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# Tibetans defeated

## British forces subdue Dalai Lama

British expeditionary forces have cleared a path to Lhasa, the capital city of Tibet, opening the way for the British political mission to enter and enforce their treaty conditions upon the Dalai Lama.

They met armed resistance from the Tibetans all the way, cutting off the water supply to the Jong, a massive stone fort built into a mountain at Gyantse, and blowing up the huge Tse-chen Buddhist monastery, which was also heavily fortified. As well, an advance column in the Gyantse Valley expelled hostile Tibetans out of 15 villages.

Tibetan peace delegates now declare that the Dalai Lama might die of shock if British troops were to enter the "sacred city" of Lhasa.

Colonel Younghusband, the political head of the mission, insists, though, that the treaty must be signed at Lhasa.

Meanwhile a Buddhist lama of herculean size has run amok with a sword through the British camp on the outskirts of the city. When he was finally overpowered he was tried, condemned to death, and hanged.

As a precautionary measure all monks are now confined to their quarters.

(*The Age*, July-August 1904.)

*New York Tribune*, Sept 4, 1904 (from *London Punch*)



**BUSINESS FIRST!**

**BRITISH LION (to Grand Lama)** — Yes, that's all right, my friend. You may go away for three hundred years if you like. But this has got to be signed first!

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**Trouble at the local bowling club —  
mixed bowls!**

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(selected from a page of  
cartoons on this topic.)



**SALESMAN:** "Those are the regulation Number 3 bias, ma'am."  
**CUSTOMER:** "But I prefer to have mine cut on the straight instead of bias, and with some insertion and passementerie let in, and of a color to match my skirt."

**VETERAN BOWLER:** "Judge, as I'm a living man, there's women on the green, and, what's more, some of 'em's got HIGH-HEELED BOOTS ON!" (*Faints dead away, and has to be carried to the bar.*)

**"BOWLS" HAS NOW BECOME A POPULAR GAME WITH THE FAIR SEX.**

## Russian raiders grab ships en-route to Asia

In a move calculated to anger the governments of Britain, the United States and Germany, Russian “volunteer” cruisers in the Black Sea, the Dardanelles and the Red Sea have begun to detain foreign shipping suspected of carrying war materials and supplies to Japan.

Sir Edmund Fremantle, Rear-Admiral of the United Kingdom, has branded the Russians as “pirates”, following the seizure by the *St. Petersburg*, of the Peninsula and Orient steamer, *Malacca*, in the Red Sea.

The P. and O. Company deny that the *Malacca* was carrying arms and ammunition bound for Japan. The only war-like munitions on board, they say, are government stores for the colony of Hong Kong.

Sir Edmund Fremantle has also criticised the Turkish government for allowing the Russian “volunteer” ships to pass through the Dardanelles despite Turkey’s treaty obligations, which state that foreign war ships are not allowed to enter that region.

It is claimed that the Russians are sailing under the commercial flag in order to gain right of passage, but on leaving the Dardanelles they immediately revert to their true status of war shipping.

In later reports the Russian cruiser, *Ural*, purchased from Germany shortly after the war against Japan began, is said to be hanging around the entrance to the Mediterranean, overhauling steamers on suspicion of carrying contraband.

The *Ural’s* special mission is to seize British vessels with cargoes for Spanish and Italian ports, designed to be transshipped to Japan.

The captain of the *Ural* has boasted that Russia has eleven other vessels carrying out similar work.

Meanwhile, off the Japanese coast, a British merchant ship carrying railway material has been attacked by a Russian cruiser, prompting anger from the English



*New York Tribune*, Aug. 4, 1904, from *London Punch*.

### THE JOLLY ROGERS

(Of the Russian Mercantile Volunteer Fleet.)

**CAPTAIN BEAR:** “Aha! We’re clear of the Dardanelles. Up goes the fighting flag!

**CHORUS (from below):** “We are the jollies, the Emperor’s jollies — merchant and pirate too!” (After Mr. Rudyard Kipling.)

newspapers, and demands that British naval escorts sail with every merchant ship that Russia accuses of carrying war goods to Japan.

According to the Russian Rear-Admiral Jessen, four warning shots had been fired at the steamer, *Knight Commander*, which had refused to stop. After removing the crew and the ship’s papers, the ship was sunk. The British government has issued a strong protest.

American steamers have also been intercepted. The United States

government has sent a circular to its European ambassadors on the subject of war contraband. The Secretary of State, Colonel John Hay, argues that if Russia regards coal, other fuel and raw cotton (used for explosives) as contraband it may inhibit the sales of all goods for human use from a neutral country to one at war.

