

Assassinations of *A & A* the Century.

"Uneasy Rests the Head That Wears the Crown."
—Shakespeare.

The assassination of King Humbert of Italy added another to a long list of murders that have stricken down sovereigns during recent decades. Most of the victims have been occupants of European thrones. South America's latest contribution was the killing of President Borda of Uruguay in 1897, while within a few days the report has come—and been denied—that the emperor of China had been slain. Europe's last assassination of a member of royalty was that of the Empress Elizabeth of Austria while she was traveling in Switzerland.

The assassination of Empress Elizabeth of Austria at Geneva recently by Anarchist Luchini was the first successful attempt on the lives of rulers since June, 1834. President Carnot of

Capo d'Istria, Greece, Oct. 9, 1831. Castillo, Canovas del, premier of Spain, July 30, 1837. Cavendish, Lord Frederick, England, May 6, 1882. Carnot, president of France, June 24, 1894. Elizabeth Amella Eugenie, empress of Austria, Sept. 10, 1898. Garfield, James A., president of the United States, July 2, 1881; died Sept. 19, 1881. Harrison, Carter H., mayor of Chicago, Oct. 29, 1893. Lincoln, Abraham, president of the United States, April 15, 1865. Mayo, Earl, Ireland, Feb. 8, 1872. Mehemet, Ali, Turkey, Sept. 7, 1878. Michael, prince of Serbia, June 10, 1868.

Once a Man of Note.
William A. Grosvenor, whose death in the east has caused but scant attention, was, thirty years ago, one of the most widely known editors in the United States. He reached the height of his fame and influence as editor of the Missouri Democrat (now the St. Louis Globe Democrat) in 1870, when, in conjunction with Carl Schurz, he organized the movement which led to the formation of the Liberal Republican party. It was in his little office, in the Democrat building, corner of Fourth and Pine streets, St. Louis, that he planned the campaign which began with the passage of the enfranchisement act by the Missouri legislature and the defeat and death of Horace Greeley.

Not Over Yet.

The Boer war has given rise to a peculiar discussion in Germany. Most of the devout Christians there have been praying for the success of the Boers, and the religious press of Germany has been practically unanimous in opposition to England. These newspapers and many clergymen urged that prayers be offered for the success of the Boer arms, and the suggestion was followed widely. The religious press predicted that the prayers would be heard and that they would be efficacious in bringing about the defeat of the English. But thus far the war has gone woefully against the prayers. Yet it is not over. Things may take a turn.—Ex.

Britain's Agent in China.

Sir Claude Maxwell Macdonald, British minister to China, is a noted British diplomat, a K. C. B. of the creation of 1893, and for several years has lived in the far east (China and Korea) as a diplomatic agent of the United Kingdom. He was educated at Sandhurst, and when a youth he entered the Seventy-fourth Highlanders. He won the brevet of major in 1882, and in that year served through the Egyptian campaign. He was in the Suakim expedition, 1884-5, and won the medal with three clasps, the Khedive's star and the fourth class Order of Osmanieh. For five years he was a diplomatic agent in Egypt.

In a study of American politics which appeared in a recent number of the London Chronicle it was pointed out that out of the twenty-five presidents of the United States all but one have been of British family origin. Fifteen, headed by Washington, came of English stock. Three, including James Monroe, had Scotch ancestors. One, Thomas Jefferson, inherited pure Welsh blood, while five others traced their lineage to Scotch-Irish ancestry.



THE ASSASSINATION OF ALEXANDER III. OF RUSSIA, MARCH 13, 1881.

France was stabbed at Lyons on June 24, 1894; Canovas del Castillo, prime minister of Spain and virtually ruler of the country while he was in office, was shot and killed at Santa Agueda on Aug. 8, 1897. All three assassinations were the work of men who loudly proclaimed themselves anarchists and their deeds the result of their convictions, and the assassins were all three Italians, a circumstance which immediately after the three assassinations caused a furore against that race in the countries which had suffered.

The final and successful attempt of nihilism on the life of Alexander III. of Russia occurred on March 13, 1881. Two bombs were thrown at the imperial carriage, the first by Rysakoff, the second and fatal one by Grenévitsky. The emperor was out to view the parade of the Marine corps. The event had been planned far in advance and nihilism had plenty of time to arrange what was to be a grand movement to end the czar's life. Mines were laid in streets through which the carriage might pass and adherents liberally supplied with hand bombs to throw in case the mines failed. As the carriage approached the bridge over the Catherine canal Rysakoff pressed forward through some workmen shoveling snow and threw the first bomb.

