

FAIR WOMAN'S WOES

Durain Lifts for a Moment on Life of Madame Dreyfus.

WIFE OF UNFORTUNATE FRENCH OFFICER

Consents to an Interview with American Newspaper Man.

LIVES IN QUIET ELEGANCE WITH FAMILY

Beautiful Woman Who Suffers for Her Husband's Exile.

CLAIMS THAT HE IS ENTIRELY INNOCENT

Expresses Her Thanks to Zola for Intervening in Her Husband's Behalf—Vivid Picture of a Suffering Woman.

PARIS, Dec. 15.—(New York World Cablegram—Special Telegram.)—I had an interview today with Madame Dreyfus.

Madame Dreyfus shook her head. "I cannot say, cannot imagine, except that we are Israelites."

MADAME APPEARS.

At last Madame Dreyfus herself appeared. One of the loveliest, sweetest-looking women to be seen in all Paris.

"You know, monsieur," she said, "I have not yet received any retractor, but as you mentioned M. Scheurer-Kestner and explained your wishes in your letter I decided to break my rule."

I replied that I only desired to know the truth both about her sufferings and those of her unhappy husband.

"I need not speak of my sufferings," she replied, "you can easily imagine what it is to be in a case like mine."

I felt I could not press the matter, so asked when she had heard from her husband.

"A little more than a month ago. He is allowed to write. His letters are revised by the prison officers and when received are forwarded to me by the minister of the colonies."

"And does he know of efforts being made in his behalf?"

"Oh! perfectly. And, like us, he always hopes his innocence will soon be proved."

"Could you, madame, let me have an extract of a few lines from the last letter?"

Madame Dreyfus thought a moment and then said: "Frankly, monsieur, it is impossible. It would not interest any one."

On this point, however, I have my own opinion, that it was time to turn to the famous borderau letter.

"That forgery," she exclaimed vehemently, adding: "There could be no other documents that were not, like it, forgeries."

Here she inquired whether I would like to examine the borderau letter for myself.

She laid her shapely, ivory-tinted hand, which I noticed had no rings on it, on the further remembrance and divergences, showing minute study of graphology.

FUN IN THE WHEAT PIT

Merry Time is on Among the Big Chicago Grain Speculators.

LETTER AND ARMOUR AFTER EACH OTHER

To All Intents and Purposes the Cereal is Cornered in Windy City—Cash Wheat at a Premium.

CHICAGO, Dec. 15.—The Tribune says today: "There are just fourteen days left to make up the account of the December deal."

At this juncture madame's sister-in-law entered the room, a short, thin woman, much more Jewish, it seemed to me, than Madame Dreyfus.

"We have truth on our side," was the conclusion of madame's sentences, her voice vibrating with emotion.

"And M. Zola?" I asked.

"Ah!" she cried. "M. Zola. We are deeply grateful to him. All the more because he alone has had the benevolence and dauntless courage to plead for us in the face of incredible, pitiless, blind prejudice."

When I got up to go the sister-in-law suggested I should take copies of two pamphlets published at the instance of the Dreyfus family.

And with a few words of sympathy I retired, persuaded that if Captain Dreyfus is an innocent man, the worst part of his punishment is not the monotony of Devil's Island and its solitude; nor exile from La Belle France, his native land; nor even the sense of lying under perhaps the most odious of all possible accusations; but the thought of lifelong separation from a wife like Madame Dreyfus.

EMPEROR WILLIAM AT HAMBURG

Visits the Bourse and Receives Enthusiastic Welcome.

HAMBURG, Dec. 15.—Emperor William, accompanied by Prince Adolph, his third son, arrived on his way to Kiel. His majesty inspected the town hall and attended a luncheon given in his honor at the Rathskeller.

He occupied the center table with the six senior senators, and General Count von Waldersee. There were no toasts, but his majesty conversed animatedly and afterward visited the bourse, which was densely thronged.

He was enthusiastically cheered by Herr Woerner, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, made an address, expressing the warm wishes of himself and his associates for a safe voyage for Prince Henry of Prussia, his majesty's brother, and offered for three cheers for "the mighty protector of Germany, the empire and the flag on every sea."

He then turned to the Chamber of Commerce, made a sensational statement. He said the inventor had assumed great importance. The expert evidence, he continued, had proved that the fire was not accidental and the evidence agreed that the fire was started in a stack of clothing in the show room of Walter & Brown, mantle manufacturers.

