

THE RUSSIAN THRONE.

Ready for the Succession of the Czarowitch.

Berlin, Oct. 23.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Tagblatt finds that all preparations in the Russian capital point to the succession of the czarowitch, Nicholas. He says that the war office already holds in readiness the standards of Emperor Nicholas II. "The czarowitch's marriage with the Princess Alix of Hesse," he adds, "will be hastened in view of the house law, declared by Emperor Paul I. that no unmarried heir should succeed to the throne. Should the czarowitch be childless upon ascending the throne, the Grand Duke Michael, his younger brother, would be declared the heir presumptive."

The grand duke of the house is reported to have heard from Livadia that the czar walked half an hour in the park yesterday.

The Lokal Anzeiger says that the Princess Alix will be baptized and received into the orthodox Russian church today and will be married on Wednesday in the presence of the czar and the imperial family.

Paris, Oct. 23.—The French foreign office has been paralyzed by the reports from Livadia. Business has been at such a complete standstill that Lord Invern, the British ambassador, has been unable to finish his negotiations as to colonial questions. He will go to London on Oct. 27 or earlier, as there is nothing to be done here. The Russian archbishop in Paris thinks the czar's improvement is due to the intercession of Holy John of Constant. Holy John is regarded throughout Russia as a miracle-maker. It is said that he has a hypnotic power which is manifested whenever he lays hands on a patient. His treatment consists of praying, laying on of hands, and rubbing with oil.

BLOWN INTO FRAGMENTS.

Graphic Description of a Dynamite Explosion in Rio.

Baltimore, Oct. 23.—Capt. Hudgins, of the coffee bark Dom Pedro II., now in port gives a graphic description of a dynamite explosion that occurred in Rio a few days prior to his sailing for Baltimore, whereby sixty persons were killed. A Brazilian soldier discovered, near the English cemetery, a subterranean magazine, in which his insurgents of the recent rebellion had concealed a large quantity of gun-powder, cartridges and dynamite shells, which they evidently intended using against the government. The soldier reported his find to the general commanding, and a rough search was made. A quantity of the shells had been placed in the cart, and a pile of others had been passed out close behind, when one of the soldiers, while in the act of handling a shell, dropped it among the others. The same second an explosion shook the earth. A sheet of flame shot upward, and a cloud of whitish smoke hid everything from view. The vessels in the harbor rocked at their moorings, and the entire city was thrown into wild excitement. More than a ton of dynamite had exploded from the dropping of the shell. The soldiers and rules were blown into fragments and only the iron tires of the cart wheels were found.

SEEDS AS ARGUMENTS.

Scheme of a Would Be Congressman To Boom Himself.

Washington, Oct. 23.—There is one candidate for congress, probably either in Colorado or Kansas, where women have the elective franchise, who sought the assistance of the agricultural department in the vote-getting process, who will not again for help in that direction. The following letter, which was sent to him by the department, tells the whole story: "The department is in receipt of your communication of the 22d inst, requesting that a lot of flower and garden seeds be sent to you for distribution among the women of your county, in order to influence the result of the election to be held next month, in reply to which I should say that the appropriation for the purchase of seeds, made to this department by the government, was not intended for any such purpose. To act upon your suggestion, would be to violate law and public decency. The democratic party was placed in power by the people on the assumption that it would act honestly and justly towards all the people, irrespective of political or religious beliefs, and if one were to choose some method for the destruction of the democratic party, I do not think that he could devise a scheme which, if carried out in detail, would more effectively do it than to listen to your suggestion. I am sure that the list of honorable gentlemen which you gave as references would be among the last in the United States to endorse what you propose."

Big Switchmen's Conviction.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 23.—Switchmen from the principal cities of the United States will hold a four-day convention here, beginning to-day, to form a National Switchmen's association to succeed the Switchmen's Mutual Aid association, which disbanded during the recent American Railway union strike. Representatives of the switchman of Jersey City, New York City, Buffalo, Omaha, St. Louis and other cities are here and were given a ball last night by local switchmen.

