

VIEW OF BUSY VLADIVOSTOCK.

ENGLISHMAN HAS PRAISE FOR OUR CONSUL THERE.

Found No British Representative, and British Trade Is Falling Behind—Russians Proud of the Way They Have Guarded the Place Against Attack.

LONDON, Nov. 22.—Writing from Vladivostok the special correspondent of the Daily News says:

Most of us take to towns as we do to persons, at the first blush or not at all. I felt attracted to Vladivostok before I had been in ten minutes. About the station was vigorous, energetic life. A porter seized my baggage, and instead of slouching ran so that I might secure a carriage. He was the first Russian I had ever seen in a hurry. The drivers were alive and swung up their horses with a crack. Most of these men were fair-featured and light-eyed, picturesque in their dress, and they were dressed in the most up-to-date and smart of styles. On their heads were curly astrakhan hats.

The carriage rattled over the stones of a strongly-paved street. On the right was the harbor, a fine, fifty-acre kind of lake, hill-locked. In strong array were anchored in line eight Russian man-of-war ships, all white painted and apparently ready for business. Little launches puffed and snorted. On the quay side of the street stood the Chinese gangs as they trotted along under the weight of bales we heard about the clatter of wildly-driven droshkies—and all the carriages in Vladivostok tear along as though there was a chariot race, so that, as there is no rule of the road, you are on the brink of a newspaper paragraph whenever you go out—while little bunches of sailors were rolling by rather drunk and with their arms round each other's necks. On the other side of the street roared huge, white-painted, balustraded and ostentatious stores as big as the shops in Regent street, but not continuous. Building was everywhere, a big hotel here, a colossal magazine there, a block of offices somewhere else, everything telling of a new town in the throes of development—a broad asphalted pavement at one place, planks broken and uneven in another. On the slope of a hill I saw the Stars and Stripes of America waving over the house. Locked about the Union Jack, but could not see it.

When I had settled in my hotel, run on the American plan—so much a day for a room and board, and you pay whatever you like or not—I went out to visit the English Consul. There wasn't one. So I called upon the American representative, Mr. Theodore Green, whose position is that of Commercial Agent for the United States. I found him in a neat office with his desk decorated with State and national flags. He was a man of middle age, with a bookish air, and all odd corners filled with catalogues of American firms who want to open up a business connection with eastern Siberia.

STOWAWAY IN A HIGH HAT.

When Remanded to the Steerage Von Carstenn Was Taken for a Count.

Probably the most genteel-looking stowaway that ever crossed the Atlantic is detained at Ellis Island for deportation, unless his father, who, he says, lives at 25 Front street, Boston, consents to his rescue. He says he is Leo von Carstenn, formerly bookkeeper and foreign correspondent of a bank in Berlin. He speaks French fluently, but cannot talk English. He wears a tall hat, a dark cutaway coat of stylish make and an up-to-date overcoat. He is tall, dark and good-looking.

LIABILITY IN INLAND WATERS.

Is It Limited to Value of the Boat, in Case of Accident, as at Sea?

One of the effects of the collision between the Staten Island ferryboat Northford and the Manhattan Channel ferryboat, belonging to the Hudson Bay Navigation Company, was the determining of the question as to whether the law restricting the claims against steamboat companies, in cases of accident, to the actual value of the boat involved, applies to ferryboats crossing inland streams.

FREEMAN HELD FOR BIGAMY.

James J. Douglas, a Revivalist in the First Street Baptist Church.

Atlanta, Ga., Dec. 2.—James J. Douglas, preacher of the First Street Baptist Church, was held for bigamy in the city of Atlanta, Ga., today. He was arrested by the police at the residence of his wife, Mrs. Douglas, who is a native of Georgia. He was married to her in 1888, and she is now living in Atlanta. He was arrested on a charge of bigamy, and is being held in the city jail.

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WIND, SEA, FIRE, STARVATION.

CREW OF OIL BARK MATANZAS FACED MANY PERILS.

