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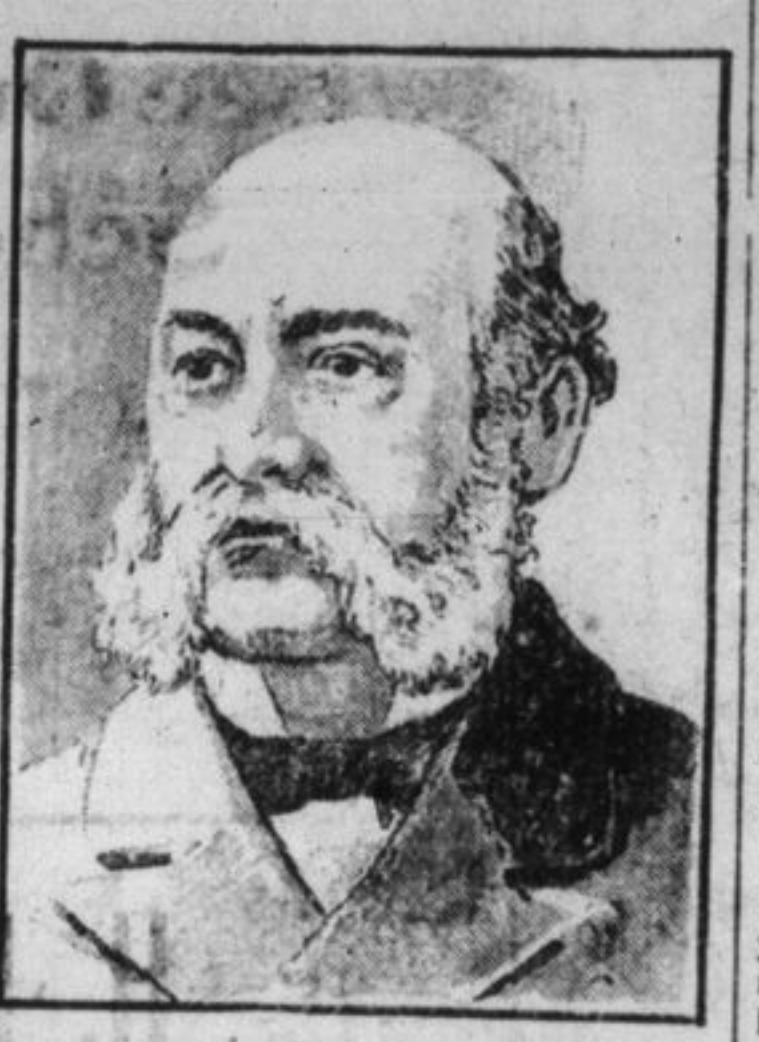
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IRA D. SANKEY DEAD WORLD-FAMOUS EVANGELIST PASSES AWAY.

Laborer Almost to the Last—In Almost Every Language Known to Man Hymn-writer's Works Are Sung—Sankey's a Singer From Boyhood. New York, Aug. 17.—Ira D. Sankey, known as an evangelist throughout the Christian world, died Thursday night at his home in Brooklyn, but the news of his death did not become generally known until Friday. Mr. Sankey was sixty-eight years old, and for the last five years he had been blind and suffering from a complication of diseases, brought on from overwork.

Almost to the last he worked at hymn writing, the gift which had brought him fame in every corner of the earth. His tours throughout this country and Europe with Dwight L. Moody, the evangelist, brought him into wide prominence. Sankey, it might be said, wrote the gospel hymns of the world. In almost every language known to man Sankey's hymns are sung. He received a large income from his publications and had acquired a considerable estate. Among Mr. Sankey's most familiar compositions are "The Ninety and Nine" and "When the Mist Has Rolled Away."



THE LATE IRA D. SANKEY.

Sankey had been a singer from boyhood and his voice had attracted attention in the little hamlet of Edinburg, Pa., where he was born Aug. 28, 1840. In the beginning of his active life Sankey was a Methodist, but for the last seven years he was a member of a Presbyterian church in Brooklyn. He is survived by a widow and two sons.

