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WATSON VANISHES; MIND IS UNHINGED

Brother Explains Poet's Attack on Asquiths.

WROTEGREAT POEM, COLLAPSED

After 50 Hours' Labor, He Won Fame, and Fortune.

IS VICTIM OF DELUSIONS

Poem Against Asquiths Due to Belief He Has Mission Against Them and Not Responsible Utterances.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- William Watson, the British poet who came to this country recently, has disappeared as completely as has Dr. Cook. His brother, Robinson Watson, believes he is under the obsession of a recurrent hallucination that first attacked him 17 years ago from stress of overwork, and the conflict of powerfully opposed emo-

"I declare deliberately, in full knowledge," said Robinson Watson, "that the terrible things lightly hurled by my brother against a certain distinguished family are in no sense the responsible utterances of the poet, William Watson. They are the outcome of a mental malady alien to himself, and when he returns to himself the William Watson we words and bitter tears.

Poem on Tennyson Unhinged Mind. Robinson Watson goes on to explain, in an interview telegraphed from Mon treal, how his brother came to enter or what is perhaps the saddest experience that can be endured in the life of any man-a mental aberration.

On the death of Lord Alfred Tennyson, William Watson, he said, labored 50 hours without rest and almost without food, to produce what was origin intended to be a brief commemora tive poem, but, under the impulse o surning ambition, became 'Lachrymae Musarum, a poem of which Robinson Watson quotes Gladstone as having said that 'It is greater than Tennyson's own ode on the death of the Duke of Wellington.' The poem won its author immediate fame and a grant of f200 from the Royal bounty fund.

'And now I must disclose the fact uniary conditions," continued Robinson Watson, " and when the great ews came it was like a veritable avaianche of good fortune to him.

Imagines He has Mission.

"But it was too bigh; it was more than he could bear. A week later it became evident, beyond all doubt, that his mental balance was gone."

William Watson's delusions, says his brother, assume the form of a bellef that he had a mission to perform against certain exalted personages. That belief, the brother is convinced, has returned. "The poet," he said, "has come to

America with a deeply-rooted belief that he has a mission of hostillty against a certain family in high station in England. Nothing can dissuade him from that infatuation.

recently by the poet himself, is that of Premier Asquith.

BRIDGE PILING GOES OUT

North Coast Ralway Suffers Damage on Upper Columbia.

ATTALIA, Wash., Dec. 18 .- (Special.)-Piles for pier No. 9 of the North Coast bridge to span the Columbia River here were carried away by the strong current yesterday. Work on this pier has been abandoned until the water is

WEDDING CAKE FOR KING IS IMMENSE

AUCKLAND BAKER BUILDS IT FOR TONGA MONARCH.

Weight Is 500 Pounds and It Bears, Carefully Concealed, Initials of Bride.

CAPE TOWN, Dec. 18 .- (Special.) By command of King George of Tonga, s baker of Auckland, New Zealand, has designed and built a cake for the coming nuptials of that potentate. In its splendor and imposing proportions the take, to quote the local press, "has never had an equal in the annals of Australasian confectionery."

It weighs 500 pounds and stands eight feet high. Decorating various panels are the Tongan coat of arms, royal crown and the ini tials of the King and his bride.

Curiously enough, the lady's initials are concealed from the gaze of the crowd who admire the cake in the baker's shop window. The identity of the future Queen is in fact a mystery and one of the conditions imposed on the baker was to complete the secrecy regarding her initials. It is under stood that there has been some tition among the ladies of the Tongan court for the kingly bridegroom, and that in order to defer the disappointment of the unsuccessful ones till the last possible moment His Majesty will not reveal the name of the bride until

BOY KILLED BY BROTHER

Isolated Cabin Scene of Accidental Shooting With Rifle.

HILLSBORO, Or., Dec. 18 .- (Special.)-Armen Harrison, aged 15, was shot and killed accidentally today by a buffet from a 38-caliber rifle discharged by a younger brother.

The two boys were alone in a cabin 20 miles northwest of this city. The father and steomother yesterday moved to Linnton, taking in a load of household effects and left the boys to watch over the remainder of the furniture. The younger lad was playing with the rifle when it was discharged, the bullet striking the elder in the stomach, killing him alm instantly.

Coroner E. C. Brown left at \$ o'clock this evening, accompanied by Sheriff Han-cock, to investigate. The boy's stepock, to investigate. mother is in Linnton tonight, and the father is making his way back through the mountains, and learned of the accident only at dark this evening. The boy's mother is said to be in Michigan.

MEN GO ARMED ON RANGE

Trouble Will Follow First Overt Act in Central Idaho.

