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CHINESE REFORMER'S DAUGHTER PREDICTS EMPIRE'S REGENERATION

MISS KANG-TUNG-PIH, BARNARD STUDENT, TALKS ON DOWNFALL OF YUAN-SHAI-KAI.

Means Real Progress—Praises Prince Chun, Who, She Says, Favors the Introduction of Modern Ideas.

That the recent downfall of Yuan-Shai-Kai as grand councillor and commander-in-chief of the imperial forces of China, came about because he sought to have a son of Prince Ching,

believe may soon become the most influential man in China, next to the Regent Prince Chun, politely but firmly declined to discuss her father's affairs or the probabilities of his early recall from exile. She spoke freely, however, of her understanding of the recent momentous events in China, and declared with great earnestness that the overthrow of Yuan-Shai-Kai removed one of the last obstacles to the real reform of the empire.

"Many people in this country and in Europe have an idea that Yuan's downfall means a setback for modern ideas in China, but nothing could be further from the truth," said the

There is no pretence about him and he is really a very remarkable man. He has studied extensively in England and Europe and is thoroughly committed to the introduction of modern ideas into China. With him as regent there is no ground whatever for the fear that seems to exist in the minds of some Americans and Europeans that there will be a return to the old regime. Neither will there be, as some people expect, a civil war in China as a result of the deposing of Yuan and the present situation in the affairs of the government.

Says Empress Was Poisoned.

"There is doubt that Yuan, when he found the dowager empress, whose chief instrument he was, was dying and that his power would come to an end if Kwang-Su survived, had the latter poisoned. The real reason for his dismissal, however, was his effort to get the late emperor's wife, now the dowager empress, Ye-No-Na-La, to adopt the son of Prince Ching, so that he might succeed Kwang-Su.

"This son of Prince Ching is a grown man and had only a very remote claim to the throne, while Pu-Yi, the present emperor, has a perfect right to rule. The dowager empress, who had no reason for adopting this son of Prince Ching and would have had very little influence at court, if he had reached the throne, refused to fall in with Yuan's scheme, and when Prince Chun, the regent, heard of this attempt later he very promptly had Yuan deposed."

One result of the overthrow of Yuan, Miss Kang believes, will be the hastening of the day when China will officially adopt its new constitution, modeled after western ideas. "The mass of thinking people in my country," said she, "are heartily glad he has fallen. They are eager to have the new constitution go into effect as soon as possible, while Yuan was for delay."

"Two years or so ago, after it was decided that China would take up the western way of doing things, Yuan wanted the date for the constitution's introduction put off for twenty years. A great assembly was called of the leading dignitaries, and the result was a compromise postponing the date for nine years. Now I believe the chances are that China will be working under the new constitution in a very much shorter time than that—possibly within a few years."

"As soon as things settle down and Prince Chun gets the reins of government well in hand, I think he will gradually take up the introduction of various reforms, both in matters of state and in the direction of changing the educational system of the empire. One of the very first things he will do, probably, will be to bring about an entire change in the method of administering the government."

Provincial Government.

"At the present time, you know, the central government in China is not so important as it is in many western countries. Each province has a government of its own which is practically like that of an empire in itself. This condition, I believe, will early be done away with under the new regime."

Many schools and universities have been opened in China in the last few years, says Miss Kang, but their

BLACK BROADTAIL COAT



PHOTO BY JOEL FEDER.

Of black broadtail is this graceful garment for afternoon wear. The style strikingly combines this year's fancy for close lines with the comfortable warmth of fur. The lower edge of the coat, cut in deep scallops, with slashed side seams and long, rounded tails, show the most approved style of the year. The trimming of broad braid loops and broadtail covered buttons is also modish.

TOO MUCH TEMPERANCE SAID THAT IT BROKE UP A PARTNERSHIP.

New York Firm Manager Who Talked Temperance Till Other Members Revolted—Said He Neglected Business.

New York, Jan. 22.—Too much temperance has broken up a New York partnership—that of William H. King & Company, of No. 17 State street. Armin Eichler and J. Arthur Clem, vice-president and secretary respectively, of the concern, in their application filed yesterday in the supreme court, set forth that it was impossible for them to get on with the Kings, because the father spent his time preaching total abstinence and morality to them and the company's employees, instead of attending wholly to business. Further, the application said that the elder King's temperance lectures had driven the best salesman the company ever had—a man who sold three-quarters of the product—into the street, that the factory is at a standstill, and that it would not pay to re-open it. The concern is a manufacturing paint firm.

"Temperance, eh?" exclaimed Mr. Eichler last night at his home, No. 127 West One Hundred and Twenty-fourth street. "Are you a prohibitionist? No? All right, I will talk to you. My head is going around like a turntable from temperance talk so you will excuse me, please, if sometimes my words get disconnected. I am what you call pretty nearly nutty. But I see how ahead by March 15."

