

# DARING ROYAL EXPLORER.

## PRINCE LUIGI HOPES TO FIND THE NORTH POLE.

The King of Italy's Nephew Has an Original Plan for Invading the Arctic Regions—He Ascended Mount St. Elias Last Year.

Prince Luigi, of Savoy, Duke of Abruzzi, is certainly a born explorer. Otherwise, how account for the fact that this man, who is a nephew of the King of Italy, should at present be bent on making a trip to the North Pole. Moreover, this is not the first proof which he has given of his love of adventure. As our readers know, he ascended Mount St. Elias, in Alaska, last year, thus accomplishing a feat which had baffled several older and more experienced men.

The Prince's great aim now is to approach nearer the pole than Nansen did, and in the depths of his heart there is a wild hope that he may have the good fortune to plant the Italian flag in the very centre of the pole. He is especially spurred to action just now, because he knows that Captain Sverdrup is also bent on a Polar expedition, and the idea of playing second fiddle to any one, even to the redoubtable Sverdrup, is abhorrent to him.

### HELPED BY THE KING.

King Humbert, though he hesitated at first, has at last given his sanction to his nephew's plan, and has even shown his practical interest in it by promising to contribute 500,000 lire towards the expenses of the expedition.

The Prince does not propose to follow in Nansen's footsteps. His plan is to go by sea as far as Francis-Joseph's Land and to complete his journey by means of sledges and Eskimo canoes, known as kayaks. Apparently he is the first to conceive the idea of arriving at the North Pole in this manner, but the arguments which he brings forward in favor of his plan show that he is not acting rashly or without due forethought.

He claims that the main reason why his ascent of Mount St. Elias—a feat which was vainly attempted by a party of tourists a few days before he accomplished it—was such a pronounced success, was because he had with him a large and thoroughly organized caravan, the members of which were trained mountain climbers. Now he reasons that, if he and such men could ascend Mount St. Elias, there is no reason why they should not succeed in reaching the pole.

His plan then is to take with him about twenty of the most skilled Italian mountaineers, as well as several Eskimoes and teams of dogs. When the party approaches dangerous ground scouts will be sent ahead to reconnoitre, and thenceforth the journey will be made by means of relays. In other words, the party will form into a sort of human ladder, the duty of the foremost being to take possession of a certain point.

Prince Luigi maintains that in this way, not only is the risk of physical danger reduced to a minimum, but the chance of reaching the pole also becomes much greater. General Baldwin recommended that the same tactics be employed during the recent Italian campaign, but unfortunately his recommendation came too late.

The expedition will certainly not fall for lack of funds. "Not only will I have my uncle's gold," said Prince Luigi to a friend the other day, "but I will also have ample funds of my own. My intention is to devote my entire income of 150,000 lire to this object during the three years that the journey will last, and if that is not enough I am ready to encroach upon my capital."

The Prince is only twenty-five years old, and he looks even younger. One who did not know him would say that he has not the robustness or physical strength which is necessary for the successful completion of such a hazardous enterprise. He is of slight build, medium height, and is not to be compared to such hardy explorers as Nordenskiöld, Nansen or Sverdrup against whom he has fearlessly entered in competition. On the other hand, he has an immense fund of energy and will power, as his successful ascent of Mount St. Elias amply proves.

### A TRUE SAVANT.

His brother, the Count of Turin, aptly described him some time ago. Speaking of the members of the family, he said: "My oldest brother, the Duke of Aosta, is the handsome one of the family, my youngest brother, the Duke of Abruzzi, is the savant, and I am simply a good fellow." A savant Prince Luigi indeed is, but by no means one of the ordinary type. "A fin de siècle savant" he is, says a French journal, "and there is nothing in common between him and the legendary scientist."

Every one of the Quirinal is much interested in the forthcoming expedition, and the Italian people in general are proud to think that a member of the royal family has the courage to undertake such a perilous work and the scientific knowledge without which it is impossible to do it. On the other hand, the immediate members of Prince Luigi's family, with the possible exception of King Humbert, are rather frightened at the thought of what the young man is about to undertake and they would not be sorry if some unexpected obstacle were to prevent him from carrying out his intention.

