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## MASTS CARRY AWAY

**Shamrock III Injured In Squall Means a Postponement of Race**

London, April 17—While on a trial spin this morning the cup challenger Shamrock III had everything carried away by the wind.

The challenger was left a mere hulk. The accident took place immediately after she set sail on the port tack. She had left the harbor, and was proceeding slowly when a sudden squall struck her, and carried away everything above board. The yacht was completely dismantled. The big main mast fell over the side into the water and carried with it the immense top hamper, balyards rigging, and clouds of canvas.

The accident recalls the fact that Shamrock II was similarly wrecked in a trial spin two years ago with King Edward and Sir Thomas Lipton aboard. Fortunately no one was hurt.

Official information says the Shamrock III has no duplicate spars. Disaster accordingly means that Lipton will apply to have the date for the cup race set back until a new spar can be obtained from America, probably of Shamrock II.

The yacht's designer, Watson, when interviewed today reserved his opinion as to the cause of the accident. The hull is shown by investigation to have escaped injury.

Lipton narrowly escaped the fate of his steward, who was struck by another sailer and knocked down the hatchway with sufficient force to break the wooden teak cover on the cabin floor. His hand was badly lacerated and shoulder bruised. Three of the crew were injured, one sustaining a severe scalp wound. Lipton is much grieved over the accident.

**Red Jacket's Memory.**  
Red Jacket, the Indian chief, had more confidence in his own memory than in books and papers of white men. There was a council at one time before Tompkins, an early governor of New York, in regard to an ancient treaty. The agent said one thing, but Red Jacket corrected him. "You have forgotten," said the American agent. "We have it written down on paper." "The paper then tells a lie," was the confident answer. "I have it written here," continued the chief, placing his hand with dignity upon his brow. "You Yankees are born with a feather between your fingers, but your paper does not speak the truth. The Indian keeps his knowledge here. This is the book the Great Spirit gave him. It does not lie." A reference was made to the treaty in question, when to the astonishment of all every word that Red Jacket had said was confirmed on the document.

## PAID HIS DEBT

**Murderer Elliott Lyons Hanged Execution Goes Very Smoothly**

Eugene, April 17—Edward Elliott Lyons, slayer of Sheriff Withers, this morning at 9:21 dropped to death through the scaffold floor in the jail yard at Eugene, in expiation of his crime.

The hanging went off without the slightest accident. Lyons' neck was broken by the fall and but for involuntary convulsions as the body swung to and fro, there was not a sign of life after he reached the end of the rope.

Dr. Paine and Day pronounced the man dead after he had hung 14 minutes.

## TESTED THE SCAFFOLD FOR LYONS' HANGING

**Which Takes Place Today—Last Legal Execution Outside the Penitentiary**

(Eugene Guard)

The scaffolding with which the law will snuff out the life of Edward Elliott Lyons, convicted of the murder of Sheriff Withers on the 5th of February of this year, was tested this afternoon. The trap proved to be in working order and built with ample strength to do the work for which it was erected.

The noose was placed about a heavy weight and dropped the same as Lyons will be dropped next Friday morning at 10 o'clock. Sheriff Fred Fish has seen to the details of the execution and there promises no accident in the execution.

Sheriff Fish sent out a number of invitations on Saturday and the remainder today, about 100 in all. They were sent to the following: The sheriffs of the state; the last grand jury; the grand jury which convicted Lyons; the members of the posse which captured him; the physicians of the county; and the newspaper men.

The invitation received at the Guard office reads as follows:

"Reporter Eugene Guard: This permit will entitle you to witness the execution of Elliott E. Lyons on Friday, the 17th day of April, 1903, 9:30 a. m., within the enclosure of the jail yard of the Lane county jail. Present this card."

"FRED FISH, Sheriff of Lane County, Oregon."

"Not transferable."

"Elliott E. Lyons shot and fatally wounded W. W. Withers, Sheriff, on Feb. 5, 1903; was arrested Feb. 9, 1903; convicted March 4, 1903; sentenced March 6, 1903."  
This will be the last execution in the state outside of the penitentiary, the law enacted at the last session of the legislature providing for all hangings in the state to take place at the state prison in Salem.

## MAY MAKE COUP

**Seizure of Constantinople Easily Within Russia's Power**

Moscow, April 15—The newspaper Iborak, the Russia military organ, today urges the seizure of Constantinople by the Black Sea fleet in combination with 200,000 men. The coup could be effected the paper says, as no power would dare try to dislodge Russia. Such a bold move may solve the Balkan trouble.

Constantinople, April 6—The secret agents of the government state that an uprising is planned in Macedonia for Monday next. The Porte has decided to concentrate 19 battalions there. The Czarivitch anticipates serious trouble in Albania.

A dispatch from Startech says the Turkish troops recently had an engagement with Bulgarians, who were assisted by the villagers of Bulm village. The Bulgarians and their friends escaped. Two Turks were killed.

Reports show great activity in the Russian dock yards on the black sea.

Intertribal fights have broken out at Bagdad. All available military forces have been sent to suppress the outbreak.

