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**irate Husband Rounds Up
His Erring Wife in London****Woman Ran Away With Boarder—Home-Wrecker Now
Behind Prison Bars—Pair Apparently Reconciled.**

John Lang, who was born near the village of Watford, married a young lady of Gloucester, and seven years ago the two crossed the line and took up their residence in St. Marys, Penn., where the husband had secured a situation.

Mr. and Mrs. Lang were paying a flying visit to this city—a visit of a most peculiar nature. Mrs. Lang came first, and she was accompanied by Frank Pixler, formerly a friend of her husband in St. Marys, and now one of her worst enemies. Lang says that the pair eloped, taking with them his pretty boy of 12 years.

Lang chased the erring couple for 400 miles, finally rounding them up in the Forest City, after an exciting pursuit of three weeks' duration. Pixler is now confined in the local police station, awaiting trial on whatever charge Lang wishes to lay against him.

And now the strangest part of all comes in. Lang had been breathing out threats against his wife, as well as against Pixler. He did not want any more of her, he said. All he wanted was to get the child back. He intended to shoot both his wife and her lover, it is alleged.

But at present, Mr. and Mrs. John Lang are living amicably together in the Metropolitan Hotel. A reporter called last evening to investigate this phenomenon. Climbing to the second floor, he knocked at the door of room four. A medium-sized, young man, of dark complexion, and rather thin, appeared in his short-sleeved shirt. This was Mr. Lang.

He did not look as if suffering from pain or sorrow, and asked the scribe to come in.

"Agin' Motorety."

The visitor peeped through the door and saw a rather stout woman seated upon the bed, and then decided to stay outside. On being told the object of the scribe's visit, Mr. Lang replied as follows:

"You won't get anything from me. It's all bosh what they have been saying."

Men sometimes entertain angry un-awares, but a real well-developed snake is quite another proposition. A very large snake was captured in the city this morning. The porter of the Richmond House, William Pynter, by name, was going about his work as usual this morning, when he saw a huge reptile coming out of a hole in the back yard.

Now William hiked inside, but he came out again with a large sack, and boldly tackled the reptile. He threw the sack over its head and grabbed it by the neck. William held on, and with the assistance of a couple of others he soon put the reptile out of business. The snake measured 7 feet, 11 inches in length, and at its largest part would be about the size of a diamond. It is a large yellow snake with black markings, and looks something like a milk snake, a very harmless variety. The snake is supposed to have escaped from a show that was quartered at the corner of King and Richmond streets, during old boys week. The snake is now on exhibition at the hotel, and many are viewing the remains.

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man is back into the room. "Is that a newspaper reporter?" queried an imposing voice from the interior, and the husband answered yes. "I thought so," said the large lady, peeping out. "I can tell them by the looks of them. They like to know a lot, that they ain't going to know."

The scribe only stayed long enough to be told that the couple are going away tomorrow.

Mr. Lang has not always been so reticent, as he was last night, and his story has been told freely in the various places through which he passed in the pursuit of his family.

As the story goes, Lang is superintendent in one of Pennsylvania's large manufacturing concerns. He used to be a barrel-stave cutter, and bears the marks of this occupation on one of his hands. After leaving his peaceful home in Watford, however, he prospered and rose quickly to the position he now holds.

Same Old Story.

Pixler came to Lang two years ago in St. Marys, Penn., and applied for a job. Lang liked his looks, and gave him work. Soon the two became fast friends. After a while, Lang invited his friend to come and share his home.

Pixler accepted. The situation thus created was as good as one as could be found in any novel. Pixler and Mrs. Lang grew fond of each other. If Pixler had been the hero of the novel, he would now have gone away and killed himself, leaving a note written in blood, telling Lang all about it.

But Pixler proved to be the villain of the tale, according to Lang's version. Lang noticed nothing wrong at first. He was busy with his work, and he was hard at work, word reached him that his wife had eloped with Pixler. Rushing home, he found that it was but too true. And the two had evidently planned the affair carefully, for each took a full wardrobe of clothes with them. They also took the child.

