



A MOTHER'S STORY.

The Tragio Death of Crown Prince Rudolf Recalled.

THE TREACHERY OF A COUNTESS.

The Young Baroness Confided in the Countess, and the Latter Used Her Knowledge for Blackmailing Purposes—The Tale That Was Suppressed by Imperial Decree.

LONDON, Aug. 31.—A double suicide, or a murder and suicide, occurred at Mayerling, Austria, on Jan. 30, 1889, that shocked the world and caused a great sensation. At that time the young Baroness Marie de Vetsera was found dead, along with her lover, the Crown Prince Rudolf of Austria.

So many rumors were circulated at the time concerning the young girl that her mother, Baroness de Vetsera, resolved that the whole truth should be known, and to this end edited a story, which was put into the form of a volume, to vindicate her daughter, and fifty copies were printed. The emperor learned of the intended publication, and orders were issued which caused the seizure of the volumes. The manuscript was saved, and from it the story is told.

A Mother's Narrative. It gives a consecutive narrative of the affair in so detailed a way that its accuracy apparently cannot be called into question. An important feature, according to the mother's story, is the infamous part played in the tragedy by no less a personage than the niece of the empress of Austria. The distinguished lady's actions are given with the fullest of detail, and the pamphlet accuses her of being not only the intermediary but a blackmailer as well. Baroness Marie's last letters to her family are likewise made public, and the story is told how a fortune teller was made to play a mysterious part in the tragedy.

Briefly summarized, and as told in the young girl's letters, the story is that Baroness Marie Vetsera, then 17 years old, fell in love at first sight with the crown prince, and that she frequently met him in the ordinary social way. Finally she entrusted her secret to Countess Larisch, the empress of Austria's niece, and this lady at once undertook to act as a go-between, while taking advantage of her knowledge of the state of affairs to levy blackmail from the prince.

A Countess' Treachery. At one time the mother of the girl suspected that something was amiss, but Countess Larisch was ready with some plausible tale. The facts of all this are given in great detail in the mother's pamphlet. At last the girl fled to Mayerling, by prearrangement with the prince, and a few hours later her death was known by the emperor, but not by the mother, who in vain implored the chief of police and Count Taffe, the Austrian premier, to cause a search to be instituted for her daughter. The truth of the double suicide or murder and suicide is at last definitely established by this publication. The news of the death was broken to the mother by the empress of Austria herself.

The pamphlet shows that the prince's mind had long before been given to thoughts of suicide, but that Marie did her best to dissuade him from this fatal step. It was not until hope for both of them had fled that she resolved to share his death.

For the first time is revealed the indications offered to her dead body. How she was carried away in a sitting posture between her two relatives, and how a coffin being denied her relatives when moving her; how her mother was persecuted and vilified, how everything was done to lay the blame on the girl, forms a harrowing story as told by the mother. The alleged falsehoods circulated about her are exposed and the daughter's dying messages given.

TWO MORE BODIES FOUND. Mayor Grant Makes a Discovery in the Park Place Ruins. NEW YORK, Sept. 1.—Mayor Grant made a personal visit to the scene of the Park place disaster yesterday. He poked about in the ruins in the vault to discover the charred and mangled body of a man. What looked like another human being was lying near by. Word was immediately sent to the board of health and the coroner's office, and the mayor has issued directions that all of the wreckage be cleared away at once.

The first body discovered is supposed to be that of Abraham Derkavitch, of 141 Delancey street. He was employed in the bronze leaf factory of Rosenfeld & Co. The body was not much burned, although at first it looked to be. The second body is thought to be that of a man named Blitz, who was also in the employ of Rosenfeld & Co. Commissioner Robbins and Chief Bonny of the fire department called at the mayor's office late in the afternoon and threw the whole blame of the matter on Contractor Crammins, who certified to them that every inch of ground had been gone over, and that no more debris or bodies remained on the scene. They promised to carry out the mayor's instructions immediately. About the time the air is heavy with the odor of decomposed human flesh, and it is probable that more bodies will be found.

FOR PROHIBITION.

Gathering of the Third Party Men at Harrisburg.

HARRISBURG, Aug. 27.—The state prohibition convention convened in the Opera house yesterday morning, with upwards of five hundred delegates in attendance. There is a dearth of women delegates as compared with other years. Headed by the Bucks County Prohibition band, the delegates, wearing blue badges and carrying small flags, marched to the hall. The convention opened with prayer by the Rev. W. B. Westlake, of Scranton. Chairman Patton read the call for the convention, after which W. W. Hagro, of Warren county, was chosen temporary chairman, and Tally Morgan, of Scranton; J. A. Gus, of Boyersford; Richard Dewes, of Delaware, and S. C. Watt, of Cleveland, secretaries. Dr. C. W. Huntington, of Lycoming, was appointed chairman of the committee on credentials.

The committee on organization, with J. S. McKee, of Butler, as chairman, reported that it had selected H. T. Ames, of Lycoming, as permanent president.

