

## RUSSIA AND ROYALTY

A Shadow That Darkens the Path of the Czars.

### THE FEAR OF ASSASSINATION

Plots That Were Woven Around Alexander II. and the Bomb That Shattered His Body—An Infernal Machine That Failed to Kill Alexander III.

The shadow that falls across the path of the czars may extend the world round. Wherever the ruler of all the Russias may happen to be, there the shadow of fear lies.

Once in Paris, once in the palace gardens, Alexander II. was fired at. Again in the Winter Palace square one Solorieff, wearing the uniform of an official, passed the guards one day, and again the czar was fired upon. Alexander ran for the palace. Solorieff followed him and fired three times. The czar ran in zigzags, however, and so escaped. Not long afterward two mines were laid to blow up the imperial train. One did not explode, but the second wrecked the train. Once more the czar escaped. Watching eyes had saved him, their owners having persuaded the ruler to take another train.

Later Alexander II. owed his life to the fact that he came late to a function at the palace. A bomb blew clean out a large portion of the imperial residence, but the czar was not present.

But of all the attempts on the lives of Russia's rulers two stand out most clearly for their amazing ingenuity. One tells the story of a little unpretentious shop in Malaja Endovaja street. Kobozeff, then unknown to the police, took the shop and set out to impress the police, who were always making sudden inspections of premises along the thoroughfares through which Alexander II. passed, that he was nothing but a provision dealer. Nearly every one in that street was a paid spy, but Kobozeff joked with his customers, pleased his purveyors and was most affable and apparently harmless.

The dealer inspired confidence, and his custom increased gradually. No wonder, for most of the parcels that his customers were carrying away by day contained nothing but earth—earth that during the night hours had been scraped by the man and his wife from beneath the street! It was by such ingenious method that a tunnel was hollowed and cleared under the thoroughfare and a mine laid beneath the way the czar often passed, an innocent couch upon which the housewife slept covering the entry to the tunnel.

Yet all the work was useless. On the day the scheme was to be carried out the czar upset all the arrangements by going off to lunch with the Grand Duchess Catherine Michaelovna.

Among those who were watching on behalf of the terrorists was a beautiful girl—a countess, too—named Perovskaya. It was she who, seeing the altered arrangements, gave warning. The czar would return to the palace another way. Along this route four men carrying bombs were stationed. One threw his. Men and horses were killed all around, but the czar stepped from his coach unscathed. A second man holding a bomb came forward and threw it. "This time the effect was awful," says Waclaw Gasiorowski, who describes the incident in his book, "Tragic Russia." "The czar fell as if cut by a scythe. His legs were shattered to pieces." So died the czar who had escaped as by a miracle many times.

Alexander III. followed, and there were attempts upon his life. The fourth was one of the most sensational in the entire list of nihilist plots. On a bright autumn day the imperial train traveled at full speed on the track well guarded by soldiers. It was toward noon. The imperial family were in the dining car, where lunch was about to be served. The cook and his help were making the last preparations for it when an assistant was taken ill.

The court physician attended the man and, having stated that he had fever, with symptoms of some inexplicable ailment, decided that the man could not remain in the imperial train, and he was left at the next station.

The train moved forward toward Borki, traveling at the speed of eighty kilometers an hour. Then the electrical bell notified the cook that the imperial family were ready for luncheon. A few seconds after the bell sounded a terrific noise was heard, and a violent explosion changed in the twinkling of an eye the luxurious imperial train into a heap of broken iron, of wrecked cars, of mutilated corpses, enveloped in smoke and made all the more harrowing by the moaning and cries for help of the wounded. Yet the czar escaped! The dining room car that the nihilists had intended should be a grave for the czar, his family and his suit saved him, for although its roof and floor were wrecked its sides were preserved. They inclined toward the center, propped each other like two cards and remained in that position, protecting those who were there from being crushed.

The cook who had been put off the train had worked the whole thing. He had placed an infernal machine in a cone of sugar and had faked his illness, thus getting clear away.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Mercy turns her back to the unmerciful.—Quarles.

## A CULINARY MASTERPIECE.

When You Go to Paris Don't Turn Up Your Nose at Mussels.

You will find in Paris a small restaurant just inside the street entrance presided over by a waiter who has apparently been forty years of age for the last twenty years. He has a friendly, alert air, and anything in the world that you want he will promptly provide.

