

PEARY SAILS TO-DAY.

Denies Report That the Roosevelt Is Leaving Forward.

Commander Peary announced last night that he would take the Roosevelt out on her long voyage to the North this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

"There is always a certain amount of water in every ship," he said. "It comes from the exhaust of the boilers and condensation along the sides."

Commander Peary said last night that he had not made his selection of a surgeon, but would do so to-day before sailing.

While receiving the \$25,000 for which he asked, Commander Peary received a check from Rudolph Klybucke, of No. 27 William-st., for \$2,000.

Commander Peary abandoned the idea of carrying a wireless telegraph equipment, and reports of his whereabouts will be few after he takes to the sledges at Cape Sabine.

PEARY'S BUILDER LOSES.

In Constructing the Roosevelt He Exceeded Contract Price.

Bucksport, Me., July 13 (Special).—Drexel & Co., of Philadelphia, hold a mortgage on the Venus Island Shipyard to secure a loan made to Captain Charles A. Dix, who needed the money to complete the Roosevelt, the ship which Commander Peary expects to force within 400 miles of the North Pole.

The Roosevelt was to cost about \$37,000, exclusive of a number of minor contracts. Through the changes made in the work at Peary's suggestion, Captain Dix exhausted his funds and was unable to complete the vessel.

Captain Dix said yesterday that he had not asked Peary for written orders when he desired changes made, because he did not wish to be mean. The work on the ship had cost him about \$48,000, and he had figured that \$700 would complete her.

Lewis L. Delafeld, who represents the Peary Arctic Club, said last night regarding the foregoing dispatch:

So far as it intimates that the Peary Arctic Club has not met its full obligations, I might waive the assertion aside, because no man in his senses would believe anything of the sort of Commander Peary or of an organization controlled by Morris K. Jesup, Henry Parish, Anton A. Rover and their associates.

The United States Treasury Department has levied a fine of \$500 on the Roosevelt for leaving the harbor of Portland, Me., without proper clearance papers.

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PEARY SEES BOER WAR SHOW.

Gun Captured at Real Battle of Paardeberg Given to Him.

Commander Robert E. Peary was the guest of honor at a special performance of the Boer War Spectacle, at Brighton Beach yesterday, when \$20,000 was realized, which practically covered the amount necessary for his trip.

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A group of children bearing American flags crowded about the guests as they sang "The Star Spangled Banner." The children were introduced to Commander Peary by Captain Lewis.

THIEF TRAP WORKED TOO WELL.

Wires Strung to Shock Rose Stealers Cause Downfall of Lampjigger.

Philadelphia, July 14.—Having suffered for a long time from the depredations of boys who stole his roses, William C. Hartman rigged an electric trap for them around the back fence at his home, No. 2319 West York-st., on the sidewalk with copper wires, which he connected with batteries in his home.

It worked too well. Thomas Van Ney, a city lampjigger, came along to clean a gas lamp near the Hartman fence. He stepped upon the fence to steady himself. With one foot on his ladder, he got the shock and fell to the sidewalk with a yell.

SLEW IN SELF-DEFENCE.

Witness Says Gerdon Threatened Woman Who Murdered Him.

The inquest into the death of Emile Gerdon, who was killed by Berthe Claiha, the little French girl who says she was his slave, was begun yesterday before Coroner Scholer.

Mrs. Leon, the mother of the girl; Irma and Jeanette, step-sisters of Berthe; Elise Meyer, Berthe's chum, and Mrs. Francis, who is trying to raise money for her defence, arrived early.

The prisoner was brought into court shortly after 11 o'clock. She was attired in a blue skirt, white silk waist, white straw hat and tan shoes, and appeared alive to the gravity of the situation.

Coroner Scholer read a brief résumé of the case to the jurors, and also the autopsy statement submitted by his physician.

Patrolman E. C. Zencodolous, of the West 99th-st. station, told how he was called on the night of June 15 to the woman's apartment.

