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 18.—The largest specimen of armor plate ever sent away from an American steel works left the Homestead mills yesterday for New York. It consisted of 36 plates, 18 for the first class battleship Borodina and the same number for the first class battleship Ariel, now being built at the Imperial Russian navy yards at St. Petersburg. The shipment occupied 18 cars of special construction.

CABLE BRIEFS.

LONDON, March 18.—The will of the late Marquis of Dufferin, who died February 12 last, was probated today. The estate is valued at £108,548.

MADRID, March 18.—The queen regent has signed the appointments of the new minister and the cabinet officers will take the oath this evening.

LONDON, March 18.—Lord Kimberley, the liberal leader in the house of lords, who has been ill for some time past, suffered a relapse yesterday evening, and today is in a semi-conscious condition.

NEW YORK, March 18.—Chief Engineer Scott, who it was supposed perished in the fire, walked into a Hoboken hotel today. He was badly burned about the face and said he had had a dreadful experience.

CECIL RHODES.

CAPE TOWN, March 18.—Cecil Rhodes is slightly weaker today. The exceptional coolness of the weather and the free administration of oxygen helped the patient to pass a quiet night. He no longer reads. Mr. Rhodes was much pleased at the receipt of messages of sympathy sent to him by King Edward and Queen Alexandra.

JOSEPH J. GILL.

A Story on Which to Found a Novel.

Twelve Years a Prisoner—His Wife Married—Back to Life Again.

NEW YORK, March 18.—After twelve years in prison, among the bushmen of Australia, Joseph J. Gill, son of the late Thomas Gill, a well-known Brooklyn manufacturer, has been heard from by his family, who had mourned him as dead. Gill left home in 1886 and in 1893 his wife, believing him dead, married again. In 1898 Gill fled from New York for Australia, where he had extensive mining interests. The mines were situated about 100 miles from Sydney, and Gill expected to be gone two or three years. He left behind a wife and two children.

For two years he received letters, his mining interests were prospering and he hoped soon to return to the United States—so he wrote in his last letter. A period in which no tidings were received from Mr. Gill followed, and then came a letter from the American consul at Sydney, N. S. W., that Joseph Gill, a wealthy mine operator, and four companions, had been ambushed and killed by bushmen in Australia not far from the mines which the Brooklyn man controlled.

This was the last heard from Gill until the news of his imprisonment, which has just been received. It came in the form of a letter to Inspector McLaughlin of the Brooklyn police. The letter was dated Dagupan, Northern Luzon, Philippine Islands. The letter, which was written in November, 1901, was addressed to the chief of police of Brooklyn. It was as follows:

"In 1886 I left my home in Brooklyn. I was held a captive in the interior by Bushmen until two years ago. I then came to these islands and entered the campaign with Macabebes scouts. Prior to Aguinaldo's capture I was severely wounded, and I am afraid I am a cripple for life. I am now making my way back to Sydney, Australia, to my wife and child. I do not know if my dear mother is dead, but would be glad to know her address if she is alive, or my brothers. I shall be in Sydney by the time you receive this letter. Please address me in care of the United States consul at Sydney."

The Brooklyn police had little difficulty in finding Gill's mother. Cable messages were at once sent to Gill at Sydney. No details have yet been received concerning Gill's imprisonment among the bushmen, who murdered his four companions. After his escape Gill said to have attempted to secure information concerning his family. The private detective whom he is said to have employed reported that his wife was dead and soon afterwards Gill married a Sydney woman. Gill's love of adventure led to his enlistment in the Philippine service.

RUSSIAN STUDENTS

Distribute Revolutionary Tracts of Very Violent Nature.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 18.—Eighty-seven of the persons who were arrested here Sunday last for rioting have been sentenced to three months' imprisonment. The prosecutions of the ringleaders are still pending.

ST. PETERSBURG, Monday, March 17 (via the frontier, March 18).—The comparatively bloodless outcome of Sunday's riots is a rather startling feature of an otherwise serious political movement. The students in preparing to make a demonstration remembering the rough treatment which they were subjected to at the hands of the military last year, sent letters to the authorities promising to demonstrate wholly unarmed and begged that the police instead of the military might be sent to maintain order. The students during the course of the day managed to distribute a mass of incendiary literature from the tops of street cars. Some of these tracts were couched in the most revolutionary language ever sent broadcast in Russia. The following is an extract from a leaflet:

"Citizens of Russia, Awake! Awake from that nightmare of harsh despotism which oppresses every man in Russia, under which it is impossible for three men to meet together. Where in Russia is that freedom of speech and press which is found in every civilized country? Under the heel of the autocrat. Is it not strange that one man, with insignificant mental faculties should rule over 140,000,000 people?"

After a scathing denunciation of "The pretended reform of Danoffsky" (the minister of public instruction), the leaflet concludes:

"Let us begin the battle with the enemy, for personal freedom of speech and press and popular representation. Hail the revolutionary struggle! Down with the autocracy."

A ROYAL SNEEZE.

LONDON, March 18.—King Edward has set the custom of snuff taking, which as a result, promises to be generally revived. At the Marlborough house dinners a Georgian silver snuff box, once used by the Prince Regent, is handed to His Majesty at the beginning of the dessert, while the ladies are still at table. The King helps himself liberally, sharing his pinches with favored guests.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, March 18.—Fair, continued cold tonight; Thursday fair, warmer in west portion, high north-west winds, shifting to northeast and diminishing.

DISASTROUS FIRE.

Pier and Steamer Burned at Hoboken—Some Lives Lost.

