

KILLED NEPHEW BEFORE DYING

Gruesome Story of How Emperor of China Was Forced to Suicide.

London, Feb. 20.—The Revue des Paris publishes an interesting study of the life and death of Kwang Su, Emperor of China. The story, said to have been procured from unimpeachable sources in Peking, supports the suspicions aroused by the death of the Emperor and Dowager Empress within two days of each other.

After sketching the miserable existence of the Emperor led after the betrayal by Yuan Shi Kai of his plot to intern the Dowager Empress, a plot which led to his own captivity for the rest of his days, a detailed story is given of his death. It appears that when she felt her end approaching the old Empress Tz'u-hsi convoked the grand council on Nov. 4 and it was decided that Kwang Su had no male issue the infant son of his younger brother, Chun, should be named successor, with Chun as regent. As soon as the grand council had broken up she summoned Yuan Shi Kai, the Emperor's most deadly foe, together with Prince Tsing, the head of the imperial family, and the chief of eunuchs of the palace. As a result of their meeting it was announced that Kwang Su was dangerously ill from heart disease, and the officers of the foreign legations to send their doctors were courteously but firmly declined.

Three Methods.

Next morning at 10 o'clock the chief eunuchs, with two confidential attendants, entered the little palace where the Emperor was confined. After having ordered everybody out of the room he declared to Kwang Su that the Empress was dying, and that it was needful for him to precede her. So saying he deposited on a table some pills of opium, a packet of gold leaf and a yellow silk platted cord, promising to return in three hours' time.

If he found that neither the opium nor the gold leaf had been used, it would be his painful duty to call upon the two assistants to strangle him with the silken cord. Meanwhile the two eunuchs would watch the door of the room, and should be explained that a piece of fine gold leaf is placed over the lips, and the breath being deeply drawn it is inhaled and obstructs the glottis causing immediate suffocation.

The news of what was about to happen quickly spread consternation throughout the palace. The women, fearing a similar fate, set up lamentations and the favorite eunuchs hastily began to pack and hide their valuables.

During this time the unfortunate Kwang Su remained alone in the room with the two creatures, the chief eunuch. When this official returned at 1 o'clock the opium had disappeared and Kwang Su was stretched almost lifeless on his couch, though still breathing.

Yuan Shi Kai, being informed, carried to the Empress a report of the state of her nephew. She was told that while the foreign missions were officially communicated with the Prince Tsing was sent to deposit offerings on the imperial tomb, by proposing their names in favor of their descendant.

At 5 o'clock Kwang Su expired, and the 3-year-old Pu Yi was at once brought to the imperial palace and proclaimed Emperor. Tz'u-hsi could now die in peace, which she did twenty-four hours later, after having, as she imagined, secured the throne of her nephew, insured the tranquility of the Celestial Empire after her death.

FEARS FRENCH AIRSHIPS

Says They Could Destroy U. S. Navy and Devastate the Cities.

New York, Feb. 21.—In an energetic address delivered before the members of the First Signal Corps, National Guard, at their 21st anniversary dinner held here last night at the Hotel Astor, Winthrop E. Scarratt, formerly president of the Automobile Club of America, and now active in the affairs of the Aero Club of America, denounced the members of the House of Representatives for cutting out of the army appropriation bill the \$500,000 asked for in experimentation in aeroplanes.

"Congress," said he, "voted only a few days ago to build two 26,000-ton battleships to cost a score of millions of dollars. The House, however, could not see the need of appropriating \$500,000 for experiments in aeroplanes, when a mere fraction of that sum would build an airship capable of sinking both of the newly authorized dreadnaughts in twenty minutes."

"France," said he, "has today airships that could sink our navy and devastate our Atlantic seaboard without let or hindrance."

SEVEN KILLED BY PREMATURE EXPLOSION

Fort Arthur, Feb. 21.—Word was received here today that seven men were killed in a premature explosion of dynamite on the Transcontinental construction near Nipigon yesterday. They were all foreigners.

Mr. Andrew Carnegie has agreed to give to Summit, N. J., a library worth \$50,000.

WILL TONE UP YOUR STOMACH AND CURE ALL INDIGESTION PROMPTLY

FIVE MINUTES AFTER TAKING
SOME DIAPESPIN ALL YOUR
STOMACH MISERY WILL
VANISH.

