

PEARY OUTLINES ASSAULT

Fourteen Counts Embodying His Coming Statement, to Prove That Cook Did Not Reach the North Pole.

Bar Harbor, Special.—From Robert E. Peary was obtained this information, a forecast of the indictment he and Gen. Thomas Hubbard, president of the Peary Arctic Club, will draw against the contentions of Dr. Frederick A. Cook that he has reached the North Pole.

There are 14 counts in the indictment and they may be summarized as follows:

First—That Mr. Peary and Matt Heaton, either individually or together, talked with every member of the Smith Sound tribe of Eskimos and obtained testimony that corroborates that of E-trek-a-shoo and A-pel-lah, the boys who accompanied Dr. Cook, that Dr. Cook had not been out of sight of land.

Second—That in violation of the recognized custom of Arctic exploration Dr. Cook has not brought back records left in cairns at points he asserts he had reached, notably the one left at Cape Thomas-Hubbard in 1906 by Mr. Peary.

Third—That Dr. Cook's story that he traveled from Annotok to the Pole and then back to Jones' Sound, a distance of more than 25 1-2 degrees, or about 1,700 miles, in one sledding season is impossible. He points out that this is more than twice the best previous record of 11 degrees, and Mr. Peary's best record this year of 14 degrees.

Fourth—That his general equipment was such that it would be a physical impossibility to have accomplished the remarkable feat.

Fifth—That Dr. Cook maintains he carried a glass mercurial horizon on his trip of 1,700 miles, whereas Mr. Peary used a cast iron horizon, so that it would not only be saved from

WHITNEY BELIEVES THAT BOTH REACHED THE POLE

St. Johns, N. F., Special.—Harry Whitney of New Haven believes that Dr. Frederick A. Cook found the Pole and that Commander Peary did not. In expressing this belief Mr. Whitney said that he knows no reason for doubting Cook more than Peary.

"Dr. Cook's story," he added, "seems to me truthful and probable. Nothing else would explain his twelve months' absence."

Speaking of Dr. Cook's detailed account of his trip to the Pole, Mr. Whitney said that the explorer showed him how the western drift of the ice had landed him in a region far remote from where he expected to go, and he was unable to get back. He could not speak with authority as to whether Dr. Cook and his two Eskimos could carry on their three sledges enough food for their journey to the Pole, as he himself is a novice in Arctic traveling. He declared he knew nothing of the controversy beyond the vaguest details. The first he learned of it was at Indian Harbor, when he received messages from several American papers asking for a statement.

Mr. Whitney denied that Commander Peary had removed Dr. Cook's stores from Annotok to Etah. "What Peary really did was to transfer a few things and rebuild the house at Annotok. Boatswain Murphy's only reason for refusing to help Captain Bernier's Canadian expedition to get dogs and sledges at Etah was that they were short of dogs themselves. Mr. Whitney had trouble in getting enough dogs for his teams all through the winter and Murphy was looking out for Peary, so that he would have sufficient dogs for the commander's exploring trips around the country when he returned from the north."

The day the Roosevelt was leaving Etah for home Whitney informed Peary that Cook had entrusted to him

HARRY WHITNEY MAKES A STARTLING STATEMENT

A St. Johns special says Whitney makes one startling statement. He declares that he understands Commander Peary and his men went among the Eskimos and tried to have them declare Cook did not exceed Peary's "farthest north," but he insists that he understands the Eskimos did not do so. He also denies that he quarreled with Peary on the Roosevelt.

"Dr. Cook did leave me three cases of scientific instruments," declared the New Haven sportsman. "They

THE ROOSEVELT IN THE BIG HUDSON-FULTON PARADE

New York, Special.—Looking in outward appearance little like a vessel that has braved the ice and storms of the Arctic zone, the little steamer Roosevelt, which bore Commander Peary on his quest of the North Pole, entered New York harbor Thursday. It was barely daylight when the lookouts discovered the vessel off Sandy Hook, coming slowly. Off the point of the Hook, the Roosevelt gave three

WILBUR WRIGHT ENCIRCLES THE STATUE OF LIBERTY

New York, Special.—Wilbur Wright circled the great statue of liberty at the entrance of New York harbor in his aeroplane Wednesday, while in the upper part of the city two huge dirigible balloons failed gloriously in their task. This, the first day of flight of the Hudson-Fulton celebration, was a victory for the heavier-than-air machines.

