

SHERLOCK HOLMES ON "SLIPSHOD ENGLISH"

Editor World: This case of slipshod English made in The World of March 12, illustrates the wonderful analytical mind of Sherlock Holmes; it is seldom his resource and wide fund of information have been displayed to better advantage. It arose from the accusation made against the deputy minister of mines by some unknown, alleging the use of "slipshod English in his report." Sherlock Holmes was employed by the defence. It is one of the cases peculiarly enjoyed by the general public, which his great powers were employed to protect the innocent.

The great detective was found seated in his dressing room, in an atmosphere reeking with tobacco smoke, on having a copy of the paper presented to him, he first of all read it carefully and then, after a few moments, he took the pains to look into details carefully, he called for a copy of the report of the bureau of mines in question.

On the corpus delicti being forthcoming, he at once lit a fresh cigar and turned to page 1, from which a quotation is given as to the number of men "employed in the silver mines of Cobalt." That quotation was given correctly; Holmes, however, with his wonderful acumen, said: "As this matter refers to accidents, I will look up 'Accidents' in the index." Turning over the pages he rapidly found on page 28 "Accidents," "See Mining Accidents." With his long, swift fingers he flew over the pages to 306, where "Mining Accidents, Cobalt, p. 34," appears.

Like a bound now in full sight of the quarry he doubled back to p. 34, where he found the following: "Cobalt and vicinity. . . . Nearly all the production comes from the mines in the vicinity of Cobalt and Kerr Lakes. At the mines and prospects in the Cobalt area proper there were employed on an average during 1908 from 3500 to 4000 men, working above and below ground. The number of accidents reported from the Cobalt mines in 1908 was 23, resulting in 21 men killed and nine injured. The general subject of mining accidents is dealt with in another part of this report."

Holmes scrutinized rapidly pages 51 and following. The list of detailed accidents taken in properties of all kinds, said he, "not only silver mines." I think I have often stated that this great man, when not employing his leisure time on chemistry, revelled in the higher mathematics which he would apply to cases. Nothing gave him greater delight than the use of higher mathematics in his work as detective. His face radiated intelligence as he said: "To obtain the rate per thousand, the problem is either to divide 21 by 3,152 or, else take the list and eliminate non-producing mines of Cobalt and mines of all kinds elsewhere. A pyramid mine, for instance, cannot be classified as a silver mine," said he, "although a silver mine may be a gold brick or controlled by pirates." "I thought," said Holmes, "as I have learned back and puffed out a cloud of smoke, 'my dear Watson, I believe this case would not have given any trouble even to you.'"

CRUISE OUTSIDE ISLAND

Capt. Joe Goodwin Opens Navigation With Nellie Bly.

Navigation was formally opened by Captain Joe Goodwin yesterday. He took a party out for a cruise on the lake along the island shore in the tug Nellie Bly.

The new pier at the eastern gap stood the winter well. Not a crack was noticeable. The only damage done to the new breakwater along the island shore during the winter was a 50-foot break east of Clarendon-avenue. West of Clarendon-avenue about 600 feet of new beach has formed. In places it almost covers the breakwater. The new beach runs about 200 feet from the pier.

Near the mouth of the city water intake pipe soundings were taken. Close to the mouth it was 78 feet deep. A few feet deeper the bottom showed the shales there. J. J. Wright, manager of the Electric Light Company, was one of the party.

TWO TRAGEDIES OF THE SEA

Over One Hundred Lives Lost in Destruction of Two Vessels.

NEW YORK, March 15.—The Rev. Ernest Retcher, a mission worker of the Moravian Church, was one of the passengers on the lost steamer Prinz Wilhelm II. of the Royal Dutch West Indian mail, which sailed from Rotterdam for West Indian ports and New York on Jan. 21. There were 52 persons on the ship, which is now believed to have gone down with all on board.

LISBON, March 15.—A Portuguese barque sailing from Pico, one of the Azores Islands, has been lost and 33 persons drowned.

FARMERS BUSY IN THE WEST.

WINNIPEG, March 15.—The west is experiencing the mildest March weather for years. The ice in the Red River is breaking up, which is the earliest on record. In Southern Alberta and parts of Saskatchewan the farmers are already on the land, and are actively preparing for seeding. Lethbridge reports the farmers hard at work.

