

THE DAILY EXAMINER

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NOTES AND COMMENTS.

—Saint Swithin's Day—bad weather for haymakers!
 —Santiago has fallen! What next? Peace or the continuation by Spain of a hopeless struggle?
 —Will the people of the first district of Prince County vote in a supporter of the leaderless gang whose members stick together only in their own interests? We shall see?
 —No one seems at all anxious to take the place of Senor Sagasta at the head of Spanish government. A military cabinet is suggested; but such a cabinet could hardly be expected to bring about peace.
 —It is announced that we shall soon have a two cent rate for a half on a letter to Great Britain and Ireland, Newfoundland and Natal. This is a small equivalent for increased taxes in other directions.
 —The returns for two-thirds of the seats in the Legislature of Toronto have been posted, and some of these will be *sub judice* until November next. Yet the Legislature has been summoned to meet on the third August next, and all the members returned are called upon to be present. That is to say, persons whose right to sit in the legislature has been lawfully questioned will sit in the legislature and vote though they have no right to do so. What other constitutional outrage remains for our Liberals?
 —Ottawa correspondents of the Ministerial papers are preparing the public mind for the reimposition of a tax on tea. Notice the reasons given by the government organs for the proposed new tax: "The growth of public expenditure has made it necessary that the administration should devise means of raising additional taxation. During the last two years the ordinary expenditure has gone on by a couple of millions annually, while the capital outlay has been augmented at the rate of four or five millions." This statement is as true as it is frank.
 —The Montreal Witness tries to excuse Sir Wilfrid Laurier's treatment of the Spanish gentlemen expelled from Canada on the plea as he acted as he did at the desire of the British government. The Witness does not show that Sir Wilfrid entered any protest against the action of the Imperial authorities. But it says: "We much regret that any appearance of hospitality towards foreign sojourners should be necessary on our frontier. We suspect that the nation by which the act was demanded would have been boiling with rare over us whole surface had a similar course been followed towards agents of its own."

ESTEEMED EXCHANGES

Mail and Empire: Admiral Cervera could do a large and lucrative business if he went on a lecturing tour through the enemy's country. "Spanish Naval Strategy" would be a suitable subject.
 Huntingdon Gleaner (Liberal): "Mr. Mulock is now a member of a government which has made nine appointments of the kind he denominated, and Mr. Lister takes advantage of the system which, while in opposition, he spoke against."
 "Apparently, like Edgar with regard to titles, his disapproval applied to the political stripe of the recipients of the favours and not to the principle if applied to themselves."
 "Laurier ought to know that these repeated exhibitions of inconsistency and self-seeking are lowering his administration in public estimation."

News Notes.

The longest stretch of railway without a curve is 211 miles, from Buenos Ayres to the foot of the Andes, on the new Argentine Pacific Railway.
 The longest wall in the world is the famous stone defence made by the Chinese against the Tartars, about 200 B.C. It is 20 feet high, 25 feet thick at the base, and stretches for 1280 miles over hills, valleys and rivers.
 The year 47 B.C. was the longest year on record. By order of Julius Caesar, it contained 445 days. The additional days were put in to make the seasons conform as nearly as possible with the solar year.
 There is some doubt at Ottawa as to who is in command of the militia of Canada. A recent order places the command in the hands of Lieut.-Col. Lake, the quarter-master-general, as the senior officer in Canada. An order issued in February 1897, which has not been cancelled, states that in the absence of the commanding officer the Adjutant-general will act for him. Both Col. Lake and Col. Aylmer are therefore officially in command. Col. Lake is away summering, and hence the office is at present being administered by Col. Aylmer.
 There is a pretty custom in vogue in Denmark. It appears that during the summer holidays the Danes send the school children of the city to the country, and those of the country to the city. The parents of the country and those of the cities swap children temporarily, so that the city children are strengthened and made happy in the country, while the people in the cities show the little country people the sights and get up festivals for them. In this way Copenhagen sends 10,000 school children to the rural districts and entertains the same number in exchange.

Boys felt hats selling at less than cost. Men's felt hats away down.—W. D. Mackay.

BOOK ON THE PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.

