

DESPERATE HIGHBINDER IMPORTED FROM SAN FRANCISCO HAVE BATTLE ON THE STREET.

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LEE MOON PISTOLLED BY HIRED ASSASSINS

Chee How desired girl, and sought to win her by killing owner.

Red and yellow placards were posted in Chinatown this morning announcing the opening of the hostilities between rival gangs in Second street.

The fight occurred at Second and Washington streets at 8:30 o'clock. Three highbinder are said to have been imported from San Francisco for the purpose of murdering Lee Moon.

Chee How, a wealthy Second street merchant, is detained at police headquarters on the charge of employing highbinder to kill Lee Moon.

One of the Chinese under arrest is said to have committed two murders in San Francisco. He is said to have personated a girl when he committed the crime.

The trouble in Portland's Chinatown is of long duration. The battle was to have begun on Tuesday night, but the plans of the assassins miscarried.

They told how the crime had been plotted, how it was to be attempted, and how those who had been selected to commit it had learned that their plot was known.

The woman in the case is the property of Lee Moon. Chee How is accused of having paid her attentions and one of the members of his society is said to have stolen a diamond ring from her.

The ring was not returned, and it is said the merchant continued to visit the girl. He is also accused by detectives of having sent to San Francisco for the three highbinder to secure revenge upon his enemies by murdering the owner of the girl.

They lay in wait for the victim at Second and Washington streets last night and he passed on the upper side of the street, opened a fire. Twenty shots were fired, and Lee Moon fell to the sidewalk.

Members of the society of which the wounded man was a member hurried to police headquarters for assistance. One accompanied Detective Kerrigan and Snow in search of the assailants.

As they were climbing a narrow, dingy flight of stairs, Detective Snow chanced to look up and behind him, after overlooking the entrance and almost concealed from view was a yellow face.

Looking more closely the detective discovered the Chinese had a revolver pointed at the guide. He himself aimed his revolver at the man perched on the rafters. With a cry the assassin leaped from his place and escaped in the maze of hallways and rooms.

The police fear that the shooting last night is merely a preliminary to a fierce tong war.

And the cause of the trouble, the almond-eyed, vermilion-painted girl with the smoothly brushed hair, sits dreamily in her little room that is heavy with the odor of perfume and incense.

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MRS. EDWARDS FAINTS WITH JOY ON REPRIEVE

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PRESIDENT TO CALL AN EXTRA SESSION

Senate Must Pass Townsend Freight Bill or Meet Again in the Autumn.

Roosevelt's Ultimatum to Force Legislation

Mann Canal Government Bill Giving President Absolute Power Passes House.

Washington, Feb. 16.—"If the senate doesn't pass the Eech-Townsend rate bill this session, the president will surely call an extra session of congress in the fall to wrestle with the problem."

The senate committee on interstate commerce is about equally divided on the matter, but if we can get it reported to the whole body it will pass without doubt.

The Mann canal zone government bill, giving the president absolute power in the canal strip for two years from March 3, passed the house today.

The house today sent back to the senate without consideration the agricultural appropriation bill as amended by the senate.

The senate agreed to the conference report on the omnibus claims bill, which carries \$2,231,810, allowing 1,759 claims.

The invitation to attend the opening of the Lewis and Clark exposition was read in the senate today.

BOND ISSUE TO BE VOTED ON SATURDAY

Taxpayers of Portland School District Will Express Desires on High School.

Taxpayers of the Portland school district will be given an opportunity Saturday to vote on the bond issue to build the new east side high school.

Some taxpayers on the west side contend that a new high school is not needed. They say that rooms could be added to the present high school building to accommodate the students for several years.

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CLOSING THE DRAWS OPPOSED BY MAYOR

Full Hour Morning and Evening for Public Lacks His Approval.

SAYS TRAVEL OUTSIDE THAT TIME WOULD SUFFER

Favors Plan That Would Permit But One Vessel at a Time to Pass.

Mayor George H. Williams insists that it is not a good plan to close the draws of the bridges for an hour each morning and evening.

"If the draws remain closed for an hour each morning and evening," said he, "a large number of boats will congregate, and when the draws are thrown open it will take these boats half an hour or longer to pass."

"I do not believe it will be satisfactory. Within a week there will be a mail of dissatisfaction, and the people will demand a change. Of course, this is only my opinion."

"I believe my plan would be more satisfactory. Allow the draws to remain open only long enough for one boat to pass, then close them so people waiting can cross. Let the county court make this rule, and the city council will cooperate and pass an ordinance regulating the time the signals of boats for opening the draw shall be given."

