

RUSSIANS FIRED ON EACH OTHER FOR 15 MINUTES

Court Martial Over Loss of Cruisers Yenissei and Bayarin Shows Most Lamentable Blunders Were Made.

NO ATTEMPT TOWARD RESCUE

Captain of Bayarin Accused But Was Not Condemned Owing to Production of a Favorable Letter.

St. Petersburg, via frontier, April 25.—The naval court martial of the captain of the cruiser Bayarin which struck a mine and was partially destroyed near Port Arthur, February 13, has brought out some sensational facts not heretofore published.

According to the testimony the Bayarin sighted a ship in the fog of Dalny Bay, before she struck the mine. For fifteen minutes a duel between the ships ensued, before it was discovered that the other ship was the Russian Yenissei. The Yenissei and the Bayarin were both damaged in the fight. The Yenissei, subsequently, while manoeuvring, struck a mine and sank. The Bayarin withdrew without attempting to save the drowning crew of the Yenissei.

Later the Bayarin also struck a mine. Her crew landed but the captain neglected to fasten a hawser and the cruiser drifted to sea and was lost. In defense of his action the captain said that owing to Admiral Stark's orders that the torpedo disaster must be retrieved he had not slept for four days. He produced a letter from the dowager-empress, congratulating him on his courage in saving the crew of his vessel.

GREAT STRIKE THREATENED

Many Thousands of Government Workers May Lay Down Their Needles.

New York, April 25.—The general executive committee of the United Garment Workers of America has met in this city and has ordered a strike, to go into effect at once, of the 100,000 garment workers in the United States, affecting indirectly 250,000 workers, of whom there are 35,000 in New York. When the employers heard of the action, they induced the union leaders to rescind the order and to permit conferences to be held during the week.

The conferences will be pushed, as the workers have resolved to strike May 1 if the differences are not settled. The action of the union leaders was taken because the National Association of Clothiers, 2,000 strong, decided at Philadelphia recently to adopt the "open shop" and organize a "national labor bureau" to supply employers with nonunion hands.

Canteen in Soldiers' Home.

Bath, N. Y., April 25.—The executive committee of the board of trustees of the State Soldiers' home at a meeting here retained counsel to take steps to secure the continuance of the canteen at the home. According to the opinion of Attorney General Cunnison, the canteen at the Hedding M. E. church tomorrow evening is as follows:

Programme for Pipe Organ Recital. The programme for the pipe organ recital at the Hedding M. E. church tomorrow evening is as follows:

Concert at the Universalist Church. The following program will be rendered at the concert to be given in the Universalist church this week Friday evening:

Recruit for the Hearst Ranks. Washington, April 25.—A son has been born to Representative and Mrs. William Randolph Hearst.

ATTEMPT ON PRES. LOUBET

Assassins Failed in Their Design.

OCCURRENCE WAS IN ROME

French Executive Was Visiting King Victor--Italian Censorship on News.

Berlin, April 25.—Tageblatt has a code message from Rome, reporting an attempt to assassinate President Loubet who is in the Italian capital on a visit to King Victor. The plot was discovered and frustrated. A similar code message has reached prominent financiers on the Bourse. The Italian censorship has suppressed direct news of the attempt.

CROTO WAS EXCITED.

Wanted to Come to Barre But Was Taken to Waterbury.

Montpelier, April 25.—B. Croto, the East Montpelier man charged with the murder of Peter Vorrone at East Montpelier last fall, but who has been pronounced insane, was taken to the state asylum Saturday afternoon, the commitment papers from the governor having been received in the forenoon. Sheriff Evans and Deputy Fitzgerald took him there.

Previous to being taken, however, Croto made considerable of a disturbance, showing a great desire to go to Barre. He jumped upon the dinner table, took hold of one of the boards, and yanked off a strip six feet long and four inches wide. With this stick he reached over and broke one of the windows.

Deputy Fitzgerald was in the basement and heard the noise made when the glass was broken. He hurried upstairs and found Croto jumping around in the cage with the stick in his hand. The rest of the cage was empty. The prisoners were in their cells, but whether they ran to get out of Croto's way did not seem apparent. They claimed they were in the cells at the time.

Croto would not be quieted. He wanted to see different people, but his principal desire was to go to Barre. He told the officer he would not mind him as he was not on duty. He said he would rather stay in the jail at Barre.

SHE WANTED A DIVORCE.