Mr. Brown, he added, could not escape the fact that he was the only person in the show room just prior to the outbreak, and it was only fair to state, said the solicitor in conclusion, that Mr. Brown was perfectly willing to re-enter the witness box and give any further details he could on the subject.

Visit the Marblehead. PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 15.—Today the staff officers of the president paid a visit to the United States cruiser Marblehead, returning the visit of the officers of the cruiser had paid to the palace.

There is a report, which lacks confirmation, of troubles at Jackmel, where an outbreak is said to have taken place.

Bryan Seeing the Sights. CITY OF MEXICO, Dec. 15.—President Diaz today accorded an audience to Mr. Bryan and party. Mr. Bryan has been a busy man today, having visited the cathedral and the Academy of Fine Arts.

Invited to Form a Cabinet. LONDON, Dec. 15.—A dispatch from Santiago, Chile, says that Senator Terceiro has been entrusted with the task of forming a new cabinet.

Dillon Favors Union of Irishmen. LONDON, Dec. 15.—John Dillon, chairman of the Irish national party, addressing the meeting of the national federation here today, said he agreed with John Redmond that all sections of the nationalists should arrive at an understanding on the leading Irish question before the reassembling of Parliament, and suggesting a conference with the Irish parliamentary members on the question.

Engineers' Trouble Clearing. LONDON, Dec. 15.—The aspect of the engineering dispute is more hopeful today. It is understood that the committee has arrived at an agreement in regard to three points—freedom piecework and overtime. When the remainder of the points have been settled the committee will report to the conference for approval.

Senate Passes Marriage Bill. LIMA, Dec. 15.—After a warm debate the Senate, by a vote of 23 to 15, passed the bill as to non-Catholic marriages, which had already received the assent of the Chamber of Deputies.

Ministry Defeated by Close Vote. THE HAGUE, Dec. 15.—The government was defeated today in the Chamber of Deputies by a vote of 42 to 41, which refused to authorize the building of new war ships.

JUMPS FROM OMAHA TO SEATTLE.

Forged Paper Worker is Outwitting a New Friend.

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A warrant was issued on a justice court here today, charging H. H. Harding, a real estate man, with uttering an \$8,000 forged draft.

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NORTHER HITS OMAHA HARD

Old Acres Swoops Down in Fierce Glee Upon Gate City.

DRIVES MERCURY WAY DOWN IN TUBE

High Wind Accompanied by Snow, Comes from the Northwest and Makes Hot Coal Fires Feel Comfortable.

No; that was not a blizzard; it was a "norther," merely a "norther."

To all intents and purposes it was a blizzard. It howled and shrieked around the buildings, and searched out every cranny through which to inject a blast of boreal frigidly, commingled with fine bits of what warms, and whopped things up generally. But it was only a "norther," Prof. Willis Moore, under whose gentle ministrations all sorts of weather comes at all sorts of times, has decided that in the future the red flag with the black center shall be a signal for a "norther."

And yesterday the red flag with the black center swung hilariously to the breeze from the top of the McCague block, in the upper story of which the local weather-making machinery is ensconced.

Prior to yesterday the flag described designated "an inland storm," which might come from any direction; but its scope has been narrowed, and its significance has now an added terror. For, whenever that oratorial-repeating signal floats in the breeze you may prepare for another such a visitation as swooped down from up in the neighborhood of the Klondike late yesterday.

The storm had been promised well beforehand by the weather service, and local people had ample opportunity to prepare for it. Local Forecast Official Walsh informed the city yesterday evening that the storm was on its way forth, and this paper accordingly announced it yesterday. Schedule time was made all the way from the northern part of Montana, and the "norther" arrived promptly on time. Only it was a trifle more severe than the ordinary citizen anticipated.

It differs from a blizzard in one essential particular: Very little snow goes with a "norther," and consequently the snow on the city is not so deep as it is in a blizzard. In the dispatches that follow will be given some notion of the storm's extent and severity.

SEVERE STORM IN NEBRASKA. High Northwest Wind with Snow and Low Temperature.

GENEVA, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A cold wave struck Geneva at 11 a. m. and the temperature has fallen thirty degrees, catching many in town from quite a distance. Some snow is falling. The night will be intensely cold.

WEST POINT, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A severe blizzard prevails here, with a very high wind and the snow is falling rapidly. The weather is very cold.

AINSWORTH, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A terrific snowstorm has been prevailing throughout this country for the last twelve hours. The wind is traveling at the rate of forty miles an hour.