The committee on rules reported that the state convention shall be composed as follows: The members of the executive and state central committees shall be ex-officio members; there shall be one delegate for each member of the house of representatives, and in addition one delegate for each one hundred votes or fraction thereof. The county conventions are given power to appoint delegates and proxies.

During the session Professor Samuel Dickie, of New York, national chairman, made his appearance on the stage, and was greeted with loud applause. The platform, besides the usual planks against the manufacture and traffic in intoxicating liquors, denounces the Baker ballot law, declares in favor of amended naturalization laws so that a naturalized citizen shall be allowed to vote within one year from naturalization, arraigns the Republican and Democratic parties for failure to execute the civil service laws, favors equal taxation on all classes of property, declares that revenues from imports of foreign products should be so levied as to protect home labor against foreign labor, declares against monopolies and demands that the money circulation of the country should be ample for its trading interests and should be increased adequately to the growth of the business and population.

The platform was supplemented by a resolution opposing the opening of the World's fair on Sunday.

The nomination of candidates was in order. W. W. Hagro, of Warren, was nominated auditor general by acclamation, and George Drayton, of Media, was nominated for state treasurer.

Appropriate resolutions regarding the death of the late Charles S. Wolf were unanimously adopted.

HAS GIVEN UP HOPE. Ex-Congressman Scott Said to Be Rapidly Sinking. ERIE, Pa., Aug. 31.—Ex-Congressman W. L. Scott is rapidly sinking. Dr. W. R. Pepper, of Philadelphia, arrived at Erie on Saturday, and after a consultation with other physicians decided that it would be advisable to take Mr. Scott to Newport if his life was to be saved. He will be removed this afternoon in the private car of President Newell, of the Lake Shore railroad. For the past two weeks Mr. Scott has been growing steadily worse, and seems to have given up all hopes of recovery.

ERIE, Pa., Sept. 1.—Ex-Congressman W. L. Scott passed a bad night and was perceptibly weaker today. Doctors Pepper and Brazier have decided that it would be unwise to attempt his removal to Newport in his present unfeebled condition.

West Chester's Cigarette Victims. WEST CHESTER, Pa., Aug. 31.—Two young men of this place became violently insane through excessive cigarette smoking, and one of them has died. The latter, Walter McBride, 33 years of age, became crazed and had to be strapped to his bed, and continued so until his death, the result, as his physician declares, of the constant use of cigarettes. The other young man, Le-wellyn Quillen, was seized with acute hysteria. He is now lying tied down in his bed to prevent him from doing himself bodily injury, and constantly begs for cigarettes. His condition is critical.

\$100,000 Fire at Natrona. PITTSBURG, Aug. 31.—Yesterday the Pennsylvania salt works, located at Natrona station, on the West Pennsylvania railroad, twenty-five miles from this city, caught fire and were badly damaged. The company is capitalized at \$1,000,000. The works at Natrona are valued at \$500,000, and contained over \$100,000 worth of crude and finished stock. The loss will exceed \$100,000. The company is the largest manufacturer of chemicals in the United States.

PENNSYLVANIA NEWS.

Items of Real Interest Presented in Condensed Form.

WHAT OUR NEIGHBORS DO AND SAY.

A Chapter of Accidents, Crimes and Local Happenings Picked Up Here and There in the State and Flashing Over the Busy Wires.

POTTSVILLE, Pa., Sept. 1.—The skeleton of a man was found in the woods near Lofly yesterday. There was a bullet hole in the back of the skull, which indicated that the man had been murdered. It is thought the body has been in the woods for over a year.

ASHLAND, Pa., Aug. 31.—An explosion of gas occurred at the Girard colliery, Girardville, which resulted in the serious injury of James Powell and Owen Terney. The explosion was caused by the ignition of a fuse after the men had charged three holes in the face of the breast.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 29.—Hamilton Seymour, a miner, 21 years old, was instantly killed in Pine Ridge colliery by a premature blast. The whole side of his head was blown off. His laborer, a Polisher, escaped, having already sought a place of safety before Seymour fired the blast.

TOWNE CITY, Pa., Sept. 1.—The large Broadside Colliery, which employs about 1,000 men and boys, and had been idle on account of having been flooded by the storm of one week ago, resumed operations yesterday. The large pumps and hoisting tanks did good work in getting the body of water out of No. 3 slope.

WILLIAMSPORT, Pa., Aug. 31.—The Democratic county committee elected O. G. Kamp county chairman and A. G. Miller secretary. The following were elected delegates to the state convention: Messrs. S. W. Sweely, W. H. Holloway, Dr. D. C. Flanagan, W. S. Montgomery, A. B. Kast, P. J. Eiswelt and W. E. Throne.

WARREN, Pa., Aug. 31.—Glenn W. Scofield, aged 74, late judge of the court of claims, died of heart disease yesterday. He had been in poor health for some time and retired from the bench last month on account of his infirmities. Although partly paralyzed since Thursday he retained consciousness to the last. The funeral will take place on Tuesday.

