

BETROTHAL OF GERMAN CROWN PRINCE FORMALLY ANNOUNCED

"All mankind loves a lover," and for that reason the German Crown Prince Frederick William is now one of the most interesting young men in the world. His betrothal to the Duchess Cecile of Mecklenburg-Schwerin has been announced by the German Emperor, and the wedding will probably take place early in the new year.

The Crown Prince proposed to the Duchess while taking a cup of tea at her home. He had been visiting near her home and had been seen automobiling with her, and that set the gossip talking.

It has been said that it is a love match. Whether or not it is one, it is certain that there are strong reasons

education has been one that will fit her for the station in life she is to occupy. She is fond of riding and driving, and speaks English and French perfectly and Russian well.

For a youngster the Crown Prince has quite a lot to shoulder in the way of names and titles. His full name is Frederick William Victor August Ernest. He holds many military commissions. He is a Knight of the Black Eagle, of the Annunziata, of the Order of St. Hubert, of the Order of the Seraphim, of the Spanish Golden Fleece, and of the Garter.

He was born in the Marble Palace near Potsdam on May 6, 1882, and is consequently in his twenty-third year.



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for the marriage, outside of the views of the two young people. The match is a pleasing one to the Emperor because it will unite the royal families of Denmark, Great Britain and Germany, and through other marriages those of the Netherlands and Russia. The Emperor has long desired to bring these families into closer relations.

The present Duke of Mecklenburg-Schwerin, Frederic Francis IV., succeeded to the dukedom in April, 1897, but being a minor his uncle acted as guardian until 1901. He married last June the Princess Alexandra, second daughter of the Duke of Cumberland.

The sister of the Duchess Cecile, also named Alexandra, married Prince Christian of Denmark. Prince Christian is the eldest son of Denmark's Crown Prince, and the Duchess will eventually be Queen of Denmark if she lives. Prince Carl, a brother of Prince Christian, married Princess Ina of Wales.

The mother of the Grand Duke and the Duchess Cecile was Anastasia, a daughter of the Grand Duke Michael of Russia.

It will be seen that by the marriage of the Crown Prince and the Duchess Cecile of Mecklenburg-Schwerin the royal houses of Germany, Denmark and Great Britain will be closely allied. The Duchess is also a niece by marriage of the Prince Consort of Holland, so that the Netherlands court is also brought into the alliance.

The Duchess Cecile Augustina Marie was born on Sept. 20, 1886, and is just a few days short of being 18. She has been brought up very simply and so far little has been seen of her.

She is a tall, slight girl, and has light hair and brown eyes. She is not



Emperor William II.

what might be called pretty, but has a bright face and a vivid complexion, and is of sprightly demeanor.

For many years she has lived outside of Mecklenburg-Schwerin. Her

will be quiet wedding.

Invitations have been issued to a wedding which will be unique. The parties are Miss Emma Blanche Warren of Harrisburg, Pa., and James W. Ladd of Bligham Center, Potter county. Both are deaf-mutes. The attendants, who are also deaf-mutes, will be Miss Belle Wink of Reading, Miss Helen Nichols of New Bloomfield, William Jones of Steelton and Frank Anshurh of Reading. Rev. Franklin C. S. Mileau of Williamsport, who will perform the ceremony, is also a mute.

Well Versed in Things Oriental.
Durham White Stevens, the unassuming American who is to be the medium of Japanese control and influence in Corea, has seen twenty-three years' service under the government of Japan, and has been decorated several times by the mikado. He first went to Tokio in 1873 as secretary of the American legation. He is now spoken of as the coming ruler of the hermit nation, a title which he modestly disclaims, for he insists that he will be merely an adviser.

Long Distance in Rowboat.
H. W. Mew and W. B. Andrew recently rowed from Sandown on the English coast, to Cherbourg, France, a distance of about sixty-four miles, in twenty-nine hours. Their boat was a stout deckless craft, fifteen feet long. As provisions they carried a gallon of water, three pounds raw mutton steak, cold tea and cold coffee, six bottles each, thirty-six hard-boiled eggs, six cans of biscuits, three loaves of bread, a small quantity of brandy and a bottle of port.

AS THE WORLD REVOLVES

PHYSICIAN TO SHAH OF PERSIA.
Dr. W. L. Smith of Worcester, Mass., Has Unique Honor.

