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THIEF GIVES IT UP

PENILESS AND PENITENT HE IS NOW READY FOR PUNISHMENT.

SQUANDERS HIS-GOTTEN GAINS

RETURNS FROM TOUR OF THE GLOBE AND CONFESSES HIS ROBBERY.

STOLE GEMS WORTH \$15,000

WITH TWO ACCOMPLICES HE ROBBED HIS EMPLOYER IN HOTEL.

Chicago, June 28. — Trembling inwardly with fear while making an appearance of the sangfroid of a wealthy nabob, haunted day and night with apprehension of ultimate exposure, William Baer yesterday brought a tour of the globe to an end in the lieutenant's office at detective headquarters.

Naples, Berlin, Paris, London, Tokyo—all these and more were the scenes of his dissipation and efforts to dodge the police. Then when this had been successfully done and he was penniless and worn out with the strain, Baer returned to Chicago. He arrived here yesterday a wreck. Three hours after his arrival Detectives Thomson and Gallagher took him into custody. When arrested he was a physical and mental wreck. Half an hour later, with evident relief, he was recounting to the police all the details of the theft.

Details of the Theft of Mrs. J. E. Webster's diamonds at the Hotel Melrose, Los Angeles, Cal. According to the prisoner the robbery was planned almost as soon as their victim left her Brooklyn home to travel in California. After all their scheming and planning, the desperate chances they took and their subsequent flight, neither Baer nor John Engvall and Charles Reinlin, his confederates and fellow prisoners, had money left to conduct their defense. In view of that fact all have confessed.

"I was employed by Mrs. Webster during her California tour," said Baer in explaining the crime. "I planned some means of robbing her and during October I met Engvall and Reinlin. Both were out of work. I furnished them money to live and keep up their appearance in order to make the robbery possible. Finally both were enabled.

To Secure Positions at the Hotel Melrose, Reinlin as clerk and Engvall as a bellboy. Mrs. Webster frequently kept her jewelry in the office safe, and we watched for an opportunity to abstract it. Finally the plan was executed, the stones

were taken from their case and the latter was returned to the safe." He tells of his visits to several of the large cities and the final division of the plunder. Then to get away from everything he began his globe trotting tour which wound up in the police station yesterday.

The gems stolen by the trio were valued at \$15,000, and they disappeared so mysteriously that for months the police were unable to secure the slightest clue. They are now scattered in all directions, where they were sold or pawned by the thieves.

THANKS FOR KAISER.

Sentiments in the Emperor's Message Are Reciprocated by Roosevelt. Washington, June 28. — President Roosevelt yesterday sent the following telegram of thanks to Emperor William in reply to the latter's message regarding the American squadron at Kiel:

"I thank your majesty for your gracious welcome to the United States squadron and for the complimentary expressions of your dispatch. I had already received notice from Admiral Cotton of the Emperor's show and his reception by your majesty. I am deeply impressed by these tokens of your majesty's friendship and good will toward the United States, and I reciprocate in the warmest manner the sentiments which your dispatch conveys."

MURDERED IN CHURCH.

Posse of Citizens on the Trail of the Assassin.

Springfield, Ill., June 28. — John Hawker of Moccasin was murdered in church Thursday night and a posse of citizens are on the trail of the murderer. Hawker had been attending the services at Moccasin, and after the services were concluded and the lights had been extinguished he was heard to remark: "Where was Moses when the lights went out?" The next heard was a groan from Hawker as some one stabbed him to the heart with a knife.

CLOUDBURST AT TOPEKA.

Kansas Capital Is Again Visited by a Big Flood.

Topeka, Kan., June 28.—A rainstorm that amounted practically to a cloudburst, broke over Topeka after midnight. A number of residents in South Topeka were compelled to flee to higher ground, while a few smaller houses were washed from their foundations. The Kaw is also rising.

Great Increase Shown in the New York Assessment for This Year.

New York, June 28.—New York's real estate assessments this year amount to \$4,730,000,000, an increase of \$1,400,000,000 over last year. The personal assessments are \$678,000,000, an increase of \$153,000,000. The total increase in assessed values is \$1,553,000,000. The estimated tax rate this year is \$1.40, against \$2.27 last year.

IS CORNELL'S DAY

WINS ALL THREE RACES IN THE INTERCOLLEGIATE REGATTA.

WISCONSIN GETS THREE THIRDS

FOR FIRST TIME IN YEARS THERE WERE SOME DISTINCT SURPRISES.

COLUMBIA'S MISERABLE FAILURE

CREWS FROM WHICH MUCH WAS EXPECTED ARE HOPELESSLY BEATEN.

Poughkeepsie, N. Y., June 28.—For the first time in years there was distinct surprise in the intercollegiate races here yesterday. Two crews of practically unknown quantities and whose chances had not predicted or had not hoped for them, and in fact, after than fourth of fifth places in their respective races, each finished in the two most important races of the day. The Syracuse university crew took such close second honors in the freshman race that for the last half-mile it was a serious question whether her boys would not pull to victory. Georgetown university, in the varsity race, while finishing a very bad second to the phenomenal crew put in the race by Cornell university, walked away from the other four crews in the race, old timers, with the exception of Syracuse, in a manner that made the rowing shells simply throw up their hats for joy. Columbia university crews, from which very much had been promised, finished in

The Worst Possible Shape,

although in the bottom, in the general predictions and in the prognostications of her coach, she was supposed to have an excellent chance in both the four-oared and varsity races. As it was, she finished last in the four-oared race, being beaten out even by Wisconsin, which had just a green crew in the field in a shell borrowed from Columbia. In the freshman race she was the fourth crew, and a poor fourth, Wisconsin was third, with Pennsylvania, from whom nothing had been expected as her crew had been materially changed in the last few days, a close fifth.

