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MONTEVIDEO, DEC. 22, 1897.

NEWS OF THE DAY

MONTEVIDEO
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 22, 1897.
Saint Demetrius.—Summer.—356 days past, 9 to the end of the year.

POLITICAL NOTES.

The Permanent Commission sat on Monday to carry on its favorite amusement of baiting the Government. The Report of the Special Committee on the Message relative to the deportations, was distributed, but for some unknown reason it was neither read nor given to the press, so its contents remain a mystery. It is expected the Commission will sit to discuss it next Monday, though telegrams from Buenos Aires say that the exiles are packing their portmanteaux in the expectation of passing Christmas in Montevideo. The Commission then vented its ire still further by refusing the permission which had been applied for by the Executive to dismiss Sres. Saez and Estrada from the Government Notarial Office, providing once more its determination to obstruct the Government in whole some and reformatory measures. We cannot find words adequate to describe the obstructive and harassing policy now pursued by this Commission, with its hypocritical pretences of respect for law and Constitution, after it had made itself a byword and a matter of public contempt by its acquiescence in and direct approval of all the offences committed by Herrera and by Idiarte Borda. How Sr. Cuestas has the patience to treat with such a body we cannot understand—respect it he cannot.

The confusion in the political situation is little short of appalling. No one seems to be able to see with certainty for four and twenty hours ahead. Our independent contemporaries are all at loggerheads with each other and even with the Government they are more or less endeavouring to support. Amid all the clamor and confusion, the «collectivity» alone stand firm and unwavering in their purpose of defying the people. Just as the departure of Herrera and Co brought a temporary calm the mere possibility of their return seems to be signal of renewed agitation and uneasiness, and one of the first signs of these has been the revival of rumors, of which there is once more a plentiful crop. They are of the old familiar nature, and we shall follow our usual course of paying little attention to them until they have some fairly solid basis.

Yesterday's *Siglo* reviews the situation in terms which we freely condense as follows.—Local payments (Treasury Certificates) are nearly ten months in arrears meaning a deficit of over 4 million dollars. With a satisfactory solution of the presidential question, this could be made to disappear, thanks to economy in expenditure and increase in revenue. But if the solution is bad and the «collectivity» once more bury their talons in the entrails of the country, this deficit will run up to 15, 20 or 30 months, apart from a general bankruptcy affecting all the services at present paid in gold (meaning the foreign obligations) for there will be increase of expenditure coupled with fresh decrease of revenue. The commerce and industry of the Republic are crippled by exorbitant taxes. The tributary system urgently calls for reform.

If Sr. Cuestas remains at the head of affairs this will be comparatively easy, for the budget will be respected. If the «collectivity» triumph we shall only hear of new taxes. The Republic requires immigrants and capital to develop its resources. For years past these have gone past our gates to Argentina, where they find greater attractions. An honest and progressive government, ruling economically and reducing the exorbitant taxes, would soon find means to attract them once more to Uruguay. But with the «collectivity» in power it is hopeless to look for either immigrants or capital, and the ruin of the country will go on increasing until its very nationality is threatened. To the inherent evils of the «collectivist» regime, in themselves sufficient to inspire mistrust abroad, there should be added a certainty of civil war. Thus all financial and economical themes are involved in the presidential problem, from which there can be no departing until it is solved. The «collectivity», however, must not be confounded with its present candidate. «Collectivism» is a regimen of government conducting fatally to political outrage and financial orgy. Take away from the oligarchy the annihilation of the sovereignty of the people and the waste of public moneys, and it will die of exhaustion. It is not a party, hardly the semblance of one. It has hardly the material to form a sectional club. All its force and nearly all its elements are in the Chambers, the perpetual obligatory asylum of its members, thanks to the sophistication of the suffrage and elections conducted by the soldiers and the police. In other countries, genuine political parties can and do occasionally sacrifice themselves to public interests, and are the stronger for so doing. But to the «collectivity» such sacrifice is impossible, it would mean eternal suicide for an honest election could not return a single representative. Thence arises the certainty that the «collectivity» whose footing in the Chambers gives it the solution of the presidential problem, only awaits the moment to unveil its real candidate, one of the brothers Herrera or some other of its leaders in whom it can confide to maintain its system and its plans. If it can defy Sr. Cuestas and the country, it will also revolt against Sr. Gomensoro, and on March 1st will produce a president who will ruin the country, but will keep the «collectivity» in power until there are no inhabitants left to pay taxes.—So far the *Siglo* might have concluded better by saying that the only alternative to this terrible result lies in the entire dislodgement of the «collectivity» by the dissolution of the Chambers.

