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PAWNBROKERS VICTIMIZED IN LONDON

Well Dressed Crooks Palm Off White Sapphires for Diamonds.

BIG JEWELRY FIRMS FURNISH MATERIAL

(By Paul Lambeth.)

LONDON, England, Sept. 27.—A gang of well dressed crooks is at present carrying on a wholesale victimization of London paynbrokers by "palming off" white sapphires as diamonds.

August and September are the months for the managers of most westend establishments to take their annual holidays, and during their absence some hundreds of sapphire rings are being "palmed off" as pledges with assistants who have not been so expert in detecting the difference between the white sapphire and the diamond.

A westend Pawnbroker explained that the methods of the new gang of "moskers," as they are known in the trade, are very much more elaborate and much more likely to deceive the inexperienced assistant, than the methods adopted in years gone by.

Big Firms Involved.

"There are big firms who make a business of buying up cheap jewelry which they get well dressed men to pawn as genuine stuff," said the pawnbroker. "In past years it has often been possible to detect the spurious article, because it was set in a new gold shank which has generally aroused suspicion. The new method is to put a white sapphire in an old shank in a setting of platinum. When it is getting dusk, or on a dull day, when it is necessary to use the electric light, a well dressed man walks in, and pulling the ring off his finger, asks for a loan on it till the following day.

"The age of the shank and the man's manner put the assistant off his guard. He takes the man's word for it that it is a diamond and advances the money on it, only to discover when he sees the ring by daylight that he has been 'done,' and that he has taken in white sapphires and not diamonds.

Difficult to Detect.

"It is needless to say that the owner is not seen again. Any pawnbroker will lend up to 20 pounds a carat on good diamonds, while the sale price of a white sapphire is not more than 1 pound a carat. The white sapphire comes mostly from Ceylon. It is really clear, colorless corundum, but in artificial or bad light it is impossible for the most experienced man to detect the difference between diamonds and a white sapphire. It is far superior to any paste that can be made. A good white sapphire has all the color, glow, and sparkle of the real diamond by artificial light. But by the daylight it is exposed at once. There is a milkiness about its whiteness, and there is no life about it. It is dead."

New Yorkers to Get Houses at 68 Cents a Day by New Plan

New York, Sept. 27.—City houses that can be purchased at a cost of 68 cents a day are about to be placed within reach of New Yorkers. Taxes, insurance and water rents will increase this daily cost to 83 cents. Plans for a first batch of 150 such houses are ready and for them there are already more than 600 applicants.

The scheme is not a philanthropic one, but provides a resonable profit while supplying livable houses at low cost to wage earners. The first group is to be built in the Borough of Queens convenient to many large industrial plants. They are to be one family, two story houses with at least three bedrooms, besides living room, kitchen and bath.

The cheaper houses will be built in rows after the type known as 'Philadelphia houses,' while the more expensive ones are to be semidetached, with gardens on three sides.

Conditions to be exacted of those who buy will be good moral character, five years' steady employment, recommendation of employers for trustworthiness, generally good health, and at least one child to the family.

NEW YORKERS HAVE NEW DRUG HABIT

Latest of "Dopes" Is Far Stronger Than Morphine and Has Worse Effect Upon All Users.

New York, Sept. 27.—The 'heroin' habit is declared to be New York's newest and greatest peril. The discovery of the extensive and rapidly growing use of heroin for narcotic purposes pronounces this white, crystalline, odorless powder one of the most dangerous of drugs, five times as powerful as morphine, for instance.

Although the drug has been on the market only five years, and its sale is supposedly restricted, it appears that thousands of New Yorkers, many of whom are mere youths, already are slaves to its use and that it is working frightful havoc, mentally, morally and physically, in every section of the city and among every stratum of society.

The habit is most frequently acquired from the use of 'quack' remedies for such troubles as catarrh, asthma and colds, though one of its worst features is the disposition of heroin fiends to urge its use upon others. Among the trade marks of its habitual users are a yellow whiteness of the face, a downdrawn, stupid mouth, always elevated eye brows, and a "dopey" look in the eyes.

M. SANTOS-DUMONT RETURNS TO AIRSHIP

Paris, France, Sept. 27.—M. Santos-Dumont has returned to aeroplanes after an absence of three years. He was the first man to steer a balloon around the Eiffel tower, and was one of the pioneers of aviation, with Latham, Barnum and Bleriot.

His enthusiasm returned during a recent trip as a passenger in a Morane-Saulnier aeroplane piloted by M. Audemars from Paris to Deauville. The result is that he is now at Villacoublay on a Morane machine, and expects to win his pilot's certificate in a few weeks.

