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HORRORS ENACTED ON WHALING SHIPS

U. S. Cutter Thetis Brings News of Murder and Cruelties—Natives of Arctic Land See White Men for the First Time.

THE United States revenue cutter Thetis, Captain Hamlett, now lying off the outer coast, returned Wednesday morning from a cruise in the Arctic lasting five months and brought an interesting budget of adventures—the experiences of the Arctic exploration season. The cutter Bedford from Victoria, which was injured when caught in an ice floe; of murder, attempted murder, and cruelties incident to the semi-rogue life of the Arctic whalers, of arrests made after long pursuit of successful ice-berd whalers; of finds of gold and copper; and of an interesting ethnological find—the discovery of a people on Prince Albert land who had never before seen white men and whose utensils were of beaten copper and bone, as primitive as those of the days before the ark.

Relief for Whalers The Thetis met with and conveyed the steamer Harold, laden with relief supplies for the imprisoned whalers, to Point Barrow. There thick ice was encountered and the Thetis was held fast for seventeen or eighteen days the revenue cutter was held and the Harold Dollar was also fast. The schooner Duchess of Bedford which had been seen several days previously at Teller, Point Hope, Ice Cape and Cape Smith, had gone into quarters in the frozen near Point Barrow, Capt. Mikkelson thinking it would be necessary to winter there. About August 18th the Norwegian sloop Gjon, in which Capt. Road Amundsen navigated the Northwest passage through the ice from the eastward, and a few days later various whalers began to appear, steaming through channels in the pack.

LONDON NEWSPAPERS POINT TO THE MORAL Comment Editorially on Fight Put up by Hearst in New York

LONDON, Nov. 8.—All the morning newspapers publish long editorial articles on the result of the election in New York state. They comment on the close vote as an indication of the popular discontent with enormous combinations of capital.

HAMILTON STRIKE. Hamilton, Ont., Nov. 7.—There were no developments in the street railway strike today, except that the company stated it would be prepared to operate the city system shortly. One hundred men have been engaged, and advertisements appear in the newspapers for more.

DISCOVERS GOLD ON CANADIAN NORTHERN

Old Prospector Stakes Claims and Stampede Commences From Battleford

NORTH BATTLEFORD, Nov. 7.—Gold in what appears to be immense quantities has been discovered at Fording, a small station on the Canadian Northern railway, 42 miles west of here. The discovery was made by an old prospector named Hughes.

HARRIMAN ACHIEVES HIS GREAT AMBITION

Secures Control of Connecting Link for Transcontinental Railway Scheme

NEW YORK, Nov. 7.—By the election today of J. T. Harahan as president of the Illinois Central Railroad Company to succeed Stuyvesant Fish, E. H. Harriman has at last, it is believed, realized the fulfillment of his desire to control a line from the Atlantic to the Pacific Ocean.

LIBERALS IN LORDS GIVE UP THE BATTLE

See No Use of Further Contesting Alterations in Educational Bill

LONDON, Nov. 8.—The House of Lords continued to hammer the Education bill out of all semblance of its original form. Tonight numerous alterations were made to the bill dealing with appeals from local authorities to the board of education. Clauses 6 and 7, referring respectively to new voluntary schools and the allowance of attendance only during the secular instruction were deleted.

NEGRO LYNCHED

Montrie, Ga., Nov. 8.—J. Hicks, a negro, was lynched tonight at Salt City for the murder of John A. Kridge.

FOWLER EXAMINED ON KAMLOOPS DEAL

OTTAWA, Nov. 7.—(Special)—George W. Fowler, M. P., was the principal witness today before the Insurance Commission, he being on the stand for nearly three hours. The examination had chiefly to do with the negotiations between the Union Trust company and Messrs. MacCormick, Irwin and himself over the acquisition of the Kamloops limits and mill. Fowler had an option for \$170,000 and the property was sold to the new syndicate for \$225,000.

RAISES FIVE MILLION WOMEN AND CHILDREN TO DEVELOP MINE

Owner of Famous Wabigoon Property Deals With Wealthy Company

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CHALLENGER'S PLURALITY IS NONE TOO LARGE

Election Returns in New York State Still Look Good to Democrats

NEW YORK, N. Y., Nov. 8.—With the official vote of but three counties missing tonight, Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler, apparently elected lieutenant governor on the Democratic independence League ticket by a plurality of approximately 1,400, votes over M. Linn Bruce, Republican.

ELLEN INDICTMENTS ON REBATE CHARGES

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Nov. 8.—Eleven indictments covering the paying of rebates by certain railroads and the receiving of the same by grain firms and individuals were handed in today. The corporations against which the indictments were returned are:

CHURCH EXTENSION

Syracuse, N. Y., Nov. 8.—The board of church extension of the M. E. church, which convened in this city, decided to raise \$1,000,000 next year. Of this amount \$750,000 will be used for some mission work and \$250,000 for church extension.