Yesterday's *Tribuna* takes a decidedly pessimistic view of the situation and says that the candidature of Sr. Cuestas, with all the hopes placed in it, may be shelved as a great fiasco. Sr. Cuestas has not risen to the situation, nor responded to the trust placed in him by the people. Instead of sweeping away corruption with a firm hand, he has tried to treat with it, and has become tainted without succeeding in his object. The Chambers, composed of elements that can only be called despicable, have shown utter poverty of spirit and meanness of purpose. Threatened, they were as mice; solicited they are bullies. To day, omnipotent, they are preparing in cold blood the sacrifice of the country, like mercenaries gambling for plunder. By trying to treat with the Chambers, Sr. Cuestas has reproduced the history of Sampson disarmed by the wiles of Dalilah. The *Tribuna* concludes by expressing the disbelief, now general, that the «collectivity» really mean to elect Sr. Gomensoro.

Even the *Dia* fails to give its usual words of encouragement, perhaps owing to the temporary indisposition of its editor Sr. Battilá. The *Nacion*, practically alone, continues to make the most positive assertions of the ultimate triumph of Sr. Cuestas. It further adds, «During the remainder of the present month, it seems that the Government will take radical measures respecting various matters; measures which will duly clear the political horizon.» Unfortunately, no one has confidence in anything the *Nacion* may say, neither is it now behind the scenes as it once used to be.

A Decree has been issued from the Ministry of Government naming Dr. José L. Terra and Sr. F. Bauzá to integrate the Administrative Code Commission, in place of Dr. P. De María and Sr. J. M. Montero, resigned.

The Classifying Committee of claims for live stock requisitioned during the revolution, has presented to the Ministry of Finance a complete table of the claims presented, the term for presentation having now expired. These include 603 claims and 2281 vouchers (vales) for a total of, flesh of 33,841 cattle, 10,896 ox hides, flesh of 28,223 sheep, 9310 sheepskins, and 16,153 horses.

It is stated that the President is arranging a military bivouac for all the garrison troops on New Year's Day, but with no further object than that of giving the soldiers a day's distraction.

As generally happens before a presidential election a number of new papers are appearing. The *Ve Dad* has reappeared. Sr. Abdou Arósteguy is publishing *La Reaccion*, the propaganda of which is specially directed against the Chambers. *La Libertad*, «heretista» organ, is expected to appear to-day. *El Orden*, which will be the official organ of the «collective» majority in the Chambers, is expected in a few days. Early next month Sr. B. Fernandez y Medina will publish an independent afternoon paper.

According to the latest news yesterday afternoon, the long talked-of resignation of General Perez as Minister of War is at last a fact—though not until the President had asked him to present it—and he will be succeeded by the veteran General Gregorio Castro. It is expected this will produce several important changes in military chiefs. It is also said the vacant portfolio of Finance, will now be given to Dr. J. R. Mendoza. Hopes are therefore revived that Sr. Cuestas will assume a more determined policy—at last.

AMERICAN CURRENCY

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.

