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Un discours en l'honneur du Président de la Confédération.

(Discours en patois gruyérien, prononcé par Monsieur François Currat, Syndic de Grandvillard, lors de la réception organisée en l'honneur de M. Jean Marie Musy, Président de la Confédération, le 6 janvier 1925.)

Vo m'èchkujèrè che vigno, din la linvoua dè rothré-j-anhyan, vo chublyà dutrè mo a l'orolye. o chède prà ke n'è pà oujā mon ku dè tzothè chu ban di-j-èkoulè, è ke n'è trenè mè kado chu lè pupitre dè l'Univerchità; ly-è po chin ke vigno, din le tètazu ke ly-è aprè chu lè dzèna a ma dona, vo dèbiotā kojyè mo ou nom dè ti hou ke chon in ryola chu le piti tablè ke no no fan l'anā dè vo prèjintā.

Vo ly trovèrè lè vilvo è lè novi-j-èmi dou Granvelā, ke chon ti dèchra fyè dè vère on bordzè d'l'indrè a la titha dou payi: lè-j-arnalyi, avi lou bredzon è lou loyi, ke vo-j-i vo mimo portā din le tin è ke vo-j-amadè adi vère ou dzoa dè vouè; lè grinpèrè dè vani, ke chon pā mō gonhlyo d'ogouè dè vo kontā permi là; lè bucheron, è lè tzhayā, votrè mèlyou-j-èmi.

A propou dè tzhathe, léchi-mè vo kontā on chovini ke n'è djémè oublyā è ke n'oublyèri djémè. Ly a dè chin diora vintèrè-j-an. No-j-èthan i tzamo pè le vani dou grō l'inchè; le premi dzoa d'la tzhathe, no-j-avan èthèrbalā dou-j-intyè, dou fyè bok, ke n'avan portan tyè trè pyôte a tzakon; ma le plye grō ly-irè tyè blyochi, i dzervutavè adi on bon trochenè ply'amon; le plye dzouno tzhayā, dègadij kemin n'a mothilèta, rahlyè in grapiylin-dri amon pè di rotzachon por alā daveron. Kemin nouthron bok chè kraupoumavè a la ya, no-j-a falyu l'inchègni. Adon nothron dzouno tzhayā trè fro dou le bochon dè chè tzothè on piti véro in kouarna, l'implyè dou yādzò dè chan dè tzamo, l'avàlè chin rètznigi in dejin: "Choche po balyi dou korādzò è d'la gnèrga!"

N'è pà fōta dè vo dre ke chi l'intrèpido tzhayā irè Moncheu Muji, nothron Prèjidan d'la Kou-fédèrahyon.

Ly-è le premi yādzò ke ly-avè l'anā dè le kognèthre, ma, du chi dzoa, mè chu dè k'on parlyè dèternenā vindrè on dzoa on'omo dè rèthèta, on'omo dè rètyi. Mè chu-yo tronpā?..

Kan ly-èthè pè le fin fon d'l'Amèrike, mè faji plyèji d'aprinde ke Moncheu Muji faji partya d'la binda di tzhayā dou Granvelā; ly-invouyivo ti lè-j-an, avi ouna légrema i-j-yè, mon mèlyou chovini i tzhayā dè nothré vani.

Che Moncheu le Prèjidan ly-è on to manifè po manéji la mounéya, n'è pà on gōtzo po chè chervi d'on pètiru; che-n'è pà kemin le kapetan dè Balavouèrda ke tyavè lè tzamo chin lou perhyi la pi, Moncheu Muji tirè pà chvā chin rère rēbedoulā la bithe ke ly-a mirā. Dou richto to chin ke fā le fā bin.

Ly-è po chin ke vilvo è dzouno mo märtzerin chu votrè pā, no tātzerin dè vo-j-imitā in prègin korādzò è in fajin dou mi in mi.

Vudrè onkon vo chublyā on piti mo in katzon. Ly-è oyu dre ke l'on ou l'ōtro dè nothré grō bouè dè Furboa, vudran rēbetā inman lè tzhathè loyè. Tātchidè-vè, vo, ke vo-j-i gran bré, dè pā léchi fère ha fregātze; no cheran invayi pè n'a binda d'anglé, dè tutche, d'inguenò, d'èthrandzo è dè galabontin ke chudran dou kāju tota la jografi. Rin dè hou-j-avignéro: ke chobrichan intche-lā è no, intche-no.

K'on'ōche onkor'ouma rahlyālyè dè-j-an le plyèji è l'anā dè vo retrōvā in Tichenèva, le premi dzoa d'la tzhathe.