The question is how long you are going to continue a sufferer from indigestion and stomach trouble. It is merely a matter of how soon you begin taking Diapespin.

If your stomach is lacking in digestive power, why not help the stomach to do its work, not with drastic drugs, but reinforcement of digestive agents, such as are naturally at work in the stomach.

People with weak stomachs should eat Diapespin after meals, and there will be no more indigestion, no feel-

JAPAN ANSWERS RUSSIA'S THREAT

Mobilization of Army and Navy Is Mikado's Reply to the Czar.

Tokio, Feb. 20.—The floating of the Russian loan of \$250,000,000 is to be dramatically answered by Japan, with the mobilization in November of the largest military force ever assembled by the empire in time of peace.

The immense Russian loan is accepted by official Japan as the Czar's notice to the Mikado that he is already preparing to rehabilitate his military establishment, with Manchuria as its ultimate striking point. The mobilization of her whole military strength is Japan's reply. Though not attempting to conceal her financial distress, the island empire will thus announce that there is still a good fight left in her.

The Miyagi Prefecture, where the manoeuvres will be held, is alone sending five divisions of infantry, six brigades of cavalry, one battalion of heavy artillery and two companies of cavalry equipped with the new light field guns, especially designed to repel Cossack attack.

The announcement of the manoeuvres has aroused the interest of the Japanese who have lain dormant since the war with Russia.

EAGLE-DRAWN CHARIOTS

Frenchman to Undertake Novel Flight Over Eiffel Tower.

Paris, Feb. 22.—Supported by a team of trained eagles George Lorin, a sculptor, proposes to make a flight from the summit of the Eiffel Tower. He says he can train eagles to fly with a man in any required direction, and will have no difficulty in schooling the birds to fly with an apparatus that will carry two or three persons. M. Lorin wants twenty-five eagles for this expedition and is anxious to get them soon, so as to begin his eagle-chariot trips in the spring.

TEXT OF THE SCHEME FOR GENERAL STAFF

Camberley To Be the Military School of the Empire.

London, Feb. 20.—The text of the scheme for an imperial general staff has been issued in a parliamentary paper. Following are the points:

1. All the forces of the empire to be organized for war on the same principles by a general staff, which must be an entity throughout the empire.
2. Uniformity in the training of officers for the general staff to be secured by recognizing the staff colleges at Camberley for some years to come as the central school of military education for the empire, and sending the graduates to overseas appointments.
3. Uniformity in the carrying out of staff duties to be attained by sending graduates of the staff colleges to undergo further training in England or India, and systematically inculcating the imperial general staff officers throughout the empire.
4. In an introductory letter it is stated that the army council have kept in view the duties of the dominions, and desiring to give help to the mother country in time of war, even though only accepted a definite responsibility for local defense. The only reply so far received, is from Canada, which agrees to the principles, but control over local forces, and armaments to pay for sending Canadian staff officers to Camberley.

AN EARLY CONSECRATION

Installation Ceremonies for Bishop Sweeney To Be Held Soon.

Toronto, Feb. 20.—The bishop-elect will be a busy man the next few weeks. The routine episcopal work of the diocese has been piling up since the passing away of the late archbishop. There are stacks of letters to be read and answered, and all the multitudinous details that fall to the lot of the chief shepherd of the banner-bearing of the Dominion.

Congratulations are pouring in upon Dr. Sweeney from all sides, by letter, telegram, private and public. The arrangements of consecration rest with the Bishop of Ottawa, who is now the senior bishop of the Province of Canada. Nothing definite has been decided as yet, but it is not likely that it will be long delayed, as the bishops will meet to fill the vacant post of archbishop and metropolitan, and it would seem desirable that all the sees should be filled when this takes place. It is altogether probable that the Archbishop of Rupert's Land, Most Rev. Dr. Matheson, will be present at the consecration, which will be followed by enthronement when the new bishop will take his seat on the "cathedra" of his own cathedral.

Nothing has been done as to the positions of archdeacon, Canon, and Simeon, and rector of St. Philip's, which are vacated by the election of Dr. Sweeney to the higher office of bishop.

New York city has 70,000 manufacturing establishments.

"GET OFF THE AIR" IS THEIR YELL

Professional Wireless Operators Put Out of Business by Amateur Chatter.