Hungry for revenge, Lang picked up (Continued on page 5.)

**SEVEN FOOT SNAKE
IN THE BACK YARD**

**NINE DEAD IN
TROLLEY SMASH**

**Porter of the Richmond House
Tackles, Captures and Kills
Lost Reptile.**

**Freight Runs Down Street Car
Full of Merry-makers
at Butte.**

Butte, Montana, Aug. 21.—Nine persons were killed, one fatally injured, and about thirteen more or less injured in a collision between a street car filled with returning merry-makers from the Columbia Gardens, and a freight train.

The dead: Maggie Harrington, aged 15, Butte; Maude Johnston, aged 19, Butte; Mrs. Jacobs, colored, Butte; Maggie Keefe, aged 19, Butte; Vera Harrington, aged 14, Butte; Mrs. Sadie Smith; Chris Volk; unknown except by name on metal identification check found in his pocket, and unidentified man and woman, both at the Montana and taking rooms.

Loaded with passengers, many of them women and girls, the car returning from Columbia Gardens, was struck by the end of a freight train on the railroad tracks north of the Butte, Anaconda and Pacific depot, and crushed, killing the weight of one freight car, bending nine, and perhaps fatally injuring one other. Numerous others were slightly hurt, and were taken to their homes for treatment. Their names at this time being unavailable.

A Family Reunion.

Kingston, Ont., Aug. 21.—Nearly four hundred members and friends of the Mallett-Johnson connection attended a family reunion on Friday and Saturday. Mayor Wigle delivered an address of welcome. The next reunion will be held at Muncie, Ind., next year.

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**Death Calls Sen. Wark;
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Fredericton, Aug. 21.—Senator Wark died yesterday morning at 8:40 o'clock, aged 101 years, six months and one day. He was conscious to almost the last hour of his life, and passed away



THE LATE SENATOR WARK.

without pain. His last illness lasted only a week, and his pastor, Rev. Wil-

lard MacDonald, of St. Paul's Presbyterian Church, was with him for some days before death. He leaves one daughter, Miss Helena Wark, at home.

Senator Wark had no bodily ailments, and was entirely free from suffering all through his illness. His demeanor was bright and cheerful, and his mind apparently as active as ever. During last week he wrote several letters to friends by dictation, and chatted freely on current topics with members of his household. About 5 o'clock yesterday morning he took a serious turn, and his pastor and family physician were soon at the bedside in response to a message, and they remained with him until the end. A quarter of an hour before his death he tried to answer a question addressed to him by Dr. Crockett, but his words were inaudible. At 8:40 o'clock he passed away as peacefully as one falling asleep.

The funeral will probably take place on Wednesday afternoon, and will be simple in character. The body will be interred in the family plot in Forest Hill Cemetery.

**GOVERNMENT INSPECTOR MAKES
BIG SEIZURE OF CIGARETTES**

**Local Dealers Selling Smuggled
Goods Were Nailed Red-
Handed Saturday.**

Four local hotelmen were given a somewhat serious surprise Saturday, when the Government inspector made a raid on their tobacco stands and seized all the American cigarettes in sight.

They were all "Sweet Caporals," and they did not bear the Canadian Government seal, having been made in the United States.

It is said that a big cigarette firm of Montreal lodged the complaint which resulted in the seizure, though the hotelmen declare that the officers of the local W. C. T. U. gave the pointer to the Montreal firm, as they are anxious to stamp out the cigarette, and take a slap at it every time they get a chance.

All the American cigarettes found were confiscated, and it is said, no less than nine boxes were taken in one house.

The motive for the handling of the cigarette lies in the fact that in the United States the cigarettes are sold so as to retail at five cents a package, whereas in Canada they are wholesaled at a price which compels the retailer to ask ten cents a package for them. Consequently when they were purchased in the United States and smuggled over, the Canadian dealer had a decidedly long profit.