In the varsity race Columbia finished last, being at least six lengths behind Syracuse, the fifth crew in the race, and at least four out of her eight men collapsing in the boat as the finish line was crossed.

It was, as it has been for the past two years, Cornell day. As in last year's regatta Cornell

Won All Three Races,

and while only one record was broken—the freshman race—it is the general consensus of opinion that had the Cornell varsity crew been pressed the record would have been broken even in that race. The varsity race, as a matter of fact, was a miserable walk-over, Cornell taking the lead before the mile-post had been reached and rowing away from her competitors in a manner so easy that at no time was she pressed for first place.

The following is a summary of the races:

Varsity four-oared race, two miles—Cornell first, time 10:34; Pennsylvania second, Wisconsin third, Columbia fourth.

Freshman race, eight-oared, two miles—Cornell first, time 9:18; Syracuse second, Wisconsin third, Columbia fourth, Pennsylvania fifth.

Varsity race, four miles, eight-oared—Cornell first, time 18:57; Georgetown second, Wisconsin third, Pennsylvania, fourth, Syracuse fifth, Columbia sixth.

WAS HE KILLED?

Jackson People Anxious Over Disappearance of Witness for State.

Jackson, Ky., June 28.—There is considerable anxiety over the disappearance of Ray Haddick, who testified to seeing Crawford and Sharp, teamsters for Hargis, coming away from Ewen's hotel just before it was burned. Following an assault on the bridge one night and threats to burn him out, guards were placed around Haddick's house, but the guards have been removed and Haddick is missing. He was the principal witness for the arson cases to be considered by the grand jury on July 20.

WESTERN FIRMS INVITED

To Submit Designs for the New Federal Building at Superior. Washington, June 28.—Radcliffe & Scoville of Duluth and Ferry & Clas of Milwaukee have accepted invitations to compete in submitting designs for the proposed government building at Superior, Wis. Congress has appropriated \$300,000 for the erection of the building.

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RUSSIA REGRETS

SORRY THAT ROOSEVELT WILL FORWARD PETITION OF THE JEWS.

WILL KICK UP NO FUSS ABOUT IT

PETITION WILL BE HANDED BACK WITH EXPRESSION OF GOOD WILL.

CANNOT SACRIFICE PRINCIPLE

OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER POWERS.

Washington, June 28.—The Russian government has learned with profound regret of the intention of the Washington authorities to forward to St. Petersburg a petition from American Jewish people relative to Russia's treatment to the Jews.

It is hoped that the United States will appreciate the Russian view of the case and will content itself with the kindly expressions of sympathy which it already has offered for the affair at Kischineff. The Associated Press already has stated the Russian position regarding what is considered outside interference in the internal affairs of Russia.

That position continues to be held and the Associated Press is further permitted to say that Mr. Riddle, the American charge, when he presents the petition at the Russian foreign office, will be received with the same cordiality always accorded an American envoy.

In returning the petition to Mr. Riddle the officials will assure him that Russia cherishes no ill will toward the United States and that the action it takes with respect to the petition is necessary in view of Russia's unalterable policy of

Refraining From Interference

in the internal affairs of other powers and insisting on similar treatment for itself. The Russian government hopes its firmness in the matter will not be misunderstood, but in view of the announcement of its position weeks ago it is surprised at the developments which will force a retraction of its views. Mr. Riddle, it can be stated, will be subjected to no personal embarrassment in presenting the petition and he will be given to understand that the St. Petersburg authorities appreciate the fact that he is only carrying out his orders. Should the presentation of the petition be deferred until the return to St. Petersburg of Mr. McCormick, the American ambassador to Russia, the same program will obtain, unless in the meantime the Russian government is made aware of extenuating circumstances, which will put the matter in a different light.

Indeed, it is declared Russia would be glad to do anything possible to relieve the tension in the United States, but it feels unable to sacrifice principle which it has followed hitherto and the American support of which it has warmly endorsed.

ANARCHISTS TAKE FLIGHT.

Rather Than Go to Prison They Soak Their Bondsman.

Paterson, N. J., June 28.—When William MacQueen and Rudolph Grossman, the anarchists, were called upon in court yesterday to surrender themselves and serve five years in state prison, they did not respond and the court declared their bail of \$12,000 forfeited. It was said that MacQueen had fled to England and that Gross-

SERIOUS IN THE ORIENT.

United States Will Make Demands and Japan Is Ready to Fight.

Tokyo, June 28.—The opening of Mukden and Tatunikon in Manchuria, which was the subject of the Japanese demands some time ago, yesterday was the occasion in connection with the proposed American commercial treaty of a visit by Minister Conger to the board of foreign affairs. It is understood the United States, acting in concert with Japan, will make a formal demand for the opening of Mukden and Tatunikon as soon as Mr. Conger can arrange an interview with Prince CHIAO.

London, June 28.—The Tokio correspondent of the Times says public opinion in Japan with regard to the Manchurian question is increasing daily. The most sober journals declare that the nation would support the government in taking strong measures. A council of all the leading statesmen was held at the palace yesterday and it is rumored that as a result thereof the government intends to address a protest direct to St. Petersburg. Other information which may be considered as more reliable says that the Japanese government is awaiting the outcome of the negotiations at Peking, and if they prove injurious to the interests and rights of Japan, the government will not shrink from the necessary measures. The gravity of the situation, concludes the Times correspondent, is fully recognized in official circles.

THE NEW TOWN OF KELLIHER

situated as it is, at the head Bullhead Lake, and at the terminus of the Bullhead branch of the M. & I. railway, and being in the heart of the timber district where logging will be carried on extensively for the next fifteen years, is bound to be a thriving town in a very short time. The soil in this vicinity is loam with clay subsoil, showing excellent prospects in regard to agricultural purposes. The

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