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SIR WILLIAM HAPPY.

Though Defeated in the Law Court He Wins in Life.

LONDON, June 10.—The jury in the bacarat trial has returned a verdict against Sir William Gordon Cumming.

From the time the jury retired to deliberate upon their verdict until the moment they returned to court only fifteen minutes elapsed, showing apparently that they were of one opinion as to the merits of the case.

The announcement of the verdict was received with slight hissing in the court upon the part of those who were in sympathy with the plaintiff. These marks of disapprobation, however, were promptly suppressed, and as the court room began to be vacated by its deeply interested, chatting audience, the curtain may be said to have been lowered over the Traby Croft drama, and Sir William is practically found guilty of cheating in a friendly game.

LONDON, June 11.—Sir William Gordon Cumming has come out of the bacarat trial better off than any one else, despite his probable expulsion from all his clubs, and the loss of his army. This is the gist of public opinion.

In addition he was married yesterday to Miss Garner, and official capacities at the wedding were filled by representatives of the aristocracy and the army.

Sir William's denial the other day that he was to marry Miss Garner was of a piece with the chivalrous spirit which, so far as can be discovered from anything that has transpired, seems to have animated him at all times. He desired to make her release from him as easy as possible.

Lady and Sir William Gordon Cumming left this city shortly after the ceremony for the bridegroom's estate, Altyre, near Forres, in Scotland, where they will spend their honeymoon.

When the verdict was pronounced against him Sir William again offered to cancel his engagement to Miss Garner, but that lady, believing in his innocence, would not hear of such a thing, and insisted that the marriage should take place. It is expected that Sir William and his wife will visit the United States in the fall.

Lady Gordon Cumming is the oldest daughter of the late Commodore Garner, of New York, who was drowned in July, 1876, with his wife, through the capsizing of Mr. Garner's yacht Mohawk.

WALES IS SORRY.

And Will Not Be Disciplined for Violating Army Regulations.

LONDON, June 16.—Hon. Edward Stanhope, secretary of state for war, replying in the house of commons to a question put by Mr. William Sumner, (Gladstone Liberal) in regard to the bacarat scandal, said that Sir William Gordon Cumming was the chief person who had broken faith, because he did not report the case to his commanding officer.

Of the three officers concerned Gen. Owen Williams was a retired officer of the army, and was, therefore, not subject to the regulations, but the other two—Field Marshal the Prince of Wales and Lieut. Berkeley Leveitt—undoubtedly were. The former, said Mr. Stanhope, on looking back at all the circumstances of the case, had authorized him, Mr. Stanhope, to say that he now saw that an error of judgment had been committed.

Lieut. Berkeley Leveitt had written a letter to his commanding officer expressing deep regret that he had not acted in accordance with the army regulations.

Consequently, said the secretary of war in concluding his remarks, he intended to take any further action in the matter.

HOT, HOTTER, HOTTEST.

Providence Leads with a Temperature of 107 in the Shade.

BOSTON, June 16.—The thermometer at the United States signal service office registered 92 degs. at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon, and on the down town streets, the more reliable ones ranged from 94 degs. to 98 degs.

Signs of office statistics show it to be the hottest June day for eight years, with the exception of June 23, 1888, when the minimum temperature was 96 degs. At Providence the mercury stood at 107 in the shade, the highest on record. It was 94 at Springfield. Advises from all points in New England show that the day was a phenomenally hot one.

NEW YORK, June 16.—The record has been broken, and yesterday will pass into history as the hottest 15th of June ever recorded. At 8 o'clock in the morning the thermometer on the street level stood at 70 degs., and at noon it had jumped to 85 degs.; but at 2:30 the record was smashed, and the mercury indicated 97 degs.

READING, Pa., June 16.—Yesterday was the hottest day of the season here. The thermometer at 2 o'clock in the afternoon registered 98 degs. In the shade. There was but little air stirring, which made the heat all the more oppressive.

PHILADELPHIA, June 16.—The thermometer in the signal office shows that from 11 o'clock until half past 3 it was 92 degs. In front of the Continental hotel the mercury rose to 93, and at Eighth and Chestnut it was 94.

The heat at other points yesterday, as received at the signal service, was as follows: Rochester and Albany, 94; Pittsburgh, Washington and Baltimore, 92. At Atlantic City the mercury at the highest point was 70, at Salt Lake 64, and at Santa Fe 52.

Run Down and Drowned.

NEW YORK, June 16.—The tug boat F. W. Devoe ran into and sank the yacht Amelia in the Hudson river, opposite 110th street.

TO PROTECT THE SEAL

The Agreement Between England and the United States

TO LIMIT THE BEHRING SEA CATCH.

But a Limited Number of the Fur Bearing Animals to Be Taken Until May 1 Next—Offenders to Be Turned Over to Their Respective Governments.