SECRETARY GETS FORTUNE OF $400,000 FROM EMPLOYER

Paris, France, Sept. 27.—A private secretary has just come into a fortune of $400,000 at Pau, in the southwest of France. His employer, M. de Marthe, left him all his money, but the registrar of wills opposed the granting of probate on the ground that the will was in the testators own handwriting. The civil magistrate before whom the case was brought, decided in favor of the secretary.

GERMANY HAS OWN PRESS BUREAU

Will Try to Influence Foreign Sentiment Through News Letters.

KAISER'S CARDS ARE QUEER IN SIZE

(By Malcolm Clark.)

BERLIN, Germany, Sept. 27.—Germany recognizes the power of the press, especially the foreign press, and an elaborate scheme for influencing the public sentiment of the world in favor of Germany, practically under the patronage of the foreign secretary, Herr von Jagow revealed by the socialist organ Vorwaert, is exciting much attention.

The scheme contemplates first of all a new daily world review called the Zeitung der Zeitungen, which is shortly to appear in Germany, and secondly, a corespondence agency which is to be organized in connection with it, known as the "European letter" correspondence. This agency is intended to be the means of "organizing the foreign press, and in the first place the oversea press, in the interest of German policy and of German economic life."

Foreign newspapers are to be asked to publish at regular intervals a "letter" describing events in Germany, composed by the staff of the Zeitung der Zeitungen, but printed in the language of the country where it is published. Fifty foreign and oversea newspapers have already, it is said, promised to publish these "letters." It is hoped that in time this organization will extend over the whole world, and that the Imperial government will have in its hand a weapon "hitherto neglected, which in the struggle for political and economic supremacy is becoming more important"—an international press organization run in German interests.

The Foreign office, which has already subscribed to the undertaking, is asked to make a further subscription; $250,000 in subscriptions has already been promised. The Vorwarts adds that among those firms subscribing to the Zeitungen and the correspondence scheme are the Deutsche Waffen-und-Minitionsfabriken and three other armament firms, and some companies which build warships, including the Vulkan company and the firm of Blohm and Voss.

Emperor Has Large Cards.

The German emperor has been staying at Homburg. Like most royalties he has his own characteristics. For one thing he wears a gold bangle on each arm, and his visiting cards are most amusing. They are of vast size, and typical of his personality. They measure four inches in width and six in length, and there are only six words on them in large black German letters. First "Wilhelm," below this "Deutscher Kaiser," and below again, "Konig von Preussen." They are too big for an ordinary card case, and so are entrusted to the charge of his own body servant.

When at home the German emperor keeps four chefs, English, French, German and Italian, and a staple article of diet is the huge white Frankfort sausage. He dislikes "made-up" dishes, and even at a state banquet will often eat a slice of fish or a plain mutton cutlet. He will never eat his food off gold or silver plate, but prefers fine china, and when he dines out or travels, he always takes with him his own Imperial fork, which has prongs several inches longer than those used by ordinary mortals.

Head of Prince Trust Issues Bonds to Pay Off Pressing Debts

Berlin Germany, Sept. 27.—Part of the loan of $5,500,000 which prince Maximilian Egon Zu Fuerstenberg, head of the "Prince's trust," is floating and for which he is pledging his vast properties in the grand duchy of Baden, was offered to the public today by advertisements in newspapers. The loan, which is in the shape of a mortgage bond issue, has been approved by the ministers of justice and finance and interior of the grand duchy of Baden. It is to be used to wipe out the large indebtedness of the prince to the Deutsche bank.

The prince is one of the most intimate friends of the kaiser and entertains him every year at his castle. The kaiser has also given his approval to beer made in the prince's brewery. The issue price of the loan named is 99, and the bonds will bear interest at 4 1-2 percent. Security for the loan is agricultural and forest lands of approximately 80,000 acres, whose estimated value is $23,000,000.

Prince Egon Zu Fuerstenberg has often been referred to as the kaiser's $40,000,000 story teller, because of his ability as a raconteur to keep the kaiser in a happy frame of mind. There is much speculation as to whether or not the kaiser has lost any money in the deals of the prince's trust in his role as private capitalist. The general impression is, however, that the prince is too shrewd to risk the loss of the kaiser's friendship by permitting him to invest in the schemes of the trust.

HALDANE BECOMES AMERICAN ADMIRER

Lord High Chancellor is Impressed With System of Higher Education in America for the Masses.

