

# CRUELITIES DRIVE SOLDIER TO SUICIDE

Maltreatment of Privates in  
German Army by Non-Com-  
missioned Officers.

BERLIN, June 26.—Eight non-commissioned officers of the First Regiment of the Field Artillery of the German Army were summoned today before a divisional court-martial, charged with cruelly mistreating their recruits.

Not for five years has the German public been shocked by such disgraceful details. One of the ruffians arrested, a sergeant named Thamm, is accused of mistreating and maltreating in over 600 cases. The worst case was that of a recruit named Knobbe, who recently committed suicide to escape from Thamm and his like. This unfortunate "defender of the Fatherland" was so maltreated that he was obliged to go to a hospital. When he returned cured to the barracks the torture was renewed, and to escape it he hung himself from a window three stories high.

Kicks, outtings, pulling of ears till the blood came, lashing with driving whips were among the brutal means employed by these brutes to enforce discipline and "waken up" backward men. When the witnesses today were asked by the court why they did not complain to their superiors, they replied they were afraid that their lot would be in consequence worse instead of better. General surprise is expressed here that this systematic cruelty, which has been proceeding for years, was apparently unknown to the officers of the regiment.

In his defense, Thamm said that he beat Knobbe because of his stupidity, but others testified that Knobbe showed weakness of mind only after long ill-treatment. Pieces of heavy iron from gunners' harness were used, they said, in beating the men.

The court sentenced Thamm to fifteen months' imprisonment and degradation. The other defendants were sentenced to terms of arrest in barracks varying from three months to three weeks.

# ART TREASURES IN OLD LUMBER ROOM

Pictures Worth About \$15,000 Pinned  
for \$75.

LONDON, June 26.—Alec George, an East Ham pawnbroker, is congratulating himself on having lent \$75 on seven old pictures to a needy pawnbroker. He has recently discovered that the collection, which was unredempted, contains several old masters, and is valued by experts at about \$15,000.

The discovery came about owing to the chance visit to his lumber room, a few days ago, of an antique dealer in quest of old furniture. Neither the pawnbroker nor his customer seem to have had any idea of the real value of the canvases.

The pictures were pledged under a three-months' agreement shortly before Christmas," said Mr. George. "The customer, who, I understand, was a prosperous business man who had fallen on evil days, was merely aware that the pictures had been in his family for many years. He made no attempt to redeem them.

"I lent the money mainly on the value of the frames, of which I am so heavily incumbered with gold that it will bring \$15 from the melting pot. The agreement expired in March last, and all the canvases became my property.

"I placed them in the lumber room among unsalable rubbish. A business acquaintance of mine, an antique dealer, happened to see them early in May, and in consequence of his comments I called in two experts, who are city picture dealers in a large way.

"They agreed that the collection contained old masters, and was very valuable. A Bond street dealer made me an offer of \$2,500 for the lot of pictures. He told me it represents the 'Martyrdom of St. Agnes,' and is by Edward Boreale, and we have a portrait of a sum of three figures for a small canvas about 18 by 24 inches—a portrait of Josephus, attributed to Rembrandt.

"I am not willing to break the collection, however, which I was advised not to dispose of for less than \$3000.

"The other pictures include a Juno, as well as Rubens and Gainsborough.

"I visited the customer who pledged the pictures, and found him to be nine weeks in arrears with his rent and in danger of dispossession. I have settled his bill for him, and have promised that he shall receive one-half of the proceeds of the sale of the pictures—enough, perhaps, to set him up again in business.

# WOMEN IN LIVELY FIGHT IN GROCERY

A fistic encounter between two women took place on Saturday night in Day & Crabbe's grocery store, Mill street, and the spectators state that much hair was washed and that false teeth were sent flying in every direction.

