

IMPERIAL YACHT IS CHRISTENED

The Ceremony Performed by Miss Alice Roosevelt, the President's Daughter.

METEOR LAUNCHED WITHOUT MISHAP

At 10.39 a. m., Miss Roosevelt Breaks the Bottle of Champagne Against the Side of the Vessel and Christens the Craft in the Name of the Emperor of Germany—The Ship Leaps Gracefully Into the Water to the Roar of Cannon and Human Voices—A Luncheon on the Hohenzollern Follows.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press.

New York, Feb. 25.—The all important event in the itinerary of Prince Henry of Prussia today was the launching of the schooner yacht Meteor, built at Shooter's Island for the prince's brother, the German emperor.

The meteor moved down the ways at 10.39 amid a scene of great enthusiasm. The launching proper was without mishap and presented a graceful and beautiful picture, though it was accomplished in a drizzling rain and under other inauspicious atmospheric conditions.

The special train bearing President Roosevelt from Washington to the launching reached Jersey City at 6.40 a. m. The president remained on board until the arrival of the prince's train a few moments after 8 o'clock.

A cylinder head on the engine of Prince Henry's special blew out and the train was more than an hour late reaching Jersey City. The accident occurred shortly after leaving Baltimore.

The president and Prince Henry, with Mrs. and Miss Roosevelt, arrived on the platform near the Meteor, escorted by Miss Roosevelt to the small platform immediately under the bow of the boat.

During the preliminaries on the stand a photographer from the Hohenzollern stood by with a camera and took numerous snapshots. The prince looked at him occasionally and smiled.

Two moving picture-machines were trained on the scene, and there were scores of cameras leveled at the party.

In a drizzling rain, amid the roar of cannon, great shouting and waving of flags the Meteor was launched.

The scene was one of animation and good humor, the cue for the latter spirit being taken from Prince Henry and Miss Roosevelt, who, standing on the platform near the Meteor, conducted the ceremony of christening the yacht.

"We sailors are said to be superstitious," continued the prince, and turning to Admiral Evans, he said: "I believe, Evans, we are not, but however, if you are, there will be a happy future to this craft from the fact alone that," turning to the builder of the yacht, "she was built by hands of artists and she was at her appearance on the water linked with the name of a lady. My sailors are used to speak of our ship as 'her' and we keep and treat our ships like our wives. I drink to the health of Miss Alice Roosevelt."

A Joint Cablegram. During the luncheon cablegrams were received from the Kaiser by Prince Henry, President Roosevelt and Miss Alice Roosevelt.

The luncheon was finished about 3 o'clock. At 2.30 o'clock President and Mrs. Roosevelt entered the carriage and were driven to the Twenty-third street ferry. They went to their special train, leaving Jersey City at 3.55 p. m. for Washington.

The president's departure from the Hohenzollern was preceded by a pretty ceremony. The president's flag was hauled down from the peak where it had flown from the time he had boarded the vessel and the sailors cheered while the band played the "Star Spangled Banner."

Soon after the president had left the ship, Miss Roosevelt walked down the gangway on the arm of Levi P. Morton. The former governor, with Miss Roosevelt and Mrs. Morton then went to the Morton house.

Prince Henry, with several of his officers, boarded the navy yard tug Vigilant and went to the battery where he was to land to receive the freedom of the city at the city hall.

At City Hall. When the prince came to the battery a heavy crowd had assembled in the Battery park to honor him and his suite. Squadron "A" and many uniformed policemen kept the people in check.

The mayor's secretary was the first to arrive to greet the prince. Shortly after General Brooke arrived.

As the prince stepped ashore he was greeted by the secretary, and as the party, consisting of the prince, Ambassador von Hollenben, Consul General Adolph H. Evans and the local attaches, walked into Battery place there was a tremendous outburst of cheering.

PROSPEROUS CONDITION OF LACKAWANNA

Pleasant State of Affairs Indicated at a Meeting of the Stockholders.

MARKED ADVANCE IN RECEIPTS OF THE ROAD

An Increase of 121-2 Per Cent. in Gross and 45 1-2 Per Cent. in Net Earnings—President Truesdale Remarks That the Year 1901 Will Pass Into History as One of the Most Satisfactory for the Anthracite Interests of This Country.

New Enterprises to Be Undertaken During the Year 1902.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press.

New York, Feb. 25.—The stockholders of the Lackawanna and Western railroad met this forenoon and re-elected the board of managers without opposition. This action carries also the re-election of William H. Truesdale as president.

The annual report, which was submitted to the meeting, showed this property to be in a very prosperous condition. The gross earnings for the year were \$2,567,634, an increase of 12.4 per cent. over last year.

President Truesdale remarks that the year 1901 will pass into history as one of the most satisfactory. If not the banner year for the anthracite coal interests of this country, the Lackawanna road transported during the year 7,398,075 tons of coal, an increase over the preceding year of 108,824 tons, or 1.46 per cent.

The decrease in coal tonnage. A slight decrease in the rate per ton received on coal was chiefly due to a relatively small increase in the tonnage of smaller or steam sizes of coal on which, as explained in the last report a lower rate is charged to certain markets where same is sold in competition with the West Virginia coal.

The stay on the Hohenzollern lasted but a short time, and at 8.17 the prince, his suite and Admiral Evans drove to the Metropolitan club.