Volcanic Eruption in Java.

Amsterdam, Oct. 23.—A dispatch from Batavia, Java, says the volcano of Galesong, in the Praeng district, is again in eruption, and several villages have been destroyed by the flow of lava. This is the second great eruption of this volcano, the first having occurred on Oct. 8, 1822, when 4,000 persons were killed, and a vast stretch of territory was laid waste.

These Candidates Withdraw.

Harrisburg, Pa., Oct. 23.—The nomination papers of Solomon Ross, license republican candidate for assembly in Potter county, and W. E. Fried, people's party candidate for senator in the Forty-second district, has been withdrawn from the state department.

The First Baron Basing Dead.

London, Oct. 23.—George Selator Booth, the first Baron Basing, is dead, aged 68 years.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

James Anthony Froude, the English historian is dead.

Ex-prime Minister Baron Billot, of Sweden, is dead in Stockholm.

Senator Gorman says he will make no campaign speeches anywhere.

A powder mill exploded at Athens, Greece, Monday. Six workmen were torn to pieces.

Eugene Oudin, the comic opera singer, was stricken with paralysis in London Saturday.

The czar's physicians announce that his appetite is going and his strength "has not increased."

Some of the delegates to the German socialist congress think the party editors and leaders are overpaid.

A song composed by Emperor William will be sung in the royal opera house in Berlin next Sunday.

The town board of Neversink, N. Y., has been indicted for not destroying the ballots of the last election.

The appeal in the Breckinridge case was dismissed, and Miss Pollard is entitled to \$15,000—if she can get it.

The British bark Woodbine, from New York September 1, for Parahyba, has been wrecked near Port Natal.

Negotiations for peace between China and Japan are said on trustworthy authority to be under way at Seoul.

Four children of Rev. Ross Taylor were burned to death in a fire which destroyed his residence at Nyack, N. Y.

A confession written by William Lake, stating his resolve to kill the woman he loved, was found at Abilene, N. Y.

Estella Dietz, daughter of Charles Dietz, of White Plains, N. Y., eloped with Otto von Luck, the family's coachman.

The New York garbage commission examined the "utilization" plant at St. Louis, and found that it emitted very offensive odors.

The Chinese are massing troops in Kirin province to the north of Corea, and Corea rebels are marching on Seoul from the south.

Alderman Parks, of New York city, pleaded not guilty to the indictment charging him with running a gambling house at Asbury Park.

Carlos Holguin, ex-president of the United States of Colombia and president of the senate, died at Bogota Friday of kidney disease.

Jack Bladon, one of Gov. Tillman's North Carolina dispensary law constables, has been convicted of murder and sentenced to be hanged.

Forty bodies have been recovered from the colliery at Animo, where an explosion occurred on Saturday. Thirty persons were also seriously injured.

The Memphis, Tenn., police are searching for George Van Dyke, who was charged with having formed a bigamous marriage with Miss Josie Millazzo.

Rev. J. L. Scudder, in a speech at the Congregational club, Brooklyn, attributed the corruption that thrives in our cities to the stay-at-homes who do not vote.

The Mutual Life Insurance company, of New York city, sued for \$100,000 for the policy on the life of young Cecil Hambrough, who was shot in Scotland a year ago.

When Mrs. Griffin's long-missing husband returned to their home at Dedham, Mass., and found her married to another, she told him to get out, and he got.

The Pittsburg police raided the "discretionary pool" brokers and arrested eight of them. There were said to be 50,000 participants in this kind of speculation in that city.

Sunday afternoon an old building owned by the Pabst Brewing company in St. Paul, which was being torn down, fell, burying several men. Five laborers were badly injured.

Signor Boglin, editor of the "Monitor de Rome," is to be expelled from Italy for having published in his paper an article offensive to the government. He was arrested Sunday.

Rev. H. H. Jessup, president of the Presbyterian college at Bairut, Syria, says it is the Russians in this country and not the Armenians who are plotting against the sultan's life.

