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U.S. LEADS IN THEATREGOING

J. K. Jerome Says It Is Commercial Headquarters of the Drama.

ENGLAND IS FAR BEHIND

The Average Briton Prefers His Heartstone to a First Night.

London, Feb. 18.—In an interview with a correspondent, Jerome K. Jerome declared that the headquarters of the commercial drama is in America. Americans regard the play as a necessity, he said, and it is for this reason that English dramatists direct so much attention to the transatlantic public. Arnold Bennett, Louis N. Parker and others have discovered the practical value of this fact, he continued, and being practical men they are taking advantage of it. He cited "Esther Castways," in which Marie Tempest is now playing at the Prince of Wales Theatre.

"I never intended it for England," he said. "It was written for America and will be played there. England has not yet acquired the playgoing habit. The 'Londoner' of the public regard the drama as a somewhat of a necessity, but it is not a necessity which must either be a mental or extremely depressing as a mental exercise. It apparently has no meaning."

"An American will cheerfully leave his office and go to a play with only a sandwich or a hasty dinner. An Englishman goes home, takes off his boots and reclines on the sofa. A new play is produced in London, and except a comparatively small portion of the public is interested. But when a new play is produced in New York, Paris, Vienna or Berlin, it is immediately the subject of general conversation. It is this feeling here of contemptuous toleration on the part of the public that I retards its progress."

An Air Scarce.
The frequent and sudden appearance of mysterious "visiting" airships which do not make a landing has caused the Government to issue a short bill through the House of Commons prohibiting the passage of air craft over certain areas, or, if deemed necessary, over the whole coast line of the United Kingdom and adjacent territorial waters. The bill authorizes the proper officers to use fire or into any such craft and to use any and every other means to prevent an infraction of the law.

The Times in a editorial article puts the matter in this way: "It must have occurred to many people that the visits of foreign airships are becoming increasingly frequent, especially in view of the fact that we are by no means returning the compliment. They have a way of appearing over our ports just after nightfall or before dawn. It would seem that either they have a predilection in favor of following the coast line or passing unnoticed, possibly at a great height across our territory. During the last four or five years they have been seen over Sheerness, Portsmouth, Dover and Liverpool, and on two separate occasions over Cardiff. Their course has never been traced. They are sighted at a given spot and then disappear. The circumstance not only gives a surreptitious air to their visits, but raises an unpleasant suspicion that the visits may be more frequent than we know. This aerial espionage of an unknown extent and minuteness is an intrusion which we have a right to resent. Its motives are not likely to be friendly."

It is understood that sky guns for which contracts were given some time ago will be stationed along the coast. Meanwhile an agitation is growing to urge the Government to increase the number of British airships, which at present is a negligible quantity.

PAGEANT AT PARIS

Raymond Poincaré Inaugurated President of the French Republic.

Paris, Feb. 18.—The inauguration of Raymond Poincaré as president of the French Republic for a term of seven years, took place today with very simple ceremonies, but there was a great display of popular enthusiasm as the new chief executive proceeded to the Palace of the Elysees to take over the office from Armand Fallières, who today completed his full term.

Former Aristide Briand shortly before 2 o'clock this afternoon called at the private residence of the president-elect, with whom he then proceeded in a fourhorse open state carriage, escorted by a regiment of brilliantly-uniformed cuirassiers through the Avenue du Bois de Boulogne, the Avenue des Champs Elysees and the Avenue de Marigny to the Palace of the Elysees. In spite of the unusually cold weather the streets were thickly lined with people who had come to see and cheer the new president. A school holiday had been proclaimed and most of the children were lined up along the route, and waved caps, handkerchiefs, and small flags, and loudly cheered as the presidential procession passed.

ASSASSINS EXECUTED

Three Shot to Death Over Killing of San Salvador's President.