London, Eng., Sept. 27.—Lord Haldane has come back from the United States an enthusiastic admirer of America and a greater advocate than ever of a strong alliance betwen the two great branches of the British speaking race.

The system of higher education in America for the masses and the manner in which it is taken advantage of by the youth of the country particularly appealed to him and already he has begun to urge the importance of giving similar advantages to the youth of the masses in Great Britain, if England expects to keep place in the world's advance.

It seems to have escaped the notice of everyone, Lord Haldane and Americans included, that one of his greatest predecessors in the office of lord chancellor, namely lord Lyndhurst, was born at Boston in the United States. But they were not the United States then, although lord Lyndhurst was born there only three years before the outbreak of the revolution.

MISSOURI TO HAVE CONCRETE CELLS IN NEW STATE PRISON

Jefferson City, Mo., Sept. 27.—The state board of prison inspectors today decided to instal concrete cells in the new building of the penitentiary. The legislature appropriated $200,0000 for this building, which will accommodate 1200 prisoners.

Missouri will be the second state in the union to adopt concrete cells in preference to steel.

PICTURESQUE FRENCHMAN PASSES

General de Negrier Sends Man to Guard House for Failing to Shoot Him.

SAYS IS CRIMINAL TO MISS AT 50 YARDS

B. Paul Villiers.

PARIS, France, Sept. 27.—he Tre cnt death of general de Negrier removed a most picturesque figure from French military life. De Negrier was a soldier of the old school, and came from a military family which has shone in French history for many years. He was the fifth general officer of his family since the day of Napoleon.

The Paris papers have been full of stories characteristic of the man. Here is an example: Though worshiped by the majority of his men, the general was too severe a disciplinarian not to have some enemies. It is said that one day when, during a maneuver, he was riding in front of a company, a bullet whistled past his head. De Negrier turned in a flash and ran his eye down the ranks. One man blenched. "Captain," ordered De Negrier, in a clear voice of command, "give that man there a week's guardroom. With a rifle like ours it is criminal to miss at 50 yards."

Is Often Wounded.

Leaving the military college of St. Cyr, he became captain of Chasseurs, and, during the Franco-Prussian war, he was present with his regiment at the sanguinary battle of Mars La Tour, on Aug. 16, 1870, and took part in the defeat of the Prussian 38th brigade at the close of the day, in which he was badly wounded. Later, he fell into the hands of the enemy, but escaped, rejoined the army, and was again wounded twice by Prussian bullets.

He was promoted general in 1882, at the early age of 43, and distinguished himself during the French expedition in Tonkin, where he led several attacks, and was twice wounded, once seriously. From 1889 to 1904, he commanded various army corps in France.

Was of the Old School.

A real soldier of the old school, he fought a duel a few years ago with general Andre, ex-minister of war. De Negrier took the matter quite seriously, and asked that the weapons should be army revolvers loaded with six bullets, and that the combatants should stand at a distance of 10 yards. As general Andre's seconds refused to accept these very unusual conditions, when they did meet, De Negrier refused to fire.

REPAIR JUAREZ CATHEDRAL.

Scaffolding has been erected around the tower of the old church in Juarez and it is being given its annual coat of paint and the broken places repaired.

ENGLAND HAS TOO MANY WOMEN

In Many Districts Men Are Greatly in the Minority and Old Maids Numerous.

AGED VICAR TO WED FOR CHURCH'S GOOD

LONDON, England, Sept. 27.—Pity the poor Englishwoman who finds it impossible to find a mate. These statistics tell why. At the age of 20-30 there are in the largest town 122 women to 100 men and in the cotton and woolen manufacturing places 120 women to 100 men. In residential places at the seaside and elsewhere 160 women to 100 men and in rural districts of somewhat similar character 160 women to 100 men. But in colliery districts, there are only 85 women to 100 men and in iron-working places and other seats of heavy trades the balance is sometimes one way and sometimes the other way, but on the whole there are nearly 103 women to 100 men.

In military places there are about 70 women to 100 men. In old towns not specially industrial about 120 women to 100 men, and in most other places the excess of women ranges from 8 to 12 percent, though in rural districts not specially residential the sexes at that age equally balanced.

Vicar of 74 to Wed Maid of 20.

Bolas Magna or Great Bolas, a little parish in mid-Shropshire, is now the center of a love romance, hardly less striking than that which culminated in the marriage of the great lord Burleigh to a humble parishioner named Sarah Hoggins, of that parish, in the 17th century.