Both Wright and Gleen H. Curtiss soared successfully from the aerodrome of Governors island in their

EVIDENCE AGAINST LITTLE

Damaging Testimony of His Wife Will Convict Him of His Wholesale Murder.

Bluefield, W. Va., Special.—The guilt of Howard Little, who was arrested about a week ago charged with the murder of "Auntie Betsy" Justice, George A. Meadows and wife and their three children, seems now to be established beyond a reasonable doubt. Little's wife confessed Saturday to having washed his bloody clothing after the murder and in her affidavit she says also that he left their home about dark on the night of the murder and returned the next morning with his clothes all bloody and torn and said that he would kill her if she told anything about his condition. He borrowed a 32-caliber revolver a few days before the crime was committed and returned it on the following Wednesday with two chambers empty. The body of George Meadows was exhumed and two bullets taken from it by Doctors Richardson and White, were almost identical in weight with the balls taken from shells belonging to the weapon Little had borrowed.

Little's wife also turned over the lantern that he had brought home with him that night when showed file marks as if some one had tried to remove stains. He was seen in the barn next morning folding papers across his knee apparently counting money and he gave \$20 to a woman with whom he had planned to start for the west a few days after the murder was committed with which to buy clothing, and prepare for the train. Having done this she returned \$1.80 to Little at which time she swears he threatened her life if she revealed any part of their secret. Requisition papers have been applied for and as soon as they can be secured Little will be taken to Lebanon to await his trial. Threats of lynching are freely made.

Fatal Mine Explosion.

Roslyn, Wash., Special.—At least eight men were killed and three perhaps fatally injured in a gas explosion in a coal mine No. 4 of the Northwestern Improvement Company here Sunday. When the explosion occurred a column of fire was thrown hundreds of feet into the air, lighting the shaft and adjoining buildings. Under the intense heat the shaft crumbled and fell. Cinders were blown in all directions, several buildings in parts of the mining town taking fire. The citizens were unable to extinguish the fires and the Roslyn fire department was called out. The mine in the neighborhood of the shaft was burning fiercely Saturday night, flames shooting up from the shaft nearly 100 feet into the air. The electric pumps which supply the town of Roslyn with water were cut off and the water in the city was very nearly exhausted. It was reported that the shaft was caving in and other explosions might occur at any moment.

Nephews in Fatal Duel.

Moultrie, Ga., Special.—At the old homestead of the late Nathan Flowers in the lower part of the county, Bert Williams is dead, Wright Flowers is dying and it is believed William Flowers is fatally hurt as the result of a terrific six-handed battle with rifles and pistols, news of which reached here Sunday. Sheriff Boyd and a big posse of deputies is on the track of John Hart and his two sons, who are charged with the shooting and who are at large, fully armed. The trouble occurred over a dispute about the division of the estate of Nathan Flowers. He died, leaving no children and since his death John Hart, who married a niece, has been living on the home place with Mrs. Flowers. The Flowers boys are nephews while Williams married a niece. Since Nathan Flowers' death there has been a wrangle over the estate, it is alleged, and trouble has been feared.

Professor Harris Guilty

Warrenton, Va., Special.—Following closely the verdict Saturday of the jury sentencing Prof. J. D. Harris to four years in the penitentiary for voluntary manslaughter in connection with the killing of W. A. Thompson, associate editor of the Warrenton Virginian on April 24 last, the court denied the motion of the defense for a new trial.

Second Week of Celebration.

New York, Special.—The Hudson-Fulton celebration, after a week of pomp and pageantry in New York, has moved up the Hudson and for another week the cities lying to the north will vie with each other in doing honor to the memory of Hudson and Fulton. The Half Moon and the Clermont with the naval escort, now at anchor at Poughkeepsie, will continue their voyage northward, stopping at Kingston, Catskill, Hudson, Albany and Troy, where elaborate local celebrations have been planned.

