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LUNATIC ASYLUM Extracts From Commissioners Report

MR. HALFYARD—To ask the Hon. Colonial Secretary to lay on the table of the House any reports of the Lunacy Commission...

Children From 7 to 14 Years of Age in the Asylum of Death

There are still a large number of female children ranging from seven to fourteen years of age who have been committed to the Institution...

Vermin Holding Full Sway—No Hot Water

During the month of October it was brought under the notice of the Commissioners that vermin had been discovered by the attendants on several of the patients on the male wards...

Consumption Principal Cause of High Death

The death continues to be high and is about 14% of the total number of inmates for the year...

Bombarding The Dardanelles

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British and French Official Report

German Attack Following Violent Bombardment—Repulsed With Heavy Loss

Persian Gulf operations, the India Office reports 15,000-strong, were driven from their position near Zohetr, after severe bayonet fighting on the 14th...

Political Heelers Not Wanted On the Staff

The Commissioners wish to call the attention of the Government to the necessity of keeping the staff fully manned with capable and reliable men...

Inmates Escape With Ease—Locks Picked

The notorious James Hare of H.R. Grace Escapes—Criminal Lunatics Should be Debarred From the Asylum

You will observe that one of the escapes were due to the patients picking the locks to their cells. This can readily be understood, when it is known that the larger number of these locks are of an antiquated spring character...

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SUBMARINE E-15 GOES ASHORE ON KEPHEZ POINT, DARDANELLES SEVEN OF CREW MISSING

British Airmen Drop Bombs on Turks—Austrians Inflict Heavy Losses on Russians—French Again Active in the Vosges—Italy Holds Out Against German Advances—Five Germans Among the Crew of Torpedo Boat Which Fired Upon the Transport Manitou

London, April 18.—The British as an offset to their success in destroying the Turkish torpedo boat which attacked the transport Manitou, off Chios yesterday, lost the submarine E-15 while carrying out a difficult reconnaissance in the Dardanelles mine-field, ran ashore on Kephez Point, the crew being crew being made prisoners. According to a Turkish report seven of the crew are missing.

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SAYS BRITISH USE POIRON BOMBS On German Soldiers at Ypres A GERMAN REPORT

Grenades and Bombs Develop Asphyxiating Gas

Berlin, April 19.—The statement today from army headquarters is as follows:—"East of Ypres, the British yesterday used grenades and bombs which developed asphyxiating gas. On the south slope of Lorette Heights, north-west of Arras, a small German point-aux-port, six yards long and fifty yards deep was last..."

LONDON IN GREAT TERROR Zeppelins Make Bold Daylight Attack

Kitchener Orders Great Precautions—Germans Draw Near the City

London, April 18.—While no fatalities resulted from the latest burst of German aerial activities over eastern England, a daring raid by Zeppelins north-east of London yesterday morning, followed by a bold daylight attack by German aeroplanes, south-east of London, in the afternoon, is causing unparalleled terror.

The expected attack upon London did not develop last night, but extraordinary precautions have been ordered by Kitchener, for German air craft are edging nearer and nearer to the city.

Strong warnings have been issued to the people of London to take every possible safety measure.

German Army's Latest Shunt

Geneva, April 19.—A Vienna despatch to Tribune says that a Council of War, presided over by Field Marshal von Hindenburg, it was decided that the Austrian heavy artillery now before Verdun (Department Meuse, France) should be transferred to Poland and that Hungarian cavalry now on the Western frontier, be sent back to Cracow.

One of the latest fashions is the regimental blouse, made of silk in the colours of various regiments in the British Army.

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To His Excellency the Governor  
in Council:—

The petition of the undersigned  
residents of Green's Harbor and  
electors of the electoral district of  
Trinity Bay, humbly sheweth that  
on March 31st and April 1st last,  
seventy-eight seafarers of the crew  
of the sealing steamer "New-  
foundland" died on the icefloes  
from exposure, and that in the  
opinion of your petitioners, Cap-  
tain Abram Kean, Master of the  
"Stephano," was guilty of crimi-  
nal negligence in relation to the  
said men, wherefore your Peti-  
tioners humbly pray that Your  
Excellency be pleased to direct  
the Law Officers of the Crown to  
take the necessary steps to test  
before the Courts the liability or  
otherwise of Captain Kean. And  
as in duty bound they will ever  
pray.

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A Collection will be taken to defray expenses.

## The White Lady

This is a legend, but a remarkable one, maintained by all the historians, and even now, in this twentieth century, taken seriously by our German opponents. What ever may be its origin, it surely sheds a strange light on the manners and mentality of the Hohenzollerns. We feel that not one of our readers, after perusing this tale and arresting study by M. Lenormand, the most eminent of living French historians, will fail to put the question: "And has the ghost appeared this time?"

"THE WHITE LADY" is a phantom who, it is said, shows herself at the moment when some important and dire calamity befalls the princes of the House of Hohenzollern.

The enormous gloomy building in Berlin as "the Old Palace" stands behind the bridge which terminates the Unter den Linden. It is a sort of mountain of stone, which conveys the impression of being crushed down by the heavy dome. Frederick, the first King of Prussia, began to build this palace in 1695, with the frankly avowed aim of eclipsing Versailles. Strictly speaking, this is the only picture which at all lends itself to anything in the way of legend and romance.