Latest reports are that Russian sea “raiders” continue to seize merchant shipping as prizes of war. (*The Age*, July–August, 1904.)

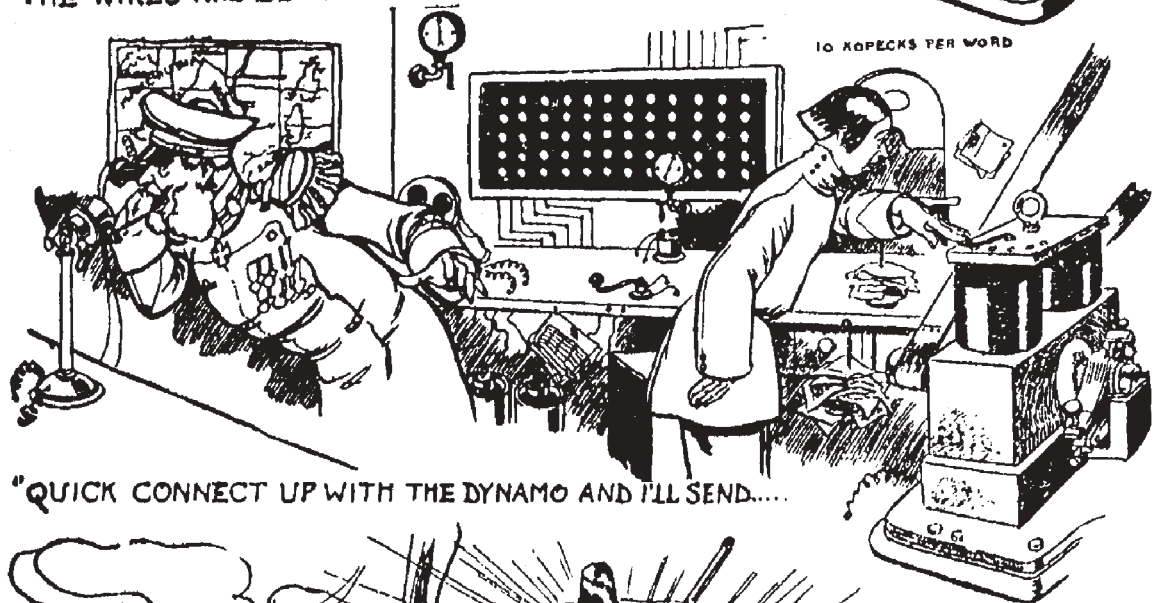


New York Tribune, July 17, 1904

The Russia-Japan war continues in this cartoon.



"THE WIRES ARE BEING TAMPERED WITH YOUR EXCELLENCY"



"QUICK CONNECT UP WITH THE DYNAMO AND I'LL SEND...."



— SOME COSSACKS TO INVESTIGATE —

CHUNCHUSE WIRE-CUTTERS OUTWITTED.

—(The Sketch)

# Watson Labor gov't out

## Reid new P.M. in coalition deal

The Watson Federal Labor Government, which took office on April 21 of this year, was defeated in the House of Representatives on Friday night by 36 to 34 votes, after a stormy debate on the Conciliation and Arbitration bill lasting three days.

When the result of the division was announced, the Prime Minister then immediately adjourned the House.

On visiting the Governor-General on Monday, Mr. Watson asked for, but was refused, a dissolution of parliament. Unable to call an election, Mr. Watson tendered the resignation of his Labor cabinet.