A new book on the Philippine Islands is announced by the Continental Publishing Co., 25 Park Place, New York. The author is Ramon Reyes Lala, a native of Manila. Advance sheets show that it presents a fascinating description of that remarkable country and its resources, with an accurate and interesting history of the Spanish discovery and dominion, as well as the recent American conquerors and their occupation. This work is a trustworthy account of the many points of interest throughout the islands. It is full of information concerning plants and animals and the wonderful varied agricultural and mineral resources of this Paradise of the Tropics. The principal cities are graphically described and the author's admirable and suggestive sketches of the life, character, religion and customs of the natives, lend the book an additional charm. About one hundred superb illustrations, most of them full page, adorn the book, giving it a pictorial beauty and material worth. Many of these are from photographs that were taken by the writer himself and the others are from a carefully chosen collection made by him in Manila. Mr. Lala is a member of a wealthy and influential native family, and was for many years prominent in business and social life in Manila. He was educated at St. John's College, London. Being no longer able to endure Spanish oppression, a few years ago he gave his allegiance to the United States. The book, which is in press, is to be a large 8vo. volume. Price \$2.25

PORTO RICO

To be Attacked by General Brooke.
 Washington, D. C., July 12.—Major-General J. R. Brooke will be in command of the army that will soon invade Porto Rico. General Miles will exercise supervision in a sense similar to that in which he now exercises supervision before Santiago. There will be no less than 25,000 United States troops, no less than 10,000 of whom will be regulars. With the fall of Santiago, the men will have a brief rest and will then move on to Porto Rico. No more troops will be sent from the United States to Santiago. Troops now under orders to embark will augment the Porto Rico expedition, which includes troops from all the camps in the United States. This force will be further reinforced by volunteers which as yet have no orders to move. They will embark from New York and other large cities. The landing place has not yet been decided upon.

Arrest of Comte Esterhazy.

PARIS, July 13.—Major Comte Ferdinand Walsin Esterhazy, the alleged author of the bordereau in the Dreyfus case, has been arrested. Madame Pays, his mistress, has also been placed under arrest.

It is held that under the new U. S. war tax law a doctor's certificate of a patient's death must bear a ten cent stamp. This is, as the Montreal Gazette remarks, following a man a long way.

The Ontario government appears to be in trouble. It has called a special session of the legislature. This will remind the country that two of the ministers were defeated last March and have not found seats yet. Where will they be when the house meets?

The expedition which restored the Sudan to order, and the Egyptian or rather British rule, cost £1,850,000, of which Great Britain lent Egypt £798,000, and afterwards made the loan into a gift. The net cost to Egypt was about a million sterling, and it is estimated that there are permanent works, including the railway built under the direction of Lieut. Girouard, representing three-fourths of the sum. Altogether Egypt came well out of the campaign from a financial as well as a military point of view.

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 Lifting the soul from the common sod
 To a purer air and a broader view.
 We rise by the things that are under our feet,
 By what we have mastered of greed and gain
 By the pride deposed and the passion slain,
 And the vanquished ills that we hourly meet.

We hope, we aspire, we resolve, we trust,
 When the morning calls us to life and light;
 But our hearts grow weary, and ere the night,
 Our lives are trailing in sordid dust.

We hope, we aspire, we resolve, we pray,
 And we think that we mount the air on wings,
 Beyond the recall of sensual things,
 While our feet still cling to the heavy clay.

Wings for the angels, but feet for the men,
 We may borrow the wings to find the way,
 We may hope and aspire and resolve and pray,
 But our feet must rise or we'll fall again.

Only in dreams is a ladder thrown
 From the weary earth to the sapphire walls;
 But the dreams depart and the vision falls,
 And the sleeper wakes on his pillow of stone

Heaven is not reached at a single bound,
 But we build the ladder by which we rise
 From the lowly earth to the vaulted skies,
 And we mount to the summit round by round.

J. G. Holland.

YUKON GOLD.

Only a Small Amount on the First Gold Boat.

SEATTLE, Wash., July 13.—The first gold boat, the "New England," has arrived at Seattle, from St. Michael's with a number of miners, laden with nuggets and drafts on board. The passengers had come down the Yukon in small boats to St. Michael's and chartered the "New England" for the sum of twelve hundred dollars to carry them to Seattle. It was stated by the passengers that the amount of gold brought down by them was comparatively very small, not more than fifteen thousand dollars, as those in St. Michael's having large sums in their possession were waiting for a treasure ship in which their earnings could be safely guarded. One of the passengers on the New England was Judge K. A. Hall, of Los Angeles, the owner of several valuable claims in Dawson City, and who is supposed to be in a position to speak authoritatively and intelligently upon the situation in Klondike. In an interview after he landed Judge Hall said, in speaking of the season's output of gold, that the estimates had run all the way from ten millions to forty millions. Up to June 5 there had been three clean-ups on claims Nos. 4, 5 and 6, on E'd r'do, owned by Berry Bros., and the amount obtained was about sixty-five thousand dollars.

