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CLAIMS ALLOWED.

County Supervisors Make a Division of the County Spoils.

The board met pursuant to adjournment all members being present. Committee recommend that the following claims be allowed on the general fund:

A. H. Crandall	jury service	.....	$ 10 40
Walter Johnson,	do	.....	9 40
$7.42 applied on back taxes.			
J G Heddle,	do	.....	8 10
W H Moses,	do	.....	11 80
A S Purcell,	do	.....	10 80
Adolph Carstensen,	do	.....	11 40
Oscar Collins,	do	.....	10 50
Casper Rakowski,	do	.....	9 60
Applied on back taxes.			
G L Hutchins,	do	.....	11 30
Samuel Guye,	do	.....	12 20
H A Goodrich,	do	.....	3 09
Ole Begrud,	do	.....	3 50
Emmett Collins,	do	.....	4 10
A J Firkins,	do	.....	4 10
Albert Bryan,	do	.....	4 10
H P Daggett,	do	.....	4 10
Applied on back taxes.			
R C Schwaner,	do	.....	4 10
Abe Duryea,	do	.....	13 20
Charles Barnes,	do	.....	4 10
O P Moulton,	do	.....	4 10
C N Potter,	do	.....	4 10
M D L Taylor,	do	.....	4 10
J W Spicer;	do	.....	4 10
J H Carson,	do	.....	4 10
Martin Stichler,	do	.....	11 00
G T Winter,	do	.....	10 10
Sam Hughes,	do	.....	2 70
Applied of back taxes,			
B Preston,	do	.....	11 20
King Hoff,	do	.....	11 00
E B Knott,	do	.....	3 80
Frank Wheatcraft, elct. services		.....	4 00
Applied on back taxes.			
A R Honnold,	do	.....	4 00
J P Braden,	do	.....	4 00
W N Reeves,	do	.....	7 90
H C Thusen,	do	.....	4 00
W B Green,	do	.....	7 50
H M Timmerman,	do	.....	4 00
J C Bridges,	do	.....	7 80
C T Hogue,	do	.....	4 00
C E Corlett,	do	.....	4 00
Ralph Stafford,	do	.....	4 00
M. D. Ernest,	do	.....	4 00
M Mayo,	do	.....	4 00
James Tatlow,	do	.....	4 00
R W Phair,	do	.....	4 00
Applied on back taxes.			
J F Hull,	do	.....	4 00
H W F Marke,	do	.....	4 00
B T Ulm,	do	.....	4 00
Frank A Kates,	do	.....	6 00
Applied on back taxes.			
Wesley Hiatt, rejected	do	.....	2 00
P M Gilchrist,	do	.....	4 00
Frank Masin,	do	.....	4 00
Geo Hoatby,	do	.....	4 00
Jos Prince,	do	.....	4 00
W J Hather,	do	.....	4 00
Elmer S King,	do	.....	4 90
P M Gilchrist,	do	.....	4 00
J E Tolen,	do	.....	4 00
J D Bridges,	do	.....	4 00
Geo Jensen,	do	.....	4 00
M B Goodenow,	do	.....	4 00
N D Maxfield,	do	.....	4 00
T G Muller,	do	.....	6 80
$4 allowed,			
N F East,	do	.....	4 00
P S Morris,	do	.....	6 00
W L Ramsey,	do	.....	4 00
E J Clements,	do	.....	4 00
I S Fretz,	do	.....	5 00
Emil G. Hansen,	do	.....	6 80
Henry Hansen,	do	.....	4 00
C L Frey,	do	.....	4 00
St. Wazniak,	do	.....	4 00
W A Bartlett,	do	.....	7 50
W H Harrison, ap on tax	do		7 00
Frank Kokes	do	.....	6 80
Frank Travis,	do	.....	4 80
C H Rathburn,	do	.....	5 80
Geo D Upright,	do	.....	7 40
Geo H Benn,	do	.....	4 00
H A Goodrich,	do	.....	4 00
Geo Millard,	do	.....	4 00
Roy S Rashaw, rejected	do	.....	3 00
Elmer S King	do	.....	4 00
Clinton Uphom,	do	.....	4 00
J F Wheatcraft	do	.....	3 00
B H Johnson,	do	.....	4 00
G W Finch,	do	.....	4 00
E S Fretz, app on tax	do	.....	4 00
John Bell, Jr.	do	.....	4 00
Ernest H Marks,	do	.....	6 80
J P Davis,	do	.....	4 00
Frank Volf,	do	.....	4 00
L R Alphin,	do	.....	8 20
C McMindes, app on tax	do	.....	4 00
Omar Ernest	do	.....	4 00
J G C Heddle	do	.....	6 00
Peter Jensen,	do	.....	4 00
Herman Westover,	do	.....	6 00
C W Burrows, ap on tax	do	.....	6 00
T W Weaver, mdse		.....	4 10
G W Milford & Son, mdse		.....	2 10
F J Dworak, mdse		.....	24 00
F J Dworak, mdse $12.00 allowed at		....	6 00
A M Daniels, casket for pauper		.....	14 00
A Csantowski, burying pauper, rejected			7 00
Mary Csantowski, caring for pauper		...	5 00
E J Bond, salary, county physician		.....	87 50
Lyle Craig, Drayage		.....	4 00
E A Russell, witness fees, rejected		.....	4 20
Fred Strathdee, assessing		.....	15 20
Mary Kralis, caring for insane		.....	8 00
Wm Weare, plastering		.....	11 30
E B Knott, work, rejected		.....	5 00
John Pokraka, assessing		.....	3 00
Wm Timm work		.....	2 90
H Gudmundsen, bailiff		.....	14 00
Barney Weare, baliff		.....	20 90
State Journal, supplies		.....	124 90
Allowed in $117.			
Walter Johnson, assessing		.....	55 00
L Blessing, salary		.....	200 00
Joseph Skolil, rejected		.....	3 00
Herman Westover, com. of Insanity		....	6 00
F D Haldeman, com. of Insanity		.....	8 00
Kroetch Bros., coal and lumber		.....	103 87
Albert Bryan, taxes p'd. under protest		..	6 75
Referred to County Attorney.			
W B Potter,	do	...	17 94
Referred to County Attorney.			
Luke Mattley, taxes p'd under protest		..	2 70
T C Tracy,	do	...	7 10
Referred to County Attorney.			
E N Williams, taxes p'd under protest		..	23 48
Dwight Pierce,	do	..	3 22
Theron Beherle,	do	..	3 40
E J Brace,	do	..	5 44
Frank Kriz,	do	..	5 40
J H Capron	do	..	70 84
J A Wentworth,	do	..	3 35
L H Robbins,	do	..	1 18
Katie Numa,	do	..	16 65
Joel Townsend, election services		..	4 00
Cornell Bros., mdse		..	11 65
Jaques & Barstow, use of office at Elyria			30 00
Rejected.			
W E Whitney, election		..	4 00
J L Claflin, rent $75, co, printing		..	150 00
W N Rood, taxes p'd under protest		..	3 12
Loup Valley Grain Co., coal		.....	115 25
E. R Brown, meals to jury		.....	9 75
J R Barnes, election services		.....	4 00
J W Beran, jury service		.....	10 10
Guy Clement, taxes doubly paid		.....	19 36
S A Morrison, printing notice		.....	1 25
Ord Hardware Co. mdse		.....	17 10
W N Reeves, taxes doubly paid		.....	16 50
S C Brace, jury service		.....	12 50
Ord school district, teution, laid over		....	300 75
Rollin Smith, drayage		.....	7 70
Vincent Parkos, taxes doubly paid		.....	14 70
C A Munn, srlary and supplies		.....	323 85
State Journal, supplies, $23.53, allowed.			17 53
Frank Bower, election services		.....	4 00
J Wentworth, work on co farm, 3.56 tax			102 87
W B Keown, office supplies		.....	3 60
W W Haskell, supplies		.....	111 40
Adam Smith, sheriff		.....	3 50
J M Stone, meals for jury		.....	7 00
W. H. Carson, reffrd to city attorney		....	90 38
Henry Stone, care of insane		.....	9 80
Barney Brickner, taxes dbly paid		.....	28 55
L Blessing, salary		.....	200 00
Adam Smith, sheriffs fees		.....	9 00
W B Keown, stamps		.....	15 00
H Westover, com of insanity		.....	3 00
H M Davis, same		.....	6 35
J W Perry, supplies		.....	1 36
A Norman, attorney feee, $8.30 on tax		...	25 00
Vincent Kokes, office supplies		.....	32 85
F D Haldeman, com. of insanity		.....	8 00
Laid over claim school dist. 5, tuition		...	74 20
P W Busby water commissioner		.....	18 00
S N Arnold, supervisor services		.....	22 10
I Klima, same		.....	22 50
C W Burrows, care insane ap. on tax		....	7 50
J A Ollis, services as supervisors		.....	12 50
T M Trindle, same		.....	22 80
T M Arindle, same		.....	34 30
John Fogt, same		.....	31 50
Jorgen Moller, same		.....	25 50
H C Perry, same		.....	27 70
R L Staple, recording		.....	9 40
James Sterling, election services		.....	4 00
Geo W Smith, taxes doubly paid		.....	4 47
Geo W Smith, same		.....	22 49

On motion the report of the committee was adopted and the clerk ordered to draw warrants accordingly.

The committee on claims reported and recommended that claims against the county bridge fund be allowed as follows:

George Millard, repairing bridge	.....	$ 26 00
Thos Zulkowski, same	.....	7 00
Yeager Koupal & Co., lumber	.....	12 35
M H Van Kirk, repairing bridge	.....	5 00
M L Fries, lumber	.....	53 35
E W Trout, bridge work	.....	6 00
John Webb, same	.....	6 00
Tom Zulkowski, same	.....	4 00
J C Work, blacksmithing	.....	21 88
Means & Tully, bridge	.....	327 44
Allowed $308.69.		
John Webb, grading	.....	620 50
W S Waters, bridge work	.....	12 00
Goddard Bros., hardware	.....	1 80
Canton Bridge Co., bridge material	.....	100 44
Referred to full board.		
Canton Bridge Co., Arcadia bridge	.....	2662 92
Canton Bridge Co., Davis Creek bridge	...	360 00
John Fogt, bridge work	.....	33 50
H C Perry, services as Supervisor	.....	9 20
Jorgen Moller, bridge work	.....	17 00

On motion the report of the committee was adopted and the clerk ordered to draw warrants accordingly.

The claim of the Canton Bridge Co for $100.44 was taken up and on motion it was allowed in the sum of $10.34, being pay for 12 2x12x16 oak.

The commiittee on road claims reported and reccommended that claims be allowed as follows:

F J Bouda, road service	.....	8 00
John Kokes, appr damages	.....	6 00
Louis Beran,	do	3 00
J D Bradeu,	do	3 00
Jacob Paperoik,	do	3 00
Dan Burk, asst surveyor	.....	2 25
Chas Drawbridge, same	.....	2 00
Frank Redliver, same	.....	5 00
Martin Stiehler, same	.....	3 75
Paul Gebauer, same	.....	3 75
D H Buss, same	.....	3 75
Bert Dailey, same	.....	3 75
E T Gardener, viewing road	.....	3 50
Chas, J Nelson, surveying	.....	12 50
J C Meese, viewing road	.....	8 80

On motion Mr. Fogt was instructed to get the dimensions of the bridge across Turtle Creek at Mr. Gregory's and report same to the county clerk, and the clerk was instructed to advertise for bids, said bridge to be either out of iron or wood, placed on cedar piling, plans and specifications to accompany each bid.

Moved and carried that a committee of two be appointed who together with the chairman are empowered to accept or reject bids on this bridge. Messrs. Fogt and Klima were so appointed.

On motion Mr. Perry was instructed to have vault in basement of the court house repaired and to procure iron doors for same. Also to have the walk around the court house square kept in repair at as small an expense as possible.

On motion the clerk was authorized to purchase a copy of the statutes for the use of the clerk of the district court.

On motion the clerk was authorized to make requisition for supplies that are furnished by the state.

On motion the action taken on the bid of the First National Bank was reconsidered.

On motion a committee of three consisting of Messrs. Moller Ollis and Perry, were appointed to see Mr. Mortensen in regard to the bid of the bank.

On motion the board adjourned to 9 o'clock a. m. Jan. 13.

The board met at 2 o'clock p. m. all members present.

The First National Bank presented a new bid as follows:

ORD, Neb. January 13, 1900.

To th honorable board of supervisor. Valley county, Nebraska.

Dear Sirs:—Having filed a bond for county money as required by law we herewith request that you appoint the First National Bank of Ord, Nebr., as a county depository and we agree to pay interest on the average daily balance of the several funds deposited at the rate of 3 per cent per annum the total amount on which interest is to be paid not to exceed 30 per cent of the capital stock of this bank as required by law.

Yours Respectfully,
E. M. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

On motion the First National Bank was designated as a depository for county funds and the bid of the bank was accepted. The bond of the First National Bank was presented and upon motion the same was approved.

County Treasurer Keown made the following request:

ORD, Neb., Jan. 13, 1900.

TO THE HONORABLE COUNTY BOARD:

DEAR SIRS:—I have on hand money placed in envelopes to pay

Warrant of issue	3807	Reg. 180....	$4 95
do	3686	Reg. 184....	1 10
do	3461	Reg 169....	4 47
do	3333	Reg. 350....	1 20

The same having been redeemed in taxes and above warrants now in the hands of the county clerk, please instruct me what to do with same.

Respectfully,
W. B. KEOWN.

On motion the treasurer was instructed to turn the money into the county general fund.

On motion the county attorney was instructed to collect the expenses of special elections of the Springdale, North Loup and Ord Irrigation districts, which expenses were guaranteed by said districts

On motion the action of the committee in regard to claim of Mr. Osantowski was ascertained.

On motion the county treasurer was instructed to transfer the money now in the bond fund and what may be collected from time to time, of school district number 9 to the general fund of said districts.

On motion the board adjourned till June 15, 1900. FRANK KOUPAL, County Clerk.

Lewis Dennis, Salem, Ind., says; "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure did me more good than anything I ever took." It digests what you eat and can not help but cure dyspepsia and stomach troubles. Ben. Bridgford.

While other states may be looking over the new wheels for 1900, Iowa has decided to change her Gear.

MANY young women are completely prostrated for a week out of every month by menstrual sufferings. The terrors of menstruation overshadow their whole lives. How needless this is in most cases is shown by the thousands of grateful letters constantly coming to Mrs. Pinkham at Lynn, Mass., from women she has helped.

HAGGARD FACES OF WOMEN

MISS JOIE SAUL, Dover, Mich., writes as follows to Mrs. Pinkham:

"I suffered untold agony every month and could get no relief until I tried your medicine; your letter of advice and a few bottles of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound have made me the happiest woman alive. I shall bless you as long as I live."

MISS ROSA HELDEN, 126 W. Cleveland Ave., Canton, O., writes:

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Four years ago I had almost given up hope of ever being well again. I was afflicted with those dreadful headache spells which would sometimes last three or four days. Also had backache, bearing-down pains, leucorrhœa, dizziness, and terrible pains at monthly periods confining me to my bed. After reading so many testimonials for your medicine, I concluded to try it. I began to pick up after taking the first bottle, and have continued to gain rapidly, and now feel like a different woman. I can recommend Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in highest terms to all sick women."

Pain leaves its mark. Faces become pale and thin. Features grow sharp and haggard. The stamp of suffering is unmistakable. Write to Mrs. Pinkham for aid. Her experience is the widest in the world and her advice is free.

Strange Prophecies.

Clement V and Philip IV procured the condemnation of Molay, the grand master of the Templars, to the stake. As he was led to execution Molay cited his persecutors to appear before God's throne, the king within 40 weeks and the pope within 40 days. Within those respective times both died. Rienzi, the last of the tribunes, condemned to death Fra Moriale. When he had pronounced the sentence, the culprit summoned the judge to meet death himself within the month, and within the month Rienzi was assassinated.

In 1575 Nanning Koppezoon, a Roman Catholic, tortured to death during the religious strife in the Netherlands, recanted his extorted confession when on the way to the scaffold. A clergyman, Jurian Epeszoon, tried to drown his voice by clamorous prayer. The victim summoned him to meet him within three days at the bar of God, and Epeszoon went home and died within that time. While at the stake Wishart openly denounced Cardinal Beaton: "He shall be brought low, even to the ground, before the trees which have supplied these fagots have shed their leaves." The trees were but in the bravery of their May foliage when the bleeding body of the cardinal was hung by his murderers over the battlements of St. Andrews.—Chambers' Journal.

The Butterfly's Pocket.

The male butterflies have the proud privilege of a pocket, but the pocket of a butterfly is wonderfully made. It is really an extension of the under wing folded back on the upper side, but it is exquisitely colored and marked like the upper side, so that it is very hard to detect, and no one has yet discovered just how it is opened, although undoubtedly the butterfly can throw it open while he is flying.

At first glance there seems to be only white or amber colored silk floss within, but examine this with a microscope and you will find twisted ribbons, slender rods shaped like a shepherd's crook, others jointed bamboolike and flexible rods and tiny scales of various sorts and patterns.

It is known that insects have a marvelously keen scent, and it is believed that all these odd little objects are perfume boxes and that the fragrance so thrown abroad is a signal call to the female butterfly, which may be wandering about in the air. It is, to say the least, a very interesting guess, and there is evidence to prove that butterflies and moths are summoned from distances by odors that we would hardly notice.—Philadelphia Times.

A Maori Legend.

In Cassell's Little Folks there is a quaint Maori fairy tale which concludes thus: "Suddenly the father, who had been looking up into the western sky, cried out in a glad voice: 'There they are! I see them!' The mother came running out at his cry, and together they saw their two children standing hand in hand far away in the sides of the sky, the two little stars that had not been there before. 'Let us follow them,' said the mother, and together they rose into the deepening twilight and fled after their children.

"But Piri and Noko, far off in the sky, saw their parents coming and, thinking they were angry, sped away toward the western horizon. The parents followed, and when they reached the highway of Tane that god of light changed them into stars. And now, when the night is clear, you may see two little twin stars flying away toward the west and some distance behind two larger stars in vain pursuit. Thus forever they go round and round the world, Piri and Noko running away from their parents because they were so foolish as to think their mother did not love them."

Not Entitled to a Puff.

"I believe the man who was more afraid of advertising something for nothing than any newspaper man I have ever seen," said a Chicago newspaper man, "was John Knapp of the old St. Louis Republican. He hated to print a doctor's or lawyer's name for fear he would give a free puff.

"One time there was mention made in the paper of a man having died of Bright's disease of the kidneys. Old man Knapp hunted up the copy reader.

"'What do you mean,' he said, 'by running in the name Bright in our columns? He is not an advertiser in our paper and is not entitled to a notice unless he pays for it.'"—Denver Post.

Heartless Critic.

Playwright—I suppose you saw the premier performance of my comedy last night?

First Nighter—Yes; I was there.

Playwright—How did you like the climax of the first act?

First Nighter—Really, I didn't see that.

Playwright—Too bad! Got there too late, eh?

First Nighter—No; went away too soon.—Catholic Standard and Times.

Not Nicotine, but Pyridines.

It is doubtful whether any nicotine ever reaches the mouth of the smoker except that present in the moistened tobacco which is in contact with the lips. The smoke products of tobacco do not contain any important quantity of nicotine, the chief toxic bodies being related to that interesting series of organic bases known to chemists as pyridines.—Lancet.

The peculiar gait to which the South American horses are trained, known as the "paseo de trote," is a mincing step, so light and easy that the hoofs scarcely touch the ground. It is said to have been acquired in the early days of the Spanish invasion.

It's love that makes the world go round, but money makes it go round without squeaking.—Somerville Journal.

If the man does not stop the cough the cough stops the man; stops his appetite, his sleep, his pleasure and his work. So called "cough remedies" sometimes relieve but they don't go deep enough to cure. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery cures coughs and diseases of the respiratory organs perfectly and permanently. It stops the cough. It heals the lungs, stops the hemorrhage, if the lungs are bleeding, and by purifying the blood and increasing the action of the blood-making glands enriches every organ with the good blood which alone will make a good body.

"My husband had been coughing for years and people frankly told me that he would go into consumption," writes Mrs. John Shireman, of No. 265 25th Place, Chicago, Ill. "He had such terrible coughing spells, we not only grew much alarmed, but looked for the bursting of a blood vessel or a hemorrhage at almost any time. After three days' coughing he was too weak to cross the room. The doctor did him no good. I stated the case to a druggist, who handed me a bottle of Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. My husband's recovery was remarkable. In three days after he began using Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery he was up and around, and in two more days he went to work. Two bottles cured him."

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Wealth changes some men more than age.

The suitor for a girl's hand ought to suit her.

Enemies of the cigarette never make light of it.

A man's faults attract more attention than his virtues.

The office boy never sets up his employer as his ideal hero.

Money talks, but one can't always exchange talk for currency.

The wonderful genius of some men prevents them from earning a living.

He that is not aware of his ignorance will be only misled by his knowledge.

The printer is a generous, wholesouled fellow—he is always setting 'em up.

The dressmaker's apprentice gets very small wages—yet she seams to make a living.

Wealth doesn't always bring happiness. Even a millionaire's trousers bag at the knees.

Dealers in dyspepsia remedies are not very much elated over the threatened strike of the Chicago piemakers.

Some men have the reputation of being jolly good fellows—but that doesn't go with the paying teller of a bank.

Galileo, probably, would have escaped persecution if his discoveries could have been disproved and his reasonings refuted.

There is to be a cut in the wages of sleeping car conductors. It has been found impracticable to cut down the pillows any more.

The tendency of the love of commendation is to make a man exert himself; of the love of admiration, to make him puff himself.

American mules are now vaccinated before being sent to South Africa, but the vaccination doesn't work when a Mauser bullet strikes them.

A Chicago man has been convicted of forgery. His alleged victim bore the same name as himself. That's what's in a name—sometimes.

"A little learning is a dangerous thing," and yet it is what all must attain before they can arrive at great learning; it is the utmost acquisition of those who know the most, in comparison of what they do not know. The field of science may be compared to an American forest, in which the more trees a man cuts down the greater is the expanse of wood he sees around him.

Early and long familiarity is apt to generate a careless indifference to many objects which, if new to us, would excite a great and a just admiration; and many are inclined to hold cheap a stranger, who expresses wonder at what seems to us very natural and simple, merely because we have been used to it, while, in fact, perhaps, our apathy is a more just subject of contempt than his astonishment.

Prior to 1871-2 the world's production of beet sugar had never reached 1,000,000 tons; in the present year it is, according to latest estimates, 5,510,000 tons, while the cane sugar crop, which in 1871-2 was 1,599,000 tons, is in the present year 2,904,000 tons. Thus cane-sugar production has scarcely doubled during the period under consideration, while that from beets has more than quintupled. Meantime the price has fallen more than one-half, the average cost in foreign countries of all sugar imported into the United States in the fiscal year 1872 being 2.37 cents per pound, and in 1899 2.39 cents per pound. No instance of the world's production of foodstuffs has been more rapid or striking than that with reference to beet sugar. In 1854-5 the total beet-sugar crop of the world was but 182,000 tons; in 1884-5 it was 2,545,000 tons; in 1894-5, 4,792,793 tons, and in 1899-1900, 5,510,000 tons. In 1854-5 beet sugar formed 13 per cent of the world's total sugar crop, and in 1899-1900 it formed 66 per cent. Thus the sugar-producing area of the world has in less than a half-century been shifted from the tropics northward, and the farmer of the temperate zone, through the aid of science in the remarkable improvement of a plant, has successfully competed with the low-priced labor of the tropics and has also reduced by one-half the cost of the article produced.

At Frankfort, Ky., the other day three men were killed and four wounded in a shooting affray arising out of an army dispute a year old. Two of the victims were bystanders. On the whole, considering the numbers engaged, the ordinary Kentucky feud is more deadly than a modern battle.

It is sincerely to be hoped that no practical joker will drop a bottle of bluing in the Mississippi and make the good people of St. Louis imagine that the waters of Lake Michigan have at last rushed in upon them.

Young students should remember that by a confession of real ignorance must real knowledge be gained; and even when that further knowledge is not gained, still even the knowledge of the ignorance is a great thing in itself—so great, it seems as to have constituted Socrates the wisest of his time.

The best security against revolution is in constant correction of abuses and introduction of needed improvements. It is the neglect of timely repair that makes rebuilding necessary.

ROBERTS IS OUSTED

House by Overwhelming Vote Refuses to Seat.

THE MAJORITY PLAN IS APPROVED

Scheme to Swear In and then Expel Abandoned—Excluded Member Says He Can Go Back to Utah With a Light Heart—Other News.

The case of Brigham H. Roberts, the Mormon representative-elect from Utah, which has occupied so much of the attention of the house since the assembly of congress, was decided Thursday by the adoption of a resolution to exclude him by a vote of 278 to 50. The exact language of the resolution was as follows:

"That under the fact of circumstances of the case Brigham H. Roberts, representative-elect from the state of Utah, ought not to have or hold a seat in the house of representatives, and that the seat to which he was elected is hereby declared vacant."

The amendment to expel Mr. Roberts without seating him, offered by Mr Lacey, was ruled out on a point of order, and the house only voted upon the resolution of the majority and minority of the committee. The latter, to seat and then expel Mr. Roberts was defeated, 81 to 244. An analysis of this vote shows that 170 republicans, seventy-two democrats and two populists voted against, and seventeen democrats, six republicans, two populists and two silver republicans for it.

The majority resolutions, to exclude Mr. Roberts and declare the seat vacant, were adopted, 278 to 50. The affirmative vote was divided as follows: Republicans 164, democrats 98, populists 4, and the negative vote democrats 47, silver republicans 2, populists 1.

There were over a score of speakers and the closing speeches on each side were particularly able. Mr. Lanham of Texas closed for the majority and Mr. DeArmond of Missouri for the minority.

Mr. Roberts was present throughout the day and only left the hall after the result of the last vote had been announced. As he did so he gave out a statement justifying his retention of his plural wives on the ground that his moral obligation was more binding upon his conscience than technical obedience to statutory law, and saying that there was little excuse for the extraordinary efforts to crush a system already abandoned and practically dead. He said he was a martyr so a "spasm of prejudice." He would not, he said, attempt to run for congress again, although he would go back home with a light heart, confident of the future.

PLAGUE IS GAINING GROUND

Thirty-four Deaths Reported From Honolulu.

A special from Victoria, B. C., says: "The steamer Miowera, just arrived, has news of thirty-eight deaths at Honolulu from the plague, one a white woman of good class. The city is panic-stricken. An armed mob prevents the landing of steamers at Hilo. Cooper, of the board of health of Honolulu, had ten blocks burned. Dr. Carmichael has been ordered to Manila. Thirty-four hundred Japanese at Honolulu are in quarantine.

COME TO LINCOLN FEB. 19TH

Chairman Butler Announces Date of the Populists Meeting.

Senator Butler, chairman of the national executive committee of the people's party, Thursday issued a call for a meeting of that committee to be held in Lincoln, Neb., Monday, February 19, for the purpose of naming the time and place for holding the national convention of that party. The executive committee consists of three members from each state.

Urges Reimbursement.

President McKinley has sent to the senate papers bearing upon the claim of the Cuba Submarine Telegraph company, a British corporation, for expenses incurred in repairing damage done to the company's cables and other property by the United States forces during the war with Spain. The bill amounts in the aggregate to 8,174 pounds sterling. President McKinley sent a brief message recommending the payment of the account as "an act of comity and equity."