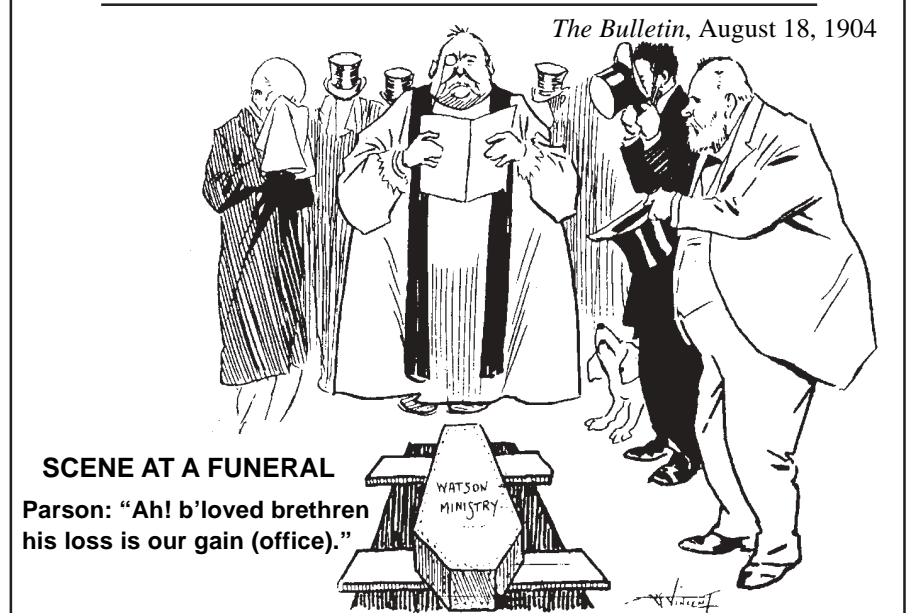
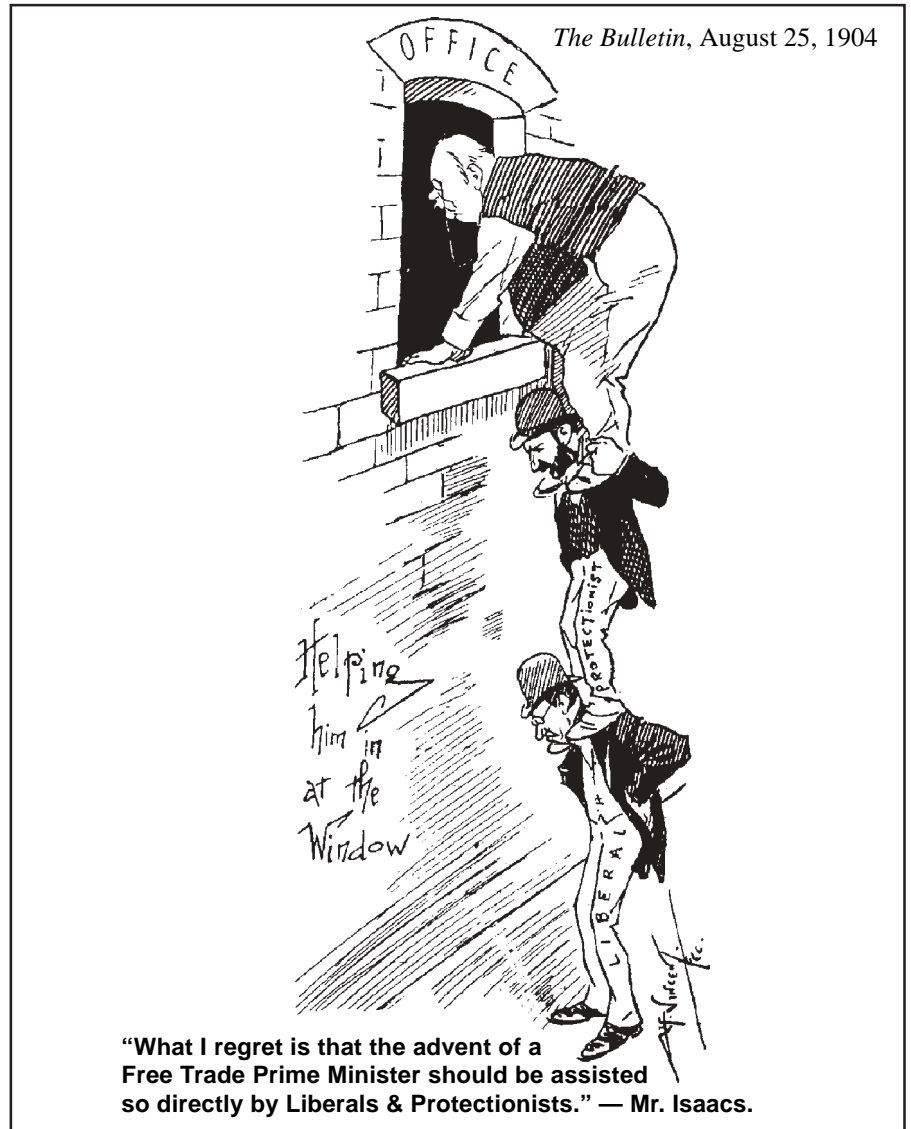
The Governor-General then sent for the leader of the Free Trade Party, Mr. George Reid, to ascertain whether Mr. Reid could form a government. Mr. Deakin, the leader of the Protectionist Party, and the Prime Minister previous to Mr. Watson, has stated his refusal to attempt to re-form a government.

Mr. Reid has been able to form a coalition of his Free Trade group and a number of Protectionists, an uneasy alliance because on the central fiscal question of trade the two groups are opposed in the House of Representatives.

