

## A HUNT FOR THE POLE

### WALTER WELLMAN'S PROPOSED ARCTIC EXPEDITION.

Intend to Establish One Supply Station at Cape Flora and Another Further South—Believer in Arctic Route—Thinks He Has Not Reached Safe Harbor.

Washington, Sept. 1.—Walter Wellman, well known as a Washington correspondent and Arctic traveler, has returned from Europe. He states that he is preparing for another Arctic expedition. Three years ago Mr. Wellman was the leader of an expedition which penetrated far into the ice at the north of Spitzbergen, so he is not a novice in Arctic work.

Mr. Wellman's new expedition will start next year, taking the Fram and Land routes to Norway. He has made arrangements for an ice steamer to take him north next June, and to Russia he arranged for the purchase of Siberian draft dogs. At Christmas Mr. Wellman held a long conference with Nansen concerning his plan, and Nansen approved the project in warm terms.

"I do not actually desire to make another attempt to reach the pole," Mr. Wellman says. "I am only endeavoring to make the first of all Arctic men and broad and generous enough to give aid and counsel to any Arctic explorer. He told me that he thought I should have a good chance to reach the pole by the plan which I intend to pursue."

My plan is very simple. We shall establish a supply station at Cape Flora, which has just been abandoned by Jackson, the English explorer, who returned without going as far north as Nansen did. Next autumn we expect to throw out a second station two or three degrees further north, or within seven or eight degrees of the pole. There we shall winter. The following spring, as soon as there is light enough to travel by, we shall set off with 50 men and 60 or 70 dogs and sledges, determined to make the best possible use of the favorable season. The favorable season for work in that region is while the cold is still great, say at temperatures, from 60 to 15 below zero. Then the surface is hard and skidding at its best. In June the power of the summer sun produces slush and renders travel difficult if not quite impossible.

"Therefore we shall have from 100 to 110 days in which to make our effort. Actually all attempts to reach the north pole nowadays are dashes. Dr. Nansen made his dash from the Fram, Lieutenant Peary his, and I am making a dash from the north of Greenland."

To Plant American Flag Farthest North.  
Dr. Nansen believes if he had had a base of supplies to fall back upon and a large number of dogs he could have reached the pole. He says it can be done in the way I propose, and I am naturally eager to have a try at it and if possible plant the American flag

## THE LILY A PRINCESS?

### Mrs. Langtry's Friends Say She Has Been Married to Prince Esterhazy.

London, Sept. 1.—Among Mrs. Langtry's friends here it is confidently stated that she was privately married abroad recently to the foreign prince with whose name there has been associated for some time.

The person referred to in the cablegram is Paul Antonio Ferdinand Prince Esterhazy of Galantha, count of Esterhazy and Forchtenstein, born March 2, 1854, and consequently 51 years old. He is the son of Prince Nikolaus and Lady's Villa, of a line of the name of Jersey.

Prince Esterhazy is the head of an illustrious Hungarian house. It has been the custom of the Esterhazy family for months that he was a devoted admirer and ardent worshiper of the Jersey Lily, but it was not expected that his attention would result in marriage, because the Hungarian nobility are not given to marriages with commoners.

The prince has been married twice. Both of his former wives are dead. He is still a remarkably well preserved man and might be taken for the youngest brother of the Empress Francis Joseph. He is dark, with bushy side whiskers.



MRS. LANGTRY.

and shaven chin, and has the reputation of having "gone the pace that kills." Lily Langtry's love for horses has kept her almost constantly at the Epsom race tracks, and the prince followed her from one to another in the most devoted manner.

## YELLOW JACK APPEARS.

### The Dread Disease Breaks Out in Louisiana and Mississippi.

New Orleans, Sept. 1.—Rhubarb (Geipi) who had been spending the summer at Ocean Springs, was brought to this city Thursday and died yesterday. Dr. Wainwright, acting president of the board of health, after an autopsy announced the boy had died of yellow fever. The board of health has taken charge of the house, which will be thoroughly fumigated and disinfected and will take all steps to prevent a spread of the disease. The deceased was buried privately, no one being allowed to attend the funeral. Geipi was 15 years of age. Dr. Wainwright says this is the only case in the city.

The Alabama, Mississippi and Louisiana health authorities, who have been at Ocean Springs, Miss., all miles from here, this morning declared that they noticed the disease prevalent there to be yellow fever.

