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HAPSBURGS HAVE ANOTHER ROMANCE

Family Had Many Scions Willing to Abandon Titles For Love.
Archduke Henry Ferdinand is Latest Instance - Wanted to Marry Munich Girl - Dry Official Sequel.

Vienna, Dec. 14.—Another romance connected with the important house of Hapsburg, is contained in the dry official announcement that Emperor Francis Joseph I. placed the Archduke Henry Ferdinand, brother of the Princess Louise of Saxony, and leave with the stoppage of all emoluments.

Archduke Henry Ferdinand, who is a painter, with a great distaste for court life and military duties, has been living for some time in Munich. He has desired for a long period to abandon his rank and title in the same way as Archduke Ferdinand Charles, in order, as is reported, to marry a girl of his rank belonging to a family not of noble rank. Finding this to be most difficult, the archduke has taken the easier course of throwing up his military career.

The family of the Hapsburgs has experienced a series of romances. The first among the most recent was that of the Archduke John Salvator known as John Orti, who completely disappeared after giving up his rank and title and marrying an actress named Milly Stiebel. He was said to have sailed for Chile on board the Santa Margara, and in July in 1890, no trace of him has since been found.

Then came Princess Louise of Saxony, who disappeared from Dresden in 1902, leaving her husband, the present king of Saxony. She was forbidden to use her title of archduchess by imperial decree. She was divorced from the king of Saxony in 1903. Archduke Ferdinand Charles this year married a daughter of a court councillor, afterwards assuming the name of Burg, and living as a private citizen.

Archduke Leopold who was a major general in the Austrian army, renounced his career in 1902, in order to marry a Bavarian actress named Adamiyich, whom he later divorced. He lives in Switzerland under the name of Woelfling.

RAILWAY EMPLOYEES SUSPENDED AFTER AN INVESTIGATION

Special to The Standard.
Moncton, Dec. 14.—As a result of an investigation by railway officials into the rear end collision at Sackville on Thanksgiving Day morning, in which Fireman Melanson lost his life, Driver Price, Conductor Melanson and Truckman have been suspended for three months and set back in the service for two years. Brakeman Steadman has been suspended for three months.

Rev. F. Baird addressed a large audience in the Presbyterian church here tonight, on the question of church union, taking strong grounds against the proposal. The address was given in the same church by Rev. James Ross, of St. John.

BEANS BEAT BEEF IN TRANSCONTINENTAL FIVE MONTHS' JAUNT

Los Angeles, Dec. 14.—Beans beat beef today when Warren H. Buffum, a Harvard student, reached San Bernardino at the end of his five month walk across the continent. His brother Jesse, subsisting on a meat diet, gave up a week ago and finished his journey by train. Warren lived solely on a vegetarian diet and stood the trip well.

The walk was made under the direction of Professor Sargent, of Harvard, where both young men are students, to test the efficiency of vegetable and meat diets.

Warren was as brown as an Indian when he marched sturdily down Orange street and met his brother at the railroad station. "I've slept outdoors more than in a house since leaving the Middle West," he said, "and last night I slept in the snow. It was great."

ITALIANS TAKE POSSESSION OF TADJURA OASIS

Tripoli, Dec. 14.—The Italian troops took possession yesterday of the oasis of Tadjura, consisting of several small villages about eight miles along the coast to the east of Tripoli.

The Turkish troops and the Arab irregulars retired before the arrival of the Italian columns and the inhabitants offered no resistance. The Turks have joined the main body further inland, but precautions have been taken by the Italian commander to prevent a surprise.

CELEBRATE A CENTURY OF PEACE

British Committee Organized to Co-operate with American in Commemoration of Anniversary.

London, Dec. 14.—A meeting held under the auspices of the parliamentary arbitration committee perfected today an organization to co-operate with the American national committee for the celebration of a century of peace among the English speaking races, and to commemorate the signing of the Treaty of Ghent in 1814. The celebration will take place according to present plans, in Canada, England and the United States during the years 1914, 1915 and 1916.

Earl Grey, former governor general of Canada, was elected president of the society, while Baron Shaw, of Dunfermline, was elected chairman of the executive committee, which comprises government officials, church dignitaries and scientists. The premier H. H. Asquith, chancellor of the exchequer David Lloyd George, Bonar Law, leader of the opposition in the House of Commons, and A. J. Balfour, former chief of the Unionist party, sent messages in support of the movement.

STEAMER DELHI IN BAD SHAPE

All Passengers and Crew are Landed - Lascars Lose Lives - Wrecked Steamer May be Lost.

Gibraltar, Dec. 14.—According to late reports from Cape Spartel, the steamer Delhi has now become so perilous that the entire crew will be obliged to abandon her. Only five passengers are still on board. All the others have been taken off and have reached Tangier on male barks. The captain of the steamer Delhi has sent a wireless despatch, saying that a bulkhead of the vessel has given away, and that he fears he will have to abandon the ship. He asks for a strong guard to be sent. The guard required for the protection of the large amount of bullion carried on board the Delhi, totaling \$1,500,000.