Mr. Deakin has not been offered a portfolio in the Reid Ministry, nor was his advice sought on the Ministry's composition.

Meanwhile the 25 ousted Labor Party politicians have gone into Opposition. Eleven disaffected members of the Protectionist Party, unable to serve under a Free-Trade Prime Minister, have joined them, to form an Opposition coalition.

Mr. Reid's position is tenuous. At least one Free Trade member, upon not being chosen for a Ministerial position, stated that his support for Mr. Reid could now not be relied upon. (*The Age*, August, 1904.)



## New Hebrides and growth of French power

British and Australian trade and business interests in the New Hebrides are concerned at the increasing spread and influence of French activity in the region.

According to those on board the steamer *Tambo*, which has arrived in Sydney from a cruise through the New Hebrides and the Banks islands, the present outlook of British traders is gloomy in the extreme, owing to the lack of sympathy shown them by the federal government.

The French government is at present offering all encouragements to these settlers, not only as regards to securing labour, but also to taking up land and working it.

So disgusted are the British settlers that several of them are reported to be trying to sell out to the French, or are changing their flag in order to get a market for their product.

The executive of the foreign missions committee of the Presbyterian Church of Victoria has held a special meeting to discuss the interests of British and Australian interests in the New Hebrides, and the protection of native interests there, which they believe can be done better under the English flag than any other.

Several speakers claimed that these settlers were suffering because the natural goods they were producing were practically excluded by the Commonwealth.

On the other hand, every facility for development was being offered by settlers of other nationalities by their own governments in order to increase their export trade.

(*The Age*, July-August, 1904.)

Chronicle note: a full-page cartoon about Australia and the New Hebrides is on page 7. In the early 20th century the New Hebrides came under joint control of Britain and France, and gained its independence in 1980, changing its name to Vanuatu.

Adverts., *The Bulletin*, July 21, 1904

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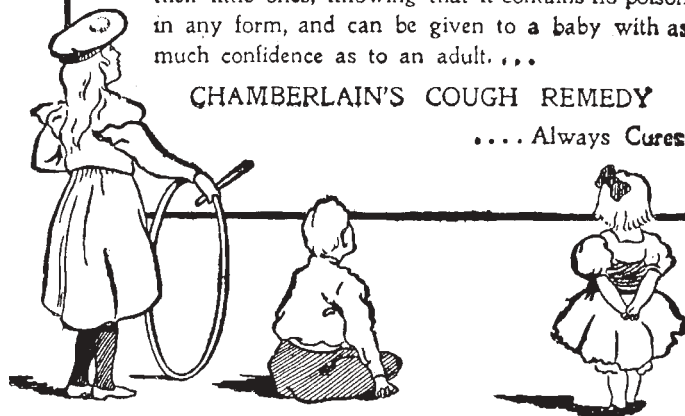


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The Bulletin, Sept. 1, 1904



**AUSTRALIA STARTS A MONROE DOCTRINE.**

“The only chance of realising the ocean destinies of Australia was when the ocean contained only one Australia.” — HALF-PRIME MINISTER REID (to a deputation which urged him to do something in response to the New Hebrides).

L.B.M.: “Well, Sam, old cock, I reckon I’m going to start a Monroe Doctrine of my own. What do you think?”

UNCLE SAM: “Sonny, I calculate you’d better wait awhile and let your feet grow, and try and redooce that there swelling of yer head.”

(Chronicle note: “L.B.M.” stands for “Little Boy from Manly”, the *Bulletin’s* symbol for the “typical Australian”).



# In brief

## Kanaka petition

The Australian Governor-General, Lord Northcote, on tour in Queensland, has received a petition from Kanakas appealing against deportation at the end of next year. His Excellency said that all British subjects, regardless of colour or creed, would receive his best consideration, but that he could not grant their request. He would pass the petition to the proper governmental authorities.

## English ‘chunnel’

A proposal to build a tunnel under the English Channel, linking England to France via rail, has been announced by the Paris Chamber of Commerce. The estimated cost will be £10 million. The concept was first mooted in 1802, and has been revived a number of times since. The French believe that by 1913 the net annual return of running 40 or 50 trains daily would be £280,000.

## Nikola Tesla

Famous inventor, Mr. Nikola Tesla, has announced plans to connect New York City to a wireless-controlled electricity system. His method will illuminate, operate trains and trams, lifts, cars, trucks and ferries, heating and clocks throughout the city.