Down Far Off Her Course—Oil Tanks Break and Fumes Kill One—Food and Water Run Low and Captain Fears Mutiny—Now Near Home on Beam Ends.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Dec. 2.—The bark Matanzas, Capt. John W. Mowatt of 207 Moyamensing avenue, Philadelphia, which was thought to have been lost, lying on her beam ends to-night fifteen miles off this city. The crew, which for two weeks were on short rations, are recovering from their enforced fast, saved from starvation by the schooner Emma C. Angel, which gave them provisions enough to take her to Philadelphia.

The bark was disabled off the Delaware Capes three weeks ago and was driven helpless off the New England coast. With the exception of a few upper sails all were swept away and her spars sprung. The vessel was carrying tanks of crude oil, consigned to the Standard Oil Company, her owners, and these broke, the oil running into her hold, listing her to port and making it dangerous even to attempt to raise the sails that were left.

The Matanzas landed at Sabine Pass, Tex., on Oct. 15, for Marcus Hook, Philadelphia, and expected to make the journey within three weeks. She was fifty-two days at sea. Provisions for only three weeks had been taken aboard and the meat had spoiled. Rations were cut when they ran low, and for two weeks the crew had nothing but flour to mix with brackish water and salt. The water was cut to one bucketful to eight men and was barely enough to keep them alive.

The gas from the loose oil asphyxiated Herbert Jennings of San Francisco and overcame Thomas Evans, engineer of Philadelphia. On account of the gas and the oil Capt. Mowatt was afraid to permit a fire aboard the bark. The stove was rigged in the long boat, with canvas over it, and the crew had to sleep above deck, but were made ill by the fumes of the oil.

RAISED THE NEW CHAMPION.

Hardfod Young Woman Mixed in at Young Corbett's Reception.

After Mr. William H. Rothwell of Denver and Mr. Terence McGovern of Brooklyn had concluded their flippant argument in the ring of the Coliseum at Hartford on Thanksgiving Day both returned to Heubens Hotel, the one to receive the congratulations due to the new featherweight champion of the world and the other to accept the sympathy that friends were ready to extend to a beaten man.

CAUCUS ON IRRIGATION.

Thirty Senators and Representatives Meet and Discuss the Subject.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 2.—In pursuance to a call formulated by a convention of irrigationists last summer, thirty Senators and members of the House representing seven arid and semi-arid States, met in caucus to-night in Senator Warren's committee room to discuss the subject of irrigation of arid lands. Representative Newlands of Nevada supported his bill to place all the receipts of the sale of public lands in these States in one fund, the proceeds of which the government should construct reservoirs to water the arid lands.

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THOMAS MURPHY INCOMPETENT.

He Is 92 Years Old, and Was Once the Partner of Levi P. Morton.

MOULTON, N. Y., Dec. 2.—Proceedings were begun before a commission appointed by Supreme Court Justice Keogh and Sheriff's Jury in the City Hall at Mount Vernon to-day to inquire into the alleged incompetency of Thomas Murphy, 92 years old, a former partner of Levi P. Morton. The commission is made up of Corporation Counsel Tierney, Maurice J. Sullivan and Charles W. Sinnott.

The petition for the proceedings was brought in by Mr. Murphy's daughter, Mrs. Lucy O. Lindsey of Mount Vernon. She is 45 years old and the widow of Major Ormsby, who defended Jefferson Davis on the charge of treason. Through her lawyer, George B. Riggs, she alleges that her father is unable to care for his property, worth \$100,000 and that he is a sufferer from the loss of memory.

The only witness examined to-day was Mrs. Lindsey, who said her father had given \$50,000 to her young nephew, a woman named Anna Fallon, who resides in the house and who has turned Murphy against his own daughter.

"Did you notice any queer acts of your father?" she was asked.

"Yes, he has shown a strong antipathy to books and newspapers and objected to my reading. Once he seized my paper, threw it away and kicked me in the throat, blaming my eye and kicked me."

SWELL FRONT STAYS.

Riveride Drive Case Decided Against Obnoxious Neighbor.