New York, Feb. 20.—"Get off the air!" is the cry of the professional wireless operators who are being put out of business by amateur chatter. The above wireless characters do not express exactly a Sunday school word. In fact, it's a rather naughty monosyllabic one. There are reasons for that of late it has been more or less polluting the circumambient atmosphere in these parts but more especially in and about Boston. Truly translated it may thus be rendered:

"Why in the name of all the devils doesn't that kid amateur ring off with his peep two-by-four and give the professionals a chance to do business? Here I just go and get started taking an important flash from an incoming line, and the dog-gone wireless nuisance who likes to play with a coxy chat with another one of the same foolery, keeps on interfering to the dance at Coney Island tonight. If I had the condemned pest here I'd jolly well wring his klotie neck."

The above is the language of a wireless man from the Portsmouth navy yard. The Portsmouth operator was able to get only a single message from the home-ward-bound ship. The ship was the cruiser Yankton, she being off the Azores and about a thousand miles in advance of the fleet proper, and was tossed along through the night by the Yankton.

Many Have High-Power Machines.

It seems that the wireless craze has hit the Boston amateurs harder than those of any other locality ever since the steamship Republic was wrecked and ever since the battleship fleet sailed from Gibraltar scores and scores of them have been sitting up nights waiting for the first flash from the home-ward-bound ship.

Sitting up nights is dull business for the amateur, and accordingly has beguiled the tedium with conversations with neighboring amateurs. This is harmless enough when the youngsters begin to chime of low power, but when he has a rich papa who has given him one of these five kilowatt transmitters that can be heard in the language through the daylight 200 miles or more and almost any old distance through the dark, it's an entirely different matter.

Friday night was amateur night on the Boston wireless circuit. The professionals complain that the average of rich papa's is to be lamentably high around Boston.

Operator Can Only Cuss.

Anyhow, the air off the Massachusetts coast was so crowded with chatter, little messages that there was not even standing room left for the professionals. In vain did the Portsmouth operator implore the amateurs to get off his air. They kept right on chatting in the same tone. Every amateur that picked up the Yankton's flash had to tell some other amateur about it, and the amateur who was told about it had to tell the chap that told him: "Huh! You're not so much. Got it myself long time ago."

The most that the Portsmouth man could do was to cuss, and cuss he did, and more cuss words in the effort to get square by bailing up the amateurs.

According to the local wireless men, there is comparatively little trouble with the amateurs near New York. Few of them have instruments powerful enough to interfere with the professionals. The only trouble, Brooklyn is a favorite training ground for the young wireless enthusiast. In that borough there are probably no more than a dozen amateurs, but they are boys or young men for their own amusement. In the borough of Manhattan the wireless enthusiasm is considerably less.

MERCHANT JAMIESON DEAD

Was First Man in Toronto to Use Whole Page for an Ad.

Toronto, Feb. 22.—Philip Jamieson, the well-known real-estate agent, died at his residence, Rosedale, Saturday morning.

He was taken sick early in January, and after a long illness died at his home. The end came very peacefully.

Mr. Jamieson was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, and came to Toronto to Canada about 1874. He went into business here with his brother-in-law, Bartholomew Spain. The partnership was of very short duration, but Mr. Jamieson opened a new store at the northwest corner of Queen and York streets, where he had remained in business ever since.

A month ago he retired to quiet business and sold out his store preparatory to taking a trip around the world. Mr. Jamieson is survived by his widow and six children.

Mr. Jamieson was the first man in Toronto to use a page advertisement in the newspapers, his innovation in this respect being a great shock to the late Hon. George Brown, with whose paper, the Globe, he was placed.

EDWARD APPEARS UNWELL

His Majesty Is Reported To Be Ageing Rapidly.

London, Feb. 22.—Those who sat next the King at the opening of Parliament did not think he was looking well. He has aged in the past six months, his beard is now quite white, and his countenance generally was not so obvious as usual. His voice failed before he finished reading the long speech.

The reports, as usual, spoke of his "clear tone." Of course, it is always very guttural, but his majesty's voice is one of great carrying power. On this occasion, however, it was inaudible below the bar of the House.

On the other hand, there has been a great improvement in the Prince of Wales. He has thrown off the morose apathy which has been his for years and doubtless found his brother members more congenial company when he took the chair at the Savage Club dinner than he would have done perhaps a while back.