## Roosevelt again

American President Theodore Roosevelt has won renomination to lead the Republican Party into the forthcoming Presidential election campaign. The Republican convention of 10,000 people, meeting at Chicago, simply went mad, and cheered non-stop for 23 minutes at the announcement. Children waving flags were hoisted shoulder-high and carried around the hall. (*The Age*, July-Aug., 1904.)

*The Bulletin*, July 21, 1904

Among other (Argus) reasons why Kanakas should not be sent back: Many of them have acquired property.



Housewife: “Hello! What are you doing there?”  
Kanaka: “Acquiling plopputy, mum!”

*New York Tribune*, July 28, 1904



“The shades of Lincoln and McKinley are guiding the nation in the way it should go!” (Tenor of President Roosevelt’s speech of acceptance.)

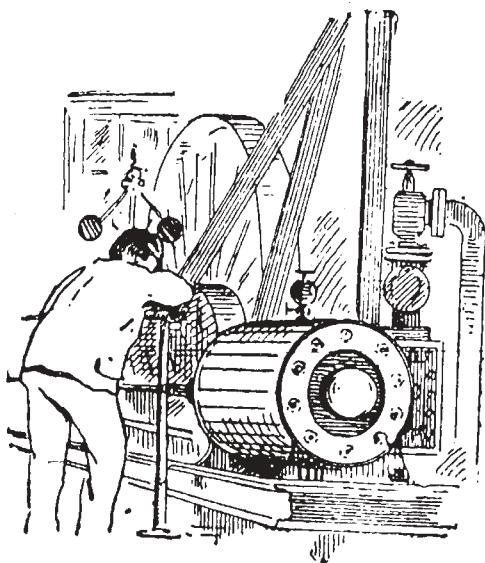


Advt., *The Bulletin*, July 21, 1904

# ULCERATED NECK

## — FOR TWO YEARS. —

A NEWCASTLE ENGINEER PRAISES ZAM-BUK.



“**W**HILE working at my trade of engine-driving,” says Mr. George Haigh, of Newtown, Hamilton, Newcastle, N.S.W., “a steam pipe burst and scalded my neck severely. As the result of this, my neck all broke out in ulcerated and inflamed wounds, and caused me an immense amount of agony. I consulted a doctor—also pretty well all the chemists in Newcastle—who prescribed different lotions, which I applied but without gaining any material benefit. Some of the treatments would heal my neck temporarily, but it would soon break out again. For two years I thus suffered agony, during which period my neck was like raw meat. I could not bear to wear a collar, but always a soft muffler round my neck, and had great difficulty in turning my head. “I had often seen Zam-Buk advertised as a cure for my trouble, and was often on the point of writing for a free sample as advertised, but failed to do so, thinking that it would only be similar to the many other treatments that had proved so useless. One day I met a friend, and when explaining my trouble

to him he presented me with a sample pot of Zam-Buk, which he happened to have with him, and advised me to give it a fair trial, which I promised to do. After the fourth dressing with Zam-Buk, I found the inflammation greatly reduced, and I could turn my head slightly without turning the whole of my body, as formerly. Thus encouraged, I purchased a pot at the chemist's and continued with the treatment, and by the time I had completed this pot my neck was quite healed and as sound as before the accident occurred. I can now wear a stiff collar without discomfort, and, in fact, am my old self again. As you may be assured, the wonderful healing powers of Zam-Buk came as a great revelation to me, and I only wish I had secured it at the first, and thus saved many and many a pound. I am working in the Harbors and Rivers Department, Newcastle, and am well-known in that district, where I never fail to recommend Zam-Buk, which, to my mind, 'is worth its weight in gold.' I shall be pleased to grant a personal interview to anyone to whom my experience may prove of benefit.”

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# Zam-Buk

“RUB IT IN”

# Paderewski enraged

Never probably since Melbourne became a city has such a scene been witnessed as was furnished at the Town Hall three weeks ago, when the renowned pianist, M. Ignacy Paderewski, made his first appearance in Australia.

No need to ask the crowds which thronged the building, applauding till their hands were sore and shrieking till they were hoarse, what they thought of the newcomer, or whether his talents had been overrated. From the very start he gripped his audience and had them at his mercy.

He comes to us with all his unrivalled gifts at their utmost pitch of perfection. His name is one to conjure by alike in Europe and America, in the wildest mining settlements of the west as in the crowded cities of the east.

