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LADY CONSTANCE'S OFFENDING

The press dispatches have told how King Edward has ordered the name of Lady Constance Steward Richardson stricken from all court lists, because she persists in giving her barefoot dances at the Palace made hall.

The situation could hardly be worse. Lady Constance has been advised never to appear before the king again, and naturally collapsed when told of the royal command.

Was the king displeased with Lady Constance whose athletic prowess he has admittedly admired, because of the extreme naiveness of the gaize worn by her on dancing occasions?

The king, formerly so friendly toward Lady Constance and admitted her athletic prowess, after giving her \$50,000 before him, she suddenly snubbed on her knees at the conclusion of the dance and said, in the manner of the Saboteur of history: "Sir, give me the head of Sir Ernest Cassel."

"Sir Ernest Cassel is the king's friend and adviser, and although unpopular generally, is a favorite of his majesty. The king did not wish the joke and, although he seemed to overlook it, it rankled.

Lady Constance was advised not to dance in the halls and was warned that royal disfavors would follow, but she persisted.

It will be seen, therefore, that the offense of Lady Constance is not to be found in the boldness, or porous character of her dress, Lady Constance might at this moment be giving her barefoot dance in the royal presence had she not made the fatal mistake of being a party to a joke which his majesty did not "relish." She simply erred, as countless thousands have erred, in an attempt to gauge the English sense of humor.

SUCH IS LIFE.

The very sage remark that this life consists of one thing after another (fill out the blank to suit yourself; if you are a very profane person, you will probably put in an adjective that is supposed to be very strong, expressive and naughty) is attributed to a chorus girl whose name we have not learned. In support of the veracity of the saying, however, we desire to submit an exhibit culled from the Greenboro Record:

Heaps of things make one commit sin. For illustration, a man who has a very sick member of his family, went to a restaurant yesterday to get two oranges. The sick person is allowed to take nothing but orange juice and was about out of oranges. The restaurant keeper said he was sorry, but he could not sell oranges on Sunday; that it was in violation of the closing ordinance. Looking over the bill of fare the man saw fruits priced and removing his hat he sat down at a table and ordered two oranges. A waiter brought them, also a plate and a knife; the man put two oranges in his pocket, paid for them and walked out. So far so good, but he said he had to act a big lie in order to get them, all of which made him very mad for acting a lie and telling one is quite different, according to his ideas.

TARIFF AND FOOD PRICES.

It is not the high cost of living, says Secretary Wilson, that has got the country into trouble, but the cost of high living. The observation seems to be lacking in neither pith nor point. The secretary also took occasion to deny certain statements that have been going by the rounds of the press, and referred to by us yesterday, that the tariff is responsible for the high cost of eggs in the larger cities. He says eggs are high in Canada, and that the removal of the tariff of three cents a dozen would make little, if any, difference in the cost in this country. We have no way of knowing, of course, just how this is.

Does not affect the price in this country, then what good purpose does the tariff serve? Why have a tariff at all, and why tell the farmer and producer that he is being protected, when he duties imposed make no difference one way or the other? Is it possible that your Uncle Jemmy is simply trying to do his party a good turn?

THE FLOODS IN FRANCE. For a comparatively small river, raising a comparatively small area, the Seine is causing a great deal of emotion. Its basin is about 48,000 square miles, and it comes from France's greatest watershed, the Jura-Vosges range, which attains an elevation of about 7000 feet. The fine measures, source to mouth, 250 miles.

Its rapid and steady rise the past few days, which has reached the proportions of a national calamity, comparable, to an extent, in money cost to the Prussian war indemnity, seems to be due to rains in its basin. The reports say nothing of the vernal melting of snows at its source, in the foothills, so to speak, of the Alps.

Edith Root says that the Republican party in New York State is at its moment badly demoralized. A startling admission, perhaps, at it is rather hard to understand the attitude of mind of those Democrats in Washington who are said to be rejoicing thereat. Is a state of confusion to be found in the democratic household? It has not been many months since a conference of New York State Democratic leaders was held to devise ways and means of bringing about a condition of at least partial solidarity in their ranks, but it was not the understanding at the time that these gentlemen made much headway. The old Bryan guard held itself aloof while the talk was in progress. And now Mayor Snyder has put Tammany, Democracy's mainstay, on half rations.

"If eating meat cause my brother to offend I will eat no meat until I die," said Paul—or something like that. The Ultimate Consumer (whose existence has been doubted) fears that by continuing to eat meat, he will aid, abet, encourage and cause his brother, the meat trust man, to offend by extorting an exorbitant tax from the sustenance of the poor. It is purely a moral, or ethical movement.

On account of many painful experiences, we are always agitated, not to say torn, when a story from the Jackson county vicinity, that is more than a prosaic recital, comes into the office. Hence we present today the story of the man living near the Jackson and Swain line, who is spry and chipper at 104 years of age, and "does not show his age in anyway", with some degree of misgiving.

Warner Van Norden, of a New York trust company, was recently robbed in the vicinity of one of the principal hotels, by two women who picked his pockets. The highway women got \$25,000, which gives one an idea of what those New York trust companies are doing to the people.

The Spratts now neither eat the fat, and neither touches lean; for they have sworn to smite the trust because it is so mean.