It is understood that a number of prosecutions will follow, and that the Government is doing its best to locate the men who make a practice of smuggling cigarettes into Canada.

Green Apples Kill in London

The first death of the season from the eating of green apples occurred today at Victoria Hospital, when little Arthur Wright, son of William Wright (colored), of the Wellington road, died.

The lad was but 6 years of age, and a large number of green apples on Friday night, and immediately afterwards was taken violently ill.

Vomiting brought on a rupture of the bowels, and on Saturday night his parents became alarmed and called in physicians. The medical men saw the case was almost hopeless, but they had the lad removed to Victoria Hospital, where an operation was performed upon him. It proved unsuccessful, however, and today the lad died.

The death of the little fellow should prove a warning to other boys with an appetite for green apples.

QUEEN MARGARET'S PERIL

**Attempt to Assassinate Her While
Touring the Alps.**

New York, Aug. 21.—Turin, Italy, dispatch to the Herald says that recently an attempt was made to assassinate Queen Margaret, mother of King Victor, who is making a tour of the Alps in an automobile. This news is contained in a telegram received by Duke Aosta at the royal palace of Racconigi, near Turin.

**HINDOOS KIDNAP
ROYAL CONVERT**

**A Former Brahmin Princess
Carried Off By Family.**

OFFERED \$100,000 FOR HER

**Methodist Missionary Sends Word
of Daring Capture at Madras—
Feared She Is Dead.**

New York, Aug. 21.—Soolooanagum Ammal, the Hindoo princess who became a convert to Christianity, and who visited America in 1901, was kidnapped near Madras, in South India, July 18.

So far as known here, she has not yet been recovered by her Christian friends, and, as she has been an object of hatred to her Brahmin relatives since her conversion, she may have been done away with.

The news of the capture and detention of the former Brahmin princess was brought to this city in a letter from Bishop William F. Oldham to the Methodist Missionary Society. In this letter the bishop says the princess was "forcibly dragged out of her bullock cart on the public road, hurried into a closed carriage and driven off."

It was said today by Charles Fahs, of the editorial staff of the Missionary Society, that there is little doubt that the young woman has been murdered. The bishop says: "We are doing all that can be done for her recovery, but only those who know India can estimate the apparent hopelessness of it."

The unsleeping hatred of Brahminism, which this mission has been saving in many strange ways in the last ten years, seems to have been permitted to strike us at last. We know all the devilish cruelty which Hindoism, with all its soft-spoken words, nurses in its heart—a contempt for which may bring great suffering to its poor victims.

Princess Soolooanagum was in this country for eighteen months in 1901 and 1902 with Miss Grace Stephens, superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Seminary at Madras. She is of the "Pantulu" Brahmin, who propound and interpret the Vedas. Her father, A. L. Venkataramana Pantulu, was the first Hindoo to take the double degree of the University of Madras, was sub-judge of the district of Madras, and had great wealth. The woman married when she was 10 years old and is still young.

She inherited wealth from her father, and built a Brahmin temple near Madras, visiting it weekly and spending much in charity. She attended the mission school to learn English, and as a condition under which the missionaries teach the language is that the pupil must read the Bible to her mother, her husband and her relatives. Her brother offered her \$100,000 to give her up, and after she was baptized her husband and her Brahmin relatives gave her a "funeral."

As a (late) Soolooanagum no longer belonged to them, all her earthenware was brought out and broken, and everything that could remind them of her was given away or destroyed.

"Then an effigy of the princess was made of roots brought from the banks of the Ganges and preserved sacredly by the priests, and with some special, intricate ceremonies the 'form' was thrown upon the fire. The priests shouted 'Dead, dead,' and 'Burned out,' six times, after which the whole company took up the cry, and had the satisfaction of seeing the body, or 'form,' entirely consumed."

"A bond or execution bill" was signed by three of the family priests and four high-caste Brahmins. It is believed that the sacred ashes were gathered together, and as is the custom with all the eyes of no and, or low caste persons, should fall on the ashes, they were thrown at night by a Brahmin from a burning ground, and after a further ceremony, called the 'remedy,' were deposited among the dead of her people."

