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COMMITTED FOR TRIAL.

Murderer to Meet Charge Against Him Before Court of Justice.

Port Arthur, Ont., March 17.—(Special)—Everett West and Nick Aho, Finlanders, charged with the murder of Eric Pothrakes, a Greek, on March 4, have been committed for trial.

On the night of the murder Pothrakes was going home, when the two men approached.

One held him and the other stabbed him to death.

MISSIONARY DEAD.

Pioneer of the West Who Won Fame in Red River Rebellion.

Winnipeg, March 17.—(Special)—Mgr. Ritchot, a pioneer missionary in the west, died yesterday afternoon at St. Norbert, Manitoba.

Mgr. Ritchot gained fame in the Red River rebellion of 1870 through his efforts to keep the French Canadians from rising against the Canadian government.

QUIET CELEBRATION.

St. Patrick's Day Observed by the Irishmen of St. John.

St. John, March 17.—(Special) St. Patrick's day was celebrated quietly here.

The local divisions of the A. O. H. and Hibernian Knights attended mass at the Cathedral this morning.

This evening several banquets and a dramatic performance will be held.

PERSONAL MENTION.

Movements of People in Whom Our Readers are Interested.

Miss Verda Fulton, of Bass River, leaves in a week or two for Fredericton, where she will spend a few months at her sister's, Mrs. W. P. Garvie. She will also take a course at the Fredericton Business College before returning home.—Truro Daily News.

Sergt. Byers, of the R. C. R., is recruiting for the corps at Moncton, and is meeting with success.

Master James McDade, son of Mr. M. McDade, of St. John, has had to abandon his studies at St. Joseph's College, Memramcook, for the present on account of ill health.

The Triumphant Spider.

A little garter snake about five inches long went to sleep in a wheelwright shop, and a big black spider spun a web around the reptile. When the little snake awoke it was literally in the toils and began to struggle. It finally managed to free its body, but not its head. Meanwhile the spider was industriously spinning fresh threads, stopping occasionally to give the snake a bite. Then the real fight commenced and lasted for an hour. The snake could not get away, but it tried its best to bite the spider, without avail. Weakened by its futile efforts and the successive stings of the insect, it gradually ceased to struggle and finally died. Then the spider, presumably triumphant, disappeared under the wall.

About the Size of One.

"Is that a chicken?" asked the boarder dismally.
"Of course," replied the landlady. "What did you think it was?"
"A canary," answered the boarder, as he counted the number of people to be served.

DISMISSED AND DISGRACED.

Kuropatkin No Longer Commander-in-Chief of Russian Army in Manchuria.

SUCCEEDED BY GENERAL LINEVITCH, GAZETTED TO-DAY.

No Word of Official Consolation for the Deposed Chief

CZAR ANNOUNCES THAT HE WILL CONTINUE TO URGE WAR AGAINST THE JAPS.

Valuable Property Destroyed by Russians in Their Retreat.

St. Petersburg, March 17.—(Special).—1.05 p. m.—With the Japanese hanging on their heels and flanks of the remnants of the broken, defeated Russian army, General Kuropatkin, the old idol of private soldiers, has been dismissed and disgraced, and General Linevitch succeeds him as commander of the the Russian land forces operating against Japan.

The word, "disgraced," is written in large letters in the laconic imperial order gazetted this morning, which contains not a single word of praise, and also disposes of the rumor that Kuropatkin had asked to be relieved.

Kuropatkin says he will return home. Meanwhile the Czar announces that he will continue the war.

Tokio, 9 a. m., March 17.—A telegram received today from army headquarters, says "The railway station at Tieling, a splendid structure with arrangements equal to those at Sen and Liao Yang, with enemy's provisions and fodder piled around, was set on fire and two thirds of the material destroyed.

"We captured numerous spoils but

have no time to investigate them.

"A great number of prisoners have been taken in the direction of the right wing, but details of their capture have not yet been received."

Mukden, March 17.—General Kuropatkin and the remnants of his army which were defeated by the Japanese on the Shakhe and Hun rivers, and again around Mukden and Tie Pass, are now in the mountains a few miles north of the southern entrance to the pass, trying to shake off their pursuers, who apparently, are not going to repeat the mistake of Liao Yang, and allow the Russian army to escape.

Kuropatkin has been reinforced by the garrison of Tie Ling and other northern towns, and a few new troops who were on their way to Russia when the battle of Mukden began. But even with these there seems little hope for him. True, he has some thirty or forty miles of hilly country, extending from Tie Pass to Fenghautsien, which might enable him to hold off the enemy for a while, but once out of the hills he has before him 300 miles of flat open country and innumerable rivers and streams to pass.

ST. JOHN AND HALIFAX G.T.P. TERMINALS.

Official Contradiction to the Statement that Road Will Seek Outlet at New Atlantic Port.

Montreal, March 17.—(Special)—The statement in a London cable that Grand Trunk Pacific officials propose to establish a new Atlantic port, is contradicted at the offices

here this morning.

The officials said they would use St. John and Halifax as their terminal ports.

Fatal Blunder.

