

SCANDAL ENTERS FAMOUS FAMILY

John A. Van Rensselaer Accused by Mother of Attempted Extortion.

ADmits HE WROTE LETTER

Scion of Old Knickerbocker House Threatens Violence to Mother and is Held Prisoner in New York Jail.

NEW YORK, July 21.—John A. Van Rensselaer, son of Mrs. John King Van Rensselaer and a member of one of New York's oldest families, was taken into custody yesterday on a charge of attempted extortion. The arrest was made on a warrant from Newport, R. I., on the complaint of Mrs. Van Rensselaer, his mother, that her son had written a letter threatening her with bodily harm unless she provided him funds. Van Rensselaer is 24 years old and married. Van Rensselaer is connected with a local brokerage house and, when he returned to his home, he was placed under arrest by detectives, who produced the letter alleged to have been written by Van Rensselaer to his mother. The letter, which is without any conventional beginning or ending and of which the postscript is unsigned. Van Rensselaer was taken to police headquarters and the post of Newport, where Mrs. Van Rensselaer is residing, were notified. The prisoner made inquiries regarding his mother and spoke vaguely of a man named Lee, who had been written to by Van Rensselaer. He was carefully observed by the police. He admitted to Lieutenant Mannion that he had written the letter. Van Rensselaer is a son of John King Van Rensselaer and grandson of Brigadier-General Henry B. Van Rensselaer, aide-de-camp to Major-General Winfield Scott. The Van Rensselaers are descendants from Colonel Jeremiah Van Rensselaer, who was a member of the Colonial Assembly in this state. Young Van Rensselaer was twice married, having divorced his first wife.

CHURCH SPLITS OVER JAPS

PREACHER GIVES THEM TOO MUCH TIME, IS CHARGED.

Large Portion Bellingham Congregation Opposed to Christianizing the Orientals.

BELLINGHAM, Wash., July 21.—Because of a certain faction in the First Christian Church, which has been in the children put into the same Sunday school classes with Japanese, and because the pastor, Rev. E. H. Brooks, is said to devote too much time to Christianizing the Japanese, the congregation is badly split.

The climax to the row came Sunday when a vote was taken on whether to keep the pastor for another year or not. The minister boldly declared from the pulpit that he intends to continue his missionary work in Bellingham. The majority was in favor of keeping the minister another year. Now Brooks says he is not sure whether he will stay, and may resign.

The minority faction today declare that the utterances of the minister were decidedly un-Christian. Brooks says if it is nobby-pammy, they mean they mean, then he admits he is guilty.

PREACHER PRAISES JOHN D.

Atlanta Baptist Ministers Indorse His Kind Words.

ALTANTA, July 21.—At a meeting of the Atlanta Baptist Ministers' Association yesterday afternoon, the following resolutions were adopted: "We cheerfully indorse Dr. John D. Rockefeller, and we think it is admirable the way he has been treated. We all know Mr. Rockefeller is not the demon he is painted. While we are not in sympathy with all the methods of the Standard Oil Company, we are aware that Mr. Rockefeller deserves our appreciation for what he has done for the Baptist Church and for education."

After the observing had subsided the association gave its approval of Dr. White's words and voted resolutions by which Rockefeller for the work he has done for education. The action of the ministers will be reported to Mr. Rockefeller by Dr. White, who leaves for Cleveland, but also in Rockefeller's Euclid-Avenue Church during the temporary absence of the pastor.

COMPROMISE DAMAGE SUIT

Case Handled by Henry Dismissed in Yreka Circuit Court.

YREKA, Cal., July 20.—(Special.)—The \$65,000 damage suit instituted by Abel Ady of Klamath County, Oregon, against the Klamath Lake Railroad Company, in the Superior Court, but a county last May, has been dismissed. The action for damages was commenced in this county May 11, for alleged injuries received by the plaintiff in a wreck at Thrall. At the time that the papers were filed the case attracted a great deal of interest, not only for the large amount involved, but also for the fact that Francis J. Henry, the San Francisco Assistant District Attorney, was attorney for plaintiff. It is not known how the matter was adjusted, but it is understood a satisfactory settlement of the case was arrived at by the respective parties.

