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## CAUGHT BY MOTOR

### River Pirate Gets Ten Years in Prison.

#### Extraordinary Career of Most Desperate Criminal Along the Thames.

London, May 15.—Few more desperate criminals have appeared at the Old Bailey than Frederick Murray, who was sentenced to ten years' penal servitude, yesterday, for attempting to murder Henry Hewson in a house at Crampton street, Newington.

Murray is the man who was arrested after an exciting struggle near Sittingbourne by disguised detectives, who had pursued him from Gravesend in a motor car. He broke into Henry Hewson's house at night and attacked him with a heavy file while he was asleep in bed, inflicting severe injuries.

Although he is only thirty-three years of age Murray has had a long career of crime. He has acted the part of a pirate on the Thames, has committed innumerable robberies, has spent half a lifetime in prison, and has twice made daring escapes from jail.

His real name is Silvester, and he is a native of Oxford. He was first convicted when he was fifteen years of age for stealing a sovereign from his mother.

A year later he began his career as a river pirate by stealing a boat at Greenwich. During 1892 he committed five offences at Peterborough, and received a sentence of seven months' imprisonment.

No sooner was he released in June, 1893, than he committed a burglary at Oxford and was sentenced to fifteen months' imprisonment. Again in 1895 he was sentenced for a similar offence.

He next went to Grays and resumed his river thefts. For these he was sentenced in January, 1896, to five years' penal servitude, the sentences running concurrently.

While he was in prison he made the acquaintance of another burglar, and the two planned an elaborate scheme. When they were released they obtained a motor car and proceeded on their various ventures.

Murray was arrested as he was sailing away in a yacht he had stolen, and was taken back to prison, but he soon made his escape. He forced

aside some iron bars at the top of the exercise cage, climbed through the opening, scaled a fifteen-foot wall and evaded his pursuers.

He was partner in crime then carried out a series of extensive burglaries in southeast London. When he was arrested once more in March, 1900, fifteen burglaries were proved against him, and it was stated that he carried a loaded revolver. He was sentenced to five years' penal servitude.

He was also brought up at Chelmsford and charged with the crimes he had committed before he escaped from prison. For these he received a sentence of ten years' penal servitude.

While he was serving his sentence at Dartmoor he made his second escape, and was not recaptured for five days. During this time he terrorized the neighborhood and committed a number of thefts.

His most daring thefts were committed in November last. He bought a boat named Silver Spray and resumed his river piracy, but on a larger scale than he had previously attempted.

Not only did he commit many thefts and burglaries with the aid of this vessel, but he stole other yachts. One was the Eva, a second the Elsie, and a third the Enterprise.

All this time the police were hot on his track, although they could never succeed in catching him. At last, recognizing his danger, he decided to escape to the continent in the Enterprise.

He was sailing down the Thames, when the yacht came into collision with another vessel, and he was compelled to get ashore as best he could. It was at this moment that the detectives who were pursuing obtained a valuable clue, and they ran him to earth at Sittingbourne.

"You will never know all I have done," he told his captors. "I have never heard such a record against a man of your age," the common sergeant stated in passing sentence. "It would be useless to give you a sentence which would set you free again within a short time."

## ACT OF THE CZAR.

### Remits Sentence of Director of Police.

St. Petersburg, May 14.—M. Lopukhin, a former director of police who was arrested in St. Petersburg last January and placed on trial May 11th on the technical charge that he was a member of the revolutionary organization, was, yesterday, condemned to five years' imprisonment at hard labor.

It is reported that Emperor Nicholas has decided to remit the sentence of imprisonment, considering that M. Lopukhin has been sufficiently punished by his preliminary confinement in a fortress and the loss of his rights as a nobleman.

Lopukhin was found guilty of knowing of the existence of a plot aiming to overthrow the state by armed uprising, terrorism and regicide and of participating therein by betraying the official secret of Azef, a connection with the police, thereby removing an obstacle to the criminal activity of the plotters and rendering their material service.

Wheat Caused It.  
Hamilton, Ont., May 15.—The discovery is made that A. W. Maguire, 13 South West avenue, a well-known flour and feed merchant, who conducted a business at 188 West King street, for many years, committed suicide because of business troubles, supposed to have been caused by losses on the wheat market.

May Be Governor-General.  
London, May 15.—Private advice from Hong Kong says that A. P. Wilder, the American consul-general, is to be the next governor-general of the Philippines, to succeed Governor Smith. Wilder is now en route to America on a leave of absence.

