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GREAT BRITAIN THREATENS GERMANY WITH WAR

LITTLE LAD WAS LOYAL TO THE OLD UNION JACK

Happy Incident in the Sunset Glow on Sixth Street Last Night—Curly Headed Prince Rupert Baby Boy Refuses Four-bit Bribe to Strike His Colors.

Sixth street was warmly aglow with the soft evening sunshine streaming over the water about an o'clock last night. You could hear from the barber's shop you lay back luxuriously in the ornamental arm chair, the voices of the passersby, the men talking in the buildings or street grading, the ripple of girlish gossip, the merry chatter of the children. Suddenly a broad shadow fell past the sunlit window, and a thrill of excited boyish laughter rang out as a curly-headed laddie bearing a huge red and dust Union Jack strolled peacefully along.

Some Kid That
was a veritable veteran flag, the standard bearer was such a little baby boy! His fair hair and the ruddy sunlight, his eyes sparkled. His happy voice rang out in the ever-unconquerable challenge of the world of Youth, and Hope, and Love, and Joy. All the men that were up as the laddie passed, and to the boy nature years cannot age out of the hearts of the best and strongest. "That is some kid, isn't he?" was the exclamation, and the barrier door made a jocular offer to the youngster.

Strike the Flag? Never!
"Kid, I'll give you four to run round with the Stars and Stripes instead of that flag you got." The laddie paused. "You may have been too young to appreciate the worth of patriotism or the imaginary terror of the Annexation Bogey. You may have been only the little boy sense that 'A Union Jack in the hand is worth all the Stars and Stripes in the bush.'" He turned down the offer of royal disdain shaking his little head with all the indignation of the Canadian west. They tried to tell him it was a foreign flag, a Monarch's flag, but no, no, he knew it was an old flag, a torn and a dusty flag, but by

himself it was his own flag and he would fight for it!
Challenged "The Army"
So waving his standard defiantly he darted off up Sixth street towards where to the tinkle of tambourines and rub-a-dub of drum, the banner of "Blood and Fire" led on the advance of the Salvation Army. Wide waved the "Blood and Fire" flag fresh in its unsullied glory. Wide too, waved that dusty old Union Jack so proudly borne by young Canada. Right alongside the Salvation Army standard-bearer the youngster stood, ready to give ground to none, ready to do battle to the death with any who dared attempt to displace him. All sunlit Sixth street, all the business end of Third avenue looked on with admiration. Young Canada, live, glad, and defiant beneath the worn and dusty folds of the dear old flag, what freedom Canadian, what lover of the old land, Scottish, English, Irish or American, could have failed to admire?

THE WEATHER
Fog Banks are Causing Trouble Down Below
The Dominion Government wireless stations report fog at Triangle and Pachena, with dense weather at Ikeda. It is clear at Skidegate Estevan and Cape Lazo. The steamer Vadso was reported in at Point Grey at 8.30 a.m.

Watch for This.
In to-morrow's edition of the Daily News will appear an exclusive interview with Miss May Roberts, leading lady of the May Roberts Stock Company, now playing at the Empress Theatre. The story will be full of human interest. Watch for it.

PARLIAMENT STANDS UNITED "EMPRESS OF CHINA" IS NOW A TOTAL WRECK

(Canadian Press Despatch.)
London, July 28.—The most pessimistic views regarding the acuteness of the Moroccan crisis were confirmed by Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons last night when he read from a manuscript which had been carefully prepared, a warning to Germany that Great Britain proposes to stand for what she considered are her rights, and to maintain the balance of power in Europe.
A further testimony of the gravity of the situation is given by the fact that the Prime Minister obviously had taken the leader of the opposition into the Government's confidence, for Mr. Balfour's declaration was no less firm than Premier Asquith's.
Such plain speaking on a question so fraught with the possibilities of a great European war has not been heard in the British Parliament in many years. The outcome of the situation now appears to rest almost wholly on Germany's shoulders.
The English newspapers are united in supporting the Government. They strongly urge that Germany be not permitted to make any African incursion that would seriously damage Great Britain's national interests.