It seems that one of the women claimed that the other, a young girl, had insulted her. She flew at her and was making short work of her when the girl's mother happened on the scene. The mother called out to the girl, which followed was a fierce battle between her and her daughter's assailant. They struck at each other and finally clinched. In a few minutes they rolled over and over on the floor. Policemen Totten was called in to separate the pair. This was no easy task, however, for both lay on the floor in a clinch and no heed was paid to the officer's orders to get up. Finally, however, they were parted and left the store looking greatly disheveled.

# TWO MORE PRISONERS LEAVE THE CHAIN GANG

One of Them Is Charles Smith, Who  
Got Off Easily for Escaping  
Last Time.

Charles Smith, (colored), and Wm. Baker made their escape from the chain gang this morning. The gang was at work in Rockwood Park when suddenly the two prisoners made a bolt for the woods.

Smith, it will be remembered, was the colored youth who, on account of his youth, was let off with a three months sentence for escaping from the gang, while three others were sent to the reformatory for two years. At the same time Smith gave out that Baker was arranging to escape. Baker was in for three months for carrying a loaded club, but previous to this had been out on suspended sentence for breaking into Magee's tin store on Gernall St. Smith's old sentence was through today and the new one of three months was to commence. Up till one o'clock they had not been recaptured.

# CONFERENCE TAKES STRONG STAND FOR SOCIAL REFORM

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After passing these amounts the remainder of this report was laid on the table until the report of the committee on the amalgamation of the sustenance and children funds.

Rev. Geo. Ayers presented the report on temperance and moral reform. Receipts by districts: St. John \$85.65; Fredericton \$66.75; Westcot \$15.50; Chatham \$28.35; Sackville \$71.58; St. Stephen \$27.35; Charlottetown \$51.51; Summerside \$28.50. Total \$383.69, increase \$38.45.

The committee recommended the establishment of men's clubs, brotherhoods, or manhood leagues in all our churches for the study of questions of moral and social reform; that the conference asks the Dominion Government to prohibit the importation, manufacture and sale of opium for other than medical purposes; that the conference memorialize the Provincial Government requesting that provision be made in the course of study in all the public schools for definite instructions in morals and good citizenship; and that Allan Allison provide a chair to be devoted to the education of the students in the science of sociology and to receive such instructions in the science as is considered desirable in all the perfectly equipped universities of the continent, that the criminal code be amended so as to suppress the business of negotiating bets on race tracks and in connection with horse races.

We endorse the action of the political party campaign in connection with the last election in New Brunswick and hope that such a movement will be general throughout the Dominion.

That the conference join the Moral and Social Reform Council of New Brunswick if the object of this council shall be the promotion of the following moral and social reforms: Political purity and the suppression of gambling; the social evil; traffic in intoxicating liquors for beverage purposes, and such other reforms as may be adopted by a two-thirds majority of those present; that in case a minor is called as witness in any prosecution of the illegal selling of cigarettes or tobacco he should be required to disclose where he obtained his cigarettes or tobacco. That we express our highest gratification at the results of the recent Scott election in the city of Fredericton and recommend that the officers be compelled to enforce the F. S. W. vote in the establishment of a paper by the general board of temperance and moral reform for the Dominion.

We rejoice in the fact that the militia department be immediately communicated with and requested not to allow any canteen in connection with the annual drill. That we recommend the reappointment of a standing temperance committee for our conference and nominate the following: Revs. J. Stothard, J. J. Colter, G. A. Sellar, L. J. Wason, Chas. Fleming, together with D. A. Pickering, R. Duncan Smith, F. S. Moore, J. J. Weddall, J. R. Woodburn. That the following be appointed as representatives of the conference on the Board of Temperance and Moral Reform: Revs. H. E. Thomas and Chas. Fleming, and Messrs. J. Hunter White and Peter McCallum.

"We rejoice in the progressive and earnest work of Rev. Dr. Chown, General Secretary of Temperance and Moral Reform as related by him in his most eloquent and soul stirring address before this conference and pledge ourselves to do our utmost in assisting him in this important movement.

(Signed) ROBERT WILSON, Chairman.