As the time approaches for the meeting of Congress great interest is shown in its possible action upon currency reform. It is generally admitted that the new Congress, which will be elected next November, is likely to be more hostile to sound money legislation than the present, and hence the anxiety that something may be done this winter to put the currency upon a more stable basis. The President will make the subject a prominent one in his annual Message. It is said on excellent authority that he will not urge a general plan of currency reform, but ask Congress to pass a single simple measure repealing the existing law which compels the Secretary of the Treasury to reissue greenbacks as fast as they are redeemed with gold, and providing that the greenbacks, when once redeemed shall not be reissued except against deposits of gold equal in amount to the notes paid out. Such a measure will be so plainly for the public interest that he believes it will secure votes enough in the Senate for its passage. It will involve no question of the gold standard against bimetalism, and can be urged upon the ground that it is a necessary measure to protect the Treasury against emergencies which might push it to repudiation. Yet simple as such a measure will be, it would furnish the basis for future efforts towards currency reform. There is little doubt that the Lower House would pass such a measure. Whether the Senate would do so is another matter. That body is in the control of the Free Silver advocates, and it is extremely doubtful if they would consent to accept any measure in the direction of sound money. It is said that some of them may accept the President's Bill if there be added a provision for the retirement of all paper currency of a lower denomination than ten dollars, thus creating a larger demand for silver. There would be much popular opposition to this, because long usage has made the people so accustomed to bank notes of the one, two, and five dollar denominations that they do not wish to have silver with its weight and bulk substituted in their place. So far as the price of silver is concerned, it would not be affected by the change, and for this reason it is improbable that the silver extremists, who are really seeking a silver standard would be content with it as a concession to their claims. They believe, furthermore, that the drift of the country is strongly in the direction of Bryanism, with all that term implies, and that they have only to wait to secure free silver and all other things they advocate. For this reason they are likely to oppose unshakably all legislation in the direction of a sound financial system.

A NOVEL RIVER CRAFT.

As a novelty opening up many picturesque possibilities the electric vessel, of which public trial has been made on the Thames, has distinct claims to the favour of people who can afford to take their pleasure on the water luxuriously. The motive power is not in the boat itself, but in an attached front, which may take almost any form that fancy conceives, and thus we may have counterfeits presentments of dolphins, seahorses, mermaids, or wild birds harnessed to skiff, gig, punt, or canal boat for the purpose of quick movement about shallow waters. For the experiments the motive power was encased in the body of a swan that sat on the water, and moved through it with like grace. It has to be attached by a

stay of somewhat rigid rod to the boat which it tows, in order mainly to avoid the risk of being overrun when there is sudden necessity for slackening speed or stopping altogether. The connecting rod, however, can be readily unfastened and bolted to any other craft without difficulty, so that the same motive power can be turned to account in many different ways. In this readiness of transfer from one purpose to another rests its chief claim to distinction from older forms of motive power. It is a simple box of machinery, capable of self-support on the water by its own power of flotation, and ready for towing service wherever it may be needed at short notice. In its most perfect working form it has to be controlled by a small lever fixed in the passenger boat, and actuating electric currents by means of wires that pass through the connecting tube to engines in the mechanical float. All this, however, can be done in another way if one wishes to apply the draught power to boats that do not happen to be fitted with special appliances, so that the floating motor may be taken by travellers overland from river to river, and attached as circum stances demand to any sort of boat that can be procured. Its most general use, however, will be on such waterways as the Thames and for pleasure boats whose owners can afford to indulge their fancy for picturesque effect. Thus applied, the «Nymph»—as its inventor names this novel form of motive power—has advantages that can be readily appreciated. By placing the engines, machinery, and propeller outside a boat so much space is gained for seats inside and vibration is reduced to a minimum. Moreover, the unpleasant proximity of engine to passengers is avoided in cases where oil is adopted as fuel, and either oil or electricity can be used for supplying motive power to the Nymph. The inventor does not claim any advantages either in speed or economy as compared with that of engines placed within a boat. Indeed, it is obvious that there must be some waste of force tend to retard speed when the propelling machinery is placed in a separate vessel ahead of that for the accommodation of passengers. The propeller, a screw with corrugated blades, measures no more than eight inches across, but this is equal to an ordinary propeller of twenty inches in diameter, and when driven at full speed of eight miles an hour it churns the water so that a big wave rises about the bow of the boat which is being towed, checking her way, and this is obviously not the method to apply motive power most economically. But the Nymph is designed for people who like to take their pastime on the water in the greatest comfort, and not for those who want to go at high speed or to drag a barge load of merchandise behind them. For this trial, the motor Swan, containing electric engines of two horse power, was attached to a boat in which the fittings were arranged with some idea of harmonious ease. Reins running through the swan's beak served in place of ordinary tiller ropes, and the driver had close to his hand a little lever by which he could control the speed, forging fast ahead, slowing down stopping, or going astern at will in all movements the combination of punt and motive power proved amenable to the slightest touch of rudder or lever, and it presented an appearance that was decidedly attractive. The reins may if necessary be dispensed with, and ordinary means of steering substituted, but it is thought that ladies especially may be pleased with the idea of driving a harnessed mechanical swan or dolphin as easily as they can drive a horse. By way of putting this to the test, Miss Minnie Palmer, who is performing at Reading Theatre, and who happened to be among the spectators on the wharf by Caversham Bridge, was asked to take the reins while a party went aloft with her. After a brief preliminary lesson she managed the steering with ease, and brought her adventurous fellow passengers back in safety. The Nymph has been built in Bona's yard, and several varieties of the invention will probably be ready to take the river with pleasure parties by next season.—*London Exchange.*