Two deaths have occurred from yellow fever at Ocean Springs. There had been several hundred cases a week ago, but very few deaths, and a board of experts then declared the disease a dengue fever. Since then deaths have become more frequent, the symptoms looked more like yellow fever, and the alarm became so great that the health authorities again gathered. This time they were accompanied by Professor A. L. Meigs, chemist of the Louisiana health department, who analyzed the evidence in several cases.

Mobile and other places have declared a quarantine against Ocean Springs. Ocean Springs is a pretty village on the Gulf coast of Mississippi. It has about 1,500 permanent inhabitants and in summer is a seaside resort for people from New Orleans and Mobile. The doctors who are here are supposed to have contained the disease at the point of origin in the Mississippi sound and transplanted it to the bay, upon which Ocean Springs fronts. In former years when yellow fever was epidemic in New Orleans, the towns along the Mississippi coast—Bay St. Louis, Pass Christian, Biloxi, Ocean Springs and Pascagoula—suffered more or less from the plague, but there has since 1878.

The Severe Subsiding.  
New Orleans, Sept. 1.—S. B. Oliphant, president of the state board of health, and W. C. Flower, mayor of New Orleans, have issued the following statement:

The board of health has withdrawn quarantine restrictions against all points on the Gulf coast upon certificate from their own health officers of non-existence of suspicious cases of fever, excepting Ocean Springs and Biloxi. New Orleans has had but one case imported from Ocean Springs. The patient died, and proper precautions have been taken against any infection. Careful inspection in this city shows the existence of no suspicious cases.

Tuesday, Sept. 1.  
The court martial Barcelona, Spain, sentenced Barril, the anarchist, to 10 years imprisonment.

President McKinley left Canton for Somerset, Pa., where he is to visit his brother, Anne McKinley.

It is reported that Herr Krupp's offer of \$25,000 for Dr. Peters' next expedition to Africa has been withdrawn.

William F. Cochran formally presented a fully equipped six-story clubhouse to the workmen of Tonkers, N. Y.

It was estimated by the Mark Lane Express that the deficiency in the world's wheat supply would be 14,000,000 quarters.

An eagle had a fierce fight with a bull pup which he attempted to carry away from the kennels of J. Pierpont Morgan, near Highland Falls, N. Y.

Residents of Herber, Ark., and Southampton, N. C., threaten to take into their own hands the work of driving out two unpopular bands of religious fanatics, who are growing in influence in those places.

Fred J. Titus of the Riverside Wheelmen, New York, won the final heat in the quill club's two mile handicap race at Manhattan Beach, defeating Eddie Bald among others. The prize was \$1,000 in gold.

Wednesday, Sept. 2.  
The Marquis de Rochambeau died at the Chateau-Rochambeau, in France.

The United States loan was beaten at Montreal by the Canadian team in Toronto.

## THE RULES.

Sec. 1. The Primary Election shall be held by the Republicans of Pike county at the call of the County Chairman not later than 10 days before the Republican State Convention, each year, subject to the provisions of rule 9, as to 30 days notice.

Sec. 2. Said Primary Elections shall be held in each Township and Borough at the places where the general elections are held.

Sec. 3. At least fifteen days before the said Primary Election it shall be the duty of the committee-man in each Township or Borough, to see that a convenient and suitable place is provided for the holding of said Primary Election, and select proper election officers for holding the same. Should the committee-man in any Township or Borough fail or refuse to attend to his duties ten days before the said Primary Election, then upon the written request of ten Republican voters it shall be the duty of the County Chairman to remove the said committee-man failing to perform his duty and appoint a new one to fill the unexpired term.

Sec. 4. The following officers shall be voted for at the said Primary Election. Seven County Committee-men, County Officers, State and District Congresses and State Delegates and one Township or Borough Committee-man for each Township or Borough (who shall only be voted for in the election district in which he resides) and not more than one nomination shall be made for each County Office.

Sec. 5. The County Chairman shall be elected at the regular Primary Election each year, by a vote of the party and shall not hold the office for more than two consecutive years at a time.

Sec. 6 Any Republican who shall be a candidate for any office named in article fourth must submit his name to be voted for at the said primary election.

Sec. 7. Twenty days before the said Primary Election each candidate shall notify the County Chairman of his candidacy, who shall provide a sufficient number of ballots for each Township and Borough with all the names of the candidates and the several offices printed or written thereon. Each voter shall designate his choice of candidates by a cross X marked opposite the name of the person for whom he wishes to vote. The printing and distribution of the same to be paid by the said candidates in such ratios as the County Chairman may direct.