GLOBE RUDELY SHOCKS LIBERALS AT OTTAWA

Announces Hyman's Intention to Resign Portfolio—Minister Denies Report

OTTAWA, Nov. 8.—Politicians got somewhat of a rude shock tonight on the receipt of a Toronto despatch stating that the Evening Globe had announced it to be Hyman's intention to resign today. Leading Liberals at once were dumfounded. They insisted that Hyman must hold his portfolio, that resignation now would be tantamount to an admission of responsibility for the London election scandal.

IRISH LEADERS HEAR PLAN OF GOVERNMENT

Under Secretary to the Lord Lieutenant Reads Draft For Reorganization

DUBLIN, Nov. 8.—The Evening Herald declares that it has received information to the effect that at a recent conference of Irish leaders Sir Anthony Patrick McDonnell, Under Secretary to the Earl of Aberdeen, Lord Lieutenant of Ireland, read the draft of a plan for the reorganization of the government of Ireland. The draft provided for the establishment of a central board, an educational department, a department of agriculture, and for the transfer of land. It creates an Irish council with between two-thirds and three-fourths of its members elected on the existing parliamentary franchise, and the remainder on a restricted franchise or nomination of a central board.

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CAUGHT IN FIRE TRAP

Family of Five Perishes in Flames, While Many Others are Saved From Death by Heroic Work of Firemen.

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TELLS OF PROGRESS OF "NEW NORTH"

Founder of Hartley Bay Enterprise Speak of Business Expansion WEALTH OF NATURAL RESOURCES

Big Sawmill in Operation and Salmon Canneries and Other Industries to Be Undertaken in Spring

Capt. McCoskie, president of the Hartley Bay Lumber, Trading, & Fishing Co., Ltd., was in town Saturday on his way to Vancouver from the northern camp at the junction of the Douglas and Granville channels, and whilst a guest at the Dominion hotel was asked by the reporter to give a brief account of the progress of the big concern now coming into active operation.

Prospects Are Bright for Resumption of Work in Coal Mines. Michel, B. C. Nov. 5.—With the return of General Manager Lindsay of the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company, and the representation of President Mitchell on the ground prospects for a speedy settlement of the strike are very bright.

DRASTIC MEASURES IN FRUIT INSPECTION

Mr. Cunningham Engages in Ruthless Destruction of Infected Stock GIVEN UP FOR LOST. Mobile, Ala., Nov. 5.—It is believed that the schooner Asa T. Stowell, lumber laden, from Pensacola, for Havana, was wrecked on board in the September hurricane. The owners of the boat in Providence, R. I., have given up hope.

REID KILLS SMITH. Seattle, Nov. 5.—A despatch to the Post-Intelligencer from Juneau, Alaska, says Norman B. Smith, a Tanakee hotel racer, has been killed at Tanakee Hot Springs by Robert Reid. Smith is said to have had a bad reputation among the miners.

WANTING FISHERMEN CATCH THE HERRING Season Opens Early With Good Prospects—Cumberland and Ladysmith News. Nanaimo, Nov. 5.—(Special)—The herring season has now commenced. Yesterday several large shoals of the fish entered the harbor and fishermen are now engaged at this thriving industry.

VICTORIA TIME TABLE. For November, 1906. Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch, Department of Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.

U.S.S. GEDNEY FROM ALASKA SURVEY TRIP

Hydrographic Steamer's Officers Tell of Rich Gold Find in North LIGHTTENDER COMES FOR WHISTLE Was Removed by West Coast Settlers From Derelict Buoy—Gossip Along the Waterfront

Steamer Gedney of the United States hydrographic service, Capt. Dickins, was anchored in James Bay Monday, having arrived on Sunday from Alaskan waters, where the season has been spent in hydrographic and topographical work. Several claims are being developed. On one a shaft has been sunk to a depth of 100 feet and a tunnel has been driven 90 feet.

JAS. MITCHELL JOINS THE GREAT ADVENTURE Death Last Evening of Highly Esteemed Pioneer Resident of City. The death occurred at the family residence early yesterday evening of James Mitchell, a highly respected and widely known pioneer resident of the city, at the ripe age of 80 years.

CLIMBING THE HIMALAYAS. The Experiences of Dr. and Mrs. Workman. Further particulars have reached Victoria from the mountaineers' account of the Nun-Kun mountains by Dr. and Mrs. Bullock Workman. Nun and Kun are the names given to two peaks of the Western Himalayas rising respectively to 23,940 and 23,490 feet above sea level.

BOOM IS ON IN KOOTENAY COUNTRY

W. C. Wells, M. P. P., Says Wave of Prosperity Has Reached Interior The Kootenay country is booming. It has made remarkable strides from an agricultural standpoint during the past year, according to W. C. Wells, M. P. P., the representative of the constituency of Columbia in the local legislature.