Testimony was taken in the case of Levi P. Morton's imported coachman in New York, and upon it Secretary Carlisle will shortly decide whether he will have to go back to England.

The Italian bark Giuseppina Accami capsized and foundered Sunday evening between Cowes and Beachy Head. Two sailors and the pilot, who belonged in Queenstown, were drowned.

Two men with revolvers and of stealthy behavior, at Logansport, Ind., were believed by some to be seeking the life of ex-President Harrison. The police said they were merely pickpockets.

Because two Chinamen in Chicago were arrested for arson their countrymen have publicly offered a reward of \$500 for the assassination of Federal Fire Inspector Cowie and Fire Marshal Conway.

Patrick Reilly undertook to blow up a shanty near Pelham Manor, New York, in which slept 99 laborers. Reilly had a grievance against one or two and was willing to kill all to satisfy his grudge.

Chautauqua Lake railway has formally passed into the possession of the Jamestown and Lake Erie Railway company. Some months ago the road was sold to New York parties to satisfy a mortgage, and the new company is the result.

A Rome dispatch says the vatican has news that several mission stations in China have been destroyed and the inmates killed. Other Christians are menaced. The vatican will appeal to the powers for the protection of its missions and missionaries in China.

The steamer Minousinsk has not been heard from since she sailed from Yenisek, Asiatic Russia, a month ago in search of the steamer St. Jernon. She had on board Capt. Wiggins, the Arctic navigator, who opened up the northern passage to Siberia, and a crew of forty men.

The sultan of Turkey has conferred the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Osmanli upon M. Stofloff, Bulgarian prime minister, and the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Mejdjid upon M. Nachovitch, minister of foreign affairs. This is the first time that Turkey has ever decorated Bulgarians.

FEARS FOR THE FALCON.

Nothing Heard from the Steamer Since She Left Philadelphia.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—It is feared that the steam sealer Falcon, which conveyed the Peary party to and from Greenland, has been lost with her entire crew of sixteen men.

After landing the members of the Peary party, who returned this year, and the members of the expedition and their baggage, the Falcon took aboard a cargo of anthracite coal for her home port, St. Johns, N. F. She sailed from Philadelphia Oct. 3, and nothing has been heard of her since. Nineteen days have passed since the vessel sailed, and it is now the nine days in which it was estimated she would make the voyage, she is ten days overdue. Westgaard & Co., her consignees, have virtually given her up, and although the possibility exists that she may still be afloat, there is little doubt that she has met with disaster.

The Falcon's crew of sixteen men were all residents of New Foundland, and most of them lived at St. Johns. Statements have been made that the vessel was too heavily loaded, and that in addition to the coal in her hold, she carried all she could on her deck.

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JAPS GOING TOO FAR.

Accused of Tampering with a British Dispatch Bag.

London, Oct. 23.—A dispatch to the Central News from Shanghai says that the British consul at Seoul states that a dispatch bag, which was officially and amply sealed, must have been opened while in transit from Chemulpo to Seoul.

This must have been done, the consul adds, with the knowledge of the highest Japanese officials at Seoul, because they have since shown that they were acquainted with the gist of the contents of the bag.

The consul has requested the foreign office to cable him instructions as to what action he shall take in the matter.

The St. James Gazette prints a dispatch from Tien-Tsin, saying that information from a trustworthy source has been received there to the effect that negotiations for a peaceable settlement of the Sino-Japanese trouble are being carried on at Seoul.

Nothing of the peace negotiations at Seoul is known at the Chinese legation here. The statement that such negotiations are in progress is not believed by the officials of the legation.

Swamp Fire Near Akron, O.

Akron, O., Oct. 23.—For the last two days a fierce fire has been raging west of this city. It started in a swamp, but has spread into the highlands and 700 acres of timber and farming land has been burned over. The damage already done will amount to \$45,000. All day Sunday, last night and today men and women have been fighting the flames. Many fences and hay-stacks have been burned. Houses and barns are safe, unless a strong wind should come from the west to north, in which case many could not be saved. One call has come to the city for three hundred men to fight the fire, but fearing they would not be able to collect their pay, only a few responded.