A footpad disguised as a policeman recently robbed Mrs. Trouhanova, the mother of the popular Russian ballet dancer, of a handbag containing a watch and money, near the Bois de Boulogne, after knocking her down with a blow in the face.

FINDS BABES IN A SALOON

Wm. Symons, Deserted by Wife at Brantford, Ont., Traces Them to Detroit.

Detroit, Feb. 20.—The Detroit Free Press says: Leading a forlorn quartette of little children, two boys and two girls, into police headquarters, William Symons, of Brantford, Ont., yesterday gave way to smiles. They were his children, and he had almost lost them. The story he tells deals with a home that is wrecked, a boarder in Brantford whom Symons accuses of stealing away the affections of his wife and a flight with the children from the Canadian city by a woman friend of Mrs. Symons.

That flight was last Saturday. Yesterday afternoon Detectives McCarty and Knicker found the little ones, and led the father to them. The children were in a saloon at 533 Concord avenue. They were playing about the floor of the room when the father and the two detectives entered.

Children Shout in Joy.

There was a wild shout of joy from childish throats. Little arms, twice as long as a father's neck and tears of joy flowed down little, dirt-begrimed faces. The mothers at the bar turned away. The thing was too affecting. "Lor, no, I didn't know but what the little things were living with their father home at the house at the saloon. I can't believe yet that you are their father. Only the littlest fellow has cried himself to sleep every night since he's been here."

"Yes, that's my daddy, that's my daddy!" cried the Symons children in chorus.

MRS. HETTY GREEN QUIZZES WILKS

Learns That Daughter's Lover Knows About Financial Matters.

New York, Feb. 20.—The World this morning says: Mrs. Hetty Green and her prospective son-in-law, Matthew Astor Wilks, of Salt, Ont., met under the shade of the coupon tree in the National Park Bank vaultroom yesterday, at which meeting, it is said, Mrs. Green conducted a friendly examination of Mr. Wilks.

The latter is himself a member of a family which is reckoned in millions, and therefore money is eliminated as a factor in his suit for the hand of the Sylvia Green, daughter of a woman said to be the wealthiest in the world. "For more than half an hour Mrs. Green directed the conversation, with no one else present. From what she said afterwards it is clear she had quizzed Mr. Wilks quite thoroughly merely as a test of his understanding of financial matters."

After Mr. Wilks departed, Mrs. Green said: "Mr. Wilks comes of fine stock. His mother was a langdon. I am not afraid for my daughter, but I want to know Mr. Wilks better. That's the whole truth. I shall have come ready to meet him in a few days, but I have nothing to say now—not a single word, except that I have not yet given my consent to the marriage. I shall be glad to hear of his success with the money, and I shall be glad to hear of his success with the money."

She explained as her reason for rejecting the proposed match that she was annoyed by the constant demands of persons to see her. She received 204 letters on the day following the announcement that she was living at the Plaza. "Don't you think it's a great deal better for me to live simply, as I do, than to spend my time playing bridge and drinking champagne, as they do in society."

"Young man, I am a Quaker, and I am trying to live up to that faith. That's the whole truth. I shall have come ready to meet him in a few days, but I have nothing to say now—not a single word, except that I have not yet given my consent to the marriage. I shall be glad to hear of his success with the money, and I shall be glad to hear of his success with the money."

A CURIOSITY?

Some months ago the statement was credited to one of the really prominent medical men of this continent that within 25 years, provided proper preventive measures were adopted, a case of consumption would be so rare as to be almost a curiosity.

Great progress is being made in the warfare against this dread disease, and there is reason to hope the prophecy will be fulfilled. Every man, woman and child has a vital interest in preventing this fearful and insidious disease, and should take every precaution to guard against infection.

Consumption frequently owes its presence to the carelessness which treats the common cold and cough as of little consequence. At the first indication of a cold steps should be taken to check it at once. One of the simplest and most effective remedies to break up a cold quickly is the mixture of a half-ounce of Virgin Oil of Pine with two ounces of Glycerine and a half-pint of good Whiskey. Take a teaspoonful every four hours. It is claimed this mixture will cure any cough that is curable, and affords speedy relief for any sub-acute affection of the throat and bronchial tubes. Purchase the ingredients separately, and prepare the mixture at home.

