TO WED BRITISH ATTACHE.

Miss Eda Sickles, Only Daughter of Gen. Sickles, to Become Bride of Mr. Crackenthorpe.

The engagement is announced in London and Madrid of Miss Eda Sickles, Gen. Daniel E. Sickles' only daughter, to Mr. Dayrell Crackanthorpe, third secretary of her Britannic majesty's embassy at Madrid, the oldest son of Montague Crackanthorpe, Q. C., one of the leaders of the English bar, who accompanied Lord Chief Justice Russell to this country not long ago when they were guests of the American Bar association.

Miss Sickles and her brother, Mr. Stanton Sickles, first secretary of the American legation at Madrid, are children of Gen. Sickles by his second wife, a beautiful Spanish woman, who was Miss Creagh, the daughter of a Spanish councillor of state. Gen. Sickles married her in 1871, when he was minister to Spain.

Miss Sickles has lived abroad all her life, and was educated in a Spanish convent. Two years ago she came to New York on a visit to her father, and remained with him a year. She spent a winter in Washington, and while in New York attended the famous Bradley Martin ball, where her impersonation of Queen Louise of Prussia was greatly admired.

The wedding will take place during the first week in October. Owing to the troubles between the United States and Spain the marriage will be celebrated in London, the groom's home. Mr. Crackanthorpe and his bride will visit New York next spring.

MAN-EATING SHARK.

Attacks a Bather in Prince's Bay and Wounds Him Severely in the Side.

A man-eating shark charged a party of bathers in Prince's bay, New York, and seized one of them by the thigh. He is Charles E. Broom, a student at Mount Lorette, Pleasant Plains. He escaped death by a miracle and now lies in the Smith infirmary, seriously wounded.

For the last week a school of sharks has been seen in the bay. Prince's bay was filled with bathers. In the midst of the gayety there was a sudden cry of alarm. Some one on the beach had seen a triangular fin cleaving the water. Broom was floating far from the beach, and when the cry reached him he cast a startled look behind him. Then furiously he began to beat his way ashore.

The shark turned and Broom swam as he had never swam before. Looking toward him, the people on the beach saw a sudden commotion beside him. With a wild cry, Broom was plunged beneath the surface to reappear a moment later, shrieking in agony.

The shark had sunk its teeth in his side and dragged him under. The swimmer's desperate struggles, however, alarmed the monster, and it let go.

Weak and trembling, Broom was hauled ashore and laid upon the sand. Dr. W. B. McNicoll found in the young man's flesh a semi-circle of deep and ragged punctures, the imprint of the man-eater's teeth.

TRADE OF SWITZERLAND.

American Merchants Need Agents in That Country to Capture the Business There

Consul Adolph L. Frankenthal, at Berne, in giving the number of commercial travelers in Switzerland licensed in the last three years, notes the fact that not one is credited to the United States. He says, further, that if circulars must be sent, they should be in German or French. In a few cases he thinks printer's ink may be of service, but a live representative who can speak these languages would be of inestimable value to houses desiring to open trade with Switzerland. The Swiss are conservative and will not accept goods C. O. D., and therefore credit for a reasonable time should be allowed. The canton of Berne is suffering for modern labor-saving machinery and novelties, and he suggests that a sample room there would be of the greatest benefit.

YUKON'S OUTPUT OF GOLD.

Maj. Walsh Says Developments Will Go Beyond the Expectations of Everybody.

Maj. J. M. Walsh, ex-commissioner of the Yukon district, who has arrived at Seattle, Wash., from Dawson, on the way to Ottawa, Canada, to make his official report, estimates this season's gold output at $11,000,000, while the clean-up for the next year will undoubtedly aggregate $20,000,000. He predicts that further development in the Yukon will go beyond the expectations of everybody.

Concerning the situation at Dawson Maj. Walsh said: "The district in the vicinity of Dawson is overpopulated by about 10,000 persons, and they must either move out and prospect new territory or leave the district."

Single Tax in China.

The Chinese are perhaps the most lightly taxed people in the world. In China all the land belongs to the state, and a trifling sum per acre—never altered through long centuries—is paid as rent. This is the only tax in the country, and it amounts to about 60 cents per head yearly.

Own Their Gas Works.

More than 200 municipalities in England, Scotland and Ireland now own the municipal gas works.

This Is Easy.

It is easy enough running into debt, but you rarely get out of it at the same gait.