PIERCE, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—One of the worst blizzards of this winter commenced this afternoon and is still raging, coming from the northwest. The weather is very cold.

GOTHENBURG, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—It commenced snowing this morning about 7 o'clock and the indications are good for a big storm. The temperature is low, with a strong northeast wind.

SHELTON, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—At 8:15 a. m. the wind came from the north and the mercury fell twenty degrees in a few minutes. Snow commenced to fall, continuing throughout the day.

DUNCAN, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A cold wave struck this vicinity at 9:30 this morning. A hard north wind is blowing and all lacks of a blizzard is a little more severe.

DAVID CITY, Neb., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A cold wave struck this place at 11 a. m. with a high wind and snow. The temperature has fallen twelve degrees since 7 a. m. and indications are that it will go lower.

CHADRON, Neb., Dec. 15.—For the last twenty-four hours a severe blizzard has been raging in northern Nebraska. Trains are blocked and all traffic is suspended.

WESTERN IOWA CATCHES IT. Bad Blizzard Comes Sweeping Down the Missouri Valley.

SIoux CITY, Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A blizzard broke over this section of Iowa at a late hour this afternoon. It began by a light rain, with wind, but it was not long before the rain turned to snow and the wind rose to sixty miles an hour.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Dec. 15.—A blizzard has prevailed in South Dakota and parts of Minnesota today. Trains were delayed badly at Watertown, S. D., owing to the drifting snow.

REPORTS FROM S. D. Minn., state that a blizzard, accompanied by a severe drop in temperature, set in this evening. The thermometer has dropped in St. Paul 16 degrees in two hours, being 14 above at 9 o'clock. Huron, S. D., reports 4 below; Bismarck and Winnipeg, 10 below; Helena, 6 below; Swift Current, 22 below, and Quappell, 28 below.

SOUTH DAKOTA SNOWED UNDER. Temperature is Low and Northwest Wind is Howling.

ABERDEEN, S. D., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A severe snowstorm, accompanied by a high northwest wind, has been in progress since morning. The storm is general in the state. The temperature is falling rapidly. Stock is generally well cared for on the ranges.

YANKTON, S. D., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A driving snowstorm is prevailing here tonight. It began early this morning with little snow, but during the afternoon the

THE BEE BULLETIN

Weather Forecast for Nebraska—Fair; Continued Cold; North Winds.

1. Madame Dreyfus Tells of Her Woes.

2. Hitchcock and the Police Commissioner Judicially Rebuked.

3. Report of State Superintendent Jackson, Doings of National Board of Trade.

4. Editorial and Comment.

5. Water Plans for the Exposition.

6. Council Bluffs Local Matters.

7. Iowa Apple Raisers Are in Arms.

8. Status of Kansas Pacific Line.

9. Nebraska State Commission Meets.

10. Madame Nordica Arrives in Omaha.

11. Stock Yards Lower Charges for Feed.

12. Case Against Coalter is Dropped.

13. Investigation of the Police Court.

14. Suit to Test Title to Town-site.

15. Commercial and Financial News.

16. "The Joke on Juggins."

Temperature at Omaha.

Hour. Deg. Hour. Deg.

5 a. m. 25 1 p. m. 35

6 a. m. 20 2 p. m. 24

7 a. m. 28 3 p. m. 17

8 a. m. 28 4 p. m. 10

9 a. m. 29 5 p. m. 8

10 a. m. 30 6 p. m. 7

11 a. m. 32 7 p. m. 6

12 m. 33 8 p. m. 5

1 p. m. 34 9 p. m. 4

fall increased, and the snow is now drifting and gives indications of impending railroad

HURON, S. D., Dec. 15.—A heavy snow has been falling all day, driven before a strong northwest wind. Telegraph communication is seriously affected in all directions, but trains are being operated with little delay.

The storm has overspread the state and will cause considerable damage to stock on the open ranges.

PIERRE, S. D., Dec. 15.—(Special Telegram.)—A wind storm has been prevailing here all day with very little snow.

FIRE ATTENDED BY CASUALTIES. Live Wire Fatally Injures One of the Firemen.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 15.—While fighting a fire in the five-story brick building, 1025 Market street, tonight Foreman George Gaw of engine company No. 4 was struck by a live wire and fell from the third floor landing of the fire escape to the ground, sustaining injuries from which he probably will die.

Foreman Robert Wilsey of company No. 1 was also struck by a live wire, but was not seriously injured. John Connors of engine company No. 20 was hurt by a falling brick.