Following the establishment of the Northfield School for Bible Study by Mr. Moody, Sankey announced that every penny of royalty coming to him from his hymn books would be turned over for the support of the schools. As a result he was the first one of the largest individual contributors to the enterprise. When Mr. Moody died in 1899 Mr. Sankey felt the loss of his friend keenly. From time to time he tried to comfort himself with the work which he had hitherto shared between them. The task was too great for him and he began to feel the strain. In the spring of 1902 his physical condition compelled him to give up most of his evangelistic engagements, although he continued for some time to do editorial work in compiling a new series of hymn books.

Even in his declining years, which speedily developed into total blindness. With the blindness came also a nervous breakdown. Through a strange coincidence Mr. Sankey's favorite hymn, which has been sung every day to him at his morning devotions, is a hymn written by the blind singer, Frank Crashe, who also lives in Brooklyn. Mr. Sankey used to like to sing this song to the accompaniment of the historic old organ that went with him on most of his evangelistic tours. Some day the silver chord will break. And I no more as now will sing. But oh, the joy when I shall see. With the palace of the King. Mr. Sankey was one of the first to respond to President Lincoln's call for troops after the firing on Sumter. Even in camp he gathered about him a band of singers and became a leader in the establishment of bivouac prayer meetings.

In 1863 he married a Miss Edwards, a member of his choir in Newcastle and a teacher in his Sunday school. Three sons were born to them, the eldest of whom, Henry became an evangelist. Mr. Sankey was a rapid composer some of his songs being written in the afternoon and sung at the evening service. "The Ninety and Nine" was composed as he sat at the organ before an enormous congregation in Edinburgh, Scotland. At the close of an address by Horatio Bangs, author of "I Heard the Voice of Jesus Say," Mr. Sankey was called upon for a song. He could think of nothing appropriate for a moment, and while he hesitated he remembered a few lines of verse which he had clipped from an English journal the day before and thrust into his pocket. Placing the clipping before him on the organ, he made up the tune as he went along. There were ninety and nine that safely lay In the shelter of the fold. "There were five stanzas to the poem and he trembled as he started the second for fear that he wouldn't use the same tune as he had improvised for the first. By concentrating his mind to the effort he managed to get through the entire five stanzas, ending with: And the angels echoed around the throne, Hallelujah for the Lord! Hallelujah! His own. He made not a single change in transcribing the music after the meeting closed. It was one of the most soul-stirring hymns he had ever composed.

PITH OF THE NEWS.

The Very Latest Culled From All Over The World.

Windsor will not have a Labor day demonstration this year. The Canadian Northern coal docks, at Port Arthur are on fire. A disastrous conflagration is feared. J. Wolff Spurr, St. John, N.B., died suddenly, Sunday afternoon, while hurrying to catch a train. The C.I.R. station, at Weston, was burned, Monday morning. It is supposed to have been struck by lightning. Misses Kerry, Montreal, have been injured in a coaching accident at Lynmouth, Eng. The elder had her collar bone fractured and sustained a severe shock. At Chatham, Ont., Philip Westmore, born in Kent, England, on August 16th, 1847, on Sunday celebrated his 101st birthday, with a reunion of his family. The steamer Bruce, of the Reid Newfoundland service, ran ashore at Baldwin's Rock, on Sunday, in a dense fog. The passengers were taken off safely in life boats. Maurice Fitz-Maurice, British engineer, who has been appointed to the commission which is to prepare plans for the new Quebec bridge, will sail for Canada on August 21st. Twenty strike breakers left Toronto for the West Toronto C.P.R. shops this morning. They were headed by English and including carpenters, smiths and mechanics of different kinds. The C.P.R. train from Montreal was over two hours late in arriving at Toronto this morning. The delay was caused by a broken wheel of the engine which took an hour to repair. A wild storm raged over Hamilton, to-day. Some slight damage from lightning. A servant in a west end residence was frightened and fell down stairs. She was taken to an hospital. James J. Hill, chairman of the board of directors of the Great Northern railway, met with an accident Saturday, at Grasston, Minn. His hand was caught in an automobile wheel and nearly torn off. Mrs. William Pagels, Mrs. Charlotte Meyers and Raymond Pagels, a ten-year-old lad, were drowned, Sunday night, in the Niagara river, at Buffalo, when a motor boat loaded to the rails was run down by a pleasure barge. Two fierce electric storms visited St. Catharines district on Sunday night, doing much mischief. Several houses were destroyed, hay stacks were burned and the transfer house of the Falls Power company line was damaged to the extent of \$2,000. SS. Grampan passed Father Point outward, in the morning, at Belle Isle, inward; SS. Sicilian, Point Amour, inward; SS. Cartheginian, at St. John's, Nfld., inward; SS. Ionian has reached Glasgow; SS. Tunisian at Liverpool. Paul Wyrzt, Hamilton, Ont., is under arrest on the charge of breaking into a bonded freight car and stealing some whiskey bottles therefrom. Several bottles were found on him when a policeman located him in the grounds of the Aged Woman's Home. Kenneth Laiken, of Toronto, was appointed, by the board of control, engineer in charge of the city electric power distribution plant to be erected to distribute Niagara power over the government transmission line. He was receive a salary of \$3,600.