Explosion of Coal Oil.

At Fairmont, Burt Prescott, a boy fourteen years of age, poured kerosene oil into the cook stove to start a fire. He then threw a match in the stove, when there was an explosion that threw the lids off the stove and burned his hand to a blister. No other serious damage was done.

Gift for State of Kansas.

The bill giving the Fort Hayes military reservation to the state of Kansas for educational purposes has been favorably reported by the house committee on public lands.

Many Diamonds Stolen.

Diamonds valued at $6,000 were stolen from the safe in the office of Joseph K. Davidson & Son, manufacturing jewelers, Philadelphia. The thief knew the combination, as there were no marks on the safe.

Call for Warrants.

State Treasurer Meserve has issued a call for state warrants amounting to $42,000. The call becomes effective February 1. The registered numbers of the warrants run from 52,451 to 52,650.

Skaters Drowned.

The bodies of Miss Elfreda Hollenberg, a school teacher, and Thomas Ferguson, a prominent young man, were found in the James River near Jamestown, N. D. They went skating on the river near where men had been cutting ice, and are supposed to have fallen in the river together.

Capture the Convicts.

Two of the four convicts who escaped from the Colorado state penitentiary Monday night after killing Capt. W. C. Roone, have been captured near Victor and have been returned to prison.

MANY PEOPLE ARE CURIOUS

Heavy Advance Demand for Rev. Sheldon's Christian Daily.

A Topeka, Kan., dispatch says: The immediate and extraordinary response of the public to the announcement in the Associated press on Monday morning of the "Sheldon edition" of the Capital is indicated by the fact that Mr. Sheldon and the Daily Capital have been deluged with telegrams and letters from all parts of the country asking for information regarding the proposed plans for a Christian daily newspaper. Among the dispatches received was one from New York containing an order for 10,000 copies of each issue during the week. Another order by telegraph asked for 5,000 lines of advertising space.

The first subscription order, which came within twelve hours of the announcement of the plan in the Associated press, was from Nebraska for 100 copies of each issue.

Mr. Sheldon said that while he would receive no compensation for his services, it had been stipulated in the original understanding with the Capital Publishing company that should the receipts exceed the expenditures of the edition, a large part of the proceeds would be devoted to missionary and philanthropic work.

POINT OF VANTAGE TAKEN

British Troops Secure Spion Kop After a Heavy Loss.

The war office at London has just issued the following dispatch from Spearman's camp, dated the 25th:

"General Warren's troops last night occupied Spion kop, surprising the small garrison, who fled. It has been held by us all day, though we were heavily attacked, especially by a very annoying shell fire.

"I fear our casualties are considerable and I have to inform you with regret that General Woodgate was dangerously wounded.

"General Warren is of the opinion that he has rendered the enemy's position untenable. The men are splendid."

The jubilation over General Warren's achievement in capturing Spion kop Wednesday night is chastened by the realization that his success is only provisional, as it appears clearly from General Buller's dispatch that the Boers fully recognize the strategical importance of Spion kop and at the time his message was sent off they had not abandoned the hope of recapturing the position.

FREMONT HEMP MILLS OPEN

Force of Sixty-five Engaged in Working Up Crop.

The hemp mill operated by the Nebraska Binder Twine company at Fremont, has reopened with a full force of men after a few months of enforced idleness, following a disastrous fire. The day gang will for the present consist of thirty-five men and the night shift will have thirty. Both numbers are apt to be enlarged soon. The company's plant, since readjusting, is thought to be a very complete one for the business. The main building is 50x100 feet, two stories, with steel roof.

Half Million in Presents.

Information has just been made public that Colonel L. Elwood, the barb wire magnate, gave each of his five grown children a check for $100,000 at breakfast Christmas day at his home in DeKalb, Ill. The five children are William L., Perry, Puss Elwood Mayn, Mary Elwood Lewis and Jessie Elwood Ray. With the exception of Mrs. Jessie Elwood Ray, all the children live in DeKalb. Mrs. Ray is now living in Arizona.

Thieves Not Yet Apprehended.

The robbery of the meat markets at Campbell, Hildreth and Wilcox still remains a mystery. Some are inclined to the opinion that someone more proficient than local talent did the work. The citizens of Wilcox are thoroughly aroused over the matter of so much thieving and if the perpetrators are discovered they will be accorded scant courtesy by the citizens of Wilcox.

Adjt. Barry Honored.

The interstate national guard association closed its two days' session at Indianapolis after having chosen Washington, D. C., as the place of the next meeting and electing the following officers: President, Gen. J. N. Reese, of Illinois; vice president, General P. H. Barry, of Nebraska; secretary and treasurer, Col. C. E. Bleyer, of Chicago.

Awful Method of Suicide.

Frederick A. Lempke, who has conducted Christian science parlors in St. Cloud, Minn., for some time, deliberately placed his head in a heating stove and his head and shoulders were burned to a crisp. A letter was found in which he said he had been unable to concentrate his thoughts for some time.

Life Sentence.

In the Christian county circuit court at Taylorville, Ill., Fred Sibley's attorney withdrew his motion for a new trial and Sibley was sentenced to life imprisonment at Chester for the murder of Mrs. Jane Brunot in connection with Henry Brunot, the woman's nephew.

Affirm Carter Sentence.

The United States circuit court of appeals at New York has affirmed the decision of Judge Lacombe, dismissing the habeas corpus proceedings in the case of Former Captain Oberlin M. Carter, of the United States engineers, convicted by court martial of frauds in connection with the Savannah river and Cmberland Sound improvements. Carter is a prisoner at Ft. Williams, N. Y., but has been sentenced to six years at Ft. Leavenworth, Kan. He was also ordered to pay a fine, which he had done.

Secure a Monopoly.

A. F. Gault and William Doull, capitalists of Montreal, Canada, have just returned from Cuba, where they claim to have secured control of all the surface street railroads in Havana, and also concessions that will give them a monopoly of the street railway business in and around the Cuban capital.

Guard Against Smallpox.

Owing to the prevalence of smallpox in Oklahoma the postoffices at Remus and Avoca will be closed for thirty days, or such time as is deemed necessary.

TOO HOT TO HOLD

General Warren Abandons Position Captured.

THE FIRE OF BOERS WAS TOO FIERCE

Had Range of Hill and Used It to Advantage—London Plunged in Gloom—Otherwise Cheerful News Fails to Dispel Dark Forebodings.

A dispatch from London, dated January 27, at 4 a. m., says: Seven days of fighting have left the main Boer position intact, and General Buller's army 706 weaker, according to the official casualty lists, which seemingly do not include the Spion kop losses, as those last forwarded do not mention General Woodgate's wounding.

England is possessed with a depressing sense of failure, although not a word of criticism of her generals and soldiers is uttered. Not much effort is made to place a happy construction upon General Buller's bare eighteen words telling of the retirement from Spion kop, and there is an uneasy impression abroad that worse news is yet to come. At one of the military clubs tonight the statement passed from one member to another that the war office had received an unpleasant supplementary dispatch from General Buller, which was being held up for twelve hours.

Spencer Wilkinson, in the Morning Post, writes as follows of the Spion kop losses:

"This is a serious matter, and an attempt will not here be made to minimize it, for no greater wrong can be done to our people at home than to mislead them about the significance of the events of the war. The right way is to tell the truth as far as we know it."

The war office has just posted the following dispatch from General Buller, dated at Spearman's camp, Tuesday, January 25, noon,

"General Warren's garrison, I am sorry to say, I find this morning had in the night abandoned Spion kop."

Six officers and eighteen non-commissioned officers and men were killed. Twelve officers and 142 non-commissioned officers and men were wounded, and thirty-one men are missing.

It appears that the Boers had a better range on the British troops when they occupied the hill. Its capture was conspiciously easy. A galling fire was poured upon Warren's forces night and day. Being unable to advance further he temporarily withdrew to shield his troops from the hail of iron and lead which was reducing his command. His men fought gallantly throughout.

Another advance is being planned.

Although England's nerves are severely tried, her nerve is absolutely unshaken, and probably nothing that can happen in South Africa will change in the slightest degree her intentions. She will continue to receive bad news, if it does come, with dignity, and will maintain her determination to win at last.

SCHWAN'S ACTIVE CAMPAIGN

Different Columns Move on Towns and Capture Them.

A part of General Schwan's column, consisting of six companies, with some artillery, drove a force of 500 insurgents from their entrenchments at San Diegoo, near San Pablo, last Sunday. The enemy officially reported that they lost sixty-seven killed and many wounded. Our casualties were one killed and fourteen wounded, the injuries in most cases being slight.

Another battalion, while executing a flank movement, came upon a hundred other rebels in an entrenched position, and routed them, killing fifteen. The Americans had two wounded.

General Schwan moved against Majayjay, Laguna province, on Tuesday. He found its position almost impregnable, but, by lowering men down the steep river banks by ropes, flanked the enemy and drove them out. A part of his command proceeded to Santa Cruz, killing six insurgents.

General Wheeler and his daughter left Wednesday on the transport Warren for San Francisco, via Hong Kong and Guam.

BRINGS INTERESTING SUIT

Claim that Goods Sent From Puerto Rico Are Not Dutiable.

A suit has been entered in court at Boston by the Amos-Pearson Tobacco company of Lowell, Mass., against the United States with a view of recovering duties paid upon tobacco imported from Puerto Rico, and it raises the very important question whether Puerto Rico is to be considered a part of the United States. The federal courts will in all probability be obliged to determine the issue. The company alleges that the duties imposed upon it were illegal on the ground that Puerto Rico is a part of the United States and that duties could not therefore be levied upon goods or articles sent from one part of the United States to another.

Cheyenne Strike Settled.

The strike of the boiler makers and machinists in the Union Pacific shops at Cheyenne has been settled by the company granting the man 34 cents an hour. The men struck for 35 cents and were out a month, finally agreeing to return to work with the understanding that a settlement would be made.

Cigarmakers Locked Out.

At Boston twelve hundred cigar makers were locked out as a result of a demand for an increase in the rate of certain kinds of handwork.

Charged With Embezzlement.

Hon. August O. Hyde, ex-superintendent of poor of Calhoun county, Mich., in whose accounts a special committee which has been investigating accounts of officers, discovered alleged shortages in the neighborhood of $5,000, was arrested, charged with embezzlement.

Wrecked by Huge Boulder.

Traffic is tied up on the C. B. & Q. by a wreck at Ferryville, Wis. An engine struck a large boulder, which rolled down from the bluff. Sixteen freight cars were piled up. No deaths.

OUR DEAD BROUGHT HOME

Members of the First Nebraska Now at San Francisco.

The transport Pekin has arrived at San Francisco bringing 159 bodies of soldiers who lost their lives in the Philippines. The names were taken from the coffins and ambulances took the caskets from the wharf to the Presidio, where the bodies will remain until ordered to burial grounds by relatives in the east. Among the dead fourteen states are represented.

The following are of the First Nebraska:

Company A—Privates Frank S. Glover, George F. Hansen, Elmer B. Wampler, York, Neb.

Company C—Private Frank Knouse, Beatriee: Earl W. Osterhaut, David City.

Company E—Private Ira A. Giffin, Valparaiso.

Company F—Private Arthur C. Sims; Madison; Horace L. Folker, Western; William R. Philpot, Humboldt.

Company G—Private Walter A. Hogue, Geneva.

Company H—Private Albert H. Burd, Nelson.

Company I—Privates Alfred J. Erisman, Bennet; Fred J. Pegler, Palmyra.

Company D—Lieutenant Lester E. Sisson, Columbus, killed in action; Private Theodore H. Larson, Wahoo.

Company L—Privates Fred Taylor, Omaha, died of typhoid; Ralph W. Kells, South Omaha, killed in action; Charles O. Ballinger, Omaha, killed in action.

HUNG TO TELEGRAPH POLE

Colorado Mob Makes Short of a Murderous Convict.

News has just been received at Denver, Colo., of the capture of Reynolds and Wagner, the escaped convicts, and the subsequent escape of Wagner. Reynolds is the man charged with killing Night Captain Rooney of the Colorady penitentiary at Canon City, and Wagner is said to have held Rooney while Reynolds stabbed him.

Night Captain of Police Conner, at Florence, assisted by Policeman Powell made the capture on the bridge of the Florence and Cripple Creek railroad near Florence. When word was sent to Canon City of the capture a special train with several guards and a bloodhound were dispatched to the scene. In the meantime Captain Conners had started overland with Reynolds.

Immediately on receipt of the news at Canon City the fire bells began to ring and the town went out en masse.

Reynolds was taken from the officers when they reached Canon City and hanged to a telegraph pole just outside the penitentiary walls.

VACANCIES IN UNIVERSITY

Ten Professors Resign by Request or Voluntarily at Cincinnati.

Last week President Ayers of the Cincinnati, O., university announced that vacancies in nine professorships at Cincinnati university had been declared, and the trustees sustained him at a subsequent meeting. All the assistants of these nine professors go with their chiefs. The only full professors not included in the edict were Myers of history, Brown of English and Benedict of philosophy and their assistants. Professor P. V. N. Myers has since resigned as professor of history, making the tenth vacancy in the regular chairs. Professor Myers was not asked to resign, but was urged to remain. In an open letter to the trustees he says he cannot remain under the circumstances, as it would compel his approval of what he terms "the professional assassination of those with whom he has been associated over nine years."

Naval Bill Finds Favor.

The German Bundesrath adopted the naval bill. The measure provides for the doubling of the present number of battleships, and the construction of six large and seven small additional cruisers. The preamble anticipates that the scheme will be completed by 1916 at an annual increase of expenditures of 11,000,000 of marks, which sum is to be raised by loans without any fresh taxation.

To Advance Price of Tires.

Official notice has been issued by the Diamond and Goodyear Rubber companies of Akron, O., of an agreement made with Theodore A. Dodge of New York, owner of patents on single tube bicycle tires. The agreement will result in an increase in the price of tires of about 50 per cent.

Blizzard on in Michigan.

A blizzard has been raging at Marquette, Mich., with increasing violence. Nearly a foot of snow has fallen. The storm is reported to be general all over upper Michigan. Nearly a foot of snow is a blessing to lumbermen, who were on the point of breaking up camps on account of the extended thaw.

Wrecked by Huge Boulder.

Traffic is tied up on the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy by a wreck at Ferryville, Wis. An engine struck a large boulder, which rolled down from the bluff, Sixteen freight cars are piled up. No casualties.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

General T. H. Stanton will be buried at Arlington cemetery with military honors.

Wm E. Francis of Peoria, Ill., committed suicide at Boston by taking cyanide of potassium.

Otto Miller, an Adams county farmer, is missing and foul play is suspected. A search has been instituted.

Almost the entire north side of the business portion of Main street in Arapahoe City, Okl., was destroyed by fire.

At the Superior mine at Hurley, Wis., the timber gave way on the eighth level and three men were killed and two were seriously injured.

Settle an Old Grudge.

At Princeton, Ky., on account of an old grudge R. R. Pickering, ex-sheriff, and Edward N. Daniel, a merchant emptied their weapons at each other. Daniels wounds are not considered dangerous. Pickering is dying.

Nearly $100,000.

The Lawton home fund, according to a statement issued by General Corbin, amounts to $93,364.

FOUL PLAY THEORY

Friends of Otto Miller Think He Was Murdered.

IS SIMILIAR TO THE KREICHBAUM CASE

No Trace of Farmer Found—Additional Blood Stains on Premises Strengthens Theory That He Has Met With Foul Play

The mystery surrounding the disappearance of Otto Miller, the young farmer who has been missing from near Holstein for some time has not been cleared up, and the general opinion is that it will prove another Kreichbaum case. While the possibility of Miller having gone insane and driven away with his team and wagon in the night is recognized, the theory of murder is given color by the finding of blood clots and hair on the kitchen step and a trail of blood leading to the barn.

Parties are continuing the search and another close inspection of the premises will be made. Additional blood stains were found and several small pieces of flesh, but whether human or animal the finders could not determine. A wagon trail was also discovered leading north from the house. Miller was farming the place alone, but his parents and several brothers live within a few miles. He was a sober, industrious man, and had no enemies so far as known. It was known that he had about $200 in money on his person when last seen. The farmers and people from Roseland and Holstein will form a big posse and make a thorough search for Miller.

TWO BUILDINGS BURNED

Incendiary Fire Does Great Damage at West Point.

At West Point a large shed in the rear of the best brick block in town was set fire and soon communicated to a large ice house, all of which was soon burned down. The wind blew the flames in the direction of several residences standing near, but effective work of the firemen prevented further spread of the fire. The loss is about $800, with small insurance. About the time of this fire a shed in the rear of John Meister's saloon was also set on fire, but was discovered in time to put it out before much damage was done.

Small Boy Fatally Injured.

Danny, the ten-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Claussen, who live four miles south of Beatrice, met with an accident which, it is thought, may cost the little fellow his life, and the very nature of which has caused the greatest sorrow in the community. While playing about a power corn sheller the boy's clothing got caught in some way in the tumbling rod, whirling him around in a frightful manner, causing a fracture of the skull. Surgeons were called, but they entertain little hope for the boy's recovery.

Workman Fatally Injured.

An accident occurred at the work of the bridge gang on the new line of the Burlington about four miles below Gering Saturday afternoon, which is likely to result in the death of William Fitzgerald, a workman from Plattsmouth. He was at the top of the tower of the pile driver, when a guy rope became loosened and the tower was tured over, throwing Fitzgerald a distance of thirty-five feet to the ground, with such injuries that he can scarcely survive. Another workman was badly hurt.

Narrow Escape.

Henry Keefer of Lincoln was struck by a street car while he was crossing the street. He was dragged in front of the wheels the length of the car. His face was badly bruised and his wrist was hurt, but aside from bruises he did not appear to be injured. A heavy overcoat worn by Mr. Keefer rolled up under the wheels and probably saved him from serious injuries.

Government Will Pay.

Colonel F. H. Hathaway of Omaha is authority for the statement that the government will bear the expense of transportation of the remains of the eight First Nebraska soldiers, which recently arrived in San Francisco. The bodies will come by express to the homes of the deceased, but the expense of burial will be borne by relatives.

Write to Quartermaster.

Relatives of the soldier dead of the First Nebraska are requested to write the depot quartermaster, department of the Pacific, in regard to the place of interment. The bodies will be sent to any place designated by the relatives. Some of the dead soldiers will be buried in the national cemetery at Washington.

To Pension Mrs. Stanton.

Information has been received at Omaha that Senator Thurston will introduce a bill to pension the widow of the late General T. H. Stanton, fixing the amount at $200 a month.

Farmers Building Elevators.

Several farmers in Arborville township have built elevators on their farms. Morris Smith, living southeast of town, is building an elevator on his farm to handle 35,000 to 50,000 bushels of corn that he uses in feeding his cattle each year.

Verdict for Watson.

For two days the case of S. H. Morrison vs. John S. Watson has been on trial in the district court at Nebraska City. The case was given to the jury and it returned a verdict in favor of the defendant.

Mason Asked to Resign.

By an almost unanimous vote of the old Tippacanoe club of Chicago Senator William F. Mason was requested to at once resign his seat in the United States senate, and the secretary of the club was directed to erase his name from the roll of honorary members of that organization.

New Bank Opened.

At Gering, the new Irrigators' bank has opened for business with capital stock of $10,000 paid up, and authorized to the extent of $20,000.

VANDERBILT, HERMIT

MEMBER OF FAMOUS FAMILY ON MOUNTAIN PEAK.

Lives in a Lonely Cottage and Has for His Friends Spiders and Creepie Things—He Is as Happy as Can Be in His Lonely Home.

Once a year old John Vanderbilt of Hexankopf, Cal., comes barefooted down the mountains to Lower Sancon and buys a mess of coarse cornmeal. This he packs up the steep slope to his hut, to form his main food supply for a twelvemonth. Cooked with water in hoe-cakes flavored with sassafras root, it forms strange enough fare for a wealthy member of the richest family in America.

Old John Vanderbilt went to the Hexankopf, or Witch's Head mountain, many years ago and bought a tumbledown brick dwelling of considerable size, which, because of its condition, was sold to him with several acres of almost worthless mountain land for $450. It stands on the top of the mountain, screened by dense foliage from observation—though no observer ever passes that way save out of curiosity, and the nearest neighbor, Mr. William Raudabach, lives a mile away. Mr. John Vanderbilt bears well his more than 60 years. He is erect and vigorous, nearly six feet high, and bears a striking resemblance to the old Commodore Vanderbilt, of whom he is a relative. He is not a recluse; he goes often to the post-offices of Iron Hill, Wassergras and Lower Sancon, receiving mail at the former office and sending it from the latter. He buys supplies and pays cash. He has mortgages on houses in South Bethlehem and receives rentals from property in New Brunswick and Bound Brook, N. J. The former town is the source of the powerful Vanderbilt family, the early home of the old commodore.

In his way John Vanderbilt is a kindly man. A great spider has spun its web across his doorway; he stoops on entering that its home may not be destroyed. A few children are his only friends, chief among these being Elmer Kunsman, son of a farmer living on the only road that approaches the place. Elmer keeps a careful lookout down the road, and when strang-

JOHN VANDERBILT.

ers approach the boy scampers through the woods to warn Mr. Vanderbilt.

They Belong to Col. Hay.

A gushing Englishwoman, who prides herself upon her literary tastes said to Bret Harte at an aristocratic country house at which both were guests: "My dear Mr. Harte, I am so delighted to meet you! I have read everything you ever wrote, but of all your dialect verse there is none that compares with your Little Breeches." "I quite agree with you, madam," said Mr. Harte, "but you have put the little breeches on the wrong man."

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But it can not be cured by sprays, washes and inhaling mixtures which reach only the surface. The disease is in the blood, and can only be reached through the blood. S. S. S. is the only remedy which can have any effect upon Catarrh; it cures the disease permanently and forever rids the system of every trace of the vile complaint.

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will prove it to be the right remedy for Catarrh. It will cure the most obstinate case.

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THE QUIZ welcomes to this journalistic field Charles Smith, the new editor of the Journal, and hopes that he will make a howling success of the paper. No doubt he will.

There is one consolation about this century dispute, which has just closed: None of those who engaged in this dispute will be here to discuss a like question in 1999 and 2000.

Now that the Journal has changed hands and a new man is at the helm may be we can learn from that paper what it thinks about Senator Clark's method of winning elections to the senate.

In Fairfield the newspapers never quarrel through their papers. Why? Because the other paper would not countenance the editor of the Tribune by entering into controvercies which the puclic might construe into "Spatz."

Good! The committee on Porto Rico has over ruled unanimously the executive order as to the spelling of the name of the island. The country can readily forgive President McKinley for authorizing the spelling of the island "Puerto Rico" since that is the only error he has made and it is so easily corrected. Porto Rico! That sounds more like it, and makes the island seem like our own.

The best thing that has happened England is the fall of Ladysmith. If that place had fallen at the outset of the war, or if the English had left it to its fate instead of pushing its arms forward into the enemy's country where they were subject to all kinds of traps, England would now be in a good position to hem the Boers in and force them to surrender. But as it is now, they have two fine armies beaten and badly disabled and after all Ladysmith has fallen. Now they must start where they should have started had they not tried to relieve Ladysmith. England can doubtless whip the Boers, but they will ...ever retrieve the losses both moral ... actual which she has uselessly ...red thus far.

... meeting of the Nebraska ...ciation seems to be better ...receding meeting. The ...eek at Lincoln was one ...lly be improved upon ... the one next year ...ace and outdo it. ... was good and ... on hand at ...ook a lively ... going on. ...t there is much practical good to be gotten out of these meetings and so are paying more attention to them.

The papers read at the sessions last week were all good and the discussions following them very practical.

At the business session the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President D. H. Cronin of the O'Neill Frontier; first district vice president; W. M. Hassler of the Pawnee Press; second diftrict, D. C. VanDusen of the Blair Courier; third district, J. B. Donovan, Madison Star; fourth district, Lew Frazier, Fairmont; fifth district, Judge Abbott of the Hayes Center Republican; sixth district, F. P. Morgan of the Chappell Register; secretary-treasurer, F. N. Merwin of the Nebraska Editor; corresponding secretary, U. E. Foster of the Plainview News.

This Week in Local History.

Feb. 1, 1884.—The Joe. Gillispie furniture store was burned. The building stood, we believe, where the Monarch saloon now stands, and was owned by J. E Hale.

Jan. 30, 1885.—The Ladies Band gave a reception to Dr. and Mrs. F. D. Haldeman at the Satterlee House. This was in honor of one of their members, Miss Newbecker, and because of her marriage to the docter.

The house on the old Hale farm north of Ord, now owned by G. F. Silar, was burned and totally destroyed.

Jan. 28, 1887.—Charlie Littlepage and D. M. Foster, armed with a hammer and a crowbar killed a wildcat near the mill.

Getter got even with the fellows who sent his "yaller" dog to him at Lincoln by refusing the dog and the jokers had an express bill of $9. to meet.

Jan. 27, 1888.—A hard winter so far.

J. B. Miller's cattle were driven with the blizzard and could not be found till after the storm, when they were nearly frozen.

Will Williams bought the Ord Mills from G. W. Milford.

Feb. 1, 1889.—Sig Milligan was held up at the river bridge, but convinced the would-be robbers that he was coming to town to get a doctor and that he was not the man they wanted. They let let him go without robbing him.

Jan. 34, 1890.—There was talk of making a park about the waterworks reservoir on the hill. Good scheme to talk it again.

Harry and Kittie Ager gave a masquerade party.

A wolf hunt was arranged for Saturday.

Jan. 30, 1891.—Aid was being distributed and there was a chance to study one of the traits of human nature.

Mrs. P. H. Leininger, who had given birth to a son the day before, died at Ord.

Jan. 29, 1892.—Belva Lockwood lectured in Ord.

R. L. Anderson stabbed and nearly killed W. H. Meeks at Elyria.

John Marrow died after long struggling against death. He was murdrously assaulted about a month before.

Jan. 27, 1893.—An unsuccessful attempt to burn the Nash, Wright & Co elevator at Elyria was made by an incendiary.

Feb. 1. 1895.—Frank Brace died at his home near Vinton.

Jan. 28, 1898.—Mrs. Mabel Hall died in Alabama of diphtheria.

G. T. Winters fell from his house top and broke his arm.

VICINITY CLIPPINGS.

Gleaned from our Neighbor Exchanges

From the Burwell Tribune.

There has been trouble galore in Rose Valley for a week or ten days past, the condition of affairs being first brought to the notice of the public by the arrest of Ed. Petersen for the shooting of Hallock's horse. Then came Mrs. A. Chatfield who made application for an injunction to restrain her husband from selling his homestead, alleging that he was about to dispose of his place and property to the detriment of herself who as his "better half" had an interest in the property. The injunction was granted by Judge Jones as prayed, but before it could be served Chatfield had sold the place to Harry Hallock. The next move was to get out an injunction to restrain Hallock from paying Chatfield for the place, armed with which sheriff Key left Tuesday morning for the scene of the disturbance. To make sure of giving Chatfield trouble the sheriff took along a distress warrant for taxes due the county, and several mortgages went out there post haste also. It seems that a few days before the trouble began in court Chatfield and his wife had a little domestic difference and she had gone home to papa—then trouble followed fast and thick.

From the North Loup Loyalist.

Some time between Friday night and Sunday morning some one made an attempt to break into the meat market. A hole was cut through one of the panels of the back door. The hole was made large enough to admit a small hand. The bolt was withdrawn, but there is no evidence that anyone entered the building, as nothing on the inside was disturbed.