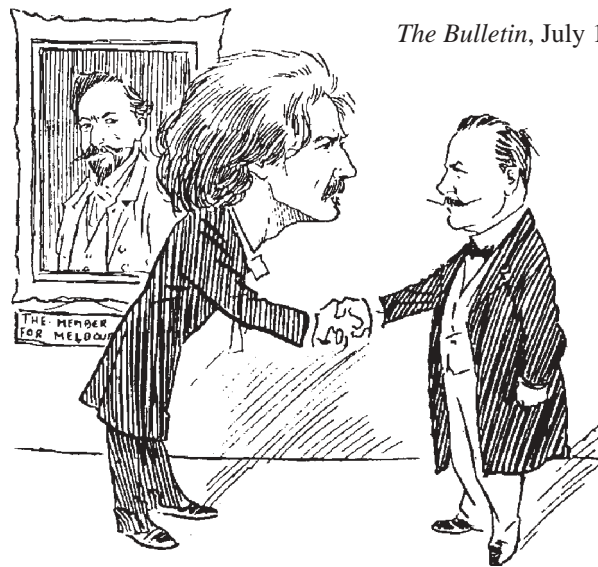
This was in marked contrast yesterday evening, when M. Paderewski gave a recital at the Sydney Town Hall in the presence of a large audience.

Although the programme was greatly enjoyed, at the close the artist left the platform in a towering rage.

During the performance some non-musical members of the audience drifted out of the hall as soon as their curiosity was satisfied. A stirring ovation at the end of the evening, though leading to the addition of two more pieces, found the artist playing to a rapidly diminishing audience.

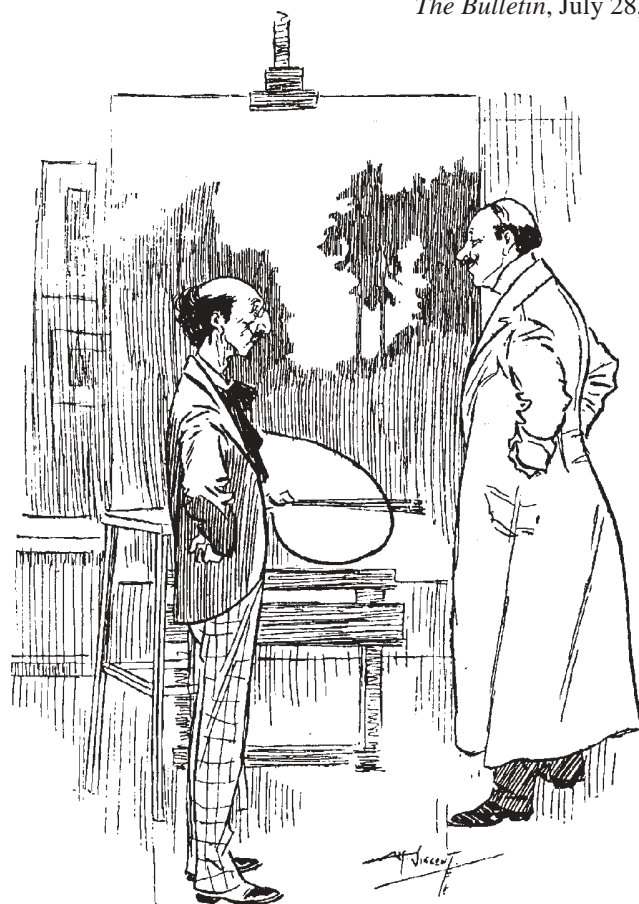
M. Paderewski played, as he stated later, with genuine pleasure to those whose appreciation had led them to remain. But he resented the lack of honor shown to a visiting artist by something like 500 people in hurrying away at such juncture.

"They are nothing but savages," said the irate artist. "In Melbourne no one went out, and I played a longer programme. I have never had an audience behave like that — even in the Wild West."



*The Bulletin, July 14, 1904*

**"Another claim which he had upon them was that he came from Poland — where Freedom was loved." — Smalcolm at the Paderewski reception.  
The Representative of Socialistic Melbourne welcomes the great Pianist.**



*The Bulletin, July 28, 1904*

**AH!**

**Dauber:** "I'm thinking of getting my right hand insured, like Paderewski, to provide against the stoppage of my work through any accident."  
**CRITIC:** "I wouldn't; chances are nothing would occur, and you'd lose your premiums. Besides, with a little practice I should think you could paint just as well with your foot."

# Crime brief

## Ballet girl as P.I.

A New York ballet girl dancer has succeeded in having her stepfather arrested for her mother's murder in Des Moines. Miss Winnie Reader's mother had been burnt to death during her honeymoon with new husband Charles Graves. Miss Reader succeeded in forcing the authorities to perform an autopsy, which showed that her mother had been strangled, then saturated with kerosene and burnt. A jury then found Graves guilty. Having performed her duty, Miss Reader returned to her humble position on the stage in New York.

