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SERGEANT McMURRAY is leaving the Singapore police force.

Mr. W. COWAN is appointed Assistant Protector of Chinese, Perak.

THE SULTAN AND Sultana of Perang and suite have arrived at Shanghai from Hongkong.

THE REGISTERED rainfall on Government Hill during the year 1898 amounted to 153.28 inches.

MR. HALE, KUALA SELANGOR district, has seen a leper at Jeram, the first he has come across in his district.

MR. A. T. D. BERRINGTON is placed on the Board of Examiners in Law and General Orders, in Perak.

THE ASSISTANT Postmaster-General expects the next mail from Europe to arrive here on Saturday afternoon.

MR. E. C. J. TRANCHELL is appointed magistrate, Larut, and Mr. W. W. Skeat, chief assistant magistrate, Kiuta.

MR. RAYMOND'S *Phyllis*, in receipt of 2st., has easily beaten Captain Talbot's *Aurora*. The match was for \$50 a side.

PRINCE HENRY has been invited by the King of Siam, it is said, to visit Bangkok, while H. R. H. is out in this part of the world.

MR. CHRISTIE'S COFFEE estate at Damansara was looking particularly well when Mr. D. G. Campbell, the Klang district officer, last visited it.

THE *Glasgow Herald* learns that six Atlantic liners of the largest dimensions have been placed by the Red Star line with British builders.

MR. W. G. MAXWELL is appointed a magistrate of the first class in Perak, and Raja Abdul Jalil bin Sultan Idris a magistrate of the second class in the same state.

THE RACERS *Unknown*, *Patch*, and *D.D.M.* arrived here from Singapore by the B. I. s. s. *Nerbudda*, this morning.

A SON OF General Sir Evelyn Wood's will be one of the officers attached to the new British regiment of Clinamen.

THE TOTALIZATION paid Rs. 45 on the winner of the Viceroy's Cup. The time registered during the race was 3 mins. 5 $\frac{3}{4}$ secs.

Vanitas is reported to have won the Chowringhee Cup and, before the race, to have been withdrawn from the Turf Club Cup, Calcutta.

FOR STEALING a knife and 50 cents, a Malay, named Mydeen, was sentenced by Mr. Hall this morning to 3 months' hard labour.

IT IS PROPOSED to found a Muhammadan University in India, which will be the great centre of learning for the Muhammadan world.

THE s. s. *Pegu*, which arrived here from Olehleh this morning, brought 570 bags of betelnuts, 154 bags of copra, and 40 bundles of rattans.

THE SELANGOR GOVERNMENT steam-yacht *Esmeralda* arrived here yesterday, bringing Tungku Puan, with 45 followers, who is on his way to Merboe.

GENERAL AND LADY Black are through-passengers by the B. I. s. s. *Nerbudda*, which arrived here this morning. They landed early and drove to the Residency.

THE WARREN CIRCUS company, comprising 28 persons, among whom are six ladies arrived here by the s. s. *Calypto* this morning. They brought 5 horses and 6 ponies with them.

ONLY THREE CASES will be tried at the Assizes commencing in Penang on the 10th instant. This is a record in Penang's approach to a presentation of white gloves to a Judge of Assize.

ONE OF THE most brilliant pageants in the world, namely, the ceremony of the reception of the new Viceroy in Calcutta, and his induction by the retiring occupant into the duties of the high post, was fixed for the 3rd instant.

A KLING IN Singapore has thus publicly estimated the comparative merits of the Russ and the Britisher: "Five Russ one English!" A Russian for whose benefit the announcement was made went off spluttering.

MR. MEADOWS FROST, appointed a

Cadet in the Federal government service, arrived in Selangor on the 22nd of December, having left England on the 17th of November, and has been provisionally attached for duty to the Treasury.

MESSRS. HUTTENBACH LIEBERT & Co., the Agents to the B. I. Co., have courteously informed us that the s. s. *Java*, with the mails from Europe, left Rangoon at ten o'clock yesterday, and may be expected to arrive here on Saturday next.

A CHINAMAN while letting an anchor drop from his tongkang in the harbour, on the 2nd instant, fell overboard and was drowned. His body was only recovered last night near Sungie Glugor, in an advanced state of decomposition, and brought to shore.

THE FIRST TURN-OUT ever seen in Kuala Lipis, writes a Pahang correspondent to the *Straits Times*, was that of Mr. Spooner, the State Engineer of Selangor, who drove over the entire length of the Trunk Road on his last visit of inspection, a couple of days ago.

TWO CHINESE were brought up before Mr. Hall this morning and were charged with mi-chi-fh; setting fire to the coat of a police constable as reported by us yesterday. The magistrate remanded the defendants to be tried by a Court of Two Magistrates this afternoon.

BOARDING OFFICER F. P. Xavier prosecuted Hin Liong before Mr. Howard yesterday, for neglecting to notify to the Assistant Protector of Chinese a change in the persons employed in his passenger-lodging-house. On conviction, the defendant was fined \$20, with costs.

A CORRESPONDENT WRITES:—Things must indeed seem gloomy in the Federated Malay States—two calets resign the service rather than live in such a region, and Singapore beats Perak at cricket in spite of the latter's government appointments having been to a great extent reserved for cricketers.

A CRICKET MATCH has been arranged to be played on the Esplanade on Saturday next, commencing at 2 o'clock, between the P. C. C. and the B. R. C. Mr. A. Scharenguivel, the son of the P. W. D. Superintendent, who recently arrived from Ceylon, where he was held in some repute as a player, will probably appear among the Butterworthian team.

R. MITCHELL AND A. D'Oliveiro were severally charged before Mr. Hall this morning, with theft of 8 sarongs valued at \$45, 5 kabayas valued at \$12, 5 bajus valued at \$5, \$4 in silver, and \$5 in note, the property of the Dutch Consulate.



of One Dan residing in Muntri Street. They both pleaded "not guilty" and applied for a postponement, which was granted to the 13th instant. Each of the defendants was liberated on bail, in the sum of \$100.

MR. GANN TONG EANG invited his friends to a fancy dress ball at his residence "Eee Lay," 21 and 23 Keng Quee Street, on New Year's Day. Mr. Gann Tong Eang was dressed as a barrister with wig and gown, Mr. G. D. Tisbury appeared as a Malay nobleman, Mr. Chew Siah Wong as a clown, etc., etc. A most enjoyable evening was spent by all, and a photograph was taken, next morning, of the party in their fancy dresses.



ACCORDING TO A report in Manila, the *Yosemite*, a United States man of war, has received orders to proceed to the Philippines from America, *via* the Suez Canal.

A SMALL CONSIGNMENT of Para rubber-plants has been imported into the Kuantan district by the Pahang Corporation, and several thousands more are shortly expected.

MR. E. MAXWELL has served his articles with Messrs. Drew and Napier, Singapore, and passed the examination necessary before his admission to the local Bar.



THE VICEROY'S CUP was a grand race, *Keenan* leading the field after the first quarter-mile to near the home turn, when *Vanitas* went to the front and won easily by three lengths.

THE CHINESE COFFEE on Bukit Panjang, Kuala Selangor, looks extremely well. The district officer wishes the English planters had tried these hills as well as the swamp land.

THERE IS A Young Women's Christian Association in Singapore, and the members consist of 63 Europeans and Eurasians and 39 Chinese. When will the Association be able to boast of possessing 1 Malay?