TO RECOVER WHISTLE. U. S. Lighthouse Steamer Calls to Receive Property. The United States steamer Columbine of the lighthouse service, arrived in port Monday to receive the whistle of the Victoria harbor.

STORMY OFF COAST. Storms have been raging off the entrance to the Straits for the past few days, and the government steamer Quadra has been obliged to remain at Bamfield Creek. The wind was blowing at the rate of 35 miles an hour from the southeast.

THE LIFEBOAT. A meeting has been called for tomorrow night at the office of the marine department, on Wharf street, by Capt. Gaudin, local agent of marine, for the purpose of selecting a coxswain and crew for the lifeboat. As will be remembered, the crew recently resigned.

CAPTAIN HICKEY THANKED. Japanese Picked Up in Gulf Send Letter to Master of Princess Victoria.

On Monday Capt. T. W. Hickey, master of the steamer Princess Victoria, who rescued two Japanese fishermen from drowning off Point Gray on October 18, received the following letter: "We, Yoshiro Nakatsuji and Harukichiro, wish to thank you very much for your kindness in saving us from being drowned."

FAMOUS SONGSTRESS SINGS SONGS OF DEER Ellen Beach Yaw Startles Hunters as They Are About to Take Aim. The local press tells the following pretty story about Ellen Beach Yaw, the famous songstress who is to appear at the Victoria theatre next week under the auspices of the Victoria Musical Society.

TO BE LENGTHENED. Fifty Feet to Be Added to Hull of Steamer Spokane. The steamer Spokane, of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company, which is to be lengthened 54 feet, according to an announcement made by J. C. Ford, president of the steamship company, will be lengthened by 54 feet.

BANQUET FOR FELDING. Montreal, Nov. 5.—The Reform club has decided to tender a banquet to Hon. W. S. Fielding on November 20. Invitations are being sent to the members of the government and to the Liberal premiers of the provinces of Canada.

DR. O'BRIEN'S RESIGNATION

Dr. O'Brien, president of the appellate division of the supreme court, today filed his resignation with the secretary of the court, Justice O'Brien, who is a member of the law firm of Boardman, Platt & Dunning.

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WHAT IS CATARRH? Simple Way to Overcome the Dangers of This Disagreeable Disease. Catarrh is an inflammation of the mucous membrane of the nose, throat and lungs, with many annoying symptoms. In this climate there are few who do not suffer from it, either in a chronic or acute form.

CINES Johnson St., Victoria, B.C. CHILLS D EAT

Local News

Novelty Concert.—Much interest is being taken in the novelty concert being arranged under the auspices of the choir of St. Andrew's Presbyterian church...

Indian Suspect Located.—News was brought yesterday by Princess Bertha from the north that while the police officers are looking for the suspected murderer, Simon Gunnatoo, away up at Bear lake...

Golden Wedding.—Mr. and Mrs. William Haynes, pioneer residents, who came to Victoria by sailing ship in 1858, celebrated their golden wedding at the family residence...

Address Wanted.—Samuel D. Hepburn of 3513 North 15th street, Philadelphia, sends the following inquiry to the Colonist: "We are very desirous of obtaining information of a period of fifty months after he left some where in British Columbia between the years 1856 and 1865..."

Locates In Victoria.—The Atlin Claim in its issue just to hand, has the following: "William Johnson, who has been working on Birch the past summer with Messrs. Brown, Little and Crook, leaves on the last boat for Victoria on Saturday morning..."

Nominated at Dewdney.—At the Opposition convention held at Mission Junction on Monday, Robert Jardine of New Westminster was unanimously chosen as standard-bearer for the Liberals against Hon. Richard McBride...

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New Serial Story.—The concluding chapter of the serial story now running in The Colonist, "The Betrayal," will be given in tomorrow's issue, and on Thursday publication will commence of another fascinating novel, "The Amcliffe Puzzle," by Gordon Holmes...

"Rally" of Liberals.—In Colquhoun Hall on Saturday evening, under the auspices of the Saanich Liberal Association, a "rally" was held, the object being to raise funds for the purchase of a new organ for the church...

Advertising B.C.—A letter has been received from Hon. C. J. Bennett, general for British Columbia in London, Eng., in which he states that they wish to make a large distribution of all kinds of British Columbia printed matter at the London Exhibition...

King's Birthday.—The department of education desires it to be understood that the public schools of the province will remain open tomorrow, King Edward VII's birthday, in deference to the wishes of His Majesty, expressed in a recent proclamation issued by the federal government...

Mount Sicker Mining.—C. H. Dickle of Duncan, who was a recent visitor here, on a business trip, says that the Mount Sicker mine is at present looking very good, and that he considered the outlook very encouraging...