The other day Will Gowen having a sick horse filled a small tube with a powder which he wished blown into the horse's throat. He gave the tube to Sheb Cox, who is employed in the barn, and told him to insert it in the horse's mouth, and blow the contents into its throat. Sheb took the tube and went to do the work assigned him, returning, however, in a short time, and appearing as if all had not turned out as he had planned. Will asked him if he had done as he was told to do, and Sheb answered that he had. Will then asked if he got the stuff down the horse's throat. "No," said Sheb, "I didn't You see I got the tube down his throat all right, but the blamed horse—well he 'blowed' first."

From the Arcadia Champion.

Mr. John H. Roberts of Omaha, and Miss Maggie H. Reidel of Loup City, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Monday, Jan. 22, at 12 o'clock, Rev. W. H. Houston of Arcadia officiating.

In 15 months Mr. Roberts has made for himself a permanent place in the business world of Omaha. His experience shows that the world has a large place for business men of energy and ability who do business on the basis of Christian principals and whose life is worth counting for something in the community.

Miss Reidel is well known in Arcadia being untill recently assistant post-mistress; prompt, careful and efficient in business and always radiant with the sunshine of a happy spirit.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will be sure to make friends by showing themselves friendly. Many friends wish them a long, happy and useful life.

[From the Burwell Mascot.]

As Dave Gard of Ord was going out of town yeasterday, his spirited mules saw a rag blowing across the road and as Dave struck the ground he saw stars and the people saw the mules running, the draymen saw they had a job of hauling the wreck and Banks & Mitchell saw they had a "big job lot" of repairing to do. Dave was severely bruised, but it could not kill him because his life was insured in the American Order of Protection.

Carl Granger fell through a defective sidewalk along the south side of Scott Bros. store one day last week and it is said a suit for damages will be brought against the town. There are several places in the walks that need fixing.

It's Easy To Take

Thin, pale, anæmic girls need a fatty food to enrich their blood, give color to their cheeks and restore their health and strength. It is safe to say that they nearly all reject fat with their food.

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OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

Conducted by CORA A. THOMPSON.

Francis Theban, who was compelled to leave school a few weeks ago on account of trouble with his eyes, is again enrolled.

Walter, Henry and Bertha Perkins have dropped out lately.

Mrs. Westover and Mrs. Thompson were visitors at the literary exercises last Friday afternoon.

The following pupils of the fourth grade were neither tardy nor absent the first half year: Agnes Beran, Nora Fogt, Nellie Potter, Lloyd Harden and Cal Kroetch.

Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Normal in Alabama, delivered a lecture in Omaha last week. Prof. Washington has, for a number of years, been interested in the education of the young colored people of the south and, as a result of his labors, over two thousand graduates and exstudents are at work in different trades and professions. The average attendance at the normal is at present 900. The number of teachers and officers in all departments is 88.

The plan of giving children the advantages of centralized school is being tried in Clay county, Iowa. The plan went into effect the first of last November and so far the results are gratifying. The children are conveyed to and from school in a large wagon with a long roomy box covered with canvas. The driver has no difficulty in taking them all at one trip and is paid $1 per day. There are 36 children living outside of the city, who are thus enjoying the advantages of a graded school and the expense is less than it would be to maintain a school in their own district.

The basket social Wednesday evening, for the benefit of the Boy's Athletic Association was a success. Over thirty baskets were sold, the total receipts being $25 55 This will enable the boys to pay their indebtedness and leave a little sum in the treasury.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Dr. Bond is on the half-sick list.

Work is going on again on the Cernik building.

Cap. Harris is improving steadiily, but is not yet able to do full work.

Sam Graham went to Scotia Wednesday to take Fitzimmons's bird dog to him.

FOR SALE:—40 acres of good land two miles from Arcadia.
42-5t JAMES STERLING.

Mrs. J. H. Capron went to Olean Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. Charley Jackson.

Chan Rathbun's eyesight is improving all right and he now thinks that he will be all right after a while.

FOR SALE:—A good Hereford bull coming 2 years old. Also span of colts.
43 2t F. S. KULL.

Eighty acre Farm near Manderson for sale. Good hay land. The Quiz.

Ignatius Klima is at Sanitarium, Lincoln, being treated for an enlargement of the stomach.

Mr. Witt, the miller, is troubled with liver and stomach ailments and it is said that he is in a bad condition.

If fortunate disregard the claim
Don't hang thy head in fear and shame
But marry the girl you love best
Rocky Mountain Tea will do the rest.
Ask your druggist

Rev. J. E. Wilson will commence a protracted meetings in the Christian church in Manderson, next Monday evening. All are invited to attend these meetings.

A. J. Firkins, president of the Farmers Institute, has got word from the state officials fixing February 27 and 28 as the date for the meeting at Ord and announcing that Dr. Peters, the noted stock man, will be here and one or two other speakers.

District Court Clerk Davis received a check for $7887.69 from the Banker's Life Insurance in payment of the judgment obtained by A. M. Robbins as administrator in Morrow estate. As we go to press Prof. Davis is still sober but is being closely watched by the police.

The Ord Journal is sold again. As a sequence to his being appointed court reporter for Judge Munn, Mr Claflin set about selling his paper so as to be relieved of any labor connected therewith. This was necessary or at least very essential to his success at learning the art of shorthand and also for the prosecution of the profession after he became qualified.

The sale was made last week Friday and possession was at once given, the force going to work at once for Mr. Smith just as though nothing had happened. We understand that the price paid is $2200.

The Journal is a good paying paper and is a good investment, we think, at the price paid.

Mr. Smith, the new owner, has been a long time at the case, being one of the first employes of the Quiz office. For a dozen years or so he has been running the Perkins County Sentinel, at Grant, which is the populist organ of that far out community. By coming to Ord he gets into a good country and will find populists a-plenty to stand by him.

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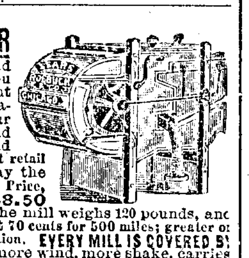

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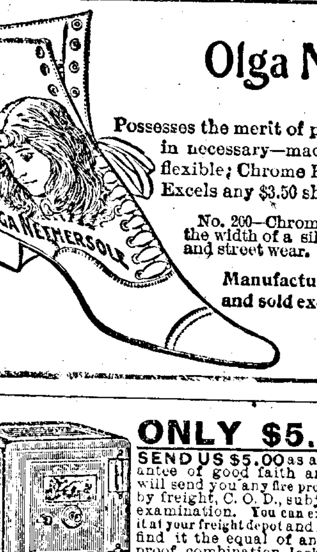

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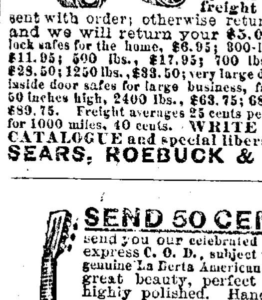

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THE QUIZ welcomes to this journalistic field Charles Smith, the new editor of the Journal, and hopes that he will make a howling success of the paper. No doubt he will.

There is one consolation about this century dispute, which has just closed: None of those who engaged in this dispute will be here to discuss a like question in 1999 and 2000.

Now that the Journal has changed hands and a new man is at the helm may be we can learn from that paper what it thinks about Senator Clark's method of winning elections to the senate.

In Fairfield the newspapers never quarrel through their papers. Why? Because the other paper would not countenance the editor of the Tribune by entering into controvercies which the puclic might construe into "Spatz."

Good! The committee on Porto Rico has over ruled unanimously the executive order as to the spelling of the name of the island. The country can readily forgive President McKinley for authorizing the spelling of tne island "Puerto Rico" since that is the only error he has made and it is so easily corrected. Porto Rico! That sounds more like it, and makes the island seem like our own.

The best thing that has happened England is the fall of Ladysmith. If that place had fallen at the outset of the war, or if the English had left it to its fate instead of pushing its arms forward into the enemy's country where they were subject to all kinds of traps, England would now be in a good position to hem the Boers in and force them to surrender. But as it is now, they have two fine armies beaten and badly disabled and after all Ladysmith has fallen. Now they must start where they should have started had they not tried to relieve Ladysmith. England can doubtless whip the Boers, but they will never retrieve the losses both moral and actual which she has uselessly sustained thus far.

Every meeting of the Nebraska Press Assotiation seems to be better than the preceding meeting. The session last week at Lincoln was one that could hardly be improved upon but we presume the one next year will keep up the pace and outdo it.

The attendance was good and most of the boys were on hand at all the meetings and took a lively interest in all that was going on. Editors are finding out that there is much practical good to be gotten out of these meetings and so are paying more attention to them.

The papers read at the sessions last week were all good and the discussions following them very practical.

At the business session the following officers were chosen for the ensuing year: President D. H. Cronin of the O'Neill Frontier; first district vice president; W. M. Hassler of the Pawnee Press; second diftrict, D. C. VanDusen of the Blair Courier; third district, J. B. Donovan, Madison Star; fourth district, Lew Frazier, Fairmont; fifth district, Judge Abbott of the Hayes Center Republican; sixth district, F. P. Morgan of the Chappell Register; secretary-treasurer, F. N. Merwin of the Nebraska Editor; corresponding secretary, U. E. Foster of the Plainview News.

This Week in Local History.

Feb. 1, 1884.—The Joe. Gillispie furniture store was burned. The building stood, we believe, where the Monarch saloon now stands, and was owned by J. E Hale.

Jan. 30, 1885.—The Ladies Band gave a reception to Dr. and Mrs. F. D. Haldeman at the Satterlee House. This was in honor of one of their members, Miss Newbecker, and because of her marriage to the docter.

The house on the old Hale farm north of Ord, now owned by G. F. Silar, was burned and totally destroyed.

Jan. 28, 1887.—Charlie Littlepage and D. M. Foster, armed with a hammer and a crowbar killed a wildcat near the mill.

Getter got even with the fellows who sent his "yaller" dog to him at Lincoln by refusing the dog and the jokers had an express bill of $9. to meet.

Jan. 27, 1888.—A hard winter so far.

J. B. Miller's cattle were driven with the blizzard and could not be found till after the storm, when they were nearly frozen.

Will Williams bought the Ord Mills from G. W. Milford.

Feb. 1, 1889.—Sig Milligan was held up at the river bridge, but convinced the would-be robbers that he was coming to town to get a doctor and that he was not the man they wanted. They let let him go without robbing him.

Jan. 34, 1890.—There was talk of making a park about the waterworks reservoir on the hill. Good scheme to talk it again.

Harry and Kittie Ager gave a masquerade party.

A wolf hunt was arranged for Saturday.

Jan. 30, 1891.—Aid was being distributed and there was a chance to study one of the traits of human nature.

Mrs. P. H. Leininger, who had given birth to a son the day before, died at Ord.

Jan. 29, 1892.—Belva Lockwood lectured in Ord.

R. L. Anderson stabbed and nearly killed W. H. Meeks at Elyria.

John Marrow died after long struggling against death. He was murdrously assaulted about a month before.

Jan. 27, 1893.—An unsuccessful attempt to burn the Nash, Wright & Co elevator at Elyria was made by an incendiary.

Feb 1. 1895.—Frank Brace died at his home near Vinton.

Jan. 28, 1898.—Mrs. Mabel Hall died in Alabama of diphtheria.

G. T. Winters fell from his house top and broke his arm.

VICINITY CLIPPINGS.

Gleaned from our Neighbor Exchanges

From the Burwell Tribune.

There has been trouble galore in Rose Valley for a week or ten days past, the condition of affairs being first brought to the notice of the public by the arrest of Ed. Petersen for the shooting of Hallock's horse. Then came Mrs. A. Chatfield who made application for an injunction to restrain her husband from selling his homestead, alleging that he was about to dispose of his place and property to the detriment of herself who as his "better half" had an interest in the property. The injunction was granted by Judge Jones as prayed, but before it could be served Chatfield had sold the place to Harry Hallock. The next move was to get out an injunction to restrain Hallock from paying Chatfield for the place, armed with which sheriff Key left Tuesday morning for the scene of the disturbance. To make sure of giving Chatfield trouble the sheriff took along a distress warrant for taxes due the county, and several mortgages went out there post haste also. It seems that a few days before the trouble began in court Chatfield and his wife had a little domestic difference and she had gone home to papa—then trouble followed fast and thick.

From the North Loup Loyalist.

Some time between Friday night and Sunday morning some one made an attempt to break into the meat market. A hole was cut through one of the panels of the back door. The hole was made large enough to admit a small hand. The bolt was withdrawn, but there is no evidence that anyone entered the building, as nothing on the inside was disturbed.

The other day Will Gowen having a sick horse filled a small tube with a powder which he wished blown into the horse's throat. He gave the tube to Sheb Cox, who is employed in the barn, and told him to insert it in the horse's mouth, and blow the contents into its throat. Sheb took the tube and went to do the work assigned him, returning, however, in a short time, and appearing as if all had not turned out as he had planned. Will asked him if he had done as he was told to do, and Sheb answered that he had. Will then asked if he got the stuff down the horse's throat. "No," said Sheb, "I didn't You see I got the tube down his throat all right, but the blamed horse—well he 'blowed' first."

From the Arcadia Champion.

Mr. John H. Roberts of Omaha, and Miss Maggie H. Reidel of Loup City, were married at the home of the bride's parents, Monday, Jan. 22, at 12 o'clock, Rev. W. H. Houston of Arcadia officiating.

In 15 months Mr. Roberts has made for himself a permanent place in the business world of Omaha. His experience shows that the world has a large place for business men of energy and ability who do business on the basis of Christian principals and whose life is worth counting for something in the community.

Miss Reidel is well known in Arcadia being untill recently assistant post-mistress; prompt, careful and efficient in business and always radiant with the sunshine of a happy spirit.

Mr. and Mrs. Roberts will be sure to make friends by showing themselves friendly. Many friends wish them a long, happy and useful life.

[From the Burwell Mascot.]

As Dave Gard of Ord was going out of town yeasterday, his spirited mules saw a rag blowing across the road and as Dave struck the ground he saw stars and the people saw the mules running, the draymen saw they had a job of hauling the wreck and Banks & Mitchell saw they had a "big job lot" of repairing to do. Dave was severely bruised, but it could not kill him because his life was insured in the American Order of Protection.

Carl Granger fell through a defective sidewalk along the south side of Scott Bros. store one day last week and it is said a suit for damages will be brought against the town. There are several places in the walks that need fixing.

It's Easy To Take

Thin, pale, anæmic girls need a fatty food to enrich their blood, give color to their cheeks and restore their health and strength. It is safe to say that they nearly all reject fat with their food.

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OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

Conducted by CORA A. THOMPSON.

Francis Theban, who was compelled to leave school a few weeks ago on account of trouble with his eyes, is again enrolled.

Walter, Henry and Bertha Perkins have dropped out lately.

Mrs. Westover and Mrs. Thompson were visitors at the literary exercises last Friday afternoon.

The following pupils of the fourth grade were neither tardy nor absent the first half year: Agnes Beran, Nora Fogt, Nellie Potter, Lloyd Harden and Cal Kroetch.

Booker T. Washington, principal of the Tuskegee Normal in Alabama, delivered a lecture in Omaha last week. Prof. Washington has, for a number of years, been interested in the education of the young colored people of the south and, as a result of his labors, over two thousand graduates and exstudents are at work in different trades and professions. The average attendance at the normal is at present 900. The number of teachers and officers in all departments is 88.

The plan of giving children the advantages of centralized school is being tried in Clay county, Iowa. The plan went into effect the first of last November and so far the results are gratifying. The children are conveyed to and from school in a large wagon with a long roomy box covered with canvas. The driver has no difficulty in taking them all at one trip and is paid $1 per day. There are 36 children living outside of the city, who are thus enjoying the advantages of a graded school and the expense is less than it would be to maintain a school in their own district.

The basket social Wednesday evening, for the benefit of the Boy's Athletic Association was a success. Over thirty baskets were sold, the total receipts being $25 55 This will enable the boys to pay their indebtedness and leave a little sum in the treasury.

ADDITIONAL LOCALS

Dr. Bond is on the half-sick list.

Work is going on again on the Cernik building.

Cap. Harris is improving steadily, but is not yet able to do full work.

Sam Graham went to Scotia Wednesday to take Fitzimmons's bird dog to him.

FOR SALE:—40 acres of good land two miles from Arcadia.
42-5t JAMES STERLING.

Mrs. J. H. Capron went to Olean Wednesday to visit her sister, Mrs. Charley Jackson.

Chan Rathbun's eyesight is improving all right and he now thinks that he will be all right after a while.

FOR SALE: — A good Hereford bull coming 2 years old. Also span of colts.
43 2t F. S. KULL.

Eighty acre Farm near Manderson for sale. Good hay land. The Quiz.

Ignatius Klima is at Sanitarium, Lincoln, being treated for an enlargement of the stomach.

Mr. Witt, the miller, is troubled with liver and stomach ailments and it is said that he is in a bad condition.

If fortunate disregard the claim
Don't hang thy head in fear and shame
But marry the girl you love best
Rocky Mountain Tea will do the rest,
Ask your druggist

Rev. J. E. Wilson will commence a protracted meetings in the Christian church in Manderson, next Monday evening. All are invited to attend these meetings.

A. J. Firkins, president of the Farmers Institute, has got word from the state officials fixing February 27 and 28 as the date for the meeting at Ord and announcing that Dr. Peters, the noted stock man, will be here and one or two other speakers.

District Court Clerk Davis received a check for $7887.69 from the Banker's Life Insurance in payment of the judgment obtained by A. M. Robbins as administrator in Morrow estate. As we go to press Prof. Davis is still sober but is being closely watched by the police.

The Ord Journal is sold again. As a sequence to his being appointed court reporter for Judge Munn, Mr Claflin set about selling his paper so as to be relieved of any labor connected therewith. This was necessary or at least very essential to his success at learning the art of shorthand and also for the prosecution of the profession after he became qualified.

The sale was made last week Friday and possession was at once given, the force going to work at once for Mr. Smith just as though nothing had happened. We understand that the price paid is $2200.

The Journal is a good paying paper and is a good investment, we think, at the price paid.

Mr. Smith, the new owner, has been a long time at the case, being one of the first employes of the QUIZ office. For a dozen years or so he has been running the Perkins County Sentinel, at Grant, which is the populist organ of that far out community. By coming to Ord he gets into a good country and will find populists a-plenty to stand by him.

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There is a Class of People

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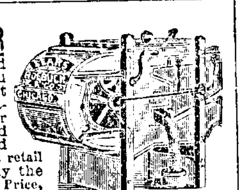

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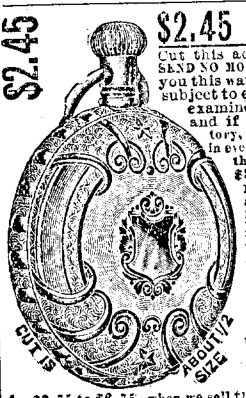

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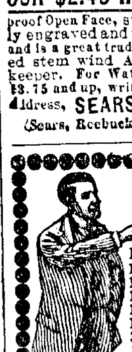

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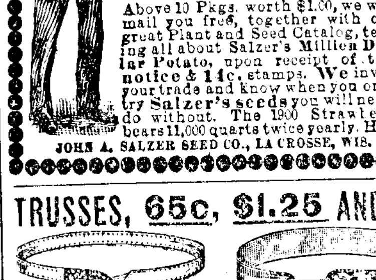

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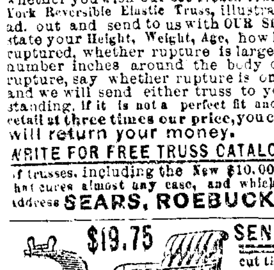

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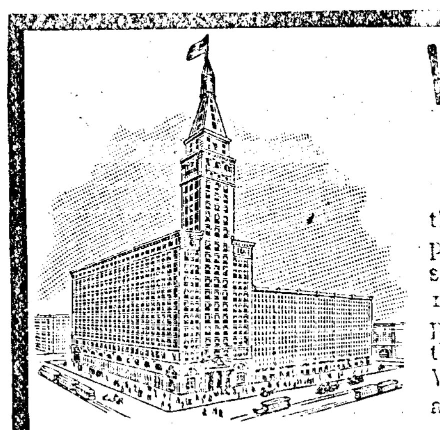

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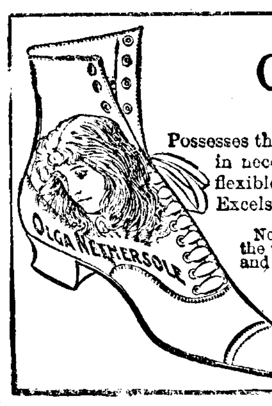

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FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

SOME GOOD STORIES FOR OUR JUNIOR READERS.

Where Stilts Are Used—Something About These Aids to Easy Locomotion—What Ailed Snarly—George Sand's Dolls—When Trees Go to Sleep.

House of Too Much Troubles.

In the House of Too Much Trouble
  Lived a lonely little boy;
He was eager for a playmate,
  He was hungry for a toy.
But 'twas always too much bother,
  Too much dirt and too much noise
For the House of Too Much Trouble
  Wasn't meant for little boys.

And sometimes the little fellow
  Left a book upon the floor,
Or forgot and laughed too loudly,
  Or he failed to close the door.
In the House of Too Much Trouble
  Things must be precise and trim—
In the House of Too Much Trouble
  There was little room for him.

He must never scatter playthings,
  He must never romp and play;
Every room must be in order
  And kept quiet all the day.
He had never had companions,
  He had never owned a pet—
In the House of Too Much Trouble
  It is trim and quiet yet.

Every room is set in order—
  Every book is in its place.
And the lonely little fellow
  Wears a smile upon his face.
In the House of Too Much Trouble
  He is silent and at rest
In the House of Too Much Trouble
  With a lily on his breast.
—Albert Bigelow Paine, in The Juvenile.

Where Stilts Are Used.

Some twenty years ago, you might have seen at Bordeaux on market days strange crowds of villagers arriving on stilts from distant hamlets, heavy-laden with sacks and baskets, but now the sight would cause almost as much sensation there as it might in one of our own towns. The only stilt-walkers that I have ever seen in Bordeaux were great mannikins, prancing about among the crowd on gigantic stilts at the autumn fair to the joy of small children, but these were merely professional acrobats. Near Lake Cazaux however, where much of the land is yet unreclaimed and marshy, the peasants cling to this mode of locomotion, and we may still see the shepherd guarding his flock on stilts. In the neighborhood of Arcachon there are stilts to be found in the cottages, and small boys, with the prospect of a few sous to be gained, will buckle them on and perform various tricks for your edification. There is some difficulty about putting on the stilts, and they will not be hurried over it. The shepherd starting from home will often mount on the windowsill for the purpose. In the fields, he sits on the ground to tie them on, and then rises with the help of a long stick. The Landes of Gascony, once endless plains covered with brushwood and undergrowth, were blessed with a soil so impenetrable that it never absorbed the rain, and even after a slight shower the hollows would be transformed into marshes. There were no roads or sheep-paths of any kind, and the cottages of the shepheds and small farmers were dotted about so far from each other in the swamps that the "long legs" were an absolute necessity. Now the Landes, for centuries regarded as a hopeless waste, unprofitable and unhealthy, have been for the most part reclaimed and drained. Forests of pines have been planted, and, instead of being unhealthy, some parts of the district such as Arcachon, have even become health resorts. Thus the strange old stilts are fast vanishing, for they have lost their "raison d'etre." The stilts are usually about six or seven feet in height, and about five feet from the ground there is a rest to support the foot, provided with a stirrup and a strong strap; higher up a band of leather holds the top of the stilt firmly to the leg below the knee. Some stilts are much higher than these, especially for fancy-walking and tricks, and the man mounted on them is gifted with veritable seven-leagued boots, for he can cover the ground at a truly prodigious pace—often as much as eight or ten miles an hour. The lower end of the stilt, which touches the ground, is usually capped with a sheep bone to strengthen it.—Pearson's Magazine.

What Ailed Snarly?

They called her "Crosspatch," "Old Maid" and "Snarly," and all the children thought unkindly of her but patient little Rachael. "She must be so unhappy living there alone, with no one to speak a kind word to her; I don't wonder she is cross," Rachel, who by the way, is a member of the G. G. R. C. would say when her mates complained about the fretful little woman who lived all by herself in a big mansion across the street from the schoolhouse. "Why don't you give Snarly a Christmas present if you love her so well?" questioned a girl friend one day, when Rachel, as usual had been defending the unhappy old lady. "I'm real glad you mentioned it," answered Rachel, "for I think it would be a fine plan. Snarly shall have a present." And straightway Rachel commenced to wonder what she should give her. Christmas morning, when the maid opened the front door of the big mansion across the street from the schoolhouse, she found on the veranda a beautiful little orange tree, all fresh and green, wrapped round and round with bright-colored papers. Tied to the plant was a note, and it read: "This present come from one who loves you. They say that the thorns on orange trees grow in the place of blasted blossoms. Please, Miss Perkins will you keep this plant and always think that every unkind word uttered is a thorn growing where blossoms might be?" After Christmas time the children were heard to wonder—"What ails Snarly? She's so changed."

One Unselfish Helper.

A queer little fellow indeed was Tommy Dick. Why, he would give away the last marble he had if a boy wanted it. He would run on errands all day long and never grumble. He would always give the best place to somebody else, no matter who, and feel so honestly glad in seeing other folks having a good time that he really forgot all about himself. Don't you see he was a very queer little fellow? But somehow everybody liked to have the "queer little fellow" around. Grandma always smiled all over her face when she saw Tommy coming. Aunt Lois, who was a very busy woman, used to say: "Well, now, you've come just in time, Tommy. Run and ——" When Tommy went to spend the day with grandma or Aunt Lois the folks at home all missed him. One would say, "Now, if Tommy were only here!" You see, Tommy was one of the unselfish helpers. And what a tiresome world this would be if there were not a good sprinkling of such people! Are there any Tommies at your house? It wouldn't do any harm if there is more than one, you know. Indeed, half a dozen boys and girls with the spirit of Tommy Dick would make home a very pleasant place. Don't you think so?—Pittsburg Dispatch.

Queer Winter Customs.

Some of the young people may think that the queer little Eskimo children would find life very, very dull now that they have so little sunshine and the weather is so cold away up there in northland. A visitor among them assures us, however, that they seem to be perfectly contented in their round little huts with conical tops and one narrow doorway. To begin with, they have strange garments made of seal skins of reindeer, bears, foxes and even dogs. Beneath their outer suits they wear more fur clothes, with the hair turned inside, and stockings of dog skin or reindeer skin. The boys and girls look almost exactly alike, and at this time of the year they are so bundled up that about all you may see of them is their eyes. In each "igloo," or home, a place is set apart for the use of children. There no one may disturb them, and after the girls have dressed their dolls which are made of wood and clothed in skins, story-telling time begins. Each child takes a turn. When the time comes the first story teller takes off his jacket, turns his face to the wall and commences. And so the play goes till each has told a story.

George Sand's Dolls.

At what age must a girl leave off caring for her dolls? George Sand, the great French novelist, was 14 before she took this question seriously to heart, and even then she only thought the matter over because someone had laughed at a big girl like her still nursing dolls. With many a bitter sigh and groan, she decided the time had come when she must bid them good-by forever. So she gave each a tender kiss, tears coursing down her cheeks the while, and locked them all in a closet in the attic. But the parting was almost more than she could bear. Every day she sat outside the garret closet and poured the sweetest messages she could think of through the keyhole. However, she stuck to her word bravely and never played with them any more. Perhaps it would have been better if, after the heart-rending farewell, she had given them to some poor little girls who had no dolls at all, and who would have gladly befriended hers.

