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question of priority between the two explorers.

**Ship Delayed by Storm.**

NORTH SYDNEY, Cape Breton, Sept. 1.—Unfavorable weather conditions, especially by wireless stations, may considerably hamper the progress of the steamer Roosevelt, which is bearing the Peary expedition southward. It is not known when the steamer will reach Chateau Bay, which is just north of the northeast entrance of the strait.

**MRS. PEARY GRATEFUL WOMAN**

Wives Thanks to Man Who Helped Build the Roosevelt.

SOUTH HARPSWELL, Me., Sept. 7.—Mrs. F. E. Peary, amateur supply, today was making preparations to start for North Sydney, N. S., to meet her husband.

She sent the following message to Mrs. Morris K. Jessup, widow of the late president of the Peary Arctic club and the man who furnished the money to build the steamer Roosevelt and fit out its first expedition in 1906:

"Peary has nailed the Stars and Stripes to the North pole."

JOSEPHINE D. PEARY.

Mrs. Jessup is at Hancock Point, Me.

**ENGLAND MAY DEMAND LAND****English Member of Parliament to Raise Question.**

LONDON, Sept. 7.—The question of the ownership of the land of the north pole is to come up in the House of Commons. Sir George Parker has given notice of his intention of asking Premier Asquith whether this territory is not considered

as belonging to Canada, and if Dr. Cook has planted the American flag there, whether or not this gives the United States any right of possession over the region.

**ROUTES NOT CLOSE TOGETHER****Dr. Cook Says Peary Could Not Have Found Trace of His Trip.**

COPENHAGEN, Sept. 7.—"By going much further to the east than I did, Commander Peary has cut out of the unknown an enormous space which, of course, will be vastly useful and scientifically interesting."

These were the words of Dr. Frederick Cook when he was told today of the receipt of directions confirming the previous reports of Commander Peary's success in reaching the North pole.

"I am the first to shout 'Hurrah for Peary,'" the doctor continued.

"If he has telegraphed an announcement that he has reached the pole, then it is true, and I congratulate him."

Asked whether Commander Peary was likely to have found traces of his progress over the polar seas, Dr. Cook replied: "No, he scarcely would have come across my tracks."

Dr. Cook then said:

"I understand that a rumor is current about my having taken some of Peary's provisions at Etah. This is founded on Eskimo gossip and misunderstanding. I desire no controversy. I simply say in reply to any such assertion 'No.' Commander Peary is a friend of mine."

Dr. Cook said also that, according to his present plans, he would reach New York September 30 or 31 on board the Scandinavian-American steamer Oscar II.

The name of Peary is heard more frequently in Copenhagen today than that of Cook. Experts, the general public and the newspapers accept Commander Peary's triumph as an unquestioned fact. While loyal to their belief in Dr. Cook, the people await the revelations to be made by the publication of the details of his observations. The opinions of scientists on Dr. Cook's achievement are of particular interest at the present time for the reason that the University of Copenhagen tomorrow will make Dr. Cook honorary professor of science, a greater distinction than the honorary degree which it was first proposed to confer upon him.

Maurice F. Egan, the American minister to Denmark; Miss Egan, and the German minister, Count Henckel, had luncheon with Dr. Cook at the Hotel Angletier yesterday. This afternoon Mr. Egan gave a reception to the diplomatic corps to meet Dr. Cook.

No one was more interested in Commander Peary's announcement than Comptroller Hovgaard, who is an authority on Arctic exploration.

"I said to Dr. Cook when I heard the news," the comptroller declared, "you, at all events, were the first to reach the pole, and there you have my opinion briefly. I think that in justice to Dr. Cook we should remember he got there first. He selected what seems to have been the best route."

"How long after Dr. Cook reached the pole do you think Commander Peary arrived there?" the comptroller was asked.

"Probably a year, but perhaps only six months," he replied.

"Could Peary have learned at the pole that Cook had been there before him?"

"This seems impossible. Even if Peary was there two weeks or two days after Dr. Cook he might not have found any trace of the first party because of the movement of the drift ice. It is probable also that the moving ice took away the metal box Cook left at the pole."

Peary, who is a son of a sailor, has received a copy of "I Wonder Who's Kissing Her Now" by return mail.

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## HEARS CRY AT MURDER SCENE

Policeman Declares Voice Was that of Colored Man.