Here they were the guests of the mayor. Those who attended other than the prince and his suite, were the presidential delegates and several citizens, in all 99. There were no formal speeches. The toast proposed and drunk were:

"To the President of the United States," (music, "Star Spangled Banner.")

"To the Emperor of Germany," (music, German National Anthem.)

"To His Royal Highness, Prince Henry of Prussia," (music, German Naval Hymn.)

Prize at the Opera. Prince Henry was present this evening at a gala performance given in his honor at the Metropolitan Opera House.

With regard to existing and prospective conditions this report says: The marketing of anthracite coal during the past year by the different large interests owning a large percentage of this coal deposit has been conducted with exceptional good judgment.

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MRS. SOFFEL RECOVERED.

After Spending Three Hours in Jail She is Released on Bail.

Blondin Arrested.

The Alleged Wife Murderer Caught While Making Application for an Engineer's License.

Local Catches Express.

A Disastrous Wreck Is Narrowly Averted Near Wilkes-Barre.

Comments Upon the Reception of Prince Henry.

Has Seen Miss Stone.

Ten Eyck Contestant.

Douglas Maxwell Moffat of Scranton Appointed a Speaker at Yale.

Costly Error in Monroe.

Failure of Jury Commissioners to Take Oath of Office Postpones Court Business.

Three Miners Entombed.

The Stakum Brothers Have Not Yet Been Rescued.

Rothwell and McGovern Matched.

Emperor Concerned Over Amori Disaster.

Charles L. Tiffany's Will Filed.

Albanian Wins Poetry Prize.

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SENATE PROBLEM IS DIFFICULT

The Names of Tillman and McLaughlin Are Restored to the Roll.

Speaker Will Not Recognize Them

A Resolution Providing for the Suspension of the South Carolina Senators Is Considered by Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Diplomatic and Consular Appropriation Bill Passed in the House.

Mr. Richardson Talks on the Pacific Cable Project.

By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The names of Senators Tillman and McLaughlin were restored to the senate roll today. When asked if the result of this action would be the recognition of either senator to vote or speak, Senator Frye replied that it would not, and that it was a question which must be decided by the senate.

The Democratic senators spent the day in a general discussion among themselves of the situation. They were unanimous in their characterization of Senator Frye's ruling as arbitrary and announced their purposes to resist by prolonged debate, if necessary, any further efforts to enforce the ruling.

The adjournment of the senate for the day was decided at the forenoon conference of the Republican leaders. The announcement of Representative Crump's death had reached the senate yesterday, but was withheld until today.

When the Republican senators were informed of this fact they were too ill-willing to use the announcement to secure an adjournment, and their Democratic colleagues were just as willing that it should be so used.

All the senators recognized the fact that the senate is under somewhat serious tension, and feel that both time and temper might be saved by stopping for twenty-four hours for a general conference and exchange of views over the situation.

The Republican members of the committee on privileges and elections were in consultation during the afternoon over the resolution which it was proposed to bring to the attention of the senate tomorrow through the committee, providing for the suspension of two South Carolina senators. None of the senators present at the conference would consent to disclose the details of their proceedings, but it is learned in a general way that considerable doubt was expressed by some of the members as to the propriety of the suggested proceeding.

Some of the senators holding that the suspension of senators, even by the senate itself, would be subject to criticism. The feeling was quite general that the problem is a difficult and intricate one.

House Proceedings. The house today passed the diplomatic and consular appropriation bill. It was the fifth of the regular annual supply measures to be sent to the senate at this session.

No amendments of importance were proposed. The first of the day was the speech of Mr. Tillman (Alabama) in reply to Mr. Corliss' speech a few days ago in favor of the construction of a Pacific cable by the government.

Mr. Tillman said that while it was not an open question to discuss the question of whether the Pacific cable should be constructed by the government, or by a private corporation, he did believe that errors and mis-statements had been sent forth to the country and that they should be corrected.

He took up the Michigan member's statement that Great Britain was about to construct a seven thousand mile cable from Vancouver to Australia and declared that the statements were intentionally made to afford a precedent for our government whereas, as a matter of fact, he said, Great Britain had offered a subsidy to any private corporation which would build the cable.

It was only because no corporation had been persuaded to take the risk that England decided to construct the cable itself.

He denied that the Commercial Cable company had been offered a subsidy by Germany to land on the Marshall Islands. The company, he said, was prepared, if it was practicable, to build an all-American cable. He ridiculed Mr. Corliss' description of this company as an "octopus." He warned the members of the house not to decide the question until the facts on both sides had been regularly and finally presented. After passing the bill the house adjourned.

Race Track Sold. By Exclusive Wire from the Associated Press. New York, Feb. 25.—The Empire City race track was sold today for \$300,000. The buyer was Bryan & Kennelly, who are said to represent a syndicate of six men.

YESTERDAY'S WEATHER. Local data for February 25, 1902: Highest temperature.....41 degrees Lowest temperature.....34 degrees Relative humidity.....73 per cent. 8 a. m. ....91 per cent. Precipitation, 24 hours ended 8 p. m. .... .02 inch

WEATHER FORECAST. + Washington, Feb. 25.—Forecast for + Wednesday and Thursday: Eastern Part + sylvia, fair Wednesday and Thursday; + brisk northwest winds off the coast, + and freshening Thursday.