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PEARY'S DOCTOR WAS LEFT IN THE ARCTIC.

Diedrick, Probably Insane, Refused to Accompany the Erik to America.

Commander H. L. Bridgman, of the Peary Relief Expedition, to-day confirmed the story of Engineer Staats, of the Erik, that Dr. T. S. Diedrick, Peary's surgeon, was left to shift for himself in the icy desolation of the Arctic circle, while the Windward sailed to face new perils and the Erik returned here with the story, one of the most remarkable ever developed in the struggle to solve the great Polar mystery.

What adds an unusual interest to the story and imparts to it a weird dramatic element, is that Dr. Diedrick is probably a madman. His wife believes he is. Mr. Bridgman and Dr. Frederick Cook, of the Erik, have expressed the opinion that he is mentally unbalanced.

Three years of the awful monotony of the night and day, the white solitudes of the ice-pack and the silence that bears upon the souls of men like a leaden weight, it is thought, had weakened his mind. Others who had gone on the same quest had shared a like fate.

INSANE ON ARCTIC EXPLORATION.

This mental change was gradual but steady apparently, and there were frequent disagreements between Peary and Diedrick. Several times the doctor resigned, but matters were patched up for the time being.

Etah, where Diedrick was put ashore, is a point in Greenland in latitude 79 degrees. It is as barren and cold as the rest of the surrounding icefields, save that a group of Eskimos, not more than fifty in number, live there in small huts built of ice and snow. One of the Peary storehouses is situated there, containing plenty of hard biscuits. These, with the meat he might get from killing of walrus or deer, may keep him alive.

HIS LAST RESIGNATION.

The story of the disagreement of Dr. Diedrick with the expedition and the incidents of his being left at Etah were told by Mr. Bridgman as follows: "Dr. Diedrick," he said, "had had some disagreement with Lieut. Peary, growing out of troubles which were entirely imaginary. The general cause of the trouble was a question of precedence.

"Three times since he left here three years ago he has tendered his resignation to Lieut. Peary, and this time it was accepted. I have kept a copy of his resignation, dated Aug. 21, which is an attempt to put, in a formal document, a lot of personal affairs involving the precedence trouble.

"This is a private letter and of course does not belong to the club and cannot be given out. Mr. Peary's reply was a brief note of acceptance, ordering him to give up all supplies, ammunition, &c. In his possession and to return to New York aboard the Erik. It was expressly stated that his resignation should take effect upon reaching New York.

"Dr. Diedrick chose not to comply with the terms of the acceptance, and

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CAPT. HARBER CONTRADICTS ADMIRAL HIGGINSON'S STORY.

THIEVES IN FIGHT WITH OFFICERS.

ONE CROOK SHOT, TWO CAPTURED AND ONE DROWNED.

Five Policemen of Passaic, N. J., Gave Midnight Gang a Surprise.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PASSAIC, N. J., Sept. 21.—In a fierce fight with pistols between four horse thieves and five policemen at Passaic to-day one thief is supposed to have been shot and drowned, while two others, both New York crooks, were captured and lodged in jail. A dozen shots were exchanged between the police and the thieves.

A week ago the Passaic police learned that a gang of New York crooks were about to raid the Passaic stables, including those of James Hanlon, a truckman on Ninth street, Serg. Kelly and four officers hid in a house near the stables and waited. They were almost ready to give up at midnight last night. About 1 o'clock four men approached the stables and broke open a door. The officers waited a few minutes and then made a charge.

The thieves opened fire. The officers returned the fire. In the darkness it was hard to distinguish the police from the thieves. Two of the strangers used up their bullets and surrendered. Another, said to be named Cohen, fired four times and then dashed toward the Passaic River. Officer Green gave chase and fired five times.

The thief gave a cry of pain and jumped into the water. He disappeared and no trace of his body can be found. The river is twenty feet deep at that place and quite wide. It is possible that he was drowned. The other man also escaped. The two thieves gave their names to Sheriff of the Bowery, New York, and John Gilbert, of Ward street, Brooklyn. They were held for trial.

MERCHANT KILLS HIMSELF IN HERALD SQUARE HOTEL.

ing for a week from his home, No. 227 West 111th street, and the Herald Square Hotel by gitting his throat with a razor.

NEW YORK VS. CINCINNATI

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SIXTH RACE AT GRAVESEND.

Black Dick 1. Alfred Vargrave 2. Ethics 3.

AT HAWTHORNE.

Fourth Race—Argrenor 1. Cluster 2. St. Marco 3. Fifth Race—George Arnold 1. Money Muss. 2. Boney Boy 3.

