





GREATEST IN GERMANY.

PRINCE OTTO VON BISMARCK AT EIGHTY-ONE.

His Birthday Next Wednesday—A Madcap Who Turned Statesman—One Who Interviewed the Wonderful Old Chancellor When he Was at the Height of His Power Reviews his Career.

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On Wednesday next, the 1st day of April, the family, friends, tenants, neighbors, and indeed the whole of Germany, will celebrate the 81st birthday of Prince Otto von Bismarck, the founder of the Federal Republic.

This grizzled veteran of statesmanship, diplomacy and war, though forced into retirement six years ago by a headstrong sovereign, whose very throne was in a great measure Bismarck's making, continues to be, and will continue to be, as long as he lives, the most interesting figure in Germany.

For that matter, he is the most powerful and interesting figure in German history, notwithstanding the intervening kings and emperors since Frederick the Great. So large have been the achievements of this man that the interest in him is not confined to Germany alone, even in this time of his old age and retirement.

Germany's old chancellor was a wild and reckless that he became known in the army where he served as the "Mad Bismarck," and he was at his position when he had returned to his ancestral home at Schoenhause.

His mad pranks were not in such esteem by his neighbors that he was not thought to be a safe match for Fraulein von Puttkamer when in 1847 he sought her to be his wife.

The country, "squire, by methods similar to those of a century ago, presented opposition and married the lady, of whom in 1878 he said to the Italian Premier, Signor Cavour, "You little know what this woman has done for me."

One of the things she did was to awaken in him the political feelings, and we find him writing to her in 1851, that if it were not for his faith in God, his love for her and his thoughts of the children at home he would give up all ideas of public duty and return to his home and his farm.

It was in 1851, by the way, that Bismarck's public career in any large sense began, though previously he had been a member of the Prussian Diet and had championed the rights of the throne against the king's people.

In that year he went to Frankfurt as the Prussian member of the German Diet, which managed the foreign relations of the kingdom, the various principalities and the free cities.

He was then thirty years old, and there was much wonder that so important a post should have been given to so untried a man, and that he should have decorated, that given him the life of his soldier soldier when he was a lieutenant in the army.

and everybody is smoking the best Havana cigars every minute." This is the kind of life Bismarck has lived since his return, and even in his old age he has continued to be as much of a trencherman as his physique permits.

"I shall shortly be compelled to undertake the Presidency of the Prussian army, with or without the help of the Diet. With the army placed in position to enforce respect, I shall seize upon the first pretext to declare war against Austria, breaking the German Federation, subjecting the minor States and giving Germany national unity under Prussia's guidance."

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SAILOR SHAPES IN VOGUE.

HATS THAT WILL BE WORN BY LADIES THIS DAY.

Spring Chapeaux inclined to be grotesque and Only Redeemed From Positive Ugliness by Their Smart Up-to-date Trimmed With Lace Bands and Big Birds.

New York, March 27.—Usually Easter is chosen as the sacred moment for the spring headgear to put in its first appearance, but already spring chapeaux have been worn and some of the best and latest secrets of the glass of fashion will be reflected on palm Sunday.

The fact that many black feathers are being used and that spring hats this year are "in color" is not surprising, but the new styles are so different from those of the winter season, that it is worth while to note them.

One of the novel styles is a hat with a wide brim, and a crown that is almost flat, and is decorated with a wide band of lace or ribbon.

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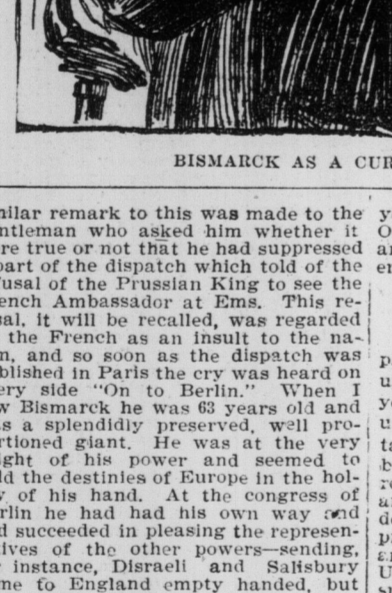
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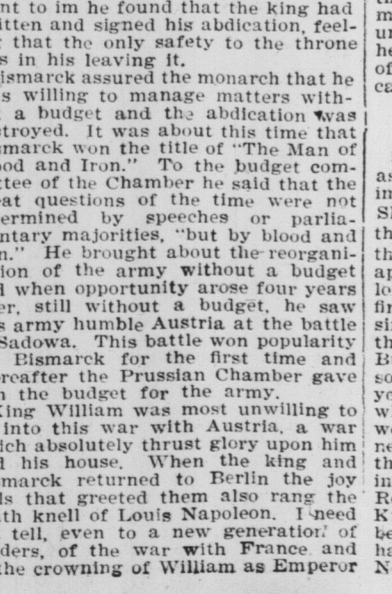
OTTO VON BISMARCK, IN 1857.