Slated For The Senate.  
Halifax, N.S., May 15.—It is announced that the appointment to the senate of E. M. Farrell, speaker of the House of Assembly, has been decided upon. There are two senate vacancies in Nova Scotia at the present time.

President Of B. C. Conference.  
Vancouver, May 15.—Rev. James Calvert was elected president of the Methodist conference for the coming year. Next year's conference will be held at Nelson.

## STREET RAILWAY SYSTEM.

### Twelve Miles in Operation July First.

Calgary, May 15.—From the present outlook the street railway will be in operation by July 1st. The system comprises twelve miles and will connect with some of the new residential districts recently opened up. It is the intention to extend the system so that all of the suburbs will be served, thus enabling workmen to build homes in the suburbs where property is not so high and allow them to continue their work in whatever part of the city it may be.

By Sir Edward Grey, Lord Morley and the Earl of Crewe.

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## PLEADING IN VAIN

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## PROBABILITIES.

Toronto, Ont., May 15.—Ottawa Valley and Upper St. Lawrence. Light S.W. Easterly winds, fine to-day, Sunday, showers and local thunder storms.

## SYNDICATE IS FORMED

### Treasure Seekers to Delve in the Sea After Precious Cargo.

London, May 15.—Within the next few weeks vigorous efforts are to be made to recover the sunken treasure, valued at over \$120,000,000, which it is claimed, lies in Vigo Bay, off the coast of Spain.

Dr. Iberiti, the author of "The Treasure Hunt in Vigo Bay," has been granted a concession, which holds good until 1915, by the Spanish government for exploring Vigo Bay.

The work of exploration is to be undertaken by the Sea Salvage company, limited, under the supervision of Dr. Iberiti. The board of directors of this company includes Rear-Admiral Sir Adolphus FitzGerald, Rear-Admiral Charles Windham and the Earl of Orford.

Special sea salvage inventions will be employed in this expedition, the chief of which is the hydroscope, a telescope for viewing the bottom of the sea, the invention of Cavaliere Giuseppe Pico.

Through it the sunken galleons containing the treasure have, it is stated, already been seen and located.

The Spanish government is to receive twenty per cent. of the bullion recovered.

The story of the "Vigo Bay treasure" is even more romantic than Robert Louis Stevenson's "Treasure Island." The facts are said to be as follows:

In 1702 Spain acquired vast quantities of gold and silver from her mines in the West Indies, and a fleet of galleons sailed for home with the treasure, amounting to some \$120,000,000 in value, aboard.

When the fleet arrived in Vigo Bay it was attacked by the combined British and Dutch fleets, and to prevent the treasure falling into the enemies' hands the Spaniards sunk their ships.

WOMAN BUYS HOGS.  
Transacts Extensive Business By Telephone.

Des Moines, Ia., May 15.—Mrs. E. H. Ellsworth, of Nauvoo, Ia., is probably the only woman hog buyer in America. She has been in the business for two years, and has never had any trouble with the farmers from whom she buys.

She ships the stock to the Chicago market, keeping informed on the market prices by newspapers and dispatches. She has two telephones in her home and does most of her buying by phone.

It is not an uncommon thing for a rack of hogs to be driven up before her attractive residence for her inspection. She has become so prominent in the buying that she can judge of the weight of a hog within a pound or two by looking at it.

Mrs. Ellsworth, before she started in the business, would be called up by farmers over the telephone to ask her the price of hogs.

Mrs. Ellsworth says the farmers are all honest, and she has yet to find one ungrateful enough to take advantage of a woman.

Jap Boat On Sealing Grounds.  
Seattle, Wash., May 15.—A cable despatch from Cordova says that while en route from Juneau to Cordova on the steamer Fortland J. H. Villis, collector of customs for Alaska, warned a Japanese schooner to leave the restricted limits.

The captain claimed that he had put in for water but sealing implements were found on board and he was given six hours to get to sea. Collector Villis thins that the schooner was waiting for the big herd of seals now going up the Alaska coast.

This is the second Japanese schooner found within the restricted fishing limits this spring.

Society Man Has Smallpox.  
Chicago, May 15.—Maldwin Drummond, whose marriage with Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., was one of the sensations of the London fashionable world last winter, is undergoing a severe attack of small-pox. He was taken ill at his villa at Cannes, in France.

WEDDED 17 YEARS AGO  
Charges That Husband Deserted Her Two Years Later.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 15.—Mrs. Elizabeth Templeton, of Windsor, Ont., has had her husband, A. H. Templeton, thirty-seven, and Eleanor Walcott, thirty-eight, for whom he is said to have deserted his wife, arrested. The Walcott woman claims to have been regularly married to Templeton.