DIED IN A LAZARETTO.

Tragic End of General Wardwell in Arizona. Tombstone, Ariz., Aug. 17.—General G. D. K. Wardwell, died yesterday, while in quarantine with his leper wife. Her sufferings from the combined effects of leprosy and the nervous strain following the nocturnal work of an engineer in charge of the electric power distribution plant to be erected to distribute Niagara power over the government transmission line. He was receive a salary of \$3,600.

ELEVEN LIVES LOST.

A Steamer Blown Up on Carp Lake. Grand Rapids, Mich., Aug. 17.—A despatch from Petoskey says that the resort steamer Leelanau was blown up on Carp Lake this morning, with the loss of eleven lives. The only identified body is that of Mrs. Isabel Labont, Rapids City, Mich.

Shot Down On Wharf.

New York, Aug. 17.—Capt. Peter Conroy Hains, Jr., U.S.A., son of Brig. Gen. Peter Conroy Hains, U.S.A., retired, fired five shots of a revolver, into William E. Amis, of New York, owner and publisher of Burr Melrose's Monthly and other magazines, on the landing stage of the Bayside Yacht Club, Flushing, Long Island, when Capt. Hains' brother accused of having been improperly attentive to the captain's wife, died in the Flushing hospital a few hours after the shooting.

Koepenick Thief Leaves Prison.

Berlin, Aug. 17.—Wilhelm Voigt, the shoemaker, who in 1906 impressed an army captain, impressed several soldiers, and with them arrested the burgomaster and other officials of Koepenick and stole all the money in the town treasury, for which he was sentenced to four years' imprisonment, was released, to-day.

Five Thousand Baskets Of Peaches.

For this week, 1,000 of which we expect Tuesday morning. The best will sell at 50c a none higher; many will go less. This offer holds good until Friday, at Carnovsky's. We Measure Them Out. Plums, peaches and pears, at 5c per quart, at Carnovsky's. If often takes the barrenness of the desert to teach us to look up to the stars. Many a man who gets his back up like a camel acts like a bear.

THE FOREST FIRES

ARE DOING GREAT DAMAGE IN THE WEST.

Vancouver's Timber Wealth is Going Up in Flames—Many Buildings Burned—Great Loss of Birds. Winnipeg, Aug. 17.—The Canadian Pacific railway company has received word that forest fires are raging in the south part of Vancouver Island, and that many miles of valuable timber have been destroyed. The strip of timber wealth of the island is being swept away. In the Robertson river district there is a fire frontage of five miles. At Bear Lake the buildings, with supplies for survey parties, were destroyed and also a number of isolated dwellings and lumber company buildings. A pathetic feature of the conflagration is the loss of game, hundreds of grouse, and millions of other birds have perished. The loss in timber is said to be two million dollars already and the fire shows no sign of stopping.