"That man King is on the water wagon, all right. He is so good I don't know how heaven has gotten along for the past sixty years without him. Since a year ago, when we went into partnership, he has preached to everybody in the shop total

abstinence. When he stopped to take a breath his son butted in. Between the two of them they have had us and the employees standing on our ears. "The old man worked the temperance game on the best salesman we ever had—a fellow who could sell both the ships in the middle of the Sahara. The poor devil couldn't stand it, and he quit us. That's fine for business, isn't it? When a man's doing his work and selling goods I don't think it's up to his boss to go nosing around to find out what the last thing was that went down his throat."

"And this temperance talk isn't the worst of it. Old man King's a friend of that fellow Anthony Comstock. He belongs to Comstock's society, and is a member of his board of directors. So when the instructions on temperance are passing around we get some morality thrown in for good measure. Sure, it would make you nutty!"

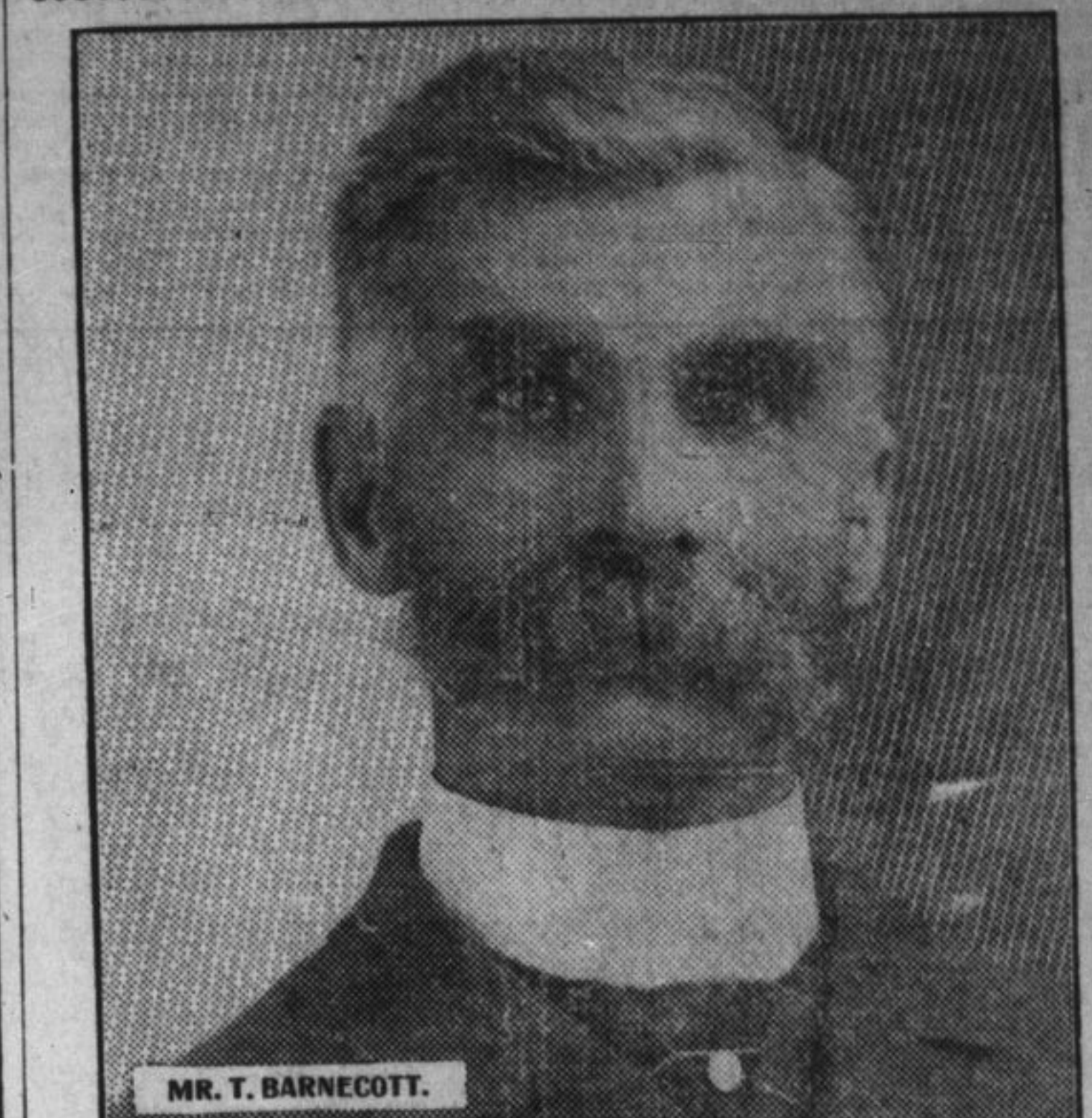
Eichler and Clem informed Justice Davis that the firm has no capital, and no funds to continue business. They estimated the company's liabilities at \$13,083 and the assets at \$11,214. The partnership was formed and incorporated on February 25th, 1907.