«An Ugly Blow»

From Cambo (Basses Pyrénées) Madame Sarah Grand has addressed the Editor of the *Daily Telegraph* as follows: My distance from home makes the receipt of papers a somewhat fitful event, and this must be my excuse for the delay in answering your delicate apostrophe to me. That you should insult Scott and Thackeray and Dickens with your approval pains me but little, since they will never hear of it; that you are so much cleverer than I am I must modestly accept your word for; that you strain yourself to be facetious and but prove yourself a dunce, I must attribute to

your academic degree, and a course of the blighting wit of the common room; that you should attack me with base misrepresentation I set down to some rag of chivalry that still clings to you; that you are of ancient lineage I am willing to admit since your putting into my mouth words and sentiments which are not mine shows you infected with the blood of Ananias; that you should take yourself as a serious judge of art is a crime for which it is painful to think you must one day settle between you and your God; but that you should write yourself down an admirer of mine is the ugliest blow that my art has dealt me, and I take this opportunity to publicly apologise for it—Believe me, yours in sorrow for your insincerity, SARAH GRAND.

We regret to say that the Editor of the *Daily Telegraph* is so slightly affected by this terrible epistle that he affixes to it the punning title, «In the Grand Manner.»

SUNDRIES

—By the kind permission Mr. A. J. Towers, the children of Holy Trinity Church Sunday School are invited to the *Quinta «Sundayside»* at the Buco, on Tuesday next, Holy Innocents' Day. All parents and friends of the children are cordially invited to attend. There will be sports and games for the children before and after tea. Trains for the children will leave the Plaza Independencia at 2 p. m. (if any ladies or gentlemen are kindly disposed to contribute small prizes for the sports, they will be thankfully received by the Rev. and Mrs. Hancock.

—Considerable anxiety is felt about the explosion on board the str. «Southern Cross» which we mentioned in our last. Another London telegram says that the explosion, which was of great force, took place in the hold but it does not say how it was produced. There are many killed, adds a telegram and nearly all the passengers are seriously injured. From a Buenos Aires telegram we learn that the «Southern Cross» which left Buenos Aires on the 29th ult. had on board amongst other passengers Mr. Hutton, Rector of the Buenos Aires High School, Mrs. Jenner and daughter, Mr. Jordin (Jordan) and daughter and the Misses Tawna (T) She belongs to the Houder line, and had a large cargo of frozen meat, produce and 368 live steers, 27 horses, and 1400 sheep, also 27 ponies to attend to the animals. She did not take any passengers from Montevideo. The agents have no further details of the accident, which seems to have occurred before she reached Madeira, whence it was first communicated.