UNITE TO CRUSH YELLOWS

New Zealand Premier Predicts America Will Help Australia.

WELLINGTON, N. Z., July 21.—The prime minister, Sir Joseph G. Ward, in addressing the Liberal Labor Federation yesterday, expressed regret at the criticisms against the government in connection with the reception of the American fleet. He pointed out that the fleet is not

that of a foreign country, but of "a nation of our kind and kin of the Anglo-Saxon." "It is predicted that some day there will be a fight to decide whether a white or a yellow race will govern Australia and the other islands in the Pacific," he said. "In that crisis the entire world would have the assistance of the American fleet, which would fight shoulder to shoulder with us to preserve for future generations the rights and interests of all classes of our people. New Zealand cannot refrain from extending to the Americans what would be extended to New Zealanders, if they visited America on British warships."

RIVAL FOR HAMBURG LINE

German Prince Preparing to Form Opposition Company.

BERLIN, July 20.—Prince Christian Kraft Hohenlohe-Oehringen, who has a large interest in the Deutsche Levante Steamship Company of Hamburg, is preparing, according to the Koenigs Journal, to found a system of great shipping lines in opposition to the Hamburg-American Line. Prince Egon Fuerstenberg, the Emperor's private secretary, has agreed, the Journal affirms, to become a heavy shareholder in the new enterprise. In a four-column article, written in a spirit of opposition to the prospect, Herr Ballin, director-general of the Hamburg-American Line, affirms that Prince Hohenlohe-Oehringen presently will announce the new enterprise's plans for competing with Lloyds and the Hamburg-American lines for American and other trade.

MURDERERS DIE IN CHAIR

Current Burns Hair Off Italian When Electrocuted.

OSBURNING, N. Y., July 21.—Charles H. Rogers and Angelo Landro were electrocuted in Sing Sing prison yesterday. In the case of Landro a bright flame from the electrodes at his head was noticed after the contact, and there was an odor of burning hair. Rogers killed Willis and Frederick Olney, farmers, near Middletown, N. Y., and murdered Alice Ingrik, Olney's housekeeper, after obtaining the objects of the deeds was robbery. Rogers escaped, but a year later was arrested in Los Angeles. Landro murdered a fellow-Italian.

CIGARETTES ARE BARRED

Superintendent of Nevada Mine Issues Stringent Edict.

RENO, Nev., July 21.—Superintendent Vanderhooff, of the Copper Flat and Nevada Consolidated Mines, at Ely, has posted a notice that no man who expects to work for the concern will smoke cigarettes. This order applies to all men, whether living on or off the company's property. Miners applying for employment will be asked, the notice reads, whether they smoke. Applicants are told not to seek the superintendent unless they do not. Vanderhooff believes that his men can do more work if they do not use cigarettes.

NIAGARA GIVEN VACATION

American Falls Unharrassed During Repairs to Power Plant.

BUFFALO, N. Y., July 21.—For four days at least the American Niagara Falls will be practically unharrassed. At midnight the flow into the tunnel of the Niagara Falls Power Company was shut off and workmen put in the famous construction which has been in course of construction for several weeks. Experienced workmen were immediately sent into the tunnel, where it is more than a mile long. They will repair the damage caused by the rush of the waters for the last six years, and the battering of the ice jams against the less durable roof.

DIES FROM HIS INJURIES

H. C. Ray, Hurt in Sawmill Explosion, Passes Away.

PRAIRIE CITY, Or., July 20.—(Special.)—Hiram C. Ray, who was seriously injured at the boiler explosion at the Dixie Creek sawmill Saturday, died today. Gaugre set in in the hip and caused his death.

Ray was a stranger here, without family and without property or money, having been in the country only about a month. He was buried here this evening. The former employer and proprietor of the mill paying the funeral expenses. The other two men injured will recover.

WILL BE NO FIREWORKS

Loeb Makes Light of Predicted Naval Sensation.