[Canadian Press.]
San Salvador, Republic of El Salvador, Feb. 18.—Three of the assassins of the late president of the Republic of El Salvador, Dr. Manuel E. Araujo, were shot by platoons of soldiers on the Campo de Maria racetrack in the presence of a large concourse of people, yesterday.

A council of war had on Saturday evening condemned to death seven persons who had taken an active part in the crime. Four of them had been taken prisoners, while the other three are still at large. One of the prisoners was allowed a respite, as it was expected that he would divulge further particulars of the plot.

ENVER BEY SAFE

Turk Leader Denies Being Wounded by Would-be Assassins.

[Canadian Press.]
Berlin, Feb. 18.—Enver Bey, the Young Turk leader, who was reported yesterday to have been severely wounded by would-be assassins, telegraphed to some friends here today denying the reports and declaring that he was safe in the peninsula of Gallipoli.

FREIDMAN SAILS TO TEST CURE IN AMERICA

Has a Quantity of Live Germs Which May Kill White Plague Bacilli.

[Canadian Press.]

Berlin, Feb. 18.—Dr. Frederick Friedman, whose claims to the discovery of a serum curing tuberculosis have been much discussed, sailed for New York today on the steamship Kron Prinzessin Cecilie. He took with him a quantity of the live germs which he asserts are so efficacious, and it is understood he proposes to attempt the cure of 95 out of 100 cases of tuberculosis, a test for which a New York banker has offered a million-dollar fee if success is attained.

FAVOR WOMEN AS MEMBERS OF VESTRY

Anglican Pastors Refer to Petition and Appeal for Signatures.

The church-women of the Diocese of Huron are asking by petition to be made members of the vestry in their respective parishes, as is the case in seven other dioceses in Canada.

On Sunday last at the evening service the Rev. R. W. Norwood, of the Memorial Church, and Rev. T. B. Clark, of All Saints Church, referred to the petition in most warm terms, and expressed the wish that it be signed by every woman in the parish, adding that the early church was not deprived of the counsel of godly women, and it was needed in the church today.

RAILWAYS AGREE TO ARBITRATE DEMANDS

Less Likelihood of a Firemen's Strike On the Eastern Systems of U. S.

[Canadian Press.]

New York, Feb. 18.—The eastern railroads agreed today to arbitrate the demands of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen under the Erdman act. This breaks the deadlock.

The decision of the roads was announced shortly before 10 o'clock in the official statement this morning, issued by E. B. Lewis, secretary of the conference committee of managers.

ATTACK ON HOSPITAL MANIFESTLY UNFAIR

Superintendent Heard Says Reports of Nurses' Illness Were Exaggerated.

Superintendent T. H. Heard, of Victoria Hospital, characterizes as "manifestly unfair" the statements contained in a local paper alleging that a widespread epidemic had broken out among the nurses at Victoria Hospital.

He truth was contained in the official statement and accompanying article in The Advertiser, said Mr. Heard. "There is nothing further than the five cases, and the highly sensational reports in another paper were evidently calculated to injure the hospital."

NEW SERVICE TO AUSTRIA

C. P. R. Provides for Twelve Outward and Homeward Sailings.

[Canadian Press.]

Montreal, Feb. 18.—The agreement that has been made between the C. P. R. and the Austrian Government for twelve outwards and homeward sailings in the course of the year between Trieste and Canada, shall not be less than fourteen knots. The C. P. R. is to give the Government every information with regard to emigrants carried, and is to charge the Austrians who are summoned for military service, or who are destitute, an inclusive rate of only four kronen per annum. The company at the departure of travellers a reduction of 25 per cent, and book ten tons of samples free for them. The Austrians are to give the C. P. R. the number of its sailings. In view of the competition of the Austrian line, the Austrian Government has allowed the C. P. R. to increase the number of its emigration offices. The concession at first only extended to the opening of an office in Vienna, but permission has since been given to open bureaus in various large towns, and at the Russian frontier stations. The Government desires an increase of cargo traffic with Canada, rather than an increase of emigration, though the latter would be certain to take place, in view of the increased facilities.