BISMARCK AS A CURASSIER, IN 1844.



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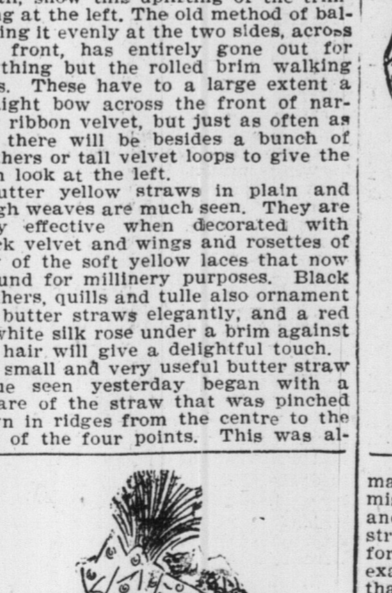
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There is a form of society entertainment not yet introduced into Canadian homes...

writes from London, after paying a visit to fashionable Brighton. During the whole month that a friend recently spent at "London-by-the-Sea," he never once caught sight of the unbending bloomer or large knicker...

Length of limb in women produces a wonderful decorative effect, and is well suited to the coming styles of tailoring for the season...

The coming bicycling tournament at the Armourees, under the auspices of the Royal Grenadiers, is arousing much interest...

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the reception will be at the Woodlawn, the beautiful home of Mr. Thomas Long in Jarvis-street. The pleasant quarters of Mr. Speaker Balfour and Mrs. Balfour in the Park...

The old mother-in-law joke revamped. "Yes," said the solemn man in black, "mine has been a life of sorrow, sadness and worry. For ten long years I have been a widower..."

Mr. W. H. Cawthra, who has been staying at Mr. Brudenell's in the Park Hotel, is now on a visit to London with Miss Macbeth.

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So one day they went into the dreamer's study hand in hand, and on their knees, all contritely, told the story of their passion dolorous.

Mr. Warburton Fyke, the famous "Red Rover" author, who was in town a short time ago, will publish shortly through an American firm another volume entitled, "The Red Rover."

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Mr. J. Knowles has a placard claim at Trout Lake, B.C., and a few days ago turned over a couple of boulders in shallow water and got three nuggets worth \$100 for his day's work.

public, particularly in "Why do the Nations." The chorus, composed of the elements above alluded to, looked well in the Toronto chorus portion of the various societies always do. The male voices on this occasion, however, were placed as virtually to separate the basses into two distinct bodies, with the effect of making the arrangement which could not fail to materially weaken the effect of the chorus, as a whole, and cause the two sections in this department, spread out as they are on the hall platform, to be at variance sometimes in regard to keeping together. There were many good points in the chorus work, notwithstanding the fact that only a comparatively small number of men were available for rehearsal of the new material which joined for the Albany concert.

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SCROFULA

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It is also said that the hypophosphites should be combined with the oil. Scott's Emulsion of cod liver oil, with hypophosphites, is precisely such a preparation.







THE WINDOW OF ETERNITY. A STORY OF ADVENTURE! BY MAX NORDAU.

The windows of the restaurant were open, and the cool fragrant air of the spring night was struggling with the smoke laden atmosphere of the room...

ill they almost cut my muscles, shivered, and at last wept like a child, I tried to roll myself into a different position...

There are some things, gentlemen, which are totally incomprehensible to me, and which I can never understand...

"Was I safe? I had no time to consider or rejoice in my new hope, for all my vital powers were now directed to the single sense of hearing...

"Close, very close, barely an inch above, the monster dashed over me. I was safe and unharmed, but I heard a deafening rumbling and clattering, and saw shadowy masses flit by them as they passed...

"The physician paused. His pallid face, the expression of horror in his eyes, the light that danced through his large, dark, sunken eyes...

TWO SOLDIERS' WIVES! A FRENCH STORY.