Edward Moy, of No. 54 Franklin-ave., Brooklyn, was the witness, who was passing the apartment at the time, said that the woman rushed out of the door and tried to kill her.

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With the exception of one year, there has been a steady increase in the number of students since the opening year, 1900, when the total was 417.

The percentage of men is steadily increasing. Last year 46 per cent were men. A feature is the number of college graduates and students of some collegiate training, there being 30 per cent last year as against 25 per cent the year previous.

One of the features this year will be the special attention paid to the co-ordination of courses with the other departments of the university.

The buildings of the university are open in the summer the same as in the winter, and the students have all the facilities of the regular course.

Every day this month, and until August 16, Dr. George Krilich will give a series of lectures on the history of art, divided into five sections—ancient, medieval, the middle ages, the renaissance and the eighteenth century.

The total number of courses offered this year in the university is 25, a reduction of 20 in the first year, while there are this year 21 professors, 25 instructors and 26 assistants, as compared with 20 professors, 24 instructors and 26 assistants in the opening of the summer school.

MUST PAY WIFE OR GO TO JAIL.

Henry G. Moore in Contempt for Refusing to Satisfy Alimony Judgment.

Henry G. Moore, the son of the late Andrew H. Moore, a Philadelphia wholesaler merchant, was yesterday adjudged in contempt of court by Justice Conlan, of the City Court, for refusing to turn over a check for \$1,100 to Gertrude Moore, who holds a judgment for \$2,665 for unpaid alimony.

Moore was examined by Judge Lewis in supplementary proceedings recently on this judgment, and it was shown that he receives from his father's estate \$1,300 a year, getting a check each month.

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CHURCH AND RELIGIOUS NEWS AND NOTES.

WORK OF VACATION BIBLE SCHOOLS IN BEHALF OF TENEMENT CHILDREN.

The census of 1900 reported 876,707 children between five and fourteen years of age in the Borough of Manhattan and 231,565 in the Borough of Brooklyn. It is estimated that 301,105 of those in Manhattan live in tenement houses and 131,802 in the Borough of Brooklyn, a total of 432,907.

But neither the public school buildings occupied by vacation schools nor the children's summer philanthropies are yet adequate to protect, benefit and save the children from the discomforts and dangers of the summer vacation season.

Just at this season of the year the seminaries and universities are closing their doors and thousands of Christian young men and women who have shared in the culture and uplift of these are free to engage in some earnest effort to impart their knowledge to the less favored, as in the great conferences of students at Northfield and Silver Bay.

Every Monday afternoon a conference of the entire staff will be held in St. Mark's Church building.

The department of work is being instituted and organized under the oversight of the Rev. R. G. Boville, who is devoting the entire summer to the work, and who founded the movement. He believes that the highest type of young men and young women can be enlisted enthusiastically in a practical work of this character.

The committee created to conduct this new department comprises the Rev. Dr. John C. McManis, of the Baptist Church, 11th-st.; Rev. Dr. J. J. F. Egan, of St. Joseph's Church, 95th-st.; Rev. Dr. J. J. F. Egan, of St. Joseph's Church, 95th-st.; Rev. Dr. J. J. F. Egan, of St. Joseph's Church, 95th-st.

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The Howard Publishing Company, of Morristown, N. J., announce the publication of a new book entitled "Life of Captain Farnham" by Rev. Andrew M. Sherman. Mr. Sherman is a historian who has made an especial study of the history of Morristown. N. J. O'Brien was a naval hero of the Revolution. He was born at Kittery, Me., and became captain of the "Machias Liberty and the Diligent," that spent their time in harassing British shipping about New-England.

The West End Presbyterian Church the services will be conducted by Dr. John L. Withrow, formerly moderator of the General Assembly. He will preach morning and evening. The Rev. William Bishop Gages, assistant minister, is to preach in the Washington Heights Church of Washington, to-morrow.

The Rev. A. J. Fisher was recently assigned by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions to a new station in China, Shek-Lun, and a new house was built for the missionary, his wife and their small child.