Personal Mention

Miss Myrtle Walker, of London, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. Walker, Napier.

Misses Margaret Little and Jennie Hillman, of Bothwell, are here attending the millinery openings.

Mrs. Ellen Sallows has returned home to Goderich after visiting her daughter, Mrs. James DeLong, 351 Princess avenue.

Miss Jean Maguire, of Alisa Craig, is visiting with friends here.

Mr. Norman Howden and Miss Beulah Howden left yesterday to spend a couple of weeks in New York.

Miss Annie Canham was a week-end guest of the Misses Chapman at Alisa Craig.

D. A. McEwen, of this city, visited with friends in Alisa Craig recently. Hugh Campbell, jun., of Mitchell, is spending a few days with relatives here.

REV. DR. MCRAE AT SALEM ANNIVERSARY

Church Was So Packed That Some Had To Be Turned Away.

[Special to The Advertiser.]

Dorchester, Feb. 17.—The fourth anniversary of the new Salem Methodist Church, held yesterday, was attended by large congregations. People were present from all over the district. A beautiful service of praise was rendered under the direction of Mrs. J. D. Thompson. The church choir and Salem orchestra, was assisted by Miss Irene Stratton, of London, and her solos were rendered most acceptably.

The morning service was conducted by Rev. Dr. McCrae, of Wilton Grove, who took as his theme, "The Life." In the evening notwithstanding that many were crowded in the aisles and vestibules some were unable to get in. Dr. McCrae preached a splendid sermon on "Behold the world is gone after him," in which he showed the transcendence of Christ and his ultimate triumphant supremacy over the hearts and minds of men.

The offerings were very liberal, exceeding the amount the pastor, Rev. A. E. Jones, and the trustees requested. Rev. Dr. McCrae paid a warm tribute of his personal regard to Rev. Dr. Warner, of Alma College, prevented by illness from being present to preach, and his high esteem of him as a Christian minister. Rev. Dr. Jones most heartily expressed his own and the thanks of the church to Rev. Dr. McCrae for his presence, and his gratitude to those who shared in the splendid musical service, and to the splendid service of the church. The service closed with the quartette, "Now the Day is Over," sung expressively by the choir.

SPECIAL COURSE AT BARRACKS CLOSES

Four Lieutenants Are Now Seeking To Qualify as Captains.

The special course of instruction for officers and non-commissioned officers of the Seventh Regiment at the barracks has been completed.

All of the following did well in their respective branches of the course taken under the officers of Wolsley Barracks, but required to take supplementary drill work at next summer's camp before receiving their certificates:

Po. Field Officers—Captains A. T. Little, T. Murphy, W. J. Taylor, Geo. Balston, W. P. Brown; for captain—Lieuts. Edgar Shuttleworth, R. M. McLean, W. H. Kemp and H. J. Erskine (Twenty-sixth Regiment, Middlesex); for qualifying certificates for non-commissioned officers—Sergts. M. Lee, A. C. Joseph, Captains J. Firth, William Dace, J. R. Killy, H. Mercer.

Lieut. R. Squire, of the Twenty-sixth Regiment, Middlesex; Lieuts. A. B. Laing and F. L. Lodge, Twenty-sixth Regiment, Windsor, and Lieut. B. Biggar, Seventh Fusiliers, London, are qualifying for captains in a two weeks' course of instruction which began on Monday at Wolsley Barracks. Other courses of instruction to follow will be held for captains, March 17 to 29; for field officers, March 31 to April 19; for lieutenants, captains and non-commissioned officers, April 14 to 26.

Since the transfer of Major Kaye to Toronto at the first of the year, where he is in command of Infantry Station, No. 2, Captain J. J. Burnham, who has been in command of the local R. C. R. Infantry Station, No. 1, with Lieut. Balders, R. C. R., as adjutant.

