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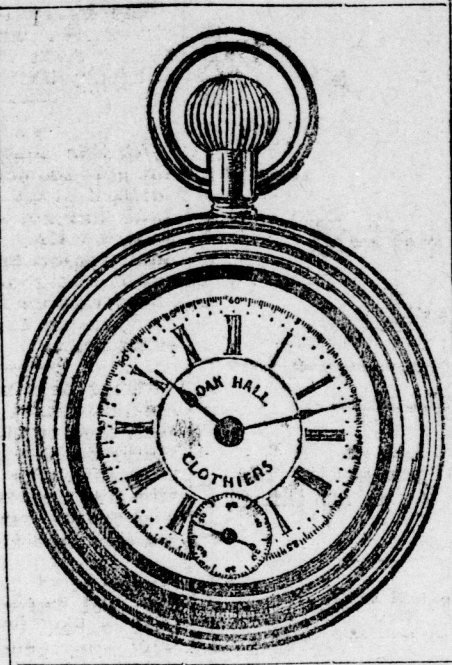
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### HERO HOBSON'S KISSING RECORD

Broken at Kansas City Where He Kissed 400 Women.

His Chicago Exhibition Has Caused the Windy City Editors to Object.

Kansas City, Dec. 22.—Lieut. Hobson, who is the guest of the city through an invitation extended by the Commercial Club, gave a general reception at the Coates House, and afterwards, for an hour and a half, received women only. The hotel lobby, stairways, corridors and parlors were crowded with women, including many representatives of fashion, and a large number of schoolgirls. The record of Hobson kissing was broken, not less than 400 kissing or being kissed by the lieutenant. At the beginning a few were bold enough to kiss him voluntarily, but the game took the form of give and take, a kiss for an autograph, and very few who got Hobson's signature escaped the Hobson kiss. Some were conquered in spite of struggles, and some refused absolutely to extend hospitality as far as the lieutenant desired. Whenever a married woman made an excuse in behalf of her husband, Hobson offered to give her a kiss to take to her husband. Hobson was positively aggressive, and entered into the sport with the enthusiasm of a schoolboy. Pauline Hall, the opera singer, not only kissed Hobson, but fell upon his neck.

CHICAGO EDITORS MAD. Chicago, Dec. 22.—The mushy exhibition at the Auditorium Tuesday night, wherein Lieut. Hobson kissed 163 women in 36 minutes, has caused the gorge

of Chicago editors to rise. They call Hobson an ass, and appeal to the navy department to call him off. The Journal says: "The Hobson exhibition was loathsome. It is sad that a man of his excellent courage should lend himself to a public display of female hysteria."

The Evening Post says: "Hobson is doing, and has been doing, all that is possible for one man to do to cheapen himself and cheapen his exploit at San Diego. Last night he gave a conspicuously glittering delineation of premeditated assiduity. We congratulate the young ladies of the Philippines on the great treat that is in store for them, for we are sure that the young hero will make no invidious distinctions. We were about to say that Mr. Hobson will tackle anything that wears skirts, but we happen to recall that the young ladies of the Philippines do not wear skirts."

This outburst may be all due to editorial jealousy. Denver, Dec. 22.—Lieut. Hobson was given a reception at the rotunda of the Brown Palace Hotel yesterday. It was attended by no less than 2,000 people. There was no kissing. The committee having the affair in charge decided that this feature of Lieut. Hobson's reception in the east should be omitted, and the gallant officer heartily seconded the decision. Arrangements were made to prevent the success of any attempt by enthusiastic damsels, but they were unnecessary. Though more than 1,000 women were present to greet Hobson, not one offered to kiss him.

When asked about recent newspaper criticisms of his kissing experiences today, Lieut. Hobson said: "In regard to these criticisms of my actions, I have nothing to deny or nothing to take back. I wish to say, however, that I desire to bear all the responsibility. No one else must be blamed. I recognized purely the patriotic enthusiasm of these women and girls in kissing them. Understand me, though, I do not wish that they be charged with any wrong. Most of them were school girls. They were in a frame of mind that was prompted by purely patriotic motives. I saw and recognized their patriotism purely and simply just like any other man in my position would have done. That is all there is to it."

KISSED IN A TUNNEL. Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 22.—Emil Ritter, a commercial traveler, has been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for having embraced and kissed Anna Schmitz, a young woman passenger on a railroad train near this city. The offense was committed while the train was passing through a tunnel. The judge imposed the extreme penalty of the law, remarking that only naval heroes such as Hobson, were granted such privileges.