## CONTRACT FOR GRADING

**Grants Pass-Crescent City Road**

(S. F. Examiner Apr 11)

The first contract for the grading of the new railroad that is to connect Grants Pass and Eureka, in Humboldt county, was let at the Crocker Building in this city on Wednesday, and is for the strip of road from Grant's Pass to Crescent City. This is the road in which Senator Pearson, J. O. Gunn, T. M. Tuttle and others are interested. There will be another contract let in near future for the portion of the road from Crescent City to Eureka, and a third for the line from Eureka up the coast to Coos Bay.

**man work.**  
"I suppose you have heard about young Chumley? He is very seriously ill as a result of overwork."  
"You don't say so! What has he been doing to bring it about?"  
"Trying to collect his thoughts."

## AGAIN VERY WROTH

**Germany Thinks She is Affronted By Our Friendly Act to France**

Washington, April 17—The American squadron in European waters has been ordered to Marseilles to participate in the reception of Loubet, April 30th.

The Berlin News says the sending of the squadron to Marseilles has aroused a storm of indignation on account of the refusal to participate in the German reception at Kiel. The refusal is now regarded as a direct affront to Germany.

Tasigblatt declares the fact ought to be a salutary lesson to Germany not to trouble to America, and says that permanent friendship between America and Germany is impossible.

Taglischerundschau characterizes it as a slap in the face and an insult the Germans won't forget.

Duetsches Zeitung welcomes the incident; because it clears the air and shows Germany how the Americans really regard them.

Navy department officials allege that the unfavorable criticism today of the German press over the action of the department in ordering the European squadron to Marseilles, is based on a misapprehension of the situation.

The Kaiser invited not the European, but the North Atlantic squadron to participate at Kiel. The invitation was extended at the time when it was contemplated that the North Atlantic squadron would visit European waters. Later, it was decided not to send the squadron to Europe for the Summer, so the Kaiser's invitation was declined.

The Marseilles trip now will not interfere with the European squadron's regular itinerary.

## FATAL LIVE WIRE

Roseburg, April 17—Earl Fletcher, 16 year old and apprentice line man, was electrocuted at 2 o'clock this afternoon at the power house here. His hand came in contact with a transformer wire while he was leaning back in a chair, reading. He received 10,000 volts.

## UNION DEMANDS DENIED

**Strike Situation Tense at Portland**

Portland, April 16—The Builders Association has issued a manifesto, addressed to the Builders Trades Council and others, declaring that they will not recognize the union and will not grant the demand for \$3.50 per day. A number of non union carpenters and painters were put to work on buildings this morning. The situation is tense.

## THE SPRING CROP OF SEA SERPENTS

A Victoria, B. C., dispatch brings the first Spring sea serpent story as follows: "Officers of the cable station at Bamfield Creek are sponsors for a story that a sea serpent from 40 to 60 feet long and with a head like a horse, has been seen off the station. The cable operators say in letters to the local newspapers that Indians had been talking of the existence of a sea serpent but the stories were not credited. David Osborne, one of the officials, says that a week ago the animal was seen from cable station to raise a big horse-like head and swim out from the mouth of Bamfield creek into Barley Sound."

Mr. Gordon, of the cable staff, says that when he first saw the animal it looked like a massive sea weed, but presently he saw the head elevated, and the big serpent moved off toward the sea. Mr. Gordon says it moved off with the speed of a torpedo boat. On April 10 an Indian saw the thing and was so frightened that he ran his canoe into the breakers, left it and fled along the beach to the cable station. The Indian said the thing had a head shaped like a horse and its body, ten feet of which was lifted, was the size of a barrel. The Indians in the neighborhood are terrified.

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## NEW WAR VESSEL LAUNCHED

**Witnessed by Many Distinguished People**

New London, April 16—The Minnesota was launched successfully at 2:20 this afternoon. Nothing marred the event. The governor, a number of state senators, a number of mayors, Lewis Nixon of New York and thousands of others witness it.

The New London board of trade and a thousand guests were on excursion steamers, and the harbor was filled with crafts of all descriptions. Hill's yacht, Wacout, being among them.

## PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Edward Namack is the advance representative of William H. Crane in "David Harum."

Mme. Modjeska is appearing in Poland in Shakespeare and also in plays by Polish authors.

Ethel Knight Mallison, formerly leading woman with Richard Mansfield, is to appear in vaudeville.

Charley E. (Parson) Davies, famous in the sporting world, will probably go on the stage in vaudeville.

Henrietta Crossman, it is said, is writing a volume of her reminiscences as a little army girl on the frontier.

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### SHOE TALK

If you buy shoes DON'T get plucked. If you buy a \$3.50 or \$4.00 shoe at a store where \$5 to \$8 shoes are sold you get plucked nearly every time.

Satisfactory shoes for Winter—shoes that please the people—shoes in which the shape will hold—won't "squash" out, or sag in the shank, or get shabby-looking in a little while.

Shoes that hold out because they're rightly built—not a skimp anywhere, inside or out—THAT'S the Walk-Over Shoe.

WALK-OVER SHOE

Must be right or wrong—no middle ground—or we couldn't everlastingly preach Money-Back Shoes—good wear or a new pair.

Why pay \$5 and \$6 for let-well-enough-alone shoes—Tom, Dick and Harry makes—that have been foisted on a long suffering public with scarcely a change—in quality \$3.50 and \$4.00 nor in shape—for the last ten years.

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