The Mysterious Tower. The Old Palace has a tower—the Tower of the Green Hat! Here, in the time of Frederick "Iron-Tooth," was lodged the notorious "Maiden," how to be seen in the Castle of Nuremberg. This is a hollow statue of wood, which opens like a cupboard. The interior is lined with enormous

steel spikes. MM. Neukomm and d'Estree, in their curious work on "The Hohenzollerns," tell how, when the court-martial (always at work in Berlin) had, for lack of proof, acquitted an accused person, he was conducted to the "Maiden." "Render thanks to our Holy Mother," was the order given him. Then he was pushed inside the statue, which, worked by some secret mechanism, closed upon him, crushing the unhappy man in its cruel embrace and piercing him with its thousand spears. A trap-door beneath the statue opened, and the remains of the victim were swallowed up in the depths of the oubliette.

It is in this Tower of the Green Hat that the White Lady is said to reside. With respect to her habits statements differ. Some say that every night she passes silently through the six hundred chambers of the Old Palace, traversing with gliding, velvet-footstep the Chevaliers' Gallery, the Throne Room, the White Hall, but never entering the Royal apartments except on the eve of a Hohenzollern prince's death. Others affirm that she dwells in some secret retreat, and invisible to all others, shows herself to him only who is about to die.

Which of the Three? Who is this White Lady? Upon this point also opinions differ. Some claim her as a daughter of the people, Anna Sidow, whose bright eyes, in the sixteenth century, turned the head of Elector Joachim II. This prince ruled over which opens like a cupboard. The interior is lined with enormous

recourse to an alchemist, Irenius Philoponus, who undertook to provide him, by means of a single chip of the philosopher's stone, with three hundred million golden thalers. As, however, his experiments failed to produce a sufficiently quick result, Joachim employed a surer method of obtaining money—a heavy taxation of his unfortunate subjects. After his death, the Elector John George imprisoned Anna Sidow at Spandau. She never again saw the light of day, but died there miserably. Her soul it is, say some, that, unable to detach itself from earthly splendour, wanders continually through the wide halls of the palace built by the descendant of her Royal lover.

According to others, the White Lady is a certain widow, and mother of two children, the Countess d'Orlamunde, with whom, in the reign of the Margrave Albert the Beautiful, one of the most distinguished ancestors of the Hohenzollern family, fell in love. This Margrave is reported to have said, "I would gladly wed the fair widow, were I not restrained by the force of four eyes." Erroneously interpreting this remark as an allusion to her two children, the ambitious countess put them to death by running a gold pin into their heads.

But the Margrave, when he uttered these words, had been thinking of his parents who were opposed to the marriage. Beautiful, wicked Agnes, discovering her fatal mistake, lost her reason, and her tortured spirit is doomed to wander without rest in the gloomy dwelling of her timid lover's successors. Such is version number two.

stated hollow. It is a wooden body without a soul, and she who was its model is now the instrument employed to punish, to the remotest generation, the descendants of its cruel inventor. Frederick of the Iron Tooth. Her mission it is to linger on the earth in order to visit them on the night before their death, and to warn them that they are about to be called to their account. Such is the chastisement inflicted upon each one of them for the detestable profanation of which their forefather was guilty in concealing beneath the lineaments of the compassionate Virgin, that most faithful instrument of torture.

The Messenger of Death. But although her origin is, as we have seen, a subject of dispute, the White Lady of the Old Palace of Berlin is not a myth. She exists, she has been seen. She glides along in silence, saluting with a movement of the head the trembling mortals who stand aside to let her pass. None dare question her, for all know that such audacity would meet with severe and immediate punishment.

One night, indeed, an insolent and sceptical page, encountering the White Lady in a corridor of the Old Palace—this occurred during the reign of John Sigismund, the father-in-law of Gustavus Adolphus—bodily approached her, and, actually touching the lady, said, with a gesture of sadly misplaced familiarity: "Whither are you going, madam?" The White Lady made no answer; she did not even look angry; but she brought down on the page's head the key which opens for her each one of the castle's six hundred doors. The blow killed the page, and the Elector John Sigismund died on the following day.

Has She Appeared? We are not told that Frederick William, the successor of Frederick, had any dealings with the family ghost. Even if this second King of Prussia had seen her, the apparition would have amalgamated itself as well with his habitual drink-habits and hallucinations that he would have been unable to distinguish with any certainty the entrance upon the scene of this particular phantom. Neither, it appears, was Frederick II. visited by the White Lady. The sceptical friend of Voltaire treated women with disdain, and was never happy save in the society of his drums. The lady's attentions, therefore, would have been wasted on him. He died of indigestion, brought on by a surfeit of beef, lobster, and crabs, under conditions anything but favourable to the poetic evocation of a visitant from the other side.