Overseas Tariff Delegation. LONDON, March 15.—The forward group of the tariff reformers propose to invite an imperial delegation from the overseas Dominions to visit Great Britain and place before the election their views on tariff reform and imperial preference.

Restrictions on Stratford Police. STRATFORD, March 15.—(Special.)—The police commission met this afternoon. This year's requisition of \$1500. Resolutions were passed enjoining policemen against entering hotels where liquor is dispensed except in the discharge of their duty. Neither may they smoke on duty.

A committee from the public school board, owing to present congestion, will investigate the possibilities of a suitable site for a new school in Toronto.

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DESCRIPTION OF WORK.

Grading on Seymour-ave. from Boulton-avenue to a point 302 feet north of Shuter-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$1112 \$1112

9 in. tile pipe sewer, on Hambley-avenue, n.e. from Hayes-ave. to north of Queen-street to William-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$10 \$10

12 in. tile pipe sewer, on Strathcona-avenue, from Carlaw to Pape-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$107 \$107

12 in. tile pipe sewer, on Wroxton-avenue, from Carlaw to Pape-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$107 \$107

Concrete curbing on Balm-avenue, n.e. from a point 530 feet east of Broadview-avenue to a point 41 feet further east. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$24 \$24

Concrete curbing on Nina-avenue, n.e. from Bathurst-street to Lyndhurst-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$54 \$54

10 ft. concrete pavement, on the lane between Broadview-avenue and North-avenue, from the lane 1st north of Queen-street to the lane 2nd north of Queen-street. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$305 \$305

12 ft. concrete pavement, on the lane 2nd north of Queen-street, from 1/2 ft. s. of w. of Broadview-avenue to 1/2 ft. s. of w. of North-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$70 \$70

Five feet wide, to be laid next to curb, including the renewal or alteration of water services, on Amelia-street, n.e. from Backville-street to Summerville-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$28 \$28

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Four feet wide, to be laid 8 feet from the curb, on Cluny-avenue, w.e. from Chestnut Park to Rowanwood-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$42 \$42

Four feet wide, to be laid 8 feet from the curb, on Cluny-avenue, w.e. from Rowanwood-avenue to Frisfield-road. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$367 \$367

Four and one-half feet wide, to be laid 8 feet from the curb, on Cluny-avenue, e.e. from Chestnut Park to 144 feet north. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$153 \$153

Four and one-half feet wide, to be laid 8 feet from the curb, on Frisfield-road, (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$218 \$218

Four feet wide, with concrete curb and walk laid next to curb, including the renewal or alteration of water services, on Cluny-avenue, n.e. from Carlaw to Pape-avenue. (Cost payable in 10 annual assessments) \$656 \$656

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ESTATE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—IN THE Matter of the Estate of John Wallace Macneil, late of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Shop Assistant, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to R.S.O. Chapter 129, Section 28, and amendments thereto, that all persons having claims against the estate of the above named John Wallace Macneil, who died on or about the 21st day of March, A.D. 1910, at the said City of Toronto, are required to send in to the undersigned, solicitors for Victoria Quay, the Administrators of the said estate, a statement of their respective claims, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

And further take notice, that after the said 21st day of March, A.D. 1910, the said Administrators will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice shall have been received by the said Administrators, and that they will not be responsible for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims notice shall not have been received by them.

Dated at Toronto this 8th day of March, A.D. 1910.

PROUDFOOT, DUNCAN, GRANT & KEANE, Solicitors for the said Administrators.

IN THE ESTATE OF JOHN WALLACE MACNEIL, late of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Banker, Deceased.

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Dated at Toronto this 22nd day of February, 1910.

KATE H. G. MACNEIL, Administratrix of the Estate of John Wallace Macneil.

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EXECUTORS NOTICE TO CREDITORS.—In the Estate of David Herring, late of the City of Toronto, in the County of York, Taxidermist, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to R.S.O. Chapter 129, and amendments thereto, that all persons having claims against the estate of David Herring, who died on or about the 10th day of January, A.D. 1910, are required to send in to the undersigned, solicitors for Victoria Quay, the Administrators of the said estate, a statement of their respective claims, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

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