Ticket-of-Leave Men.

Boston, Oct. 23.—Under the provisions of the law enacted by the last legislature, three prisoners in state prison will be released to-day on ticket-of-leave, by the commissioners of prisons, with the consent and approval of the governor and council. Who the men are is not made public, but it is understood that one of the men is now serving a sixteen year term for stealing, the other sentences were about ten years each. By the terms of the law the paroled prisoners must have served at least two-thirds of their sentences. Nine men were recommended for favorable consideration by the warden, but the commissioners reduced the list finally to three.

The Robinsons Indicted.

Buffalo, Oct. 23.—The court of sessions grand jury reported a joint indictment against Sarah and Clarence Robinson for the murder of Montgomery Gibbs on the night of April 28. The indictment charges them with premeditated murder, and also with murder in the first degree while perpetrating a felony. Assistant Superintendent of Police Cusack will leave for Albany to obtain from Governor Flower a requisition on the governor of Ohio for Clarence Robinson, who is in jail at Cleveland. He expects to bring Robinson here on Friday.

Four Children Burned to Death.

Nyack, N. Y., Oct. 23.—The most startling fire in all its details ever known along the Hudson occurred at South Nyack, causing the loss of several lives. The handsome new stone residence of the Rev. Ross Taylor, son of Bishop Taylor, of Africa, on top of the hill west of Hillside avenue, was destroyed by flames. Four children were burned to death. A laborer was so badly injured that it is believed he will die, and two decorators, who were employed in the building, were seriously burned.

No More Class Fights.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—The faculties of the University of Pennsylvania, and especially that of the medical school, have determined to put a stop to the class fights and rushes which have been going on for so long among the colleges. The medical school alone has found occasion to demonstrate its intention more severely than in threats, and this it has summarily done by ordering the suspension of three of its second-year students.

Cloak Makers Ready for Work.

New York, Oct. 23.—The cloak and suit manufacturers held another meeting last night and Meyer Jonsson announced that he had received reliable inside information that the strike was won by the manufacturers and that the men were willing to return to work upon the old terms.

Roumania Joins the Triple Alliance.

Paris, Oct. 23.—The Figaro asserts that Roumania has joined the Triple Alliance, composed of Italy, Austria and Germany, and declares that the visit of the king of Servia to Vienna and Berlin was in contemplation of a still further change in the dreadnought.

Men Bullied, Injured.

St. Paul, Minn., Oct. 23.—The old Meigs building, at Bridge square, which was being pulled down, yesterday, while being pulled down, injured, one man.

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SHE IS CLARK'S WIFE.

End of a Celebrated Case in New Jersey.

Newark, N. J., Oct. 23.—Vice-Chancellor Van Fleet rendered a decision in the case of Lucy Harr Clark, of Lebanon, against John Ramsay Clark, of New York and Lebanon, which now places on record a marriage between these two persons, which the former sought to prove, and the latter to disprove. Alimony, in the sum of \$240 per annum, to be paid quarterly, in advance, in sums of \$55 each, is granted the plaintiff. To insure these payments Clark has been ordered to file bonds. The case, when heard in the chancery chambers in this city, created a profound sensation, and the testimony given on the first day attracted scores of listeners at succeeding hearings.

Clark's father lived in Lebanon. His housekeeper was Lucy Harr. When the senior Clark died, the son often went to Lebanon, where he met Miss Harr. According to her story, he made love to her, and she agreed to a marriage with him. The ceremony was postponed many times by Clark, who was loath to marry Lucy, as he was a widower and had two handsome, comely daughters, one of whom was married, and who would have made Clark's life a burden had he brought the housekeeper home as a wife and stepmother. This is according to Clark's testimony.