The familiar spirit of the Old Palace took her revenge upon the succeeding Sovereigns. It is recorded that in 1792 Frederick William II., who had invaded Champagne at the head of his troops, in order to bring France to reason, made a hasty retreat after the cannonade of Valmy, at the very moment when he had just announced his victorious arrival under the walls of Paris. The reason for this strange withdrawal was that, during the King's brief sojourn at Verdun, the spirit of his predecessor, the great Frederick, paid him the compliment of appearing to him in the cellar of an inn, when he threatened him with the White Lady if the Prussian army did not immediately retreat.

This story has been printed, certified, and recognized because it explains and casts a fresh light upon hitherto unintelligible happenings. During the years which followed the spirit had much to do. We see her passing through the halls of the Old Palace in the early autumn of 1806, before Jena, when the Prussians promised to re-conduct "with whiplashes" the army of Napoleon to the banks of the Seine. At this time Prince Louis of Prussia, at an evening party given in his honour in the castle of Rudolstadt, said to a young girl, seated at the pianoforte:—"Play me some tunes."

"How many, Highness?" asked the girl. "Would you like the tunes to equal in number the Frenchmen whom you will slay to-morrow with your troops?" The young prince acquiesced, and himself fixed the number. "Twenty," he said. The pianist played until dawn. The "Highness," as he mounted his horse to ride away, called to his officers: "Forward gentlemen, to crush Napoleon!" That night his corpse lay at Saalfeld, in a chamber of the Castle of Coburg, receiving funeral honours, being watched by two grenadiers of the Imperial Guard. Frederick William and his wife, Queen Louise, understood then why the White Lady had lately shown signs of activity. They lost heart and fled from their capital, abandoning the place to Napoleon, who installed himself for two months in the Old Palace.

During the period of his sojourn there the White Lady never appeared. Strictly speaking, there was for the time no Prussia, and the phantom had no longer (for the present) to

keep watch and ward over the family of its fugitive and humiliated Sovereigns. It would be superfluous to enumerate further the various appearances of this fantastic being, charged by destiny to mark the last hour of the Hohenzollern princes. Let it suffice to add that when one of them is ill or in danger the Berlin folk still superstitious on this point of local history, ask themselves in a whisper, not without a slight shiver of fear, "Has the White Lady appeared?"

The people of Berlin laugh at the legend, but they believe in it yet. I feel sure that at this very moment, at the hour when night descends upon the Spree, persons crossing the river, as they come to the bridge adorned with the statue of the Great Elector, raise their eyes to the Tower of the Green Hat, to see whether they can discern behind the blindfold windows the white form whose advent spells disaster.—"The Strand Magazine."

## MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

(Editor Mail and Advocate.) Dear Sir.—There is much commotion on the actions of our Civic Commission and as their term of office is nearly expired it is only fair that the state of public opinion should be cast on their work which I must say is far from what is expected from them.

On their taking charge they took office amid much "bravado" and great things were expected from them. They said look and see what we will do. Now gentlemen we are looking and what do we see? First the pittance of the labour is reduced; while the office hands are granted an increase in the shape of bonuses, and it is a well-known fact that some of them are already over paid.

The office which I refer to and which seems so important and calls for such large salaries, yet when the All Important is absent on his annual excursion his place is filled by the junior clerk. It is not my intention to vilify any particular individual but to show the inconsistency and seemingly incapability of the "boasting self-appointed body" of commissioners.

We find those men of boasted business ability borrowing money from the bank at the rate of six per cent as any trader or shopkeeper would do; while such places as North Sydney, Halifax and other small towns of Nova Scotia issue bonds and place them on the market at four per cent and that without any government guarantee.

Business and financing of this kind does not appeal to the intelligence of the public neither does it show any great ability in our present Civic Commission from which such great things were expected. Again, there is very important work for any body of men who may be elected—and all honor to those who will undertake the most important work—I refer to the absentee landlords which draw from our city the sum of one hundred and fifty thousand dollars yearly whilst they do not contribute one cent to the up-keep or one cent for improvements of any kind whatsoever, and the only individual who derive any benefit is the agent, and generally he is one that will demand his pound of flesh. Yet in all the discourses and meeting it seems strange no attempt has been made to rid us of this gigantic octopus and try at least to loosen his grasp so that our poor unfortunate city may be relieved of the awful strath which is sapping the very life out of our people.

Now Gentlemen there is something more than that I would like to comment upon and that is the advisability of piping Wickford, Moore and James' Streets. I am informed this property belongs to the absentees and to my mind it seem strange if such is the case that we as taxpayers have through the City Commissioners (all through the irony of fate) have to borrow money at six per cent and improve this property for the benefit of the absentee landlord and his agent. Truly if this be true and I have every reason to believe it is, the sooner the people call for an elective council the better, and relieve the present incompetents of a duty that they have not the ability to successfully perform. Thanking you Mr. Editor for space.