Wright Breaks Record.

Potsdam, By Cable.—Orville Wright the American aviator, Saturday broke his own and all other records for high flying. He reached the unprecedented height of more than 1,600 feet, although an official measurement was not taken. He had a red letter day in a double sense in his experience as an aviator, taking up Crown Prince Frederick William as a passenger and more than doubling the altitude record which he made recently.

Monument to Wayne.

Stony Point, N. Y., Special.—A monument to the madness of "Mad Anthony" Wayne, the revolutionary general who led a successful attack against apparently hopeless odds on Great Britain's Stony Point Gibraltar 130 years ago, was dedicated here Saturday as one of the opening events of the up-State Hudson-Fulton celebration. The monument, a great memorial arch built of the rough stones over which Wayne led his troops, stands on the scenes of the battle.

No Duty on Raw Pulp Wood.

Montreal, Special.—The report that that Quebec provincial government had decided to impose an export duty on all raw pulp wood exported to the United States is denied by Premier Gouin. Mr. Gouin said to The Associated Press Monday that he wished it to be specifically stated that his announcement as St. Johns recently did not mention any export duty and that it was not the intention of the government to impose any such duty.

WASHINGTON NOTES

To commemorate the lives of the Confederate prisoners of war who died at Fort Delaware, during the Civil War, a monument to cost \$8,500, will be erected in the Confederate section of Finn's Point national cemetery, near Salem, New Jersey, and close to the old prison. The War Department has just closed a contract with the Van Amringe Granite Company, of Boston, Mass., to construct the monument of Pennsylvania white marble. It is to be completed by December 10, 1909. The shaft will be 82 feet high. Similar monuments are being erected, by act of Congress throughout the North, wherever there are many unmarked graves of Confederate soldiers.

"Release that woman at once!" is in substance the order which the Acting Attorney-General telegraphed to City Sergeant J. C. Chichester at Frederickburg, after an appeal from an aged negro for the release of her daughter, Clara Rose Turner, from the Frederickburg jail. The old negro works for General Miles' family, and she has haunted the Department of Justice in the effort to get her girl, who is serving a six months' sentence on the charge of sending obscene letters through the mails from the jail. "Foh de Layd's sake," she appealed, "dat jailor ain't got no business keepin' dat po' girl down dar. A passel of girls down dar got my girl to say she done it. She was jus' rattled. Yo' know she stamps, and they do say a pussen dat stammers am weak-minded."

Sherry, McSherry and Lee made the warmest kind of record at the recent record target practice of the Atlantic fleet. Sherry being the left gun pointer in the 8-inch turret of the battleship Minnesota, McSherry being the right gun pointer, and Lee being the trainer, who beat the ardor of his men. The record was 87 1-2 per cent, representing about two hits a minute. A number of the friends of Mrs. James N. Sutton, mother of the late Lieut. James N. Sutton, are arranging to raise a fund to be used for the erecting of a monument over the grave of Lieutenant Sutton at Arlington.

At about 5:15 o'clock Saturday afternoon an alarm was turned in from the executive offices of the White House on account of a fire in the partition in the main reception room of the old executive offices, caused probably by a defective fuse in the furnace, which is directly underneath that room. The firemen were compelling to chop a great hole in the side of the wall from ceiling to floor, and the fire was very quickly extinguished with hose from the chemical wagon.

Increases ranging from 25 to 150 per cent are shown in the quantity of manufacturers' materials imported into the United States during the seven months ending with July, 1909, over the corresponding period of the immediately preceding year. These figures, compiled by the Bureau of Statistics, relate to a variety of articles in general use by manufacturers.

An almost forgotten incident in which the present Secretary of War, James M. Dickinson, heroically rescued James F. Joy, a Detroit lawyer, from the Detroit River, fourteen years ago, was recalled Wednesday when a handsome solid gold medal suspended from a ribbon held in the back of an American eagle, was presented to Mr. Dickinson on behalf of the United States Government. The medal, approved by President Taft before his departure on his trip and commemorating the courage of the War Secretary in saving the life of a fellowman, was presented by Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Hillis.