Emma A. Pratt Says Her Husband Made False Representation.

Montpelier, April 25.—The divorce petition of Emma A. Pratt vs. Calvin G. Pratt, which was partially heard in county court, Saturday, was continued this afternoon. At the March term of county court in 1903, Calvin G. Pratt secured a divorce from his wife, Emma A., on the grounds of adultery, no contest being made in the case. She now asks the court to vacate the judgment in that case, reinstate herself and Mr. Pratt in the marital relations and grant her a divorce on the grounds of intolerable severity. She claims that the reason she made no defence in the case last year was that her husband wrote to her while she was in Canada and told her that he would drop proceedings and would go to Canada to live with her again. She says that she had a good and valid defence to the suit and would have defended it if it had not been for his letters and promises; that the next she heard was that he had secured a divorce; that she at once had the present suit brought.

Bogus Lord Sentenced to Die. St. Louis, April 25.—Sentence of death has been passed upon "Lord" Frederick Seymour Barrington in the circuit court in Clayton. Barrington was convicted of murdering James P. McManis, his benefactor. Judge McElhinny granted a stay of execution until July 23.

WHO IS YOUR FAVORITE?

Standing of Candidates in Times' World's Contest.

Table with columns for Candidate Name and Votes. Includes names like W. H. Eager, Thos. Merz, Geo. W. Gorman, etc.

TEMPERANCE REFORM.

Rev. F. A. Poole Advocates Additional Options

TO PRESENT LICENSE LAW

Believes People Should Have Right to Say How Liquors Shall Be Sold.

At the Congregational church last evening the Rev. F. A. Poole gave the concluding address in a series of three, on "Possible and Practical Temperance Reform." The address dealt particularly with the possibilities of reform in Vermont. The speaker stated that he thoroughly believes in local option and that the local option by each community should go further and say in what manner liquor should be sold—provided the town votes "yes" when by individuals or communities or companies with the element of gain eliminated.

Mr. Poole spoke in part as follows: At the outset we meet this question, Is the policy of Vermont settled with respect to the liquor traffic? Is the local option system, with prohibition and high license as the two alternatives, to be permanent system in the state? And if not, what are the other possibilities?

There is one feature of the present law that is good. It should be perpetuated. Local option is democratic and American. It is government by the people. It is home rule. And upon this question of the sale of liquor as a beverage, every community should have the chance to express itself. And the speaker urged the advantage of local prohibition. A desirable no-license victory, aggressively used, will give, perhaps, the best conditions possible.

Local option is good—so good in fact, that we should have more of it. Trust the community, by all means, to deal with the liquor traffic. And not in part but in full. It is a very limited option that is now afforded us. We determine whether or not liquor shall be sold in the town, but when it comes to the matter of saying how the liquor shall be sold, in what manner, we have no voice at all. One possibility, therefore, is that of extending the local option.

There are three great sources of intemperance. The first and most fundamental is the appetite of men, the abnormal craving for alcohol. The second is the incentive of gain. There is money in the liquor business. The fortunate man who gets the special privilege of a license has a rare chance to make money. And he sure he will improve it. He will push the sale of liquor. In this country the liquor business is a tremendous one, the capital invested is enormous. Every effort therefore is made to create and enlarge a market for his goods.

The third source of intemperance is the social instinct in man. The saloon has found a way to minister to it. It is a social center as well as a liquor bar. And the combination is effective in promoting intemperance.

Now each and all of these sources should receive attention. The drunkard should be helped to overcome his appetite. The incentive of profit should be eliminated from the liquor business. Shut the saloon up, if you can; if you can't, remove the incentive of gain. A great step forward in the line of reform has surely been taken when the sale of liquor has lost the motive of gain. And again the craving for social fellowship should be satisfied. Some institution other than the saloon should cater to the social instinct, intelligently, effectively, acceptably.

At the lines then, of the elimination of private profit, and the provision of social substitutes for the saloon, there are reform possibilities in Vermont. And we ought to have a local option freed from the present limitations, with a chance afforded to put these possibilities to the test.

Here, then, is my proposition for a more extended local option. Once a year, as we do at present, let us vote upon the question whether or not liquor shall be sold. And then, on the assumption that the town votes "yes," as a second expression of the local will, a further option to be given the community; let us say how the liquor shall be sold. In other words, let local option determine whether private individuals who receive the licenses shall conduct the business for their own emolument, or whether the sale of liquor shall be in a manner that removes private gain. And here there are two alternatives. The municipality can establish retail saloons, or a company of disinterested citizens can be organized for the purpose. In either case, and this provision is vital, the profits of the traffic shall be used to provide substitutes for the saloon.