The suit of Charlotte Y. Ackerman, wife of Gilbert F. Ackerman, to enjoin the maintenance of a swell front by Clarence True on the house adjoining her property on Riverside Drive was dismissed by Justice Lawrence yesterday in the Supreme Court after long litigation. There are many similar fronts erected along the upper West Side and the case was looked upon as a test case.

HORSE DRINKS GREEN PAINT.

Swallows a Gallon and Takes a Long Sleep—All Right Now.

Henry Sonneman, a painter of 165 Fulton avenue, Jersey City, left a gallon of green paint in a bucket on the right of the Park Department to issue permits for such fronts. He says that such a question could only arise in an action between the owner of the property and the painter. He says that Mrs. Ackerman's property has increased in value and he is not prepared to say that it would have increased more if it were not for the swell front. He finds further that Mrs. Ackerman must be considered as having acquiesced in the erection of the swell front, and that she was acting as her agent, knew of the plans and permits and took no action until the buildings were completed or in course of construction.

WON'T BOARD HIM IN JAIL.

Former Millionaire, Held in Boston for Debt, Is Released.

BOSTON, Dec. 2.—Thomas A. Scott, reputed at one time to be a millionaire, was released from the county jail this morning by Sheriff Seavey because those who had Scott arrested last February refused to pay his board any longer. Scott was to have appeared in the poor debtor session of the municipal court this morning, upon his application to take the poor debtor's oath. The fact that he was released by the Sheriff indicates that those who were prosecuting their claims against him have decided that he is not capable of paying the debt.

ACCUSED OF A 93 THEFT.

Health List of the San Francisco Bay Area Following.

San Francisco, Dec. 2.—The health list of the San Francisco Bay area following: The health of the city is generally good. There is a slight increase in the number of cases of influenza, but it is not considered serious. The mortality rate is low. The weather is generally clear and pleasant.

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DIFFICULTIES IN THE WAY OF REFORM AND PROGRESS.

The Sultan Says He Will Abolish Great Autans—His Government, However, Fattens on Them and His Reforms Will Be Opposed—Cruelty of Predecessors.

The young man who is now on the throne of Morocco is said by Europeans in that country to desire to correct the great abuses from which his people suffer. He has, for example, issued edicts providing for prison reform in all the large towns. All travellers say that the prisons of Morocco are nothing more than damp, fetid dungeons, horribly dirty and unsanitary, in which prisoners are weighed down with chains, scantily fed and kept nearly naked. These prisons are the most abominable feature of that degraded country. Even the Tangier prison from whose roof the coast of Europe is plainly in view, is a vile hole in which all the prisoners wear heavy ankle irons though they could not possibly escape if they were free of chains.

Another reform which the Sultan wishes to carry out is a better system of taxation. He says the extortions practiced upon the people by the Governors of provinces who collect taxes must cease. Of course any attempt to put an end to the squeezing of the people by which the Governors and their deputies have waxed wealthy, will make the Sultan unpopular among the official class.

It remains to be seen whether he is strong enough to carry out any reforms. His title though nominally absolute is not so in fact, for the powerful Ministers who surround him are able, to some extent, to impose their will upon the Sultan. The Governors of provinces have the law almost absolutely in their own hands, for they can usually frustrate any attempt on the part of an injured person to appeal to the Sultan. Nominally they cannot inflict the death penalty, but they get over this difficulty by beating the victim to death against which there is no law, or by some other form of execution. The Sultan is not so strong as to extort money is practically unlimited. One of the favorite forms is that called the wooden jellaber (shirt). This is a sort of wooden box large enough to receive the victim in a sitting posture. On the inside it is studded with sharp nails. Prisoners have been kept in this appliance for months at a time until they are length released by death. They have been killed in this terrible way because their friends have failed to make up the sum of money demanded of them.