"Boats should never give the signal for the draw to open until they approach within a certain distance. We could pass an ordinance fixing this distance and force all river captains to obey it, as the harbor of Portland is under the jurisdiction of the city."

"Under such a plan the draw would not remain open more than three or four minutes, and to be compelled to wait that long would be inconceivable. I believe it is the more acceptable plan."

PORTLAND'S WATER SUPPLY. D. D. Clark, chief engineer of the city water board, will lecture at the Young Men's Christian association tomorrow evening on "Portland's Water Supply."

GRAVE MAY HIDE WELL KEPT SECRET

Christopher Ross, Stricken Scientist, Knows How to Preserve Flowers.

BEAUTIFUL ROSES HAVE LASTED FOR YEARS

Lonely Botanist Has Carried on Experiments in Laboratory Hidden From Relatives.

Christopher Ross, scientist and traveler, possessing for 10 years of knowledge of a secret method whereby flowers may be preserved permanently, was stricken last night with paralysis in his room at the Esmond hotel.

About 10 years ago Ross quietly announced that he had perfected a method for the preservation of flowers. He showed a rose blossom that was as fresh in appearance as when it was cut from the bush, but which he declared was two or three years old.

"I knew my uncle was a man of great education and that he had invented a way to preserve flowers," said Richard Ebeling, one of the nephews. "He showed me some of his preserved blossoms 10 years ago, and we have seen them often since. At first we paid little attention to the matter, but when the blossoms did not fade, of course we knew that he really had discovered a wonderful secret."

"His movements were mysterious, and I do not know how he maintained himself. He has traveled all over the world, is a great scholar, and yet kept to himself all the fruits of his studies. I have known of three visits he made to Europe in the past few years, and he has traveled widely at other times."

A few years ago Ross sold to the Historical society his collection of shells and curios, which is now in the museum in the city hall. He was an incessant worker and delved into the secrets of nature with the devotion of a true scientist. He was born in Germany 74 years ago and came to America about 50 years ago, and has lived in Oregon since the civil war.

PRINCESS VICTORIA IS BETROTHED TO A DUKE. Berlin, Feb. 16.—The betrothal of Duke Charles Edward of Saxe-Coburg and Gotha, King Edward's nephew, to Princess Victoria of Schleswig-Holstein is announced.

SPENCER IS DISPLACED

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would not vote to convict a man on expert testimony in that way. Then they adopted absolutely unfair and, I think, illegal methods to gain their end in part. Mr. Alinsworth personally is an excellent man and will make a good commissioner. All I object to is the methods employed."

"They had no right to elect a post commissioner," said Senator Smith, though I think Mr. Alinsworth personally is an excellent man and will make a good commissioner. All I object to is the methods employed."

The fact that the roll was not called speedily attracted attention and this instantly gave rise to an assertion that the whole proceeding is invalid. Unless the secret of the joint session shows affirmatively the presence of a quorum, it was argued, there is no evidence that the body is legally assembled and no evidence that enough members are present to transact business. Unless the body were legally constituted of course it could not do business. A number of lawyers gave it as their opinion that the defect is fatal. Others, however, took a contrary view, saying that extraneous evidence can be introduced to show that a quorum was present, even though this does not appear from the record of the proceedings.

General Crawford says it would be the presumption of law that the body was legally constituted, and that in absence of proof to the contrary this presumption would prevail. It is possible that the question may be carried into the courts.

J. C. Alinsworth is president and treasurer of the United States National bank in this city. When asked for a statement concerning his election to the Portland national bank, he introduced in place of Captain E. W. Spencer, he said:

"It is news to me; I know nothing about it. No one has ever consulted me about the matter." Jack Alinsworth, you accept the position," he was asked.

"I do not care to state at this time. In the event that the information is true I will probably make a thorough inquiry into the subject. I will then determine what course to take. At present I do not care to discuss the question."

WILLIAM CULLEN BRYANT DEAD. (Journal Special Service.) New York, Feb. 16.—William Cullen Bryant, son of the poet, who was publisher of the Brooklyn Times and secretary of the American Newspaper Publishers' association and the Publishers' Press association, died last night at a sanatorium at Plainfield N. J., of apoplexy.

ADVANCE OF THE TELEPHONE. As far back as 1667 one Robert Hooke of London proclaimed the principle of the telephone. By means of a wire he transmitted sound over considerable distances. A century later a half Italian word, "telephone" was first used, being applied to Wheatstone's apparatus by which sound was transmitted through wooden rods.