Respectfully Yours,  
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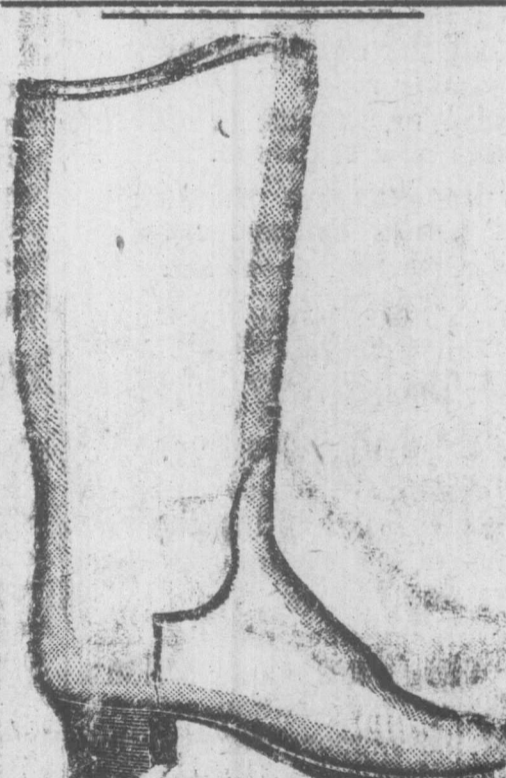


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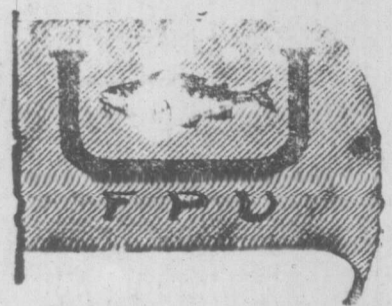
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**Prohibition**

The chief topic of conversation since Saturday is the Prohibition Resolutions which are to come before the House of Assembly on Wednesday.

Some of the clergymen met on Saturday night and arranged to hold a big meeting to-night, while the temperance ladies have not been idle.

The local politicians are at present much concerned over what will vote for or against the resolutions. An opportunity is now open to members to do something for Country that does not present itself every day or year.

We have no hesitation in endorsing the resolutions of Mr. Hickman, as we are convinced that such a step is in the best and truest interests of the Colony, and any member who votes against such a measure will certainly assume a tremendous responsibility, especially in event of the defeat of the resolutions.

Personal feelings and opinions should not be permitted to stand in the way of voting for the measure, for the blessings that would flow from the enactment of such a law would repay the Colony eventually one thousandfold for any losses now sustained.

The proposals are reasonable, and an honest endeavour to remove a curse that does and has blighted our land.

Russia has accomplished wonders, France has done almost as much, while Britain is now about to take the momentous step.

Newfoundland to-day is more favourable to prohibiting the sale and importation of liquors than she ever was.

Let every member of the Assembly who is undecided seriously consider his position and the value of his support, for if the measure is lost by a narrow vote they will regret in years to come their action in refusing to avail of an opportunity which comes only in a life time to bestow upon their Country a blessing so immense that a few can now measure its comprehensive extent.

No harm can come from Prohibition—thousands would derive benefit therefrom—none would suffer but the saloon keepers and some of these would find employment in handling the lighter drinks as Agents of the State.

No man holding a seat in the House can vote against such a proposal without misgivings. Those who support them will at any rate forever feel that duty's behests were regarded properly and their reward will be the "Well done" of the still small voice of conscience, which will prove a valuable possession in the coming years.

As for ourselves, we would vote for such a measure without hesitation, feeling convinced that great blessings must flow to our people and country if the proposals are carried through.

A Mass Meeting will be held at the College Hall to-night when addresses will be delivered by several leading speakers on the benefit of Prohibition.

To-morrow afternoon a Grand Demonstration will be held under the auspices of the W.C.T.U. which will start from the T. A. Hall. Several bands will be in attendance. Motor cars will be utilized to display banners and mottoes. The demonstration will call at Government House.

Every woman is invited to take part in the demonstration and gentlemen temperance workers and those in sympathy with Prohibition are also invited to take part in the demonstration. It is hoped the business men will close their stores in the afternoon.

**That \$1000 Payment**

THE Country will require more to convince it that the \$1000 payment to the Judges of the Supreme Court is legal, and proper, than anything yet put forward in The News by the Minister of Justice who no doubt is the author of what The News has published about this matter.

That Judges or Ministers of the Crown or an Executive Council could feel justified in doing as has been done in connection with this matter has come as a painful surprise to thousands of electors and the transaction will have a very injurious moral effect upon all the people. Their confidence in men will be greatly undermined, and every wrong action in the future will be justified by the aggressor on the grounds of what those gentlemen so high in authority did in reference to this \$1000 grab.

Mr. Morine has publicly announced that in his opinion the payment is illegal. In view of this opinion would it not be most proper for the Judges to return the money and end the matter? If the Opposition is compelled to demand the return of this money on grounds that its payment was illegal, no matter what the outcome will be as regards the actions of the Government, one result is sure—and that is the confidence of the people in the Supreme Court will disappear—and if this happens it will probably be the greatest calamity that ever overtook our Country.

That a demand will be made there can be no doubt unless those concerned make up their minds to return the amount if a discussion on this matter comes up in the House, more than this \$1000 transaction will be reviewed.

The Opposition has a duty to perform and if we know anything about those forming the party that duty will be performed irrespective of who is concerned.

Never since Responsible Government was granted, has an Opposition Party sat in the House as strong and as powerful as it is to-day. It is strong enough to punish wrongdoing as it deems proper and those who have travelled the slippery paths of the Graball politician which has for six years been so indiscreetly indulged in will find they live in no "House of Roses" in event of any wrongdoing being exposed.