Another form of torture is the punishment for theft, the loss of an eye in return for the malicious destruction of an eye, the amputation of a limb for a limb and the punishment of a hand by a hand. The law of the offender with capricious pods are matters of daily practice in Morocco and illustrate the regime under which the Moors live. All this cruelty, as practised according to the law of the land, has produced in the Moors an indifference to life more callously than that shown by most Oriental peoples. Englishmen living in Tangier recently told a story which illustrates this fact.

He was about to leave the town one morning in a motor car, and as he was about to close and a large crowd assembled before it. A number of soldiers had a prisoner, a mountaineer from the Rif, with his arms bound to his sides by iron chains. He had been ordered to be struck off because he had been engaged in smuggling on the Rif coast.

A Moor, repulsive in appearance, was the executioner. His weapon was a small knife with a blade six inches long. A heated discussion arose between the soldier and the officer in charge as to the money he was to receive for the job. The victim stood by and listened. The butcher demanded 20 francs, and after a good deal of haggling the officer agreed, though with ill grace. Then the butcher seized the condemned man, threw him on the ground and laid him on his back. The executioner turned his head away, but heard sounds of a horrible struggle, in the midst of which a hoarse voice cried: "Give me my knife, my knife, my knife!" The knife was brought and the head was heaved from the body. The soldiers cried faintly: "God prolong the life of our Lord and Master!"

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A detective, who was engaged by a sister of Mrs. Newman to look up Newman, has married no less than twelve servants. Sergeant Burfield of the Harlem court said sent out a general alarm yesterday asking for information concerning Newman in Harlem court next Saturday morning.

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KUBELIK.

The Bohemian Violin Virtuoso Plays Before a Monster Audience.

Jan Kubelik, the Bohemian violinist, played for the first time in this city last night at Carnegie Hall was uncomfortable because of the vast crowd that wedged itself in every possible spot. It was an enthusiastic rather than a discriminating audience, being impolite enough to applaud noisily while Emil Paur and his orchestra were giving the tutti of the Paganini concerto; and the appreciation could be understood by the reception, as if sent from the heavens above, of a sickly sentimental performance of Schumann's "Trauerzeit." This as an encore number by Herr Kubelik, is a little piano piece and thoroughly out of place on a programme of dignified character.

The newcomer, who has been heralded as a second Paganini, is a youth of interesting appearance. He is fragile, feminine-looking and his personality savors of the exotic. This girlish action is caught in his music, for he is desperately sentimental and says a *fado* sort into all his lyric episodes. Even old Spohr does not escape Kubelik's saccharine devotion. He trips daintily to the front of the orchestra stands before his audience, darts his hair rolling over his collar, the face broad, Slavic, the eyes dark and dreamy, of course. Altogether he is charming. The score upon the first recalls one of those Old World engravings of some vanished virtuoso. And as it is in the physical, so it is in the psychological. He is a graceful violinist, never once soundly struts or struts or struts one below the average emotional varnish. A virtuoso, not a great violinist, is Jan Kubelik, not a great violinist.

A major concerto which he made much of. He is audacity itself, playing octaves skips, runs in double notes, piping harmonies and playing a double bass. His tone in the higher positions is a little inclined to whine, at no time is it liquid or large. The concerto was a failure in its intensity, almost operatic. Evidently the young man's enormous fiddle talent does not lie in the direction of virtuosity, but in the dramatic. When, however, he attacked Spohr's famous *Cesareo* concerto Kubelik's limitations became apparent. He has no marvelous agility of right hand, it is naked music and unornamented, and must be exposed to the hearing without the artifices of rhetoric, and the concerto was clearly executed for this violinist's intonation was far from being impeccable in the Paganini prelude, but in the concerto it was not so. The concerto was a failure in its intensity, almost operatic. Evidently the young man's enormous fiddle talent does not lie in the direction of virtuosity, but in the dramatic. When, however, he attacked Spohr's famous *Cesareo* concerto Kubelik's limitations became apparent. He has no marvelous agility of right hand, it is naked music and unornamented, and must be exposed to the hearing without the artifices of rhetoric, and the concerto was clearly executed for this violinist's intonation was far from being impeccable in the Paganini prelude, but in the concerto it was not so.

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