## DEATH OF LAD MOST ATROCIOUS

Othello Ratliff, Eleven-Year-Old Negro Boy, Killed by Unknown Man Thought to Be of Same Race.

The cry of a man near Twenty-third and Nichols streets, within a block of where Othello Ratliff was found dead, was heard by Policeman Dudley at 11 o'clock Monday night while he was walking his beat on Cuming street.

"Don't do that!" the voice exclaimed with an oath.

Officer Dudley thought little of it at the time and said nothing of the matter until he reported for duty at the police station Tuesday afternoon. He says that from the sound of the voice, it belonged to a colored man, as the voice was negro accent and deep.

Zerma Ratliff, the 16-year-old sister of the lad, who accompanied him the day he was found, was ascertained by the examining physicians. They ventured the opinion that perhaps the boy had been left half buried in dirt, bricks and rubbish while he still lived.

The wounds might have been made by a horsewhip or other similar article used as a weapon. A knife may not have been used at all, and the bricks found around the scene, blood-stained and disturbed, are now regarded as having been only indications of the crime.

The police have some slight clues, but of which it is hoped something will be developed.

**Found at School House.**

Ratliff, who was an 11-year-old colored boy, living at 4955 Patrick avenue, was found evidently murdered under the eaves side porch of the Kellogg school building. Twenty-second and Caldwell streets, at 8 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Thomas G. Olson, the janitor and custodian of the building, discovered the body, partially covered over with dirt, bricks and rubbish.

The motive for the atrocious crime is yet undiscovered. The back of his head was partly crushed in, there was a cut to the skull over the right temple, another one through the lobe of the right ear, the right cheek was bruised and cut, and the whole face and head was badly disfigured.

Numerous pools of blood were by the body and near the porch and the blood was fresh, indicating that the little fellow had been killed during the night.

The lad's clothing had been almost torn from his body. The body was found in a position indicating that he had died in intense pain.

Coroner Heafey took charge of the body and will hold an inquest as soon as matters are in shape for one.

**Mother Identifies Him.**

Until afternoon the body remained unidentified, although the authorities made every effort to discover who the dead lad was. Finally a telephone bell rang and a grief-stricken woman declared she believed the dead boy was her son. She was Mrs. Sarah Ratliff, and later identified the body. Her husband, Joseph Ratliff, died two years ago. Several other children comprise the family that is left.

Little Othello had often sold papers on the streets, done messenger work, and was a member of the County club all summer.

Mrs. Ratliff, the first she learned of the killing of her boy was when some friends took her a copy of the noon edition of the Bee containing the account of the murder. She had missed the boy since Monday night and as soon as she read about the murder of the colored boy she hastened to Coroner Heafey's and identified the body as that of her son.

"He went to the circus Monday night with his sister, Zerma, who is 16 years old," said Mrs. Ratliff. "He had been to the show in the afternoon, so he did not go at night.

"It was 7:30 o'clock when he went with his sister to the circus grounds. She says she last saw him at a lunch stand on the grounds when he went into the show. He was to wait there for her.

"When she came out he was not around. She came home and he was not there. In the morning he had not come home. We then telephoned the police station and other places and told them about the boy's going away.

"I heard nothing then until a copy of the Bee was brought to me. I felt right then that my boy had been killed. I then came to the coroner's and found my son had been killed.

Zerma, the sister, believes a colored employee of the show lured her brother away,

"This man tried to separate us in the afternoon," she said, "and I believe he must have found Othello at the lunch stand at night. Anyway, after I had gone into a side show and left Othello to wait for him I got frightened and went out to look for him. I couldn't find him and I never saw that colored man any more, either."

Discovery of the murdered body of Othello Ratliff, the little colored boy, under the porch of the building, had a disconcerting effect upon the pupils of Kellogg school and gave Miss Reed, the principal, and teachers much difficulty in easing the children and subduing the excitement. In all, the tragedy made the first day of the new school year an eventful one, hard for both pupils and teachers.

## HARRIMAN SAID TO BE IMPROVING

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he obtained by preserving quiet and avoiding business anxieties as much as possible. Later Mr. Harriman concluded to go back to the San Antonio hot wells, and last week he made arrangements with Dr. Graves to do so as soon as he was able. Later he had Dr. Frank Billings of Chicago come on and diagnose the case. Dr. Billings confirmed all the physicians that had preceded him. The rumor that epithelioma has developed is not warranted.

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