WILKESBARRE, Pa., Aug. 29.—An accident occurred at the Mill Creek colliery last evening. Hamilton Seymour, an English miner, has been severely injured in the mine for many years. He was subjected to fits. Last evening while in the act of firing a blast, he was seized with a fit and fell to the ground. The charge exploded and blew the unfortunate man to pieces.

CARLEISLE, Pa., Aug. 29.—One of the most successful exhibitions ever held by the grangers was brought to a close last evening. During the day speeches were made by Hon. A. T. Taggart and Hon. E. M. Lewisbury. Many other members of the order made short addresses on the question of holding a constitutional convention. The exhibition will be held at the same place next year.

READING, Pa., Aug. 29.—The continuous rains of the past several weeks have been favorable for the late crop of potatoes. Reports have been received from a number of districts to the effect that, owing to the wet weather, potatoes are rotting in the ground. Upon the strength of these reports potatoes, which were selling in the country districts at 30 cents per bushel, have advanced.

EASTON, Pa., Sept. 1.—James E. Reilly, one of the best known journalists in the Lehigh valley, died yesterday of hectic consumption, aged 38 years. He had been connected with the Easton Daily Argus for ten years, and before that reported on the Easton Daily Free Press. Mr. Reilly was the correspondent from this section of the Evening Telegraph of Philadelphia, for the past ten years, and for papers in other cities. A wife and six children survive him.

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Progress Notwithstanding Protection. That our country is making enormous progress in nearly all lines of industry no one doubts. As to the causes of this progress there is a radical difference of opinion. The protectionists hasten to claim it as the natural and inevitable result of their policy of protection to American industry—not seeing that such a claim does little honor to American enterprise and American inventiveness, and overlooks entirely our vast resources, which are not equaled by those of any other country on earth.

We make progress, but it is as Edward Atkinson expresses it, A strong man can run, although he has a pebble in his shoe. Suppose some Rip Van Winkle of the Middle Ages—a time when steam was unknown—should now wake up on board of one of our magnificent ocean steamers. He sees the shores rapidly receding behind him, although the vessel is steaming directly in the teeth of the wind. The fact puzzles our Rip Van Winkle. He has never seen a ship moving directly against the wind, and yet he has never seen a vessel propelled by any other than wind power. Hence he is sure that wind power is still the only power that can propel a ship, although he must admit that the ship is steering straight against the wind.

In his inexperience of the great strides which modern enterprise and invention have made he overlooks the throbbing engine which is forcing the vast bulk forward and persists in his antiquated notion that in the same way the wind is getting in its work. Thus with the Rip Van Winkles of protection. They are sure that only the wind of protection can propel the ship of state. They forget the mighty motive power—our broad acres of wheat and corn, our rich mines and forests, our inventiveness and enterprise which are driving the ship of state to its port. The protectionists are a curious folk.

Protectionists give themselves needless alarm when we buy pure abroad than we sell there, and hence they advance a high tariff to keep our people from being ruined by what they call an "unfavorable balance of trade." But people do not need that the government tell them when they are doing a losing business. Every separate article sold by us in Europe is bargained for by two intelligent merchants. Neither of these can ship a penny's worth without the consent of the other. The old saying holds true that it takes two to make a bargain; and it may be added that these two can make their bargain more satisfactorily between themselves than it can be made when some other power intermeddles.

A cyclone struck the town of West Superior, Wis., yesterday, causing immense destruction to property. A building in course of erection at Second and Lamborn streets collapsed, and five men were mangled to death in the ruins.

Spots on the Sun. Astronomers have this summer discovered an extraordinarily large number of spots on the sun, and predictions are made of severe atmospheric disturbances. Weather predictions are an uncertain quantity, however, and there's no cause for worry. One thing is certain, Klein's celebrated brand of "Silver Age" and "Duke" pure eye whiskeys are gaining in popularity every day. A reliable stimulant should always be kept in the house, more especially in summer when sudden sickness is liable to attack us. "Silver Age" sells at \$1.00 and "Duke" at \$1.25 per full quart. Both are endorsed and prescribed by physicians. You can have Gibson, Finch, Goodenheimer or Overhold at \$1.00 per quart, or six quarts for \$5.00. Try Klein's Blackberry Brandy, pure juice of the berry, \$1.00 per quart. Goods promptly shipped to all parts of the country. Send for complete catalogue and price list, mentioning this paper.

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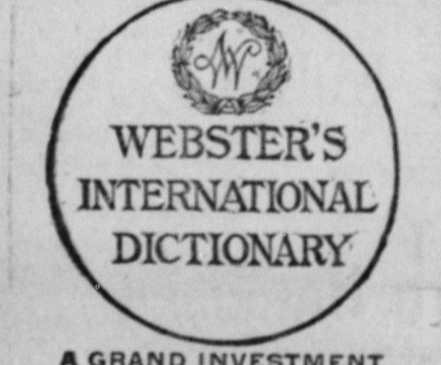
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