Paris, Dec. 14.—The French government has telegraphed congratulations to the officers and men of the French cruiser Briant, for their devotion to duty while assisting in the salvage of the passengers of the steamer Delhi.

Tangier, Dec. 14.—All the passengers of the wrecked steamer Delhi have now been landed. Only one of the passengers was injured in the difficult task of rescue, he having a leg broken. Three Lascars, members of the Delhi's crew, were drowned by the capsizing of a boat which was returning to the ship after landing a batch of passengers.

The sea continues to run high tonight. The starboard side of the Delhi is now completely stripped of its planking. A tug from Gibraltar which came to assist in the rescue was driven ashore by the heavy sea. The crew escaped.

DUKE AND DUCHESS TO ATTEND MONTREAL SOCIAL FUNCTION

Montreal, Dec. 14.—Their Royal Highnesses Duke and Duchess of Connaught tonight attended St. Andrew's hall the greatest social event in Montreal's calendar. This afternoon they visited the Grey Nunnery Convent where addresses were delivered in English and French, by small pupils who had evidently been carefully drilled by the nuns.

HONORS BESTOWED BY KING AT REVIEW

Delhi, British India, Dec. 14.—King George today reviewed 50,000 British and native troops. He held an investiture in the royal camp tonight, bestowing orders on 83 Knights and 200 companions. The Queen witnessed both the review and bestowal of orders.

CREWS COULD NOT SAVE LIFE BOATS

Committee on Merchant Marine Learns that Many Passenger Steamers are Insufficiently Manned.

BOAT DRILLS ARE ONLY MAKESHIFT.

Washington, Dec. 14.—William H. Frazier, secretary of the International Seaman's Union, of Boston, Mass., started the house committee on merchant and marine and fisheries today by declaring that on a majority of the passenger carrying ships on the Atlantic coast there were not enough members of the crew to land life boats.

He said most of the ships carry only boats enough for 75 per cent of the passenger carrying capacity of the ships. The witness declared that in all of his experience he has never seen a boat drill at sea where the life boats were hung at the davits.

Mr. Frazier also declared that the Slocum disaster was due to an insufficient crew. The loss of life would have been reduced by half with a proper crew, he said.

The witness was one of a score of sailors in the various trades who urged the passage of the Wilson bill to improve the conditions of the crew and from 72 to 100 cubic feet the space for each member of the crew, and from 12 to 15 feet the deck space. It would provide more efficient men in the fire rooms and other reforms.

FIRE LAST EVENING IN COTTON WAREHOUSE

Fire of a mysterious origin which broke out in a warehouse on Mill street shortly after 10 o'clock, destroyed the greater portion of the building and damaged to the extent of several hundreds of dollars. The warehouse and goods were well insured, so that the loss will be covered.

The alarm from box 63 was rung about a quarter past ten o'clock, just when the large crowd of people gathered to their homes. The crowd quickly hurried to the scene and between two and three thousand people assembled along the fire line which skirts the factory premises.

Scarcely had the first alarm been sounded when the fire was illuminated by the reflection of the blaze. The reflection could be seen from all parts of the city and attracted large numbers of people. The fire quickly spread to the roof and started shooting from the roof and bursting through the sides of the shed cast reflection on the waters of the pond in front of it.

The fire was first noticed by the night watchman, who immediately sounded the alarm on the whistle. A man who was passing at the time noticed the fire and sent in an alarm from box 62. The fire quickly spread to the roof and started shooting from the roof and bursting through the sides of the shed cast reflection on the waters of the pond in front of it.

A general alarm was rung in a short time after the fire had started. The firemen worked hard to extinguish the fire. By their efforts, they succeeded in saving the western section of the shed from conflagration. Despite their work, however, the eastern section was demolished. The contents of the building, which consisted of cotton wool, burlap, fed the flames, and the interior of the shed was soon in ruffe.

The origin of the fire could not be ascertained, but as there was no stove in the building from which the fire could originate, the theory is that some one may have been in the building.

At the time of the fire there was stored in the shed raw cotton, print and burlap to the extent of several thousand dollars. This had been placed in the warehouse as a reserve supply in case of exigencies. The total damage could not be computed last night, but the management stated that the whole supply was well insured and consequently the loss is covered.

The eastern section to which the fire was confined, was badly gutted, but the firemen succeeded in preventing the spread to the other half.

The water pressure was good during the fire, but the additional stream from the pond proved of valuable service. The new invincible nozzle recently procured by the fire department was used last evening for the first time. The nozzle is a novelty in this section of Canada, and its efficiency was tested and found to be a great help in fighting the flames.

About 9:40 o'clock last night some person started that there was a fire on the McLeod wharf and Policeman Written sent in an alarm from box 9, on Water street. As quickly as the apparatus arrived on Water street the policeman sent them to the McLeod wharf. The firemen found on fire and it was a false alarm.