You will naturally order some sort of potage or something that your fancy suggests; but, whatever else you do, be sure to call for mussels. I can see you turning up your nose at this. In America who eats mussels except at rare times—perhaps some pickled mussels? They are with us in the same category as tripe.

But behold the genius of the French! When the waiter brings in an enormous silver bowl with a domelike silver cover and when he removes the cover, then you forget everything in the world except the delicious savory smell of the steam which rises from the myriad shells that open lovingly for you to extract from them the dainty sea flavored mussel that lurks within.

Mussel, did I say? No; these are not the ordinary mussels that Americans know. French gastronomic genius has transformed them into moules mariniere. In some delectable magical way the French chef has imparted a delicious suggestion to the moules, just that indefinable, evanescent memory of garlic—garlic which in the hands of the ordinary cook is an offensive and deadly weapon, but which in the hands of a cook of high degree—an artist in fact—is a means for achieving some of the supreme triumphs of his art.

After the moules you will have anything you care for—dainty slices of galantine or sliced capon nestling amid watercresses and then perhaps some peaches in a little basket where the fruit is infolded in leaves from its own tree and ripened to precisely the right turn on some ancient wall in the sunshine of an old French garden, then perhaps some pulled bread and a bit of Camembert and a Cafe Mazarin in a long glass. No one remembers now the battle that gave its name to this particular preparation of coffee, which shows that men may come and empires may fall and armies may be dashed into fragments upon the battlefield, but the genius of cookery remains triumphant and its achievements are never lost.—Bookman.

## ENGLISH MONARCHS.

Death Often Unkind in the Manner of Their Taking Off.

Of the monarchs who have reigned over England since the days of the Norman conquest nearly one-quarter of the number have met violent deaths. William I. was killed by a fall from his horse, William II. was shot while hunting, whether by accident or design is still one of the unsolved problems of history; Richard I. was killed by a shaft from a crossbow while besieging the city of Chalus, in France; Richard II. was murdered in Pontefract castle, Edward II. was murdered in Berkeley castle and Edward V. in the Tower of London, Richard III. was killed on the battlefield of Bosworth, and Charles I. had his head cut off in London.

Elizabeth's death was hastened by remorse that she had ordered the execution of Essex, and her sister Mary sickened and died soon after the loss of Calais, declaring that the name of that city would be found after death written on her heart. The death of Edward III.'s son, the Black Prince, caused the aged monarch to die of grief. So, after the loss of his son in the White Ship, Henry I. was never seen to smile again and lived only a short time. Henry VI. and George III. were insane during the latter years of their reigns and finally died from what in these days would be called paresis. Charles II., Henry VIII., Edward IV. and George IV. hastened their deaths by the lives they lived. Only two monarchs died of that great national scourge, consumption. They were Edward VI. and Henry VII. Queen Anne's death was due as much as anything else to overfeeding. Only two monarchs, Henry VI. and George III., died after long illnesses.—London Tatler.

## A Good Position.

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## SUMMONS

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

Bertie Rogers, plaintiff, vs. Amos F. Rogers, Defendant. To Amos F. Rogers, the above named defendant:

In the name of the state of Oregon, you are hereby notified and required to appear and answer the complaint of the plaintiff filed against you in the above entitled court and suit on or before the 29th day of October A. D. 1909, said date being six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons, which said first publication will be made on Friday the 17th day of September A. D. 1909, in the Athena Press, a newspaper published weekly at Athena, Umatilla Co., Oregon.

And you will take notice that if you fail to appear and answer the said complaint, or otherwise plead thereto, within said time, the plaintiff, for want thereof will apply to the court for the relief prayed for and demand in her said complaint, to-wit: for a decree of said court dissolving the bonds of matrimony now and heretofore existing between plaintiff and defendant, granting to plaintiff an absolute divorce from defendant, and decreeing to plaintiff other and further equitable relief.

This summons is published pursuant to an order of the Hon. H. J. Bean, Judge of the Sixth Judicial District of the State of Oregon, duly made and entered on the 14th day of September A. D. 1909.

Peterson & Wilson, Attorneys for Plaintiff.

## NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla county. In the matter of the Estate of John H. James, deceased.

Notice is hereby given to all persons whom it may concern: that Lydia James, administratrix of the estate of John H. James, deceased, has filed her final account and report in the above entitled court; that the court has appointed Monday the 18th day of October A. D. 1909, at the hour of 2 o'clock in the afternoon, as the time and the County Court house at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place where any and all objections and exceptions to the said final account may be heard and the settlement thereof made. The court further directed that notice thereof be published in the Athena Press once each week for four consecutive weeks, the first publication to be made on Friday the 17th day of September A. D. 1909, and the last one on Friday the 15th day of October A. D. 1909.