A Kind Pony.

Tommy owned a very fine pony, which was very fond of him, and would come from the paddock at the sound of his voice and follow him about like a dog. One day the pony became lame and was kept in the stable. About this time a cat had a family of kittens on a ledge just above the pony's manger. She and the pony became great friends. One morning, while jumping up to her kittens, she rolled off the ledge into the manger, injuring her foot so that she could scarcely crawl along to obtain her food at the house. When she came back she was unable to get up to her kittens, so she laid down at the pony's feet and mewed and looked up piteously several times. At last the pony, seeming to understand what she wanted, reached down, took the cat gently in his teeth and lifted her up to the ledge to her kittens. This was repeated morning after morning. The cat would roll off into the manger, go and get her breakfast, come back and be lifted up to her family.

A Bad Dog.

Grandfather Hale had a dog named Billy, who, every day when the school bell rang, would trot off just as if he knew the bell as well as the children. No one could discover where he went or what he went for. But one day Billy came into the garden with a small parcel in his mouth. He laid it down on the lawn and fumbled about with it until he had unwrapped it, the contents turning out to be two thick slices of bread and butter. After this it was discovered that Billy went to the school every day, barked at the children, and so frightened them that they would drop their lunch and run away; then he would pick it up and scamper off with his prize.

When Trees Go to Sleep.

Trees and plants have their regular times for going to sleep as well as boys and girls. They need the same chance to rest from the work of growing and to repair and oil the machinery of life. Some plants do all their sleeping in the winter while the ground is frozen and the limbs are bare of leaves. In tropical countries, where the snow never falls and it is always growing weather, the trees repose during the rainy season or during the periods of drouth. They always choose the most unfavorable working time for doing their sleep, just as man chooses the night, when he cannot see to work.

Proved.

Him—This administration is as futile and ineffective and useless as—
His Wife—It is, John; it is. Why, there isn't a single letter box with a slit big enough for you to mail a bundle of papers.—Life.

The Japanese come nearer following American customs in celebrating Christmas than the other diplomates of non-Christian countries at Washington.

FOR WOMEN AND HOME

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

Stylish Street Outfit — Dainty White Flannel Shirt Waist—The Dainty Use of Perfume That Becomes an Exceeding Charm of Woman.

The Old-Fashioned Girl.

She's only an "old-fashioned girl," she says,
  (Is it enough to disgrace?)
An "old-fashioned girl" with womanly ways,
  And a winsome and womanly face;
A girl who is innocent, modest and sweet,
  Who is sensible, honest and true—
The kind that will surely be obsolete
  In another short year or two.
She isn't ambitious for questionable fame,
  She doesn't ape man in her dress,
She doesn't read books that have a bad name,
  Nor herald her "views" in the press;
She doesn't use slang nor smoke cigarettes,
  Nor loudly expound "Woman's Rights,"
She shuns all the fads of the "fashionable sets,"
  And "home" is her chief of delights.
She's only an "old-fashioned girl," you see,
  And not in the least "up-to-date,"
But she is the kind of a girl for me,
  And the kind that I want for a mate.
I know it's very "old-fashioned" to say
  Your wife is a "saint from above"—
But I own I am fond of her "old-fashioned" way,
  And proud of her "old-fashioned" love!
—Arthur Grissom in St. Louis Republic.

The Dainty Use of Perfume.

I saw such a clever idea carried out in a home I visited yesterday that I want it to become general, says a writer in the Philadelphia Times. No girl could expect an exclusive right to it, even though she copyrighted it, for it is one of those things that are bound to be copied right and left just as soon as their existence is known. In a house with generous closets—blessed belongings—one of the most ample was placed at the disposal of a young woman, who is known among her friends as "Miss Daintiness." She always looks as if she had made a fresh toilet, she never gets mussed on long journeys or in crowds. She says that there is no magic in that, because it is simply due to the manner in which she puts herself together and ordinary care. She never trusts to luck, never pins faith to weakened threads and shaky buttons, never depends upon common pins to do duty where safety pins are none too strong. And she places plenty of hairpins where they will do good service for her hair. When once arranged she takes the common precautions against personal misfortunes. However that may be, she is as fresh as a new pin all through the 24 hours. She is a sensible young woman, inasmuch as she clings to violet scent, and every article in her possession is touched with the delicious fragrance. One day she conceived the idea of lining her closets with white cloth to protect her gowns from contact with the walls, and then she said to herself, "Why not hang bags of sachet powder mixed with orris root back of the white linings?" which were suspended by small rings from a series of little books. That was quickly done and the sweet odor crept all through the folds of the clothing hung there. When this had been achieved she turned her attention to the drawers of the dressing case and the scent became a part of the room. I know women who carry their perfume in tiny little bags, slipped under the hat lining, into the palm of the gloves, under a fall of lace, and wherever else they can be concealed. I know another woman who uses a rare French perfume and puts it only upon the palm of her hands, as did Beau Brummel, rubbing it softly into the skin and taking care to keep it away from her clothing. It is simply a fastidious taste of hers. Another woman prefers to place a drop of scent just back of her ear or over the eyebrows or even on her hair, and all are fads. It really matters nothing, so long as the scent is perceptible, and no more—it is better to search for an elusive fragrance than have it literally forced into one's nostrils.

Carrying Money.

Many women, when traveling, carry their surplus money in an envelope pinned inside the dress, but some one has now invented for the purpose a pretty case made of a bit of linen, eight inches long and 3½ inches wide, embroidered with the heavy white Roman silk in five-pointed stars, made by taking from the center five stitches, each an eighth of an inch long. If this is too troublesome, a simple cross-stitch, made with this silk irregularly over the linen, about three-quarters of an inch apart, will give a pretty effect. Or the bag may have on the back the future owner's three initials, written with a fine-pointed, hard lead pencil—to make the line as narrow and light as possible—by the giver, and done in outline stitch heavy enough to cover the pencil marks, says the Baltimore Herald. Having embroidered the linen, hem one end three inches, and, beginning half an inch above the pocket thus formed, round off the square corners, which will give the envelope shape. Commencing at one end, baste a piece of linen tape half an inch wide along the sides and around the flap of the envelop, and ornament it with a row of feather-stitching. Finish the hem across the pocket in the same way; sew a small pearl button one inch below the hem in the center, and make a white silk loop in the middle of the flap.

Some Uses of Soda.

Apart from the use of bicarbonate of soda as a relief for indigestion, both this form and the crude washing soda are useful to the cook and the housekeeper.

A burn caused by a hot iron will cease to pain almost immediately if a piece of soda, moistened with the tongue, is put on. A scald or burn, if the skin is not broken, can be cured by placing the burnt part in strong soda water.

Boil greasy tins in soda water once a week, and use hot soda water for a greasy sink.

Put a piece of soda the size of a walnut to a tablespoonful of salt into a basin and pour on boiling water. Allow dirty sponges to stand in this for a short time, when they will be quite clean and free from grease. Rinse in cold water.

STYLISH STREET OUTFIT.

Dark red cloth, with seven box plaits stitched to knee, Eton jacket with box-plaited front. Hood, cuffs and muff, trimmed with broadcloth. Hood lined with bright Oriental panne velvet. Toque of black cloth and black pointed curved plumes.

Dissolve a cupful of soda in a gallon of water, and leave in a jar near the kitchen sink. Into this throw all pieces of soap and remains of packets of dry soap. Dip into the jar and add to the water used for washing and scrubbing very dirty pans, earthenware, tinware, woodwork (but not paint), and for washing kitchen cloths and dusters.

Common washing soda dissolved in water until the liquid will take up no more is said to be an excellent cure for warts. Moisten the warts with it, and let them dry without wiping.

A pinch of carbonate of soda put into the teapot will increase the strength of the tea. This applies particularly to places where the water is hard.—Seattle Post-Intelligencer.

How to Use Sachet.

It is always in good taste to use sachet for the clothing, provided one uses the right sort. Violet, heliotrope, rose and clover are all right. Sandalwood is too violent, but a little can be used provided discretion is shown. Stronger odors are tabooed. Dainty sachets are made of bits of wide ribbon. Several of these strung on baby ribbon are nice to hang over the hooks in one's closet.

Dainty White Flannel Shirt Waist.

Yoke tucked crosswise and full front. Deep red satin tie. Overskirt of plain goods, and underskirt mixed gray cloth. Gray hat, with white spotted ribbon or spray.

A Hair Tonic.

A splendid tonic for the hair is made of glycerine, one ounce; eau de cologne (strongest), one-quarter pint; liquor of ammonia (880-882), one fluid dram; oil of origanum, oil of rosemary, of each one-half fluid dram; tincture of cantharides, one fluid ounce. Briskly agitate them together for eight or ten minutes, then add of camphor-julep (strongest), one-half pint. Electricity, properly applied, will often do wonders toward restoring vitality to the hair. In the case of a young girl who had lost her hair in spots after an attack of typhoid fever, a hair specialist advised cropping and electricity applied through a good-sized sponge, three times a week, in conjunction with the above wash. The treatment resulted within three months in a beautiful head of new hair. The hair should be kept short for at least a year under the above or similar circumstances.

Good Taste.

It is not always costly garments that are the prettiest and most becoming. One's own good taste should tell one what to wear. An inexpensive gown, well brushed and well put on, will look a hundredfold better than one that cost a heap of money but is ill-fitting and slouchy and trailing in the dirt. It is an easy matter to find what colors suit you best, and also what general styles are most becoming to your figure. It would appear, though, as if half the women planned their gowns so that their defects and not their good points would be made more prominent. Don't be one of them. Reform, and mend your ways. To be beautiful is the ambition of every woman in every walk of life. It is not an ambition to be sneered at, for beauty does not mean merely a doll-like reproduction of rosy cheeks and wide, beaming eyes, but sweetness of character and a mentality that is worth the name. I wouldn't give a nickel with a hole in it for the girl who neglects the cultivation of a pleasant, happy, inspiring disposition and spends six hours out of the day experimenting with freckle cures and fretting over a mole on her left cheek! The freckles and the mole won't be noticed if she is sweet and dear and unselfish and lovable.

Toilet Creams.

It is a bad plan to keep quantities of toilet cream on the table for any length of time. The heat of the room may affect the oils. Instead have small salve and cream jars, into which a portion of each cream may be put, to be renewed as needed. Put that which is not in use in a cool place and it will last longer and keep better. Jars kept for the use of creams should be thoroughly cleaned when emptied.

OUR COOKING SCHOOL.

Apple Sauce

Pare, core and slice some apples; stew them with sufficient water to prevent burning; when done, mash them through a colander, sweeten to taste, add a small piece of butter, a little nutmeg or lemon.

Bacon Omelet.

Beat up some eggs (according to the quantitiy required), then add salt, pepper, some finely cut parsley and green onions, and a slice or two of bacon cut into very fine mince meat; mix all well together, fry and scorch the top with a red hot poker.

To Cook Squash.

If very young and tender, merely cut in pieces and core; otherwise peel and core, and stew it with a small amount of water. When tender press out the water through a sieve or in a coarse cloth, mash it fine, and dress it with butter, pepper and salt.

Macaroni With Tomatoes.

Boil one-half pound of macaroni till tender, pour off all the water, then add one-half cup of sweet cream, one-third of a cup of butter; pepper and salt; let simmer for a short time, but be careful that it does not become much broken, turn into vegetable dish; have ready one pint of stewed tomatoes, season with butter, salt and pepper, pour over the macaroni.

Cauliflower.

Break off the green leaves, cut the flower close at the bottom, from the stalk; if large, divide into four quarters. Put into cold water, let it lie not over an hour, then put into boiling milk and water, or water only—milk makes it white—skim while boiling. When the stalks are tender, take it up, which must be done before it loses its crispness. Lay it on a cloth or colander to drain, and serve with melted butter.

A New York druggist says that Chinamen patronize the drug stores very little, as they have little faith in American drugs.

WAITING FOR DEATH.

A NOTED OUTLAW SERVING A LIFE SENTENCE.

Desperate Fight on a Train—Shackled to Another, He Shot a United States Marshal and Freed Himself by Cutting Off Companion's Hand.

Calmly awaiting death in the penitentiary at Chester, Ill., is Robert Yerger, one of the most noted outlaws of the West, who is serving a life sentence. Yerger belonged to what was known as the "Robbers' Cave gang" of seven members, whose robberies became so frequent and bold in the vicinity of Austin, Texas, in 1884 that a force of United States deputy marshals started out with a determination of rounding them up. They met Jim McDaniels, one of the leaders of the gang, on a country road near New Braumfels, and a pitched battle took place without any parleying by either the desperado or the officers. McDaniels' body was riddled with bullets, but he did not quit shooting until he had seriously wounded two of the deputy marshals. A short time after McDaniels' tragic death Yerger and Ezra Pitts, another member of the robber band, were captured by deputy marshals. Both were given life sentences in the Chester, Ill., penitentiary. It was a few days after their conviction that the two prisoners made one of the most desperate attempts to escape known in the criminal annals of Texas. Henry L. Gosling was United States marshal for the western district of Texas, which embraces all of that territory located west of the Colorado river, at that time, and he went to Austin to convey the two desperate prisoners to San Antonia, where the jail was more secure, pending their removal to the penitentiary. He was a fearless officer and so careless in presence of danger that he did not take the precaution of shackle the two prisoners to the car seats, though they were fastened together when he placed them on the train to take them to San Antonio.

Deputy Marshals Manning and Lang accompanied Gosling, and they were in active charge of the prisoners. Gosling took a seat three seats forward of the prisoners, his seat companion being H. S. Canfield, formerly a Texas ranger, but for several years past a resident of Chicago. A number of relatives of the prisoners were on the train, but were not allowed in the same car with the latter. Shortly after the train pulled out of the depot Mrs. Pitts, the pretty wife of one of the prisoners, came to Gosling and pleaded to be allowed to sit by the side of her husband. She also asked that Rose Yerger, sister of the other prisoner, be allowed the same privilege. Tears coursed down the face of the woman as she asked this favor, and Gosling granted her request. Two seats were thrown together, and Rose Yerger sat facing her brother and Mrs. Pitts faced her husband. The train left Austin just at nightfall, and it was about 9 o'clock when New Braumfels was reached. The two women had spent the time sobbing on the shoulders of the prisoners, and Gosling and his two deputies had no thought of the plot that was being arranged. Shortly after the train had pulled out of New Braumfels Pitts slyly reached his shackled hands under the folds of his wife's dress and secured a six-shooter which had been concealed there. Yerger did likewise, and drew forth a six-shooter from his sister's dress. The two prisoners then sprung into the center of the car and began firing at Gosling and the two deputy marshals simultaneously. The first two shots came together, and both bullets struck the brave United States marshal squarely in the back, and he pitched forward on his face. Deputies Manning and Lang were quick to get into the fray. The cylinder of Lang's pistol would not revolve, and he was powerless to render any assistance to Manning, who stood up fearlessly before the rain of bullets that was being showered at him by the prisoners. Manning emptied the chambers of his six-shooters at Yerger and Pitts as they slowly backed toward the door of the coach. The car was filled with smoke, and it was only by the flash of the pistols that the positions of the combatants could be distinguished. Manning was shot through the left side, through the left arm and through the fleshy part of the neck. Although the blood was pouring from these wounds he kept up the fight and did not seem to know the meaning of fear.

As he followed the prisoners toward the car door his cartridges were exhausted and the ejector stuck. He ccolly stooped down beside Canfield, grabbed a leadpencil from his upper vest pocket and punched the empty shells out of the chambers, reloaded and resumed firing. Pitts and Yerger gained the platform of the car and shouted defiance at Manning. They then jumped off of the train, which was still running at a good rate of speed. The coach slowly cleared of smoke, and the interior looked like a slaughter pen. The floor was reeking with blood, many panes of glass were broken, and groans were coming from wounded passengers. A woman, Mrs. Drown, had been shot through the abdomen. She died next day. Rose Yerger had been shot through the thigh. Marshal Gosling was dead in a pool of his own blood, and Deputy Manning soon became unconscious from the loss of blood. The train was stopped and ran back to San Marcus, where the wounded were given surgical attention. The following morning a detachment of state rangers arrived at the spot where the prisoners jumped from the train. They had a pack of bloodhounds, and the latter immediately gave tongue, and followed a bloody trail made by the fugitives for a distance of about 500 yards, when they came to the body of Pitts lying in a bunch of woods. He had been shot twice through the body, and it was remarkable that he should have been able to jump from the moving train and go that distance wounded as he was. Yerger had released himself from his dead companion by severing the latter's right hand at the wrist. The pursuit of Yerger was continued, and he was found that evening wandering in the hills in the western part of Comal county. He was demented, and made no resistance when ordered to throw up his hands and surrender. He recovered his senses in a few days, and was conveyed to the penitentiary at Chester, Ill., where he is still confined. Although badly wounded, Manning recovered, and is now living on the Rio Grande borden.

HE FOUND IT SWEET.

Compared with the Other Places He Had Tried.

A certain English consul in Morocco, traveling to the court, stopped at a little town, says the Saturday Review. Rivers had risen, tribes had cut the road, our lord the sultan with his camp was on a journey and had eaten up the food upon the usual road, or some one or another of the incidents of flood or field which render travel in Morocco interesting had happened. The town lay off the beaten track close to the territory of a half-wild tribe. Therefore upon arrival at the place the consul found himself received with scowling looks; no one proceeded to hostilities, but he remained within his tent unvisited but by a soldier sent from the governor to ask whether the kafir, son of a kafir, wished for anything. People sat staring at him, motionless except their eyes; children holding each other's hands stood at a safe distance from his tent and stared for hours at him, and he remarked the place where he was asked to camp was near a mound which from time immemorial seemed to have been the common dunghill of the town. The night passed miserably, the guards sent by the governor, shouting aloud at intervals to show their vigilance, banished all chance of sleep. Cursing the place, at break of day the consul struck his camp, mounted his horse and started, leaving the sullen little town all wrapped in sleep. But as he jogged along disconsolately behind his mules, passing an angel of the "Kaabah" wall, a figure, rising as it seemed out of the dunghill's depths, advanced and stood before him in the middle of the way. Its hair was long and matted and its beard ropy and grizzled and for sole covering it had a sack tied round its waist with a string of camel's hair; and as the consul, feeling in his purse, was just about, in the English fashion, to bestow his alms to rid himself of trouble, it addressed him in his native tongue. "Good morning, consul, how goes the world with you? You're the first Christian I have seen for years. My name was once Mohanna, now I am Sidi bu Zibbala, the father of the dunghill. Your once Shakespeare says that all the world's a stage, but he was an Englishman. I, Syrian, I say all the world, dunghill. I try him, Syria, England, the desert and New York; I find him dung, so I come here and live here on this dunghill and find it sweet, when compared to places I have seen, and it is warm and dry." He ceased; and then the consul, feeling his words an outrage upon progress and on his official status, muttered "Queer kind of fish," and jerking at his horse's bridle, proceeded doggedly upon his way.

"FAINT HEART NEVER WON——"

The Old Man Knew Human Nature and Won His Point.

Detroit Free Press: Young men can never tell where to look for an ally in their love affairs. A few afternoons ago one of them was leaving a handsome residence in the upper part of the city. He walked unsteadily, he will never be paler, and it was evident that he was in great trouble. He scarcely noticed the brisk approach of the old gentleman who owns the house, and the daughter, though the suitor had been diligently dodging the father for months. "Hello! What's this? Sick?" and the old gentleman firmly planted himself in the way of the retreating lover. "You're not fit to go out in the storm, young man. Come inside. Take a drop of brandy. What do you mean, risking your life like this?" "Not there, sir," in a faint voice. "I'll never enter that house again. Your daughter just refused me." Now, the father had told her a score of times to "get rid of that chap," but he is sympathetic and choleric. "What," pounding the walk with his cane, "refused you? Jilted you? Put you in this awful state? The minx. She'll hear from me. Look as though you were dying, poor fellow. How many times have you asked her?" "Once." Only once? Thunderation, man, I'll bet I asked her mother 50,000 times before she'd have me. It's in the blood. Come in here. No, take a walk around the block and then come. The idea of that girl thinking that she knows her own mind. It's absurd. Brace up now. We'll bring her to time." And it looks as though they would. The old gentleman looks sheepish, the girl laughs often without apparent cause, and the youth calls regularly.

Marie Antoinette's Necklace.

It must have been in 1862 that Meyerbeer paid his last visit to London, and I saw him at one of the Philharmonic concerts, which were then held in the old Hanover square rooms, says the Cornhill Magazine. There was quite a flutter of excitement when the little old man, looking extraordinarily wizened and wrinkled, even for his age of 68, came into the box. I noticed his piercing eyes and hooked nose, and, perhaps as much as these, a magnificent brooch of rubies and diamonds that blazed in the center of his shirt frill, which he wore in the fashion of 1830. After the triumphant performance of one of his operas the queen sent for him to come to her box to receive her congratulations. Half-dazed with emotion, excitement and fatigue, the old musician, rising from his obeisance, clapped his hands to his eyes, crying with horror, "Blood, blood, round the queen's neck!" "It is only this, Gluck," said Marie Antoinette, hastily snatching off her necklace of rubies, anad holding the rippling gems toward him; and Gluck looked again and saw the fair white throat rising unharmed and stainless. He died in 1787.

A King's Reign.

Browne—A king must lead a stormy life. Towne—Yes; it's very reigny.—Boston Traveler.

Rob Cleverdale's Adventure.

By Seward W. Hopkins.

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CHAPTER XI.

On the following morning Rob rose weary and aching from a bed on which he had tossed in wakefulness since he had heard the words of Lemuel Starne. Capt. Elvin nodded to him when he stepped out into the large room, and at once led the way to the dining-room.

"Eat heartily," he said. "You have a day of hard work before you."

It seemed to Rob that every bone in his body ached from the excessive exertion of his walk the day before. But he was so thoroughly aroused to the necessities of his situation that he grimly bore it without a word, and fell to on the breakfast as if he was really a happy boy.

Breakfast over, Capt. Elvin lighted a cigar and offered one to Rob.

"Thank you, sir, I don't smoke," said Rob.

"Not smoke! A nephew of Torrevo not smoke!"

"But I was not always with my uncle Ricardo," said Rob.

"True. Boys in New York do not learn to smoke as early as they do here. Well, Ricardo, come. Let's get to work."

The Englishman led the way to the office again, and pointed to a desk on which there were paper and writing materials.

"That is your place," he said. "You are young for this trust, but Torrevo spoke highly of you. He said you could be trusted. But, after all, I am not going to trust you far. You will know the names of the men you write to, and that is all. Now, I will give you three forms of letters. They are in cipher, and no one except those who receive them can read them. Then I will give you a list of names for each form. Now, take your pen and write this down."

"I am ready sir," said Rob, dipping his pen in the ink.

"The blue flag waves," said Elvin. "Have you got that?"

"The blue flag waves," repeated Rob, writing it down.

"I will go on. The blue flag waves. La Plata smooth and friends find easy sailing. Splendid anchorage in Black Cat bay. Three days from this a storm is expected. Cover your house well."

"I have that down, sir," said Rob.

"Very well. Mark that form number one."

"It is marked number one, sir."

"Now another. Are you ready?"

"Ready, sir."

"Write these letters, one after another, and write them very plainly."

"Yes, sir," said Rob.

"FWFSZUIJOHJTSFBEZ. ZPVXJM MBUPODFBTTFNCMFZPVSMPSDFT BOEKPJONFIFSF."

This was a terrible jumble to Rob, who knew nothing about writing in cipher.

"Got that all down?" asked Elkin.

"Yes, sir."

"Read them over."

Rob repeated the letters.

"Correct," said Elvin. "It is an easy cipher, but none of the letters will get into the hands of the government, and even if one did, I don't think there is any one who would bother to make it out. Now take this down."

"I am ready, sir."

"Loyalty to loyalty, and Black Cat sends greetings."

"Is that all, sir."

"That's all. You will sign to each letter you write the name Vin. You understand, it is the last syllable of my own name."

"Yes, sir."

"Now, here are three lists of names. You have the first letter marked number one. Did you mark the cipher number two?"

"Yes, sir."

"The short one is number three. These lists of names are numbered one, two and three. You will send a letter of each number to every person named in the list bearing the same number. Do you understand that?"

"Yes, sir."

"Here are envelopes. There are stamps. Do it all up in good shape, and perhaps in a week or two you will have something to remember this occasion by."

Rob thought he would, too, if his own plans did not fail.

Elvin stood over him while he studied the names on the lists.

List number one was made up of names and addresses in cities of South America, most of them being in Argentina. Some were even in New York, a few in London and Paris. There were about 300 in all. List number two, or those to whom the cipher was to be sent, were men in the republic, most of them with some kind of a military title. Rob's curiosity was aroused at this, and he resolved to read the cipher, if possible. There were about a hundred of these names. List number three, to whom the "Loyalty" letter was to be sent, were scattered all over the world, but most of them were civilians in South American countries.

It was clear to Rob that he had more than one day's work before him. He began at once. He was methodical in habit, and as he wrote a letter from form number one he would address an envelope from list number one, and then check off that name. Elvin watched him do this a few times, and then, with a satisfied nod of his head, he walked out.

Of course, letter number one was not clear to Rob. It was evidently a form previously agreed upon among the conspirators, to be sent under certain conditions. Rob soon had it word for word in his memory, and wrote the letters rapidly. But it took him till late in the afternoon to finish list number one. He had stopped for lunch, but ate alone. Capt. Elvin did not return.

It had begun to grow dark, and Rob felt tired of the work. So he gave it up for the day and wandered around to look at the place. Capt. Elvin appeared for supper and looked over the letters Rob had addressed. Rob noted with pleasure that he did this carelessly and did not see half of them.

"You finished number one?" said the captain.

"Yes, sir. I got tired, and left the others till morning."

"That's all right. You did well. I could not do it. I could not sit down and write an hour at a stretch to save my life."

Rob had a good night's rest, and after his breakfast the next morning

ELVIN WATCHED HIM DO THIS.

tackled number two. The captain went off again, and Rob's curiosity had grown so that now, while he was fresh, he felt like reading the cipher. But it was a mystery. Such a meaningless lot of letters he never saw before. Turn and twist them as he would he could make nothing of them. Suddenly it occurred to him that these letters did not spell the message at all. They must, then, stand for other letters in the alphabet. How was he to learn what they stood for? He took the first sentence. FWFSZU, and so on, meant absolutely nothing, and could not be made to spell anything. Starting with A, the first letter of the alphabet, Rob tried to make F stand for it. But there was no way to fit the same rule to F, and make sense. This would be ARA. It might lead to something. But when he had gone through the sentence he found it would not do, and began on B. He kept this up, with all the ingenuity his young head was capable of, and tried C and D. He began to despair of reaching it, when he tried E.

The first five letters gave the word "Every."

With his heart beating faster now, Rob kept on his way. Each letter of the simple cipher really stood for the letter that came before it in the alphabet. And when he had studied it all out, the message read as follows:

"Everything is ready. You will at once assemble your forces and join me here."

This meant something, surely. It meant that a revolutionary army was to assemble under Richard Elvin and make an attack on the forces of the government. This means, perhaps, ruin to his uncle in Buenos Ayres. And if his uncle was killed, perhaps Elvin would take all his property and wealth.

With his heart filled with boyish courage, Rob wrote the letters in cipher, as he had been ordered to do. Then he addressed envelopes from list number two.