Leslie's Weekly draws attention again to what, in New York police circles, is known as working "the third degree." When an ignorant prisoner is in custody on a charge of crime, the officials seek, by terrorising, to force him to confess. In the case now being discussed, the third degree, says the Weekly, meant strangulation, blackened eyes, and sundry threats with loaded pistols and the like. To make matters worse, these iniquitous proceedings were carried on before an improvised altar with lighted candles, and an image of the Virgin, so as to work on his susceptibilities as a Roman Catholic. The counsel for the accused, in court denounced the proceedings as inhuman and barbarous, and the language is not too strong. There is some work for the philanthropists to do in New York as well as in Cuba.

A CARDINAL'S STORIES.

"I'm afraid I can't tell you," answered Cardinal Wiseman on some one asking the names of several choice plants on the table. "I am often as much puzzled by botanical nomenclature as the old lady who said she couldn't remember all the old Latin names. The only two she had been able to retain were *aurora borealis* and *delirium tremens*."

The cardinal thoroughly enjoyed humorous stories and often told them at his table. "I have seen Father Faber," writes the author of "Social Hours With Celebrities," "at the cardinal's table, laugh till the tears rolled down his face."

A story which the cardinal enjoyed much was that of an Irishman, who, while taking a barge up the Shannon, was asked what goods he had on board, and answered, "Timber and fruit."

"What kind of timber and what sort of fruit?"
 "Well, an if ye must know, the timber is just birch brooms, and the fruit, well, it's protatics."

An Irishman averred that the habit of Irish landlords of living outside of Ireland was the great grievance Ireland had to complain of.

"Oh, yes," answered an Englishman, "that's the old stalking horse. I don't believe in your absences."

"Not believe in 'em! Come to Dublin with me, and I'll show ye 'em by the hundred. Why, the country just swarms with 'em."

Why Elephants Fear Mice.

It seems incredible that so small and harmless an animal as a mouse is able to frighten an elephant almost out of his senses. One little mouse in the hay on which they are feeding will stampede an entire herd. In their native land there are little animals, known as chacanans, which feed on a small, sour berry of which elephants are very fond. They live in settlements, something after the manner of prairie dogs, under the berry bushes.

When feeding, the elephants trample the little towns, and the chacanans, in their fright, run up the tubes of the elephants' trunks. Their long, sharp claws catch in the flesh, and they cannot be ejected. The more violently the monster blows through its coiled trunk the more firmly the hooked claws of the little animal become imbedded in the flesh. Inflammation and death are the result. In captivity the elephants think they are in danger of the deadly chacanans when they see a mouse.—New York Sun.

Ways of Actors.

In the country one has few opportunities of meeting these children of nature. Occasionally one sees an individual or a company at the railway stations, and then it is curious to note how instinctively they treat the platform as a stage and take up the important positions on it. I wonder if acting now is as lucrative a profession as it was under Elizabeth. Shakespeare, we are told, got nothing to speak of for his plays, but made his fortune as an actor, and Allyn, another actor, after providing for his family, founded Dulwich school. Another curious point about actors is that they should not be content with their own names, like painters and writers, but take names, the ladies especially, that belong to other people. Is there no property in names? N. told me of a model of his who wished to go upon the music hall stage and whom he asked, "What should you call yourself?" "Oh, Alice Burne-Jones, certainly."—Cornhill Magazine.

The Traveling Frenchman.

The Petit Journal of Paris says that nothing is so curious and instructive as to observe the Englishman when traveling as compared with the Frenchman. The former is calm, punctual, precise and with only the necessary quantity of baggage. He will journey through China with merely a valise. He is not impatient. He loves travel. It is to him an inclination and a felt want. On the other hand, the Frenchman when journeying is restless, nervous, impatient, bored; the entire time he spends looking furtively at his watch or consulting the railway timetable. He is always crowded up with parcels in addition to his portmanteau. He is, as a rule, incumbered with many useless articles. In fact, he dislikes travel, which he finds an ennui and a fatigue.

The Pope and Rome.

The Osservatore Romano thus explains why the pope does not appear on the streets of Rome: "If the pope went about in Rome, he would inevitably be made the object of demonstrations of respectful enthusiasm on the part of the faithful, and by a natural reaction these demonstrations would be followed by others of a hostile character. The pope would be simultaneously applauded and hissed and surrounded by tumults and faction fights. The government would render military honors to him, but it could not long tolerate in the streets of Rome demonstrations in favor of the pope, who, after all, is a dispossessed sovereign."

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