SPOKANE, Dec. 18 .- War between the cattle and sheepmen of Central Idaho may break out at any time. For more than a year the situation between the cattlemen and the sheep owners that at that time my brother had been of the Salmon River Basin has been many years contending with ad- growing more and more tense, until now an armed truce is maintained that may give way to violence, should any member of either party commit an

overt act. The cattlemen, when they ride the ranges these days, have their "guns" handy at their hips-and the sheepmen go armed as well, say reports from

south of Grangeville. Into this cowpunchers' paradise the sheepmen have driven their flocks and the cattlemen resent the intrusions.

BROKAWS WON'T REUNITE

Both Sides Say Reconcilation Is Out of Question.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- "Next week Brokaw vs. Brokev This family, as disclosed in New York | case completed and it may not," was the indefinite statement today of counsel in Mrs. Mary Blair Brokaw's suit for a separation from her husband, W. Gould Brokaw. If Brokaw takes the stand the case is likely to be long drawn out, as Attorney Baldwin has

indicated that he will subject the de-

fendant to a lengthy cross-examina-

There was a break today in the narration of events in the married life of the couple, court having adjourned over to Monday. Meanwhile reconciliation rumors persisted. They were scouted by both sides. "A reunion with Mrs. Brokaw now is out of the

LYNGH IS CHOSEN BY RIVAL FORCES

'King of Umpires' Heads National League.

BITTER DEADLOCK IS ENDED

Brush Finds Solution by Request of Directors.

PRESIDENT SPEAKS

Asks Newspapers Not to "Roast" Umpires, but Complain to Him. His Own Experience With Nick Young Related.

NEW YORK, Dec. 18 .- The deadlock in he National League of Professional Base ball Culbs over the election of a president was unexpectedly broken this noon by the unanimous selection of Thomas J. Lynch, whose name had no been considered or publicly mentioned

There is reason to believe the eight eague presidents held a secret confer ence, which did not end until 2 o'clock this morning, at which the supporters of John Ward, of New York, and Robert Brown, of Louisville, came to an un derstanding. It is understood each instructed John T. Brush, of the New York Club, to select a man whose namhad not been before the league as a candidate. Brush consulted none of his colleagues, but telegraphed to New Britain, Conn., for Thomas J. Lynch to come here at once. Three ballots were taken, all resulting in the same tie-four for Ward and four for Brown. Then, apparently by agreement President Ebbetts, of Brooklyn, read a letter from Ward in which he withdrew from the contest. At the same time Stanley Robison, of St.

Louis, withdrew Brown's name. 'King of Umpires" Quickly Chosen. Following the pre-arranged plan, Brush then mentioned Lynch, referring to him better-known title, "King of Um The seven magnates quickly secended the nomination and the election was made unanimous. Ebbetts, who had been one of the bitterest fighters against John A. Heydler, who succeeded the late Harry C. Pulliam as president, then nominated Heydler for secretary-treasurer, a position which he has filled continuously for many coars, even while president. There was iong silence. It was understood that Heydler would not accept the appointment for one year and after a conference he was nominated for three years and unaniisly elected Lynch

After the meeting Lynch and Heydler were formally introduced to the newspapermen. Both made speeches. Lynch is 52 years of age and was for a long time a resident of Cincinnati. To the reporters be said:

Lynch Tells Policy With Umpires.

"The hardest thing the president of the league has to do is to protect his umpires, and I want the newspaper men to help me. If you see an umpire that you think won't do, come and tell me and I will keep thy eye on him. Don't roast him. That does not go. I was a young fellow when Nick Young made me an umpire, and the first six games I mpired were here in New York, three with New York against Detroit and the other three against Chicago.

"My first decision was calling a ball on home pitcher and that whole week the newspapers and fans roasted me to frazzle. They gave me hell. I tell you They called me a robber, thief and every thing, and players spiked me and made life not worth living. I was sent the next week to Pittsburg, and at the hotel they handed me a telegram. I thought it was all off with me. But that telegram was from Nick Young, and it warmly con gratulated me on my fairness in the New York games. Then I said they could all go to hell, as long as I'd been honest and fair.

"And that is going to be, my policy a president of the National League. (Concluded on Page 2)

LANDLORDSCANNOT SHOO AWAY STORK

CHICAGO FLATDWELLER BRINGS TEST SUIT AND WINS

Great Gladness Among Those Who Have Endured Insults of Janitors Ensues.