WASHINGTON, June 16.—The agreement for a close season in Behring sea was signed yesterday. The president's proclamation reads as follows:

Whereas, An agreement for a truce was made between the government of the United States and the government of her Britannic majesty, in relation to the fur seal fisheries in Behring sea, was concluded on the fifteenth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-nine, as follows:

For the purpose of avoiding irritating differences and with a view to promote the friendly settlement of the questions pending between the two governments touching their respective rights in Behring sea and for the preservation of the seal species, the following agreement is made without prejudice to the rights or claims of either party:

1. Her majesty's government will prohibit until May next seal killing in that part of Behring sea lying eastward of the line of demarcation described in Article No. 1 of the treaty of 1867 between the United States and Russia, and will promptly use its best efforts to insure the observance of this prohibition by British subjects and vessels.

2. The United States government will prohibit seal killing for the same period in the part of Behring sea and on the shores and islands thereof, the property of the United States (in excess of 7,500 water miles) lying eastward of the line of demarcation described in Article No. 1 of the treaty of 1867 between the United States and Russia, and will promptly use its best efforts to insure the observance of this prohibition by United States and vessels.

3. Every vessel or person offending against this prohibition in the said waters, outside of the limits of the ordinary territorial limits of the United States, may be seized and detained by the naval or other duly commissioned officers of either of the high contracting parties, but they shall be handed over as soon as practicable to the authorities of the nation to which they respectively belong, who shall alone have jurisdiction to try the offense and impose the penalties for the same. The witnesses and proofs necessary to establish the offense shall also be sent with them.

4. In order to facilitate such proper inquiries as her majesty's government may desire to make with a view to the presentation of the case of that government before arbitrators, and in expectation that an agreement for arbitration may be arrived at, it is agreed that suitable persons designated by Great Britain will be permitted at any time, upon application, to visit or to remain upon the said islands during the present sealing season for that purpose.

Signed and sealed in duplicate at Washington this 15th day of June, 1891, on behalf of their respective governments, by William P. Wharton, acting secretary of state of the United States, and Sir Julian Pauncefote, C. B., K. C. B., H. B. M., envoy extraordinary and minister plenipotentiary.

Now therefore be it known that I, Benjamin Harrison, president of the United States of America, have caused the said agreement to be made public to the end that the same and every part thereof may be observed and fulfilled with good faith by the United States of America and the citizens thereof.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States to be affixed. Done at the city of Washington this 15th day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-one and of the independence of the United States the one hundred and fiftieth.

BENJAMIN HARRISON, By the president.

WILLIAM F. WHARTON, Acting secretary of state. Secretary Foster has telegraphed Capt. Hooper, commanding the revenue steamer Corwin at San Francisco to proceed with all possible dispatch to the Pribilof Islands, with copies of the president's proclamation for distribution to interested parties, commanders of all United States and British war or revenue vessels, and then proceed to enforce the provisions of the proclamation.

Assistant Secretary of the Navy Soley said last night that the United States men-of-war Thetis, Alert and Mohican would sail immediately for the sealing waters to prevent the further catching of seals this season, as agreed upon by the United States and Great Britain governments.

A Short Lived Rule Predicted. MONTREAL, June 16.—The outlook of the Conservative party is anything but encouraging, and it is admitted that Thompson's failure to form a cabinet and Abbott's acceptance of the responsibility shows that the party is rapidly falling to pieces.

Abbott is nothing if not a Canadian Pacific man; he was until yesterday a large shareholder and a director in that company, and has made millions by his connection with it. He was mixed up with the first Canadian Pacific scandal, and has no actual following in Parliament. No one expects that his government will last a month.

Chile Favors Our Fair. WASHINGTON, June 16.—Lieut. Charles H. Harlow, the special commissioner to Chile, writes that notwithstanding the revolution the interest in the Chicago exposition is widespread and sincere.

It is felt confident that when peace comes, and it will come soon, that all will unite to make a fine national exhibit. The Compania Nacional Americana de Vapores, which has an important line of steamships plying on the west coast of South America, will carry all exhibitors free of cost and give a liberal reduction in passenger rates to persons buying through tickets to Chicago.

Burlington's Mad Dog Scare. BURLINGTON, N. J., June 16.—An outbreak of rabies has occurred among the dogs of Burlington. A few days ago a hound belonging to A. D. Hughes, a Borlontown restaurant keeper, strayed away from home and was picked up by a farmer named Scott. While on the way home the dog displayed undoubted symptoms of rabies, and bit a number of dogs in town before he was shot.

BARDSLEY PLEADS GUILTY.

His Defalcations Now Foot Up a Total of \$1,635,000.

PHILADELPHIA, June 10.—John Bardsley, ex-city treasurer of Philadelphia, was brought up from Moyamensing prison in the regular prison van and arraigned in the quarter sessions, before Judges Fell and Wilson, on seventeen separate indictments charging him with looting money as a public officer, deriving gain from the deposits of public money and converting public money to his own use. Bardsley pleaded guilty to every count of the indictment, but in such a low voice that few could hear him.

It was then arranged that the 24th inst. should be set for hearing the evidence for and against Bardsley, and the court could then weigh it and pronounce sentence.