## Card sharp Count

A Prussian aristocrat, Count Johan Brinski, has been convicted and sentenced to three months' jail for deliberately inviting guests to his house, plying them with alcohol then getting them to play cards while intoxicated, and cheating them.

## Bonesteel outlaws

The residents of Bonesteel, South Dakota, have rounded up and deported to the prairies of Nebraska a gang of lawless toughs. If they attempt to return they will be lynched.

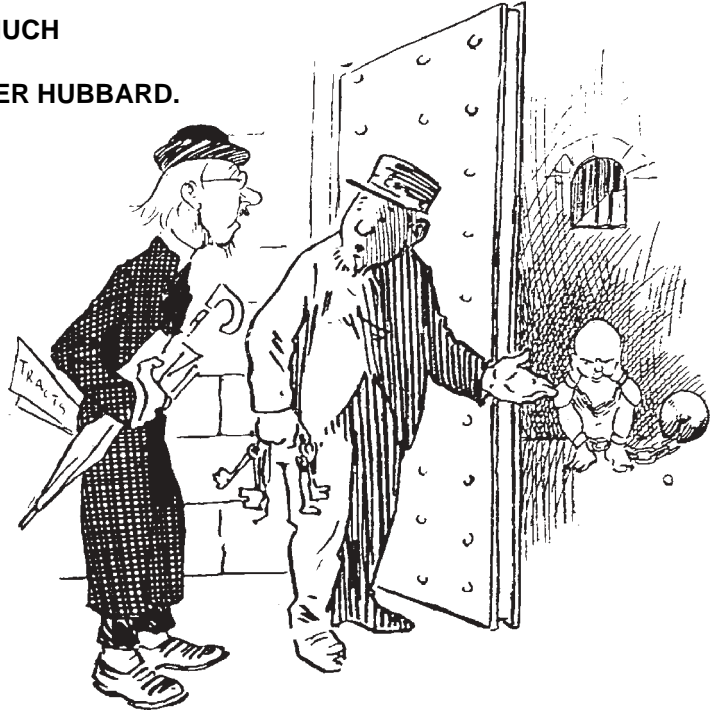
## Mrs. Maybrick freed

Mrs. Florence Maybrick, who poisoned her husband and was jailed for murder in 1889, has been released on the undertaking that she not publish a book about herself, perform on the stage, nor exploit her case for gain while remaining in England. A native of the United States, she has now set sail for that country, where it is expected she will promote her experiences. (*The Age*, July-Aug., 1904.)

*The Bulletin*, July 7, 1904

At Collingwood Frank Hubbard, aged 6 years, sworn to as "utterly uncontrollable" by his mother, was committed to the industrial schools.

TOO MUCH  
FOR  
MOTHER HUBBARD.



Warder: "Orful case this, sir! One of these 'ere monsters in 'Uman form — a 'ome wrecker!"

## Fiction and fact collide in Germany

A sensational novel about military life in a German frontier town has led to a second real-life court-martial, imprisonment and dismissal from the army of an officer.

The novel, *In Our Little Garrison*, was published last year, for which the author, Lieutenant Bilse, served six months' military imprisonment and was dismissed from the army last November.

Lieutenant Withe, identified at the Bilse court-martial as the chief villain of the novel, has now been tried by court-martial on charges of perjury and of maltreating private soldiers in the fashion described in Bilse's book.

The trial was of great interest because most of the witnesses were the originals of the characters in Lieutenant Bilse's novel, and he himself gave evidence.

The result was that Lieutenant

Withe was convicted of maltreating soldiers in 17 cases, and was sentenced to imprisonment for a year, and to dismissal from the army.

Lieutenant Bilse's novel, which caused an immense sensation in Germany, and which has been translated into English and published with court-martial appendices, was ordered by the German War Office to be utterly suppressed.

The novel has little literary merit, no claim to originality, and is obviously a plain re-telling of the immoralities and tyrannies of which his bored fellow officers in a frontier garrison town were guilty.

Lieutenant Bilse was convicted because his resignation as an officer had not been accepted when his novel was published. This was a distinct breach of the military regulations. (From *The Age*, August 2, 1904.)



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# Footy in state schools

## Has the game developed?

All the cricket grounds were saturated on Saturday, but the football was marked by surprising skill.

Football, as played by the leading VFL clubs, has experienced a remarkable development during recent years, skill, judgement and tact having superceded force and weight as important factors in the success of a team.

