

AN EARLY AIRSHIP

It Wouldn't Fly, Although It Got a Trial by Moonlight.

BUT IT CAUSED A SURPRISE.

Story of a Comedy That Was Enacted in the Dead Waters of the Night on the Troublesome Western Day of 1885.

In the Southampton institution at Southampton there hangs an ancient model of an airship. It looks like the usual observer there a small "fascimile" of the Wright biplane.

But it is many years older than the Wright flying machine. It is the Stringfellow airship, built in the early stages of the last century, and it once caused the arrest as a spy and conspirator of Professor Joseph Henry, the sainted man of science who was the first secretary of the Southampton Institution.

In the summer of 1885 Washington was in a state of the utmost agitation and uneasiness. The Confederate armies moving northward were threatening Washington itself, and southern troops had reached within sight of the city.

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"What is your name? What is this thing, and what are you doing with it?" queried the picket.

"I am Professor Henry, secretary of the Southampton Institution, your honor," replied the man in the airship.

In that day for a man to admit that he was seriously experimenting with a flying machine was conclusive evidence of his insanity, and Professor Henry, who had chosen the dead waters of the night in which to experiment with his Stringfellow's flying machine, beat it to tell his captors what he was really doing.

"You're a spy," declared the captain, "and this thing is some kind of machine with which you're signaling to the Confederates."

"I am not a spy," declared Professor Henry, "and this is not a signaling machine. This is the truth."

This explanation was greeted with a roar of derisive laughter. The captain of the picket line, a man of the name of Henry, who had chosen the dead waters of the night in which to experiment with his Stringfellow's flying machine, beat it to tell his captors what he was really doing.

At daylight the captain reported his capture to the colonel in command. That officer, burying to the guardhouse, was astonished to find that the man was his intimate friend, Professor Henry. But his astonishment was nothing compared to the chagrin of the captain and his squad.

Professor Henry, however, not only readily forgave them, but praised their intelligence and zeal and admitted that he had given the picket very reasonable ground for suspicion—YOUTH'S COMPANION.

It is only in comparatively modern times that buttons have been utilized as fasteners. The Greeks and Romans knew nothing of them, and, though they adorned themselves as ornaments in the fourteenth century, buttons were still an untried novelty.

Rigs in Scotland.

In Scotland the corn and grass fields are divided into narrow strips by thin, low walls, and a furrow made by a plow. These are termed rigs.

Tropical Medicines.

In the order named quinine, arsenic, castor oil, strychnine, and opium are the medicines most used in the tropics.

AN ORDINANCE

AN AMENDMENT TO THE REVISION CODE OF THE GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, N. J. (Revision of 1905).

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEWARK, N. J. (Revision of 1905) that the following amendments be made to the said Code so that it shall read as follows:

ARTICLE XII

Sec. 1. That the Fire Department of the City of Newark shall consist of one Chief Engineer, a First and Second Assistant Engineer and as many permanent men as the Common Council may from time to time designate to act as Drivers, Tillermen and Hosemen, and one Engineer of Steam and six Call Men for each engine house or hook and ladder company that may be organized under this ordinance to act as hosemen and laddermen and to perform such other duties as shall be required of them by the Chief Engineer or his assistants.

The following companies shall be organized immediately upon this ordinance taking effect as law:

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The Edward Doyle Company who last evening began a week's engagement at the Empire theatre, the first of their new organization to play this city in many years, have the first impression gained in "The Girl from the City" stay in Rahway will be a most successful one.

"Mildred" they will produce "Mildred" a four act love drama from the pen of Mary J. Holmes. This production is taken from the novel by the same name.

To-morrow a special three act play especially written for Miss Louise Brown entitled "The Broken Butterfly" will be given in three acts. This is a most convincing production and something different from the usual run of comedy dramas. The "Mildred" in episode of the "Mildred" mystery" will be shown both afternoon and evening.

"When a Woman Wins" the great detective play in four sensational acts will occupy the boards on Thursday matinee and night.

Friday afternoon a special matinee at 2.30 for ladies only. The Doyle players will be seen in Miss Olga Netherstole's wonderful success "Sappho" a play known to all theatre patrons. In the evening a production claimed to be one of the best of the company's repertoire "The Belle of Blue River" written by Charles Major who wrote Dorothy Vernon of Haddon Hall and other plays equally well known, will be produced.

Daily matinees the entire week and seats for all evening performances are on sale now. Zenda, the mental wonder, will appear at every performance, showing the possibilities of mind transmission. If there is anything you desire to know, come to the Empire and ask Zenda, she will tell you.

Mrs. K. Ludlow and daughter Miss Mildred of 253 West Grand street, have returned from Roselleville, New Jersey, where they have been visiting a few days as the guest of Mrs. E. L. Downs.

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POLICE NEWS

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Dr. Morgan is not only notable because of his present position as pastor of the largest Methodist church in the world, but he is a wonderful illustration of a self-made man, who has not lost his rugged strength in his touch with the toilers, by elevation to a conspicuous pulpit. He will tell something of the wonderful story of his life, at tonight's meeting speaking on the topic "From the Steel Furnace to the Pulpit."

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Large Crowds
ATTEND MEETINGS

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The singing was led by the joint choir of the various churches under the direction of Harry Albertson, of Trenton choir. As it was Dr. Chapman's last message to the people of this city, following his inspiring address, a vote of thanks by the entire congregation was given him.