Dr. William Lord Smith of Worcester, Mass., graduate of Harvard, sportsman and hunter of big game, is headed for home, loaded down with decorations from the grateful Muzaffer-ed-Din, shah of Persia, whom he cured of a malarial disease which had baffled native and foreign physicians. Dr. Smith has also now the title of physician in ordinary to the throne of Persia, but it is not certain that he will return to the land of the shah and fill the position. Dr. Smith is ending a two-years' tour of the world. Early in the summer he arrived in Persia and, as the plague was raging there, was quarantined. But just then the shah was taken ill at Teheran and Dr. Smith was summoned. A journey of 210 miles to the palace on camel back across the desert followed. After the shah was cured he and his doctor went hunting together and this cemented their friendship.

CHIEF OF POSTAL CLERKS.

Arthur Donoghue of Chicago, Chosen for the Position.
Arthur Donoghue, the newly elected president of the National Association of Postal Clerks, has been for fourteen years connected with the registry department of the Chicago central office. Mr. Donoghue graduated

from high school in 1887. Ten years later he took his degree from the Chicago College of Law. He has never held office in the local organization or postal clerks and the action of the convention at St. Louis was a pleasant surprise to his fellow clerks in the Chicago office.



ARTHUR DONOGHUE

Marveled at Time's Changes.
When Henry James, the novelist, returned to the United States, after an absence of twenty years, he was overwhelmed by the changes wrought in New York during that time. As he stepped out upon that part of the pier which affords something of a view of Manhattan he stood silent several moments, deaf to the question of his friends, and gazed at the outline of his native city in true Rip Van Winkle wonderment. At the same time Mrs. Mary King Waddington, widow of the famous French diplomat, arrived in New York after an absence of thirty-nine years. As one after another of the huge shapes that scrape the clouds over the city came into view she turned to her son and exclaimed: "Ugh, how hideous!" Mme. Waddington also is a native American, the granddaughter of Rufus King of New York.

Joke on Edmund Rostand.
Edmund Rostand was the other day the hero of a little episode which might furnish him with the material for a scene in a future play. During a visit to a friend in the country M. Rostand was requested to accompany him to a maire, in order to register the friend's newborn infant. The adjunct of the maire, a conscientious little man, booked the infant and then turned to M. Rostand as the first witness. "Your name, sir?" "Edmund Rostand." "Your vocation?" "Man of letters and member of the French academy." "Very well," replied the official, "you have to sign your name. Can you write? If not, you may make a cross."

Czar's Numerous Relatives.
The list of the czar's relatives includes a brother, an uncle, four cousins of the first degree, ten of the second, thirteen of the third and a great-uncle. All of these except the thirteen cousins of the third degree must be addressed as "imperial highness." These thirteen male relatives of the czar are a great financial burden to the empire, as each of them receives an annual income of \$460,000. They moreover own in the aggregate 5,600 square miles of land and 325 palaces, employing an army of 20,000 servants.

Anti-Cigarette Law Not Popular.
The agitation over the decline of the English physique, to which attention was so forcibly called during the Boer war, has led to a crusade against juvenile smoking and an "anti-cigarette bill" is now before the house of commons, though it is not believed that there is any probability of its passing. The objection is made that the fine of \$2.50 which is imposed upon every boy or girl under 16 who is convicted of smoking must be paid by the parent and that the offense is one that parents cannot prevent.

Millionaires Without Change.
Pierpont Morgan, James Stillman, William Rockefeller, James J. Hill and Chauncey M. Depew attended the same board meeting in New York recently. While the meeting was in session a messenger arrived with a note and a package for Senator Depew, the charges being \$1.40. All five of the millionaires were called upon to contribute, but the amount could not be made up. Mr. Hill's stenographer finally paid the boy, who possibly departed with a new idea of what it is to be a millionaire.

Pertinent Question.
Although trains have been run in the New York underground rapid transit road, the great engineering work is not yet by any means finished. John B. McDonald, the builder, was approached a few days ago by Tom Dunn, the Tammany leader, who asked: "When are you going to start up that tunnel game of yours, John?" "Some time in September," answered the contractor, "carelessly." Dunn looked as though he wanted to say a whole lot of things, but he contented himself by inquiring: "What year?"