AT DELMAR.

Third Race—Talpo 1. Sambo 2. Marque 3. Fourth Race—Peaceful 1. Beana 2. Wall 3.

CRESCUS WINS \$20,000 RACE FROM THE ABBOT.

READVILLE, Mass., Sept. 21.—Cresceus won the fourth heat and race. The time by quarters was: .32. 1.03 1/4. 1.35 1/4 and 2.07 1/4.

The start was good. At the first quarter Cresceus led by five lengths. At the five-eighths post they were on even terms. The positions remained unchanged until the three-fourths mark was reached, when resceus drew away, crossing the line five lengths ahead.

"GRIEF IS CRUSHING HER." —MRS. M'KINLEY'S PHYSICIAN.

Dr. Rixey Says That Too Much Encouragement Should Not Be Taken at This Time.

CANTON, Sept. 21.—Mrs. McKinley was one of the first at the house on Market street to arise to-day. She said she had enjoyed a good sleep and that she felt better than at any time since the fatal night in Buffalo when her husband was shot.

Later Mrs. McKinley went for a short drive, accompanied by Dr. Rixey and Mrs. Barber. On their return Dr. Rixey said: "I do not feel so confident as earlier this week. Mrs. McKinley's grief is crushing her, though she is bearing up bravely and doing as well as could be expected under the circumstances. However, too much encouragement should not be taken at this early day."

TROY MURDER SUSPECT HIDING.

TROY, N. Y., Sept. 21.—Private Detective William K. Butcher, whose efforts have brought out many important facts in the Mamie Kilion murder mystery since the inquest, to-day secured information which, he says, will go far toward directly connecting one of the suspects in the case with the crime.

ENGLISH DIVINE FAVORS WINE.

LONDON, Sept. 21.—The American delegates to the Ecumenical Methodist Conference have decided to raise funds in the United States to put a stained-glass window in Wesley's Chapel to commemorate their visit.

FULL PAY FOR 7TH DEPOSITORS.

REORGANIZATION PLANS APPROVED BY DAWES.

\$1,725,000 Already Subscribed—Deposits Will Be Refunded with Full Interest.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—William Nelson Cromwell, counsel for the reorganization committee of the Seventh National Bank of New York, accompanied by E. K. Stallo and Forrest Raynor, receiver of the bank, called at the office of Comptroller Dawes to-day and submitted a plan for the readjustment of the affairs of the Seventh National Bank, under authority of which the depositors of the bank will be paid in full with interest as quickly as the legal requirements in the case of reorganized banks can be complied with, which will be but a few weeks.

One million, seven hundred and twenty-five thousand dollars in cash has been subscribed, more than \$1,500,000 of which has already been paid in to the committee.

The Reorganization Committee has presented two alternative plans for reorganization, both of which have been approved by the Comptroller.

The decision as to the one which shall be followed will be determined by the committee within the next week.

Benefit for Stern Family. Friends of Harry Stern, the hero who met his death on Wednesday in an endeavor to stop a runaway team at One Hundred and Seventh street and Third avenue, are making preparations to tender a benefit to the widow and three children which Stern left behind. The management of the Harlem Lyceum, opposite which the accident occurred, have proffered the services of the hall and music trees.

POSED AT FALLS' EDGE AND DIED.

FATAL DARING OF WELL-KNOWN SALOON-KEEPER.

Peter McCabe, of Paterson, Brother of Lakeland's Trainer, Meets a Tragic Death.

In his anxiety to have his picture taken in a place where no one had ever stood before Peter McCabe, one of the best-known saloon-keepers in Paterson met his death to-day.

McCabe and a friend, Charles Allen, were around the falls grounds early to-day, when they met Charles Tavor, of Albany, who was taking pictures of the falls. They took much interest in the work, suggesting to the stranger many places where the view was exceptionally fine. At length McCabe said: "I'll give you a picture that will make people gasp when they see it. Get your machine ready and I'll run out on the dam right to the edge of the precipice."

The dam was built to turn the water of the river into the main channel and runs right to the edge of the rock over which the water plunges into the great chasm below.

When McCabe reached the edge he slipped and fell into the rushing, roaring water. The body has not yet been found.

McCabe started in the saloon business in Paterson had more than a local reputation as a minstrel, and traveled over the State as one of the "Big Four," in the Pioneer Minstrels. He has a brother well known as a horse trainer for Lakeland.

PASSENGERS IN FERRY EXPLOSION

BOAT BLOWN UP—SEVERAL BADLY BURNED.

A Number Jumped Overboard, and Some Missing May Have Been Drowned.