CHICAGO, Dec. 18 .- (Special.) -- Hardlearted Illinois landlords and flat agenta must not shoo the stork away from their premises. The law had its first test today, and was upheld. This bodes ill for landlords who refuse apartments to parents, actual or pros-

Rolla R. Longenecker, father of a poy of 5 and a girl of 3, brought suit against W. L. Boylston, as owner, and Robert F. Schenck, as agent, for refusing to renew his lease. They made it clear that the reason was that he ad children. Longenecker, who is lawyer and son of the famous lawyer nd judge, immediately began a test of the law passed last Winter covering such cases, and Municipal Judge Himes decided that children and their parents. inder the Constitution, are entitled to life and reasonable liberty.

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Pitiful Plea Made for Intervention.

ZELAYA'S CRUELTY IS RECITED

Horrible Outrages of Reign of Terror Strike Fear.

TORTURE IN JAIL FREQUENT

Official Ordered to Give Command for Execution of Groce and Cannon Throws Down Sword and Refuses-Thrown in Jail.

MANAGUA, via Corinto, Dec. 18 .some of the most prominent women in Managua have sent a petition to Henry Caldera, acting United States Consulhere setting forth the tortures to which Zelaya's prisoners have been subjected, and pitifully requesting the interventlo

"Numberless prisoners," says the peti have been tortured in their in the penitentiary; their families have been impoverished; liberty has been crushed and patriots have been killed in their efforts to end crime, extortion and tyranny and to prevent the assessination of Groce and Cannon.

Women Implore Help.

"We implore you to bring the malefactor to justice, that his many crimes may receive the punishment they deserve, and that he be not permitted to escape.

For weeks the associates and adher ents of Zelaya have been conducting a reign of terror. Their chief victims have been the best people in the coun-Property has been confiscated. fathers and sons imprisoned, wives and daughters forced to submit to unspeakable outrages, dragged to jail or cruell

Conditions Grow Appalling.

So appalling were conditions that a large number of women met and finally decided to submit their plea to the representative of the Government whose warships are close at hand. It is not only their own protection they seek, but the safety of those who in the last few days have had courage enough to rise in the public places and denounce

Few Prisoners Are Freed.

The agitation became so strong against thousands in prison that officials deemed it advisable to take steps to release at basket and this property was saved. least some. Most political prisoners were freed today, but many others are still bebind the walls.

It was after the American warships reached Corinto that the demonstrations against Zelaya became pronounced, for those who have been crying for the revoution were fully convinced that blue ackets and marines from the ships would be landed. Now they are terrified lest they fear reprisals by the Zelayan forces.

Revolutionists Are Tortured.

Many revolutionary suspects have been thrown into prison and put to torture, and who refused to do the bidding of the government. Among these is Anibel Chavez, in command of the firing squad when Groce and Cannon were brought out for execution. He refused to give the firing order, exclaiming as he threw down his

"I am a soldier, not a murderer." Consul Threatened Dally.

Consul Caldera dally receives threats against his life, but beyond exercising watchful care he has taken no precautions to guard against attack.

Madriz, Zelaya's candidate for presiden has arrived at San Juan del Sur, on his to Corinto. He is hastening Managua to inform himself personally (Concluded on Page 8.)

Word has reached here that Dr. Jose

THIEF IN FEMALE TOGS FLEES ROOM

WOMAN AROUSED, SEES BUR-GLAR RUN LIKE MAN.

Voice, Too, of Male Tone-Incident Recalls "Pink Domino" -- Police on Mert.

Recalling the series of robberies committed here two years ago by the youth known as "Pink Domino," clews found by the police indicate that a burglar in oman's attire is responsible for man recent Portland thefts. Bolstering thi n, yesterday Mrs. M. Roe Eighteenth street North, reported that she was awakened the night before by a burglar in her room who, though dressed in female apparel, had the voice of a man. The invader escaped with fleetness worthy of a member of the

Mrs. Roe reported to the police that noise sounding as if something had dropped in her room. She rose imme diately and confronted a burglar.

But the big and rapid strides taken by he robber in escaping assured Mrs. Ros the invader was a man masquerading in women's clothes. The form, too, she said was not that of a woman and the gruff exclamation of the burglar being surprised was not the shrill cry expected of one of her own sex,

White the police are confident the lat est criminal is a man disguised as a woman they will be on the lookout for female prowlers as well as suspiciou characters of the opposite sex

PRIZES OUT TO AID CUPID

Mayor to Tie First Knot Free, Merchants Offer Furniture.

WALLOWA, Or., Dec. 18 .- (Special)-Inducements extraordinary are offered young people of Wallowa to wed Mayor Digglesworth, recently appoint ed Justice of the Peace, announces he willing to marry the first couple free of charge, and an enterprising fur niture dealer declares if six couples wed in December and buy their housekeeping outfits from him he will give each bride any article of furniture in his store she selects.