The message in form number three meant nothing to him. The nearest he could come to a guess was that it informed the persons to whom it was sent that the "Black Cat" had brought another cargo of contraband goods. But what had loyalty to do with smuggling? No, it was another revolutionary message, and the "Black Cat" had perhaps been taken as the symbol of the revolutionists.

Fortunately, Elvin remained away, and Rob had an opportunity to carry out the design he had formed. He wrote a letter to his uncle.

"Dear Uncle David," he wrote, "I was not drowned when I was thrown overboard from the Royal Mail. I was picked up by a smuggler, and am now a prisoner among some men who are smugglers, and also conspirators against the government of Argentina. The head man's name is Richard Elvin, and he thinks I am the nephew of Torrevo, the captain of the schooner that picked me up. If he knew I was writing this, he would kill me. The man who threw me overboard was Lemuel Starne, the same one who is trying to marry my cousin Elsie. He is a scoundrel. He is really the son of Elvin. He comes here, and I am afraid he will recognize me. So, as soon as I get this off with a lot of letters I am writing to other conspirators, I am going to slip out of the window and go back to the schooner 'Black Cat.' Captain Torrevo told me to come back if I was in danger, and I think I am. I could have gone last night, but I wanted to finish the job they set me at, so that I could get this letter off to you. There are three kinds of letters I am writing, and I can only read one. That is the very one that seems hardest to read. It is in cipher, but I made it out. It is being sent to several generals and colonels and captains in Argentina, and says: 'Everything is ready. You will at once assemble your forces and join me here.—Vin.' The name Vin means Elvin. 'Here' means a house not far from the river, at a spot called Black Cat Bay. If I get back to the schooner I will be safe until Elvin finds me. But I hope you will come after me, or send someone. I warn you against Lemuel Starne, whose name is Elvin. He is trying to get Elsie and your money. He tried to kill me to prevent me from reaching you. Please try and get me away from these men. I am afraid they will kill me yet. Your loving nephew,

"ROB CLEVERDALE."

Rob addressed an envelope to "David Horton, Buenos Ayres," and slipped the letter, folded neatly, into it. Then he placed this among the letters of number one, that he had written the previous day and which Elvin had looked over.

(To be continued.)

GARFIELD AND MR. MOODY.

They Looked Alike and Had the Same Gift of Captivating Friends.

"There was a striking resemblance between the late Mr. Moody and President Garfield," said a New Orleans newspaper man the other evening. "Garfield was the taller of the two, but otherwise they were strangely alike. They had the same massive frame, the same suave, smiling cast of features, the same enthusiastic temperament, the same facility for anecdote, and the same effect of sincerity in everything that they said or did. Their style of oratory was almost identical and both possessed the gift of captivating people at first sight. One of Mr. Moody's most ardent admirers, for instance, was A. C. Wheeler, the well known New York dramatic critic, who writes under the nom de plume of 'Nim Crinkle,' and it would be impossible to imagine two men more utterly dissimilar. Wheeler is a veteran Bohemian and a maker of polished phrases; a student, a dreamer, a poet, and a noted after-dinner wit. In appearance he is thin, frail, and a trifle sardonic—in every way the antithesis of the evangelist, yet the warmest friendship sprung up between them, lasting uncooled to the end. I interviewed Mr. Moody several times," continued the speaker, "on the last occasion about three years ago, and I asked him among other things, what preparation, if any, he made for his longer public addresses. 'Why, I jot down a memorandum of a string of stories,' he replied, with one of his characteristic, boyish laughs. Then he explained that he mapped out his general line of argument in advance, thinking up some striking anecdotes with which to clinch each successive point. That was all done mentally, and the only notes he made were a few catch words on a card to remind him of the stories in case any of them should slip his mind. He showed me one of these memoranda and I have often regretted that I did not ask him for it as a souvenir. It was simply a string of words, unintelligible to anybody except himself—for example, 'ocean greyhound,' 'battle of Waterloo,' 'coral reef insect,' 'first locomotive,' 'breaking in new boots'—those are a few I remember. Each was a cue to one of his inimitable little tales."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Midshipmen's Trick.

One bitterly cold, dark night in the beginning of 1855, when we were at anchor off Sebastopol, and the decks and rigging were covered with snow, the officer of the watch, a lieutenant we all disliked, told us midshipmen to warm ourselves by sweeping a gangway along the quarterdeck, where he could walk up and down, says Sir Edmund Varney in the Contemporary. While we were doing this he went below to have a cup of cocoa; so we arranged a ridge of hard snow two or three feet away from the top of the hatchway, calculating that when he came up and put his foot on the firm, hard deck he would take the next step with confidence. This was exactly what happened. Coming up from the bright light of the cabin, he took his second step gally in the darkness, tripped over the snow and fell on his nose, to our great joy. Whether or not he suspected that the trap had been set on purpose for him we never knew. He directed one of the men to remove the snow ridge. Perhaps he thought it as well to say nothing to us, because he had no right to order us to sweep away snow, and he had no business to go below and drink cocoa when officer of the watch.

Engaging Frankness.

Edith—There is one thing in particular that I like Mr. Tactin for. He is so frank, you know. He always tells me of my faults without the least hesitation. That was the agreement I caused him to make. Bertha—Do you mean to say that you do not get angry with him? Edith—Never. Bertha—Tell me some of the faults he has found in you. Edith—O, he hasn't found any yet. When I ask him to name them he always says that I am faultless.—Stray Stories.

It Didn't Count.

Boggs—Come and have a drink. Biggs—Why, I thought you swore off. Boggs—O, that was only a New Year's resolution.—New York Journal.

If you want to get a reputation for being level-headed always agree with everybody.—Philadelphia Record.

LAWTON'S WIDOW.

CHARMING WOMAN TO WHOM HE WAS DEVOTED.

A Grateful Country Will See That the Object of His Affections Shall Not Want For the Comforts of Life—As Heroes Die.

"I am ready to die a soldier's death at any time. I have no fears for myself. But I am sorely troubled when I think of what would become of my wife and children in such an event."

Thus spoke Gen. Henry W. Lawton to a friend last summer. He died as heroes die—at the head of his men in a warm engagement and while aiding a wounded subordinate. He left no fortune. Forty years of his life were given to his country, but his pay was inadequate to do more than support himself and his family. But a grateful country will care for them. The fund which is to be presented to Mrs. Lawton as a testimonial of Americans' admiration for her gallant husband will probably reach $75,000. It is growing fast.

Mrs. Lawton was Miss Craig, of Redlands, Cal., and the general's happiest days were spent on their fruit farm in California, when the great soldier was stationed at Los Angeles. The orange groves and the residence at Redlands are heavily mortgaged, but the fund will provide for this and for her future comfort. Mrs. Lawton and the children are at Manila.

The marriage of the general and Mrs. Lawton was unusual. At the Craig homestead, near Louisville, Ky., lives a favorite and invalid cousin of Mrs. Lawton, who was anxious to witness the marriage ceremony. A few days before the date set for the wedding the cousin began to fail. It was seen that she was dying. She realized it and asked that Gen. (then major) Lawton and his bride-to-be be summoned to her bedside and there (the day before the appointed date) Miss Craig became Mrs. Lawton.

AFTER THE GOLD BOOMS

Importance of Reactions in Determining Population.

The law that settlers follow the line of least resistance suffers an exception when men are seeking gold. In the natural order of things, population would have worked itself in a continuous progression toward the Rocky Mountains, crossing them only by compulsion, as the Alleghanies were crossed and the Mississippi and the Missouri rivers. But where there is gold in sight there is no law. Humanity goes into Alaska with the same blind avidity that it went into California fifty years ago, with the same fatuousness that it swept to Pike's Peak in 1858. Population forsook all its domiciles, its patronages and its prosperity, in the Argonaut period, and,

MRS. MARY CRAIG LAWTON.

as if driven by some monstrous wind, surged over the uneven earth to the Pacific and to the Rockies. The whole world knows how it did so, and the suffering that ensued is as common a story as the fortunes that were won. But the thing that is not known, the matter of lasting importance that is most often overlooked, is the migratory reaction, the settling back of the big flood to the places in which, either by necessity or by the choice, it must finally rest. The character of the great west, the transmissouri, with its multiple variations, is determined by this phenomenon. A map and a book of census statistics will tell the story. It is the story of the oil from the pitcher again. Men and women touched the crest of the continent at Leadville, in Colorado, in 1858, but fell back onto the plains again before the '60s were expired. The Mormon emigration filled the valley of the Jordan in 1847, but the general tide of people either went to the lower valleys of the Sacramento and the San Joaquin on the oriental side of the Sierra Nevadas or receded on the eastern slope of the Rockies. Successive mining discoveries enticed rushes of prospectors into northern Idaho and British Columbia, but the greater mass of the movers went back into the warmer regions of California and Oregon. Where the Comstock and the Consolidated Virginia silver mines once magnetized so many settlers as to beguile congress into making a state of Nevada, there is little left now but the evidence of what has been and the promise of what may be when the immigration of the west begins to move again for less glorious promises than acres of oranges for the mere tilling of the soil and monster timber for the mere hewing of the logs. The mesas of the two southwestern territories, Arizona and New Mexico, seem to have absorbed the hosts of traders and adventurers that went into them as the sandy soil of their great areas drink in the freshets from the mountains."—Ainslee's Magazine.

AN ELOQUENT CLERGYMAN.

One of the most eloquent clergymen in New York city at the present time is Rev. Thos. R. Slicer, pastor of All Souls' church. Although a comparatively newcomer in the metropolis, having removed there from Buffalo three or four years ago, Mr. Slicer has already made a large place for himself in the religious, political and civic life of the city. He is one of our best after dinner speakers, and is in constant demand for functions of this kind. An excellent example of his style and trend of thought is furnished in the following paragraph from his sermon on Thanksgiving day: "The first business of every American," said Mr. Slicer, "is to be fit for America. He

REV. THOMAS SLICER.

may regard it as a good stand for business to enrich himself, but being enriched he is the trustee of those riches, and not their owner. He may regard it as a great opportunity in which to be free, but the only purpose of freedom is to live the higher life. I believe in the sovereignty of the people in the great democracy, which is working out its salvation and the salvation of the world." Dr. Slicer is actively engaged in aiding the movement in favor of municipal reform, and is one of the closest and most confidential friends of Gov. Roosevelt.

Classical Quotations in Congress.

In tracing the decline of the use of classical quotations in legislative bodies, the Boston Herald cites the case of Edward Everett, who once concluded a stately speech in congress with a long, sonorous and superbly modulated citation of a passage from Tacitus, and then took his seat. No sooner was he through than up sprang a burley member from what was then a frontier state of the west. He had once been an Indian agent, and no sooner was he on his legs than he began to pour out a vehement harangue in Choctaw. After a while the speaker called him to order. "I don't see why my freedom of speech should be abridged," he cried. "You let the gentleman from Massachusetts run on and I didn't understand the first word of his lingo any better than he does mine." The scene was described as very comical, but it struck the death knell of further classical quotations in a congress that had not the ray of an idea what the unintelligible lingo of Cicero and Tacitus was driving at.

The Twentieth Century.

It is quite time that everybody who is disposed to be eloquent over the new century should realize that it does not begin on Jan. 1, 1900. The first century began with the year 1 and ended with the year 100. Unless there has been a year inserted somewhere, there is, therefore, no escape from the conclusion that the nineteenth century does not end until the close of the year 1900. A curious fact in reference to the new century is that it will have twenty-four leap years, the greatest number that can possibly occur in a century. The same yearly calendar that did service in 1895 can be used again in 1901, and may be used again at successive intervals of six, eleven and every eleven years throughout the century.

Same Weakness.

Visitor (at prison)—Why are you here, my man? Convict—Same reason you are mum. I'm a poor, sloppy, morbid, neurotic, half-baked degenerate.—Judge.

PENCILS AND HIS WIFE

The shabby little crippled seamstress who lived on the top floor of the back tenement at —— East Seventeenth street did not look like a heroine of a romance, but for all that she was one.

When "Pencils," the blind man who stood patiently through heat and snow and rain at the foot of the Third avenue "L" steps, thought of her goodness and kindness to him the heart under his old faded, patched coat beat like a trip-hammer.

"Pencils" was wont to beguile the time between trains by thinking of his romance. It helped him to bear the broiling heat, the nipping cold, or the pelting rain. The people who hurried past him never so much as dreamed that the blind pauper standing there, timidly proffering his wares, knew what the word meant.

But "Pencils" never wearied of thinking of the little woman who had made for him the only gleam of sunshine he had ever known.

"Pencils" was at one time an inmate of a blind asylum. There were millions back of it, and stewed prunes for supper.

When "Pencils," weary and sick of stewed prunes, asked for fresh apple sauce, there was chaos and consternation in the institution. No such revolt has been on record since Oliver Twist asked for more.

The end of it was that "Pencils" was cast forth and told to shift for himself.

There was a little crippled seamstress sewing in the linen-room—a homely, shabby, little creature, industrious and reticent. The story drifted up to the linen-room, and when "Pencils" was slowly tapping his way down the steps of the asylum for the last time and vaguely wondering what was to become of him some one pulled his sleeve, slipped a bill in his hand, and whispered an address and name to him.

"Go there," said the voice. "They are friends of mine and they will be kind to you."

It was the little seamstress. "Pencils" obeyed her instructions, and the wretched tenement to which he was directed opened its doors to him with that beautiful hospitality only to be found among the poor.

When folks who could hardly scrape pennies together to buy food heard

SOMEONE PULLED HIS SLEEVE.

"Pencils'" story they chipped in and set the blind man up in business. And when they passed him at the foot of the "L" stairs they thrust their hands deeper in their empty pockets and assumed the airs of promoters.

"Pencils" lived in a miserable hole of a room and made shift for himself as best he could until that glorious day when a homely, shabby little cripple came down to the tenement, and asking for his room went in, built a fire in the ramshackle stove, and, filling a brand-new kettle she had bought, had it soon singing on the fire.

Several ladies of the section came in to ask if the morals of the tenement were to suffer. But the little seamstress, with simplicity and dignity told them who she was, that she had known and loved "Pencils" at the asylum, and that she had come to marry him and take care of him.

When "Pencils" came tap-tapping to his poor home that night, expecting a cold supper, he was met at the door by motherly, outstretched hands. He was dried at a glowing fire, and a cup of fragrant tea was handed him. And while, dazed and happy, he sipped the comforting drink, the little shabby woman outlined her plan.

And now dawn poor, blind "Pencils'" golden days. The little cripple nobly fulfilled her mission. The sewing she did late into the night brought in the money to make them quite comfortable.

"Pencils" did not retire from business, but was never permitted to overwork. When he started for his post his faithful little wife accompanied him to the street, saw him safely started, and then went back to her eternal stitching.

"Pencils," who had been warned repeatedly not to venture into unknown territory, grew rash one day and decided to explore. For two or three blocks he got on well. Then, growing bolder, he attempted to cross the crowded thoroughfare just in front of a flying trolley.

The little crippled seamstress sewed on alone for a few days. But the incentive for work was gone. She grew more and more reticent. She kept her door locked and was often heard talking to herself.

"She's not right," was the verdict of the tenement. Every one tried to be kind to her, but she shrank more and more within herself.

One morning Mrs. Duff, the good-natured scrub woman on the third floor, climbed the rickety stairs and knocked softly at the door of the little seamstress.

She found her neighbor lying dead upon her bed. The poor, homely little face was transfigured into a semblance of beauty by a smile of peace and happiness. She had followed "Pencils" out into that land of mystery to care for him.—New York World.

Saving.

A—"Doesn't it cost you an enormous amount to keep up that yacht of yours?" B—"Yes, but my wife cannot run up any bills while she is on it."—New York World.

CONSOLING FOR SPINSTERS.

More Unmarried Men Than Women, Say the Government Reports.

Some one has proposed a husbands' union for the protection of husbands. Just what they are to be protected from is not yet stated. Possibly the union is to be founded on the same lines as the School for Wives, established in England. Still better are the marriage schools which are being developed in Germany on very practical lines. They are for girls and women only, and the value of such a training cannot be overestimated. Girls leave the marriage school competent to undertake the management of a house—and of a husband. The girls who have been graduated from these schools have been extra lucky in getting married, so it is said. Another society which has been organized in Denmark is the Celibacy Insurance society. Its object is to provide for those women who either cannot or will not provide themselves with husbands. The premiums begin at the age of 13 and end at 40, an age at which it is supposed most of the members will have abandoned all thought of marriage. Such being the case, the woman receives an annuity for life. If she marries at any time she forfeits all her rights. Old maids in the United States are outnumbered by the bachelors, although it is popularly supposed that the contrary is the case. To come to exact figures, there are 7,427,767 bachelors and 3,224,494 spinsters. This is upon the authority of a government report. Even in Massachusetts, where it was thought that old maids constitute a large proportion of the population they could each find a husband, for there are 226,085 men and only 219,255 women who have not yet entered into the bonds of matrimony. New York state has 120,000 more bachelors than spinsters. Only one state in the union has more female celibates than male, and that is California, in which there are 59,456 of the former and 22,829 of the latter. The state of Washington has perhaps the largest excess of forlorn single men—89,537 all told, the unmarried women numbering only 9,181. Out of an equal number of bachelors and widowers between 25 and 30 years of age, thirty widowers remarry for every thirteen bachelors who enter the bonds of hymen for the first time. For every spinster married between 30 and 65, two widows are remarried. Both facts are eloquent in favor of the comparative advantages of matrimony.

MUSHROOMS AS FOOD.

Chemists and Doctors Differ Greatly as to Their Value.

A great deal has been said concerning the immense amount of valuable food which was daily going to waste in the shape of edible fungi, says the London Family Doctor. We are told that in many parts of the world these articles form the staple articles of diet of the inhabitants. Our attention has been called to the natives of Patagonia and Terra del Fuego, who are said to be of gigantic stature, and to exist principally on vegetable fungi, and to certain African tribes who value mushrooms so highly that one of them, the polyporus sacer, is worshiped as a god. Chemists have assured us that mushrooms belong to the animal rather than the vegetable kingdom, seeing that they possess a larger percentage of nitrogen than any other class of vegetable life. They are, we are told, essentially protein in composition, as much so, pound for pound, as butchers' meat. Two German scientists, Rolbrausch and Ziegel, stated some years ago, as a result of chemical investigation, that mushrooms deserve to be placed with meat as sources of nitrogenous nutriment. One man in Thuringia is said to have lived upon nothing but mushrooms for thirty years, and to have died a centenarian. Comparison has even been made between mushrooms and other articles of food to the detriment of the latter. Thus chemical analysis has shown mushrooms to contain from 20 to 25 per cent of protein, while bread only contains 8 per cent, potatoes 5 per cent, and barley meal 6 per cent of protein. Against this, however, we have the opinion of a Dr. Kitchener, who in 1824 stated in a publication called "Cook's Oracle" that he did not believe that mushrooms were nutritious. Dr. Jonathan Pereira, in his "Treatise on Food and Diet," published in 1843, said: "Mushrooms are difficult of digestion, and on certain constitutions act injuriously." Invalids, dyspeptics and those with delicate stomachs will act prudently in avoiding the use of this doubtful order of foods. Other writers have expressed similar opinions, not, however, based on experimental work, and therefore they are not absolutely reliable.

Chinese Inquests.

Coroners' inquests are well known among the Chinese. One of the chief differences between their system and ours is that the Chinese doctors never dissect. In fact, Chinamen have a perfect horror of dissection. There are few things more absurd than the code of rules laid down for the Chinese coroner. In the first place he is bidden to make sure that he has a dead body before he begins his inquest. That, however, is less ridiculous than it sounds, for the heathen Chinee is tricky and may demand an inquest on a sham deceased with a view to extorting money from some person who may be denounced as having caused the death. The preposterous part of the code comes in with regard to the alleged signs which show the cause of death. If the deceased is supposed to have been poisoned, rice is put into his mouth and then taken out and given to a chicken. Its effect on the fowl decides the question. Most of the other methods adopted are even more absurd and fanciful, and as a result inquests in China do very little to prevent crime.

Power of a Soft Answer.

Counsel (to witness)—What is your age, madam? Witness (with a charming smile)—It would do you no good to know, sir, for I am married and out of the market. Then the court smiled, and the examining counsel smiled, and the question was not pressed.—Stray Stories.

CLOSING OUT SALE

Believing that the outlook for business here, for the next year at least, does not justify us in continuing our Shoe business here longer, we have concluded to CLOSE OUT our entire stock AT COST during the next sixty days.

Shoes Exclusively. **CROSBY & CARSON, Ord, Nebraska.**

The Ord Quiz.

W. W. HASKELL, Publisher.

ORD, - - - NEBRASKA

FRIDAY, FEB. 2, 1900.

RAILROAD TIMETABLES.

UNION PACIFIC.

No. 82.—Passenger..... Leaves 8:20 a. m
No. 84.—Freight..... Leaves 2:30 p. m
No. 81.—Passenger..... Arrives 3:50 p. m
No. 83.—Freight..... Arrives 1:00 p. m
All trains are daily except Sunday.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Passenger, going east,..... Leaves 7:25 a. m
Freight, going east, (*except Tuesday) 12:20 p. m
Freight, going west,..... Leaves 2:30 p. m
Passenger, going west,..... Leaves 4:53 p. m
*Eastbound freight goes to Ericson Tuesdays leaving Ord at 9:45 on that day only.
All trains are daily except Sunday.

Home Happenings & Comment

Scale books at the Quiz office.

James Patton went to the Island Monday morning.

Colored paper squares for kindergarten work in schools for sale by THE QUIZ.

When you want posters or handbills get them at Quiz office. The best work and lowest prices.

Alice Hamilton was in town Friday after a two weeks visit with friends in Aurora and Lincoln.

County Treasurer went Keown to Lincoln Monday to make final settlement with the state treasurer.

A bribe taker may be a fool, but Senator Clark is new of the opinion that a bribe payer is a bigger one.

E. J. Clements was doing business in and about Omaha last week. He returned home Friday night last.

Wedding, Invitation and regret goods in stock at the Quiz office. Orders quickly and neatly printed. Prices low.

Dr. Ward's Liniment and the Watkins Remedies, extracts and spices are for sale by C. B. Walton, Ord, Neb.

Abe Rowan was in the city over Sunday. Monday he went on the road again for the American Order of Protection.

We have used some of the Watkins extracts and spices for sale by C. B. Walton, Ord, Neb., and find them par excellence.

For a short time I can make some gilt edged farm loans in sums of $1000 and upwards at seven percent interest.

H. E. OLESON.

Well, we had just a touch of a cold wave the other day so that we might experience good down-easter weather—lest we forget, lest we forget.

The Unitarians held another one of their interesting literary and social programmes at tha home of John Perry last Friday night. We understand an enjoyable time was had.

The Ord Mills have been quiet this week on accoent of the sickness of the head miller, Fred Witt. Mr. Witt has been sick for several weeks but did not desert his post till this week.

Wilber Milligan was out on the Dry Cedar last week renewing old acquaintances and looking at the old haunts in which he had spent many happy hours. He got back to town Monday.

Judge Munn went to St. Paul Monday to hear some matters in chambers. The cases were those appointed for hearing by Judge Kendall, but postponed till after the latter went out of office.

John Doran was on the B. & M. last Thursday evening on his way to Burwell to look after some business. He has been very sick for many weeks and says he thought for a while that the jig was up. But he is getting along all right now.

The failure and reorganization of the Harper & Brothers company has afforded the American Book company an excellent opportunity to add largely to their great and excellent line of school books. The American Book Company devotes its entire energies and great experience and wealth to the manufacture exclusively of educational books and have done much to advance the excellence of this very important line of publications. Everybody is interested in school books, and the American Book Company is supplying the wants of the nation in this line. By acquiring the entire line of educational works of Harper & Brothers the American Book Company has increased its capacity for supplying technical works by about four hundred titles. As is well known this company deals only in the best of works and always sends out books made in the highest degree of perfection possible. The Quiz is in receipt of one of the company's publications, "Natural Advanced Geography," of the Nebraska and Kansas edition. The closing chapters of the book are devoted to the natural wealth and developed industries of those states.

Last Saturday evening Ord's whist representatives returned from the state tournament at Grand Island bearing the evidence of having won the state championship in the possession of the beautiful silver cup The team which made Ord the champion whist city of the state is composed of E. P. Clements, C. C. Spaulding, H. D. Heuck and Kit Carson. The boys bear their honors easily and are bent on keeping themselves in readiness to defend their title to the trophy against all comers. But they had a close scratch in winning the cup. Their score was 948; Lincoln was 947; Grand Island was 946 and Greely was 903. So it is apparent that they had to win their honors by good playing.

The trophy has been held till now by Lincoln, and is a cup given by the Lincoln Commercial Club in 1898. It is subject to challenge at any time, and we here that Grand Island is coming after it right away.

District Court Clerk Davis and Sheriff Hueck got together Tuesday afternoon and drew the following list of jurors for the April term of district court:

E. J. Robinson	H. W. Brown
Chas. Corneil	A. J. Temple
Saml. Grey	R. B. Hackel
C. W. Post	C. P. Potter
Clarence Blessing	Joe Waldeman
John Luke	Link Harris
Neils Pederson	John Hogue
H. C. Tappan	Albert Duryea
A. S. Rowan	Jens Aagard
Geo. Zablouski	Jas. Prince
E. J. Brace	Victor Neff
L. D. Timmerman	Otto Bartz.

Monday was the tenth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Carson, and the event was duly celebrated by the presence of a company of relatives, who were invited in honor of the occasion. Dinner was served and the guests spent the afternoon in social intercouse. Some nice presents were brought and the happy pair who had survived the lapse of ten years of married life were sincerely congratulated, but of course Will had to be presented with a tin whistle along with the more valuable presents. The occasion was a delightful one all around.

Bud Shirley and Sam Graham got into a slight altercation last Friday morning in Barnes's barber shop over who was the best live pigeon shot. Finally Bud offered to give Sam two dead birds and shoot at ten more for ten dollars a side Sam thought that this was a good big handicap and accepted the wager and at three o'clock they adjourned to the engine house to shoot. The birds were a dead easy lot and insisted on walking out of the bounderies instead of flying. The score stood:

Shirley	2 1 1 2 1 2 1 1 1—10
Graham	2—2 1 x x 1 0 2 1 1 0—8

Birds marked x fell dead out of bounds.

WANTED:—A girl to do dining room work, at Loyd's restaurant.

I pay 7½c for hides. W. MISKO.

H. E. Oleson went to Horace last Friday morning.

Guy Laverty was doing business in the city Wednesday between trains.

Will Gruber received word Wednesday of the death of his brother at Hastings.

If you are thinking of buying a stove or range see Cornell Bros. They can save you some money.

Mrs. John Romine and son Vernon returned home to the Cedar Sunday, after a weeks visit with relatives.

The Methodist people are sporting some new song books, the "Chorous of Praise." A good many new pieces are therein.

Two children of Will Gruber were taken suddenly sick Wednesday. At first it was feared that they had been poisoned.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hather went to Alliance Tuesday, near which place they have relatives in the sheep business, whom they will visit for a few days.

You can dye your goods in one hour with Putnam Fadeless Dyes. All other dyes require from one to four hours. 10c per package. Sold by Johnson Bros.

The Mascot, Miller's paper, is running a whiskey advertisement for Joseph Masin, the saloon man. It is bad enough to see the Ord Times do such a thing—awful to see Miller do it.