Names Collector for Prince Rupert Port.—The Ottawa government has selected Fred Davey of local customs' staff for post.

More Treasure Hunters.—The schooner Arago going from San Francisco to Recover Riches.

Which Side of the Skeena?—The arrangement therefore, meant that more construction work would take place in British Columbia and more of the western territory would be opened up than if other plans had been adopted...

Some Proverbs about Women.—The Germans say: "Listen to a woman's first opinion, but not her second." This proverb embodies the world old theory that a woman's intuition is better than her reason...

MAXWELL SMITH ON FRUIT CROP OUTLOOK

It takes more than modern machinery to produce good flour. It is the care used in selecting the wheat before it is ground and the searching tests of expert chemists afterwards that give...

Royal Household Flour—its nutritious qualities, its purity and its uniform goodness. In its preparation no process tending to improve its quality is omitted or slighted...

G.T.P. DECIDES TO COME THROUGH YELLOWHEAD.—Provincial Mineralogist Tells of Resources Along the Chosen Route.

THE Grand Trunk Pacific Railway has decided to pass through the Rocky Mountains on the way to the Pacific Coast by way of the Yellowhead Pass.

ST. HELENA IS LONELY.—The lonely island of St. Helena is a kingdom in little with an indifferent future which may be summed up in one word, "Manganese."

WANTED TO PURCHASE.—WANTED—5 and 10 acre fruit farm and chicken house near Victoria, B.C.

BIRTHS, MARRIAGES, DEATHS.—BORN.—PROCTOR—On the 5th inst. the wife of Dr. E. Proctor, of a son.

MARRIED.—MACKENZIE-SHEPPARD.—At Nelson on the 25th ult., at St. Saviour's Church, by the Rev. F. H. Graham, Kenneth Mackenzie Sheppard, a native of the Bank of Canada, Roseland, to Edith Mary Scrope, late daughter of E. Scrope, of Victoria.

DIED.—MITCHELL.—At the family residence, No. 127 Gendry street, on the 5th inst. James Mitchell, a native of Elgin County, Ontario, aged 50 years.

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By E. Phillips Oppenheim
Author of
A Prince of Sinners, Etc.

THE TRAY

CHAPTER XXXIII.—Continued.

"Naturally," I admitted.
"With a list of the places to be fortified, eh? The positions to be held and the general distribution of troops? No doubt, too, you have gone into the railway and commiseration arrangements?"
"All these details," I assented, "have gone through my hands."

He dabbed his forehead with a corner of his handkerchief. "There was a streak of purple color in his cheeks. He kept his bloodshot eyes fixed upon me."
"I will tell you something, Guy," he said, "which will astonish you. You have a five thousand pounds of course, but such details as you have spoken of can never be kept altogether secret? There are always leaks, sometimes very considerable leaks. Yes, Guy," he added, "there are people, a number of mine in Paris, who are willing to pay a very large sum of money—such a large sum of money that it is worth dividing, Guy—for just a bare outline of the whole scheme. Of course it is foolish. But with them money is no object. They think they are getting value for it. Absurd! But, Guy, what should you say to five thousand pounds?"
"It is a large sum," I answered.
"It plucked me by the sleeve. His eyes were hungering already for the gold."

"We can get it," he whispered hoarsely. "No trouble to you—no risk. I can make all the arrangements. You have only to hand me the documents." "I must think," I said.
"He leaned back in his chair."
"Why?" he asked. "What need is there to hesitate? The chance may slip by. There are many others on the look out."

"There is no one outside the Military Board save myself who could give these particulars," I said slowly.
"But my friends," he said sharply. "There is a foolish offer. They may change their minds. Guy, my boy, I know the world well. Let me give you a word of advice. When a good thing turns up, don't play with it. The men who decide quickly are the men who win."

"I thrust my hand into my breast-pocket and drew out a roll of papers." His eyes gleamed with excitement. He almost snatched at the papers, but I held them out of his reach. Then with a sharp little cry the woman stood suddenly between us. There was a look almost of horror on her pale strained face, as she held out her hand as though to push me away.

"Guy, are you mad?" she cried.
"The reins stood out upon my father's forehead. He regarded her with mingled anger and surprise."
"What do you mean, Maud?" he exclaimed.
"Give me the papers," she said.

"He shall not!" she exclaimed fiercely. "Guy, you have lost your senses? Do you want to ruin your whole life? Do you mean to let me believe in you? Do you want to do with me as you do with your father?"
"Join us! For Heaven's sake, no!" she answered fiercely. "Look at your father, an old man, a man whose life you want to become like him? Do you want to turn the other way whenever you meet an Englishman, to skulk all your days in hiding to be the scorn of all the men who employ you?"
"I would sooner see you dead than part with those papers."