### ALL PREPARATIONS MADE.

That any such obstacle, however, will arise is extremely improbable. Prince Luigi has made all preparations for starting, and those who know his resolute character are satisfied that he will start. The exact date of his departure from Italy has not yet been fixed, but all the indications are that he will begin his journey within a few weeks. The Prince will be the actual and merely the nominal leader of this expedition, as he was of the Mount

St. Elias expedition. His lieutenant, too, on this occasion will be M. Capri, who is a son of General Capri and a distinguished officer of marines. M. Capri has for some time acted as aide de camp to Prince Luigi, and on all his foreign expeditions he has been his most trusted friend and companion.

### FUNNIGRAMS.

Many a young man who has entered on a career has been glad soon afterwards to get a steady job.

The Retort Surprising.—Teacher, showing off his pupils—Now, Johnny, tell us how the earth is divided. Johnny vivaciously—By earthquakes, sir.

Half the world doesn't know how the other half lives; but if it could be convinced that such knowledge was none of its business, it would try mighty hard to find out.

Separate Institutions.—Clerical Friend—I hear you are having trouble in your church. The Rev. Dr. Fourthly—Not a word of truth in it. The trouble is in the choir.

Host, to student—Look here, sir; if you pinch that cat's tail again whenever some one orders rabbit pie, I'll have you thrown out of the restaurant! The Last Creation.—She—You shouldn't blame a girl for being thoughtless. He—Why not? She—Because even the first woman was an afterthought.

Miss Blackleigh, looking at her photograph—I should like to know what people say about my picture. Miss Daisey—No, dear, I don't think you would.

The Accepted Time.—Pa, can I go to the circus? No, my son; if you're a good boy, you won't want to go to the circus. Then I'd better go while I'm bad enough to enjoy it, hadn't I?

An Honest Man.—I should think, said Cawker, after Pellican had finished a tediously long narration, that your friend Pellican would make a perfectly trustworthy cashier. Why? asked Cumso. He is never short in his accounts.

## A CHEAP MEDICINE.

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Mr. John Hitch, of Ridgetown, Tells How He Had Spent Dollar Upon Dollar in Vain Before Finding the Medicine That Cured Him.

People who read from week to week of the marvelous cures effected by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills little think that right in their midst exist many who have been relieved from pain and suffering by the use of these wonderful little pills after having suffered unto agonies for months.

Mr. John Hitch, a man well and favorably known throughout the county, was ever ready when opportunity offered to speak a word in praise of these pills and was never tired of recommending them to his friends. A representative of the Standard, anxious to know of the cause of Mr. Hitch's recommendation called upon him at his home recently and upon telling that gentleman the object of his visit Mr. Hitch consented to an interview. The story in his own words is as follows:

"In the winter of 1891 I was taken with a severe attack of la grippe, from which I was confined to the house for some time. This was followed by severe pains and swellings of my lower limbs. I consulted a physician and he told me it was acute rheumatism. I continued under his care for about two months, but I was unable to stand alone, and sometimes when I got started I was able to make a few steps unaided. The trouble was principally in my feet and clung to me all summer long. I tried almost everything that friends suggested, hoping to gain relief, but neither medicine taken internally nor liniments applied externally gave me any relief. The pain was very great, and I was only too ready to try anything suggested. I spent dollars upon dollars in doctor's medicine, but all to no purpose. The last week I was attended by a physician it cost me five dollars, and having about that time read in the newspapers of the work accomplished by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, I concluded it was certainly worth the experiment and accordingly purchased a box from use, discontinuing the doctor's medicine. This was in June or July, 1892. After I had taken the first box of the pills I could feel some change and my improvement. I continued taking them until I had used thirteen boxes when I must say I felt as well as I ever did in my life. Some of my customers who came into my yard would ask me what I was doing that I was looking so well knowing the sick spell I had undergone, and I would always tell them that Dr. Williams' Pink Pills had wrought the change. They are the cheapest medicine I ever bought," said Mr. Hitch, "and if I had what I spent in other medicines I could sit at ease this winter. During the interview Mrs. Hitch was an occupant of the room and she heartily concurred in what her husband said, and stated that for one other member of the family the pills had been used with success. Mr. Hitch at the time he was seen by the reporter appeared in excellent health. He is 55 years of age and a man who had always been used to hard work. He was born in Cambridge, England, and came to this country 27 years ago. Before locating in Ridgetown he conducted a brick and tile yard at Longwood's Road, Middlesex county. He has been carrying on a successful business in Ridgetown for the past ten years.