Seventeen years ago Templeton married Elizabeth Diken, in Windsor. After two years of married life he disappeared. She heard nothing further of him until about two months ago, when she received information that he had married again. Accompanied by

Attorney Granger, of Cleveland, the first Mrs. Templeton, in company with detectives, went to the Stockton avenue house and arrested Eleanor Walcott Templeton. Her husband was arrested later in the day when he returned home.

They make one feel as though life was worth living. Take one of Carter's Little Liver Pills after eating; it will relieve dyspepsia, aid digestion, give tone and vigor to the system. Women's great wall paper sale still continues. Bargains galore.

## WIRELESS LIGHTING.

### Power Transmitted Six Miles to Light Auditorium.

Omaha, May 14.—The lighting of the big Auditorium by electric impulse from the wireless tower at Fort Omaha, six miles away, was a novelty to which visitors at the Omaha electrical exposition were treated, last night.

The method was developed by Dr. P. H. Miller, experimental engineer of the Union Pacific railroad, and is the same as was used by him several months ago in operating a motor car at a distance. Dr. Miller had the co-operation of the United States Army signal corps, under command of Lieut.-Col. William A. Glasford. The show will be lighted by wireless each night.

## DAILY MEMORANDA.

My New Hat.  
You cannot beat  
For it's from Campbell's, Princess St.  
Waterworks' Committee, 4 p.m., Monday.  
Special Sale at Waldron's to-night.  
See advt.  
Kyle Vaudeville Co., Grand Opera House, 8 p.m.  
Read the "For Sale" advts. for great bargains daily.  
Special Services, Salvation Army Barracks, on Sunday.

"I need a new hat."  
So I think I will go  
To George Mills & Co.,  
Theatre-Friday and Saturday,  
"Old Heidelberg," "Inserted," or "A False Marriage Vow," "The Faithful Fool," Two Illustrated Songs.

## May 15th, In Canadian History.

1530—Jacques Cartier started for France on his return from his second voyage to the New World.  
1760—The British fleet under Admiral Swanton arrived for the relief of Quebec.  
1882—Lieutenant Lockwood reached the farthest northern point.  
1885—Louis Riel, leader of the rebellion in Northwest Canada, surrendered.  
1890—Royal assent was given to the Dominion Bank Act, regulating the issue of bank notes.

## THE GREAT EVIL.

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Berlin, May 15.—The German machinery trade has captured important orders for South Africa. The Gutehoffnungsmaschinen company, of Oberhausen, in the Rhineland, has secured the contracts for supplying the majority of the giant air-compressors required by the Victoria Falls and Transvaal Power company, limited, and the Rand Mines Power Supply company, limited.

Three compressors vastly larger than any now in use in Europe are already in process of construction. They are capable of compressing 1,200,000 cubic feet of air hourly by means of turbines propelled by electricity.

The largest compressors hitherto built in Germany have a capacity of only 280,000 to 350,000 cubic feet hourly.

Repairing and upholstering attended to at James Reid's.

## ENGLAND STILL LEADS

### The World's Commerce—Has Made a New Record.

Washington, May 15.—A new record for the international commerce of the world was established in 1907 according to the statistics of the department of commerce and labor. This abstract puts the total exports of the various countries and colonies of the world in that year at \$14,000,000,000 and the imports at \$16,000,000,000. Ten countries contribute more than two-thirds of the total.

On the export side the United Kingdom headed the list with \$2,073,000,000, the United States coming next

with \$1,835,000,000, Germany next with \$1,629,000,000 and France fourth with \$1,090,000,000.

On the import side the United Kingdom again headed the list with \$3,143,000,000, Germany coming second with \$2,082,000,000, France third with \$1,201,000,000, and the United States fourth with \$1,194,000,000. Practically two-thirds of this total of international trade is accredited to Europe.

In the year under consideration Canada took fifty-eight per cent. of her imports from the United States.

## JOB DINNER SETS

After dinner-taking we find about a dozen dinner sets, short a few small pieces, and for your own use, as goods as a complete set, we offer them all at 30 to 40 per cent. reduction, every set a snap.

From \$4.90 to 11.50

Robertson Bros.

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## Stearcy's

### A Great Sale

#### Ladies' Garters

TO-NIGHT  
From 7 to 10 o'clock

By being able to handle large quantities made it possible for us to accept a manufacturer's surplus stock of these desirable goods. We got them at a big reduction, and will sell them TO-NIGHT, at about half the regular price.

#### Ladies' Garters

With lined pad and waist belt, best elastic web garters with rubber tip clips.

#### No. 1 Lot

In colors