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LYONS CHEESE FACTORY

The Past Season Was a Good One for the Patrons.

Lyons, Feb. 19.—The annual meeting of the patrons of the Lyons cheese factory was held in the town hall on Thursday with a good attendance of patrons. Mr. William Demary occupied the chair, and Mr. Edward acted as secretary. The following statement was presented: Total milk, 3,234,269 lbs.; cheese, 295,833 lbs.; receipts, \$34,429 76; paid patrons, \$30,964 20; hauling cheese, \$119 90; average 1100; average price, \$11 72 cents; division per 100 net 9.636; gross, 1,065; value of cut cheese, \$350 90; paid to society, \$60; auditor, \$15.

Mr. J. W. Boyes, proprietor, will manufacture and sell the cheese at rate of one cent per pound.

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Afterward came a debate on the proposition, "That the Women's Institute Has Done More for the Community Than the Farmers' Institute." Mrs. F. Muller and Mrs. W. Boyes took the affirmative side, while Messrs. D. A. Noble and Wilson McCredie championed the negative. Decision was given in favor of the affirmative.

The subsequent feature was a luscious STEAMBOAT ASHORE.

Bridgeport, Conn., Feb. 20.—The steamboat John H. Starlin, of the Starlin Transportation Line, which ran ashore off the breakwater last night, was in a precarious position this morning, with the waves breaking high over her. Because of the sea after she struck, no attempts were made to pull her into deep water, as it was feared that she would break up. There were no passengers on the Starlin, as it was first reported, and all members of the crew were rescued in safety by the tug, although Captain Van Pelt and the chief engineer at first refused to leave the vessel, and stayed on board after the other members of the crew had been taken off. There is no life saving station in the vicinity, and in the heavy weather it was some time before assistance reached here.

NO CUT IN RAILS.

New York, Feb. 20.—Assurances that the price of steel rails will not be cut as a result of the price cutting in finished steel products, were given today by men in high authority in the steel manufacturing business. Reports that a reduction in the price of the steel rails was contemplated, were denied today by the representative of a leading steel producer who said that there are only five steel-producing mills in this country, and that the United States Steel Corporation, the Cambria Steel Company, the Lackawanna Steel Company, the Bethlehem Steel Corporation, and the Pennsylvania Steel Company are opposed to a reduction in the price of rails. It was stated by a steel official today that the present schedule of wages in the steel mills will not be changed until the new tariff rate on steel is known.

An extraordinary tragedy was reported from Rome recently. A wealthy lady who had two married daughters—one well off and the other in straitened circumstances—gave considerable monetary help to the latter. This aroused the jealousy of the rich daughter, who to it of anger caught hold of her mother and bit her in the arm. The wound caused blood-poisoning, and the mother died in a hospital. The doctors would not certify that the bite was the actual cause of death, but on the facts the judicial authorities ordered the arrest of the young woman.

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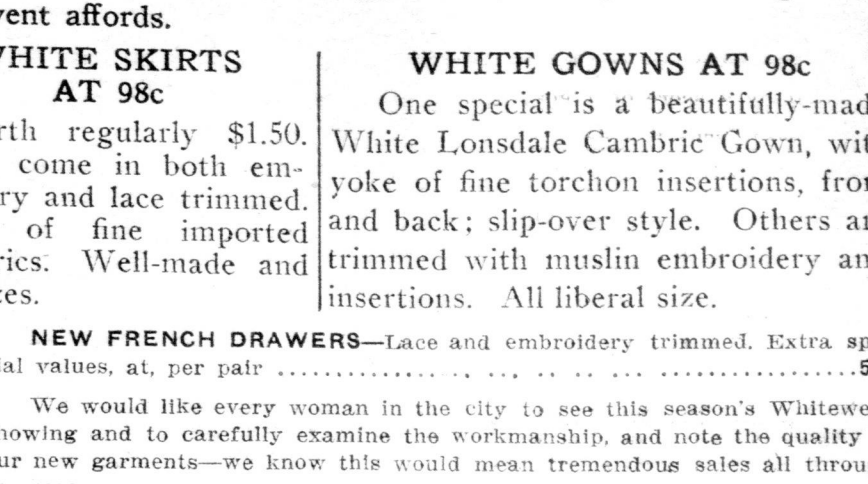
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