Rev. J. W. McConnell reported an addition to the last report of the Board of Trustees. During the year the sum of \$500.00 was received, being the proceeds of the Hemphill bequest of Northampton. The interest of this amount is to be paid to the minister on the Jacksonville circuit.

"Johnny, why don't you be a good boy, like your brother, Willy?" the mother was sternly admonishing her naughty son. "Willy here may be naughty, but John here may be a good boy, like your brother, Willy," the mother was sternly admonishing her naughty son. "Willy here may be naughty, but John here may be a good boy, like your brother, Willy," the mother was sternly admonishing her naughty son.

# RIFLEMEN MAKE GOOD SCORES IN MILITARY RIFLE LEAGUE SERIES

The St. John City Rifle Club shot the second match in the league series Saturday afternoon on the local range. The attendance was large and good scores were made by the different units competing. Smoke which laid heavily on the range was the only hindrance the marksmen had, as other conditions were normal.

The team from the City Club made the following scores in the match:

No. Name	Yds	Yds	Yds	Total
1. D. Conley	25	31	32	88
2. J. Sullivan	33	30	29	92
3. H. N. Sharp	30	30	30	90
4. Jas. Lamont	27	29	38	94
5. E. F. Gladwin	30	31	28	89
6. Jas. Manning	30	30	38	98
7. Herman Sullivan	29	27	39	95
8. W. J. Kennedy	30	28	36	94
9. N. J. Morrison	32	30	35	97
10. Geo. F. Thompson	32	28	35	95
Total	300	574	600	1474

# CARELESSNESS BRINGS INJURY TO ELEVEN

Motorman Was Running Car  
Without a Head Light  
When Crash Came

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., June 21.—Two of the eleven persons injured in the collision of two trolley cars on the Hoosea Valley division of the Berkshire street railway at Williamstown last night were on the dangerous list at the North Adams hospital and were not expected to live through the night. The others were expected to recover.

Motorman Lee tonight was able to give his version of the accident. He said he was running his car without a headlight, and asserted that he had telephoned to the car barn calling attention to the fact. According to Lee, he was told there was not any headlight there which could be spared and he was to finish out his trip without one.

The only lights he had for a guide, he said, were those of the car ahead, and as it was so dark along the route that he could not make out the car until he struck them, he was forced to regulate the rate in speed by the leading car. Suddenly the lights ahead disappeared. Lee thinking that the car might have rounded a curve was going at a good rate of speed in order to get to the head of the line before he struck a down grade and crashed suddenly into the car in front, with the result that the car struck with the trolley off and all lights out.

Both cars were crowded with passengers. Lee's car was from the Williamstown North Adams, and the collision happened about a half mile west of the Boston and Maine railroad station. The forward car was telescoped. Only the three forward seats escaped being broken. About ninety passengers were in each car and all were more or less hurt either by jolting or by the force of the impact.

No responsibility for the accident has yet been fixed.

# CHANGES IN CIVIL SERVICE TO BE BROUGHT DOWN SOON

Chinese Students Will Have Tax Reduced;  
Opposition Starts Obstruction With  
Attack on Indian Administration

OTTAWA, Ont., June 23.—Obstruction was inaugurated this morning by the finance minister stated to Mr. Foster that supplementary resolutions to give effect to changes in civil service salaries made by the new civil service bill would be brought down. The bill to amend the Chinese Immigration act was taken up. An amendment was introduced to make it clear that only Chinese who desire to enter higher or technical education institutions shall be regarded as students under the act after a year at a recognized technical institution shall be entitled to refund of the entry tax. On motion to go into supply Mr. Armstrong, Thompson, began an attack upon the Indian department.

# NEGRO IN WOMAN'S ATTIRE TRIED TO KILL POLICEMAN

NEW YORK, June 22.—Garbed in women's clothes, an unknown negro was shot and killed early today on West 22nd street, while attempting to escape after he had cut the throat of Patrolman Thompson, who was arresting him. Thompson had no idea that his prisoner was a man. The negro drew a razor and slashed the policeman across the throat and fled. Thompson struggled to his feet and fired three shots, one of which pierced the negro's brain. Thompson's injuries were not serious.

