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Mr. W. L. Conlay, Commissioner of Police, F.M.S., left for Home on Monday.

The Hon. Mr. J. H. M. Robson, who has been suffering from insomnia lately, has gone away for a week's change. (M. M.).

Mr. Alan Loke on Saturday morning shot a panther at the 19th mile Ulu Langat. The beast measures 5 ft. 6 inches from head to tail.

Mohamed bin Unus has been arrested in Singapore on a warrant charging him with cheating his employers, the Ipoh Government.

When the Siamese airmen flying to Hanoi errived at Vinh, they were welcomed by two French aeroplanes, and the whole party alighted together at 11.40 a.m. on the 5th inst.

Mr. and Madame Mélat left Marseilles for Bangkok on the 20th ult. Mr. Mélat is to be engineer in charge of the work of bridging the Menam Chao Phya, and the representative of the contracting firm.

The Government has appointed a Committee consisting of Sir Lionel Woodward, C.J.C., Mr. T. R. Hubback and Mr. C. J. Perkins to investigate and report on certain matters connected with the Huxley hespital building contract. This is a strong







Committee. The mere names inspire confidence. (M. M.).

terday in the Singapore Court of Appeal before Mr. Justice Whitley, Mr. Justice Barrett-Lennard and Mr. Justice Brown. Mr. V. D. Knowles, counsel for a grand-daughter of the testator, concluded his submissions shortly before the Court rose and Mr. Mundell, who appears on behalf of the sons, was engaged in reply when the hear.

ing was adjourned.

Highway robbers have been active during the last few days. Held up on Sunday night a Cantonese named Peo Leng Wai was relieved of a hundred dollars, the gold buttons and studs that he was wearing in his tunic, and a gold ring. One of the robbers was arrested. Shortly after midnight on the previous day three Teochews in Hill Street robbed a Straits born Chinese clerk employed by the Asia Banking Corporation of his gold watch and ring. No arrest has been made.

Two white black rats have been presented to the "Zoo" by Mr. C. H. Brooke, of Taunton, the only breeder it is believed, to possess this unique strain. Though their fur is perfectly colourless, they are not albinos, like those commonly kept as pets (a distinct species), for their eyes are not pink, but black. Their pointed snouts, large ears, and long tails proclaim them to be a genuine white variety of the black rat, which has almost been extirpated in England by its too familiar cousin, the brown rat.

Under the auspices of the Chinese Association, His Excellency, Mr. Lo Chong, the Chinese Consul General, delivered a very interesting, instructive and illuminating lecture on "China and the Chinese" on Friday evening, at the Drill Hall of the Anglo-Chinese School. The hall was crowded and the interest of the audience was kept up till the close of the lecture.



The lecture was translated into Cantonese for those who could not understand English. The chairman, The Rev. Goh Hood Keng, moved a vote of thanks to the lecturer.

We regret to have to announce says the Malay Mail, the death of Mr. William Hay, the big game hunter, which took place in the early hours of Sunday. The cause of death was, we understand, black-Mr. Hay was originally in water fever. the Government Service and held positions in the Sanitary Board and Mines departments. Later on he took up mining on his own account and met with varying fortune. He went Home as a member of S. S. and F. M. S. Volunteer Contingent to attend King George's Coronation in 1911. Of late years he had been known locally as one of the best big game shooters especially of elephants. He was a man of quiet retiring disposition who had the respect of all classes. NLB

The M. M. steamer Azay le Rideau errived on Saturday afternoon, and after embarking the French mails for Europe, continued her voyage on Sunday morning to Marseilles via the usual ports of call. Mons. Perrichon the Coadjutor Bishop of Malacca, left by her for Marseilles on a well deserved holiday in France, which will extend to a year. Twenty seven years ago there landed at Singapore from France a young missionary of 25 years of age for work in British Malaya, in the person of Father Pierre Louis Perrichon, and this is his first visit to his native country after the long period of 27 years. Last year he received consecration in the Cathedral of the Good Shepherd from the hands of Monseigneur Bouchot of Cambodia, as Coadjutor Bishop of Malacca.

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