PARKERSBURG, W. Va., Sept. 21.—A gasoline ferry-boat, running between Elizabeth and Palestine, on the Kanawha River, blew up early to-day. The victims were brought to this city on a special train.

The explosion occurred at 10 o'clock, just after the ferry-boat started with a load of passengers from the morning train at Palestine. Those seriously and perhaps fatally burned are: William Webb, captain of the boat, Parkersburg; A. B. Woodward, Harvey Thorn and H. H. Hopkins, all of Palestine.

The rest of the passengers jumped into the river and escaped with slight injuries.

As every one has not yet been accounted for some of the passengers may have been drowned. The boat was the A. C. Barney.

CAPT. GODDARD MAKES RAID.

Nine Prisoners Taken in Alleged Policy Shop. Cpt. P. Norton Goddard, President of the Anti-Policy Society, and five agents made a raid on an alleged policy shop at No. 12 Ludlow street this afternoon and captured nine men, who were taken to the Eddridge Street Station in a patrol wagon and locked up.

ROOSEVELT LIKES HIS JOKE.

He Cracked a Quiet One at the Expense of Senator Cullom. WASHINGTON, D. C., Sept. 21.—Among the President's first callers at the White House was Senator Cullom, of Illinois, who called to pay his respects. To him Mr. Roosevelt volunteered the information that he intended soon to sign the commission of William B. Ridgely, of Illinois, as Comptroller of the Currency to succeed Mr. Dawes, who has resigned. This appointment had been decided on by President McKinley. Mr. Ridgely is a non-in-law of Senator Cullom, and Mr. Roosevelt remarked jokingly: "I trust, Senator, that you will not oppose the confirmation of this nomination by the Senate."

Commander Schroeder Said Schley Should Have Gone to Closer Range When Bombarding the Spanish Colon.



JUDGE-ADVOCATE LEMLY.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 21.—Admiral Dewey observed his usual rule of promptness in calling the Schley Court of Inquiry to order at 11 o'clock to-day. All the members of the Court were present on the minute, and Admiral Schley sat with his counsel at the table set apart for them on the left of the witness-seat.

The attendance of the public was somewhat larger than on yesterday.

Capt. Harber Recalled. The first witness called was Capt. Harber, executive officer of the Texas during the Spanish War, who was on the stand when the court adjourned yesterday.

The Judge-Advocate asked no question of him, and he was immediately turned over to Mr. Rayner, of counsel for Admiral Schley, who questioned him concerning his statement made yesterday to the effect that he did not recall that there was any picket line established inside the line of blockade at Cienfuegos.

A report by Admiral Schley was read to the effect that a picket line had been maintained, but the witness declined to change his statement.

Asked if the Brooklyn had not on May 21 signalled the Texas to go alongside the collier and coal, he said he did not recall anything of the kind. Mr. Rayner read the signal message, as follows:

His Memory Poor. "Go alongside the collier and coal as rapidly as possible," but no amount of pressing could bring the witness to say that he remembered the incident.

He had, he said, had very little to do with the signalling. The same replies practically were made in response to questions regarding other signals. Mr. Rayner quoted several of these. One transmitted from the Texas to the Brooklyn read:

"On an afterthought the Captain thought it unsafe to put a collier between battleships."

Another from the Texas read: "I do not think it safe to collier. The two ships will surely crush her."

Capt. Harber replied that he remembered there was some talk of the collier, but he could not recall what it was.

Speaking of the signals observed at Cienfuegos he said his supposition was that of other fellow officers, was that they were between the Spanish forces.

Capt. Harber also was questioned closely concerning the rate of speed of the fleet on the sail from Cienfuegos to Santiago on May 25.

He said the weather was fresh and the sea moderate; that it was hard for small vessels, but it was "nothing much." He thought the Texas could have made from ten to twelve knots.

Mr. Rayner and the witness read from the logs of the Massachusetts, the Iowa, the Brooklyn and other vessels concerning the weather at that time.

Mr. Rayner read a report from Capt. Higginson, saying that the weather had been "rough and squally" on the 25th.

Capt. Harber stated that the report was "rough and squally" on the 25th.

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RUMORS OF A BIG POLICE SHAKE-UP.

Murphy, Devery and York Have a Long Secret Conference at Police Headquarters.

Rumors plenty went flying about Police Headquarters this afternoon that a big transfer and general shake-up is about to occur.

Early in the afternoon a conference between Commissioner Murphy and Deputy Commissioners York and Devery, which had lasted over an hour, broke up.

Before the heads adjourned, however, they summoned Inspectors Cortright and Thompson to the conference.

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the reporters that the conference had no special significance.

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