The flames caught the fifth floor, occupied by F. W. Klinger, manufacturer of pocket-books and fancy leather goods, and also damaged the adjoining building of William Grevenmeyer, stationer. The lower floors of No. 1025, occupied by a number of firms, was damaged by the water. The total loss will reach \$100,000, covered by insurance.

Earlier in the evening the leather goods factory of Joseph A. Franks, at 213 Willow street, was damaged to the extent of about \$100,000. Harry Hines, aged 35, was knocked down by a fire engine and so badly injured that he is not expected to live. Another engine struck and badly injured Valentine Hoffer, aged 39, and Hoseman John McCuen, aged 26, was thrown from a horse cart and severely bruised.

DURRANT AGAIN UP FOR SENTENCE. Attorneys Will Try Another Appeal in Supreme Court.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 15.—Theodore Durrant will be sentenced to death for the fourth time this morning. It is understood that Superior Judge Babers will fix the date of execution for January 7, next. The condemned man's attorneys will at once battle for his life. They intend to lay the foundation for another appeal to the supreme court of the United States. In all probability one of the lawyers for the defense will proceed to Washington to make the final technical fight based on the questions of federal and state law. The time for action is short, however, and even the defense doubts the success of its new venture.

Mrs. Durrant visited her son yesterday afternoon. Both were downcast and seemed to realize that the end was near.

KNOCKS THEM OUT

Hitchcock and the Police Commissioner Judicially Rebuked.

JUDGE KEYSOR ON THE WORLD-HERALDS

Decision of the Court Sustains the Bee Concerning Everything.

LICENSE BOARD'S ACTS SO FAR ILLEGAL

Course it Has Pursued Without Warrant of Statutory Support.

Evening Bee Has Largest Circulation

This Important Point Made Clear by the Judge's Opinion.

WORLD-HERALD'S RIDICULOUS AFFIDAVIT

Bluff Worked on Business Men by the Fakers is Scored.

RESTRAINING ORDER AGAINST THE BOARD

Relief Prayed For by The Bee Publishing Company is Granted—Full Text of the Judge's Opinion.

The court overrules said plea to the jurisdiction and finds that it has for the purpose of action complete jurisdiction to hear and determine all of said questions.

And the court further finds as a jurisdictional fact in this case from the undisputed evidence on file herein that as between The Evening Bee and the Morning or Evening World-Herald, the said Evening Bee is the newspaper printed in Douglas county having the largest bona fide circulation therein.

It is therefore ordered by the court that until the hearing herein the said defendants, Robert E. L. Herdman, D. B. Gregory, J. B. Penbody, W. C. Bullard, W. J. Wellshaus and the Board of Fire and Police Commissioners, individually and collectively, their agents, servants and their co-conspirators, the president, managers and officers of the World Publishing company, a corporation, be and the same are hereby temporarily and until the further order herein enjoined from referring to or officiating or otherwise the illegal resolution of November 20, 1897, or from carrying the same out in letter or in spirit, for the purpose of inducing any person, firm or corporation by threats, intimidation, coercion or solicitation to place any liquor notices or drug-gists' permits in the newspapers known as the Evening World-Herald and the Morning World-Herald, or from in any manner preventing by coercing or otherwise any person, firm or corporation from advertising their said notices in The Evening Bee, upon the executing and delivering to the clerk of the court an undertaking to the defendants in the sum of \$200, with approved sureties conditioned as required by law. By the court.

WILLIAM W. KEYSOR, Judge. Omaha, Dec. 15, 1897.

The foregoing order was issued by Judge Keyser yesterday in the case wherein The Bee Publishing company sought to enjoin the Fire and Police commission from advising or directing saloon keepers and druggists of the city to publish their applications for liquor licenses in the World-Herald.

Some time ago it became apparent that the members of the Fire and Police commission were urging the saloon keepers and druggists to insert their applications in the World-Herald without that paper first submitting proofs of circulation. The Bee Publishing company maintained that the World-Herald did not have the largest circulation in Douglas county and asked that an investigation of the matter of circulation be made. The commission ignored the request and advised publication in the World-Herald, whereupon The Bee Publishing company secured a restraining order that was on for hearing yesterday. At this hearing the attorneys for the board and also for the World-Herald left the court room, refusing to take any part in the proceedings, maintaining that the court had no jurisdiction as the premises. The attorney for The Bee Publishing company presented the case and Judge Keyser took the matter under advisement until yesterday morning