NEW YORK, March 18.—The pier of the Phoenix line in Hoboken was destroyed by fire tonight. The steamship British Queen was totally destroyed and several lighters were burned. The fire threatened the Campbell stores and for a time it looked as if the flames would reach the Holland-American line docks. The Maasdam of the latter line was towed safely into the stream.

The army officers' quarters were greatly endangered. The soldiers stationed on the island were employed in fighting the flames and in a few hours the danger was passed. After the excitement attending the fire had subsided, the Hoboken police reported that five longshoremen were in the hospital suffering from burns. One of these Patrick Hussey, was almost sure to die, and the child of the captain of the Tonawanda is in a dangerous condition. The captain is a dangerous condition. The captain is a dangerous condition.

NEW YORK, March 18.—No estimate could be made today of the loss of life in the fire that started last night on the Phoenix pier in Hoboken and it was thought the number of dead will never be known. Patrick Hussey, a longshoreman, who was burned while trying to escape from the Phoenix pier, died from the effects of his injuries in St. Mary's hospital this morning. Chief Engineer Scott of the steamer British Queen, is believed to have lost his life on the vessel. Third mate, Verick of the same vessel, says that Scott, who was suffering from rheumatism, went to his cabin a short time before the fire started. He was in the engine room when the alarm of fire was given. He tried to reach the deck to awaken Scott, but was headed off by the flames and had to leave the man to his fate. Dr. Helfor, the health officer of Hoboken, says that all the men of the British Queen with the exception of Scott, have been accounted for.

The first estimates of the loss, necessarily hurriedly made, follow:—Pier, \$800,000; British Queen, \$400,000 (thought to be too high); cotton and lighters, \$200,000. Seven lighters are more or less damaged.

Although some of those who jumped into the water were picked up by tugs, it is feared that a number sank before they could be reached by the rescuers. Many of the longshoremen are single men and have no relatives who could report in the event of their being missing or having perished in the fire. The police say that no one except Engineer Scott has been reported to them as missing. The British Queen has been beached at Black Tom Island, and search will be made as soon as possible for the body of the missing engineer.

Supt. Mason of the Phoenix line said today that it would be impossible to state definitely the loss by the fire in less than two weeks. He was asked if he thought \$1,350,000 would cover it, and he replied that he did not think it would. The British Queen was worth \$800,000 and there was a great quantity of valuable merchandise on the pier and on lighters that were destroyed. This includes hides, oils and a quantity of harvest machinery. The fire was still smoldering today and two of the engines were playing water on the ruins.

IN THE PHILIPPINES.

Gen. Chaffee Believes Surrender of Guevarra Will End Insurrection in Samar.

MANILA, March 18.—General Lukban's efforts in influencing Guevarra, who recently issued a proclamation declaring himself the successor of General Lukban in the island of Samar, to surrender, have been successful. Both General Smith, in command of the United States forces in the island of Samar, and Guevarra have agreed to an armistice to facilitate the collection of Guevarra's men with their rifles, when the formal surrender will be made. General Smith cables that Guevarra has four hundred rifles and that Guevarra guarantees the absolute peacefulness of his men.

Gen. Chaffee is greatly pleased with what he considers the close of active insurrection. The resistance in Batangas and Laguna provinces is practically over. There are daily surrenders there of men and guns. The insurgents have been completely starved by General Bell's aggressive tactics in preventing any exterior assistance reaching them. Some surprise is expected at the number of rifles to be turned in by the men under Guevarra, as it was thought there were but two hundred in Samar.

BOER SYMPATHIZERS

Threaten Life and Property of British Consul at New Orleans.

NEW ORLEANS, La., March 18.—George Van Sittart, British consul at New Orleans, declares his life and property are in danger from the Boers and Boer sympathizers in the city, and has appealed to the mayor and police for protection. He says anonymous letters have grown much more numerous and threatening of late and suspicious men constantly stand around his consular office as well as his house, contemplating, he believes, an attack on him. He asked, therefore, that a police force be stationed at both places.

Chief of Police Journee promised to investigate, and, if there are any good grounds for Mr. Van Sittart's fear, the request for protection will be granted. Police protection has been recently granted the British mule stations here, at the request of the British officers and Secretary of State Hay.

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USED CATTLE AS WEDGE.

But the Sturdy New Zealanders Drive the Boers Back.

A Pretoria letter of February 26th says:—

"A determined attempt was made by about 800 Boers, on the night of the 23rd, to break back to the north between Colonel Byng's and Colonel Rimington's columns. These troops formed a portion of a combined movement from the Orange Colony Railway line eastwards between the block-house lines, and another move from the north, culminating about Harrismith. The two columns had swung round to the south, near Vrede, when a body of Boers, using about 6,000 cattle as a wedge, sought to force a way between the flanks to the north. The night was wet, and the moon was showing but dimly. The enemy drove hard against Colonel Byng's right flank. It fell to the 7th contingent of New Zealanders to repel the attempt, which they did with the utmost dash and élan, the enemy also behaving with great gallantry. They were hotly engaged, but succeeded in the supreme object of preventing the Boers from getting through."

"Owing to the cover afforded to the enemy by the mob of cattle, the New Zealanders were obliged to expose themselves more than their opponents, and, as a result, lost somewhat heavily, having two officers and 18 men killed, and five officers and 33 men wounded. The whole of the cattle were taken, 70 Boer horses were shot and 100 captured, and 15 of the enemy were killed, and six taken prisoners."

"Colonel Rimington, who was slightly in action, to the right, had one officer killed and two men wounded. Only a few Boers escaped to the front of the columns."

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