"You damned fool!" my father muttered. "Take no notice of her, Guy. Five thousand pounds! I will see you paid to you, every penny of it. And not a soul will ever know!"
My father stood over her, and there was a threat in his face. She did not shrink from him for a moment. She laid her white hands upon my shoulders, and she looked earnestly into my eyes.

"Guy," she said, "even now I do not believe that you mean to be so very, very foolish. But, Guy, you go away at once. If you should never come back, it is not good for you to come near either of us."
I rose obediently. I think that if I had not been there, my father would have done it. He was almost speechless with fury. He poured himself out another glass of brandy with shaking fingers.

"Thank you," I said to her simply. "I do not think these papers are worth five thousand. Let me tell you what I came here for. I am a messenger from the Duke of Howchester."
My father dropped his glass. Mrs. Smith-Lessing looked bewildered.
"The Duke," I said to her, "desires to see you. Can you come to Cavendish Square this afternoon?"

"The Duke?" she murmured.
"He wishes to see you," I repeated. "I shall tell him that you will call at four o'clock this afternoon, or will you go back with me?"
"Do you mean this?" she asked in a low tone. "I do not understand it. I have never seen the Duke in my life."
"I understand no more than you do," I assured her. "That is the message. If you do not promise to come," she said, "I must think it over."

"My father pushed her roughly away. "Come, there's been enough of this fooling," he declared roughly. "Guy, sit down again, my boy. We must have another talk about this matter."
I turned upon him in a momentary fit of passion.
"I have no more to say, sir," I declared to him. "But that you are not content with ruining your own life and overshadowing mine. You want to drag me, too, down into the slough."

"You don't understand my dear boy?"
The door opened and Ray entered. My bundle of papers slipped from my fingers on to the floor in the excitement of the moment.
CHAPTER XXXIV.
Myself and My Stepmother.

I saw then what a man's face may look like when stricken with an accident paralysing fear. I saw my father sit in his chair and shake from head to foot. Ray's black eyes seemed to be flashing upon us all the most unutterable secrets of the world.
"What is this pleasant meeting which I seem to have interrupted, eh?" he asked, with fierce sarcasm. "Quite a family reunion!"
My stepmother, very pale, but very calm, answered him.
"To which you," she said, "come an uninvited guest."

He laughed harshly.
"You shall have others, other uninvited guests, before many more are past," he declared. "You remember my warning, Ducaïne."
I stood on the landing with him. He closed the door leading into the sitting-room.
"Guy," he said, "you know that, if I leave you behind, you link your lot with mine. You will be an outcast and a fugitive all your days. You will have to avoid every place where the English language is spoken. You will never be able to recover your honor, you will be the scorn of all Englishmen and Englishwomen, and you will be the laughing-stock of the world. You have started life with a cursed heritage. I want to make allowance for it."

"I looked him straight in the face, and I said, "that you are not inclined to give me credit for very much common sense. Take those papers to Lord Chelsford. I will come round to your rooms as soon as possible."
"He looked at me with eager, searching gaze."
"You mean this?"
"Certainly," I answered.
"He seemed about to say something, but changed his mind and left me without another word. I stepped back into the sitting room. My father, with an empty tumbler in his hand, was crouching in a chair, his face, breathing heavily. My stepmother, with a message from the Duke."
Ray laughed bitterly. There was about his manner a cold and singular aloofness. We were all judged and condemned.
"An invitation to dinner, I presume," he remarked.
"The Duke sent for me, my stepmother said, quietly."
"She did not have a moment's quail before the scornful disbelief which Ray took no pains to hide."

"You can see for yourself if you like," she continued, "that in a few minutes, I shall leave this house, with you if you are gallant enough to offer me your escort, and I shall go straight to Cavendish Square. You have no imagination, you have no sense, you have no heart. Does no reason occur to you why the Duke might wish to see me?"
"It obviously did. He frowned heavily."
"If this absurd story is true," he said, "and the Duke has really sent to ask news of Blenavon from you—well, he is a bigger fool than I took him for. What is your father's name?"
My father laid his trembling hands upon them.
"They have nothing to do with you," he explained, "nothing at all! It is a little family matter between Guy and me. Nothing more. They belong to me. Damn you, Ray, why are you always interfering in my concerns?"
Ray turned to me. There was a look in his eyes which I believe I have never seen before. At that moment I think that I hated him.
"What are those papers?" he asked.
"They are mine," I answered. "If I told you you would believe me. He moved a few steps towards them, and then paused. I saw that his shaking hand was leaning forward, and in his shaking hand was a certain desperate courage seemed to have come to him."
"Ray," he cried hoarsely, "touch them at your peril!"
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"I looked him straight in the face, and I said, "that you are not inclined to give me credit for very much common sense. Take those papers to Lord Chelsford. I will come round to your rooms as soon as possible."
"He looked at me with eager, searching gaze."
"You mean this?"
"Certainly," I answered.
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Ray laughed bitterly. There was about his manner a cold and singular aloofness. We were all judged and condemned.
"An invitation to dinner, I presume," he remarked.
"The Duke sent for me, my stepmother said, quietly."