THE WEEKLY PANORAMA

STRANGERS WERE NOT WANTED
Too Much Commercialism in Churches of New York.

The charge that strangers are not made to feel at home in some of the big churches in New York is well founded, according to the observation made by a Pennsylvanian who has lived there for ten years. "A few years ago I rented a pew in one of the big churches in Fifth avenue and kept it for a year. My family was not numerically large enough to fill the pew, and I notified the usher that I could usually accommodate from two to three strangers. I learned indirectly that the sexton, who had the renting of the pews, objected to too much liberty on my part. He said that if every pewholder in the church made the same sort of offer he could not come up to the expectation of the governing board of the church, which expected him to rent every pew. The logic of this was that if strangers desired to attend that particular church very often they would be expected to pay for their sittings. To put it a little plainer, strangers were not welcome, although a sign in the vestibule said they were."

Statue of Gen. Meagher.
On Completion Will Be Placed in Capitol Grounds at Helena, Mont.
The illustration depicts a statue of Gen. Thomas Francis Meagher which the Thomas Francis Meagher Association of Montana purposes to erect in the capitol grounds at Helena. Many well-known persons have contributed to the work, but a large sum is still needed. The president of the association is James H. Lynch of

Butte. Gen. Meagher will be remembered as the chief of the Irish brigade in the civil war, and he also was famous as an orator.

Expenses of Wealthy Women.
New York Leaders of Fashion Spend Much Money on Dress.

Mrs. Safford Barstow, the New York woman who spends her entire time simply designing on paper new creations in the garb of American womanhood, was asked if the statement made in the dressmakers' convention that some women spend as much as \$25,000 on their clothes in a year was an exaggeration. "That is merely a fair average," she said. "Far from being distorted, the figure named is very conservative. Mrs. John Jacob Astor, I think, is admitted to be the best dressed woman in New York. I am certain that she spends all of \$50,000 a year on her dresses. Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt is a close second. Her dressmaking bill certainly runs over \$40,000, while Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish and Mrs. Joseph Widener, for instance, are in a big class that easily part their husbands from upward of \$35,000 each year for the benefit of the dressmakers, shoemakers, gloves, etc."



Single Men Best Soldiers.
It is well known that Lord Kitchen prefers single men in the army. He was twitted once on being a woman hater. He answered smilingly that he was just the reverse. Then he became serious and said that experience had taught him that single men, as a rule, make better soldiers than married men. The latter, he declared, are bound to keep in mind the welfare of their wives and children, and on this account are apt to draw back from dangers that would not cause them an instant's hesitation if they had only themselves to think of. Therefore, a wife, though she may be very ambitious for her husband's success, impairs his efficiency as a soldier in action.

Dutch Statesman in America.
Herr Dudok De Wit, minister of sports in the government of Holland, has reached California on a tour of the world. Minister De Wit, who is 63 years old but looks much younger, is an expert horseman, golf player and oarsman. He is also very fond of horse-racing, and in the course of his official career has acted as judge or timekeeper at some of the most notable tracks in Europe. He has visited every foreign country of note and now will spend about two months in the United States.

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NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

THE NEWS IN NEBRASKA.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Dickey celebrated their golden wedding at Nebraska City. W. W. Aldrich is railroad agent at Sidney, vice W. D. Clifton, transferred to Kearney.

William Birmingham is under arrest at Nebraska City charged with robbing a school house.

Frank Avery, under arrest at Albion on charge of committing a crime in Montana, made his escape from officers.

The fall term of the Fremont public schools opened with a total attendance of 1,629. The number of students in the high school is 155.

A quarrel between a number of men and women two miles north of Decatur resulted in the killing of David Monett, a half-blood Indian.

James Sparks, an Omaha convict at the state penitentiary, is one of two prisoners who is about to be transferred as insane, to the asylum.

The executive board of the York college voted to build a gymnasium, which will be erected near the northwest corner of the large and beautiful campus.

At Nebraska City William Benningham, alias William Jones, plead guilty to the charge of burglary and was sentenced to sixteen months in the penitentiary.

Thirteen-year-old Ernest, the son of W. A. Kahra, living in Benson, Douglas county, was fatally burned by flames resulting from an explosion of gasoline.

Announcement was made of the acceptance by Prof. George E. Howard of the University of Chicago, of the chair of institutional history in the University of Nebraska.