—A Paris telegram states that the winter has set in with severe snowstorms in France a/d many of the roads are blocked.

—The local Almanac announces today as the first of summer. The Clerk of the Weather as usual, has anticipated the date. At the time of writing, a lively storm seemed brewing. They have already had a taste of the storms predicted south of Buenos Aires.

—Whistling is encouraged in some of the public schools of Philadelphia. «In the Zane street school», says the *Record*, «where the Board of Education has its offices, shrill notes from the classrooms above float down upon the Committees in the midst of their deliberations. The repertory includes «Yankee Doodle», «Star Spangled Banner», and «Home, Sweet Home», «Strange as it may seem, the girls, after a little practice, make better whistlers than the boys. They enjoy it immensely, and when engaged in these recitations twist their little mouths into the sweetest of pucker.»

—The examiners of the Plymouth and Devonport Board Schools in connexion with the Peek Price Fund, report that they have noticed a tendency among some scholars to bring the Scriptures up to date, to the utter disregard of Eastern manners and customs. In several papers Herod's feast was referred to as an «At Home»; other scholars stated that it was «a musical evening»; others again considered that it was «a ball»; and one brilliant youth called it «a garden party.» Many of the female characters in Biblical history were called «studies», and Cornelius was styled «that gentleman», and many scholars mixed up Herod and Pharaoh in glorious confusion.

—We have to thank Mr. A. J. Pentreath, the well known advertising agent and also agent for Dewar's Whiskey, for a very acceptable Christmas remembrance in the shape of a couple of sample bottles of the excellent whiskey in question, and the Sunlight Almanac (he is also agent for Sunlight Soap) for 1898, which contains a great deal of useful household information. We shall do justice to both articles—and especially to the whiskey. —Yesterday's telegrams have a great deal to say about the manou-

views of the Russian and German fleets in Chinese waters, which have set the war alarmists gabbling. Meanwhile Prince Henry of Prussia has paid a visit to his grandmother the Queen, at Osborne, on his way to China.

There is great excitement in Spain over the shooting of Colonel Ruiz by the Cubans, and the Spaniards are shrieking for the gore of all the Cubans in revenge. They forget the butcherly example set by Weyler of shooting prisoners in cold blood. They cannot logically object to their own methods being employed on themselves.

A year ago a society for acclimatizing songbirds was organized in Mill Valley, Marin County, California, and a considerable sum subscribed to pay for the importation of a number of foreign songsters. In February last a consignment of eighty birds, principally meadow larks, bull finches and thrushes, were received from Germany and confined in an aviary for a time, so that the birds might become accustomed to the climate and attached to the locality. The strangers thrived, and two months after their arrival the doors of the aviary were opened, and the birds were accorded their freedom.

The inquest on Thomas in Linklater, a boy of fifteen, who committed suicide in Bedford Park by taking cyanide of potassium, was resumed at Acton yesterday. Further evidence was given of deceased's utterances, leading to the conclusion that he intended to put an end to his life, and a statement was made by a boy named Antrim, between whom and Linklater an agreement to commit suicide had been alleged. Antrim said he regarded deceased's expressions as a mere joke. A verdict was returned that Linklater committed suicide, but that there was not sufficient evidence to show whether there was an agreement between the two boys. The jury added that Antrim did not, in their opinion, know that deceased intended to end his life, but requested the Coroner to severely admonish the former.

LONDON NOTES

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23. At the first public sitting yesterday of the Royal Commission appointed to inquire into the question of the London Water Supply, Mr. Cripps, Parliamentary Agent of the London County Council, gave evidence to show that the tendency of Parliamentary action of late years had been in favour of vesting the management in some public body. The London County Council had tried to bring about purchase of existing companies' undertakings by agreement, but failing that, he saw nothing for it but arbitration. Another provincial School Board election was declared yesterday. The Bradford election, which was fought almost wholly on the religious question, has resulted in a victory for the undenominationalists.