The board of directors of the National Geographic Society Friday held a special meeting to determine the attitude it should assume toward Dr. Frederick A. Cook upon the occasion of his visit here next Sunday when he will deliver a lecture on his Arctic experiences. The decision was reached that Dr. Cook under the circumstances, could not be recognized in an official way.

With considerable progress made in checking the ravages of the boll weevil in the South, the prospects for a large production of cotton are unusually good, according to Prof. W. R. Beatty, assistant horticulturist of the Department of Agriculture, who returned Wednesday from a tour of the Southern States.

"There is a widespread, but entirely needless, concern on the question of the legality of issuing a check for an amount less than \$1," says a statement given out by the Treasury Department.

American manufacturers will be able to find a good market for their products in South Africa if they take the trouble to look over the field and send representatives there, according to Consul-General Julius G. Lay, of Capetown.

President Taft made the electrical connection Thursday that set the water flowing through Gunnison Tunnel, near Montrose, Colorado, by which 140,000 acres of arid land is to be made productive.

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With the Funny Felloes



As It Happened.

Maud Muller, on a summer's day, Put up a bluff at racing day. But on the high road kept an eye In case a judge came riding by.

And, sure enough, the judge did pass At forty miles an hour, alas! It gives to romance quite a jar, The modern honk-honk touring car.

—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Younger.

"Don't you think this dress makes me look younger, Eusebio?"

"Yes, my dear, exactly a hundred years younger."—Sourire.

Beauty in a Box.

He—"Does Miss Pinkie get her good looks from her father or her mother?"

She—"From her uncle. He keeps a drugstore."—Chicago News.

Cool!

Diner (disgusted)—"See here, everything on this table is stone cold."

Water—"Try the pepper and tabasco, sir."—Boston Transcript.

A Queer Fad.

"What is the proper time to announce the engagement?"

"Depends on how fashionable you are. Some deny it right up to the altar."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Main Thing.

While epigrams set plays aflame, In life, I guess, Most folks subordinate the same To dress.

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A Crusher.

"Bet you ain't got nuthin' like our subway," boasted the New Yorker.

"In my section," retorted the visitor from the cyclone belt, "we have individual subways."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

The Kissing in the Park.

First Sufragette—"How degrading!"

Second Sufragette—"Disgusting! I should like to see the man that would dare to treat me in that fashion!"—The Sketch.

A Steady Job.

Caller—"Snip & Co. have employed me to collect the bill you owe them."

Owens—"You are to be congratulated, sir, on securing a permanent position."—Boston Transcript.

Language of Eden.

He (looking at the catalogue of women's styles)—"They still use the language of the first fashion plate, don't they?"

His Wife—"What do you mean?"

He—"Fig. 1, Fig. 2, and so on."—Judge.

More Paranoia.

"Dad, she's going to sue me for a breach of promise."

"Then you must plead temporary insanity."

"How could I prove it?"

"By the love letters you wrote her!"—London Opinion.

His Little Joke.

Percy—"I—aw—wrestled foh an hour with me scart this morning."

Algernon—"Which won the victory, dear boy—you or the scart?"

Percy—"Neither. Cawn't you see the match resulted in a tie? Haw! Haw!"—Chicago Daily News.

Drew a Crowd.

"I once woke up—"

"And found yourself famous, eh?"

"No, but found that I had been attracting considerable public attention. I had been snoozing on a hotel veranda with my mouth wide open."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Had an Excuse.

"Why did you parade the Boardwalk in men's clothes?"

"Your Honor," sobbed the fair prisoner, "there's so much fun made of women's fashions this year."

So the Court dismissed her with a reprimand.—Philadelphia Ledger.

Oratorical Tactics.

"What does this cat mean by pawing me so?"

"She's begging for a tidbit, and is adopting the tactics of orators who make unanswerable arguments."

"What's that?"

"Paws for a reply."—Baltimore American.

Human Nature.

"The vain man worries for fear the boss may not be able to fill his place while he's away on vacation. The modest man worries for fear the boss may fill it permanently."

"What's the moral?"

"Oh! the moral is that we all worry."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Breach of Etiquette.

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