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WANDERER RETURNS

Andrew Hamilton Comes Unheralded From Europe.

HERE TO MEET ALL CRAFT CHARGES Interviewed, Insurance Lawyer Said, "I Had Heard Something of Criminal Proceedings and Have Returned in Consequence."

NEW YORK, March 7.—Unheralded and unannounced Andrew Hamilton, the long absent legislative agent of the New York Life Insurance company, slipped into New York on the steamship Deutschland and hastened away to Albany before the news of his arrival had got beyond the officers of the company, who alone were in the secret.

With no concealment save the signing on the ship's register as H. A. Milton, which differently punctuated and capitalized is "Hamilton," the man who knows most about the famous "yellow dog" funds which have never been satisfactorily explained and whose testimony was greatly desired by the Armstrong investigating committee glided into New York like a shadow and as quickly passed out again.

To a friend at the pier the man who got more than \$1,250,000 from the New York Life "by order of the president" said: "I am here prepared to meet any charges that may be made against me. My hands are clean, and I have no fear of the result. If anybody sees fit to get after me with a gun he will find out that I am armed with a cannon."

Asked for a statement, the judge finally exclaimed: "All right, you shall have it. I have something to say, but not much. To such as it is you are welcome. I know practically nothing as to the nature of the Fowler report. It will be time enough for me to talk about it when I have become familiar with it."

"What I suppose you want to know is why I have returned. Well, I heard something about criminal proceedings, and here I am. That's all. Certainly, it's all I have to say just now. "You can interpret what it means, and so can the public. It signifies that though my health is far from re-established I am ready to accept any challenge implied by such proceedings. As to my health, let me add that there is no necessity for any resort to fiction. I am fortunate to be alive after all that has happened, but I am not so fortunate otherwise."

"For instance?" he was asked. "The death of Mr. McCall, and I might say almost as much concerning the more recent removal of Lyman Short, chief counsel of the Mutual, to say nothing of the incapacitating of Mr. Alexander. To some who have gone I could have looked with no misgivings as to what they would say or do. As to what others have said and done during my absence—and I might allude to those who live in glass houses—I will say nothing."

"Go on." "Not a word." "Well, all that you want to say is that you have come back to face any music that may be played?" "Yes, discordant or otherwise. You can begin there and end there."

CREW AWAITED DEATH.

Ship Mary Manning Struck by Lightning in Midcoast.

BOSTON, March 7.—The wreck of the four masted schooner Mary Manning in mid-Atlantic was learned when her crew arrived here on the British steamer Casilda. They are exceeded in horror and hardship by no tragedy of the sea in which Boston had been concerned for a great many years.

The Manning had been struck by lightning, had been dismasted, had lost her boats and had had all her provisions ruined excepting a few canned vegetables. The captain and his nine men had been waiting for what seemed certain death for 110 hours when the Casilda sighted the wreck.

With their vessel stripped of her masts and sails, her hull filled and soaked with water and with the ruined hull driven by wind and current, a mere waterlogged raft and derelict, the captain, one passenger and crew of eight men were for four days huddled upon the after deck house, barely subsisting on a little canned corn and water, clinging for their lives to the icy woodwork and exposed to the frigid seas which constantly broke over them.

Finally, when the deck house was washed away, the men were forced to take refuge on the spar deck, from which some of them dropped from sheer exhaustion when the boats of the Casilda arrived alongside and from which the others jumped into the boats to save their lives. Before that the mate had leaped overboard in delirium, but a Norwegian sailor, in spite of the fact that he had been injured by the shifting deckload of lumber, sprang after him and effected his rescue.

All of the ten individuals were in a state of collapse from suffering, hunger and exposure when taken off by the Casilda. The rescue was made 160 miles south by east of the Nantucket south shoals lightship, and when last seen the schooner was barely afloat. She was bound from Fernandina, Fla., for New York with a cargo of railroad ties. She was a victim of a storm of unusual severity which developed six days after she had left the southern port. She was valued at \$35,000.

BERTHE CLAICHE GUILTY. French Girl Who Killed Gerdon to Testify of Police Grant. NEW YORK, March 7.—Aid a scene of unprecedented uproar in a criminal tribunal Berthe Claiche, the French girl charged with killing Emil Gerdon, whose mistress she had been, pleaded guilty to manslaughter in the first degree before Justice Davis and a jury.

It is said that the girl, by virtue of an agreement between the district attorney and her lawyers, is to testify and lay bare the system of graft practiced upon women by dishonest policemen attached to the Tenderloin station and to the "vice squad."

ISTHMIAN PIPE LINE

Morgan Is Inquisitive About Union Oil Company.

THOUGHT OLD MAN COULD OWN IT Chairman of Panama Commission, on Stand Before Senate Committee, Said He Would Quit Clover Leaf Road if Necessary.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—Chairman Theodore P. Shouts of the Isthmian canal commission, under examination all day by the senate canal committee, answered questions technical and personal concerning the plans for the construction of the great waterway and his relations to the organization.

Incidentally he left the inference that he would gladly sever his connection with the Clover Leaf route if that was demanded of him, but that he would not take his family to the isthmus.

Mr. Morgan pursued the inquiry, demanding of Mr. Shouts a statement as to what his course would be if the president insisted that he should take his family to the isthmus, and the witness said he could not afford to do so, for the reason that the future prospects of his children would be impaired. He could not conceive of the condition arising under which the president would command him to take his family to the isthmus.