ALL IS QUIETNESS.

Several Hundred Negroes Fled From Springfield. Springfield, Ill., Aug. 17.—With nearly the entire force of the National Guards in control, to-day, Springfield is again ruled by law and order. A careful estimate places the number of negroes who have left Springfield since the beginning of the race war, at 200. The great mass who are fleeing are still in the state. After Other Negroes. New York, Aug. 17.—A mob battered the doors of the Huntington jail, at six o'clock, this morning, in order to lynch George Washington, a negro, accused of an attack on a white woman, yesterday afternoon. The mob finally disappeared. Battle Rouge, La., Aug. 17.—Blood-hounds have been sent from here to Burton, La., where a posse is in pursuit of a negro who attempted to assault an eighteen-year old white girl. The captured negro will probably be lynched. FINGER WAS MISSING. Escaped Prisoner is Arrested Near Guelph. Guelph, Aug. 17.—A missing finger led to the identification and arrest by the Guelph police of John Kelly, a young man who made his escape from the authorities at Camington, on July 17th. Kelly, who is little more than a lad, is wanted on a charge of assaulting a young girl, and it was his description on a postcard sent out by the Camington chief of police that led to his arrest. He was taken about seven miles from the city on a farm near Armstrong's Mills, where he had been working for the resident couple weeks under his own name. Since escaping from custody Kelly has been working his way through the country from farm to farm. The Camington authorities have been notified of the arrest.

To Preserve Eggs.

An Australian chemist has invented a process of preserving eggs by desiccation. The eggs, freed from the shells, are dried at the relatively low temperature of 130 degrees. This can be rapidly executed in containers kept at this temperature, from which the air has been exhausted, and from which the moist vapor has been withdrawn as fast as it is given off by evaporation from the eggs. There is no alteration in the chemical composition of the eggs—only a loss of the greater part of the water. When thoroughly desiccated and pulverized into a coarse powder, the egg material can be preserved for an indefinite period in ordinary packages, if kept dry. The eggs are "reconstituted" by the simple addition of water to the dry powder. The resulting mass being quite indistinguishable from newly-beaten eggs.

An Ancient Tombstone.

During the restoration of St. George's Church, Fordington, Dorchester, England, a slab of Purbeck marble, 2 feet 11 inches by 2 feet 4.2 inches, and 6 inches thick, has been discovered bearing a Latin inscription, part of which, however, has been worn away. Particulars of the slab have been sent to the British Museum and to expert Romanologists, but no explanation has been received from any authoritative source. The vicar, Rev. Richard Grosvenor Bartlett, has given as a possible translation: "Gaius Aristobulus (?), a Roman citizen, aged 30 years. Rufinus and Marina and Avea, his children, and Marina was one of the seventy disciples that came to Britain obeying St. Paul's order. He is said to have died in the year A.D. 99."

Beresford and Buller.

Fighting Lord Charles Beresford and Sir Redvers Buller both deservedly earned a high reputation for bulldog tenacity of purpose. During a Nile campaign Lord Charles and Sir Redvers, descending some "bad water" in a river steamer, got into a discussion as the proper channel to be taken. Each obstinately defended his own course, but in the end Buller got his own way, with the result that the steamer ran through safely. "You see I was right," cried the general. "Mine was the proper channel." "That was mine, too," coolly replied Lord Charles. "I only recommended the other because I knew you would go against whatever I said!"—London Realm.

The Malay Mangosteen.

If there is any fruit in the East surpassing the mango in flavor it is the mangosteen of the Malay Peninsula. High up among their stems, 10 or 12 feet in length, and a foot and a half broad, may be seen the clustering purple fruit, covered with a delicate bloom like that of the peach, and filling the air with a most beautiful scent. To taste this fruit, lovers of such delicacies maintain, is more than worth while to take a voyage to Malacca.

SPIES IN ENGLAND.

Foreign Military Officers Said to Be Hard at Work.