SHOT HIMSELF IN HEAD AND HEART. Detroit, Mich., Dec. 22.—Early today John Severns, superintendent of the D. M. Terry Seed Company, committed suicide at his residence, 24 Fitch street, by shooting himself in the head and heart. He had been ill for some time.

ERIE R. R. ENGINEER KILLED. Corning, N. Y., Dec. 22.—A head-on collision occurred just west of Wayland, on the Rochester division of the Erie Railroad, at 2 o'clock this morning, in which Engineer Wm. Masters,

of train No. 143, was killed by being crushed and scalded in his engine, and his fireman, Patrick O'Brien, was seriously injured. No. 143 was drawn by two engines. All three engines were completely wrecked.

### HALL CAINE INTERVIEWED

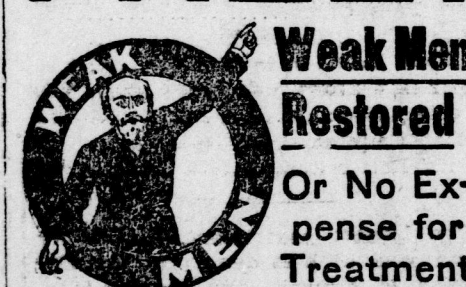
By Himself—He Gives His "Personal Impressions" of the United States.

London, Dec. 22.—Mr. Hall Caine, the novelist and playwright, who returned from the United States by the White Star steamer Majestic, which reached Liverpool on Tuesday, interviews himself this morning in the Daily Telegraph to the extent of four columns, giving his "personal impressions" of America.

Of American journalism Mr. Caine speaks highly, though he is "surprised at the small and fleeting impression the war has made on the minds and condition of the American people." He thinks there is "no great life in the controversy on the expansion question," for he doubts "whether anybody feels keenly either way."

Regarding the relations between Great Britain and the United States Mr. Caine says: "I believe that the feeling in America toward England is the same as it was three years ago. Certainly there has been no such extraordinary change as can be observed in England toward America. Nobody in the United States appears to want an alliance or an understanding. Good feeling for England is deep and widespread, but the English traveler in America is made to feel that we in England are much more vocal on the union of the Anglo-Saxon race than our compatriots in America are yet prepared to be." Mr. Caine discusses pleasantly and admiringly most American institutions.

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General Public: SINGLE FIRST CLASS FARE, going Dec. 24th, 25th and 26th, tickets good returning from destination not later than Dec. 27th, 1898; also on Dec. 31st, Jan. 1st and 2nd, tickets good returning from destination not later than Jan. 3rd, 1899. SINGLE FIRST CLASS FARE AND ONE-THIRD, going Dec. 23rd, 24th and 25th, returning from destination not later than Dec. 26th, 1898; also on Dec. 30th and 31st and Jan. 1st, good returning from destination not later than Jan. 4th, 1899.

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D. POTTINGER, General Manager, Railway Office, Moncton, N. B., May 21, 1897.

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### Navigation and Railways

#### CANADIAN PACIFIC RY. CHRISTMAS RATES

Return Tickets will be sold as follows: General Public: Single First Class Fare, going Dec. 24, 25 and 26, returning until Dec. 27, 1898.

Single First Class Fare and One-Third, going Dec. 23 to 25, returning until Dec. 26, 1898. Teachers and Students: On surrender of Certificate signed by Principal: Single First Class Fare and One-Third, going Dec. 10 to 31, 1898, returning until Jan. 18, 1899.

Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, S. S. Marie, Mich., and Detroit, Mich., and to, but not from, Suspension Bridge, N. Y., and Buffalo, N. Y.

Commercial Travelers: On presentation of Commercial Travelers' Railway Certificate: Single First Class Fare, going Dec. 17 to 26, 1898, returning until Jan. 4, 1899.

Between all stations in Canada, Port Arthur, S. S. Marie, Windsor and East. C. E. McPHERSON, A. G. P. A., 1 King street east, Toronto.

THOS. R. PARKER, City Passenger Agent, office, 161 Dundas street, corner Richmond.

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WEST OF DETROIT and to points on connecting lines, at fare and one third, on Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26, 30, 31 and Jan. 1 and 2, good to return leaving destination Jan. 3.

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