To have to refuse the unconditional gift of a building and property estimated to be worth \$5,000 (Mexican) because of a belief that trouble might be caused among some of the people, was the unpleasant experience of the Rev. A. R. Kepler, a missionary under the Presbyterian Foreign Board at Soo-Chow, China.

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The Wanamaker Store Store Closes at 12 o'clock Men's Negligee Shirts at 50c A fine new lot just received yesterday, made of excellent madras, in all the most desirable colorings of the season—blue, pink, brown, tan, gray and heliotrope, in many different shades.

Women's Summer Skirts At \$2.50, worth \$5 At \$4, worth \$7.50 At \$3.50, worth \$10 At \$6.50, worth \$12 Linen, mohair—all light and dashing and trim. Carefully tailored skirts that set well over the hips, and hang with a graceful, stylish flare.

The SHOES You Want Here are full supplies of exactly the shoes wanted for Summer holidays and business days. Prompt service and best satisfaction at WANAMAKER'S. Here are a few suggestions: Women's \$2 to \$3 Oxfords at \$1.50. Women's Oxfords at \$2, worth \$3. Men's Tan and Black Oxfords at \$1.90, worth \$2.50. Men's Rubber-soled Oxfords at \$1, worth \$1.50.

The Under-Price Store BASEMENT 10c Fancy Chambray Gingham at 5c a yard Imitation Torchon Laces at One Half Their Worth Madras Shirt-Waists at \$1 Each, worth \$1.25 to \$2.25 Women's Silk Gloves at 35c a Pair, worth 50c Women's Lisle Gloves at 25c a Pair, worth 35c Medium-weight Bedspreads at \$1, instead of \$1.50 25c and 35c French Tooth Brushes at 15c Each Bath Sprays at 25c Each, instead of 50c Men's Jean Drawers at 15c, were 25c Men's Half Hose at 12 1/2c a Pair, worth 18c Women's Stockings at 12 1/2c a Pair, worth 18c

JOHN WANAMAKER Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co., Broadway, Fourth Avenue, Ninth and Tenth Streets.

ELECTRIC LIGHTING FOR CITY. INDICT WEAVER'S FOE.

Plans for Huge Plant Approved by the Board of Estimate. Two weeks ago the Board of Estimate received from a commission, headed by Cary T. Hutchinson, a long report on a proposed system and plan to light the city with electricity.

ISABELLE URQUHART A BANKRUPT. A voluntary petition in bankruptcy was filed yesterday by Miss Isabelle Standing, otherwise known as Isabelle Urquhart. The assets consist of a lot in Woodlawn Cemetery, valued at \$400; cash, \$50; wardrobe, \$50; household goods, \$200; deposited in Second National Bank, \$300.

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NEW LIBRARY OPENED. The branch of the New-York Public Library at No. 125 West 125th-st. was formally opened at the public yesterday afternoon. Alfred J. Talley, Civil Service Commissioner, presided, as the representative of Mayor McCall.

WILL GIVE \$100 TO ENCOURAGE AGRICULTURE AND STOCK BREEDING IN SUFFOLK COUNTY. The Long Island Railroad, in pursuance of its policy of co-operating with the farmers in its territory, has offered \$100 in prizes to the farmers of Suffolk County for the best products in agriculture and stock breeding.

DENY DYNAMITE WRECKED FLYER. Denying that the wreck of its fast passenger train, near Harrisburg, Penn., on May 11 last, was caused by collision with a car of dynamite or due to the negligence of its employees, the Pennsylvania Railway Company yesterday filed answer in the Circuit Court to the suit brought by Clarence F. Oppen, of this city, who asked \$20,000 damages for the accident.

WHOLESALE MURDERER LYNNED. Mobile, Ala., July 14.—Captain Dox of the steamer Condor, which has arrived here from Ceiba, reports that McGill, the negro who murdered the crew and eight passengers of the steamer Olympia, has been lynched.

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