(Canadian Press Despatch)
London, July 28.—(Later)—All the papers give prominence this morning to the Morocco question. They say that owing to the strong statements issued by Premier Asquith and endorsed by Mr. Balfour, these will tend to have a peaceful effect.
The Daily Chronicle, the Government organ, has authority to say that the international situation is easier today than it has been for some days, when peace was trembling in the balance.
The Paris and Berlin papers express satisfaction at the tone of Mr. Asquith's speech which all claim opens the way to a peaceful settlement.
Cause of the Trouble
The Moroccan question is not a new one. It has agitated the powers of Europe and threatened to turn Europe into a battlefield for several years past.
Morocco is the key to Africa from the Mediterranean. It is governed by a Sultan and a weak native government, and subject to constant internal troubles.
Conflict of Jealousy
The great European powers are in a conflict of jealousy lest any their number secure possession of Morocco and secure themselves there—such as for instance the way in which Russia obtained a foothold in Manchuria, or Great Britain in Egypt.
Interests at Stake
Espacial rivalry exists between France and Germany. France is facing Morocco on the other side of the Mediterranean. She has a vital interest in seeing that her great rival does not secure possession of Morocco. Germany is ambitious commercially and territorially. She realises the strategic advantage of territory on the Mediterranean coast of Africa. And all of the great powers are alive to the commercial advantage of getting a foothold in Morocco, and of keeping out all rivals.
Nearly War in 1906
In 1906 the question nearly led to war, owing to the intervention of France in Moroccan affairs being resented by Germany. Germany's threats over the Algeciras incident led to the retirement of M. Delcasse from the French Foreign Office and a subsequent international agreement.
Now Germany is the offender. To cap the list of grievances which France has against her, Germany three weeks ago sent a warship to Agadir. This move precipitated the whole question again.
British Fleet Ready
In the present dispute, Great Britain is in the attitude of backing up France in her resistance to German aggression.
A British fleet has been in readiness since July 4th, so delicate has been the situation.

FOUND BODY ON BEACH WITH WOUND ON HEAD

Dead Body of "Old Geo.," the Crab Man, Discovered by Tom Collins---Suspensions of Foul Play are Aroused---Dead Man's Dog Kept Guard Over His Body Until Help Came---Provincial Police are Investigating the Matter.

With a bad bruise on his forehead, and every suspicion of having been done to death by foul play the body of the old crab-man, George Lichtnauer, was found lying dead in about two feet of water over on the beach at the mouth of McNicholl Creek across the harbor this morning, close by his cabin door.
The body was found by Tom Collins, who worked with the Cold Storage Company and who lives about a mile inshore on that side of the harbor. Collins at once rowed over to the Davis Wharf, and summoned the police. Provincial Constable Godson with another officer, and Mr. Collins left at once for the spot in a launch. The body was taken out of the water, and found to have a mark as of a blow on the left temple. Blood streamed down the face, and was oozing from the eye and nostrils. The body had been about twenty-four hours in the water.
Pathetic Scene
When the police boat, closely followed by a "Daily News" special launch approached the drowned man, the miserable howling of a little squire terrier made the raising of the body still more pathetic. The poor little creature was wading out into the water trying to get as near as possible to its drowned master, but the water was too deep for it.
The drowned man was clad in canvas trousers and a dark shirt. His hands were stretched out before him. A metal watch chain showed at his shirt breast. Reverently he was laid in a boat and left while the police went ashore to examine his shack.
Food, Fresh Fish There
On the beach in a crab boat close by the shack there was a sack of provisions evidently purchased only lately. Some canned goods were there and some fry bread. On a board at the door of the shack there lay a fresh flounder. It might have been caught less than a day ago.

Famous Pacific Liner Struck Submerged Rock While Going at Full Speed Outside Tokio Harbor—Japanese Warships Rescued Passengers and Mail—Feared Vessel is Total Loss.