LOUIS BECKE DEAD

Novelist of the South Seas Passes Away at Sydney.

[Canadian Press.]

Sydney, Australia, Feb. 18.—George Louis Becke, the well-known Australian novelist-novelist, died here today at the age of 65. He served as a supercargo on merchant vessels trading among the South Seas islands for fourteen years before becoming an author.

BOY MURDER IN B. C.

Hired Man Arrested Charged With Brutal Slaying of Child.

[Canadian Press.]
Vancouver, Feb. 18.—The details of a horrible murder, near Ashcroft, this afternoon, was received here by telegraph being a boy of five and a half years old. A man named Inkster, a teacher, and his wife, left home Saturday for Kamloops, leaving the child with the hired man, Henry Jorgenson. On their return, they found the child dead in bed with a gunshot wound in his head, and his skull battered, while his body bore traces of having been outraged. Jorgenson was missing, and had taken two guns with him, but later in the evening he was arrested at Gladwin.

DEATH OF MRS. COLE

Friends Shocked at Demise, Though Illness Was Lengthy.

The death of Elizabeth Ann Cole, wife of Mr. Thomas Cole, occurred on Monday afternoon at her residence, 606 Hill street. Mrs. Cole had been ailing for three months, but was not afflicted in a serious way until a week ago. Even then, her friends held out full hope for recovery, and her death on Monday was a shock to them.

Mrs. Cole was 63 years of age, and had been a resident of London since 1859, coming in that year from her birthplace in Dorsetshire, England. She is survived by a sorrowing husband and two daughters, Misses Besje and Minnie, who reside at home.

The funeral will take place on Wednesday afternoon from her late residence, and interment will be made in Mount Pleasant. The services will be conducted by Rev. G. N. Hazen, pastor of the Wellington Street Methodist Church, of which she was a member.

LONDON'S EMIGRATION

Half a Million Have Left British Metropolis in Five Years.

[Canadian Press.]
New York, Feb. 18.—A London cable says: According to an official report published yesterday London's rateable value has fallen in one year to the extent of \$1,500,000, and during the last ten years there has been a net emigration of 550,801 persons.

This loss to the capital is attributed to the building of modern houses in outer London, with better accommodations, and to the opportunities afforded by tramways and auto-busses for living in healthier surroundings on the borders of the country. In a word, the central idea of the migration has been self-preservation on grounds of health.

CLASSES BYRON AS GREAT PERSONALITY

Mr. John Powys Presents Attractive Picture of Famous English Poet.

An entirely new conception of the life, influence and poetry of Lord Byron was given to many a person present Monday night at the first of six weekly lectures by John Cowper Powys, M. A., under the auspices of the Women Teachers' Guild of this city. The large attendance was a good omen for the series.

To understand Byron rightly Mr. Powys affirmed, it was necessary to grasp the condition of England at the time of the poet. In Byron's day England had so long been swayed by despotism and the rule of "might, not right," that she had become atrophied and was practically swallowed up in a hypocrisy and conventionalism, more rapid, more unsympathetic and narrow, than ever before or since. It was his attitude, that drove Byron out of England. "We English make ourselves a laughing-stock to the people of the Mediterranean. We call them 'dagos.' Perhaps they are. Then Caesar was a 'dago,' Horace, Tacitus, all were 'dagos,' and we must remember that what remains to us of civilization goes back to the 'dagos' of a thousand years ago. And so we find that the peoples of France and of Italy understood Byron and appreciated him. England treated Byron with a conventional, complacent, 'society' attitude. She had a morality so domestic, so conventional, that she washed her hands of Byron, yet he carries a larger figure on the world's stage than any other English poet."

A Great Personality.

Together with Goethe and Napoleon, Byron possessed one of the greatest personalities of his time. Wordsworth was the philosopher, Keats an incomparably better artist than Byron, Shelley was the poet of purity and beauty, but in Byron we have a robustness, a vigor and a sincerity that no other poet attains. His very name seems linked with magic and strength. Tennyson is to us like the sound of a bell, a silver trumpet; Byron like a great blare of all brazen trumpets ringing through metallic corridors.