Mr. Augustine Birrell, M.P. and Mr. R. Wallace, M.P. (Edinburgh), were amongst the speakers last evening at the first annual banquet of the London Fife Association. The former referred to the Scotch members of the House of Commons and the latter to the Kingdom of Fife in terms which provoked much laughter. We regret to announce the death of Baron Pollock, which occurred at his residence at Putney, from acute bronchitis following on a cold. Sympathetic allusions to the sad event, and to the distinguished legal qualities of the late Judge, were made by the Lord Chief Justice, and by several members of the Bench now on circuit in their respective Courts yesterday morning.

An appeal is this morning made by the Lord Mayor on behalf of the workpeople who have been thrown out of employment by the recent calamitous fire in Aldersgate. The letter is addressed to the citizens of London, on the ground that it is a matter peculiarly affecting the City.

The sale of fcoins belonging to the late Mr. Hyman-Montagu, which commenced two years ago has come to an end at the rooms of Messrs. Sotheby, Wilkinson, and Hodge, the total amounting to upward of 56,000l.

The November Session of the Central Criminal Court opened yesterday. In his charge to the Grand Jury, the Recorder referred with satisfaction to the reduced number of cases of robbery with violence at this time of the year. With reference to the use of firearms by lads, he said it was much to be regretted that the attempt made in the House of Commons to put some limitation

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on the sale of firearms to boys had not succeeded, and he hoped time would be found for such legislation. Louis G. Darcier, who was charged with having published a defamatory libel concerning Walter Richards, pleaded guilty. This was a Post Office prosecution, and the authorities considered the case the worst they had ever had. More than a thousand libellous communications had been stopped by them during the past two years. Accused was sentenced to the maximum penalty of two years imprisonment with hard labour.

Emily Brown and Alice Hillier, domestic servants, were charged before Sir James Vaughan at Bow-street Police Court yesterday with committing perjury in the Bailey divorce case, recently before the High Court. After evidence of arrest, defendant were remanded on bail.

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COMMERCIAL

STOCK EXCHANGE.

Montevideo, Dec. 21, 1897. Business was dull to-day. Prices weak with falling tendency at close. Sales as follows.—Extraordinary 1897 Loan, \$2000 at 56.70. Mortgage Bank, 50 shares at 15.50. Treasury Certificates, \$3000 Oct. at 73 and 72.80; \$1000 Aug at 77.50; \$5000 June at 86 to 84, \$1000 May at 89; \$4000 April at 95 and 94.50, \$7000 March at 92.20. Consolidated Debt, \$61,100 at 40.80 to 40.60 cash and end of month, closing 40.60 London quotation 41 5/8 and 41 3/8.

EXCHANGE.

Bank Commercial. London 93 1/2. 51 5/8-3/4 52-52 1/8. Paris 90 1/2. 541-2 645-7. Antwerp 90 1/2. 541-2 548-8. Germany 90 1/2. 443-4 443-4. N. York 99 — —. Spain 559-61 — —. Italy 708-10 — —. Brazil 84000 84450. B. Aires par to 1 pr. par to 1 pr. Discount 7 1/2 to 8 %.

Business Notes.

The Custom House paid into the London Bank yesterday \$9316 on account of the Consolidated Debt and Railway guarantee service and \$1188 on account of the 5% Loan service. Gold opened in B. Aires yesterday at 277.80 and closed at 277.20. Exchange upon London was quoted in Rio Janeiro yesterday at 71 1/16 to 3/32 to 8 %.

London, 12. Wheat 85s. Linned, 32s. Maize, 15s-91.—Antwerp. Wheat 20 francs, linned 20.75, maize 9.50. Wool, class B. 3.72 francs for January, 3.85 for May.