The first patents for the Bell telephone were taken in 1874. Long distance telephoning is 29 years old this very year.

At the beginning of 1904 there were 3,775,517 telephones under rental in the United States. The number of messages in a year passed beyond 5,000,000,000. A current news item predicts telephonic communication in the near future between New York and San Francisco.

With a continent crossed by the speech-carrying circuit, there remains the problem of trans-oceanic communication by telephone. It is not to be doubted that a solution will come. The rapidity of telephone development, after its first fair start, as indicated in the dates given above, seems to promise that the crowning achievement in long distance communication by voice may not be far in the future.

LOVE IN A MIST.

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"Thus far and no farther, Miss. It's too dangerous. I can't see nothing before my own face, so to speak—not even my poor horse."

"Very well, put me down here, wherever it is." The tone was impetuous and struck a passer-by strangely familiar.

In a moment Jack Winthrop remembered. Surely, surely the autocratic little speaker could be none other than Eames Carow, who he had just seen putting away a cup of tea at the Carlton.

She had been so angry that afternoon her little figure had positively shaken with indignation; her lovely eyes—Jack still thought violet—was the only color for eyes in a woman—had flashed wrathfully at him. Yet withal even in anger they had been without compare and Jack did not care a snap that she was angry with him; he had just gone on sipping his tea and had not actually started at her.

He remembered, too, what their quarrel had been about in the first instance—the choice of a wedding present for his sister. It had taken place in New York, and he had made so bold as to differ from her in the decision between several silver teapots. He liked one, Eames had liked another.

Finally Jack walked out of the store and hummed softly to himself in what Miss Carow considered a thoroughly plebeian manner and walked while she invested in something extremely ugly and stupid, because she could not see for the angry tears that dimmed her eyes. They were engaged to be married then, but the day was not half an hour older before Eames had given her lover his ring back.

Since then they had not met until the day before at the Carlton, where they were both stopping while in London. Winthrop kept his eye on the foggy enveloped little figure that strayed forlornly along the curb from one lamppost to another. Perhaps, if he left her alone long enough she would welcome any help—even his.

"Ah! a slight cry of pain, and she would have fallen but for the strength of that inferior animal's—man's—arm. "Thank you, Oh, thank you very much," the sweet voice said a little tremulously. Jack had purposely not spoken, and he was partially invisible in the fog and the falling twilight.

"Ah!" The exclamation was wrung from the girl's white lips. She had given her ankle a twist, and the moment she tried to walk alone she experienced a sharp twinge of pain. Alas! the hour had arrived—Jack must give himself away, or rather his voice must.

"Why should he not pretend ignorance of her identity? What was easier in a fog?" "Please lean on me," he said, in the tone of voice which Eames had once told him reminded her of those little iron notices in Central Park. "Keep off the grass." I am sure you ought not to walk with a sprained ankle."

He felt her give a slight start and longed to take her in his arms and tell her how miserable he had been all these months. But he did not dare. Eames had broken their engagement, and unless she gave him a ray of encouragement he must remain silent as the Sphinx.

"I am better now, thank you," she said, with a little gasp. "It is nothing—really, can walk on by myself."

"Let me try another cab." His voice ought not have assumed the severity that suddenly crept into it.

Eames shuddered a fresh. It was Jack, she felt sure, and he had not recognized her yet. Did he—awful thought—assume command over any girl who chanced to need his aid? He—her Jack!

Then she remembered that he was not her Jack, but probably some one else—maybe even married. She had been foolish, dreadfully foolish, that day in New York.

What had it mattered which teapot Letty Winthrop received as a wedding present? The tea would have tasted the same out of any pot. And yet she, stupid Eames Carow, had broken off her engagement for this mere trifle. A broken engagement for a teapot! How extremely absurd it sounded! What must Jack have thought of her?

She was still leaning on his arm. The fog showed no sign of abating, and the street seemed absolutely deserted, and she had not the faintest idea of which way to turn.

She stole a furtive glance at him in the dim light. How nice he looked—how gentlemanly—how altogether desirable! Poor little Eames!

A sob that refused to be choked back rose in her slim throat. "It is—er—Mr. Winthrop—isn't it?" she said, half questioningly, half defiantly.

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Lady Marjory Erskine, Youngest Daughter of the Earl of Buchan.

She Went to Work at \$2 a Week as a Probationer Nurse in the Children's Hospital in Bloomsbury, London.