It fell behind the carriage, tearing out the back, and wounding two cosaks. The emperor stepped out of his carriage, and as he did so the second bomb, thrown by Grenévitsky, fell and exploded at his feet, breaking both legs and penetrating his abdomen. The emperor died two hours after the explosion of the bomb at his feet. Fragments of the bomb killed and wounded people in every direction, the bomb-thrower himself being killed. This successful attempt was the result of a widespread plot in the Russian branch of anarchistic Europe. Five of the conspirators were hanged.

The killing of President Carnot of France at Lyons on June 24, 1894, and the assassination of Premier Canovas on Aug. 8, 1897, were still fresh in the memory of Europe when the third outrage in four years was committed at Geneva. President Carnot's assassin, Santo, rushed upon the president's carriage and plunged a poniard into the body of his victim, for which he lost his head. Gollé, the assassin of Canovas, used a pistol on the Spanish premier at Santa Agueda, a Spanish summer resort, and he also suffered death for his madness.

Following is a list of the assassinations of the century:
Abdul Aziz, sultan of Turkey, June 4, 1876.
Alexander III., Russia, March 13, 1881.
Berri, Charles, duc d'France, April 13, 1820.
Borda, J. Martie, president of Uruguay, Aug. 25, 1897.

Nasir-ed-Din, shah of Persia, May 1, 1896.
Prim, marshal of France, Dec. 30, 1870.
Paul, czar of Russia, March 24, 1901.
Attempted assassinations: Against Alexander III. of Russia, very often; Alfonso XII. of Spain, 1878 and 1879; Amadeus of Spain, 1872; Prince Bismarck, 1866 and 1874; Francis Joseph of Austria, 1853; George III., England, 1786 and 1800; George IV., when regent, 1817; Humbert I., 1878; Isabella II. of Spain, 1847, 1852 and 1856; Louis Philippe, six attempts from 1835 to 1846; Napoleon I., 1800; Napoleon III., twice in 1855, once in 1858; Victoria, 1840, twice in 1842, once in 1849, and again in 1882; William I. of Germany, 1861, 1875 and 1878.

At La Teste de Buch, France, a statue of Dr. Jean Hameau was unveiled recently. He was an obscure medical practitioner, who, in 1836, published a study on "virus in which he partially anticipated the discoveries of Pasteur.

Trying to Part Convict Mother and Child.



The entire state of New Jersey is in a turmoil about one small baby and its mother. The child is named Charles Edward Mason, after his father. It is a bright, chubby little youngster, and was born in the New Jersey State prison, not quite three years ago. The mother, Anne Mason, was at the time sentenced to serve five years in prison on her third conviction for theft. Now the philanthropists want to take the baby from her, give it a good home and make a useful citizen of the intelligent little fellow. The mother, however, insists upon keeping it, and prominent ministers say that she should have it, as if anything will lead to the woman's reformation this

child will do it, and it may be her salvation. The prison keeper also says it should be allowed to remain with the mother, but Governor Voorhees declares that the two should be separated at once and for good. There is no law that provides for an innocent child being kept in prison, and no law that enables the authorities to take it from her at present. The philanthropists say, however, that the woman is hopelessly degenerate, and if they cannot persuade her to give up the child they mean to find ways to take it from her. If they do, New Jersey may furnish one of the most unique legal battles of recent years.

OUTLOOK FOR STATE FAIR.

Expected to Exceed in All Respects Any Ever Held.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 6.—"If our expectations are half realized, the next Nebraska state fair will exceed in all respects any state fair ever held in Nebraska," said R. W. Furnas of the State Board of Agriculture. "More counties will be represented than ever before and we have good reason to believe that all kinds of individual exhibits, including machinery, will be correspondingly large. The fair offers \$30,000 in cash premiums this year, with \$5,000 for the speed events. The prizes for the county collective exhibits now amount to \$2,000 and the board is thinking seriously of raising the sum. One of the features of the fair this year will be an exhibition of sheep shearing by power.

"Unusual interest is being manifested in the county collective exhibit. The county showing the highest score will be given a \$300 cash prize. Seventeen hundred dollars will be prorated among the other counties scoring over 800 points, but no county shall be paid a sum exceeding \$300. Persons contributing to county exhibits may compete for any minor premium offered by the board. In counties where there is no agricultural society one or more individuals may compete in the name of the county."

Grand Army Reunion Program.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 6.—The following program has been arranged for the Grand Army reunion, which will begin at the old state fair grounds August 12 and continue for seven days:

August 12—Opening services in the pavilion, conducted by Dr. H. Bross, department chaplain, and Rev. Fletcher L. Wharton of this city.