Wheat quiet for want of article. Important operations taking place for export in January and February. For consumption \$3.20 is quoted for superior. Some sales in Maize at \$3.00 to 3.10 superior, \$2.70 to 2.80 picado.

Owing to the great heat preventing work in the galleons, there was very little doing in wool yesterday. From Salto it is reported that Noboa and Co. of the Barraca Nacional have sold half a million kilos wool from Salto and Artigas, already embarked for Europe, at reserved prices.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 21, 1897. Gold, cash, 277.80. Do. end of month, 277.70. Cédulas Nacionales, cash, 91. Cédulas 8% Provinciales, 18.20. Certificados Banco de la Provincia, cash, 41.60.

MARITIME

ARRIVALS AND SAILINGS. Montevideo, Dec. 21, 1897. —Str. Triton from Salto, 78 pass. —Str. Rivadavia from Salto, 16 pass. —Str. Eolo from B. Aires, 147 pass. —Str. Bianca from Valparaiso, for Hamburg. —Str. Eolo for B. Aires. —Str. Urano for Asuncion.

MAIL STEAMERS

LEAVING TO-DAY. —The str. VENUS will leave TO-DAY for Buenos Aires only. Correspondence at G. P. O. till 5 p. m. maritime branch 5.30 p. m. —The str. TRITON and RIVADAVIA will leave TO-DAY for B. Aires and Salto. Hours as above. —The str. ITALIA will leave TO-DAY for St. Vincent, Barcelona, Genoa and Naples. Correspondence at G. P. O. till 4.30 p. m. maritime branch 5 p. m. on the 20th.

OTHER DATES

—The str. PFALZ will leave Dec. 23 for Las Palmas, Vigo, Southampton, Antwerp and Bremen. Correspondence at G. P. O. till 5 p. m. maritime branch 5.30 p. m. on the 22nd. —The str. AMMON will leave Dec. 24 for St. Vincent, Havre and Hamburg. Correspondence at G. P. O. till 5 p. m. maritime branch 5.30 p. m. on the 23rd. —The str. R. M. S. DANUBE will leave Dec. 25 for Rio Janeiro, Bahia, Pernambuco, Lisbon, Caeberg and Southampton. Correspondence at G. P. O. till 10 a. m. maritime branch 11 a. m.

Steamers to arrive.

Table with columns: DEC., NAME, FLAG, FROM. Includes Bellona, Zeta, Colombia, Edouard, Wolfburg, Mutana, Melborne, Cordillera, M. Prince, Orana, Vittoria, Halls, Cordoba, Karak, Rames, Brazilian, Oropesa.

Steamers to leave.

Table with columns: DEC., NAME, FLAG, FOR. Includes Tucuman, Pfalz, Colonia, Danube, Barmes, Karak, Orana, Oropesa, Espagne.

AMUSEMENTS

San Felipe Theatre ITALIAN OPERETTA AND VARIETY COMPANY OF G. CAVALLI Performances in Sections. Thursday, December 23. Il Sindaco Bertoldo.—Il Medico della Signora (two parts).—Le Tentazione di San Antonio.

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One Touch of Nature.

(A SHORT STORY)

(Conclusion.)

The strong woman was weak in that moment— weaker perhaps than ever in her life. She was overcome by a strange cowardice—she could not, could not go home. Not now, at any rate, with that red glow of sunset in the sky; not in that hour of all other when her loss would come home to her with the greatest force.

She crept onward to where an old seat stood by the wayside, thankful enough to rest upon it. As she sat there, resting her head upon her hand, her attitude was one of intense weariness. She was so unconscious of all around her, that she half started up with a little cry of surprise when she became aware that some one was standing before her on the pathway.

Strange that it should be Dr. Mack, to whom her thoughts had turned instinctively in her solitude and loneliness. He was looking at her gravely, and he raised his hat as soon as she saw him.