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"It obviously did. He frowned heavily."
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Seeks a Diamond Island

London Daily Mail. One of the most extraordinary expeditions that ever set out left Cardiff, Wales, about ten days ago bound for a mysterious island, where diamonds are said to be almost as plentiful as pebbles.

Where this wonderful island is situated has not been divulged by the adventurers, who in explanation say very wisely that their ship is not very speedy and that a rival expedition might even have been subsequent to their clearance and yet arrive at the treasure island before them.

In this connection it is interesting to note that another mysterious expedition left Cardiff in advance of the diamond seekers. The articles signed by the crew of the expedition contained this very puzzling clause:

"From London to St. Helena, via Cardiff, and to any port or place within the limits of 60 north latitude and 40 south latitude."

Consequently it has been suspected that the diamond syndicate already has a rival in the field, and if that rival is to be the original discoverer of the island, it is not likely that the syndicate will find themselves supplanted.

What that means can easily be interpreted by what happened to the Earl Fitzwilliam treasure hunt in Cocos Island, off the Nicaraquan coast, about 20 years ago. Then there was some fighting, not quite so bloodthirsty as in the ancient days of the buccaners, but sufficiently businesslike to send a large part of the earl's expedition to a hospital.

Two Expeditions Start. There are, then, two secret expeditions on the seas. One frankly directed toward an island where diamonds have been found in abundance, the other ostensibly after some "buried treasure," which is located somewhere between 100 degrees of latitude. Both expeditions are to make a visit to St. Helena, which, as is well known, owing to the manner in which Napoleon was banished there, is in the South Atlantic.

As it had been hinted that Cocos Island might be the destination of the expedition, it is well to recall the fact that there are in the world two islands of that name, and both of them famous for their treasure. The Cocos Island in the Indian ocean is valued for its natural treasures, and the Cocos Island off the coast of Nicaragua is probably a buried board of Spanish gold. The former of these isles is now in the possession of its discoverer, consequently it is difficult to conceive of being the destination of either expedition. So far as the other is concerned, the lesson learned by Lord Fitzwilliam should be considered exemplary. The reception extended him and his band of adventurers was calculated to deter others from wandering in upon these preserves. Therefore, the only object of the expeditions which is apparent is the diamond island.

The story of this mysterious treasure, or rather, so much of it as has yet leaked out, is as wonderful as the entertaining fiction of Stevenson. In some respects, at the beginning, for instance, it parallels "Treasure Island." There is a tale of the sailor who had been upon the island, picked up a few pretty pebbles, which were found to be diamonds, and charted the position of the bank according to a rough map, which he gave to a seafaring friend just before his death. There is a familiar atmosphere about the whole tale.

It may be asserted that the story of the vast wealth upon this mysterious isle is thoroughly familiar in England to the man who has been in England to exploit the treasure isle. It has a capital, paid in, of \$125,000, and its members include an prince, twenty peers, eight judges and several eminent authors. The latter will at least obtain experience useful to them in supplying a pool of incident for forthcoming works.

The company is called the Collis Diamond Syndicate, formed "to acquire the plans and charts of a most valuable diamond mine reported to exist off the coast of Africa, with the object of locating and securing the property, and all the rights connected therewith." The name is E. Kenyon-Collis and the directors of the company are Sir Alexander Muir Mackenzie, Bart., K. G. Burns, Esq., Captain A. L. Hughes-Hughes, R. E. Esq., Captain Frederick G. Jackson, of Jackson-Harmsworth polar expedition fame, A. Lauderberg, Esq., and A. B. Larkins, Esq.

Only a dozen members of the syndicate, it is said, know the location of this land of wealth and mystery. "There is nothing mysterious about it," Mr. Collis recently explained, "and the only thing which naturally we keep secret is the general public location of the island. The story of how we came to know of its existence is very simple. A certain Captain R. Jones was master of a Welsh collier sailing between Cardiff and Capetown. Among his crew was one Dick Powell, an ordinary A. B. (he is now dead), who was in possession of a collection of garnets and other stones.

This happened to come to the notice of Captain Jones, who submitted them to an expert; the expert discovered that among the stones were several fine diamonds. Dick Powell then told Captain Jones about an island off the African coast where the diamonds had come from. It is not known how Powell got the story from a native who gave him the stones. At any rate, the information, Captain Jones threw up his berth as master and consulted his friend William Griffith, of Aberystwith, a diamond expert and manager and consulting engineer to De Bore's syndicate, and announced that he was about to locate the diamond island.