The man concerned in the present love affair is the vicar, the Rev. Joseph Miller, who has attained the age of 74, and who, during the service of his parish church on Sunday morning published for the first time the bans of marriage between himself and a Miss Roberts, aged 20, who arrived in the village of Diarndaff, a perfect stranger, as recently as July, to take up duties as a schoolmistress at the village school.

For the Church's Good.

Having announced the bans, the vicar added, "This union is for the benefit of this church and parish and that I may have a coworker in holy things." Mr. Miller is a widower, and has a grownup family, but for some time past he has been residing at the vicarage alone. The vicar's announcement has provided ample material for gossip among the people locally.

Oldest Frenchman Enters 107th Year

Paris, France, Sept. 27.—The oldest French citizen, M. Schemel Roy of Versailles, has entered his 107th year. He is a son of a grenadier of Napoleon's guard, and remembers having seen the emperor one day at Versailles.

JILTED LOVER ENDS LIFE OF SINGER

Enamored by Hersilla Capri, Paris Man Shoots Her, When Arrested

UNHAPPY, HE TRIES TO COMMIT SUICIDE

PARIS, France, Sept. 27.—Hersilia Capri, noted singer and dancer, has just died from a pistol shot wound inflicted by her lover, Paul Loos, in the presence of a commissary of police when he was under arrest for blackmail and threatening her life.

Tragic Ending of Romance

This is the tragic ending of a romance which covered two continents three years ago.

Hersilia, stage struck and sick of her humdrum home life, applied to Loos, the proprietor of a theater at Angiers. She was given an engagement and soon Loos became completely enamored of her. He sold his theater and leaving wife and children, fled with the girl, taking with him $30,000, his entire wealth. While the money lasted things went well. At the end of a year, however, Hersilia, who had achieved fame, decided she was tired of it and would travel alone.

Loos Not to Be Shaken.

Loos was not to be shaken, however. He followed her to St. Petersburg, Vienna, Constantinople, Cairo, and, in fact, wherever she went. In Constantinople he found her on friendly terms with an actor and threatened his life. She took a steamer to Marseilles to escape him, but in vain. He was aboard the steamer. He dogged her to Paris and, as she was getting into a taxicab, he jumped in, shut the door, drew a pistol and threatened to kill her unless she returned to him.

Woman Breaks Promise.

Thoroughly frightened, Hersilia promised all he asked, and as a pledge stripped herself of jewels and cash, which she gave to him. Instead of keeping her promise, however, she appealed to the police and Loos was arrested.

When confronted with Hersilia at the police commissary's office, he pleaded for mercy from his "little doll." He begged her not to have him arrested. Before she could reply, he stooped, drew a pistol from his sock and fired four shots pointblank at her and two at himself, before the police could overpower him. He was not seriously hurt.

"My Doll Left Me," He Says.

When searched, two letters were found on him. One read: "What I have done is wrong, but it could not be helped. After passing four years with me and spending $30,000, my doll left me. This was too much. I wish our two bodies to be buried together."

The other said he had had a good time and been happy and could not face misery.

ROADBUILDERS GATHER IN DETROIT

Convention Which Opens Monday Will be Attended by 5000 Enthusiasts.

AUTOMOBILE MEN DEEPLY INTERESTED

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 27—A mighty horde of roadbuilders and persons interested in the better construction and maintenance of highways and streets, are descending upon Detroit for the third annual American Road congress, which will begin its sessions on Monday, continuing throughout the week. The nation, states, cities and various good road organizations throughout the country are sending delegates for the largest road congress in the history of the world.

The first congress was held at Richmond, Va., in 1911, when 1200 delegates attended. The second was held last year at Atlantic City with an attendance of 2000. The public interest aroused at these conferences, and the publicity given to the work accomplished, has led to the anticipation of an attendance of nearly 5000 delegates at the present congress.

The congress is under the auspices of the American Highway association, the American Automobile association and the Michigan State Good Roads associations. Besides these, 22 road associations and similar organizations will participate in the convention. The American Bar association and the American Bankers' association have also accepted invitations, and delegations from these organizations will be present.

Exposition to Be Held.

In addition to the road congress, there will be an exhibition of road materials and road building machinery under the auspices of the National Association of Road Machinery and Material Manufacturers. Nearly 100 exhibitors have taken space for this exhibition.

The daily sessions of the congress will be held in the Wayne Gardens, while the night and special sessions will be held in the Hotel Ponchartrain. The exhibition will be held in a large hall in the Wayne Gardens and in an adjoining vacant lot and street where a large tent has been erected. Most of the exhibits are already in place and by the time the convention opens on Monday, the delegates will be able to view one of the most complete and unique collections of road machinery and materials ever assembled.