Dr. Chapman took for his text last evening: "What Shall I Do Then With Jesus Which is Called Christ?" The speaker showed the necessity of uniting with the church at once. "You must either accept Jesus, be indifferent to Him or reject Him," he said, and remarks urging the people to accept Him, produced much feeling and when request was made for those who care to be united for a large number responded. "The possession of Peace Depends Upon what you do with Christ" and Mr. Chapman following his sermon a number of his faithful listeners of leading Christian life.

After the meeting Dr. Chapman held a conference with officials, Sunday school teachers and other officers of the various churches, at which time he showed the necessity of the people co-operating with the pastors, in order to obtain the best results. As a result of the conference a number of the churches will hold short prayer meetings before the regular church services on Sundays.

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NEW COUNCIL STARTS WORK

Passes 1915 Budget Amounting
to \$94,800—Chief Ramsey's
Annual Report

MOSQUITO COM'N REQUEST

The new Common Council met Tuesday evening for its first regular business meeting of the year. All members were present with exception of Councilman Laidlaw. The first act of the council was to appoint a finance committee recommended by the finance committee was adopted; a lengthy and interesting annual report of Chief of Police Ramsey was received, read and approved. The report was a commendable one, showing the high school building, highly commended the generosity of Councilman G. A. Vett, through whom the high school athletic association, and title has been taken in the name of the Rahway Board of Education. The amount \$1,100 paid for the field was approved by the board.

The report is full follows: To the Honorable Mayor and Common Council,
Gentlemen:
I have the honor to submit herewith the annual report of the Police Department for the year 1914.

The conduct of the members of the police force has been good, and they have done some excellent work in apprehending law breakers, also the prevention of crime by a close watch upon those who are known to have no regard for law and order.

I most respectfully ask that more patrolmen be added to the force at once. The third ward is too large for the present protection. The same request applies to the second and fifth wards. There should be a man in each ward on the West side of the city. The police force should also be a motor cycle patrolman to regulate traffic on our streets—St. George avenue, Summit avenue, Milton avenue and the turnpike road. On Wednesday evening, after receiving a report from the financial aid of Chief Ramsey, who was sent on his way.

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A medical man representing the company from whom the machine was purchased, was present and gave instructions as to how to operate the machine.

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A supper will be held following the installation.

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Miss Marie Vandewende of Park street, has been visiting relatives in Paterson.

RIVERSIDE PARK PURCHASED BY G. A. VETT'S ACTION

Riverside Park, the athletic field which has been the scene of so many athletic contests, has been purchased for the high school Athletic Association, and title has been taken in the name of the Rahway Board of Education. The amount \$1,100 paid for the field was approved by the board.

The sum of \$1,100 for the field was considered a very low price. The field has a frontage of 500 feet and a depth of 200 feet on one side and 425 feet on the other. The location of the field, the board considered ideal and stated that it was in the best part of the city, and would be a great benefit to the public generally.

AGED WOMAN HERE ON A LONG TRAMP

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SCHOOL BOARD PURCHASES SITE FOR ATHLETIC FIELD

The Board of Education at an informal meeting held last evening on the part of the Board of Education, as under the present circumstances, the city is assured an athletic field, which cannot only be used by the high school team, but also other teams in the city.

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PATROLMEN'S ASSOCIATION

The resignation of James Thompson of the Patrolmen's Benevolent Association, was received yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the organization held in Protection House Co. parlors.

PRESIDENT MOFFETT CALLS

SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL
President Moffett has called a special meeting of the Common Council for Tuesday evening, January 12, for the discussion of general business.

DR. J. T. BRICKELL NEW PRESIDENT BOARD OF HEALTH

At the meeting for organization of the Board of Health, Wednesday evening, Dr. J. T. Brickell was elected president. W. H. Randolph was chosen vice president and C. H. Lambert was chosen secretary.

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MRS. J. L. WOODRUFF BREAKS HER THIGH

Mrs. Jacob L. Woodruff of 146 West Grand street, met with a painful accident at 6 o'clock evening while walking across the street. She was thrown from an easy chair to the dining table, which was tipped over and broke her right thigh.

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"A NIGHT OFF"

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A. W. FOSTER HAS NOT LEASED NEW BUILDING OF L. F. A.

Contrary to the report printed in an Elizabeth paper the L. F. A. Foster Garage Company of this city, has not leased the new five story of the L. F. A. coin firemen association but leased the old building.

AMERICAN FIVE AND DRUM CORPS ELEGY OFFICERS

The regular monthly meeting of the American Five and Drum Corps was held Tuesday evening and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Leader, Oscar Shepperd; Sergeant, Raymond Hoagland; drum sergeant, George Wilson; president, Ralph Schultz; vice president, Albert Dreier; secretary and business manager, Walter Wilson; treasurer, George Wilson; quartermaster, Chas. Crowell. The corps have decided to hold a dance in the near future.

REV. KEMBLE ADDRESSES MISSIONARY SOCIETY

"Character and Religion of the Chinese" was the title of an interesting address given by the Rev. C. S. Kemble, Monday afternoon before the members of the Women's Home and Foreign Missionary Society of the Second Presbyterian Church at their meeting held at the residence of Mrs. M. B. Young, 90 Maple avenue. The talk was enjoyed by twenty-four members and was preceded by a short business session, which important business was transacted.