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BANGS SEES THE HUMOROUS SIDE

Houseboat on the Styx Author Con- gratulates Peary on His Achieve- ment—Cook to Enter Suit.

Portland, Maine, Sept. 24.—The first effort to melt the ice of the Peary-Cook North Pole expedition into the warmer element of humor was made here today by John Kendrick Bangs, who was called upon to make an "address" at a dinner to welcome Commander Peary by the leading citizens of the explorer's home town. There were so many other speakers that Mr. Bang's turn did not come until the clock struck 2 a.m. Then he arose and said: "Gentlemen, despite the lateness of the hour, I wish to say a few words of the Arctic hardness of this north pole dispute. I think the real benefits of discovering the pole have been overlooked, and that when the people realize what good things are in store for them as the result of this exploration business, they will stop fighting over the question as to whether Peary or someone else got there first.

"Now let me tell you what I know about the North Pole. I have found that there is a place where walrus tusks worth \$100 each could be bought for a couple of toothpicks, where a complete fur suit could be had for a tin cup, where one could secure an ermine opera coat for a gaudy, where a man could pay the expenses of his wife's summer outing for a jack-knife, where one could get education with a shoe-string and secure a wife for a bottle of tobacco sauce and a hot water bottle.

"I am glad to congratulate Commander Peary upon the lesson he has taught us, for it seems that the North Pole is the place where the word of two Eskimos is worth nothing, and the word of four Eskimos is worth two times nothing. Commander Peary, however, took along with him his faithful friend, the North Pole, and for one man to go along with him when we finally get to the whole story, if we ever do, we will at least get it in black and white.

Reference to Roosevelt.
"Being called upon for a speech tonight has been a great honor to me as it would be were I to get this minute a message from the President of Africa saying: 'I have the pole, don't bother about it, you have got him sewed up. Will bring back the pole for the Smithsonian Institution. Message collect the marine department has had no notification except Tuesday's message that Cook and Bernier ever came in contact. Records in the department show, however, that in July 1908, a letter was received by the minister of marine, from Mrs. Cook, Bernier's wife, who was the wife of the man who was the first to see the pole. There was some correspondence and eventually Mrs. Cook decided that she would send her supplies by some other route.

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SEDEGWICK'S FALL FAIR.

Large Number of Entries in Live Stock Classes.

Bulletin Special.
Sedgewick, Sept. 24.—The first annual fall fair of the Sedgewick Agricultural Society was held today and proved a most successful affair from every point of view. The weather was ideal and a large crowd of country people attended, as well as citizens from the neighboring towns. The horses and cattle were judged by Messrs. Patterson and Clarke, respectively, representatives of the district. The interest manifested by the farmers of the district was evidenced by the large number of entries which surpassed expectations. The fair was honored by the presence of the Hon. W. T. Finlay, minister of agriculture, and H. A. Craig, superintendent of fairs, who declared it to be the second to none for a town of this size.

78,000 PEOPLE MADE HOMELESS BY FLOODS

Official Reports of Government of Mexico Name These Figures—Farm- ers Will Be Able to Reap Abundant Crops During the Next Year or Two, Years by Reason of Flood's De- posit.

San Antonio, Texas, Sept. 24.—According to official reports compiled by the government of Mexico 78,000 people were made homeless in the floods which devastated a large section of Northern Mexico. The greater part of this immense damage, which will total millions, was inflicted August 27th and 28th.

While many of the rich farm and ranch owners have suffered severe reverses they can again recoup themselves within the next year or two as the flood everywhere deposited a very rich soil over the soil assuring abundant crops for three seasons at least.

The poor, however, are without clothing and are living on scanty rations. The area still grieved is between Monterey and Matamoros. There are no official figures obtainable on the exact number of deaths, but in the city of Monterey alone more than 2,000 bodies were recovered and buried.

WHERE WAS CAPT. BERNIER.

When Dr. Cook Met Him—Authorities Surprised at Theories Proposed.