«You look very tired—I hope you are not ill?» he said.

He had not spoken so many words to her independently during all their work together. She had almost thought that he would pass her by even now, without a word, and she was for a moment confused; for once, her answer was given falteringly, tremulously.

«No thank you. I am quite well.»

It made her heart beat fast; it brought the colour to her cheeks—that he should so far forgive her as to speak again; that perhaps for one moment he had forgotten her pride and her scorn. Then, with a sudden access of fear lest she should betray the intensity of her feeling, she drew herself up, and said calmly:

«I was a little tired—that is all.»

Unconsciously she reminded him of the calm, proud woman in the drawing-room of Sirescourt, with her white face and her languid self-sufficiency. How gladly he would have offered her his support; how thankfully he would have taken her arm in his that she might lean on him! Yet, to be scorned by her, to have his help refused as she had refused his love; to subject himself a second time to the possibility of her withering contempt—that he would not do. She did not see his face; she did not see that look in his dark eyes of deep, unspeakable love. She was far too intention bidding her own feelings, on keeping out of sight the love which it would have been shame to betray. She felt that he was looking at her still, yet she dared not raise her eyes to see, perhaps, in his that stony indifference which she had so richly deserved.

He came a step nearer to her. She knew that he would speak, and she waited almost breathlessly for his words. The coldness of his voice matched well with the expression on her face.

«You ought to get home and take proper rest. Had I been any one else, I would have dared to offer you my help. As it is—»

There was a pause; the widow's heart beat so heavily that she thought he must hear its pulsation.

«Good night, Mrs. Sinclair.»

And he went away.

For a moment she sat quite still, not one muscle of her body moved. It was as though the blow he had dealt her had been a physical one, and she was stunned by it.

Then she gave way. Body and soul had endured long and bravely; but now they could endure no more. She bent her head down upon her hands with one long, wailing cry, trembling from head to foot. She knew in that moment what she had lost—she allowed herself to know how she loved this man. It was as though her heart had broken as he turned away from her.

She did not hear him stop upon her road; she did not know that her cry of anguish had reached him, nor that he had seen her gesture of despair. She was not aware that he came back and stood beside her, too true a man to leave a woman alone in her weakness. She started again as his hand was laid very gently upon her shoulder, and she turned her face up to him, wet with her passionate tears.

It was enough. Those tears were the symbol of her woman's heart, the touch of nature which made her one with him; there in her eyes was the dumb humility which asked him for the love she had once refused. She had no time to hide it away, no power to be the heartless woman she had always seemed before.

THE END.

SCRAPS

«Bessie, dear, I have just finished Miss Skryber's new novel this afternoon.» «Have you, Lucy dear? I have heard something of it. It is all—suitable for home reading?» «Strictly. Anyway, I would not like to be seen reading it in public.»

«Helen: «Oh, yes, he always thought the world of me. Before we were married he used to say that he was willing to die for me.» Nellie: «But he didn't.» Helen: «Of course not. He was so thoughtful, you know. He said that he did not dare to do it, lest I should be unable to replace the loss.»

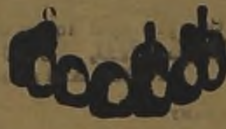
«One day, at a jovial dinner-party in the last century, where no less than ten parsons were among the guests, Lord Sandwich, generally known as Jimmy Twi cher, slyly laid a guinea wager with a friend that the parsons had not a prayer-book among them.» Jimmy started

a discussion on some point of ritual, and presently appealed for a prayer-book to settle the matter. The parsons all looked blank, and shook their heads. Then Twi cher offered to go double or quits on the bet that every one of the lot had a corkscrow in his pocket.» The wager was again accepted, and the butler was secretly instructed to make his appearance with a fresh bottle and—a broken corkscrow. «Would any gentleman kindly lend a screw?» Instantly ten corkscrows were offered by as many parsons, and Lord Sandwich, with a cynical leer, gaily pocketed his guineas.

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