# APPOINTMENT OF REV. MR. MULLIN NOT OPPOSED

A few days ago Rev. J. S. Mullin, of Stanley, formerly a Presbyterian clergyman, was registered to solemnize marriages. Rev. Mr. Mullin, some seven or eight years ago, resigned from the Presbyterian ministry, and is not now connected with any denomination.

Judge Forbes, speaking to the Star today in connection with the appointment, said that personally he did not think any objection would be made. Mr. Mullin is quite an old man and cannot be with us very long. He has always been a strong conservative, and the recent registration in perhaps in a way an acknowledgment of his expressions regarding that party, and also partly in recognition of a personal desire.

Legally, I do not think that he has any right to this registration, but if the present government chooses to act in this way, I scarcely believe that anyone will oppose the appointment. The Presbytery of St. John very strongly opposed it when application was made some time ago, and it may be that the Presbyterians will again act. I, of course, cannot speak for that body, but my own opinion is that it will be allowed to pass unopposed.

# NO TROUBLE TO WEEP

One day last summer a German entered the establishment of a photographer, and after several glances about the place, observed, mournfully, that the photographer did not seem to have the properties essential to the taking of a picture he desired.

"I should like a picture of myself," he said, "but I have no camera with me."

"I am afraid I haven't the necessary accessories," the photographer replied. Then with an attempt at facetiousness he suggested, "Couldn't we arrange to have the portrait made at the grave itself?"

"Dot! in Bennisylvania!" sighed the German. "It would be too expensive to go there. You fix up some kind of grave there in de shop. I could weep on dot. It's no trouble for me to weep anywhere."

"Gracious!" exclaimed Mr. Swellman. "The baby has eaten a lot of that dog biscuit!"

"Never mind, dear," replied Mrs. Swellman. "It just serves Fido right for he's taken the baby's food many a time. Yes, Fido, naughty, naughty!"

# COMMERCIAL

NEW YORK STOCK QUOTATIONS.  
Chicago Market Report and New York Cotton Market.  
(Furnished by D. C. Clinch, Banker and Broker).  
St. John N. B., June 21.

Anal.	Copper	67 1/2	68	68 1/2
Anaconda	67 1/2	68	68 1/2	68 3/4
Am. Sugar Rfrs.	134 1/2	134 1/2	134 1/2	134 1/2
Am. Steel and Rfr.	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2	75 1/2
Am. Car Foundry	24	24	24	24
Atchafalaya	81	80 1/2	80 1/2	80 1/2
Am. Locomotive	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
Bell and Ohio	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2	46 1/2
Brook. Rfd. Trst.	86	85	85 1/2	85 1/2
Ches. and Ohio	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2	43 1/2
Can. Pac. Rfrs.	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2	109 1/2
Chi. and G. West.	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2	6 1/2
Colo. F. and Iron	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
Consolidated Gas	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2	123 1/2
Great Northern Rfd.	130 1/2	129 1/2	129 1/2	129 1/2
Erie	19	19	19 1/2	19 1/2
U. S. Steel	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Illinois Central	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2	126 1/2
Kansas and Texas	27	27	27	27
Louis. and Nashville	103	103	103	103
N. Y. Central	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2	102 1/2
Ont. and Western	40	39 1/2	39 1/2	39 1/2
Reading	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2	112 1/2
Republic Steel	17	17 1/2	17 1/2	17 1/2
Pennsylvania	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2	120 1/2
Union Pacific	145 1/2	145 1/2	145 1/2	145 1/2
U. S. Rubber	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2	25 1/2
U. S. Steel	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Western Union	64	63 1/2	63 1/2	63 1/2
Total sales in New York Saturday	110,363	shares.		