OSTER BAY, N. Y., July 20.—Secretary to the President Loeb today made light of the report that unusual incidents were expected to occur at the meeting of the Naval officers with the President at the War College at Newport, R. I., on Wednesday. He intimated that the press had been misled by the number of prominent officers of the Navy meet on that day to discuss the plans of the new battleships. The President will leave Oyster Bay on board the Mayflower after sunset tomorrow evening, arriving in Newport Wednesday morning.

FALLIERS IN DENMARK

French President Welcomed by King and Dignitaries.

COPENHAGEN, July 21.—President Fallieres of France, accompanied by Foreign Minister Fichon, arrived here yesterday aboard the French battleship Verite, escorted by a squadron. President Fallieres, after his trip in the North, will visit Sweden, Norway and Russia. The French President was welcomed by King Frederik, the Royal Princes, members of the diplomatic corps and high state dignitaries.

Value of Old Violins. Springfield (Mass.) Republican. Old Italian violins are sold at no means so highly priced, when tested by auction sales, as the wily dealer would have one believe. For example, a sale which unusually good prices were realized. Yet a very fine Guadagnini went for \$1200—a dealer would try to get double that. A Ruggieri of 1709 brought \$275, and a Ruggieri of a famous maker, but alleged "Strada" fetched \$700 and \$500, respectively, clearly their genuineness. But an authentic Nicholas Amati sold for \$200, and a Gagliano, a maker whose instruments are regarded, went for \$300. But the value of a violin is what the purchaser is ready to give for it. Maud Powell, no doubt, does not grudge paying \$4000 for an instrument which the dealer had just bought for as many hundred. Violinists cannot always find a bargain in the one instrument that satisfies them.

MODEL WEDS SOCIETY MAN

SECRET KEPT BY BOTH BETTER PART OF YEAR.

Announcement Made of Marriage of Miss Beatrice Reiley to J. Harold Wimpenny, of Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA, July 20.—(Special.)—Announcement was made yesterday of the marriage last November of J. Harold Wimpenny and Miss Beatrice Reiley, both of this city. Much surprise was created by the announcement among the friends of both young people, so carefully had the couple guarded their secret. Mr. Wimpenny is a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Bolton Wimpenny, of 1432 North Broad street. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Reiley, of 1942 Jefferson street.

Bride Posed as Model. A remarkably beautiful girl, Miss Reiley had been besieged with attentions from her schoolfellows. From the time she became known, as a member of



Mrs. J. Harold Wimpenny. Her marriage to a member of a prominent Philadelphia family, though it took place last November, was announced only last week. Mrs. Wimpenny was Miss Beatrice Reiley, of 1942 Jefferson street, Philadelphia, and was formerly a model in the Sunday department of a newspaper.

A Japanese musical comedy company, playing at the Walnut-Street Theater, her beauty excited comment, as it did through reproduced in the pages of the Sunday edition of a newspaper, for which she posed as a model.

Both of these business ventures she made against the wishes of her father, who idolized her. One of the greatest blows of his life was when the news of his daughter's marriage in New York City was broken to him. "The girl never seemed to care for men," he said yesterday, as he explained how bankers and professional men, rich men and humble, all had constantly sought her, boy too, her beauty and her rare voice had brought her countless musical titles from theatrical and musical companies to which she was not permitted to listen.

GROOM IS SOCIETY MAN

Wimpenny is a prominent young society man. Moreover, he is young and handsome. As an athlete he has faced many a competitor without flinching. Yet, somehow, he did not know how to break the news of his marriage to his father. For eight months he has been waiting to find the psychological moment in which to "fess up."

But Wimpenny's mother knew his secret, and through her own interest in the story, he told her soon after the wedding, just as human nature would lead every young fellow to do. Sympathetically she helped him to keep his secret, preferring that he should tell the others himself. And just before the announcement was made Miss Beatrice's father was dead.

DIES OF RARE DISEASE

Blood Leaves Woman's Veins and Collects Under the Skin.

St. Louis Post-Dispatch. Hemorrhagic malaria, an unusual disease in this climate, caused the death of Mrs. Mary Rozum, aged 44, of Edwardsville, Ill. Mrs. Rozum died to death without an abrasion of the skin, the blood escaping from the vessels, forming in clots under the cuticle. The disease is not unusual in the South, according to Dr. Joseph E. Chambers, but it is seldom found here. It is said to be contagious and highly dangerous. Sometimes a pint of blood will escape from the capillaries and form a pocket under the skin. In some forms the disease is closely akin to spinal meningitis or spotted fever. In Mrs. Rozum's case the blood escaped from the usual channels and formed in big blotches all over the body.