**Will She Float Again?**

ON Friday the Minister of Finance tabled a statement showing how the Colony's account with the Bank of Montreal stood on March 31st. That statement reveals the financial condition of the Colony on March 31st. The revenue was short some \$360,000 at that date—\$380,000 remains of the \$1,000,000 loaned by the Imperial Government for war purposes. There will therefore be very little of that Million Dollar loan left by the 30th of June next when the fiscal Government year ends.

One Hundred and Sixty Thousand Dollars of the \$1,000,000 temporary railway loan secured last May by the Premier in London remains.

The wonder will be why he has not expended that \$160,000 in the manner in which the Reid M.D. Co. has put off their men since last December. Surely this \$160,000 balance might have been utilized in constructing rolling stock or in railway construction last fall.

Putting in as credits the \$360,000 balance of the war loan and \$160,000 balance of the railway loan, and the 500,000 Reserve Fund, the Colony had \$485,000 left on credit on March 31st.

The quarter ending June 30th will add \$120,000 more to the deficit at the rate of the past nine months deficit, which will mean a deficit of \$500,000 on the fiscal year 1914-1915.

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The usual 1-3 portion of the road grants, local, and main line is also due next month, but not a cent is available, and the proportion of the grant should have been available and shown in the statement tabled.

What will be done few can foresee, but one thing is certain when June 30th arrives the financial position of the Colony will be found in a desperate condition.

More revenue cannot be raised from the tariff—to further that any article will mean cutting it off from the use of the people and thus reducing the revenue instead of increasing it.

Extra expenditure will have to be provided for in this year's budget for the interest obligations will be increased some \$80,000. If the Government carries out its promise made by the Premier last week in the House in reply to Mr. Coaker's importuning re operating the railway branches to Ferryland, Heart's Content and Grate's Cove, another \$20,000 will have to be added for mail subsidies.

The Hospital vote for 1913-14 is way behind and will demand an increase of \$20,000. The vote for Charity will require an increase of another \$25,000 to provide for extra demands owing to lack of employment during the coming winter. Therefore on those four items \$145,000 extra expenditure will have to be provided for.

Of \$620,000 expended on war account from September to March—seven months—how much more than the Million Dollar loan will be required by the end of 1915? The expenditure is going in at the rate of \$100,000 per month, therefore by December 31st over \$600,000 additional war loan will have to be found, bringing the war expenditure up to the enormous figure of \$1,600,000.

Even if the war ends in August or September it will take until the end of this year to get our soldiers back and disband them. In addition to this amount the Colony will have to find another \$250,000 to make good the pay of the Naval Reservists.

If there is a man in the Colony who can find anything encouraging in such an outlook, he certainly ought to be renamed Morris. Never before did such a gloomy outlook face this Colony.

Surely the people will now ask themselves whether it was worth while electing the Morris Party to rule the Colony in 1909.

The whole position is the outcome of reckless waste of money and unbridled extravagance and hoodlumism. This waste and graft is even now running its wild course, unrestrained and without thought of the consequences.

Squires grabs \$2000 or more. The Judges of the Supreme Court grab \$1000 for account of trials that never took place and \$1500 for sitting as a Sealing Commission; while five big men in the Government or big supporters are given \$5000 as part payment of fees for consolidating the Statutes, having billed the people for \$10,000. \$57,000 has been paid for railway arbitration fees, Philip Templeman getting only \$5500 for the wasted land taken at Bonavista for railway use, and others scooped in the following amounts: Philip Templeman, Bonavista, for waste property, no use for anything except filled in, \$55,500 G. and N. Powell, Carbonear Village. They

Name	Amount
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Esau Noble	28.00	504.00	
Uno Vincent	1.00	18.00	
M. Luther	17.50	315.00	
E. J. Rowsell	6.00	108.00	
Wm. Wellman (\$2.00, 1914)	3.00	54.00	

**Magistrate's Court**

(Before Judge Knight.)  
 An old offender, drunk, in since Saturday, was discharged.  
 A female, who has married a Chinaman, had a citizen up for using abusive and insulting language towards her, but withdrew the charge.  
 A domestic, 12 years of age, charged with the larceny of goods to amount of five dollars, was discharged for lack of proof.  
 The monthly meeting of the Holy Name Society was held yesterday afternoon.  
 In the morning a large and devout congregation attended 8 o'clock Mass, and received Holy Communion.  
 In the afternoon the Acting Spiritual Director, Rev. Dr. Green, imparted Benediction, after which the members adjourned to their rooms for the transaction of business.

**German Taubes And Submarines In Dardanelles**

**Strong Possibility That There is a Zeppelin There Also—Irresistible Likely Sunk by Submarine Attack**

Paris, April 10.—There seems to be no doubt that the defenders of the Dardanelles have the active operations not only of a squadron of German Taubes overhead, but also of a flotilla of German submarines underwater. There is a strong possibility also that a Zeppelin, shipped in parts by way of Roumania and Bulgaria may be put together and appear above the forts in the near future.