"Sailor Locates Island." Mr. Griffith briefly instructed Jones how to find the soil for diamonds in a primitive way, and Jones, shortly afterwards sailed with a black crew to the island. How he fared is disclosed in the sworn declaration of Mr. Griffith, who says that in November, 1897, he again met Captain Jones in Cape Town, and the captain said he had located the island and had discovered some stones. Mr. Griffith, who is a diamond expert, valued the stones at between \$50,000 and \$75,000. He formed the opinion that they were from an unknown mine, as the crystallization was entirely different from the Bore's and other mines.

When Captain Jones landed in Cape Town, he was ill, gradually got worse, and died in fourteen days afterwards. Before his death he gave all his property to Mr. Williams, a clergyman with whom he was staying, and gave Mr. Griffith a chart or

MILLIONS SUFFER IN CENTRAL CHINA

Floods Cause Destruction of Rice Crops Over Vast Areas of Land

STARVING CHILDREN ARE KILLED Drowned by Parents to Prevent Suffering—Riots Reported From Many Points

Further advice regarding the famine in Kiangsu, China, were received by the steamer Lyra, which arrived Tuesday from the Orient. Excessive rains of the summer caused serious floods, with the result that the wheat crop was largely destroyed, and a famine of serious proportions is threatened. The famine is reported to be very bad during the winter. A missionary who reached Shanghai from Chinking, said that the whole country for two hundred miles was a waste of water in some places; the dykes being cut to save large cities; and the growing crops were sacrificed to prevent further loss of life. Mr. Callwell, another missionary, told of traveling for three days in a houseboat over flooded rice fields without touching land. On the night of the 20th, the boat was reported devastating a large section of country, reaching far into Shaantung province.

Shanghai papers report instances of Chinese parents drowning their children in the canals, or giving them opium, to save them from the sufferings of starvation. At Chengtsing, near Soochow, usually a peaceful district, mobs of hungry people were looting the grainshops and raiding kindred warehouses were selling their children for food. The soldiers called to repress the riots were stoned and unable to stop the looting. In some sections raids have been made on official residences where officials were alleged to be hoarding grain. Riots were reported from many places.

The Shanghai Mercury says there is a rice corner at Shanghai, where rice is held dear despite the needs of the famine-stricken districts. The paper publishes the following on the subject: "Our office boy informed us yesterday that 'hee ching' vely bad, plenty man looting and heab got chow. Hab sellum all clothes and everything in my house plenty man come, hab got knife, gun, make stealm, all things. S'pose make walkes countly side thif, man come stealm a clothes. Vely bad! Taotal talkes keep quiet bunfy man more cheap. Me tink Taotal talkes pidgin. That mandarin and Chinese lick me into the corner. He talkes no got, s'pose no lockem up lice plenty more cheap. From what we can gather," says the Mercury, "our office boy's version is quite correct. There is a rice famine in our midst, and the sooner the Taotal talkes the matter in hand the better it will be for the poor starving wretches under our control, but if he continues to 'wink' at the way the wholesale dealers in rice are acting at present moment there will be serious trouble, and he will only have himself to blame. There is plenty of rice in Shanghai and the outports, and the sooner those implicated in this rice corner get to work to get the better it will be for the starving natives and the officials themselves."

HERO SUFFERS POVERTY. Lieut.-Gen. Stoesel Applies to Charitable Institution for Aid.

London, Nov. 6.—A despatch from St. Petersburg to the Reuters Telegraph company today says that Lieut.-General Stoesel, the defender of Port Arthur, is in such financial straits that he has applied to a charitable institution for financial aiders for assistance to enable him to employ a secretary. The institution asked the general to produce a medical certificate showing that his health required the services of a servant.

RAILWAY EXPANSION. New York, Nov. 6.—There were 277,341 miles of completed railroad in the United States at the end of 1905, according to the figures compiled by the Annual Report for 1906, of which the advance pages have just been issued. The bonded debt of the railroads in 1905 of 4,716 miles. The capital stock represented amounts to \$1,741,958,053, according to the same authority, and the bonded debt to \$2,261,901,000. The total liabilities of the lines are \$16,292,880,823, against \$15,995,504,651 in 1904.

GENERAL KUROKI IS VICTIM OF ACCIDENT Thrown From Riksha He Landed on His Head—A Navy for China

Steamer Lyra, which reached port Tuesday from Japan and the Orient, brought news of an accident to General Kuroki, the defender of Port Arthur. While visiting Hamadera, a jirika in which he was riding struck the side of an arch built in his honor, and he was thrown from the vehicle to the ground. He struck heavily with his head, and doctors were summoned hurriedly. It was found, however, that the distinguished officer's injuries were slight.

The Kokumin Shinbun, of Tokio, has information that a ship is to form the nucleus of a new navy without delay. Two battleships and four armored cruisers of 8,000 tons are to be built. Ching-shan, on the coast of Chekiang, has been selected as the main port of the navy. It is now that the Wei-hai-wei and Port Arthur are lost.