He said again in reply to other questions that he could see no reason why Mr. Wallace should not have been given consideration in regard to family matters. "Neither can I," declared Mr. Morgan.

Mr. Morgan and Mr. Taliaferro inquired at length concerning the concession of the Union Oil company of California to lay pipe lines across the isthmus. Mr. Morgan wanted to know if Mr. Shouts had ever heard that Mr. Rockefeller owned the Union Oil company. Mr. Shouts said he knew nothing about it.

"I suppose the old man could own the company if he wanted to, couldn't he?" asked Mr. Morgan. "Well, I understand he has considerable capital," responded Mr. Shouts. It was brought out again that the concession was revocable at the will of the president and furthermore that it was not exclusive.

Mr. Kittredge examined Mr. Shouts concerning the purchase of two steamships by the canal commission for use of the Panama Railroad and Steamship company.

GENERAL SCHOFIELD BURIED.

Secretary of War Announces Veteran's Death to the Army.

WASHINGTON, March 7.—In testimony of respect to the memory of Lieutenant General Schofield, former secretary of war, who was buried with military honors here today, it was ordered that the flags at all military posts be displayed at half mast.

The funeral took place from St. John's church, where the body lay in state. The interment was at Arlington cemetery.

The following order was issued to the army by Secretary of War Taft: "The secretary of war announces with deep regret the death of Lieutenant General John McAllister Schofield, U. S. A., retired, which occurred on the 4th inst. at St. Augustine."

"General Schofield was secretary of war in the cabinet of President Johnson from May 28, 1868, to March 11, 1869, and rendered valuable service. Before that time and subsequently for a period of over forty years his best abilities and efforts were earnestly devoted to the military service of his country."

"Graduated from the United States Military academy, he entered the army as brevet second lieutenant, Second artillery, July 1, 1853, and, rising steadily through intermediate grades, finally reached that of lieutenant general, with which rank he was retired from active service Sept. 29, 1895. He was in command of the army from Aug. 14, 1888, to Sept. 29, 1895. During the civil war he served with distinction and distinguished. At Wilson's Creek, Fredericksburg, Buzard Roost, Resaca, Dallas, Lost Mountain, Kolb's Farm, Kennesaw Mountain, Atlanta, Franklin, Nashville, Fort Anderson, Wilmington, Kingston and Durham Station he fulfilled the hopes of his most ardent friends."

"The surviving members of the Army of the Ohio, which he so long commanded in the great civil war struggle, and in the associate armies of the Tennessee and the Cumberland will ever be mindful of his patriotic services and will mourn the loss occasioned by his death."

RACING AT NEW ORLEANS. Judge Davey and Guiding Star the Winning Favorites. NEW ORLEANS, March 7.—Judge Davey and Guiding Star were the only winning favorites at the Fair grounds. Redfern and Lyne both appeared in the saddle for the first time at the meeting, Redfern having three mounts. Lyne confined himself to working out the Morris Derby candidate, Lotus Ester. Summaries: First Race—Judge Davey, first; Dorothy M., second; Gold Circle, third.

A POWERFUL NAVY

French Minister of Marine Would Prepare For War.

MUST KEEP PACE WITH GERMANY. Berlin Government Willing to Accept Russian Proposals For Policing of Morocco and Thus End the Dispute.

PARIS, March 7.—M. Lockroy, former minister of marine, took advantage of the discussion of the naval budget in the chamber of deputies to make a powerful appeal for the strengthening of the navy which aroused the enthusiasm of the whole house. Comparing the French and German navies, M. Lockroy pointed out that if the present programme of France is not augmented Germany will soon outstrip France.

Should war between France and Germany break out, the orator said, it would begin with a naval battle and therefore a doubly powerful French fleet was necessary owing to the need of France to defend herself both in the North sea and in the Mediterranean.

The strengthening of national defenses, in M. Lockroy's opinion, was the best guarantee of peace, for it was necessary to prepare for war if the nation did not desire to invite invasion. The necessity to defend territory became greater with the progress of social development.

M. Doumer, the president of the deputies, on behalf of the chamber, thanked M. Lockroy for his patriotic declaration, but regretted the insufficiency of the budget. Admitting the weakness of the navy, he strongly seconded M. Lockroy, contending that the army needed the support of a powerful navy.

Berlin dispatches say that Germany is willing to accept the Russian proposal for the policing of Morocco, viz, that the mandate of France and Spain shall proceed from the sultan and not from the powers, provided France furnishes a further guarantee that the police shall be controlled internationally as her exaggerated demands on the Moroccan state bank question.

It is fully believed here that France is ready to find the required guarantee and reduce her demands as to the bank. If so, a successful termination of the labors of the conference may now be said to be in sight.

May Lynch Steenberg's Slaying. CALDWELL, Ida., March 7.—The grand jury, which has been investigating the assassination of former Governor Steenberg, has made its report to Judge Smith. Judge Smith withheld the names of the persons indicted. It is said that the six men under arrest and detained in the state penitentiary at Boise are included in the indictments. A special train will be used to bring them here from Boise, as the officers fear that an attempt upon the life of Harry Orchard and Steve Adams, two of the men held, may be made if an opportunity is offered.

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