Emil Schultz, a Cuming county young man and a member of the hospital corps now doing duty in the Philippines, has just returned home from the islands on a furlough.

Company C met at Beatrice and decided to put a strong football team in the field this year. Glen Odell, at present manager of the Beatrice ball team, was engaged to manage the new eleven.

The Lexington schools opened with an enrollment of 515, one hundred and seventy-six of these in the high school. There are twenty-two boys in the high school and they are organizing a militia company.

John Wiese, residing twelve miles southwest of Grand Island, lost several stacks of wheat, of rye and of oats by fire, the same communicating to the stacks shortly after the threshers had started the work of threshing.

Rev. F. N. Snauberg, for the past twelve years pastor of the Swedish Lutheran church of Oakland, has handed in his resignation to his congregation and has accepted the position of a traveling representative of the Deaconess institution of the Augustana synod.

When Charles Rowe of Cheyenne county was working at the bottom of a well seventy-five feet deep a brick was dislodged from the wall at the top by a swinging bucket, and fell, striking Rowe on the head. Rowe was brought to the top with skull crushed and the doctors say he cannot live.

The corner stone of the Sheridan county court house was laid by the grand lodge of Masons of Nebraska. More than 3,000 persons witnessed the service. Masons from all over the western part of the state were present and joined in a parade, assisted by the Grand Army corps, Modern Woodmen, Highlanders, Ladies' Relief corps, civic floats and the public generally. After the ceremonies the people were invited to an extended feast which had been prepared. Four head of cattle, six head of hogs and six head of sheep had been roasted; coffee and bread were in abundance.

Deputy Labor Commissioner Bert Bush has completed his inspection of the packing houses, which he began some time ago, to see if the child labor law was being violated. An order was issued by the management of each corporation to the superintendent to refuse to employ any child of school age.

Pearl Olson, the little girl assaulted by Howard Bailey, at Fremont, is rapidly recovering. The physicians consider her case a remarkable one. The day after the affair they did not think she had any chance of living and twice informed the family that her death was only a question of hours. The vitality she has displayed is remarkable.

At Columbus Captain Wagner of Company K, Nebraska national guard, has been missing property belonging to the company for some time and believes he has at last caught the thieves, but refuses to furnish their names until he hears from General Culver, to whom the matter has been referred. Leggings, shirts, shoes, etc., to the value of about \$50, have been missed.

The report of Chief Oil Inspector for the month of August, filed with the governor, shows the gross collections to have been \$1,818. The expenses were \$902.29.

Mayor Shultz of Beatrice, issued an order to the chief of police to the effect that he must enforce the ordinances relating to minors visiting billiard halls and those remaining on the street in violation of the curfew ordinance. He also insists that the ordinances with reference to the sale of cigars, cigarettes or tobacco to minors must be rigidly enforced.

Adjutant General Culver received word that the general government had sent him its part of the money due the national guard for the recent encampment. The amount will be in the neighborhood of \$16,000.

The Nemaha county tax case, which was decided in favor of the taxpayers and against the 5 per cent raise in the assessed valuation of the county by the state board of equalization, has been appealed from the court of Judge Kelligar at Auburn to the supreme court of the state by the attorney general.

BORROWS ON OTHER'S STOCK.
Respected York County Farmer Charged with Swindling Bank.

YORK—John V. Everts, a pioneer farmer living north of Waco, this county, is in the county jail. He was captured in Kansas City, where he was arrested and charged with mortgaging cattle, horses and wheat to the amount of \$700, giving a mortgage on property that the City National bank of this place claims does not belong to him. Mr. Everts is well known in Waco and vicinity, where he has been farming for many years, and the community is much surprised to learn that he mortgaged property which he did not own. For several years he has been renting land of his relatives and once or twice left the farm and engaged in business. The way he secured the money of the City National bank was from time to time previous to this he borrowed money in small amounts, giving security, and each time the note was due he came in and promptly arranged for payment. In this way he won the confidence of the bank, and when he mortgaged a large amount of stock and wheat the bank had reason to believe that it was all right. He gave this mortgage in February last and in March he disappeared. Shortly after his disappearance the bank investigated and found that he did not own the property which he mortgaged. They then gave the matter to Sheriff Brott.