J. W. Anderson, who has been visiting relatives here for a few weeks, departed for Illinois again Tuesday morning. He formed a good many pleasant acquaintances while here.

The "Lincoln Chalenge Cup" held by the Ord Whist club, is placed in the window of Crosby & Carson's shoe store, appropriately labeled so as to tell of its coming into the possession of the Ord club.

H. E. Oleson was looking after some legal business in Burwell last Friday night. He returned on the early train, rustled around and caught the U. P. passenger for Fremont where he sojourned for a few days.

L. C. Hamel went to Hancock, Wis., Tuesday where he will sojourn for a few weeks, taking in other points during the time. He was accompanied by his two sons who will taste the delights of a Wisconsin and Minnesota winter with him.

Artie Firkins, who has been visiting with relativeshere for a few days will start home reluctantly next Monday. He would like to enjoy this clime and prolong his visit for a week or so more, but the limit on his ticket forbids. We hope he will come again soon.

Edw. J. Newman went to St. Paul Saturday afternoon to visit his parents and friends for a short time. This is the first time Edw. has been home since beginning to work for the Patty Drug Co. He came back Monday evening looking as though he had enjoyed his trip.

Will Stonecipher, of Greely, was in the city last Friday night, making his friend John Barnsteen a few hours visit Mr. Stonecipher is now working in the Greely Leader office, in which he has an interest. He and John are old time friends having been chums for a number of years in York.

Vincent Kokes is raising a full beard. When accused of committing a grave offense against humanity and particularly this community in so doing he offered in his defense that he was doing it to show his brother John that he could raise a beard that would have a more civilized color than John's. We have decided to let Vincent raise the beard if he wants to.

Last Friday morning as she was about to open school as usual in the Monroe district Miss Bradley got word that her brother, a brakeman on the B & M., had been badly hurt at Ansley. She went at once there as fast as a team could take her. There was an enforced vacation for a few days on account of the absence of the teacher.

The Fremont Tribune is authority for the following statement:—"An Ord girl thinks she is the only dew drop on the flower. She makes fun of everyone and there is hardly anyone good enough to associate with her. There are others, elsewhere." The Tribune man is off, we have no such girl in Ord. The young lady referred to probably comes from St. Paul.

It is surprising the way the people turn out to hear a country literary. At Springdale last Friday evening that school house was full to overflowing. This is a good thing to have. It is not only a place where one can enjoy himself but where he will meet friends and neighbors whom he would not otherwise see for perhaps weeks or months. Let the good work go on.

Miss Essey Kemp gave a very delightful birthday party to her girl friends, at her home, Monday night. The evening was spent in playing games and at a seasonable hour refreshments were served. Miss Essey received many gifts of love and friendsship, which will make the occasion memorable to her for a long time. All the little folks enjoyed themselves immensely.

It comes to us that a citizen of Springdale takes exceptions to a statement in the Springdale items and went to our former corrospondent to complain of the matter. We wish to say for the benefit of all that the writer of our Springdale items is not William Stanton, who did not know that any such items were to appear in the Quiz. The identity of the writer is not a public matter and will be kept secret, though any item that is likely to give offense will not be offered by our correspondent, we are sure, and will not be printed if offered. Our correspondent has no grudges and will say nothing at which offence can reasonably be taken.

Now just a word to Springdale people in general. There is no community in the country outside of the towns where there is more interesting and legitimate news than in Springdale, but it is practically impossible to get a correspondent from that place for some Springdale people show such an inordinate suspicion of all that is said. We regret that this is so. It is bad for all concerned. It prevents the newspapers from getting the Springdale news and keeps Springdale from being accorded a place in our columns, such as it is entitled to. Before this peculiar trait was discovered items were printed that had better been not printed. But we believe that we understand the people there now fully, and we promise that no item will be admitted that has any appearance of being offensive. The item complained of, while it mentioned no one, would not have been printed had the editor been at home. Now we want the good people of Springdale to help us print a Springdale column which will be a blessing to the neighborhood and a benefit to the public generally. The only way to make this possible is for you to look charitably upon all that is said. We assure you that you will find no reason for offense unless you find it in your imaginations. If you will take these items in the same way that other communities take theirs you will find the Springdale news a very attractive and beneficial feature of your paper. Now, good people, try it once and see how nice it will be to have your home news in print.

There is nothing that stirs Mr. Claflin up so badly as to have anyone say a word about the snap the Journal is having in the matter of rent paid by that paper for offices in the court house. He says that the Journal pays $150 a year rent. Now let us see whether the county is making anything by renting at such a figure. The Journal has one half of the ground floor of the courthouse, and as there are only three floors it has one-sixth of the entire building. At that rate the entire building would bring $900 a year. Divide this by two (for it is a rule with landlords that it takes half the gross income from buildings to pay taxes, insurance, repairs and depreciation) and we have $450 to pay interest on the investment. The building and land are worth at least $60,000. Divide $450 by 60,000 and the county gets one-half of one percent on its investment.

The ground floor of the building is worth about as much as the second floor, where the county offices are, and a good deal more than the third floor. And in addition the Journal occupies the best half of the ground floor, so it will be seen that we are giving the Journal an advantage in figuring that it occupies only one-sixth of the building.

We are not saying anything about this because the rooms are rented to a paper, but because it is not right or businesslike for the county to rent rooms at a rate less than they are worth, or at a less rate than a private individual could afford to rent them. The policy pursued by the county has a tendency to discourage private individuals from investing in good buildings. No one wants to compete with the county which is willing to rent public property on a one-half-of-one-percent basis.

And while we are talking about it, why does the county allow a lawyer to occupy room in the building and supply him with light fuel and supplies free of charge? The county attorney is entitled to these things free, but that is no reason why a partner of his may be supplied with these things by the county free of cost.

The Quiz heard a young couple discussing grammar the other day. "Which is proper," said he, "'You and I' or 'You and me?'"

"That depends, you silly," said the maid. "Sometimes one is right and sometimes the other."

"Not much" said the incredulous youth, "it makes no difference which you use."

"Now look here," said the maiden warming up to the discussion, "'You and *I* are to marry' is right, but 'you and *me* are to marry' is wrong."

"Now, there is just where you are off," declared he. "It's just as I told you. It makes no difference which expression is used so long as we marry."

"But I tell you it does make a difference," insisted she. "'You and *me*' is wrong in that case because it makes me the *object* and you know I do not *object*." And she jumped down off her stool and pied a stick of type by way of emphasis.

Mrs. Trump went to Olean yesterday morning with her two bright children.

Miss Mamie Siler went to Omaha Wednesday.

Legal blanks of all kinds on hand at the Quiz office.

H. E. Oleson returned from Fremont Tuesday evening.

Wednesday Lawyer Oleson was in Scotia on business.

First class tinner and plumber always at Cornell Bros. hardware.

For first class painting, derorating and sign-writing see Wm. Timm.

J. H. Capron has money to lend on improved farms at reasonable rates.

The League is getting up a musical, which promises to be a good one indeed.

Editor Waldrip of the Scotia Register was doing business in the city Wednesday.

Thos. Gray of Noth Loup has made a sale of his property preparatory to going south.

Mrs. Charles Mason went to Iowa yesterday, being called there by the death of her father.

Cashier Kokes went to Greeley yesterday morning on buisness connected with the Ord State Bank.

Editor Smith arrived Wednesday evening to look after the issuance of the Journal, his newly bought paper.

W. R. Patty and C. C. Spaulding went to North Loup Tuesday morning on the trail of some live stock investments.

Martin Kroetch was confined to his bed with an attack of sickness last Friday and Saturday, but is again able to be about his work.

Mrs. Morrison, *nee* Cora Brown, returned home Tuesday morning after spending a delightful few weeks with her people and friends here.

Dr. Billings, Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office over Postoffice. Residence three blocks west of Court house square, Ord, Nebraska.

A. M. Robbins and son Floyd returned from Blair Tuesday evening. Floyd has been these for several days enjoying the company of his relatives.

A party of North Loupers will start next Tuesday for a trip south to be gone a few weeks. Those who are determined to go are Geo. Worth, Bill Kildo, Thos. Gray and George Nash.

It dulls the scythe of Father Time drives away wrinkles of approaching old age—the elixir of life, that puts hope in the human heart—Rocky Mountain Tea. Ask your druggist.

The cold snap put a sudden stop to operations on the Cernick building and Contracter Wentworth is having a time to wipe the frost off his glasses and lay his plans of operation.

The K. P. lodge has turned over to the Workmen their lease and fixtures and the latter organiztion is in full control. The K. P's. are thinking of giving up their charter.

For sale at a bargain if sold soon. The house and lot known as the Jackson property. Lot 3 block 50, Ord city, Terms one-third cash balance time.

Address, JACOB FUNCK,
Campbell, Ia.

Frank Glover is to build a new house just west of Barstow's which, when completed, will be occupied by Sam Fackler. The present home of the latter will domicile J. W. Anderson and family, who will be here soon.

I wish to sell the following lands for cash, $4.00 per acre: N. E. ¼ section 32-17-13; N. E qr. section 14-17-13; N. W. qr. section 10-20-13; N. W. N. W., S. N. W and S. W, N. E. section 30-18-16.

J. B. PIPER,
Ramge Block, Omaha.

W. T. Barstow and Jonas Van Wie went to Tecumseh Tuesday to buy a car load or two of Hereford cattle to be placed on the former's farm in Springdale. The bunch will be quite an addition to Valley county's stock of these excellent cattle.

We are informed that J. W. Anderson, the brother-in-law of Sam Fackler decided while here to return to this country and put in a crop of sugar beets the coming season. He has leased several acres of ground from Mat. Coffin for the purpose.

Attorney Robbins has received word from the supreme court that his contention in behalf of Lashmet vs. the Burwell Irrigation Co. has been sustained. Lashmet sued the company for work done and the case dragged on through the courts, resulting in a complete victory for the plaintiff.

E. R. Brown received word from Fred Harris that he might have Hotel Ord at the figure Mr. Brown offered—$75 a month. So he will continue the business for a while at least. We would regret to have the Brown family go away from the city, and it looks now that they would remain.

The Eastern Star surprised Mrs. E. R. Brown Wednesday evening by calling on her en massse bringing their supper with them. They announced that they were surprising on account she was going away, and she turned the tables by announcing that she was not going, but they had a good time just the same.

ORD'S NEWSPAPER HISTORY.

The Ups and Downs of these Engines of Thought.

Another important change having occurred in the local newspaper field, THE QUIZ is moved to recount the history of Ord as touching its newspapers.

EMBRYO NEWSPAPERS.

The first newspaper in the county was started by W. H. Mitchell, a lawyer, at Calamus in 1875. At that time Fort Hartsuff was being built and was about all there was of Valley county. Calamus, which owed its existence to the presence of the troops and the men engaged in building the fort, was a very comfortable place for a newspaper.

But that year Ord was surveyed out in a primitive way and began to grow. But it was not till two years later that the attraction was sufficient to cause the removal of this paper to Ord, which event occurred in the fall of 1877. But this was the second paper in the city, for H. W. Nelson, who in company with L. P. Ganger, had started the Valley County Courier at Vinton early in 1877, bought out his partner and moved to Ord in September of that year. Both pepers were republican. But ere long Mitchell wearied of the struggle and early in 1878 sold his paper to J. C. Lee, who changed the paper to a greenbacker in accord with the growing greenback sentiment of the times. But the people did not take to the sentiment well and after election the Herald blinked out and moved with its owner to Grand Island, where it became the nucleus for the Grand Island Democrat.

THE VALLEY COUNTY JOURNAL.

Meanwhile the Courier was getting on well and was being watched by J. H. Capron, and attache of Fort Hartsuff, who was longing to return to the printing trade which he had learned at Freeport, Ill. In February 1879, Mr. Capron bought the paper, changing its name to The Valley County Journal. The first issue of the paper was in March, 1879. But it was destined soon to suffer an experience. On the night of March 23, its building was burned and all was a total loss but the press, which was also badly damaged.

But Mr. Capron did not despair. He ordered a new outfit at once, but it took longer then than now to get freight from Chicago, for it had to be carted from Grand Island. Meanwhile, as there was no neighboring printer to lend him the use of his office, the paper had to suspend publication temporarily.

But on May 7 it appeared again brighter and better than ever.

THE INDEPENDENT.

July 14, 1881, C. S. Copp, another lawyer, started the Independent, which was also republican in politics. But he soon tired of the onerous labors and on Oct. 6, 1881, we see the paper appearing with Wininger & Clayton as publishers and R. H. Clayton as editor. Old residents will remember peg-leg Wininger and still more will remember the erratic, but really talented writer, R. H. Clayton. He made it a hot oppositoin sheet and put up a hard fight against the corrupt republicans during the campaign that fall and for a few months thereafter. Wininger's name drops out of the paper on December 1 without comment and on Jan. 16, 1882, the paper breathed its last.

THE QUIZ.

On the day after election in 1881 W. W. Haskell appeared on the scene with an eye to the newspaper field. There seemed to be no room for three papers so he awaited the death of the Independent, which seemed inevitable, and then ordered his outfit which arrived in the latter days of March, 1882, and the first issue of THE QUIZ appeared April 6, following. As it has not since died nor changed its editor, politics or religion that paper will need but little further mention.

But we must go back to the Valley County Journal. Aug. 5, 1881, C. C. Wolf associated himself with Mr. Capron in the management of the paper and the firm of Capron & Wolf continued till Dec. 31, 1883, when Mr. Wolf retired.

THE STANDARD.

In the fall of 1884 Evans brothers arrived from Iowa by the aid of a subscription paper circulated by M. Randall an started the Standard, a democratic sheet. After a while John Evans dropped out and Jack continued till February, 1885, when the paper was bought by Provins & McDonough, who changed the paper to the Democrat. July 16, 1886, Mr. Provins sold his interest to Byron Griffeth and before long the latter sold to McDonough, Dec. 10, 1886. R. H. Clayton began to edit the Democrat on a salary and on April 16, 1888, A. W. Jackson bought the paper. He continued the publication for six years, selling out to J. L. Claflin March 30, 1894, who merged it with the Ord Journal, which he had purchased a few weeks before. The Democrat's press, which was the one brought here by the Evanses, did service for the Ord Journal till recently when The Times bought it. The Ord Journal must not be confounded with Capron's Valley County Journal.

PROHIB PAPERS.

But we must go back. July 1, 1887, C. C. Wolf bought the Valley County Journal, changed its name to the Star, made it a prohibition paper and ran it till after election, when it was absorbed by THE QUIZ. Three weeks after the appearance of the Star O. S. Haskell and B. F. Hilton started the Blizzard, another prohib paper, which ran under various managements and with changing politics and names till bought by Mr. Claflin as stated above. We cannot now give all the dates of these changes, but soon after starting B. F. Hilton sold his interest in the publication to O. S. Haskell who thus became sole owner. O. S. Haskell also changed his politics one day in 1890 to the surprise of all and made it pop, propably because there was no other prohib paper in the county and because there was another pop paper. Haskell sold to Dr. J. M. Klinker, who changed the name to the Journal. Klinker ran the paper till Oct. 16, 1893, then sold to B. A. Brewster, who ran it till February 13, 1894, when J. L. Claflin bought it. Oct. 19 of the same year and just before election, J. L. Claflin sold the paper to A. W. Jackson, who tried hard to write popism till January 18, 1895, when he sold the paper back to Claflin. The paper remained in Claflin's hands till last week, when he sold it to Charles Smith.

POP PAPERS.

The pioneer in populist newspaperdom in Valley county was the Independent, started in the December 1890, by the Leonard Brothers. They ran along till election day, 1891, when they sold to D. J. Martz, and the latter changed the paper to the People's Advote. This publication ran on for some time and finally quit and was taken to Oklahoma. Before that paper quit, however, the Blizzard was a populist paper, so the party was not left comfortless.

THE LATEST.

January 27, 1887, the Real Estate Register appeared, L. J. Harris, editor. It lasted only a few months, and quit so quietly that we did not make a note of it.

In May, 1897, the Valley County Times was started by Harris & Leggett, but in November of the same year Harris sold to H. D. Legget who has since been in complete control.

This, we think, completes the list of Ord papers up to date. We are indebted to N. W. Nelson and J. H. Capron and the files of his Valley County Journal for information concerning the papers prior to 1881.

Rowan & Lewin sell land and town property. List your property with them.

The Ladies Aid Society of the Presbyterian church will give a supper Feb. 22. George and Martha Washington will be present and pleased to see all their friends. Delicacies of the season will be served. Notice of place given later.

Sam Graham lost a valuable bird dog last summer and in spite of all his efforts was unable to locate him until last Friday when Guy Dann telegraphed him that he thought he had the animal located. Sam went up Saturday, found the dog to be the same one he lost, and returned home with him Saturday evening.

Ed. Morrison, present owner of the Arcadia Champion, writes us on a postal card that his paper is for sale. It appears by the tone of his card that he is anxios to quit. It would seem that Arcadia ought to support a good paper well enough to make it pay the editor, but the recent changes of ownership there would indicate that the financial end of the concern does not pan out.

Vincent Kokes has sold his Springdale farm to Mr. Hansen for $25 an acre. The land is five and a half miles from town but well improved. At the price paid it proves that real estate is commanding good prices in this county. There has been, by the way, a good deal of land changing hands lately and there is a bright outlook for the real estate market to continue lively.

Monday morning Fred Divine and family left for Vancouver, Wash., to make their home there. This is where his father lives and where the elder Divine has a fruit farm and is prospering well. We regret to see this family leave us. They have been identified with Ord and Valley county from away back and it will seem a little odd to have them gone. But we hope Fred will succeed well in his new home.

Postmaster Stacy got an alleged expert to open his safe last week. The man came from Grand Island and quickly gave up the job of opening the strong box by the expert route and so went at it by the cold chisel process, tearing the door off in layers. He found the lock in pretty good shape when the door came open, but for some reason it would not open in the ordinary way. The lock has been sent to the factory for repairs and the door will be rebuilt again soon.

In commenting on Mr. Claflin's good luck in being appointed reporter for Judge Munn and the other good treatment he had had at the hands of the populists, THE QUIZ wound up with these words: "This is admirable politics and the policy that has made the party strong in the county, just as it is doing for the party all over the state. Good luck to you, Claf. We like to see a party stand by its papers." But for all that Claflin whines in his last issue of the Journal that the QUIZ is the only paper which was not glad of his good luck.

$1,500,

Bought the Biggest Bargain in Shirts that ever came to Ord.

156 doz. Shirts.

3 7-10 miles of cloth made into Shirts. We will sell you a Shirt for 10c or a dress Shirt for 25c. We sell you a Shirt for 50c you cant buy elsewhere for less than 75c

G. W. MILFORD & SONS.

Rob Cleverdale's Adventure.

By Seward W. Hopkins.

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CHAPTER XI.

On the following morning Rob rose weary and aching from a bed on which he had tossed in wakefulness since he had heard the words of Lemuel Starne. Capt. Elvin nodded to him when he stepped out into the large room, and at once led the way to the dining-room.

"Eat heartily," he said. "You have a day of hard work before you."

It seemed to Rob that every bone in his body ached from the excessive exertion of his walk the day before. But he was so thoroughly aroused to the necessities of his situation that he grimly bore it without a word, and fell to on the breakfast as if he was really a happy boy.

Breakfast over, Capt. Elvin lighted a cigar and offered one to Rob.

"Thank you, sir, I don't smoke," said Rob.

"Not smoke! A nephew of Torrevo not smoke!"

"But I was not always with my uncle Ricardo," said Rob.

"True. Boys in New York do not learn to smoke as early as they do here. Well, Ricardo, come. Let's get to work."

The Englishman led the way to the office again, and pointed to a desk on which there were paper and writing materials.

"That is your place," he said. "You are young for this trust, but Torrevo spoke highly of you. He said you could be trusted. But, after all, I am not going to trust you far. You will know the names of the men you write to, and that is all. Now, I will give you three forms of letters. They are in cipher, and no one except those who receive them can read them. Then I will give you a list of names for each form. Now, take your pen and write this down."

"I am ready sir," said Rob, dipping his pen in the ink.

"The blue flag waves," said Elvin. "Have you got that?"

"The blue flag waves," repeated Rob, writing it down.

"I will go on. The blue flag waves. La Plata smooth and friends find easy sailing. Splendid anchorage in Black Cat bay. Three days from this a storm is expected. Cover your house well."

"I have that down, sir," said Rob.

"Very well. Mark that form number one."

"It is marked number one, sir."

"Now another. Are you ready?"

"Ready, sir."

"Write these letters, one after another, and write them very plainly."

"Yes, sir," said Rob.

"FWFSZUIJOHJTSFBEZ. ZPVXJM MBUPODFBTTFNCMFZPVSMPSDFT BOEKPJONFIFSF."

This was a terrible jumble to Rob, who knew nothing about writing in cipher.

"Got that all down?" asked Elkin.

"Yes, sir."

"Read them over."

Rob repeated the letters.

"Correct," said Elvin. "It is an easy cipher, but none of the letters will get into the hands of the government, and even if one did, I don't think there is any one who would bother to make it out. Now take this down."

"I am ready, sir."

"Loyalty to loyalty, and Black Cat sends greetings."

"Is that all, sir."

"That's all. You will sign to each letter you write the name Vin. You understand, it is the last syllable of my own name."

"Yes, sir."

"Now, here are three lists of names. You have the first letter marked number one. Did you mark the cipher number two?"

"Yes, sir."

"The short one is number three. These lists of names are numbered one, two and three. You will send a letter of each number to every person named in the list bearing the same number. Do you understand that?"

"Yes, sir."

"Here are envelopes. There are stamps. Do it all up in good shape, and perhaps in a week or two you will have something to remember this occasion by."

Rob thought he would, too, if his own plans did not fail.

Elvin stood over him while he studied the names on the lists.

List number one was made up of names and addresses in cities of South America, most of them being in Argentina. Some were even in New York, a few in London and Paris. There were about 300 in all. List number two, or those to whom the cipher was to be sent, were men in the republic, most of them with some kind of a military title. Rob's curiosity was aroused at this, and he resolved to read the cipher, if possible. There were about a hundred of these names. List number three, to whom the "Loyalty" letter was to be sent, were scattered all over the world, but most of them were civilians in South American countries.

It was clear to Rob that he had more than one day's work before him. He began at once. He was methodical in habit, and as he wrote a letter from form number one he would address an envelope from list number one, and then check off that name. Elvin watched him do this a few times, and then, with a satisfied nod of his head, he walked out.

Of course, letter number one was not clear to Rob. It was evidently a form previously agreed upon among the conspirators, to be sent under certain conditions. Rob soon had it word for word in his memory, and wrote the letters rapidly. But it took him till late in the afternoon to finish list number one. He had stopped for lunch, but ate alone. Capt. Elvin did not return.

It had begun to grow dark, and Rob felt tired of the work. So he gave it up for the day and wandered around to look at the place. Capt. Elvin appeared for supper and looked over the letters Rob had addressed. Rob noted with pleasure that he did this carelessly and did not see half of them.

"You finished number one?" said the captain.

"Yes, sir. I got tired, and left the others till morning."

"That's all right. You did well. I could not do it. I could not sit down and write an hour at a stretch to save my life."

Rob had a good night's rest, and after his breakfast the next morning tackled number two. The captain went off again, and Rob's curiosity had grown so that now, while he was fresh, he felt like reading the cipher. But it was a mystery. Such a meaningless lot of letters he never saw before. Turn and twist them as he would he could make nothing of them. Suddenly it occurred to him that these letters did not spell the message at all. They must, then, stand for other letters in the alphabet. How was he to learn what they stood for? He took the first sentence. FWFSZU, and so on, meant absolutely nothing, and could not be made to spell anything. Starting with A, the first letter of the alphabet, Rob tried to make F stand for it. But there was no way to fit the same rule to F, and make sense. This would be ARA. It might lead to something. But when he had gone through the sentence he found it would not do, and began on B. He kept this up, with all the ingenuity his young head was capable of, and tried C and D. He began to despair of reaching it, when he tried E.

The first five letters gave the word "Every."

With his heart beating faster now, Rob kept on his way. Each letter of the simple cipher really stood for the letter that came before it in the alphabet. And when he had studied it all out, the message read as follows:

"Everything is ready. You will at once assemble your forces and join me here."

This meant something, surely. It meant that a revolutionary army was to assemble under Richard Elvin and make an attack on the forces of the government. This means, perhaps, ruin to his uncle in Buenos Ayres. And if his uncle was killed, perhaps Elvin would take all his property and wealth.

With his heart filled with boyish courage, Rob wrote the letters in cipher, as he had been ordered to do. Then he addressed envelopes from list number two.

The message in form number three meant nothing to him. The nearest he could come to a guess was that it informed the persons to whom it was sent that the "Black Cat" had brought another cargo of contraband goods. But what had loyalty to do with smuggling? No, it was another revolutionary message, and the "Black Cat" had perhaps been taken as the symbol of the revolutionists.

Fortunately, Elvin remained away, and Rob had an opportunity to carry out the design he had formed. He wrote a letter to his uncle.

"Dear Uncle David," he wrote, "I was not drowned when I was thrown overboard from the Royal Mail. I was picked up by a smuggler, and am now a prisoner among some men who are smugglers, and also conspirators against the government of Argentina. The head man's name is Richard Elvin, and he thinks I am the nephew of Torrevo, the captain of the schooner that picked me up. If he knew I was writing this, he would kill me. The man who threw me overboard was Lemuel Starne, the same one who is trying to marry my cousin Elsie. He is a scoundrel. He is really the son of Elvin. He comes here, and I am afraid he will recognize me. So, as soon as I get this off with a lot of letters I am writing to other conspirators, I am going to slip out of the window and go back to the schooner 'Black Cat.' Captain Torrevo told me to come back if I was in danger, and I think I am. I could have gone last night, but I wanted to finish the job they set me at, so that I could get this letter off to you. There are three kinds of letters I am writing, and I can only read one. That is the very one that seems hardest to read. It is in cipher, but I made it out. It is being sent to several generals and colonels and captains in Argentina, and says: 'Everything is ready. You will at once assemble your forces and join me here.—Vin.' The name Vin means Elvin. 'Here' means a house not far from the river, at a spot called Black Cat Bay. If I get back to the schooner I will be safe until Elvin finds me. But I hope you will come after me, or send someone. I warn you against Lemuel Starne, whose name is Elvin. He is trying to get Elsie and your money. He tried to kill me to prevent me from reaching you. Please try and get me away from these men. I am afraid they will kill me yet. Your loving nephew,

"ROB CLEVERDALE."

Rob addressed an envelope to "David Horton, Buenos Ayres," and slipped the letter, folded neatly, into it. Then he placed this among the letters of number one, that he had written the previous day and which Elvin had looked over.

(To be continued.)

ELVIN WATCHED HIM DO THIS.

GARFIELD AND MR. MOODY.

They Looked Alike and Had the Same Gift of Captivating Friends.