William H. King could not be found last night. His son, Parker, telephoned from his home at Summit, N.J., to say that the reported liabilities and assets of the firm were far from correct. He declared that the assets are at least two to one of the liabilities.

Chicago News.

Pe-ru-na Promptly Relieves Severe Cold and La Grippe.

Mr. T. Barnecott, West Aylmer, Ontario, Can., writes: "Last winter I was ill with pneumonia after having la grippe. I took Peruna for two months, when I became quite well, and I can say that any one can be cured by it in a reasonable time and at little expense. Every time I take a cold, I take some Peruna, which makes me well again. I also induced a young lady, who was all rundown and confined to the house, to take Peruna, and after taking Peruna for three months she is able to follow her trade of tailoring. I can recommend Peruna for all such who are ill and require a tonic."



MR. T. BARNECOTT.

EVERY year, during the inclement weather of winter, there is an epidemic of la grippe. The disease is really catarrhal in nature, but from the form it assumes, has been commonly termed the "grip."

Splendid Remedy for La Grippe. Mr. Frank H. Fielder, 213 Pleasant Ave., Montgomery, Ala., formerly principal of Haynesville High School, writes:

"I can truthfully say that Peruna is a splendid remedy for la grippe and a good tonic for building up the system. La grippe is very tenacious when it once gets a firm hold upon the system, and in addition to a thorough, systematic

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catarrh remedy, a great deal of patience and persistence in the treatment are required to eradicate the disease. Peruna, an internal catarrh remedy, is one of the best medicines ever devised to meet the exigencies of these cases. The large number of commendatory letters received by Dr. Hartman, the inventor of Peruna, in behalf of his remedy is proof sufficient of its value as a reliable medicine for the "grip."

Prompt Relief. Mr. Frank Bauer, Minneapolis, Minn., writes: "I suffered with la grippe. My lungs felt as if knives were sticking in them. I took Peruna and in four days I was able to go out."

A Mother's Aid. Every mother should be able to treat the minor ailments of her little ones. Prompt action may prevent serious illness—perhaps save a child's life. A simple remedy always at hand is, therefore, an absolute necessity, and there is nothing else so good as Baby's Own Tablets. These Tablets promptly cure all stomach and bowel troubles, break up colds, cure simple fevers, expel worms and make teething easy. Good for the new born baby or the well grown child, and guaranteed to contain no opiate. Mrs. L. W. Smith, St. Giles, Que., says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for constipation and other ills of childhood, and find them the best medicine I have ever given my little ones." Sold by medicine dealers or by mail at 25c. a box from the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

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Run over the list of your friends and you will be surprised at the number who you could dispense with. The coal man says things are coming his weigh.

Bismarck Stories. On the anniversary of the death of Bismarck a collection of anecdotes pertaining to the iron chancellor appeared in Stuttgart, among which are these: After Emperor William I had returned, Bismarck's resignation with the word "Never" written boldly

They Rely On Wade's Ointment. Wade's Ointment is depended upon in hundreds of homes for the cure of all injuries to the skin as well as the various skin diseases. There is not a family that would not find this ointment invaluable. Cures eczema, salt rheum, scaly or itching eruptions of the skin, pimples, blotches, dandruff, etc. In big boxes, 25c., at Wade's drug store.

Twin Sisters Are Lawyers. Misses Ethel A. and Florence M. Colford, twin sisters, who are lawyers at the national capital, were recently admitted to practice before the United States supreme court. The young women are both able and attractive and they resemble each other so closely that only their friends can distinguish them apart. They are natives of Nova Scotia, but have lived most of their lives—they are now in the early twenties—in Washington.

If ever there was a specific for any one complaint then Carter's Little Liver Pills are a specific for sick headache, and every woman should know this. Only one pill a dose. Try them.

Mrs. Oberg Making an Air-ship Flight with Wilbur Wright.



MISS KANG TUNG PIH

who had little claim to the throne, made emperor in place of Pu-Yi, the baby sovereign lately proclaimed, was asserted, to-day, by Miss Kang-Tung-Pih, daughter of the great Chinese reformer, Kang-Yu-Wei, who is being educated at Barnard College, in this city, in order that she may play an important part in the expected coming regeneration of her native land.

young woman, who is very pretty, with fine black eyes and hair and a wonderfully clear complexion, and who is as ardently devoted to the cause of reform for her country as is her parent. "Yuan pretended to have the reform interest at heart, but he affected to espouse the new order of things only as a matter of personal benefit to himself. He saw that that was the "Prince Ching, who brought about Yuan's overthrow, is real progressive, whose father many persons well informed on "the far eastern situation



THE CHASE OF A LOOTER AMONG THE RUINS