(Canadian Press Despatch)
Tokio, July 28.—The palatia C. P. R. steamer Empress of China, which for years has been famous on the Pacific Ocean was wrecked last evening outside Tokio harbor. She struck a submerged rock while streaming at full speed off the Nojimisaki Light, in rounding the southern point of Awa peninsula.
May be Complete Wreck
The liner was in-bound with a full list of passengers from Yokohama at the time she struck. Her bottom was torn open by the rocks, and she rapidly began to fill, but there was no panic on board. The crew and passengers behaved with splendid presence of mind and restraint.
Warships to the Rescue
The vessel's siren drew the attention of the Japanese cruisers Aso and Soya which were in the harbor at Tokio at the time. They immediately steamed to the assistance of the wrecked liner. Their boats and launches were quickly lowered and the Japanese sailors saved the lives of all the passengers together with the steamer's mail.
The spot where the wreck occurred is a dangerous one. In the spring of 1907 the liner Dakota was wrecked close by. It is feared that the Empress of China will become a total loss. Even if repairs are possible, it will take at least three months to put her into commission again.
Large Passenger List
The passenger list was very large, and contained a great number of Vancouver people. Their names are not yet obtainable, but it is known that all are saved. The Empress of China left Vancouver for Japan on July 12th.

OBSTRUCTION IS STILL IN FORCE
Tactics may Result in Parliament Being Dissolved at Any Moment Now.
(Canadian Press Despatch)
Ottawa, July 28.—Another day devoted to an apparent obstruction by the Conservatives to the Government motion to proceed with the reciprocity proposals in the Commons has brought the inevitable dissolution of Parliament nearer.
It may come now any time, possibly by Saturday and certainly not later than the end of next week.

TRAIN WRECK IN CAROLINA

Negro Excursion Train in a Head-on Collision—Eight are Dead and Others Dying.
(Canadian Press Despatch)
Charlotte, N. C., July 28.—Eight persons dead, 59 seriously injured, and 28 painfully hurt is the terrible result of a head-on collision between a negro excursion train and a freight in the Hamlet yards this morning. Many additional deaths are expected.

Killed in Auto Wreck
Pittsburg, July 28.—(Special)—Four persons were killed and several injured last night when an automobile was struck by a Pennsylvania train at the Grade Crossing near the city.

DOCTOR SAW MAN'S SPIRIT AS IT LEFT DYING BODY

Dr. O'Donnell of Chicago Convinced That he Witnessed the Flight of Life—Is an Expert Student of Spirit Phenomena
(Canadian Press Despatch)
Chicago, July 27.—That the flight of life from a human being has been witnessed, is the assertion tonight of Dr. Patrick S. O'Donnell, a famous X-ray expert, who alleges that he actually witnessed the spirit leaving a dying man who was a patient in Mercy hospital. Dr. O'Donnell couples with his announcement an assertion that he believes that he has discovered what in fact constitutes the soul or spirit, at least the "electrical current" which controls the actions and movements of the body.
Dr. O'Donnell already has surprised a score of Chicago physicians by demonstrating several experiments whereby the human aurora or electrical radiation was seen by the human eye. Several persons attended his demonstrations at Mercy hospital. Using a film of dicyanin and other chemicals, held between two small plates of glass, he seated together all the physicians admitted so that by looking through the screen they could distinguish the auras of the different subjects. The aura was shown as a strong radiation of light, surrounding the entire outline of the body and head. In carrying on these experiments Dr. O'Donnell has followed a discovery made by Dr. W. J. Killner of London. Satisfied that he had seen the human aura, Dr. O'Donnell conducted the experiment which he declares revealed to him the "flight of life."

COMETS WERE EXTINGUISHED BY QUILLDRIVERS TEAM

Final Match of Indoor Baseball League Was a Very One-Sided Affair—At Seventh Round the Game Ended with Score 69 to 3
Outdoor Baseball League Teams.
Today the laddies may be unmercifully twitted by their chums who didn't step out on the diamond before such fearful odds. They will be told that Comets generally make a great stir about their approach, but when they arrive there is nothing to them but blazing gas and hot air. They may be referred to derisively as "Comics" and regarded accordingly in the light of a joke. But against even odds in the battlefield of banter they will be able to hold their own, and though they may not play another league match with the same lineup, the lightest and youngest of them may yet prove the first ball player in Northern B. C.

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