The disease is caused by a peculiar form of malaria which causes a decomposition or rotting of the tissues under the surface of the cuticle. The blood then bursts through the capillaries or veins and collects under the skin, giving the patient a peculiar appearance. Mrs. Rozum had lived at Edwardsville for 25 years. She was a native of Bohemia and the mother of ten children. The Edwardsville physicians were puzzled over the disease, as they had never found a similar case in their practice. It is said to be a fatal disease. In cases like this persons actually bleed to death without losing a drop of blood. Dr. Chambers says he cannot understand how the disease is contracted. Hemorrhagic malaria in this climate unless she visited recently in the South. He says the disease of which she died may have been a different form of an illness which is not infrequent in Texas and Louisiana.

FAMOUS ENGINEER DIES

Brilliant Career of Aniceto Garcia Menocal Comes to a Close.

NEW YORK, July 20.—Aniceto Garcia Menocal, the famous civil engineer and authority on hydraulics, died at his home here today, aged 72 years, of solidification of the arteries. British Colonial Governors are appointed, the premier having political power to oppose or acquiesce in a suggested appointment. The Governor has practically the same power as an appointed to govern a territory of the United States.

EXCLUSIVE OUTFITTERS FOR WOMEN AND CHILDREN.

SILVERFIELD'S MID-WEEK SPECIAL OF INTEREST SALE OF HANDSOME LINEN SUITS \$7.95

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CRANKY ON DIET MATTERS

Tilt at the Vagaries of Patent Food Folks.

Saturday Review. As patriots regret the defeat of Eustace Miles by his younger rival. But if the result helps to discourage the present mania for patent foods and dyspeptic diets, it is none the less true. Some years ago young men in their clubs talked about horses, women, cards, duty, sport and other kindred and congenial matters. Now they talk about nothing but pills, rest cures and patent foods.

Someone wiser than Solomon, though less known, said that a man at the age of 60 every man was either a fool or a physician. Many men are both before they reach that age, but surely it requires very little common sense to force their fads on a gullible and feeble majority. If 90 men just men like garlic, is the remaining 10 to be compelled to eat it? He would probably do so in self-defense if left alone, but he might at least be allowed the shadowy satisfaction of exercising the priceless privilege of free will.

There is a standpoint from which we cannot recede; it is hopeless and useless to fight against the manifest will of the Author of All. It is as childlike to preach that men should live on rabbit food as it is to pretend that women are fitted by nature to do men's work, or that a broken thigh-bone is made whole by the payment of guineas to a professional.

Woman's Death Accidental.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 21.—Patrick Hare, a Southern Pacific engine foreman, awoke in his home at 132 Lake street yesterday morning to find his young wife strangled to death within ten feet of the bed, her throat caught tightly between a door jamb and the back of a chair. The police learned that Mrs. Hare had a weak heart and was subject to fainting spells. They believe that after reaching home she let herself in with a key, her husband having gone to bed some time before. Just as she started to enter her bedroom, the police believe she was seized with dizziness and fainted. In falling, her body was caught between the door jamb and chair.

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BED, BUGGY AND BOXCAR

ALLITERATIVE FIRES BUSY LOCAL DEPARTMENT.

Wide Variety of Objects Burst Into Flames From Equally Various Causes.

Three unique fires comprised the record for the department yesterday. While the damage was not worthy of especial note, the articles destroyed seldom figure on fire records. One was a boxcar, one a bed and the third was a buggy.

SAVED BY GYMNASTICS

New York Baby Catches Fire Escape in Falling.

NEW YORK, July 21.—Athletic training, which 20-month-old Helen Graf received from her father, saved the baby's life when she fell from the fifth floor of her home. The baby caught and held to the fire escape two stories below.

DASH IN MUSICAL COMPOSITION.

Westminster Gazette. M. Bompard, a French musician who for a wager has composed the music to

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