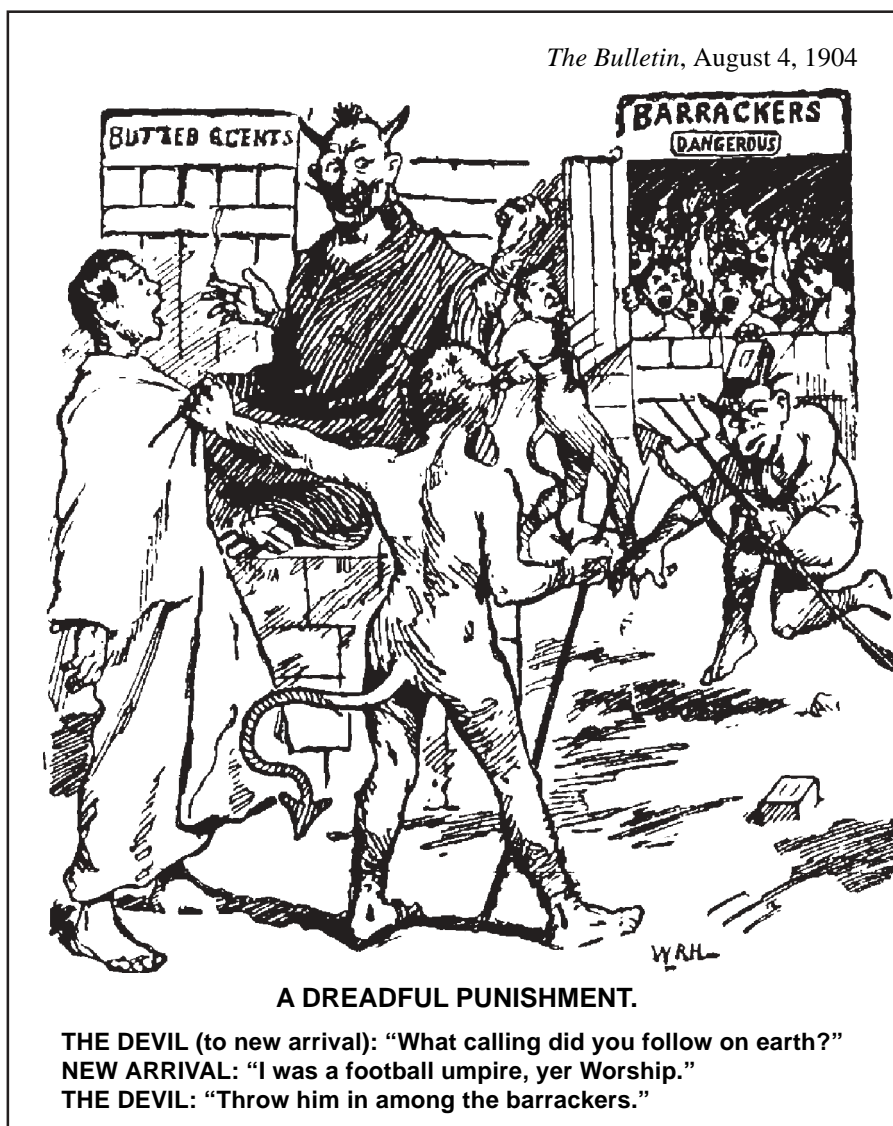
The evolution, though, has left grounds for some regret, especially in the memories of those who recall the days when "Billy" Monie used to fly along the Carlton wing, and "Jasper" Jones, Ben Hall and others looked upon a kick of 60 or 70 yards as a commonplace triviality.

But on the whole, as a game of skill requiring brain and muscle, football in Victoria has never been played better.

In fact a determined and enthusiastic effort is being made to ensure the success of the recently formed State Schools Athletic Association. One effect of the movement will assuredly be to make football even more popular in this State.

It has already been decided that metropolitan and suburban Melbourne be separated into twelve school districts.

The teams in each district will vie for the right to play against the best teams from the other districts, with the champions to meet a State schools team from Sydney in Melbourne on



the same day and ground where two crack League teams are playing off for the premiership.

When asked if the schools might even have the use of the Melbourne Cricket Ground, the MCC official, Major Wardill's, characteristic and terse reply was, "Why, certainly." Edited from *The Age*, July 4, 1904.)

## "Sport" in Spain

Gendarmes at San Sebastian shot dead a tiger after it escaped from a bullring, where it was to fight a bull. Fifty spectators were wounded during the volleys, including a lady who later succumbed to her injuries. (*The Age*, July 27, 1904.)