

MAN EATS EGG SIX YEARS OLD; WAS GOOD

At Least He Said So—Rubber Stamp on Egg Shell Leads to Investigation of Egg's History.

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 22.—Eggs 6 years old are not usually accounted delicacies, but William Wolley of Green Lake ate such an egg today and declares it was as fresh as any he ever tasted.

In purchasing a dozen "fresh ranch eggs" from his grocer two weeks ago, Mr. Wolley noticed one with a rubber stamp impression reading "Mary Beebe, Abergentie, Pa." He noticed part of the "M" in Mary was indistinct.

Curious to know the early history of the henry product, he wrote to Pennsylvania and received the following reply:

"I have your letter about the egg and I hardly know whether you are in earnest or not. I have not been in the egg business for six years. I was a girl when I sold stamped eggs to wholesalers here and I have been married and have five children since then, which are keeping me busy. I cannot tell you. I suppose it must have been treated by the methods of some enterprising produce dealer. I will thank you if you notice if part of the "M" is mashed. If it is, it is my stamp and the egg is six or more years old. Please let me know about this and will have it put in our home paper."

Wheeler Is Honored.

BERLIN, Feb. 22.—Benjamin Ide Wheeler, president of the University of California, has been signally honored by Emperor William, whose invitation to the American professor to join him on a pleasure cruise in the North sea is being conveyed to Wheeler today.

The kaiser's invitation also has been extended to Professor G. F. Moore, exchange editor at the University of Berlin.

Although no announcement of plans have been made by the professor, it is understood that they will not be able to accept the invitation, as both already have been planned to leave Berlin before the departure of the kaiser's vessels.

REPORT THAT LATE SULTAN IS DEAD

Rumor Spreads That Abdul Hamid, Deposed Sultan of Turkey, Has Passed Away.

VIENNA, Feb. 22.—Rumors that Abdul Hamid, the deposed sultan of Turkey, died yesterday at his villa in Salonica, where he has been a state prisoner, were persistent here today.

Official denials were given to the reports, but these failed to convince the public that the ex-sultan was still alive. Dispatches from Salonica and Constantinople contained reports of Abdul Hamid's demise and this served to keep the rumors in circulation.

BEAVERS ARE OFF TO THEIR PRACTICE GROUNDS

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 22.—The advance guard of the Portland Coast league baseball team is scheduled to leave late today for the spring training grounds at Santa Maria, Cal., where on Saturday active training will begin. Manager McCredie has arranged a complete set of dates and is being imported for more games. While he is booked right up to the opening day with San Francisco, he is desirous of arranging a meeting with the Stockton club of the California State league, if an open date can be made.

McCredie plans on remaining over a day in San Francisco on his way to Santa Maria to pay his respects to Judge Graham, the new president of the Coast league.

CITY INSTITUTES

BALL AND CHAIN

The city has instituted a chain gang of one. William King, who wrecked a front-street eating house Saturday night, was sentenced by Judge Eifert to serve 25 days on the streets wearing that cumbersome piece of jewelry known as a ball and chain.

This mode of punishment for disorderly conduct is expected to have a salutary effect in the way of prevention of future misdemeanors of the kind.

Buicks are worth while.

Honor For New Envoy; Earl Grey's Successor; Redmond a Power In Parliament; Abdul Hamid Mad.



ABDUL HAMID



BARON UCHIDA



EARL AND COUNTESS CARRINGTON



JOHN REDMOND



In planning to give a dinner in honor of Baron Uchida, the new ambassador from Japan, the Japan Society of New York pursued its policy of promoting good feeling between Japan and the United States. The ambassador was recently elected honorary president of the society.

Captivity even in a palace near Salonki has not been a pleasant experience for Abdul Hamid, ex-sultan of Turkey. It was recently reported that his mind had given way.

John Redmond, the leader of the Irish Nationalists, will be one of the most powerful and influential figures in the new British parliament in spite of some opposition to him among his fellow countrymen. The slender Liberal plurality gives the Irishmen their opportunity to press the claims of Ireland.

Earl Carrington, named as successor of Earl Grey as governor general of Canada, is one of Great Britain's ablest administrators. He has held several high offices. The Countess Carrington is well known in British society as a hostess. The couple have one son and four daughters.

Fire Burns Store.

SPOKANE, Wash., Feb. 22.—Fire destroyed Greenough Bros.' store. The fire originated from a spark from the furnace or from spontaneous combustion, and probably smoldered for hours before being discovered.

The entire fire department worked in a below-zero temperature, this being the coldest day Spokane has experienced this winter.

Cutlery and glassware at Good-friend's.

Revival Meeting.

Remember the revival meetings at the Christian church every evening this week at 7:30. Subject tonight, "Excuses." Good music and interesting services. W. Theo. Matlock, pastor.

ATTEMPT IS MADE ON ZEAYA'S LIFE

Report Out That Young Nicaraguan Attempted to Stab the Former President of Nicaragua.

PORT LIMON, Costa Rica, Feb. 22.—That an attempt on the life of former President Zelaya of Nicaragua was made as he was embarking on a steamer en route to Belgium is the substance of a story printed in a San Jose paper today.

According to the story, which is generally credited, a young Nicaraguan whose father's estates had been confiscated by Zelaya, tried to stab the former president. Zelaya saved himself by shooting his assailant through the arm.

The man who attacked Zelaya is said to be a member of one of the most prominent families of Nicaragua. The affair, the paper said, was quelled by the authorities at the request of Zelaya.

WOODVILLE ITEMS.

Preparations are on foot for a bal masque to be given by local parties on the evening of St. Patrick's day.

The Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Herr on Thursday afternoon. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable time was had by those present. Fifteen members were admitted to membership as follows: Misses Grace Stevens, Retta Robbins, Hall, Noble, Mrs. George Starr. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Meriam. All Woodville ladies are invited to attend these meetings.

The old meat market formerly run by Sherm Estelle has changed hands and is doing a brisk business. The high prices of meat do not seem to affect it.

The new I. O. O. F. lodge of Woodville was installed Saturday night. A big crowd and a fine time are reported. Not being "one of the boys," we were "no in it."

Mrs. Frank Gilmore and Mrs. Burchell visited our school Thursday afternoon.

The new steel bridge was completed last week. Woodville is booming.

HILL LINES AID IN BOOSTING NORTHWEST

Favorable Comment Follows Announcement of Louis W. Hill of Great Northern's Plans.

PORTLAND, Or., Feb. 22.—The Great Northern railway, through President Louis W. Hill, announces the inauguration of a plan of advertising the resources and assisting in the colonization of the Pacific northwest which is today meeting with much favorable comment in this city. Mr. Hill proposes furnishing eastern people with an exhibition of what is being produced in the far northwest states. To this end, representatives of the Great Northern company are now in this state compiling information. They are in search of choice fruit and grain samples produced in Oregon to be added to the exhibition of what is being made in the east from Washington, Montana and Oregon.

A passenger coach is to be fitted with samples of the products of the Pacific northwest, which will next year be sent over the various eastern railroad systems, affording people living along the lines to see at first hand what the west has to offer in the way of inducements for settlers.

HAMILTON OFF TONIGHT FOR STATE PENITENTIARY

OLYMPIA, Wash., Feb. 22.—Ortis Hamilton, convicted adjutant-general of Washington, is ready today for his trip to the state penitentiary at Walla Walla. He may be taken tonight. The \$5 fee which the state demanded of Hamilton literally for the privilege of going to prison, has been paid, but all parties concerned refuse to state who advanced it. Hamilton's appeal was dismissed last night following the payment of the money.

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