Other merchants are as lavish in in cements. Judging from the number of marriage licenses issued the indications are that the offers of Wallows merchants will be seized son before the close of the year.

WIRE USED TO BRING AID

Railroad Agent Saves Cash From Robbers Who Bind Him.

FORT WAYNE, Ind., Dec. 18 .- Bound and gagged last night by two robbers who fled after obtaining a small sum of money, Boyd Coates, agent of the Grand Rapids & Indiana Railroad at Hunterton, near here, managed to crawl to a telegraph key and ask the dispatcher at Fort Wayne to send aid. While the robbers were breaking in cash and his watch into the wash The robbers rifled his pockets and then tied him up.

HALF-BREED FOWL SHOT

Cross Between Chicken and Pheas ant Exhibited at Eugene.

EUGENE, Or., Dec. 18.-(Special.)-A mique specimen of the bird family has just been placed on exhibition in the show window of a gunstore here, and has attracted great attention from sportsmen The bird is a cross between the com mon chicken and a pheasant. It was killed last month near Monrue by Y. D. Hensill, a local architect, and has just been mounted.

PLUME GOES TO "TEDDY"

Election Carries Also Right to Wear Palm Leaf Fringe.

PARIS. Dec. 18 .- The Academy of Moral and Political Sciences today elected Theodore Roosevelt to a foreign associate membership. With this honor he will be entitled

when delivering lectures at the Sorbonne to wear the plumed cap of an academician, the pearl-handled sword

ABERDEEN GANAL PLANS ALL LAID

Survey Made, Work to Begin in Spring.

BAYS CONNECTED IN CHAIN

Excavation of Only 500,000 Yards Will Be Necessary.

LAND TO BE RECLAIMED

Promoters Say They Will Carry Freight in Pontoons and Provide Launches for Passenger Mall Service.

ABERDEEN, Wash., Dec. 48 .- (Speolal.)—Official confirmation came today that work is to be pushed on the Portland-to-Aberdeen canal. Rights of way have been obtained and a holding company to conduct the preliminary work has been formed. Carles N. Hudson, he engineer who has directed the preiminary surveys and who has been in the district since September 1, said today that the project was assured.

This means that when the canal is finished a small launch will be able to make the voyage from Portland to Aberdeen without once braving the dangers of the ocean, sailing succession of harbors, canals and rivers and a chain of lakes.

The cost of the project is comparatively small and will be included in the stock of the company. Only eight months will be required to complete the project. Actual construction will be begun in the Spring. Fast passenger launches, capable of carrying 100 passengers each, and two mail boats are included in the company's transportation plans. Freight will be handled on pontoons constructed to carry from 500 to 1000 tons.

The canal will do more than connect a section hitherto isolated from the outer world with the larger markets. It will afford drainage along the route for 10,000 acres, and will aid in the reclamation of 400,000 acres of tide-land which, it is asserted, can be diked ensily.

The route outlined is from South Bay to the line of Pacific County, where a ditch from North Cove to the county line already has been dug. the bay and the north head of that ditch there is to be a cut of two miles. This will take the canal to a tract of marshy land, near where a chain of lakes will be available. From North Cove, Willapa Bay will be used to its outhern head. From the bay the line follows Portage Slough and by a cut reaches the Wallicot River. That river drains into the Baker's Bay on the Columbia at a point opposite Antoria. It is estimated that only 500,000 cubic yards will have to be excavated.

"The canal," said Enginer Hudson, will tap a Summer-resort section now little known. It will also open a fine dairy and farming country. The lands along the route are among the richest in the state and it is not difficult to foresee that the valley will become a Summer playground for the Northwest. A houseboat, for instance, can be taken from Aberdeen to Portland, traversing beautiful section

"From a commercial viewpoint, the canal will mean cheaper freight rates to Portland from Guays Harbor. It will be an interstate affair and will come into direct competition with rall service. Plans provide plenty of boats."

HOUSE RULES DRASTIC Reichsrath Members Who Insult the

· President to Be Suspended.

VIENNA, Dec. 18-The Reichsrath arose today after a continuous sitting of \$6 hours, and after passing a bill modifying the rules of procedure, which authorizes the president of the chamber to suspend for from one to three sittings and a suit embroidered with green any deputy insulting him or disobeying

HARRY MURPHY FINDS A VARIETY OF TOPICS WITH THE APPROACH OF CHRISTMAS ABOUT WHICH TO DRAW HUMOROUS PICTURES



These Scales Not Fixed. ,





How They Grow!



Don't Forget!



Making It Easy for Santa.





THE (ENTRAL ONE GON SMILE!

There's a Reason