PHILADELPHIA, June 13.—The anxiously awaited opinion of the supreme court as to the legality of the election of Mr. Richard G. Oellers by city councils as city treasurer, or the appointment of W. Redwood Wright by Governor Pattison, was handed down yesterday. The court stood four to three on the decision. It ousted Mr. Oellers from the position, and confirmed the appointment of Wright.

PHILADELPHIA, June 15.—John Bardsley proposes to make a full and complete statement of his transaction with public funds when he appears in court. He made this statement to a friend who visited him in prison.

Mr. Bardsley's defalcations now foot up \$1,635,000. Of this amount, \$512,000 and the city \$254,000. In addition to this Mr. Bardsley has managed to cover up or lose \$290,000, which he made since he became treasurer, making a grand total of \$1,635,000 that he has gotten away with.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The statement prepared by Comptroller Lacey and sent to Mayor Stuart of Philadelphia, on the course pursued by him with the Keystone Bank of that city, was made public here last night. The statement includes the letter of Bank Examiner Drew of June 24, notifying him of the \$290,000 defalcation of Lucas, the late president of the bank. In this letter Mr. Drew explains how, by adroit manipulation of the accounts of the bank, Lucas, with the assistance of Marsh, the former cashier of the bank, abstracted large sums of money from the bank to use in speculations in real estate. Marsh, he reported, was instantly let into these transactions and promised Lucas when the latter was on his death bed to continue the deception under the representations that the money abstracted would soon be returned to the bank from the result of Lucas's enterprises.

Accompanying this letter was a preliminary statement of the bank's condition, which left the capital stock of half a million intact, and a net surplus of \$58,819.

CHESTER, Pa., June 15.—A few minutes after 3 o'clock on Thursday morning a delapidated coupe drawn by one horse, and driven by a man in the east end of this city, Officer O'Toole saw the rig in the central part of the town and he halted the driver, who said he had brought the two men from Philadelphia, and that they wanted to go to South Chester, but meanwhile got off on a secluded spot, saying that they would walk the rest of the way. After a while the thought struck him that they must be crooks or, perhaps, Marsh. The cabman was found at a livery stable, getting his horse fed, but he refused to talk because it was none of his business giving "loads" away. He admitted having been given \$10 for his trip, and that was all that could be got out of him.

H. H. Yard Surrenders.

PHILADELPHIA, June 16.—H. H. Yard, who was arrested in Troon on the 11th inst., on the charge of conspiring with John Bardsley to misuse city and state money, came to Philadelphia from his Jersey home yesterday, surrendered himself to Magistrate Pole, waived a hearing, and was held in \$10,000 bail for trial.

Heat Expanded the Rails.

GILTON, Wis., June 16.—Passenger train No. 3, on the Milwaukee and Northern road, left the track about six miles south of this city. The wreck was caused by the heat expanding the rails and throwing the engine and cars out of gauge. The baggage car and two coaches jumped the track. The following were injured: Richard Wagner, German Stadt Theatre company, Milwaukee, back hurt; Mrs. C. F. Dutton, of Milwaukee, side hurt; C. H. Bardsale, of Milwaukee, slight injury in the side. Several others were more or less scratched and bruised.

The Forepaugh Estate.

PHILADELPHIA, June 15.—The account of Mary G. Forepaugh and John A. Brown, co-tutors of Frank Forepaugh, was accepted by Judge Ferguson in the orphan's court. Under the will one-half of the residuary estate goes to the widow and the other half is held in trust for the son, Adam Forepaugh, Jr. \$279,969.13 was divided between them. The same division was made of the real estate, appraised at \$300,912. About \$200,000 income accruing since Mr. Forepaugh's death was also paid from time to time.

The Brown Murder Trial.

MEDIA, Pa., June 15.—The case of the commonwealth against Frank Quinn, who with his three companions, George and Alfred Gell and John Cripps, was charged with the murder of William Brown in the labor riot at Chester on April 1, was resumed before Judge Clayton. There was a one sidedness in all of the testimony of the witnesses, with the weight in favor of an acquittal of the defendant on the ground of self defense.

Woolen Mills Ablaze.

PHILADELPHIA, June 16.—The great woolen mills of Charles Spencer & Co. in Germantown, known as the Leicester mills, caught fire at 12:25 this morning in the woolen storage department, and in a few moments the big structure was enveloped in flames. After over an hour's battle the fire was gotten under control, but not before the third floor and the stock it contained were destroyed. The loss will be about \$300,000, fully insured.

The Express Collides with a Freight.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—A collision occurred between the Los Angeles express and a freight train at Port Costa. The locomotives of both trains were badly smashed, and the mail and express car on the passenger train were telescoped. Brakeman Jordan, of the freight, was killed, and Engineers Moore and Abbott and both firemen were hurt. It is reported that a large number of passengers were injured. C. S. Spurgeon, mail clerk, was killed and two other mail clerks seriously hurt.

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