Col. Lockwood has directed the attention of the British Government to the presence of foreign military officers in this country who industriously supply their own Governments with maps and photographs of certain prominent territories in Great Britain. The ordinary English citizen has very little idea of the magnitude or activity of the foreign spies' operations. He appears in numberless disguises—from the man and woman whom our immigration authorities might be inclined to describe, judging by their sallow appearance, as "undesirables," to the highly polished, prosperous-looking person who is eligible to share the luxury and exclusiveness of the best-appointed ball-rooms in the West End of London. Whatever may be their outward appearance, all are accomplished linguists, and while the majority speak with a pronounced foreign accent, many of them have, by long residence in England and constant contact with English-speaking people, managed to shake off every trace of their foreign ancestry. Needless to say they are all well provided with money, which they are not above spending lavishly as occasion demands. It may come as more than a mere surprise to many to know that some of those spies who reach these shores with names that outrage British euphony, become in time naturalized British subjects, with names that a British baby can easily enunciate. Perhaps if the authorities at our Home Office knew how many of those "naturalizations" have been brought about there would be less spies in England and less British subjects outside the walls of our prisons. There is a huge traffic in this naturalization business with which the authorities seem unable to cope. A few years ago, it will be remembered, a well-known London solicitor was found trafficking in this way with disastrous results to himself. But the traffic still goes on, so that a considerable number of persons of foreign origin and with mercenary motives become enrolled as British subjects, so as to ally suspicion. One section of these spies operate among working men, ingratiating themselves particularly with those who know something of military training, discipline and methods. In the workshops they endeavor to start a discussion on barrack-room life, the value of airships in war, the latest development of the military rifle, signalling, life aboard a man-of-war, and other such topics. The man who appears to show the widest and the most intricate knowledge is singled out, and he and his spy will possibly become fast friends. At any rate, it will not be the fault of the spy if such a consummation is not effected.

Perhaps the most dangerous spy of all is the polished foreigner with a university training and an encyclopaedic knowledge of men and things. He pursues his operations in a variety of ways. One favorite way is to secure an appointment in an academy devoted to the training of young officers for the army and navy. He comes with excellent credentials from the professors of his university, and being in every case a gentleman by birth as well as by education, he has very little difficulty in obtaining a "situation." Whilst he is skilful in imparting knowledge in continental and oriental languages, he is also resourceful in discussing military topics, although he carefully hides the fact that he has an intimate acquaintance with most of the military methods of Europe. His official and social position secures him an entrée to the home of military officers where, by his agreeable manners, he in time becomes a honored guest, enjoying the respect and confidence of all who meet him. He receives invitations to balls, garden parties, and social receptions, gathering information as he goes along which he carefully records and passes on to his own Government.

Why the Yankee Flag is Flown.

Considerable comment has been aroused by the action of the Niagara Navigation Co. in raising a large U. S. flag at the bow of the Cayuga when she enters Lewiston harbor. She flies a Canadian flag at her stern, but the flag hoisted at the bow is larger in size, and many loyal Canadians think that the company's desire to please our American visitors carries them too far. The agent in charge of the company's office at the wharf laughs at the suggestion of disloyalty. "Very few people know," said he, "that it is an international law that vessels entering any foreign port shall fly the ensign of that country at the bow. As we ply between Toronto and Lewiston, we fly the Canadian flag at the stern, which is the place of honor, and the American flag at the bow. It is a matter of international courtesy, so to speak. You must not forget that we draw a very great part of our patronage from the Americans," he replied. "We carry more excursions from this side, but some of our best passengers come from across the line."

Preachers Who Motor.

A striking sign of the times is reflected in the fact that the clergy of all denominations are utilizing the motor-car to aid them in reaching all the members of their scattered flocks. The fashion of motoring ministers in Great Britain, if it may be described as such, was first introduced by Gen. Booth a year or two ago. Since then he has found many imitators, among the most important being the Bishop of Worcester, who has just organized a fine fleet of motor-cars, each car being "manned" by an enthusiastic clergyman.

How many horsepower is your machine?

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