Done and dated this 17th day of September A. D. 1909.

Lydia James, Administratrix. Peterson & Wilson, Attorneys for Administratrix.

## SHERIFF'S SALE:

Notice is hereby given that under and by virtue of an Execution issued out of the Circuit Court for the state of Oregon in and for Umatilla county, and to me directed and delivered upon a judgment and decree rendered and entered in said Court on the 13th day of July, 1909 in favor of J. S. McLeod, plaintiff, and against W. C. Minnis and Alvina Minnis, defendants, for the sum of \$428.38 with interest thereon at the rate of 8 per cent per annum from August 21st 1909; and for the further sum of \$300 attorneys fees, and for the further sum of \$24.50 costs, and whereas by said judgment it was further adjudged and decreed that the hereinafter described real property to-wit: The South half, Southwest quarter, Section one: The South half, South

east quarter, Section two; Township four South, range thirty, E. W. M.

South half, Southeast quarter, and Northwest quarter, Southeast quarter; and the Southwest quarter, Northeast quarter, Section one, Township four South, Range thirty, E. W. M. be sold to satisfy said judgment and all costs, I will on the 23rd day of October, 1909; at the hour of two o'clock in the afternoon of said day, in front of the Court house door, in the city of Pendleton, Umatilla County, Oregon, sell the right, title and interest the said W. C. Minnis and Alvina Minnis, had in and to the above described real property on the 13th day of September, 1909, or since then have acquired, at public auction to the highest bidder for cash in hand, the proceeds to be applied in satisfaction of said execution and all costs.

Dated this 21st day of September, 1909.

T. D. Taylor; Sheriff. By B. C. Wilson, Deputy.

## SUMMONS.

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Umatilla County.

John F. Temple, plaintiff, vs. Walter Cameron, a single man, and John Bergevin, defendants. To Walter Cameron, above named defendant:

In the name of the state of Oregon you are hereby summoned and required to appear and answer the complaint filed against you in the above entitled suit by the plaintiff herein on or before the expiration of six weeks from the date of the first publication of this summons against you; and you are further notified that if you fail to answer or otherwise appear in said suit within that time plaintiff will apply to the Court for the relief prayed for in the complaint filed in the said suit, to-wit: for a personal decree of said Court for the payment against defendant for \$550 and interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from February 8, 1908, until paid, \$100 attorney's fees and the cost and disbursements of this suit; that the Court also decree that plaintiff's lien by virtue of said mortgage in this complaint mentioned and of that certain mortgage dated February 8, 1908, executed by Walter Cameron to J. B. McDill and assigned to the plaintiff herein, said mortgage covering Lot ten of section 15 in Township 3, North of Range 35, E. W. M. in Umatilla County, Oregon, shall be foreclosed and said real property sold under execution to be issued upon the decree which the court shall render in said case by the sheriff of Umatilla County, Oregon; and that the proceeds thereof shall be applied first to the payment of the costs and expenses and disbursements of suit second, to the sum of money for which plaintiff prays decree in said suit against defendant; that the balance, if any, be paid to the defendants; that any party to the suit may purchase any or all of the said property at such sale. This summons is published pursuant to an order made by the Hon. H. J. Bean, Judge of the above entitled court, on the 31st day of August, 1909 and the first publication thereof is made on the 3rd day of September, 1909.

J. B. Perry, attorney for plaintiff.

## NOTICE OF FINAL ACCOUNT.

In the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Umatilla County.

In the matter of the Estate of Margaret Bonifer, Deceased.

All persons whom it may concern are hereby notified that Byron Hawks, executor of the last will and testament of Margaret Bonifer, deceased, has filed his final account in the administration of said estate; that the county judge, by order duly made and entered, has appointed Saturday, the 30th day of October A. D. 1909, at 2:00 o'clock in the afternoon of said day as the time and the county Courthouse at Pendleton, Oregon, as the place where any and all objections and exceptions to the said final account and report will be heard and the settlement thereof made. This notice will appear in the Athena Press, from Friday the first day of October A. D. 1909, to and including the 29th day of October A. D. 1909, once each week for four successive weeks.

Byron Hawks, Executor. Peterson & Wilson, Attorneys for Executor.

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