It is believed there are now at least four German submarines operating in Turkish waters. Whether these had any hand in the sinking of the British and French ships in the straits cannot now be said. It has been noted, however, that the official statement was curiously vague as to the exact manner in which the irresistible met her fate. The submarines were all shipped in sections through Roumania and Bulgaria, and were assembled at a secret shipyard on the sea of Marmora, the process being identical with that employed at Zebrugge.

It was reported, but has not been confirmed, that some of the submarines made their way by sea from Trieste through the Adriatic and the Aegean.

**Germany Tries to Inveigle China**

**Carries on an Unscrupulous Propaganda in an Effort to Get China to Attack the Russians From the Rear**

Mr. Arthur Diosy, in an interview with a Press Association representative, gave his views on the subject of alleged Japanese pretensions in China. There was no occasion for alarm. The whole matter seemed part of the extraordinarily active and most unscrupulous propaganda carried on by Germany.

"It is not sufficiently known in England," Mr. Diosy added, "to what extent Germany has been intriguing at Peking to induce Yuan-shih-kai, the Dictator of China, to wipe off old scores by attacking Russia in the rear. This scheme would find many supporters among the Chinese. It is Germany's purpose to sow dissension between the Allies in Asia by working on the jealousy and distrust of Japan natural to the Chinese."

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**Mr. Morine Makes Correction**

The following words occurred in Mr. Morine's letter in the Mail on Saturday:

"Hoping that the Judges of the Supreme Court are a small-souled lot, 'The News' seeks to injure me by pointing me out as an object for their resentment."

Partly through the form of the sentence, and the mis-use of a capital "T," the meaning has been misunderstood by some persons, who think that Mr. Morine called the Judges "small-souled." The exactly opposite meaning was intended. It would have been more clearly expressed, perhaps, if it had read this way: "The News, think (mistakenly) that the judges are a small-souled lot, seeks to injure me, etc."

In our report of Friday's proceedings in the Assembly, in Saturday's issue, we omitted the names of select committee on "Local Affairs Bill." The following committee was named by the Speaker: The Premier, Messrs. Kent, Piccott, Currie, Coaker, LeFevre, Jennings, Stone and Grimes.

**Fisheries Bill in U. S. Congress**

Representative Linthicum, of Baltimore, has introduced into the United States Congress a measure to deprive several states of their present control of their fisheries, and to vest this authority in the federal government. The bill has not, yet, been passed but its ultimate enactment is foreseeable by the issuance of an executive order which secures, temporarily, its main objects. The proposed legislation is not general in scope, its specific aim being to correct abuses connected with the Chesapeake Bay fisheries. Hitherto, the individual states have had control, but have failed to exert it with any degree of uniformity or efficiency. The natural result has been a rapid decrease in the productivity of these fishing waters.

The situation is one of interest to Canadians. The experience of both Canada and the United States proves that, if natural resources are to be wisely administered, the limits of federal and provincial or state jurisdiction must first be clearly defined. In both countries this has been strikingly exemplified by difficulties which have cropped up in connection with the control of fisheries and, in Canada, the subject has

caused long and tedious litigation. Mr. Linthicum's bill forms part of the wider movement to secure for the United States what Canada already has, viz., sufficient federal authority to safeguard fisheries and other resources from depletion.—"Conservation."

**Aristocracy's Part in the War**

Among the most impressive records of the war are the pages of portraits published by the British war office of officers who have died on the field. Whatever sinister part kings and castles have had in making wars, when wars are waging they have paid their full share at least in modern times. In the present war the rate of mortality among officers is very high, and if hostilities continue a long while, as many experts have prophesied, the aristocracies of all belligerent countries will be blotted to exhaustion. In war there is an aristocracy of danger since officers of the line at least take more chances as a rule than their men, an aristocracy that ends in the great democracy of death.—Chicago Tribune.

**Far Superior in Artillery**

A letter has been received in Reading from Gunner Jakeman, dated Mar. 19. Jakeman is a member of the Royal Marine Artillery. He writes: "I daresay ere you receive this you will have heard of the great battle today, which was a great success. It is wonderful to see the high spirits our men fight in—every man happy and singing on going into battle. I don't think myself the Germans will stand it much longer. We are far superior to them in artillery now."

**An Appeal to Self Sacrifice**

London, April 7.—"In view of all that is now happening and following the unprecedented lead of His Majesty the King," writes the Archbishop of Canterbury in an appeal just published, "we desire to press seriously upon the minds of those whom we can influence the duty and privilege of bearing a voluntary part in the nation's self-discipline and self-sacrifice by abstaining from alcoholic drinks during the continuance of the war. Some definite act on the part of all is due our brave men, the nation at large and to God."

Board of Health reports as follows: Four cases of diphtheria reported in the city last week. Eighteen are now being treated in the Hospital and all two typhoid, while one of the former is being nursed at home. Post residences were disinfected and released from quarantine.