ENGINEER KILLED. Youngstown, Ohio, Nov. 6.—A passenger train known as the Akron Accommodation on the Baltimore and Ohio road collided with a wrecking train near here today and Engineer Herbert Shell, of the accommodation train, was killed. None of the passengers were hurt.

LOOKS BAD FOR MANITOBA. Ottawa, Nov. 6.—(Special)—At the proposed conference on the subject of extension of provincial boundaries which is to be held in Ottawa next week, the

MANITOBA PIONEER PASSES AWAY

One of the Manitoba pioneers passed away at his residence at Colquitz on Tuesday morning in the person of Octavianus Averill, a native of Worcester, England. He was a delegate to the Synod of Rupert's Land and held a licence as lay reader.

His body will be laid at rest in St. Michael's, Lake district, on Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock.

SAANICH MUNICIPALITY. Proceedings at Council Meeting Last Saturday Evening.

The Municipal Council of Saanich met on Saturday evening, November 3, with all members present. After routine business was finished a request from the road superintendent for \$50 extra to expend in the repairs on the East Saanich road, 825 West Lyndall avenue and 825 on Davie street was granted.

The division of the municipality into wards was considered next and six wards were proposed.

An application for the appointment of Mr. A. Hodgson, of Colquitz, as special constable, laid over from last meeting, was considered by Mr. Hodgson will be sworn in at once. Other special constables in different parts of the district will be appointed and strong measures taken to stop the trespassing which is causing so much complaint.

Mr. Revans appeared before the council with a proposition for changing a quay on the waterfront of Colquitz Bay. A committee of the council will consider his proposition.

The preparation of a voters' list being now under way it was thought that everything possible was being done to call the voters' attention to the necessity of registration. In the clerk of the meeting if any person's name was omitted it would be their own fault. The meeting adjourned to meet Saturday evening, November 17.

ADVISES VICTORIA TO GET READY FOR 1908 An American Visitor Anticipates Great Rush West During Big Seattle Fair

"Within three years the most genuine Victorian will not know his own city," was a remark passed by George W. Miller, of the Broadway Automobile company, of Seattle, who spent Tuesday in the city. Mr. Miller was over on a business trip and was accompanied by George E. Johnson, Pacific Coast representative of the Fish Rubber Tire company.

During the past few months Mr. Miller has been in the East, where he went thoroughly into the construction of the various cars for which he was agent. In the East, Mr. Miller witnessed the final race for the Vanderbilt cup and rode in one of the cars in the preliminary trials. Seattle, he said, is also successful, and placed an order for a large car, with several more orders in prospect, which he will be over to close in ten days' time.

"It is a very good town," said Mr. Miller, "and you will see the number of machines nearly doubled during the coming season, and the cars for which I am agent will be fairly represented. In Seattle Mr. Miller is agent for the Cadillac, Pierce Arrow, Packard, Woods' Electric, and last, but not least, the Winton machines; and has two places of business. In this city he is represented by Troup & Woods.

Mr. Johnson is also very enthusiastic over the prospects of Seattle. He is looking forward to a large increase of population in this section.

Both gentlemen returned to Seattle Tuesday evening by the Indianapolis.

ATHLETIC DISRUPTION. Montreal, Nov. 6.—The Montreal Amateur Athletic association has resigned from the Canadian Athletic union because the latter refused to allow amateurs to play against professionals, and in England. A new union is to be formed to kill the C. A. A. U.



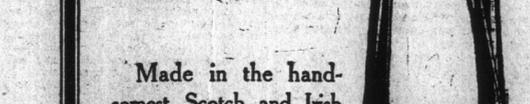
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OFFICIAL RETURNS.

Hullfax, N. S., Nov. 6.—Official returns for Queens-Shelburne by-election give Fielding a majority of 1,016. The totals are: Fielding, 2,500; Weldon, 1,484.

Wartown, Ont., Nov. 6.—Official returns give Tolmie (Liberal) in North Bruce, a majority of 471 over McClelland (Conservative). The total are: Tolmie, 2,006; McClelland, 2,138.

ENEMIES OF ENGINEERS.

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 6.—The Plaindealer today says that a brother-of-Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen announced in Cleveland yesterday that the members of that organization were ready and willing to fill the places of all engineers if the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers should declare a strike on the Lake Shore railroad and leased lines.

PRISON FOR SIX YEARS.

Augusta, Ga., Nov. 6.—Thomas W. Alexander, formerly a wealthy cotton manufacturer and prominent business club man, who was arrested at Pittsburg, Sept. 15, after having fled from this city, July 5, leaving debts amounting to \$200,000, was pleaded guilty to an indictment charging embezzlement, and was sentenced to six years' imprisonment.

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