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### GRAINS OF GOLD.

Speech is the small change of silence. Thought flies best when the hands are easily busy.

Friendship, I fancy, means one heart between two. A metaphor is the Deus ex machina of an argument.

Observation is the most enduring of the pleasures of life. All life is a lesson that we live to enjoy but in the spirit.

Earnestness works out its own cure more surely than frenzy. There is nothing the body suffers that the soul may not profit by.

Two hearts that make one soul do not separately count their gifts. We women miss life only when we have never met the man to reverence.

A golden miracle. Good looks and gold together are rather superhuman. The slave of a passion, thinks in a ring, as hares run; he will cease where he begun.

Gossip is a beast of prey that does not wait for the death of the creature it devours. That small motives are at the bottom of many illustrious actions, is a modern discovery.

It has been established that we do not wax diviner by dragging down the gods to our level. Enthusiasm is a heaven-sent steep-chaser, and takes a flying leap of the ordinary barriers.

Masculine ideas are one thing; but let feminine ever be feminine, or our civilization perishes. The young who avoid the region of Romance escape the title of Fool at the cost of a celestial crown.

Women don't care uncommonly for the men who love them, though they like precious well to be loved. After forty men have married their habits, and wives are only an item in the list, and not the most important.

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GERMAN LAW. German law holds a man to his bargain when he has agreed to give up his name. A young Count Finck von Finckenstein in order to marry a girl of whom his family disapproved, consented to change his name, and petitioned the Emperor to be allowed to call himself Stein instead. After obtaining permission, however, he kept on using his former name, and has just been fined "for illegal use of a title of nobility."

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IRONICAL IFS. If manners make the man that explains some men's undone condition. If a man is ruled by his feelings he is apt to travel in a zigzag course. If riches didn't have wings there would be fewer flyers in the stock market.

If a man could only see himself as others see him he wouldn't say a word about it. If a man thinks life isn't worth living he can very easily find a way to give it up.

If the saloons were open on election day it might be possible to poll a full vote. If Eve hadn't been forbidden to eat that apple the chances are it wouldn't have happened.

THOMAS PHOSPHATE POWDER

### MARVELLOUS INVENTION.

The Moon Brought Within Easy Reach of the World by a Recent Contrivance.

Herr Johann Mayer, an Austrian Lieutenant, has just discovered a method by which the moon can be brought within pistol-shot of the world, figuratively speaking. Nothing among the many marvels of modern invention is more astonishing than this same discovery. By his invention Herr Mayer says the moon can be brought within a distance of 100 yards, in fact, and explored most thoroughly. Prof. Gates's combined microscope-telescope was brought to be a marvelous contrivance, but this latest addition puts it quite in the shade. In his success Herr Mayer has made a wide departure from customary methods. In fact the monster telescopes do not figure in his calculations whatever. Without going into a long drawn out or technical explanation of the apparatus he has constructed, it is a novel affair, in that an enormous parabolic mirror 50 yards in diameter that revolves upon a fixed axis is the main scheme of the apparatus. This concave mirror which is of the ordinary "silvered" glass has a small convex parabolic mirror suspended at its focus; and this small mirror focuses the rays received from the larger ones, and throws them on the lens of an immensely powerful microscope. Thus a clear and brilliantly lighted picture of the moon of star under examination is brought immediately under the microscope, which has a magnifying power of many million diameters. Herr Mayer explains that it will thus be possible, almost, to see the time by the watch of the "man in the moon," or to see the bridges, if any, over the canals of Mars.

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Not Exactly the Same—Papa, said the youthful student of history, is an ultimatum the last word? No-o, not exactly, that is, not always, replied the old gentleman thoughtfully. You see, there are circumstances under which a man may give an ultimatum to a woman—his wife, for instance—but, of course, that doesn't mean that he will have the last word; not by a good deal.

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