NEW POINT IN TAX CASE.
County Clerk Will Decline to Appeal to Supreme Court.

AUBURN—A new difficulty confronts the attorney general in the Nemaha county tax case, brought by Hon. Church Howe to restrain the extending of the 5 per cent increase on the tax rolls. Charles R. Hacker, county clerk, and Deputy Clerk James M. Wright propose to take a stroke off their own hat. While the state's attorney appeared as attorney for the defense he failed to have the state board of equalization and assessment intervene in the case, and the clerk and his deputy do not intend to be tied up in making the tax list by an appeal if they can help it. Under the law they must make and deliver to the county treasurer the tax list by the first of November and an appeal to the supreme court would prevent this. The clerk and his deputy have written a letter to the attorney general informing him that they do not intend to appeal the case, but are satisfied with the decision of the district court, and will go to work on the tax list. Under the circumstances how the attorney general can review the case in the supreme court is a query.

Jewelry Stolen in Sleeper.
LINCOLN—Mrs. Mark Woods of this city was robbed of \$700 worth of jewelry while en route home with her husband from a trip east. Mrs. Woods had placed the jewels in a chamois bag, which she pinned to her gown before retiring to her berth for the night. In the morning the jewels were missing. Mr. Woods thinks the robbers were after a roll of bills which he had displayed during the early evening while paying the conductor and porter for accommodations on the sleeper. He intends to bring suit against the company.

"Con" Man Arrested.
LINCOLN—William Call, an unknown, was arrested by the Burlington depot detectives while attempting to work a confidence game on passengers of a westbound train. He had checked for large amounts, which he asserted he had not time to get cashed, and was requesting small loans with the checks as security when taken in.

To Build Irrigation Ditch.
Andrew A. Carlson and Nells Rasmussen of Crawford, Dawes county, want to go into partnership and construct an irrigation ditch near Crawford, and have written the state board of irrigation for permission to consolidate their ditches. They expect to spend \$6,000 and irrigate 3,000 acres of land.

Burned to Death.
INDIANOLA—Fire consumed the barn and a lot of hay belonging to Jacob Korb, southwest of here. Three of his sons were sleeping in the hay-mow. Two escaped by jumping from the hay-mow window. The charred remains of the third were found in the ashes of the ruins.

Corn Out of Dancer.
GRAND ISLAND—A goodly percentage of the corn in this section is now so far advanced that, farmers say, a light frost would only be helpful in that it would hasten the time when the farmer could begin to pick it.

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THE ODD CORNER

An Up-to-Date Woman.
Here lies a poor woman who always was busy.

She lived under pressure that rendered her dizzy. She belonged to ten clubs and read Browning by sight. She shone at luncheons and teas, and would void if she might. She served on a school board with courage and zeal.

She golfed and she skodaked, and rode on a wheel. She read Tolstol and Ibsen, knew microbes by name. Approved of Delaarte, and loved to shoot game. Her children went in for the top education. Her husband went seaward for nervous prostration. One day on her tablets she had one hour free.

The shock was so great that she died instantly. —London Daily Mail.

Most Wonderful Trees.
The baobab tree is considered one of the most wonderful of the vegetable kingdom. It appears that nothing can kill this tree, hence it reaches an astonishing age as well as enormous size. The natives make a strong cord from the fibers of the bark, hence the trees are continually barked, but without damage, as they soon put forth new bark. It appears impervious to fire and even the ax is resisted, as it continues to grow in length after it is lying on the ground.

It would not be justice to California to ignore the sequoia, which is a native of our own dear hearth. Until the recent discovery of the Australian eucalyptus, which is as large, the sequoia was regarded as the most gigantic of vegetable products, a not uncommon diameter being thirty to thirty-six feet, while its height is estimated at from 275 to 450 feet.

Curious Calendars.
Ancient time-keeping has received new light from two remarkable stones lately unearthed by the German explorers on the site of the old Ionic port of Miletus. These stones are the remains of calendars, of which one is shown to date from 109 A. D. The year was divided into twelve zodiacal signs, and assigned each month the motion of the remaining signs was given, with a note predicting the weather. On the left side were thirty holes, a wooden peg being moved forward one hole each day, thus giving the astronomical date. This new find has made clear the meaning of parapetma, or peg calendar, a name by which other stones have been rather mysteriously known.

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