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much of his fame was due to the abuse he had heaped upon him.

John Bowser of Scottsdale, Pa., has a hen with ears three-quarters of an inch long, that stand straight up like a dog's. John doesn't say whether the hen barks or brays.

According to the despatches a French soldier in the trenches wrote a highly scientific opusculé on the parasitic infusoria of the cephaloda. He has got us beaten.

The difference between a bridge carpenter and a bridge fiend, according to an exchange, is that the carpenter is a useful member of society, while the fiend is only a prominent member of society.

A local man who evidently has not been weaned away from the old fashioned games of other days by the lures of bridge, submits the following:

"I'll go one," said Austria.
"I'll go two," said France.
"I'll go three," said Russia.
"I think there is a chance."
"I'll go four," said Germany.
"And wipe them off the map."
But they all dropped dead when Britannia said:
"Gor Blimy! I'll go nap."

MURDERED IN GERMANY

Britain Protests Against Shooting of British Subject by German Officer.

London, April 17.—Great Britain, acting through the American ambassador at Berlin, it is announced, has made the "strongest possible protest" against the alleged action of Captain Nicolay of the German army in shooting and killing in a train from Berlin on Aug. 3 the son of Henry Hadley, a British teacher of languages.

At the request of Great Britain, the embassy enquired into the matter, it is stated, and received a statement from the German authorities to the effect that Hadley had pretended to be the conductor of the train that he did not understand or speak German and did not know whence he was travelling. He acted in a conspicuous and impolite manner, it is said, and made ironical remarks regarding passing officers.

Captain Nicolay was called by the conductor and the officer forbade Hadley to leave the train. Hadley then, the officer is said to have reported, assumed an aggressive attitude, and thinking he was about to be attacked, Captain Nicolay fired at him "in order to be first." Court-martial proceedings were instituted, but were discontinued after an investigation of the case.

Great Britain protests that whatever provocation Captain Nicolay may have fancied he had, he committed an act that can only be described as murder, and that justice has not been done, inasmuch as proceedings against the officer have been quashed.

SUIT FOR \$400,000

Entered by Canadian Government as Result of Montmagny Disaster.

Montreal, April 17.—As a result of the sinking of the Canadian Government steamship Montmagny in the St. Lawrence River on the morning of September 18, 1914, with the loss of fourteen lives, action has been begun by His Majesty the King, against the steamship Lingan, which collided with and sank the Montmagny, for \$400,000 damages. The plaintiff alleges that the Lingan crossed over into the Montmagny's water and caused the fatal collision; that no officer was on duty

BASANT SINGH'S THEORY IN MUTAB SINGH'S CASE

Just What It Is Will Be Revealed Later—The Verdict.

The coroner's jury sitting yesterday at Nunn, Thompson & Clegg's undertaking parlors, returned a verdict that Mutab Singh had come to his death as the result of the explosion of dynamite placed under his home on Third avenue west, by a party or parties unknown.

The evidence given was merely a repetition of what has already been published in The Province up to one point. Basant Singh was in the witness box. He told of being in the house on the night of the explosion and of having been thrown out of bed by the force of it, and some other details that have already been given publicly. Then he was asked if there had been any quarreling in the house on the night of the explosion. He answered in the negative.

"Have you any idea, then, why this thing was done?" asked Inspector Scott. "Yes, I have an idea why it was done," replied the witness, and while all the reporters' pencils were poised in expectancy the inspector remarked: "I guess we will not go into that any further at this stage," and the witness was excused.

It was a dramatically disappointing conclusion.

ONE MORE SESSION TO HEAR EVIDENCE

To Be Held by Railway Commission on Freight Rates Question.

Ottawa, April 17.—The Board of Railway Commissioners has concluded its general hearings here on the joint application by the railway companies for permission to increase freight rates east of Fort William, and but one more session for hearing evidence is to be held. That will be held at Hamilton on Friday next.

Following the Hamilton hearing, there will come argument by counsel for the railways and certain of the shippers at a sitting to be again held in Ottawa. This formal sitting will begin some time in the week of April 26, on a date not yet decided. Judgment in the company's application is expected to be handed down early next month.

Electric light signals, powerful enough to be seen in the day time, are being adopted by several electric railroads in preference to semaphores, as they save the expense of motor-driven mechanism.

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