The better way as separating the business not completely from politics, will be to put the traffic in the hands of a company. The current rate of interest could be paid on the capital invested, and all surplus profit could be devoted to providing a social rendezvous with many attractive features.

The saloons of this company would be conducted in general as those of the People's Refreshment Association in the United Kingdom are. The manager, who should be a man of character, would be paid a fixed salary, and given a commission on the food and temperance drinks which he should sell. And while the man who asked for beer or whiskey would be served without unpleasantness, he would not be allowed to drink to excess. No minors would be served, and every reasonable effort would be made to reduce intemperance. There would be no motive

to break, and every motive to keep, the law. Thus with the removal of the incentive of gain, and with the great profits of the traffic going, not into the pockets of an individual, but utilized to provide counter social attractions to the saloon, a distinct advance would be made in the direction of reform. For in this manner we should be combating directly the great source of intemperance.

And why is this not possible? Why might not the present law be so amended as to give us this further option? And why, indeed, if local option be right and good, should we not have this second option as well as the first? With the triple object of eliminating gain, severing from politics, and providing social substitutes for the saloon, why not put it to the test? Here is an opportunity for the state of Vermont. The chance for leadership is ours. It is possible that we may give to the nation a new and better method of dealing with the liquor traffic.

BALL PLAYERS ARRESTED

Attempt to Stop Sunday Base Ball.

BUT THE GAME CONTINUED

Test Case Will Be Made to Determine the Legality of Sunday Games.

New York, April 24.—At the outset of the base ball game between the Philadelphia and Brooklyn National League teams at Washington Park, Brooklyn, today, the police arrested Pitcher Poole and Catcher Jacklitch of the home team and Frank Roth of the Philadelphia nine after the first named had pitched the second ball. They were charged with violation of that section of the penal code which prohibits racing, gaming and other public sports on the first day of the week. Manager Hanlon of the Brooklyn club then substituted Thatcher and Ritter as the local battery and the game proceeded without any further interruption.

Whether the playing of base ball games in Greater New York on Sunday is illegal, is to be decided on a test case, the first step in which was the action today taken under instructions from Police Commissioner McAdoo. Besides the players three sellers of score cards on the grounds were taken into custody.

LEAGUE BASE BALL.

Boston Americans Downed Philadelphia Saturday.

Saturday's National League scores: Brooklyn 3, Boston 2. New York 10, Philadelphia 1. Pittsburgh 6, Cincinnati 5 (10 innings). St. Louis 2, Chicago 1.

Yesterday's National League scores: At Cincinnati, Cincinnati 6, Pittsburgh 5. At Chicago, St. Louis 4, Chicago 3.

National League Standing.

Table with columns for Team, Won, Lost, Pct. Includes teams like New York, Cincinnati, St. Louis, etc.

Saturday's American League scores:

Boston 3, Philadelphia 1. Chicago 4, Cleveland 3. St. Louis 3, Detroit 1 (10 innings). New York 4, Washington 3.

Yesterday's American League scores: At New York, Brooklyn 8, Philadelphia 6. At Chicago, Chicago 5, Cleveland 4. At St. Louis, St. Louis 4, Detroit 4, (12 innings).

American League Standing.

Table with columns for Team, Won, Lost, Pct. Includes teams like Boston, Philadelphia, Chicago, etc.

College Games.

At West Point, Harvard 12, West Point 3. At New Haven, Yale 2, Penn 0. At Providence, Brown 7, Princeton 5. At Worcester, Holy Cross 14, University of Maine 1. At Amherst, Amherst 18, Trinity 1. At Haverhill, Tufts 9, Haverhill (New England League) 6. At Exeter, Phillips Exeter 8, Boston College 4. At Brunswick, Bowdoin 7, Bates 5, (10 innings). At Annapolis, Annapolis 2, Washington & Lee 1. At Ithaca, Cornell 5, Syracuse (New York State League) 4. At Northfield, Vt., Dartmouth medical school 10, Norwich University 0. At Middletown, Conn., Wesleyan 13, Rutgers 3. At Burlington, Vermont 14, R. P. I. 1.