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LAST CLAUSE OF BUDGET PASSED

Will Not Go to House of Lords Be- fore Oct. 20—Preparations by all Parties for Election.

London, Sept. 24.—The last clause of the budget bill passed the House of Commons this evening. This does not dispose of the bill, for various schedules and postscript clauses remain to be discussed and it is not likely that the measure will go to the House of Lords before October 20. Some of the Irish members of the House of Commons fell foul of the budget last evening in connection with the proposed tax on petrol. Mr. Healy said the government was straying the motor spirit industry in their own automobiles all over the country, spending money like dukes wherever they went, but if they thought the Irish, owing to taxes, were compelled to stop selling petrol, they would stay away.

Election is imminent.
The Right Honorable E. A. Pease, the chief Liberal whip, says he has made arrangements for a general election. He does not expect that such an election will be held before October 20. "It is in the lap of the Gods," he says. Nevertheless the politicians of all parties are convinced that the dissolution of parliament is near. January being the latest date assumed. The newspapers without exception accept it as a fact that a general election is imminent. Today they devote their most prominent columns to the political situation. Preparations for an election are in progress. The House of Commons will meet on Monday. The House of Lords will meet on Tuesday. The House of Commons will meet on Wednesday. The House of Lords will meet on Thursday. The House of Commons will meet on Friday. The House of Lords will meet on Saturday. The House of Commons will meet on Sunday. The House of Lords will meet on Monday.

MORE HIGHER CRITICISM.

Rev. Dr. Elliott Says There Need be No Fear of Investigation of Bible.

Toronto, Sept. 24.—"We need not be afraid of any investigation of the Bible. We should study the work and trust," said Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Wesley college, Winnipeg, at the opening session of the theological conference in Victoria college today after the reading by Rev. Dr. Elliott, of Wesley college, Winnipeg, of a paper, "The Preacher's Study of the Bible in the Light of Modern Criticism." Rev. Dr. Elliott, a well-known and intelligent study of the Bible. Many people read it in constant repetition with the boast of having read so much of the Bible. The Bible would be found soiled and worn pages while in others they were clean and unopened. This was a conscious program and the worst kind of criticism.

"For the most satisfactory study and exposition of the Bible a preacher should read it in the original," declared Dr. Rose, who said polygamy and the doctrine of eternal damnation upon a literal interpretation of the Bible.

There were higher critics before presented days of scientific higher criticism. The armies of Paine and Ingels were recruited from the unconscious employment of higher critical methods.

RESPONSIBLE FOR MORMONISM.

Republican Party Has This Charge Laid at Its Door.

San Diego, California, Sept. 24.—Rev. E. S. Wishard, D.D., a leader in the Southern Episcopal conference here, in an address today charged the Republican party with being responsible for the rapid spread of Mormonism throughout the West.

"I charge," said Rev. Wishard, "that the leaders are in coalition with the Mormons of Utah and Idaho. In return for the delivery of those states to the Republican party at the national elections the Mormons there are unmolested by the Federal authorities. That polygamy is tolerated is directly attributable to the Republican party which permits this great evil and menace in the interests of sordid politics."

SENTENCED TO BE HANGED.

Woman Who Murdered Her Daughter's Infants Sentenced to Death.

Subury, Sept. 24.—Mrs. James Robinson, of Warren, convicted of murdering two infants born to her daughter because of her husband's infamy, was sentenced by Justice Magee to be hanged Nov. 24th. Asked if she had anything to say she broke out sobbing and said: "I have not." She fainted and was carried from court by her brother, Rev. Peter Matheson. Meanwhile, Justice Magee's Court of Appeal will decide on the merits of a reserved case.

Theological Professor for McMaster.
Toronto, Sept. 24.—Rev. Thomas Trotter, D.D., of Toledo, Ohio, was appointed professor of practical theology at McMaster university at meeting of the board of the university tonight.

ELECTION IN BRITISH COLUMBIA IN NOVEMBER

Vancouver, B.C., Sept. 24.—It is understood that the provincial government will go to the country in November. At-
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A TENTH OF CROP FOR 1910 SEEDING

Geo. Harcourt, Deputy Minister of Agriculture, Warns Farmers of Imminent Danger.