"He is gone!" she wailed. "He is gone forever!"
"Don't be downcast," her friend urged. "He may come back."
"No, no; I shall never see him again. I gave up the letters he had written to me."

Had Her Appetite.

Harry—Molly, you look good enough to eat. Molly—All you have to do is ask me to dine. I'll do the eating all right.—Boston Transcript.

MANUFACTURERS' CONVENTION.

Montreal, March 17.—(Special)—The Canadian Manufacturers' Association executive, has decided to hold the next convention of the Association at Quebec, September 18 to 20, 1905.

THE MONTREAL STOCK MARKET.

C. P. R. Which Has Been Soaring Recently, Made a Slight Drop.

Montreal, March 17.—(Special)—Stock trading was very brisk this morning.

C. P. R., which soared skyward the last two or three days, went off slightly.

Last night's closing was 147½, and this morning it was forced down at the opening to 146½, and at noon it reached 146½.

This is the low mark and at 2 p. m. it showed no change.

HE LOVED THE THEATER.

Farces and Clowns Were the Joy of George III. of England.

Few men of any rank or time have ever derived so much unaffected pleasure from the theater as George III. In fact, in the words of a contemporary, it was "as good as a play to hear the royal laughter and note the genuine enjoyment of his majesty." "He is said," Thackeray wrote, "not to have cared for Shakespeare or tragedy, much. Farces and pantomimes were his joy, and especially when the clown swallowed a carrot or a string of sausages he would laugh so outrageously, that the lovely princess by his side would have to say, 'My gracious monarch, do compose yourself!' And he continued to laugh and at the very smallest farces as long as his poor wits were left him."

So frequent were George's visits to the theater that "his face was the most familiar in London to playgoers, who took no more notice of his presence than if he had been a simple citizen, except when his boisterous laughter drew attention to him and started others laughing out of irresistible infection." As familiar a spectacle as that of his majesty purple and rolling with laughter was to see him sleeping peacefully as a child between the acts.

So partial was he to actors that he permitted and even smiled at liberties which he would have resented in any one else. On one occasion, when Parsons was playing in "The Siege of Calais," the actor walked toward the box in which George was sitting and addressed him in the words of his part: "An the king were here and did not admire my scaffold I would say: 'Hang him! He has no taste,' a piece of impudence which threw his majesty into a fit of laughter.—London Tit-Bits.

PRONUNCIATION.

Read Over This Test and Then Consult Your Dictionary.

The following rather curious piece of composition was placed upon the blackboard at a certain teachers' institute and a prize of a dictionary offered to any person who could read it and pronounce every word correctly. The book was not carried off, as twelve was the lowest number of mistakes in pronunciation made:

"A sacrilegious son of Belial who has suffered from bronchitis, having exhausted his finances in order to make good the deficit, resolved to ally himself to a comely, lenient and docile young lady of the Malay or Caucasian race. He accordingly purchased a calliope and coral necklace of a chameleon hue and securing a suit of rooms at a principal hotel he engaged the head waiter as his coadjutor. He then dispatched a letter of the most unexceptional caligraphy extant, inviting the young lady to a matinee. She revolted at the idea, refused to consider herself sacrificable to his desires and sent a polite note of refusal, on receiving which he procured a carbine and bowie knife, said that he would not now forge fetters hymeneal with the queen and went to an isolated spot, severed his jugular vein and discharged the contents of the carbine into his abdomen. The debris was removed by the coroner."

The mistakes in pronunciation were made on the following words: Sacrilegious, Belial, bronchitis, exhausted, finances, deficit, comely, lenient, docile, Malay, calliope, chameleon, suit, coadjutor, caligraphy, matinee, sacrificable, carbine, hymeneal, isolated, jugular and debris.

The Buttered Side.

A woman who is a close observer of children was out walking in the country one day, she relates, when she saw a little girl with solemn big blue eyes sitting on a doorstep munching a huge slice of bread and butter. The only peculiarity about the operation was that she was holding the buttered side of the bread toward the ground.

"Why do you hold your bread and butter that way?" asked the lady.

"Tause," whispered the little maiden confidentially, "mamma says bwead always falls butter side down, so if you hold it butter side down to start wif and then dwop it, why, of course, it falls butter side up."

REILLY MAY COME BACK.

Bondsman Requests that Bail be Not Estreated and Judge Consents.

Belleville, Ont., March 17.—(Special)—When the court resumed trial of the ballot box cases this morning a letter was read from County Crown Attorney Andrews, stating he had received a letter from Reilly's bondsman, James H. Smith, requesting that bail be not estreated, as he hoped

to surrender Reilly on arrival of the noon train today.

The judge consented to wait the close of the assizes before estreating bail.

The conspiracy charge against Ruttan is now being tried, and Ruttan is in court.

The opening and noon prices follow:

Dominion Coal, 76½, 77½.
Dominion Iron and Steel, 24, 24½.
Dominion Iron and Steel, pfd., 72, 72.

Nova Scotia Steel, 62, 63½.
C. P. R. 846½, 146½.
Twin City, 108½, 109.

Montreal Power, 89, 89.
Richelieu and Ontario Navigation, 69½, 70.