LOCAL BALL TEAM.

Management Said to be Getting Some Fine Players.

The Barre-Montpelier base ball team will report for duty June 23 and will have a week for practice before the season opens. It is expected several exhibition games will be played here to limber up the team, and give the people of both cities a chance to get acquainted with the players. The Montpelier management will not announce the nine until all the contracts are signed and its still hunt is mystifying the other teams in the league.

That it will have a fast set of men goes without much argument. One of the pitchers signed played his first game of the season at Lynn, Mass., last Tuesday when two independent teams faced each other. He was up against Conkley, the old Holy Cross pitcher, who was with the Philadelphia American League last season, and made a record of striking out 13 men. Only four safe hits were made off him. The score of the game was 2 to 1.

Please keep in mind the good time that is coming at Hale's pavilion Thursday evening, April 28. Just remember it's only 15 cents admission and in return you are getting 35 cents worth of enjoyment. Cake and ice cream will be on sale. It is the ladies of the Church of the Good Shepherd that are trying to make this a success. Watch for the programme.

ROBERTSON-MURRAY.

Marriage Saturday Afternoon, With Reception in the Evening.

Miss Jermina Murray and George Robertson were married Saturday afternoon at 3 o'clock, in the city clerk's office, by B. H. Wells. In the evening the marriage was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Forbes of Circle street, when a large company of friends met and presented the bride couple a silver tea set of four pieces, also a butter cooler, one-half dozen knives and forks and a handsome clock.

Afterwards refreshments were served and health to the bride and groom given, at which time Mr. Duncan made an able speech. Dancing was indulged in, and there were songs, step dances and bag pipe playing, up to the hour of midnight when the company, after spending a very happy and pleasant evening, closed the celebration with Auld Lang Syne. Mr. and Mrs. Robertson were accompanied to the depot by a party of friends and by them were given a hearty send-off. They will spend their honeymoon in New York.

MRS. McMILLAN'S FUNERAL.

Held Yesterday Afternoon With Many Friends Attending.

The funeral of Mrs. Charles W. McMillan was held from her late home on Aoadway street at 2:30 o'clock yesterday afternoon, the Rev. T. H. Mitchell officiating. The house did not begin to hold the large number of mourning friends who gathered, and the profusion of floral tributes, the casket being banked in beautiful bouquets and set pieces, bore silent testimony to the love and esteem of all her friends.

A quartette composed of Miss Emma Phillips, Miss McDonald, William McMillan and David Wylie sang two selections. The pall bearers were James R. Conitts, Fred Burman, Duncan McMillan, James McMillan, James Inlath and William Moore. The interment was in Hope cemetery.

ACCIDENT AT SO. RYEGATE.

Two Quarrymen Hurt by Premature Explosion.

So. Ryegate, April 25.—Two quarrymen were hurt in an accident on Blue Mountain today. Daniel Morrison and Alex McDonald were pouring powder in a seam, when one stone slipped and ignited the powder, blowing the keg out from under the arm of Morrison. He was blown about 15 feet in the air and had all the hair burned off his head. He may lose his eyesight. The other man was not so badly injured. They were taken home and Dr. Darling called. The two men are brothers-in-law.

SUGAR SEASON CLOSED.

F. C. Little of Barre Town Made Very Large Amount.

The sugar-making season closed today, and most of the makers have taken in their buckets. The season has been a notable one, in the amount of sugar made and the quality. Among the successful ones in this vicinity is F. C. Little of the town of Barre. Last week Mr. Little made 1,800 pounds of sugar from 945 tubs, which is a remarkable record. And he states that the yield was very fine notwithstanding that it was late in the season. His total crop this season was 3,200 pounds, which is about 1,000 pounds more than the average. Last year he made only 1,300.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

The Bailey moving picture company will appear in Barre May 2, not May 10. Mrs. Harry Segel returned this afternoon from a few days visit in Burlington. Don't fail to attend the Easter festival and see Dr. F. M. Lynde as the gallant Englishman.

There will be a rehearsal of the farce to be presented at the Easter festival, this evening at 7 o'clock. O. H. Hale and Shipley & Jones have petitioned for a committee of award to determine the damage which will fall to them on the widening of Pearl street. Miss Nellie Stoughton and Miss Bessie Whitcomb returned this afternoon from Burlington where they went to attend the junior promenade at U. V. M. last week.