August 13—The Nebraska department will formally assume charge of the camp and will issue orders; welcome by Governor Poynter; presentation by Colonel L. C. Pace on behalf of the local committee and response by Department Commander Reese; campfire at night, led by Captain W. C. Henry.

August 14—Special exercises by women of the Grand Army, followed by address by G. M. Lambertson of Lincoln; campfire in evening, under direction of H. C. Russell.

August 15—Program by the Woman's Relief corps; address by Charles F. Manderson; campfire, under direction of C. E. Adams.

August 16—Addresses by Hon. Robert G. Cousins of Iowa, General John M. Thayer and P. James Cosgrava of Lincoln. The evening meeting will be conducted by Nebraska volunteers in the Spanish war.

August 17—Addresses by Senator W. V. Allen and J. Warren Keifer of Ohio.

August 18—Closing exercises.

Creamery at Long Pine.

LONG PINE, Neb., Aug. 6.—The Long Pine creamery separator has been successfully started and the event was celebrated by an appropriate program at the opera house. Addresses were delivered by Rev. P. H. Elghmy, Prof. Haecker of the dairy division of the State university and W. W. Marple of Lincoln. Music was furnished by the local mandolin club and made quartet. The separator starts under very favorable conditions and promises to be a valuable enterprise for the farmers and town. The milk received the first day was 1,650 pounds. The plant will be operated as one of the Fremont Creamery company's system.

Agitate County Division.

NIORRARA, Neb., Aug. 6.—The fight in this county for the relocation of the county seat came up before the Board of Supervisors. The original petition was filed a week ago, and Niobrara was given a week in which to file a remonstrance. Today the same was filed and contained about 600 names. The board gave the petitioners until Saturday to file a counter remonstrance. At that time it is expected that a decision will be rendered upon the merits of the petition and remonstrance.

Took Rare Coins and Clothes.

FREMONT, Neb., Aug. 6.—During the absence of the family from the city some one entered the residence of H. G. Paul on West Fifth street and thoroughly overhauled the contents. As everything is stirred up Mr. Paul is unable to tell what is missing. His collection of old and rare coins, some of which are very valuable, and his best suit of clothes were taken. Some jewelry and silverware were not disturbed.

Narrowly Saved from Death.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Aug. 6.—A tramp named Richard Smith made an attempt to outrage Mrs. F. C. Griffin at Endicott, six miles southeast of this city. He did not succeed in his attempt. Mrs. Griffin as soon as released from his grasp ran from the house and gave the alarm. The citizens joined in the search and captured Smith, who was turned over to the sheriff, who brought the prisoner to this city and lodged him in jail in default of \$2,000 bail.

Capture Runaway Girls.

EXETER, Neb., Aug. 6.—Four girls who made their escape from the Geneva Industrial school were captured here. They were making their way to Lincoln. One of them was a colored girl. The superintendent of the school arrived and took them back in a carriage.

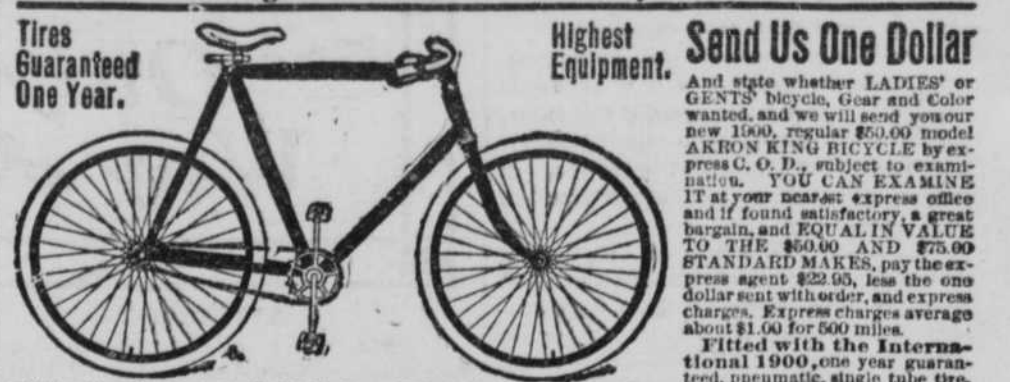
Summer School Closed.

NORTH PLATTE, Neb., Aug. 6.—The six weeks' summer school closed here Saturday, the total enrollment reaching sixty-six. Another summer school was held at Wallace, this county, and twenty-four teachers attended there.

Sunstroke at Ashland.

ASHLAND, Neb., Aug. 6.—George H. Atwood, a pump dealer of this city, suffered a severe attack of sunstroke, rendering him unconscious for a few hours. He regained consciousness, but is in a critical condition.

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