Ma pō pā vo réchi plye grantin, vo prcyo, Moncheu le Prèjidan, dè rēchouèdre chi piti chovini di-j-èmi dou Granvelā, ke vo-j-invityo a vigni adi ti lè-j-an vo rēpikolā chè d'amon; vo cheri rēchu lè kà chu la man.

Kan vo cheri korbatu, chandzèvrā, inkmahlyā permi ti hou konto dè milion è dè milion, è ke vo chari chou dè grābè pèvé hou-j-ou dè Bèrna, vinidè a chō amon nothré kalyoutzè; vo retrōvèri on tzamo ke vo balyèrè chon chan, po vo-j-inkoradjī è vo rēbetā d'la gnèrga.

A VISIT BY A 'CAT BURGLAR.'

Our compatriot, Mr. W. de Bourg, the First Secretary of the Swiss Legation, has had the unfortunate distinction of receiving a visit from a "cat burglar" on Monday evening at his home in Montagu Square, W. The man climbed a stack-pipe that runs close to the window of the dining-room while the family were at dinner, and forced open the front bedroom window on the second floor. The following details were published in the morning papers and are taken from the *Daily Chronicle* version of the 14th inst:—

Among the missing articles of value are:—
Antique turquoise necklace, made up of 20 large stones, strung with small pearls inter-vening, and a large pearl tassel attached.

Six other necklaces of value, ranging from £100 upwards.

An engagement ring (sapphire set in brilliants) belonging to Mrs. de Bourg.

Platinum ring set with three large diamonds. A diamond-and-gold bracelet.

An Italian cameo brooch, carved in transparent stone, and surrounded by a setting of brilliants.

Gold chain, with medallion made of two old Spanish coins.

A number of smaller rings and brooches of less value.

With the gold chain was a locket containing a portrait of Mrs. de Bourg's brother, an officer of the 1st Dragoon Guards, who was killed in the South African War.

None of the stolen jewels are insured. Although their total value was not reckoned at more than £3,000, several of the articles had a sentimental value. The turquoise necklace once belonged to Mrs. de Bourg's mother, the late Lady Samuelson, and a chain bracelet set with stones was the gift of her dead sister.

In a special interview, Mr. de Bourg said the robbery took place while he and his wife were at dinner in the evening.

"The thief must have been very daring. If he had fallen while climbing the stack-pipe he would have had a drop of about 35 feet, into the area or on the rails.

"It was my wife who first discovered that the premises had been entered. After we had finished dinner she went upstairs to her room, but found the door locked from the inside. When it was forced open we saw that someone had entered by the window, and a search revealed the fact that a number of pieces of jewellery were missing.

"Some of the stolen property was taken from drawers of the dressing table, and the remainder from bags in the room.

"Careful as he was, the burglar evidently made some noise, but at the time we thought the post-man had dropped some letters into the box of the front door.

"Our nurse, who was dining with us, got up and ran to the door, but found no letters. She came back and said so, and we thought no more of the incident at the time."

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PERSONAL.

Members and friends of the "Schweizerbund," 74, Charlotte Street, W.1, have made a little collection for the benefit of the widow of the late Mr. Henry Bachofen, and the amount of £15 has now been received by Mrs. Bachofen, for which she wishes to return sincere thanks.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Pfandler are greatly relieved and very glad to be able to inform their friends and acquaintances that their eldest son has now taken a turn for the better, and is making fair progress towards recovery.

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Sonntag, 18. Januar, 11 Uhr vorm.—Gottesdienst. Pfr. W. Dietsche. 6.30 p.m. (im 'Foyer Suisse')—Abendgottesdienst. Pfr. W. Dietsche.

Dritter Gemeindeabend in Verbindung mit dem Swiss Y.M.C.A. Samstag, 24. Januar, 5.30 im 'Foyer Suisse.' Referat: "Geschichte der St. Anne's Church seit dem 12. Jahrhundert."

FORTHCOMING EVENTS.

Saturday, Jan. 17th, at 6.30.—CITY SWISS CLUB: Cinderella Dance at Gatti's Restaurant, 436, Strand, W.C.

Wednesday, Jan. 21st, at 8.30.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: Monthly Meeting at 1, Gerrard Place, W.1.

Wednesday, Jan. 21st, at 7.30.—NOUV. SOC. HELVETIQUE: Council Meeting at 28, Red Lion Sq., W.C.1.

Friday, Feb. 13th, at 8.30.—SWISS INSTITUTE: Lecture by J. Bulman Smith, Esq., M.A., on "The Significance of Little Things."

Wednesday, Feb. 18th, at 8.30.—SWISS MERCANTILE SOCIETY: Annual General Meeting at 1, Gerrard Place, W.1.

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