Sec. 8. The said Primary Election Board shall consist of three Republican voters, viz.: one Judge, one Inspector and one Clerk, who shall severally take and subscribe in the presence of each other the oath prescribed by the Act of the Assembly regarding the holding of the primary election in the State of Pennsylvania.

Sec. 9. Thirty days before the said primary election it shall be

## IN A LONDON PRISON.

### PROMINENT AMERICAN WOMAN HELD ON A CRIMINAL CHARGE.

With Her Husband, Who Claims to Be Brazilian Duke, She is Accused of Breaching Boarding Houses—Known to New York as Clara de Costa Conner.

London, Sept. 1.—The Duke and Duchess of Rio Grande were arraigned in the Marylebone police court, charged with defrauding hotels and boarding houses. The duke is said to be a Brazilian nobleman, and the duchess, it is asserted, is a niece of former Senator Charles F. Smith of New York.

The prisoners were brought up in the midst of a motly assemblage of raged criminals. They had slept in the cells at Holloway and showed the effects of the uncomfortable night they had passed. Nevertheless the duke rested his chin jauntily on his gloved hand. He is a short, dapper man, with pompous but hair, pointed beard and waxed moustache. The duchess is a handsome woman, about 30 years of age, with refined features. Her face was swollen with weeping. The duchess said her father lived in a village in northern New York, and she added that he was an artist and a member of the artists' board of awards of the Chicago exposition.

A hotel keeper and the landlord of two boarding houses confronted the couple in court. Mrs. Elizabeth Stanley, one of the landladies, described her experience. She said a lady—the female prisoner—with an infant and nurse, went to her house on June 23, at night and engaged a room, the lady saying that her husband was dining at his club. The husband—the male prisoner—arrived late, explaining that he had been "yachting" and that his baggage was delayed.

Made Many Excuses About Money.  
They stated at Mrs. Stanley's house until Aug. 10, making many excuses when asked for money or for explanations as to why their baggage was not forthcoming. Finally Mrs. Stanley was compelled to have the duke and duchess expelled from her house. The landlady said she felt sorry for the lady, as her husband assisted her shamefully.

While residing with Mrs. Stanley the duke and duchess gave the names of M. and Mme. Edgar Serge de Niel. The lady said her husband was a duke and a count; that he had half a dozen titles, and that some emperor was about to confer another title upon him. This portion of the evidence caused the presiding magistrate to remark sarcastically: "And that will make seven titles."

Continuing the laundry and the duchess assured her that Mrs. Colonel W. H. Reynolds of Providence was her best friend and would pay her board, but Mrs. Reynolds called, and no money was forthcoming.

A clerk of the Royal Hotel, Blackfriars, testified that the duke and duchess arrived at that hotel on May 17. They represented that they were from New York, having arrived by the steamer of Mobile. The prisoners, the witness continued, staid at the hotel a month. They failed to pay their bills and gave the name of De Niel. The husband was much away, and the couple were finally ejected, and their baggage was retained owing to their failure to pay their bill.

Said Their Baggage Was Lost.  
Another landlady testified that the prisoners represented themselves as the Duke and Duchess of Rio Grande and told a similar story about their baggage having been lost. They were eventually ejected from this house also.

The defense claimed that the prisoners were innocently in jail, but the magistrate said it was a clear case of defrauding the hotel and boarding houses, and he remanded the prisoners for a week, offering to release the female prisoner on £250 bail, half of the amount of the fruits charged against the prisoners. The latter were eventually returned to Holloway jail in the Black Maria.

An American, who refused to give his name and who was present in court, said:

"I will find bail for the woman, but the husband may rot in jail. She is well known in Chicago, is a woman of the highest talents and character, became fascinated with the worthless man, her husband, married him and had perfect faith in him. I presume he is a duke. I have lived in Brazil and know that any one can get titles there."

The female prisoner appealed to the United States embassy for protection on the ground that she was an American, but the embassy official replied that by coming she forfeited her citizenship by marrying a foreigner. The embassy, however, will be represented at the trial.

The woman is well known in New York as Mrs. Clara Conner. She married Dr. Sted Jones in 1882.

The Brazilian minister says there is no such title as Duke of Rio Grande.

Known in New York.  
New York, Sept. 1.—Dr. C. M. Richmond, a dental specialist of this city, said that he had frequently met Mrs.

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