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Accordingly, Chief Hughes was notified, and he drove back to McGuire's hut, and found the latter lying on a porch of straw in the shack. The chief brought the unfortunate man out, and placed him in the lockup where he is being looked after until something can be done about the case.

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MANY REFORMS IN ADMINISTRATION

GENERAL RECORDS COMPLETE

Means Now Available for Identification of 5,000 Criminals at Ottawa—Record of One Family.

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The records, finger prints and photographs of no less than 5,000 murderers, thugs, vagabonds, filth-mongers, smugglers, pickpockets and other offenders of the law, are now on file at the office of the criminal identification bureau, according to the statement made by Inspector Foster today.

One quartette of crooks recorded at the bureau, are three brothers and a sister, all of whom have earned a place in the rogues' gallery for theft from the person.

Probably the first thing to be done, will be the appointment of a committee of tariff commission, and the commission which is to study the needs of agriculture with a view to co-operation between the Dominion and the provinces. The tariff commission will be established without loss of time, and will at once get to work. There will be no tariff legislation this session.

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SHOULD KEEP FRIENDSHIP OF ENGLAND

Chamber of Deputies Debates Franco-German Agreement - Count de Mun Issues Warning to House.

Paris, Dec. 14.—An attempt by the Conservative members of the Chamber of Deputies to postpone the ratification of the Franco-German agreement about Morocco, evoked a speech by the subject from Foreign Minister Deselves this afternoon. In the course of his remarks he declared that Germany at the beginning of the negotiations asserted that she would not accept nor abide by a new Algerian conference, a method for settling the Moroccan question. A heated debate ensued.

The German, British, Russian and Spanish Ambassadors were present in the Chamber of Deputies this afternoon when Foreign Minister Deselves before a crowded house delivered his speech, and made some additional remarks concerning the Moroccan crisis.

Among other things, M. Deselves declared that Germany at the outset of the crisis, had asserted that she would not accept or abide by the settlement of the Moroccan question. The discussion followed an interpellation by the Comte de Mun and other members on the right, or Conservative side, who wish to postpone the ratification of the Franco-German accord in regard to Morocco until after the negotiations now going on between Spain are concluded.

Count de Mun, in a long speech, condemned the sacrifice to a rival colony of two-thirds of the French empire, France, and conquered by the spilling of the blood of French soldiers. He condemned the making of secret treaties as a method of diplomacy, and wanted to know where France had been heading since 1905.

"This has been a menacing condition," he hoped that France did not dream of a dangerous Utopia, involving the enslavement of the friendship of other powers.

M. Deselves in opposing the motion for the postponement of the ratification of the Franco-German agreement, traced the negotiations between France and Germany since the beginning of the crisis. He admitted that due to the excessive demands of Germany, reasonable negotiations ensued upon this, and M. Deselves declared that Germany had become irritable and tried to start a conflict.

On the contrary, her attitude had been conciliatory. French interests had been constantly guarded while the dignity and calm of public opinion in France had revealed the force of French patriotism.

M. Deselves then defeated the Franco-German accord, saying that the chief advantage of the agreement is that it frees the general politics from a permanent source of conflict. "This advantage is not a small one at the hour when the external political situation demands a particular attention."

He then continued, "We have no intention of abandoning our friends or our alliances. On the contrary, we shall bind them closer."

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Count de Mun's motion was defeated by 448 to 88.

HOW WOULD THIS VARIETY DO FOR NEW BRUNSWICK?

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Tariff Commission and Agricultural Board to be Established at Early Date.

Civil Service Reform Will Be Undertaken on Extensive Scale - Improvements in Military Instruction.

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Ottawa, Dec. 14.—Premier Borden's return to Ottawa on Saturday will be followed by a week of the hardest work tackled by the new government. The premier has refused all engagements that would take him away from the east block next week, and the intention is to rush the work of preparation for the re-opening of the House in January.

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Military Schools.

Hon. Sam Hughes is ready with another one. This time it is in regard to the annual review of the military schools. He has proposed that the review be held at the outside service. Under the contemplated changes there will no longer be a short run of service by way of temporary appointments.

There has been, it is alleged, a lot of juggling of grades, for the benefit of Liberal favorites, and the presence of older and more experienced officials, appointed by Conservatives. The present government proposes to fight up the act and to extend the operation to the outside service. Under the contemplated changes there will no longer be a short run of service by way of temporary appointments.

SUGGESTION MADE TO CHANGE ROUTE OF HUDSON BAY LINE

Ottawa, Dec. 14.—The suggested change in the route of the Hudson Bay Railway will be taken up at a conference here shortly between the minister of railways and engineering experts who have been examining the route. The government is urged to have the line start at Prince Albert, instead of La Par. The latter point is the terminus of the C. N. E. The chief argument for Prince Albert is that it is connected with several lines which would not be taken up at Hudson Bay route, said, many tenders may eventually be called for.

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