This extraordinary episode took place shortly after Bourbaki's defeat in the eastern provinces. His exhausted army, after a terrible campaign, took refuge in Switzerland...

situated in a mountainous country by following the plateau. It was about fifteen miles of the walls, and went on foot through the paths and ravines...

One man was placed as an advance sentinel at some distance from the village. I was put at the entry of the street, the two others and the captain and his wife occupying the centre of the village...

"Yes, a whole gang of them. This fire I disobeyed orders, captain, and fired on them. That was my mistake, and they did not dare advance any further...

"You know very well," replied the captain, "we should not have allowed you to be taken prisoner. I preferred that one should be killed. I did not want to draw you into it. It would have been madness."

"I do not fear it," she answered. "In truth, she did not seem to lose courage. She watched without a quiver, and I piled up the wood and the cartridges to hasten the fire."

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LEGENDS OF THE CRUCIFIXION

Interesting and Valuable, though of Little or No Historic Weight—The Simple Majesty of the Word Gains Much by Comparison with the Trivialities of the Apocryphal Books.

(Copyright 1896, by the Rev. F. F. Farrar, D.D.) It was wholly out of place to enter here into legends of the crucifixion...

THE CRUCIFIXION, BY TINTORETTO. His face. He uses it, and for a reward, miraculously impresses upon it a likeness of His features.

It is natural that the imagination of men should have been haunted by the Cross. To the ancient Greeks it was the symbol of the most loathly and abhorrent of all objects; it was the torture implement for the vilest of slaves.

There are four main popular fancies about the Cross. One says that it was made of four different kinds of wood; but folklore says that it was made of aspen, wood, and olive.

THE CRUCIFIXION, BY ALBERT DURER. Now the soldier who pierced Christ's side with the spear is usually called Longinus, and he too is represented with the spear in his hand.

Three personages play a part in the apocryphal stories about the death of Abgar, surnamed 'Ichonon' or 'the Black,' said to have been afflicted with leprosy or some other terrible disease.

which has been flaminated for us by the footprints of the King of Kings. It is only shadowed forth in the 'Bible' possible way in that passage of the Gospel of John...

THE CRUCIFIXION, BY TINTORETTO. The Jews accused the Roman soldiers of covetousness, and then Pilate bade them to try to hold the standards themselves. They set aside twelve of their strongest men for the task...

THE CRUCIFIXION, BY TINTORETTO. The legend of Veronica is told in many forms. The name is said to be a corruption of Erenice, but is more likely a transliteration of the Greek word 'vera icon' or 'true likeness.'

THE CRUCIFIXION, BY TINTORETTO. I have no space for the many legends about Joseph of Arimathea, or about the various legends of the Holy Grail, or the various legends of the Holy Blood.

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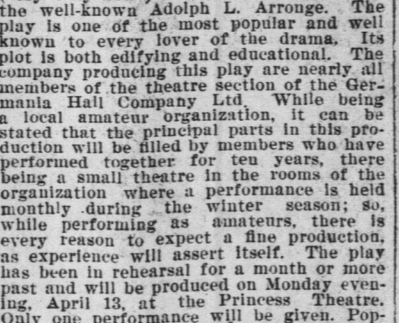
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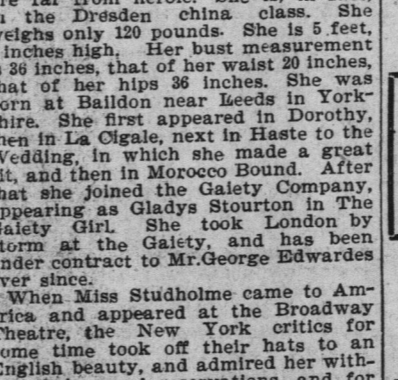
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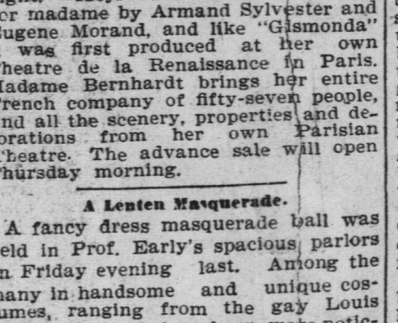
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CAMBRIDGE DEFEATED AFTER A TERRIBLE STRUGGLE.

Only a Quarter of a Length Between the Two Boats at the Finish of the Four-Mile-and-a-Quarter Course-The Light Breeze Got Away on the Lead and Gradually Worn Down.