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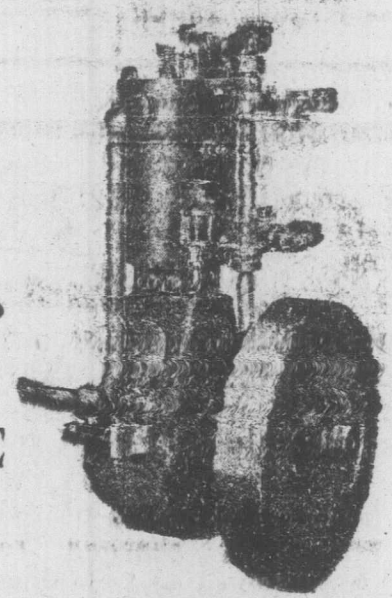


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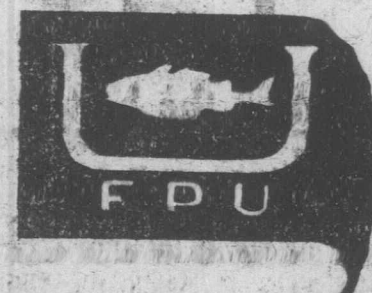
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## Theodore Roosevelt Denounces Wilson's Disgraceful Mexican Policy of Watchful Waiting

THEODORE ROOSEVELT, in an article in the current number of the "Metropolitan," exposes the disgraceful policy of the Wilson administration in Mexico. He shows how arms and ammunition were allowed importation into Mexico and delivered openly through a port of entry to the warring factions, and that those same factions have employed those arms and ammunition to kill American women and children and American soldiers.

He quotes a letter from a railroad engineer in Naco, Arizona, dated January 19, 1915, in which the engineer states that five persons were killed and forty-seven were wounded on the American side, by stray shots from Mexico. He also quotes the El Paso "Morning Times" of December 29, 1914, a Democratic paper supporting President Wilson, as authority for a statement that fully fifty persons, including American soldiers, were wounded. He also quotes an authority, no less than a district attorney of New Mexico, as writing that the exact number of killed and wounded was 57 and that some of the men shot included American soldiers walking their beat as sentries.

The Administration does not dispute these facts.

When Vera Cruz was taken possession of by the Wilson administration, twenty sailors and soldiers were killed in the streets by the Mexicans who were defending their city. The American press was filled with reports of the sadness exhibited by President Wilson at the time of their burial. Why should not President Wilson show some feeling for those who have been victims of his dilly dallying policy in the southern republic?

The article referred to is filled with a record of undisputed happenings in Mexico, a tenth part of which should fill our people with horror and cause them just to condemn any administration that tolerated such a condition of affairs.

We quote Mr. Roosevelt as follows: Recently, President Wilson has spoken on the subject of Mexico in a speech at Indianapolis. At the beginning of his speech he says: "I got very tired staying at Washington saying sweet things. I wanted to come out and get in touch with you once more and say what I really thought." Disregarding the implication as to his own past sincerity contained in this statement, we have a right to take the speech as expressing his deliberate conviction and purpose. He says that he possesses "a reckless enthusiasm for human liberty," and then speaks of his own policy of "watchful waiting" in Mexico. Apparently, in his mind, "watchful waiting" is a species of "reckless enthusiasm." He asserts that the people of Mexico have a right to do anything they please about their business, saying, "It is none of my business; it is none of your business how long they take in determining it. It is none of yours how they do the business. Haven't the European nations taken as long as they wanted and spilled as much blood as they pleased in settling their affairs? Shall we deny that to Mexico because she is weak?"

This is the kind of language that can be used about Mexico with sincerity only if it is also to be applied to Dahomey and to outrages like those of the French Commune. It cannot in the long run be accepted by any great state which is both strong and civilized nor by any statesman with a serious purpose to better mankind. In point of public morality it is fundamentally as evil a declaration as has ever been put forth by an American President in treating of foreign affairs; and there is to it the added touch of inefficiency. Moreover, President Wilson's words, bad though they are, have not been borne out by his deed. He has actively interfered in Mexico on behalf of some of those spilling of blood whose right to "spill" blood he exuberantly champions. He has not interfered to punish the bandits and murderers who have killed American men and outraged American women. He has not interfered to protect the honour and the interest of the United States. He has not interfered to protect the lives and the property of any citizen or of the citizens of any other country. But he has interfered to help put into power the very worst among the leaders of the various murderous and thieving groups and factions. President Wilson and Secretary Bryan have refused to run the risk of shedding the blood of any American soldiers to protect American citizens and put a stop to

cry of bread for the starving. The United States has claimed the exclusive right to intervene in Mexican affairs. Will we demand the right and repudiate the obligation?"

"This is the state of affairs to which Mexico has been brought by the practical application of Mr. Bryan's doctrine as to not caring for 'American dollars' (It is American dollars that buy food for the starving. Mr. Bryan!) and of President Wilson's doctrine that we must not interfere or let anyone else interfere to stop 'spilling blood' in Mexico. President Wilson's position meets the enthusiastic approval of the bandits who spill the blood. It meets and it merits the enthusiastic support of the blood-smeared leaders to whom his inaction has given the chance to murder men and outrage women and to let little children starve. But the murderer of little children has been stilled in Mexico. It has been stilled because Messrs. Wilson and Bryan in their handling of the Mexican problem, as in their handling of every other branch of our foreign affairs, have placed this country in the position of shirking its plain duty, of seeking its own ignoble ease beyond everything else, and of declining to protect its own citizens or to fulfill its international obligations or its international duty as a weak and helpless, when rapine and murder stalk in insolent mastery over the land.