# CHICAGO MARKET REPORT.

" wheat.....	35	34 1/2	36 1/4
" oats.....	38 1/2	39 1/4	39 1/2
" pork.....	14.72	14.82	14.82

**MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.**  
Sat. Mon.  
Cl'g. Op'g. Noon.

Dom. I. and S. pfd.....	64 1/4	64
Nova Scotia Steel....	skq	111 1/4
C. P. R.....	159 1/4	159 1/4
Montreal Power.....	93 1/4	93 1/4
Detroit United.....	38	38
Mackay Co.....	65	65
Toronto St. Ry. ex. div.		
1 1/4 per cent.....	98	98

# MONTREAL QUOTATIONS.

Dom. Iron	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
Nova Scotia Steel	64 1/2	64 1/2	64 1/2
C. P. R.	159 1/2	159 1/2	159 1/2
Montreal Power	85	85	85
Detroit United	85	85	85
Wabash	22 1/2	22 1/2	22 1/2
Toronto St. Ry. ex. div.	98	98	98

# NEW YORK COTTON MARKET.

July	10 1/2	10 1/2	10 1/2
Oct.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Dec.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Jan.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Feb.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Mar.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Apr.	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
May	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
June	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2

# MORNING SALES, JUNE 22.

Dom. Iron Bonds—2000@17 1/2.  
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# Wedding Gifts!

"Imperial Crown" China. An Ornamental China, handsome and artistic in shapes and decorations.  
"Elite" Limoges China. In all articles for table use. In the most dainty, pleasing decorations.  
"Mintons" China. Potters to H. M. the King.

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78 TO 82 KING ST.

# LOCAL NEWS.

A dangerous hole is reported by the police to be in Queen street.

Carli Brothers advertising car No. 3 arrived in the city this morning attached to the C. P. R. train.

A key found on Market Square awaits an owner at Central Police Station.

The police have requested the street department to remove a dead cat from Celebration street.

Policeman Lucas reports that a large quantity of old fish and vegetables have been dumped at the foot of Sheffield street and are a menace to the health of persons in that locality.

You'll find a very agreeable companion someone you can lean on—in fact some people call him "The Star of Life." I brought him into the world and stand ready to duplicate him as often as you like. Get the best you can out of Mr. Goodbread, you'll find him in most all the stores in town.

# HYGIENIC BAKERY,

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INTERCOLONIAL RAILWAY.

# DOMINION DAY, JULY 2, 1908.

Return Tickets will be Sold at FIRST CLASS ONE WAY FARE. Good going June 30th and July 1. Good for Return until July 2nd, 1908. To all stations on the Railway and to Detroit, Port Huron and Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., and points in Canada East thereof on the G. T. R. and C. P. R., also to points on the Dominion Atlantic Ry., Cape Breton Ry., Cumberland Ry. and Coal Co., Halifax, and South Western Ry., Inverness Ry., and Coal Co., Quebec Central Ry., Sydney and Lunenburg Ry., Transatlantic Ry., and Prince Edward Island Ry.

NOTE.—In cases where excursion tickets issued by the Intercolonial Ry. points on June 30th, not enable passengers to reach destination prior to June 30th, tickets may be issued on June 30th.

Dinner Robertson was at work this morning on the tug Geo. D. Hunter, at Indian Point. The vessel has been straightened up and is supported between a lighter and the wharf. The hole in her bow is still under water, and the diver is engaged in making the hole and making the hull water-tight. In the meantime pumps are at work emptying the tug. It is hardly likely that she will be floated before tomorrow.

Mrs. H. H. McLean and Miss McLean have returned home after an extended visit to Europe. They were met at Montreal by Col. McLean, who accompanied them home. They returned in a private car which was placed at their disposal by General Manager McNeill of the C. P. R. At Col. McLean's residence on Horsfield street, flags were flying today in honor of their return.

# TOO LATE FOR CLASSIFICATION.

WANTED—A proof reader and stenographer at the Star Office. Apply at once.

LOST—Locket, Friday night, between Waterford and Lonsdale, Initials J. E. G. Finder please leave at Star Office. 22-4-5.

GIRL WANTED.—General household. Apply Mrs. J. F. PINDER, 322 Brittain St. 22-4-5.

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