The two forces that dominated Byron were graphically interpreted by Mr. Powys. One was termed by him as being the revolutionary mood, the feeling for the masses, the same that responds in even the most conservative bosom to the world-battle-cry, "The Marsellaise." The other element was precisely opposite. It was, the speaker stated, so attractive, so beautiful, and so thrilling, with an almost religious fervor, the appeal of the superman. A great deal was being said and written about the modern super-man, which was really but another name for hero-worship. We could not help a quickening of the pulses when we read of Caesar or Napoleon. It was a combination of these two elements in Byron that made him such a powerful power in the political affairs of Europe.

Regarding Byron's style as a poet, Mr. Powys affirmed that he was careless about some of the finer points of diction and rhythm. "I want to think of him, and I want you to think of him, as the great aristocrat coming down to fight for the populace, and as one who loved heroic deeds in history and modern life," said Mr. Powys in conclusion.

CHARLES SIMMONS DIED AT COLDSTREAM

Member of Lobo Council and Prominent Stock Breeder and Farmer.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Coldstream, Feb. 18.—The funeral of Mr. Charles Simmons, held yesterday afternoon at the Quaker Cemetery, was very largely attended. Mr. Simmons was 80 years old, and one of the most prominent farmers and stock breeders in the district. He took a very keen interest in public matters, and had been twice deputy reeve and councillor in the township council. He was a lifelong Liberal. Besides his wife, who is at present so ill that she was unable to attend the funeral, Mr. Simmons leaves three sisters, Mrs. Currie, of Delaware Township; Mrs. Mitchell, of Lobo, and Mrs. Laughlin, Cameron, at home.

DORCHESTER CHURCH FORMALLY OPENED

Bishop Williams Dedicated Handsome Structure Recently Erected by Anglicans.

[Special to The Advertiser.]
Dorchester, Feb. 17.—The handsome new Anglican Church was dedicated here yesterday by Bishop Williams, of London. At all services there were packed congregations, and the bishop's sermons were greatly enjoyed. Mrs. Cook, of London, sang most acceptably at all services, and in the evening in addition Miss Webb, London, rendered a solo.

The new church is a very handsome structure of white brick. The interior appointments, while plain, are of a simple elegance that makes them particularly attractive. The chancel window is very beautiful and the new pipe organ is a great addition to the church. Mrs. Sutton, the organist, delighted the congregation with a number of selections. The collection for the day amounted to more than \$200.

MORGAN BETTER.

New York, Feb. 18.—J. P. Morgan continued to improve in health today, according to a cablegram sent by him from Cairo, Egypt, to his son, J. P. Morgan, jun. The cablegram said Mr. Morgan was "feeling better, and much stronger" today. He recently suffered an attack of acute indigestion.

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TWO MONTHS HARD FOR MISS PANKHURST

Michigan Girl With the Militants Also Sentenced.

[Canadian Press.]

London, Feb. 18.—Zelle Emerson, the militant suffragette, of Jackson, Mich., who is carrying on a campaign of window-smashing in the east end of London, in company with Miss Sylvia Pankhurst, was against arrested today. She was immediately taken before the police magistrate and sentenced to a term of two months' hard labor.

Zelle Emerson and her companions broke all the windows of the Liberal Association at Bow last night. Miss Sylvia Pankhurst was also sentenced by the same magistrate to two months' hard labor.

Zelle Emerson had been already sentenced to jail for six weeks on Feb. 14 in default of paying a fine of \$15 for a similar charge.

A HEAVY SENTENCE.

Montreal, Feb. 18.—For the theft of five one-cent pieces from a butcher's store, Joseph Houlihan was this morning given seven years in the penitentiary. Houlihan has a bad record.

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