"There was a striking resemblance between the late Mr. Moody and President Garfield," said a New Orleans newspaper man the other evening. "Garfield was the taller of the two, but otherwise they were strangely alike. They had the same massive frame, the same suave, smiling cast of features, the same enthusiastic temperament, the same facility for anecdote, and the same effect of sincerity in everything that they said or did. Their style of oratory was almost identical and both possessed the gift of captivating people at first sight. One of Mr. Moody's most ardent admirers, for instance, was A. C. Wheeler, the well known New York dramatic critic, who writes under the nom de plume of 'Nim Crinkle,' and it would be impossible to imagine two men more utterly dissimilar. Wheeler is a veteran Bohemian and a maker of polished phrases; a student, a dreamer, a poet, and a noted after-dinner wit. In appearance he is thin, frail, and a trifle sardonic—in every way the antithesis of the evangelist, yet the warmest friendship sprung up between them, lasting uncooled to the end. I interviewed Mr. Moody several times," continued the speaker, "on the last occasion about three years ago, and I asked him among other things, what preparation, if any, he made for his longer public addresses. 'Why, I jot down a memorandum of a string of stories,' he replied, with one of his characteristic, boyish laughs. Then he explained that he mapped out his general line of argument in advance, thinking up some striking anecdotes with which to clinch each successive point. That was all done mentally, and the only notes he made were a few catch words on a card to remind him of the stories in case any of them should slip his mind. He showed me one of these memoranda and I have often regretted that I did not ask him for it as a souvenir. It was simply a string of words, unintelligible to anybody except himself—for example, 'ocean grayhound,' 'battle of Waterloo,' 'coral reef insect,' 'first locomotive,' 'breaking in new boots'—those are a few I remember. Each was a cue to one of his inimitable little tales."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Midshipmen's Trick.

One bitterly cold, dark night in the beginning of 1855, when we were at anchor off Sebastopol, and the decks and rigging were covered with snow, the officer of the watch, a lieutenant we all disliked, told us midshipmen to warm ourselves by sweeping a gangway along the quarterdeck, where he could walk up and down, says Sir Edmund Varney in the Contemporary. While we were doing this he went below to have a cup of cocoa; so we arranged a ridge of hard snow two or three feet away from the top of the hatchway, calculating that when he came up and put his foot on the firm, hard deck he would take the next step with confidence. This was exactly what happened. Coming up from the bright light of the cabin, he took his second step gally in the darkness, tripped over the snow and fell on his nose, to our great joy. Whether or not he suspected that the trap had been set on purpose for him we never knew. He directed one of the men to remove the snow ridge. Perhaps he thought it as well to say nothing to us, because he had no right to order us to sweep away snow, and he had no business to go below and drink cocoa when officer of the watch.

Engaging Frankness.

Edith—There is one thing in particular that I like Mr. Tactin for. He is so frank, you know. He always tells me of my faults without the least hesitation. That was the agreement I caused him to make. Bertha—Do you mean to say that you do not get angry with him? Edith—Never. Bertha—Tell me some of the faults he has found in you. Edith—O, he hasn't found any yet. When I ask him to name them he always says that I am faultless.—Stray Stories.

It Didn't Count.

Boggs—Come and have a drink. Biggs—Why, I thought you swore off. Boggs—O, that was only a New Year's resolution.—New York Journal.

If you want to get a reputation for being level-headed always agree with everybody.—Philadelphia Record.

LAWTON'S WIDOW.

CHARMING WOMAN TO WHOM HE WAS DEVOTED.

A Grateful Country Will See That the Object of His Affections Shall Not Want For the Comforts of Life—As Heroes Die.

"I am ready to die a soldier's death at any time. I have no fears for myself. But I am sorely troubled when I think of what would become of my wife and children in such an event."

Thus spoke Gen. Henry W. Lawton to a friend last summer. He died as heroes die—at the head of his men in a warm engagement and while aiding a wounded subordinate. He left no fortune. Forty years of his life were given to his country, but his pay was inadequate to do more than support himself and his family. But a grateful country will care for them. The fund which is to be presented to Mrs. Lawton as a testimonial of Americans' admiration for her gallant husband will probably reach $75,000. It is growing fast.

Mrs. Lawton was Miss Craig, of Redlands, Cal., and the general's happiest days were spent on their fruit farm in California, when the great soldier was stationed at Los Angeles. The orange groves and the residence at Redlands are heavily mortgaged, but the fund will provide for this and for her future comfort. Mrs. Lawton and the children are at Manila.

The marriage of the general and Mrs. Lawton was unusual. At the Craig homestead, near Louisville, Ky., lives a favorite and invalid cousin of Mrs. Lawton, who was anxious to witness the marriage ceremony. A few days before the date set for the wedding the cousin began to fail. It was seen that she was dying. She realized it and asked that Gen. (then major) Lawton and his bride-to-be be summoned to her bedside and there (the day before the appointed date) Miss Craig became Mrs. Lawton.

AFTER THE GOLD BOOMS

Importance of Reactions in Determining Population.

The law that settlers follow the line of least resistance suffers an exception when men are seeking gold. In the natural order of things, population would have worked itself in a continuous progression toward the Rocky Mountains, crossing them only by compulsion, as the Alleghanies were crossed and the Mississippi and the Missouri rivers. But where there is gold in sight there is no law. Humanity goes into Alaska with the same blind avidity that it went into California fifty years ago, with the same fatuousness that it swept to Pike's Peak in 1858. Population forsook all its domiciles, its patronages and its prosperity, in the Argonaut period, and, as if driven by some monstrous wind, surged over the uneven earth to the Pacific and to the Rockies. The whole world knows how it did so, and the suffering that ensued is as common a story as the fortunes that were won. But the thing that is not known, the matter of lasting importance that is most often overlooked, is the migratory reaction, the settling back of the big flood to the places in which, either by necessity or by the choice, it must finally rest. The character of the great west, the transmissouri, with its multiple variations, is determined by this phenomenon. A map and a book of census statistics will tell the story. It is the story of the oil from the pitcher again. Men and women touched the crest of the continent at Leadville, in Colorado, in 1858, but fell back onto the plains again before the '60s were expired. The Mormon emigration filled the valley of the Jordan in 1847, but the general tide of people either went to the lower valleys of the Sacramento and the San Joaquin on the oriental side of the Sierra Nevadas or receded on the eastern slope of the Rockies. Successive mining discoveries enticed rushes of prospectors into northern Idaho and British Columbia, but the greater mass of the movers went back into the warmer regions of California and Oregon. Where the Comstock and the Consolidated Virginia silver mines once magnetized so many settlers as to beguile congress into making a state of Nevada, there is little left now but the evidence of what has been and the promise of what may be when the immigration of the west begins to move again for less glorious promises than acres of oranges for the mere tilling of the soil and monster timber for the mere hewing of the logs. The mesas of the two southwestern territories, Arizona and New Mexico, seem to have absorbed the hosts of traders and adventurers that went into them as the sandy soil of their great areas drink in the freshets from the mountains."—Ainslee's Magazine.

AN ELOQUENT CLERGYMAN.

One of the most eloquent clergymen in New York city at the present time is Rev. Thos. R. Slicer, pastor of All Souls' church. Although a comparatively newcomer in the metropolis, having removed there from Buffalo three or four years ago, Mr. Slicer has already made a large place for himself in the religious, political and civic life of the city. He is one of our best after dinner speakers, and is in constant demand for functions of this kind. An excellent example of his style and trend of thought is furnished in the following paragraph from his sermon on Thanksgiving day: "The first business of every American," said Mr. Slicer, "is to be fit for America. He

REV. THOMAS SLICER.

may regard it as a good stand for business to enrich himself, but being enriched he is the trustee of those riches, and not their owner. He may regard it as a great opportunity in which to be free, but the only purpose of freedom is to live the higher life. I believe in the sovereignty of the people in the great democracy, which is working out its salvation and the salvation of the world." Dr. Slicer is actively engaged in aiding the movement in favor of municipal reform, and is one of the closest and most confidential friends of Gov. Roosevelt.

Classical Quotations in Congress.

In tracing the decline of the use of classical quotations in legislative bodies, the Boston Herald cites the case of Edward Everett, who once concluded a stately speech in congress with a long, sonorous and superbly modulated citation of a passage from Tacitus, and then took his seat. No

MRS. MARY CRAIG LAWTON.

sooner was he through than up sprang a burley member from what was then a frontier state of the west. He had once been an Indian agent, and no sooner was he on his legs than he began to pour out a vehement harangue in Choctaw. After a while the speaker called him to order. "I don't see why my freedom of speech should be abridged," he cried. "You let the gentleman from Massachusetts run on and I didn't understand the first word of his lingo any better than he does mine." The scene was described as very comical, but it struck the death knell of further classical quotations in a congress that had not the ray of an idea what the unintelligible lingo of Cicero and Tacitus was driving at.

The Twentieth Century.

It is quite time that everybody who is disposed to be eloquent over the new century should realize that it does not begin on Jan. 1, 1900. The first century began with the year 1 and ended with the year 100. Unless there has been a year inserted somewhere, there is, therefore, no escape from the conclusion that the nineteenth century does not end until the close of the year 1900. A curious fact in reference to the new century is that it will have twenty-four leap years, the greatest number that can possibly occur in a century. The same yearly calendar that did service in 1895 can be used again in 1901, and may be used again at successive intervals of six, eleven and every eleven years throughout the century.

Same Weakness.

Visitor (at prison)—Why are you here, my man? Convict—Same reason you are mum. I'm a poor, sloppy, morbid, neurotic, half-baked degenerate.—Judge.

PENCILS AND HIS WIFE

The shabby little crippled seamstress who lived on the top floor of the back tenement at —— East Seventeenth street did not look like a heroine of a romance, but for all that she was one.

When "Pencils," the blind man who stood patiently through heat and snow and rain at the foot of the Third avenue "L" steps, thought of her goodness and kindness to him the heart under his old faded, patched coat beat like a trip-hammer.

"Pencils" was wont to beguile the time between trains by thinking of his romance. It helped him to bear the broiling heat, the nipping cold, or the pelting rain. The people who hurried past him never so much as dreamed that the blind pauper standing there, timidly proffering his wares, knew what the word meant.

But "Pencils" never wearied of thinking of the little woman who had made for him the only gleam of sunshine he had ever known.

"Pencils" was at one time an inmate of a blind asylum. There were millions back of it, and stewed prunes for supper.

When "Pencils," weary and sick of stewed prunes, asked for fresh apple sauce, there was chaos and consternation in the institution. No such revolt has been on record since Oliver Twist asked for more.

The end of it was that "Pencils" was cast forth and told to shift for himself.

There was a little crippled seamstress sewing in the linen-room—a homely, shabby, little creature, industrious and reticent. The story drifted up to the linen-room, and when "Pencils" was slowly tapping his way down the steps of the asylum for the last time and vaguely wondering what was to become of him some one pulled his sleeve, slipped a bill in his hand, and whispered an address and name to him.

"Go there," said the voice. "They are friends of mine and they will be kind to you."

It was the little seamstress. "Pencils" obeyed her instructions, and the wretched tenement to which he was directed opened its doors to him with that beautiful hospitality only to be found among the poor.

When folks who could hardly scrape pennies together to buy food heard

SOMEONE PULLED HIS SLEEVE.

"Pencils'" story they chipped in and set the blind man up in business. And when they passed him at the foot of the "L" stairs they thrust their hands deeper in their empty pockets and assumed the airs of promoters.

"Pencils" lived in a miserable hole of a room and made shift for himself as best he could until that glorious day when a homely, shabby little cripple came down to the tenement, and asking for his room went in, built a fire in the ramshackle stove, and, filling a brand-new kettle she had bought, had it soon singing on the fire.

Several ladies of the section came in to ask if the morals of the tenement were to suffer. But the little seamstress, with simplicity and dignity told them who she was, that she had known and loved "Pencils" at the asylum, and that she had come to marry him and take care of him.

When "Pencils" came tap-tapping to his poor home that night, expecting a cold supper, he was met at the door by motherly, outstretched hands. He was dried at a glowing fire, and a cup of fragrant tea was handed him. And while, dazed and happy, he sipped the comforting drink, the little shabby woman outlined her plan.

And now dawn poor, blind "Pencils'" golden days. The little cripple nobly fulfilled her mission. The sewing she did late into the night brought in the money to make them quite comfortable.

"Pencils" did not retire from business, but was never permitted to overwork. When he started for his post his faithful little wife accompanied him to the street, saw him safely started, and then went back to her eternal stitching.

"Pencils," who had been warned repeatedly not to venture into unknown territory, grew rash one day and decided to explore. For two or three blocks he got on well. Then, growing bolder, he attempted to cross the crowded thoroughfare just in front of a flying trolley.

The little crippled seamstress sewed on alone for a few days. But the incentive for work was gone. She grew more and more reticent. She kept her door locked and was often heard talking to herself.

"She's not right," was the verdict of the tenement. Every one tried to be kind to her, but she shrank more and more within herself.

One morning Mrs. Duff, the good-natured scrub woman on the third floor, climbed the rickety stairs and knocked softly at the door of the little seamstress.

She found her neighbor lying dead upon her bed. The poor, homely little face was transfigured into a semblance of beauty by a smile of peace and happiness. She had followed "Pencils" out into that land of mystery to care for him.—New York World.

Saving.

A—"Doesn't it cost you an enormous amount to keep up that yacht of yours?" B—"Yes, but my wife cannot run up any bills while she is on it."—New York World.

CONSOLING FOR SPINSTERS.

More Unmarried Men Than Women, Say the Government Reports.

Some one has proposed a husbands' union for the protection of husbands. Just what they are to be protected from is not yet stated. Possibly the union is to be founded on the same lines as the School for Wives, established in England. Still better are the marriage schools which are being developed in Germany on very practical lines. They are for girls and women only, and the value of such a training cannot be overestimated. Girls leave the marriage school competent to undertake the management of a house—and of a husband. The girls who have been graduated from these schools have been extra lucky in getting married, so it is said. Another society which has been organized in Denmark is the Celibacy Insurance society. Its object is to provide for those women who either cannot or will not provide themselves with husbands. The premiums begin at the age of 13 and end at 40, an age at which it is supposed most of the members will have abandoned all thought of marriage. Such being the case, the woman receives an annuity for life. If she marries at any time she forfeits all her rights. Old maids in the United States are outnumbered by the bachelors, although it is popularly supposed that the contrary is the case. To come to exact figures, there are 7,427,767 bachelors and 3,224,494 spinsters. This is upon the authority of a government report. Even in Massachusetts, where it was thought that old maids constitute a large proportion of the population they could each find a husband, for there are 226,085 men and only 219,255 women who have not yet entered into the bonds of matrimony. New York state has 120,000 more bachelors than spinsters. Only one state in the union has more female celibates than male, and that is California, in which there are 59,456 of the former and 22,829 of the latter. The state of Washington has perhaps the largest excess of forlorn single men—89,537 all told, the unmarried women numbering only 9,181. Out of an equal number of bachelors and widowers between 25 and 30 years of age, thirty widowers remarry for every thirteen bachelors who enter the bonds of hymen for the first time. For every spinster married between 30 and 65, two widows are remarried. Both facts are eloquent in favor of the comparative advantages of matrimony.

MUSHROOMS AS FOOD.

Chemists and Doctors Differ Greatly as to Their Value.

A great deal has been said concerning the immense amount of valuable food which was daily going to waste in the shape of edible fungi, says the London Family Doctor. We are told that in many parts of the world these articles form the staple articles of diet of the inhabitants. Our attention has been called to the natives of Patagonia and Terra del Fuego, who are said to be of gigantic stature, and to exist principally on vegetable fungi, and to certain African tribes who value mushrooms so highly that one of them, the polyporus sacer, is worshiped as a god. Chemists have assured us that mushrooms belong to the animal rather than the vegetable kingdom, seeing that they possess a larger percentage of nitrogen than any other class of vegetable life. They are, we are told, essentially protein in composition, as much so, pound for pound, as butchers' meat. Two German scientists, Rolbrausch and Ziegel, stated some years ago, as a result of chemical investigation, that mushrooms deserve to be placed with meat as sources of nitrogenous nutriment. One man in Thuringia is said to have lived upon nothing but mushrooms for thirty years, and to have died a centenarian. Comparison has even been made between mushrooms and other articles of food to the detriment of the latter. Thus chemical analysis has shown mushrooms to contain from 20 to 25 per cent of protein, while bread only contains 8 per cent, potatoes 5 per cent, and barley meal 6 per cent of protein. Against this, however, we have the opinion of a Dr. Kitchener, who in 1824 stated in a publication called "Cook's Oracle" that he did not believe that mushrooms were nutritious. Dr. Jonathan Pereira, in his "Treatise on Food and Diet," published in 1843, said: "Mushrooms are difficult of digestion, and on certain constitutions act injuriously." Invalids, dyspeptics and those with delicate stomachs will act prudently in avoiding the use of this doubtful order of foods. Other writers have expressed similar opinions, not, however, based on experimental work, and therefore they are not absolutely reliable.

Chinese Inquests.

Coroners' inquests are well known among the Chinese. One of the chief differences between their system and ours is that the Chinese doctors never dissect. In fact, Chinamen have a perfect horror of dissection. There are few things more absurd than the code of rules laid down for the Chinese coroner. In the first place he is bidden to make sure that he has a dead body before he begins his inquest. That, however, is less ridiculous than it sounds, for the heathen Chinee is tricky and may demand an inquest on a sham deceased with a view to extorting money from some person who may be denounced as having caused the death. The preposterous part of the code comes in with regard to the alleged signs which show the cause of death. If the deceased is supposed to have been poisoned, rice is put into his mouth and then taken out and given to a chicken. Its effect on the fowl decides the question. Most of the other methods adopted are even more absurd and fanciful, and as a result inquests in China do very little to prevent crime.

Power of a Soft Answer.

Counsel (to witness)—What is your age, madam? Witness (with a charming smile)—It would do you no good to know, sir, for I am married and out of the market. Then the court smiled, and the examining counsel smiled, and the question was not pressed.—Stray Stories.

County Correspondence.

North Loup News.

The weather the past week has been more favorable to the ice crop than at any time before this winter. Parties commenced hauling ice today, although not yet very thick it is of good quality. J. F. Wheatcraft is filling his ice house from the river near here.

Elmer Clark started Tuesday for West Cliff, Colo., where he expects to go into business of some kind.

S. J. Swan left Wednesday morning for Boulder, Colo. He expects to get work there for the winter.

Geo. Worth has sold his residence property to John McDermott who will move to town in the spring.

Geo. E. Johnson and Mrs. Johnson went to Burwell Monday of this week returning Tuesday.

There is still hopes that the ditch will be run again next summer but the farmers ought to know before long so they could arrange for the use of water.

Tom Gray sold his personal property Wednesday and proposes to take a trip down to Arkansas with a view of locating in that state.

Stewart & Milligan shipped a car of hogs to Omaha Monday and W. H. Shultz a car of cattle. Will accompanied the shipment. John Sheldon shipped a car of old iron to Omaha Thursday.

There is said to be a prospect of some party starting a bank here in the near future.

There was a dance-party at W. D. Barnhart's last Friday night and a large number of North Loup young people were there. Another dance was given at the town hall the same evening.

Mrs. H. H. Studley and Mrs. H. A. Walker were Ord visitors Wednesday.

The crowds that gather in the post office at mail time render it almost impossible to get in and out of the building. A larger room would accommodate the patrons to a better advantage.

J. H. Capron drove down from Ord Wednesday but concluded the covered cars would suit him better on the return trip.

W. R. Patty was in town Tuesday.

Prices of hogs have taken a jump since there are several buyers on the market. Once-Again.

Poplar Grove People.

This week began with a cold wave and still continues.

John Hefferman returned home from Iowa. He reports the crop good there and at present the ground covered with two feet of snow. We are also getting the storms but not the snow.

V. Krikac drove to Burwell last Monday on business.

Ign. Klema left for Omaha last Tuesday, for treatment.

The auction sale of Mr. Dickenson of Longwood came off in good shape last Monday. The day being fair a good crowd was present. Those that were there had the opportunity of seeing what they never saw before and probably never will again. It was a calf with two heads. The calf was perfect in all respects but had two heads and was dead when seen.

The young people of Poplar Grove met last Monday night and organized a literary association. The meetings will be held hereafter every Tuesday night.

This is a good step taken by the young folks as they now employ their time to better use than playing cards, etc. evenings. We hope it will be a success.

Frank Bedlivy of Eureka expects to farm the Frank Kosmata's farm. Thos. Boruvka has decided to move near town.

John Rybin's smiling face was seen on our streets last Monday.

John Meese is still in fine hog raising and has added another chamber to his hog dwellings.

Next regular meeting of the M. W. A. next Saturday night.

Johnnie.

Ida Items.

Mrs. Witham is troubled considerably with rheumatism.

O. H. Thompson, formerly of this place, has bought in partnership with T. Janes in the implement business successors to Williams E. Croughwell. Mr. Thompson's family have also gone into the restaurant just vacated by Melton Fox.

John Butterfield is helping Will Wright shell corn at Burwell for Doran Bros.

L. N. Kennedy made a trip to Taylor Monday.

Maude Jackson visited Mr. and Mrs. Dar. Smith Sunday.

Mattie Payton is able to attend school again after a short illness.

Leslie Payton is at home with his parents. We understaud he will work at Taylor this summer for his brother-in-law. Orval Parker.

John Butterfield has been in the vicinity of Erena visiting friends for the past week.

Doris.

Lacked Winning Nerve.

"When I was a racing fiend," said the old telegrapher, "I one day got a tip by wire from an operator, a friend of mine in Philadelphia. It read: 'Lillian K sure! Get in with both feet!' I fancied Lillian K myself, so I pawned my watch, borrowed all I could and went to the poolroom. The race was due in about half an hour, and Lillian K was up in the entries all right, but there were no odds against her.

"So I says to the man at the desk, 'What's the odds on Lillian K?' He looked at me like he was too tender hearted to rob a 'come on' and pitched me over a blank ticket and says carelesslike: 'Make out your own odds. I'll take 'em any way you fix it.'

"That was too much of a jolt for me, and I told him to hold on to the ticket for a minute while I went out to see a man. I went out and took a drink and tried to figure whether the man was four flushing or whether I looked any greener than I felt. Then I came back and tried to get my roll out of my pocket, but it wouldn't come, and finally I sat around and watched the report come in, and put me on the blacklist if Lillian K didn't win at 200 to 1, and the only man on it was a little humpbacked shoe pirate with his box under his arm and a dollar in dimes, nickels and coppers."—Washington Star.

Irish Trust and Distrust.

The most trustful people in the world in money matters are the Irish. A stranger can go into any shop and get a check cashed without the least difficulty, though the proprietor never saw him before and never heard of the drawer. Bank notes are very largely used, as almost every bank in the country issues notes worth £1, £2, £3, £5 and upward, and they are all looked upon as being quite as good as gold.

But Bank of England notes, even in the large towns, are looked upon with suspicion, while in remote places people won't take them at all. It is said that this suspicion of English notes is hereditary.

From the time of James II up to 75 years ago the law was such with regard to currency that if an Irishman wanted to pay £100 in England he had to remit £118 6s. 8d., while if he were being paid a debt by an Englishman he received only £85. Naturally he thought rather badly of English money, and in the 190 years during which this state of things continued the Irish people became so deeply convinced that John Bull was cheating them that they still regard the Bank of England as a corporation of robbers.

The Jews In Frankfurt.

George Brandes thus describes the position of the Jews in Frankfurt, Germany, at the beginning of the nineteenth century: "All Jews were forced to live in the narrow, miserable, overcrowded Judengasse (Jew street), their sole abode since the year 1462. At the beginning of night all the inhabitants of the ghetto were locked in. They were not allowed to use the sidewalk while walking in the street in the daytime, but had to take the middle of the street. They had to remove their hats before every passerby, who would call out, 'Jew, make your bow!'

"To prevent too large an increase not more than 14 couples were permitted to marry in any one year. On every festive occasion they were driven into the ghetto. On Sunday the gates were locked regularly at 4 o'clock, and no one was allowed to pass by the guard at the gate except when on an errand with a prescription to the drug store or for the purpose of mailing a letter. One general rule was 'No Jew allowed on a green spot.'" Napoleon abolished this state of affairs in 1810, but it was restored after his downfall.

A Suspension of Sentence.

For 25 years Squire Quigg held the office of justice of the peace in Doniphan county, and in the early part of his administration he held the idea that a justice had as much jurisdiction as a district court. Once a shooting scrape occurred in the township, and the culprit was brought before the squire for preliminary examination. After listening to the arguments the squire ordered the prisoner to stand up. He then said, "Mr. Prisoner, it is the sentence of this court that you be hanged by the neck until dead, dead, dead." Turning to the constable, the squire said: "Take this prisoner outside and hang him to the tree in the yard. There is a rope halter in my buggy."

The constable made a move for the prisoner, and then the squire, taking a second thought, said, "Mr. Constable, I guess you had better not hang the prisoner until we see whether his victim dies."—Kansas City Journal.

Her Proper Place.

Miss Brooke, the English actress, once gave a couple of seats for the theater to her landlady, who had never seen her on the stage. On the following day the landlady seemed to be satisfied with the play, but she did not give any opinion of Paula. So Miss Brooke asked her the straight question, "What did you think of me?" Then the landlady exclaimed with a bland, admiring smile: "Oh, Miss Brooke, dear, you're far too good for the stage! You ought to be in a shop, tryin on mantles!"

Ready For Him.

Little Willie—Say, pa, was the earth created before man?

Pa—Yes, my son.

Little Willie—Why was it?

Pa—It was probably known that it would be the first thing he'd want when he arrived.—Chicago News.

India has perhaps a greater variety of plants than any other country in the world, having 15,000 native species, while the flora of the entire continent of Europe embraces only about 10,000.

Poverty is the stone on which many wits are whetted.—Chicago News.

ALL SORTS.

Krauses Cold Cure will cure colds without loss of time from your work or business. Take two capsules at night before retiring and two or three the following day. Result? Cold gone—cured Cost 25cts. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Between Melbourne on the south and VladiVostok on the north there is a coast line utilized by 500,000,000 people. Uncle Sam is naturally looking for an open door on the far side of thh Pacific.

Johnson Brothers guaranttee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for lagrippe coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take, It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumonia. Johnson Brothers Druggists.

Sen. Pettigrew says he has no use for Senator Wolcott. Not many days ago Senator Wolcott made very good use of Senator Pettigrew.

A decision by Judge Brewer, of the United States Supreme Court, incidentally holds that the new century begins January 1 next. This exhausts the legal aspects of the case.

I want to let people who suffer from rheumatism and sciatica know that Chamberlain's Pain Balm relieved me after a number of other medicines and a doctor had failed. It is the best liniment I have ever known of. J, A, Dodgen, Alpharetta, Ga. Thousands have been cured of rheumatism by this remedy. One application relieves the pain. For sale by Johnson Bros.

Cuba's post office operations are now conducted at a profit. A commission ought to be sent from the United States to find out how it is done.

G. H. Appleton, Justice of Clarksburg, N. J., says: "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills made for constipation. We use no others." Quickly cure all liver and bowel trouble.

Ben Bridgford.

Don't risk the little one's life; croup is dangerous disease, Mrs. H. Gregg, Dundee, Kan., says: "My little daughter had been troubled with croup since she was three months old; Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup cured her." Children like it. Guaranteed. Ben Bridgford.

Gen. Joubert has a provoking habit of cooly holding all that he cares to keep inside his lines.

Mr. Roberts must see that polygamy is greatly abhorred when one who pratices it is deemed too immoral to occupy a seat in congress.

"A young man came into our store yesterday suffering from a severe attack of cramp colic," writes B. F. Hess, miller and general merchant, Dickey's Mountain, Pa, "He had tried various home remedies without relief. As I had used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy I gave him a dose and it soon brought him out all right. I never saw a fellow so rejoiced." Sold by Johnson Bros.

Poverty may be a blessing to young men, as Mr. Carnegie alleges, but it is one which can only be realized by leaving it behind.

According to Pettigrew, the administration has blood on its hands. The senate is worse off still. It has Pettigrew on its hands.