London, March 28.—The annual rowing contest between the Oxford and Cambridge University crews took place over the course from Putney to Mortlake to-day, in the presence of the usual crowd. At 9 o'clock the wind was blowing hard, and the race fell in torrents. By 11 o'clock the rain had ceased and the sun shone brightly...

HALIFAX SUMMER CARNIVAL.

Programme of Races for the Proposed Regatta.

Halifax, N.S., March 28.—The summer carnival executive have decided upon the following programme for the regatta to be given at the end of the week of June 1st to 5th.

RACING AT LIVERPOOL.

Lord Derby's Double Bay Runs Third at the Kaffir King's Steeplechase.

Liverpool, March 28.—The forty-third race for the Liverpool Spring Cup of 800 sovereigns, part in plate, of the whole in gold, was run to-day, and won by Sir George's horse, 'The Kaffir King'...

A Gale on Saturday.

The easterly gale drove the ice, which had packed in the eastern part of the harbor, to the western side where it is fast breaking up. On the lake shore of the island the breakers were very high, and the spray could be seen from the city wharves.

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WHAT WILL BE RESULT? WILL THE NOVA SCOTIA SYSTEM BE THE ONE ADOPTED?

By the Conference at Winnipeg, Who Are Trying to Settle the School Difficulty?—An Attempt Will Still Be Made to Pass the Remedial Bill Into Law—Ottawa Topics.

Ottawa, March 29.—(Special)—Reports from Winnipeg to the Government yesterday, following the question of a compromise on the school question. What the nature of the suggested settlement is no one outside the circle of Cabinet Ministers knows definitely, although the general impression is that something like the Nova Scotia system has been agreed upon.

It is stated, however, that no matter what understanding is reached in Winnipeg, the Remedial bill will, if possible, be passed into law with the proviso which was referred to the other day.

Many Conservatives here hope this determination will not be carried into effect, as they consider it implies a lack of trust in Manitoba, to carry out the agreement which everyone expects is to be reached.

Fishing in the St. Clair River. Mr. Costigan, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, has reached a decision regarding the changes in fishing regulations under the law which have been put into force in the St. Clair River.

Religion in Schools. Dr. Carman, superintendent of the Methodist Church, preached educationally on the subject of religion in schools at Dominion Church he said it should not be difficult for Anglicans, Roman Catholics, Methodists, Presbyterians, Baptists and all other Christian denominations to agree on some form of religion to be taught in the schools of Canada.

Mr. Earle, M.P., who has several vessels engaged in the sealing industry, has reports up to last Monday of the fishing in the St. Clair River. The fleet, with the Oscar and Hattie is the top liner, with 240 seals, one of Mr. Earle's vessels, the Egan, being second, with 180. This represents six weeks' work, but the catch is not up to the average, owing to the bad weather.

Experiments are now in progress at Halifax, under the direction of Prof. F. R. Smead, commissioner of Fisheries, in a view to determining the best method of keeping lobsters alive when away from their native haunts.

Supplementary Estimates. The supplementary estimates for the current fiscal year will be presented tomorrow. There is no doubt about the passing, as the money is really needed for expenditure already incurred.

California Wines. The prodigality of nature towards this favored land, specially adapting it for wine vintage, consists of a rich soil, warm sun, and a moderate rainfall or no rainfall during the season of maturity of the grape.

See the Spalding Bicycle at the Harold A. Wilson Co., 22 King-st. W.

Hotel Del Monte, Preston Springs. The water from Monte Cristo Springs is pure and wholesome, acting directly upon the liver and kidneys, and cures rheumatism; it freshens and stimulates the inner as sunshine acts upon the outer man.

The Slator Shoe' spring opening to-day. Guinness Bros., 89 King west.

Scotman's 'Selected' Scotchman's favorite unblended whiskey, from the 'Isles of Islay,' made from pure Scotch malt only, is now in constant demand at the palaces and hotels, and can be had from your wine merchant.

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A 600 Ton Coal Breaker Burnt. Scranton, Pa., March 29.—Breaker No. 4 of the Johnson Coal Company at Piceburg, Pa., destroyed by fire last night, together with the engine room, shops, the breaker had a capacity of 600 tons. Three hundred men will be thrown out of work. Loss \$100,000.

Parties Desiring winter board should overlook the Lakeview, corner Winchester and Parliament-streets. Just a few rooms left. J. H. Ayre, Proprietor.

Reserved Seat Plan Opens April 8 at Northmen's. 11 a.m. Price, \$1; centre, 50c extra. Single box seats, if used, 50c extra. POSTERS—Mail, 50c each, by ad. dress.

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