This has been a terrible thing for Mexico. It has been a shameful thing for the United States. But if this policy is permanently continued, there will be yet further shame in store for the United States. Sooner or later the war in Europe will come to an end; and then the great armed nations, after a more or less brief interval, will certainly turn their attention to us and to Mexico. We cannot forbid interference with Mexico in the name of the Monroe Doctrine and yet fall to fulfill the obligations imposed on us by common humanity if we maintain that doctrine. Spaniards, Germans, Britishers, Italians, Frenchmen, have all been wronged in Mexico, only less than our own citizens have been wronged—only less than decent and well-behaved Mexicans have been wronged—by the inhuman bandits to whom our government has furnished arms and aid for the perpetuation of their crimes. President Wilson in his message has confessedly advocated that we stay unprepared and helpless in the face of military nations. He also advocates that in Mexico we pursue the policy of letting the violent and disorderly elements of the population slowly destroy all the leading men, all the reputable people, and bring destruction by fire and steel, by disease and famine, on the humble men and women and little children; and also on the strangers within their gates. The self-respecting and powerful nations of the world will not permanently permit such a course of action. We will not permanently be permitted to render ourselves impotent in the face of possible aggression and at the same time try to forbid other nations from fighting wrongs which we are too weak, too timid or too short-sighted ourselves to right. In the end foreign nations will assuredly take issue with the Wilson-Bryan theory, which is that America can adopt as her permanent policy the shirking of national duty by this country, combined with a protest against any other country doing the duty which we have shirked. Either we shall have to abandon the Monroe Doctrine and let other nations restore order in Mexico, and then deprive us of any right to speak in behalf of any people of the Western Hemisphere, or else we must in good faith ourselves undertake the task and bring peace and order and prosperity to Mexico, as by our wise interference it was brought to Cuba.

In the last four years the suffering in Mexico has in the aggregate far surpassed the suffering in Belgium during the last six months. Dark deeds have been done in Belgium, but they have not been as dark as the fiendish atrocities perpetrated in Mexico. For these Mexican atrocities the United States government must shoulder a very heavy load of responsibility, thanks chiefly to President Wilson's Administration.—"The Navy."

"Murder and torture; rape and robbery; the death of women by outrage and children by starvation; the shooting of men by the thousand in cold blood—Mr. Wilson takes note of these facts only to defend the right of vicious and disorderly Mexicans to 'spill' as much as they please of the blood of their peaceful fellow-citizens and of law-abiding foreigners. But when the chance came for him to use the army and navy of the United States in favor of the worst offender among all the rival bandit chiefs, he eagerly clutched at it. The Administration has repeatedly announced that it will not interfere in Mexico and that it will avoid war with Mexico. As a matter of fact, it has interfered continually and always with bad effect, and it has actually carried on a war with Mexico—although the war was of a peculiarly futile and inglorious type. President Wilson, in the name of the American people, has taken Vera Cruz for no good reason, and then has abandoned it for no reason whatever. It has been said that we went down there to stop the importation of arms and munitions of war into Mexico; but we permitted arms and ammunition to be imported. Actually President Wilson withdrew the American ships from Tampico harbor and left Americans to be protected by German and British ships; and unless this was done in order that the insurgents, when they took Tampico, might be able to obtain arms, there is absolutely no possible interpretation of President Wilson's action.

"Senator Lodge, in his speech of January 6, 1915, has discussed at length what President Wilson has done in this matter, and no successful attempt has been made or can be made to answer what he then said. His speech, together with the speech of Senator Fall and the speech of Senator Borah, should be circulated among all honest citizens who wish to know what the facts really are.

"The country should clearly understand the awful misery that has been brought upon Mexico by President Wilson's policy. It is extraordinary that we do not realize that, unless to our own selfishness and heedlessness, thanks to the dishonorable timidity of the Administration, the conditions of life in Mexico are worse at this moment than the conditions of life in the regions over which the contending armies in Europe have fought. We sent Christmas ships abroad to the war-stricken countries of Europe. This was well; but why did we neglect Mexico, where our own responsibility is so heavy? At that very time a pathetic appeal had been issued by a company of Mexican near-the international boundary line, addressed 'To the American People and Their Exalted Authorities.' It was a plea for work for the men and bread for the women and children. Conditions like those which in Europe have shocked the civilized world have existed here right against our own borders for four years, unconsidered by us. As the wife of one of our consul-generals has said: 'Mexico is peopled with widows and famine is in the land. One sees it daily, in emaciated forms, shrunken cheeks, tightly drawn skin and burning eyes. It is in the faces of women, old men and little children. Many have died on American soil during the past year, ostensibly from obscure disease, but actually from starvation, and there are hundreds of children who have never had sufficient food in their pitiful little lives. That is the heart-breaking tragedy in it all—the unsmiling little children who sit silently by the doors of the huts through the long hours of the long days. The sound of laughter and of playing children has been stilled in Mexico. From these people comes a

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