Lucy claimed that she succeeded in inducing Clark to take her to New York, where they were married. Then, anxious to have her marriage made public, Lucy sought to have Clark announce it, but he refused to do so. He refused to support her or take her home in New York. When Lucy began suit in chancery for support or alimony ostentatiously, but really to prove her marriage. She could not remember where in New York she had been married, as she said she had been driven to a minister's private house in a carriage. But she knew the date and the church where the marriage, other admissions made by him resulted in the order just granted by the vice-chancellor.

In his decision, which fixes the costs upon the defendant, the vice-chancellor says he recognizes the validity of the marriage. He further says that when on the stand Lucy Harr Clark's demeanor was honest. In the case of Clark, he often gave evasive answers. Some of them were so improbable as to shock the credulity of the court.

MOTHER KANGAROO.

This Tells You How She Loves and Brings Up Her Children.

This mother is as fond of jumping as the grasshopper is, and nature has given her the power to take long leaps and to get over the ground faster that way than most animals do in running. She takes sometimes thirty feet at a jump, which is pretty rapid locomotion, you see.

The kangaroo, for I suppose you know what animal is referred to, can walk, but it is an awkward walk at best. Apparently it would be better to hop when hopping is so much easier, and no doubt the kangaroo thinks so. The tail of the kangaroo is almost as good as a fifth leg to her. She rests upon it in walking or jumping and uses it as a weapon to strike animals that attack her.

The kangaroo is said to be a sociable animal. It lives in the woods, in herds. But the strangest thing about the mother kangaroo is the way she arranges her nursery. She does not construct a house in a cave or a hollow tree or in the ground. Nature has provided her with a soft, furry bag on the underside of her body. So she carries her babies around with her everywhere she goes. In this bag the babies stay until, at eight or nine months old, they have grown strong enough to hop out a little and eat some nice, fresh grass while the mother is getting her own dinner.

But even when it gets to be a pretty big child the baby kangaroo likes to creep back again sometimes to its cozy, warm summer nursery and take a nap. And while the babies are hopping about the mother is very watchful. At the slightest suspicion of danger she picks up her children, pops them into the bag and off she hops with them to a safer place.

In Australia the giant kangaroos are hunted for food. They are very good to eat, and they often have occasion to hop as fast as they can to get out of the way of hunters who are determined to have a good dinner of kangaroo meat. Sometimes they are caught in nets. Indeed, there are all sorts of ways of catching them.

Progress of the New York and Philadelphia Electric System.

Philadelphia, Oct. 23.—Another electric railway system is knocking for entrance into Camden, and when the city council meets on Thursday night a formal application will be made for the appointment of a committee to confer with the officials of the company with a view of laying out a route. The new system is the New York and Philadelphia Traction company, which is to erect an electric line all the way from New York to this city, with lines running down from Trenton on both sides of the Delaware, through the groups of towns which dot the banks of that big waterway. The company is an outgrowth of the Consolidated Traction company, which is already in possession of trolley lines aggregating 100 miles in successive operation in the northern part of New Jersey. The contemplated extension on to Camden will make one of the most gigantic trolley systems extant. The right of way for nearly all the roads has been secured, franchises are being obtained through the different cities and towns and construction is about to begin. The system crosses and intersects all the principal steam roads of the state. Some of the foremost men in the state are connected with the enterprise and it has ample financial backing.

Boston Finances Mixed.

Boston, Oct. 23.—Affairs in the offices of the various heads of departments at city hall are in a decidedly uncertain state to-day in consequence of a report that as a result of an investigation of the mayor's office, the city has numerous changes in the business methods of the departments, and possibly put new men in charge. It is authoritatively stated that it has been found that in several departments appropriations have been exceeded, and there are numerous unpaid bills for money forthcoming to meet them. It is said that the commissioners of public institutions have gone beyond their limit to the extent of \$52,000. In contracting for a building recently the board expended the entire appropriation, the mayor's bill to the city, and it is stated, forgot to include the cost of the land.

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