A CABINET COUNCIL

**Premier and His Ministers Meet at
Capital Tomorrow.**

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Ottawa, Aug. 21.—Hon. Messrs. Fielding, Emerson and Brodeur have returned to the capital for tomorrow's cabinet council. The premier, Sir Richard Cartwright, and Hon. William Patterson will be here tonight. Hon. Messrs. Fisher, Fitzpatrick, Prefontaine, and perhaps one or two others are coming in tomorrow. Sir Frederick Borden arrives Wednesday.

Three tramps, giving the names of John King, Arthur Labelle and John Ames were arrested yesterday at Ingers in Labelle County on orders of Detective McCaskill, in connection with the murder of Audette, the C. P. R. station boy, at Farnham.

THE WEATHER.

Fine and a Little Cooler.

London, Monday, Aug. 21.
Sun rises, 5:28 a.m. Moon rises, 10:24 p.m.
Sun sets, 7:13 p.m. Moon sets, 11:30 a.m.

Toronto, Aug. 20.—8 a.m.
Minimum and maximum temperatures:
During Saturday evening some heavy showers and local thunderstorms occurred over the lake region and the Ottawa and Upper St. Lawrence valleys, and today rain has fallen in the Maritime Provinces. In the Northwest Territories and Manitoba, the weather has been fine, except for a few scattered showers, but very strong winds have prevailed generally.

Minimum and maximum temperatures:
Victoria, 52-64; Winnipeg, 54-74; Port Arthur, 52-64; Parry Sound, 55-60; Toronto, 58-60; Ottawa, 56-70; Montreal, 56-70; Quebec, 50-72; Halifax, 54-68.

FORECASTS.

Today—Fresh to strong southerly to westerly winds; mostly fair and warm, with showers and thunderstorms.
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Montreal..... 56 56 Clear
Quebec..... 50 56 Rain
Father Point..... 56 48 Cloudy

WEATHER NOTES.

Cool weather prevails in Manitoba and the west, but at St. Pauls are at present unlikely. Since Saturday showers have occurred from the Lake Superior region to the Maritime Provinces, attended in the lake region by some local heavy thunderstorms.

The highest and lowest readings of the thermometer at the local observatory for the 24 hours, ended at 8 p.m. Saturday

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that Lord Curzon reconsider his determination. In a final dispatch, however, dated Aug. 12, Lord Curzon says: "The main question is not the choice of individual, but one of the principles underlying a future change in our administration."

"I am reluctantly given to the conclusion that the policy of his majesty's Government is based upon principles that I conscientiously could not carry into execution."

"In the interests of the new organization, it is desirable that I should be relieved of my duties with as little delay as possible."

To this, Mr. Balfour himself replied that he had "with the most profound regret submitted Lord Curzon's resignation to the King."

"But," says Curzon, "I loyally commenced the undertaking only resigned when I realized that conflicts were certain to arise between the command-in-chief and the rest of the Government of India."

The Mail says the smoothness and pleasantness of Lord Minto's relations with the ministers in Canada augur well for his future in India. The Chronicle says he is a man of first-rate ability, but with none of the brilliance of Lord Curzon.

From the viewpoint of free trade the appointment is disappointing, as he is an avowed Chamberlainite.

Kitchener Is Supreme.

Simla, British India, Aug. 21.—Among the public general sympathy is being expressed for Lord Curzon of Kedleston, Viceroy of India, who for eight weeks has been confined to his bed, from where he conducted his fight single-handed against the cabinet. There is widespread regret that he has left himself obliged to resign, despite the almost unanimous support of the press and commercial bodies. The friends of Lord Kitchener are jubilant, and the "Pantulu" Brahmin, who reported that the young king shows signs of insanity with his prestige greatly enhanced. In the opinion of the natives Lord Kitchener's power is supreme.

WARSHIP IN THE THAMES