Speaking of meat eating, February 9 is Ash Wednesday. Easter will be early this year—March 27.

As to a Meat Boycott.

Editor of The Gazette-News: I wish a few words through your most valuable paper regarding the course taken by the labor unions of Asheville, and, with their permission, to make a few suggestions regarding the success of their proposed fight against high prices of meat. Judging from several editorials that have appeared the last few days, discussing the possibility of the packers returning to the present prevailing price of meat after the meat boycott throughout the country has subsided, this, of course is possible, yet not probable, as the future prices depend almost entirely upon the success of the fight now on. In case they (the packers) should disregard the investigation, etc., providing we are successful, and return to the present exorbitant prices, what would prevent the public from again resorting to the boycott? The expense encountered in making the fight, is of no consequence in comparison to the results. One object is to secure the majority, if not all, of our citizens' consent to abstain from meat for the specified time. Why not appoint a delegation to canvass the homes throughout the city, inducing those in favor of the fight, yet not inclined to assist, to enlist with the already growing movement? I am sure, that their efforts will meet with success in any way they (the labor unions) may undertake to gain of us now on. There are quite a few of us who will observe lent. I see no objection to including the few remaining days, into a general observance throughout the ensuing month. In concluding, I wish the already interested ones, unbounded success in their fight against high prices of meat. Yours emphatically, F. E. PACE.

"First Aid."

It was during a performance of "Faust" in a provincial town, after the duel, Martha, who rushed in at the head of the crowd, raised Valentin's head, and held him in her arms during the first part of the scene, and exclaimed in evident alarm: "Oh, what shall I do?" For a moment there was death-like stillness in the house, when a voice from the gallery suddenly called out:

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JOHN BOLDEN CASE IN POLICE COURT

The Negro Was Given a Hearing This Morning and Bound Over to the Superior Court.

James Franklin, alias John Bolden, the negro "check flasher" who has operated here rather extensively during the past ten days or two weeks, was given a preliminary hearing before Substantive Police Justice Junius C. Adams in city police court this morning and bound to Superior court in five counts in bond of \$100 each.

When the cases were called for hearing this morning J. Frazer Glenn, representing the "check flasher," waived examination and the introduction of testimony and gave no indication of his line of defense. Frank Carter and John A. Nichols, whose names were signed to checks, were called and testified after glancing at the check, that the writing was not theirs. The agent for Philip S. Henry testified that Mr. Henry was abroad. He stated that the signature on the check bearing Mr. Henry's name was not in Mr. Henry's handwriting. Mrs. Foster testified that the negro, Franklin or Bolden, came to the place of business conducted by her husband and herself and tendered the check with Mr. Henry's name to it and asked that it be cashed, offering to buy a bill of groceries. Mrs. Foster took the check to her husband who, being suspicious, asked Mrs. Foster to telephone and ask if Mr. Henry had given a check on the date named on the check. The reply was that Mr. Henry was in Italy and that no check had been given. The police headquarters were notified and in a few moments Police Captain Lyda arrived and placed the negro under arrest. The defense stated that it would not introduce evidence and asked that bond be fixed in each separate case. Judge Adams fixed it at \$100 in each of the five cases.

The negro Bolden is a black-faced, slim-faced man, with apparently no more intelligence than the law allows. That he is a keen fellow, however, is evidenced by his operations. That he worked his same single-handed is also the opinion of the officers, who have thoroughly investigated the affair. The checks drawn were done in a most careful and accurate manner; every word was correctly spelled, the names signed to the checks correctly written, and while the different checks were written in a different hand there was similarity in the writing, notably in the formation of the letter "y" in the word January, the letter having a peculiar tail or curve. It is the opinion of some of the officers that the negro has operated in other places; that this is not his first attempt. He has been in Asheville, it is alleged, but a few weeks, but evidently long enough to know certain citizens of the town and further to know just where they did their banking business.

The cases against Bolden will be called in Superior court probably the first week of court, which convenes Monday, February 7.

The MARKETS

The Leading Stocks on New York Exchange—Cotton Market Quotations.

New York, Jan. 27.—Opening dealings in stocks showed a very unsettled tone. Sharp advances in some quarters were accompanied by heavy selling in others.

In the course of the second hour prices fell to the low levels touched Tuesday.

Liquidation converged on the most highly speculative stocks, with resultant declines. The losses ranging up to 2 points were universal. There were rallies of 1 to 2 points by noon, but this brought activity almost to a stop.

Short covering and inside support started a rally, which was interrupted by fresh selling, but later on the whole list went up in vigorous manner.

Table with columns: STOCKS, Open, Close. Includes United States Steel, Union Pacific, Reading, etc.

Table with columns: NEW YORK COTTON, Open, Close. Includes January, March, May, July, October, Spot, Port receipts.

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BOY'S BASEBALL LEAGUE ORGANIZATION MEETING

Postponed Gathering to Be Held Tomorrow Evening at the Y. M. C. A.

The meeting of the boys of the city for the purpose of organizing a Y. M. C. A. baseball league will be held at the local association tomorrow night promptly at 7:45 o'clock. This meeting was postponed from last Friday on account of the reception given by the Y. W. C. A. to the men of the city. This is the first time that a thing like this has been attempted among the boys and from the interest that they are manifesting this early makes it an assured thing that the league will be run successfully.

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