In the hour of security, when the farmer's grain is being harvested and turned into cash or stored for better prices later on, a timely note of warning is sounded to Alberta farmers by George Harcourt, deputy minister of agriculture. "There is great danger," says Mr. Harcourt, "of overlooking the fact that one-tenth of the winter wheat harvested in the province this fall will be required to seed the winter wheat next summer. With the high prices that will be offered for wheat during the winter months, and the great demand which is coming from local millers and the foreign markets, the supplies of Alberta Red will soon be exhausted and hundreds of farms will face the seedling time next July and August without any seed wheat. The wise farmer is the one who takes steps now to guard against such a situation when next year's seedling time is at hand.

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Fine Weather and Large Attendance Mark Exhibition.

Daysland, Alta., Sept. 24.—The Daysland fall fair was held on September 22nd and 23rd. The weather was fine and the attendance good. The feature of the day was the stock judging, C. A. McLeod winning first with his fine driving team. A good exhibit of vegetables was shown, and best of all, an exhibit of corn raised in this town which was fine.

HAVE WON OUR NAVAL AUTONOMY HE SAYS

Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Minister of Marine, in Speech on Arrival at Que- bec Says His Department Will be Called Upon to Commence Con- struction of Men-of-War.

Quebec, Sept. 24.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur, minister of marine and fisheries, who was a passenger on board the Al-
lan line steamship Virginian, which
arrived in port this afternoon from
Liverpool, landed at the King's wharf
on board the government steamer
Lady Grey and was met there by a
strong delegation of the Quebec board
of trade, who presented him with an
address of welcome.

In reply thereto the minister of marine and fisheries made a very lengthy speech, saying that the country had won its military autonomy in 1869, when the imperial government had withdrawn its troops and when the country had undertaken its own defense. The country had this time won its naval autonomy. He said that he expected that his department would be called upon to take charge of the construction of our future men of war. In this case he would see that it would not be a matter of patronage and that the work would be thoroughly done.

ROUND PARIS BY AIRSHIP.

French Engineer Will Operate a Flying Omnibus—Fares Will Be Low.

Paris, Sept. 24.—The application which has been made to the municipal council by Francis Laur, a mining engineer, and formerly a deputy, for a concession to operate flying omnibuses, for both persons and luggage, around the city of Paris, following the line of fortifications, is being considered by the council. He states the cost per passenger and per kilo will be much less than the cost of the ordinary transit, and greater speed will be possible.

RAILWAY PAYING ITS WAY.

Ontario's Government-Owned Road Shows a Surplus.

Toronto, Sept. 23.—The Temiskaming & Northern Ontario railway is now paying its way. Hon. A. J. Matheson, the provincial treasurer, announced this afternoon that the net receipts from operation for the seven months ending July 31 were \$375,986, while the proportionate share of the interest at four per cent. on the expenditure of construction and operating the entire system was \$350,000. The announcement, while anticipated for some time, signals a new era for the people's railway.

KILLED ON WAY FROM FUNERAL.

Los Angeles Orange Grower and Lady Companion Struck by Train.

Los Angeles, Sept. 24.—Returning from a funeral in Pomona late this afternoon Dennis L. Persons, a wealthy orange grower, and Miss Maud Lee, were both fatally injured when the auto in which they were riding was struck by an inbound Southern Pacific train at Union station, 26 miles from Los Angeles. The couple were thrown 25 feet in the air and the machine wrecked by the collision.

Spaniards Hold Strong Position.

Melilla, Morocco, Sept. 24.—The Spanish forces now hold an entrenched position from the sea on the west to their waders, Cas. Alejandro, the Moors getting in their rear. They have also occupied an important strategic position at Manar to the south- ward. This is preliminary to the real work of outflanking the Moors upon Mount Garuga.

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Father Oblats, O.M.I. 492.24
Jas. E. Wise 319.44
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Credit Foncier, F. C. 568.38
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