The first meeting of the congress will be called to order at 10 a. m. on Monday by Logan Waller Page, president of the congress. Mr. Page is the director in the United States office of public roads in Washington. The second session will held at 2:30 p. m. and will be followed by a garden party or reception late in the afternoon in honor of the distinguished guests of the congress. During the remainder of the week there will be many entertainments of a social character. These have been arranged by the Detroit Board of Commerce, the Wolverine club, the Rotary club, the Adcraft club and others.

National Aid to Road Building.

"National Roads Legislation Day" will be held on Tuesday and the program will be under the auspices of the American Automobile association; representative Frank E. Doremus will preside and George C. Diehl, chairman of the good roads board of the American Automobile association, will introduce the presiding officers. National aid in road building and national highways will be discussed by many prominent speakers, among them senator Jonathan Bourne, of Oregon; representative Dorsey W. Shackleford, of Missouri, and senator Claude Swanson of Virginia, members of the joint congressional committee on roads. Since Mr. Shackleford is also the chairman of the new committee on public roads, of the house of representatives, it is expected that he will have some new ideas to present to the congress, as he has devoted much time and thought to advanced ideas along the lines of national highways.

The Lincoln Highway association will also occupy a place on Tuesday's program. At the afternoon session, state legislation and road management will be taken up, under the auspices of the American Bar association.

The construction and maintenance session will be held on Wednesday under the auspices of the American Highway association. The opening address will be delivered by Chairman J. N. Carlisle, state superintendent of highways of New York.

Thursday morning will be given over to the road users' session under the auspices of the American Automobile association, while in the afternoon the American Bankers association will have charge of a special finance meeting.

Only a morning session will be held on Friday. This will be known as Michigan Day and the Michigan State Good Roads association will have charge of the program.

The business session of the congress will take place on Saturday, the closing day. Joseph Hyde Pratt, state Geologist of North Carolina will preside. The committee on resolutions will make its report and the discussion and voting on resolutions will follow. The date and place for the 1914 congress will also be decided at this session.

Set Papers Will Not Be Read.

The set papers of the convention, of which there are more than 25, will not be read in full, but have been printed for distribution among the delegates.

A prominent place in the exposition has been taken by the national government. The government exhibit includes two series of minature models, one showing the development of road building from the early Roman roads to the type of roads now in use, the other showing all types of modern roads.

HERO AND HIS DAUGHTER TO DIE

Capt. Sanches, Last to Flee From Roosevelt, Is Convicted Murderer.

DAUGHTER'S ADMIRER IS BRUTALLY SLAIN

MADRID, Spain, Sept. 27.—Captain Jose Sanches, a hero of the Spanish American war, and his beautiful daughter, Luisa, have been found guilty of the murder of senor Jalon, known as the "gambler king" of Madrid, after a most sensational trial.

Was Last to Leave Block House

Sanches was the last man to leave the block house captured by Col. Roosevelt's rough riders before San Diego, and carried with him three American bullets. He was given a commission for his gallantry in that affair.

Jalon, who was said to be Luisa's lover, disappeared last May. Shortly before his disappearance, he had taken a counter representing $1000 from the gambling table of the Casino de las Bellas Artes, which later was presented for payment by Luisa.

Jalon's family were informed and notified the police who took no action. Later, however they received an anonymous letter accusing Sanches of murdering their kinsman and his arrest and that of his daughter followed.

Body Cut Into Bits.

The trial developed the fact that Jalon was murdered on the premises of the higher military school where Sanches was employed, and where Jalon was decoyed by Luisa. After the murder the body was stripped of valuables, cut into small pieces and thrown into a drain pipe.

WOMAN DISAPPEARS AND MANY ADMIRERS LAMENT

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 27.—Police are seeking a woman known as Mrs. Rosie Mueller, who has disappeared from a boarding house at 1252 Franklin avenue, leaving several prospective husbands, who say they gave her money and presents, thinking they were to marry her.

Lord Mayor's Robes and Coach to Go His Successor In London Monday

Magnificent Coach and Robes of State Worn by London's Lord Mayor of State Occasions.

Sir David Burnett Will Surrender Office and Honors to Sir Vancitart Bowater.

London, Eng., Sept. 27.—Sir David Burnett, present lord mayor of London, has appeared in his magnificent robes of office for the last time. His successor will be elected tomorrow with a ceremony that will be magnificent, but nevertheless a relic of the dark ages. Sir Vansittart Bowater, senior alderman, will be the new lord mayor, for the "election" always goes to the alderman in the order of seniority. The gorgeous lord mayor's coach, with its footmen and mace carriers, as it appeared in the coronation procession of king George, will be used by the new lord mayor. All official calls by the lord mayor are made in this magnificent but antiquated vehicle.

Fyvie Castle Scene Of Gayety

Romance Of Prince Is Shattered

By Lady Mary Manwaring.

LONDON, Eng., Sept. 27.—Lord and lady Leith of Fyvie have been entertaining a large house party at Fyvie castle, Aberdeenshire, for the coming of age of their grandson, Arthur Burn, who was 21 in June. The festivities include a ball to the country people, a garden party and entertainments for the tenantry and school children.

Lord Leith of Fyvie was created a peer at the end of 1905, and most people will perhaps remember him as A. J. Forbes-Leith. He wished to take the title of lord Fyvie, but the legal and heraldic experts who advise the crown on such matters, remembered that this title had existed before, and might possibly be revived in favor of another. So he became lord Leith of Fyvie.

Fyvie dates from about 1160 and once was the Balmoral of Scotland, having been royal property. Edward I stayed there six centuries ago, and since then it has been associated with great names and stirring events in Scottish history.

The grand old pile has four huge towers, one of which was added by lord Leith of Fyvie, who directly descends from the builders of one of its three ancient towers, for Fyvie once belonged to the present owner's ancestors. Then for generations it was held by strangers, until purchased in 1889 by A. J. Forbes-Leith, formerly a naval lieutenant, who made a big fortune in the iron industry in America. A curiosity of the castle is a weeping stone in the wall of a garret, which exudes moisture in wet weather, and there is a ghost, a green trumpeter, which heralds death in the family of the owners of Fyvie.

Has Curse Upon It.

Fyvie has a "curse" upon it, the legend being that its ladies never give birth to a son, owever, this may be, it is a fact that the property has rarely gone from father to son in the direct line, and when the present owner's only son, a subaltern in the First royals, died of enteric fever during the Boer war, the superstitious shook their heads. The "weeping stone" is one of three mentioned by Thomas the Rhymer; the second is also in the castle and somewhere in the bed of Ythan, which runs through the park, is the third. On the recovery of the latter, which the Rhymer says will never be, the curse will be broken and the estate pass from father to son. Lord and lady Leith of Fyvie's only daughter is Mrs. Rosdew Burn, wife of the Unionist member for Torquay.

Prince's Romance Shattered.

Prince Arthur of Connaught, as everyone knows, is seven years senior of the duchess of Fife, and has seen a good deal more of the sterner aspects of life than this fair young cousin once removed could possibly have done in her sheltered and somewhat secluded life. But it is not so generally known that an earlier love affair with another royal cousin was the probable reason of his so long remaining a bachelor.

When he was quite young and this other princess a mere girl in the schoolroom, he and she were much thrown together at queen Victoria's court and a very deep attachment grew up between them. King Edward, when he came to the throne, smiled at the little romance, and they were even for a time engaged to one another; but just when everyone expected to hear the announcement of the fiancelles, the princess's mother interposed. She had more ambitious views for her brilliant and beautiful daughter, and she carried her point and married her to a richer and more exalted parti.

King Edward, who had done his utmost for the cause of "true love," but in vain, when this betrothal was announced, considerately dispatched his nephew on a distant "mission," which kept him away during the first trying months of his adored cousin's engagement and marriage to his rival; but, though prince Arthur bore the blow gallantly, it went deep, and the knowledge later that he had been forsaken for one who was not so devoted and constant as he would have been, served to prolong his regrets.

Will Command Battalion.

Major Henry Cecil Lowther, well known to Americans and Canadians as military secretary to the duke of Connaught, will take command of a battalion of the Scots guards on October 5. In order to be in a position to do this he has resigned his place in in the duke of Connaught's household and has joined his regiment.

Maj. Lowther was exceedingly popular in Canada and among Americans, with whom he came in contact at Ottawa and during his visits across the border. He was some years ago military attache at Paris. He is a brother of the speaker, a clever, versatile man of varied experience, and the author of that very readable book of wander memories, "From Pillar to Post."

Col. Cuthbert has served over 31 years in the Scots guards, was in the campaign of 1885 and fought throughout the South African war. He will be remembered as the officer who, some years ago, was relieved of command of the First Scots guards after a "ragging" scandal.