Constant coughing, will if neglected inflame the entire mucous membrane lining the air passages. Lichty's Cough Cure is the only medicine to be relied upon to give quick relief and ally inflamation. It is soothing in its effect; is pleasant and agreeable to take: children like it. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Senator Beveridge is the best advertisement Indiana has had since Benjamin Harrison stepped out of public life.

Late reports from the Philippines indicate that General Otis is running things about as usual, including Aguinaldo.

The modern and most effective cure for constipation and all liver troubles—the famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers.

Ben Bridgford.

Each individual wants to see some particular trust demolished, provided the wreckage will not extend to some other trust in which he has a personal interest. As Gen. Hancock said of the tariff, the trust problem "is largely a local question."

Size doesn't indicate quality. Beware of counterfeit and worthless salve offered for DeWitt's Wicth Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the only original and infallible cure for piles and all skin diseases.

Ben Bridgford.

Under ordinary circumstances it might be predicted that Queen Victoria will not live to see the end of the South African war. But Queen Victoria is not an ordinary circumstance.

Prof. M. H. Kasper, Evangelical Lutheran seminary, Addison, Ills., writes;—"I had been suffering for some time with severe pains in my lungs, and coughed almost constantly. One bottle Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup entirely cured me." It is guaranteed to cure—has never failed.

Ben. Bridgford.

The firing in Kentucky is so continuous that it is hard for any but the most highly trained ear to distinguish the opening gun of a new campaign.

With the increase of American commerce comes the demand for another cabinate member to be at the head of our commercial interests. The question of establishing such an office is under discussion at Washington.

Place your confidence in a remed that is guaranteed to cure. "I coughed constantly and my strength was all exhausted; I looked more like one dead than alive. Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup entirely cured me." Mrs. S. D. Harsh, Fairport, Kan. For all throat and lung troubles it has never failed.

Ben Bridgford.

When the British arms in South Africa gain a hilltop or knoll there is about as much fuss made over it in London as when Dewy captured and sunk the Spanish fleet at Manila.

J. I. Bevry, Loganton, Pa., writes: I am willing to take my oath that I was cured of pneumonia entirely by the use of One Minute Cough Cure after doctors failed. It also cured my children of whooping cough." Quickly relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Children all like it. Mothers endorse it.

Ben Bridgford.

Congressman-elect Robert did not have many supporters in congress when the show down came, but he still has his wives, we dare say.

I can highly recommend Beggs' Renewer as a pleasing restorative application for the hair and a sure cure for all scalp diseases." — Mrs. J. Whertle, Omaha, Neb. A thoroughly reliable preparation; endorsed by thousands—it will not disappoint. Ben Bridgford.

Mr. Bryan will choose the place and time for holding the Democratic convention, he will dictate the platform and he will select the candidates. If he could only cast the popular and electral vote, Mr Bryan would become president

"I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my health and life. It cured me of lung trouble following grippe." Thousands owe their lives to the prompt action of this never failing remedy, It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis pneumonia grippe, and throat and lung trouble. Its early use prevents consumption, It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results.

Ben. Bridgford.

Mr. Cleveland's case of gout is hardly attributable to McKinley prosperity. Mr. Cleveland lived fairly well under the hard times administration of Mr. McKinley's predecessor.

Small size, large result; quickly, permanently cure constipation, indigestion, headaches, liver, bladder and kidney troubles — Beggs' Little Giant pills. Wm. Markerson, Wichita, Kan., says: "Best little pills made; they cured me of a bad case of constipation."

Ben Bridgford.

It seems that Count Castellane exhausted his ability as a speculator when he invested in Gould stock, obtaining millions practically without valuable consideration.

Cleanses and renovates the system, cures dyspepsia and liver troubles, makes new rich blood—Beggs' Blood Purifier. "Cured me of a bad case of blood disorder" — John Wisener, Chippewa Falls, Wis. Ben Bridgford.

By the end of the present year the United States navy will be twice as strong as it was at the beginning of the war with Spain. It is a marked change for the better, and in the direction of peace.

Rev. James B. Tims, of Alickchi, Chectah Nation, I. T., says of Beggs' Blood Purifier, the great blood remedy and system regenerator: "Both myself and wife were entirely cured of bad cases of scrofula by it." A guaranteed remedy of sterling merit. Ben Bridgford.

Senator Wolcott took Pettigrew's photograph without asking him to look pleasant. But Wolcott explained that the South Dakotan was never known to look that way under any circumstances.

P. J. Essex, a prominent attorney of Golden City, Mo., writes: "I was troubled for years with piles; one box Beggs German Salve cured me," It has cured thousands after surgical operations and all other remedies had failed. It is guarateed to cure.

Ben Bridgford.

So far as Kentucky is concerned, the angel of peace must have taken the benefit of the bankruptcy act.

Guesses on the population of the United States are now in order again. How many are there of us?

It has been demonstrated repeatedly every state in the Union and in many foreign countries that Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is a certain preventive and cure for croup. It has become the universal remedy for that disease. M. V. Fisher of Liberty, W. Va., only repeats what has been said around the globe when he writes: "I have used Chamberlain's Cough Remedy in my family for several years and always with perfect success. We believe that it is a sure cure for croup. It has saved the lives of our children a number of times." This remedy is for sale by Johnson Bros.

The American Tagals who asked for documents relating to the outbreak of Agoinaldo's revolt are suffering from an over-production of testimony, and all highly damaging to themselves.

Old People Made Young.

J. C. Sherman, the veteran editor of the Vermontville (Mich.) Echo, has discovered the remarkable secret of keeping old people young. For years he has avoided nervousness, sleeplessness, indigestion, heart trouble, constipation and rheumatism, by using Electric Bitters, and he writes: "It can't be praised too highly. It gently stimulates the kidneys, tones the stomach, aids digestion, and gives a splendid appetite. It has worked wonders for my wife and me. It's a marvellous remedy for old people's complaints." Only 50c at Ben Bridgford's drug store.

His Wife Saved Him.

My wife's good advice saved my life writes F. M. Ross of Winfield, Tenn., for I had such a bad cough I could hardly breathe, I steadly grew worse under doctor's treatment, but my wife urged me to use Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, which completely cured me." Coughs, colds, bronchitis, lagrippe, pneumonia, asthma, hayfever and all maladies of chest, throat and lungs are positively cured by this marvellous medicine. 50c and $1 Every bottle guaranteed. Trial bottles free at Ben Bridgford's drug store.

What do the Children Drink?

Don't give them tea or coffee. Have you tried the new food drink called Grain-O? It is delicious and nourishing and takes the place of coffee. The more Grain-O you give the children the more health you distribute through their system. Grain-O is made of pure grains and when properly prepared tastes like the choice grades of coffee but costs about ¼ as much. All grocers sell it. 15 and 25 c.

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Your car is not so expensively furnished as a palace sleeper, but it is just as clean, just as comfortable, just as good to ride in—and nearly $20.00 cheaper. It has wide vestbules; Pintech gas high back seats; a uniformed Pullman porter; clean bedding; spacious toilet rooms. tables and a heating range. Being strongly and heavily built, it rides smoothly; is warm in winter and cool in summer.

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For folder giving full information, call at any Burlington Route ticket office or write to J. Francis, G. P. A.

April 30 Omaha, Neb.

Winter in the South.

The season approaches when one's thoughts turn toward a place where the inconveniences of a Northern winter may be escaped. No section of this country offers such ideal spots as the Gulf Coast on the Louisville Railroad between Mobile an Orleans. It possesses a mild climate, pure air, even temperature and facilities for hunting and fishing enjoyed by no other section. Accommodations for visitors are first-class, and can be secured at moderate prices. The L. & N. R. R. is the only line only line by which it can be reached in through cars from Northern cities. Through car schedules to all points in Florida by this line are also perfect Write for folder, etc to Geo B. Horner

Lack of Exercise

is one of the prime causes of headache in the winter. Persons accustomed to the pure fresh air during the pleasant months are subject to this terrible annoyance at this time of the year. A boon is offered in Krause's Headache Capsules they are guaranteed to cure any kind of a headache no matter what the cause. Headache caused by overindulgence in food or drink late at night, can be prevented by taking one in the morning. Price 25c. Sold by Ben Bridgfork.

Bucklen's Arnica SBlve.

Has world-wide fame for marvellous cures. It surpasses any other salve lotion, ointment or balm for cuts, corns, burns, boils sores, felons. ulcers, tetter, salt rheum, fever sores, chapped hands, skin eruptions; infallible for piles. Cure guaranteed. Only 25c at Ben Bridgford's.

Try Grain-O! Try Grain-O!

Ask your Grocer to-day to show you a package of Grain-O, the new food drink that takes the place of coffee. The children may drink it without injury as well as the adult. All who try it like. Grain-O has that rich seal brown of Mocha or Java, but it is made from pure grains, and the most delicate stomach receives it without distress. ¼ the price of coffee. 15c and 25 cts per package. Sold by all grocers.

Having a Great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

Manager Martin, of the Pierson drug store, informs us that he is having a great run on Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. He sells five bottles of that kind, and it gives great satisfaction. In these days of lagrippe there is nothing like Chamberlain's Cough Remedy to stop the cough, heal up the sore throat and lungs and give relief within a very short time. The sales are growing and all who try it are pleased with its prompt action. — South Chicago Daily Calumet. For sale by Johnson Bros.

The Clark case in Washington is serving as an excellent cover for the Roberts case.

Snowed in.

Jno. W. Rowen, of Des Moines, while snow bound at Carroll, Iowa, through expousre contracted a severe cold. After several useless trials of various remedies he purchased a bottle of Lichty's Cough Cure, and says the effect was magical, after taking two doses he could breathe freely, and enjoyed a good sleep at night undisturbed. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Do You Want Consumption?

We are sure you do not. Nobody wants it. But it comes to many thousands every year. It comes to those who have had coughs and colds until the throat is raw, and the lining membranes of the lungs are inflamed. Stop your cough when it first appears, and you remove the great danger of future trouble.

Ayer's Cherry Pectoral

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Put one of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral Plasters over your lungs

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Address, DR. J. C. AYER, Lowell, Mass.

Having arrived at years of discretion, Dr. Talmage has reached the tardy conclusion that early rising is not what it is cracked up to be.

F. B. Thirkield, Health Inspector of Chicago, says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cannot be recommended too highly. It cured me of dyspepsia." It digests what you eat and cures indigestion, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia.

Ben Bridgford.

England is reported to have bought 250 Krupp canon from Italy. The war has emphasized the need of the latest artillery and the fact that few countries have given the subject the study it demands.

I strongly recommend Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup; it cured me of a throat and lung trouble of many years' standing." Mrs. J. Bremen, Rifle, Colo. Cures coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, lagrippe, pneumonia, whooping cough, and consumption.

Ben. Bridgford.

According to report made to the Interior Department by Gov. Barnes, General Prosperity has been staking out some valuable claims in Oklahoma.

L. T. Travis, Agent Southern R. R., Selina, Ga., writes: "I cannot say too much in praise of One Minute Cough Cure. In my case it worked liked a charm," The only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, and all throat and lung trouble.

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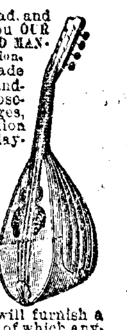

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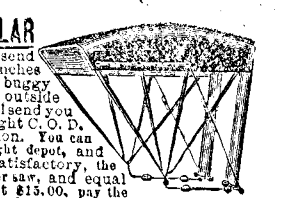

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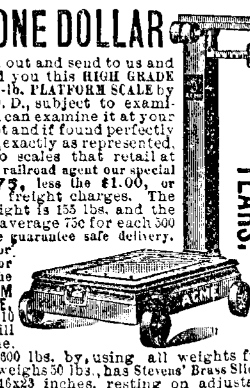

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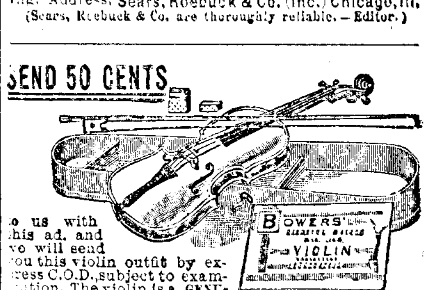

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DEAD BY SCORES

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LONG REPORT FROM GENERAL BULLER

Admits Abandonment of Position, But Withdrawal Orderly and Without Casualties—Makes No Mention of Suffering Severe Loss.

A dispatch dated Boer Head Laager, Ladysmith, January 25, 6 p. m., says: British dead left on the battlefield yesterday numbered fifteen hundred.

General Buller's dispatch to the war office states that Spion kop was abandoned on account of a lack of water, inability to bring the artillery there and the heavy Boer fire. Buller gives no list of the casualties. His whole force withdrew south of Tugela river with the evident intention of reaching Ladysmith by another route.

Following is the text of General Buller's dispatch dated Spearman's Camp, Saturday, Jan. 27, 6:10 p. m.

"On January 20 Warren drove bac the enemy and obtained possession of the southern crests of the high tableland extending from the line of Acton Homes and Honger's poort to the western Ladysmith hills. From then to January 25 he remained in close contact with the enemy.

"The enemy held a strong position on a range of small kopjes stretching from northwest to southeast across the plateau from Acton Homes, through Spion kop, to the left bank of the Tugela.

"The actual position held was perfectly tenable, but did not lend itself to an advance, as the southern slopes were so steep that Warren could not get an effective artillery position, and water supply was a difficulty.

"On January 23 I assented to his attacking Spion kop, a large hill, indeed a mountain, which was evidently the key of the position, but was far more accessible from the north than from the south.

"On the night of January 23 he attacked Spion kop, but found it very difficult to hold, as its perimeter was too large, and water, which he had been led to believe existed, in this extraordinary dry season was found very deficient.

"The crests were held all that day against severe attacks and a heavy shell fire. Our men fought with great gallantry.

"General Woodgate, who was in command at the summit, having been wounded, the officers who succeeded him decided on the night of January 24 to abandon the position, and did so before dawn, January 25.

"I reached Warren's camp at 5 a. m. on January 25 and decided that a second attack upon Spion Kop was useless and that the enemy's right was too strong to allow me to force it.

"Accordingly I decided to withdraw the force to the south of the Tugela. At 6 a. m. we commenced withdrawing the train, and by 8 a. m. January 27 (Saturday) Warren's force was concentrated south of the Tugela without the loss of a man or a pound of stores.

"The fact that the forces could withdraw from actual touch—in some cases the lines were less than a thousand yards apart—with the enemy in the manner it did, is, I think sufficient evidence of the morale of the troops, and that we were permitted to withdraw our cumberous ox and mule transports across the river, eight-five yards broad, with twenty foot banks, and a very swift current, unmolested, is, I think, proof that the enemy has been taught to respect our soldiers' fighting powers."

BULLER SAID TO BE BEATEN

The Report Started That He is in Full Retreat.

A dispatch from London dated January 28 says: The only news issued by the war office during the night is a dispatch from Lord Roberts, dated yesterday (Saturday), stating that the situation is unchanged, and that General France reports a reconnoissance of the enemy's position on Thursday, when he found the Boers strongly posted at Pietfontein. The maps do not show any such place in the region of General French's operations, and it is probable that Reitfontein, ten miles north of Clesberg, is the place alluded to.

A special dispatch from Colenso, dated January 24, says that commandant Lucas Meyers' commando surprised and surrounded a strong body of General Methuen's infantry, killing and wounding twenty-three and capturing fifteen.

The absence of news from the front is causing public attention to turn to the approaching opening of parliament, and speculation as to how the government will meet the attacks on it with regard to the causes and conduct of the war, a foretaste of which has already been given in the speeches of Mr. John Morley and others during the past week. The government defense is perhaps foreshadowed by the speeches made at Birmingham last week by Mr. Jesse Collins and Mr. J. Austen Chamberlain.

In connection with the meeting of the defense committee of the cabinet the rumor was reiterated that the war office is concealing the gravest kind of news from the upper Tugela river. The reports even go so far as to say the forces of General Buller ear in full retreat.

Body Found in River.

Fred Lee, a prominent insurance agent of Texas, was found dead in the river at San Antonio. He was probably murdered. The affair is a mystery.

Interment of General Stanton.

The remains of the late Gen. Thomas H. Stanton arrived at Washington Saturday from Omaha. Four troops cavalry and a battalion of siege guns from Ft. Meyer escorted the body to Arlington cemetery, where the interment was made with full military honors.

Jerome W. Root, alias Howard, was arrested at New Orleans, charged with sending an infernal machine to his wife at Waterloo, Ia., from Chicago in October of last year. He says he will go back without requisition, but declares his innocence.

MINISTRY FIRM AS A ROCK

British Government Able to Stand the Strain.

A London, Jan. 27 dispatch says: Though criticism of the government and its methods of handling the war is unabated, it is safe to say that when parliament meets Tuesday next nothing serious will result. There will be the usual motions of censure, with, perhaps, more than usually impassioned denunciations of the various departments of the administration, especially the war and colonial offices. But such is the patriotism of the average Englishman and such is the strength of the conservative organization, that it will be surprising if Lord Salisbury's majority is even appreciably weakened.

An eminent British general, reviewing the situation to a representative of the Associated press, thus summed it up:

"First of all, we underestimated the enemy; secondly, we know nothing of the power of modern weapons when opposed to each other in the hands of tolerably equal forces; thirdly, we deserted strategy to satisfy sentiment. By that I mean Ladysmith and Kimberley appealed to us, and we answered as quickly and as unthinkingly as does an electric receiver to a transmitter.

"We have learned many things, but chiefly we have learned that long range guns and rifles minimize tremendously the advantage which formerly accrued to the aggressor. Yet I thoroughly believe, and I am not speaking without experience, that had any continental nation undertaken the same task with the same force it would by this time have been wiped out. There are a lot of things which might have been learned had we watched your land fighting at Santiago. But we did not. As a result, we did not have nippers to cut the wire, and we know nothing about Mausers. But the appreciation of our shortcomings only makes us the more determined. It may be six months, and it may be a year but we shall achieve our object."

LOOKS LIKE GOEBEL.

Test Vote in the House Indicates the Outcome.

The first actual test of strength between the republican and democratic forces in the Goeble-Taylor contest came Saturday in the Kentucky legislature, and by the admission of the republican leaders, proved a victory for Goebel. The democrats claim the result of the struggle as decisive, while the republicans, although freely admitting a defeat, declare that they will fight to the finish and have still strong hopes of retaining Governor Taylor in his seat. The fight came on the vote of the house in the contest brought by H. S. Van Meter of Fayette county for the seat heretofore held by Henry S. Berry. Both sides realized that the test of real strength would be made on this issue and every effort was made to get out the largest possible vote. There were before the contest fifty-nine democrats, including Speaker Trimble in the house and forty-one republicans. The latter claimed confidently Saturday that they would be able to swing at least fifty votes, with excellent chances of two or three additional. The democrats claim to be certain of fifty-two votes. The vote in favor of Van Meter was fifty-one to forty-five. Hayes, republican, and Sledge, democrat, were absent. Berry had no vote because of his personal interest in the contest. Speaker Trimble did not vote.

There was much wrath in the republican ranks over the failure of E. G. Hayes of Pulaski county to vote. He failed entirely to put in an appearance at the state house, and was seen at the depot a few moments before a train arrived. After that the republicans saw no more of him, nor could the members of the campaign committee locate him, although they spent the afternoon in search.

NEWS BRIEFLY TOLD

The United States Collier Alexander has arrived at Gibralter with her machinery out of order.

The Prince Regent of Bavaria has conferred the order of St. Michael first class, on Dr. Nansen, the explorer.

A serious view is taken at Vienna of the situation in China. It is thought that other powers will follow the example of France and send warships there to protect their subjects.

The continuance of the storm at St. Johns, N. F., makes it impossible to obtain definite information as to the identity of the vessel which went ashore on January 17 at Foxtail Point.

Spanish gendarmes unearthed a Carlist arsenal in a house in Palencia, province of Palencia, and seized 100,000 cartridges and a large quantity of arms. Six Carlists who were implicated fled across the frontier.

At Quincy, Ill., Detective Koch killed one of a pair of safe blowers. He had been shadowing them all day, and upon attempting to question them one man pulled a pistol and Koch killed him. The other fellow made his escape.

A Litchfield, Ill., special says that Sheriff Downey of Christian county has been bound over in the sum of $10,000 to answer to the charge of assault with intent to murder Thomas Furlong. Bail was furnished. Furlong is dying.

Several large manufacturers of baby carriages held a secret meeting at Toledo, O., at which a thirty per cent increase was agreed upon. Those interested deny any plan of forming a combination, but say a uniform advance is necessitated by increased prices in iron.

An agreement has been made settling the strike at Troy, N. Y., on the United Traction company's road on the basis of $2 a day for the regular and 18½c an hour for the trippers. The only concession made by the men was on the scale to be received by the trippers.

Governor Wells of Utah has issued a proclamation calling an election to be held on April 2 next, for the purpose of electing a representative in the Fifty-sixth congress to fill the vacancy now existing.

BOILERS EXPLODE

Fearful Explosion in Pittsburg Steel Mill.

ONE EMPLOYE IS KILLED OUTRIGHT

Dozen More Badly Injured, a Number of Whom May Die—Loss to the Plant Will be Enormous—Cause of Explosion Not Known.

The steel department of Phillips, Nimick & Co's mill on West Carson street, Pittsburg, Pa., was completely wrecked and a dozen men injured by the explosion of a battery of four large boilers. The loss to the plant will be enormous.

All the injured men were quickly removed from the ruins. Five were mutilated almost beyond recognition and one or two more deaths may result. The injured were taken to a temporary hospital hastily provided and local physicians summoned to relieve their suffering. A rescuing party then went to work searching the wreckage which it is supposed entombs others of the workmen. Following is the list of the most serious casualties:

Simon Holland, fireman, killed.
Injured:
Daniel Noonan, badly cut and scalded.
Constantine Gallagher, badly cut.
William Kirkpatrick.
Frank Stone.
Jeremiah Collins.
Barney Easterburg.
W. T. Cook.
Peter Bynos.

The explosion was one of the most terrific that ever occurred in the Pittsburg mill. The roof of the boiler room was completely lifted from the building and the flying iron and steel fell in all directions. Heavy beams and portions of the masonry were thrown from the foundation. The men were crushed to the ground on the spot where they were attending to the rolls, and those beside the boilers were scalded by the steam.

The families of the workmen who live in the neighborhood realized the extent of the accident the moment the explosion was heard. Women and children rushed at once to the mill, crying for their loved ones who were believed to be buried beneath the ruins and for a time interfered with the work of the rescuers.

The mill had been stopped over Sunday, and the boilers had just been fired preparatory to starting up the mills again. More than a hundred men were standing about ready to go to work when the explosion occurred. One of the boilers rose on end and a sheet of flame shot out of the furnace door completely enveloping Holland.

The cause of the explosion is not known.

BRITISH PLAN NEW START.

Must Abandon Ladysmith—Boers May Assume Aggressive.

A London dispatch says history pauses for a time in South Africa. It is one of those unsatisfactory pauses that are nearly as trying to British nerves as a sequence of reverses, and apparently will terminate only when Lord Roberts gives the word for the forward movement into the Free State, which, according to the most cheerful view, he will be unable to do for a fortnight.

Whether he will permit General Buller to make another attempt to relieve Ladysmith is quite outside the knowledge even of those closely connected with the war office. With the troops due to arrive next month he may think himself strong enough to try two large operations. Combining the forces under General Methuen, French and Gatacre and adding to them the arriving troops, Lord Roberts would have seventy thousand for the invasion of the Free States, with 40,000 to 50,000 guarding communications, and 40,000 trying to rescue Ladysmith.

The public burns with impatience that something should be done.

Fall of Ladysmith Denied.

The London war office denies the report that Ladysmith has surrendered, and announces that a very heavy list of casualties will be issued soon.

Great anxiety has been removed by the announcement that Lord Dundonald's cavalry forces, which it was feared were isolated among the hills in the neighborhood of Acton Homes, are safe on the south bank of the Tugela river.

Seat in Danger.

It is not likely that United States Senator-elect Blackburn will receive any commission from Governor Taylor until the present gubernational contest has been finally settled. Governor Taylor, it is stated on excellent authority, will assume the position that if it is decided he is illegally the governor of Kentucky the legislators who elected Blackburn and who were declared elected at the same election at which he was a candidate for governor were also illegally elected and have not therefore the power to choose a senator.

Students in a Fire.

Seven or eight Cornell law students, says an Ithica, N. Y., dispatch, who are members of Delta Chi fraternity, were hurt as a result of the burning of their fraternity lodge. Fifteen of the students escaped by jumping thirty feet to the ground.

Will Soon Retire.

A Washington dispatch says it is now considered as settled at the British embassy that Lord Pauncefote will retire as ambassador of Great Britain to the United States in April next.

Chair Factory Burns.

The seven-story building on Cherry street in New York, occupied by the Heyward Bros. & Wakefield Manufacturing company as a chair factory was destroyed by fire. The 150 employes escaped safely. The loss on building and contents, which were completely destroyed, is estimated at $300,000.

Illinois Town Burned.

Fire almost totally destroyed the town of Ramsey, several miles south of Pana, Ill. Loss, $25,000; insurance, $10,000.

MAY HASTEN THE CRISIS

War Cloud Hovering Over Europe Becomes Darker.

A London, January 29 special says: Some of the afternoon newspapers associate the departure of the new Japanese battleship Shikishima with possible complications in regard to the situation in China, especially as it is announced that the Shikishima will endeavor to travel the Suez canal by divesting herself of her armament. Up to the present no ship of such size has traversed the canal.

The interpretation that the departure of the Shikishima was directly due to the situation in China is incorrect, as the Associated press learns that the date for the sailing was decided on many weeks ago, and a farewell party was held on board of her previous to the deposition of the emperor of China. But though this incident was given exaggerated importance in the afternoon newspapers, the Associated press is able to say that those in England most cognizant of the secret aims of Japan, especially those who are fulfilling her naval contracts, have for some time past thoroughly believed she meditated striking a blow at Russia.

If this impression is correct, and there is the highest and most conservative authority on which to base it, it is not unlikely that Japan's hands may be forced, and that her intended coup will be attempted before her plans are completed.

OFFERS TO OCCUPY PULPIT

Ed Howe Proposes Changing Places With Rev. Mr. Sheldon.

E. W. Howe, the author, and editor of the Atchison Globe, in the editorial columns of his paper says he will take the place of the Rev. Charles M. Sheldon as pastor of the Congregational church in Topeka during the week Mr. Sheldon is running the Topeka Capital as a Christian newspaper. Among other things, Mr. Howe says:

"The Rev. Mr. Sheldon's desire to publish a newspaper for a week is evidence that he does not believe a sufficient amount of religion is injected into the columns of the newspapers. Neither is there enough common sense or ability in the average sermon. If we fail to make out as much of a case against preachers as the Rev. Mr. Sheldon makes out against newspapers we will buy a Bible and join the church."

Mr. Howe has had experience on the lecture platform, and his ability as a writer is well known.

PREPARE TO FIGHT PLAGUE

Dr. Walter Wyman Manufacturing Anti-Toxin Serum.

A dispatch from Washington says: "Under the supervisson of Dr. Walter Wyman the marine hospital laboratory has begun the manufacture of a serum as an anti-toxin for bubonic plague, to be used if the plague should reach this country. The work was begun two months ago, and it will be four months before it is completed. Dr. Wyman says that he thought it better to be on the safe side. The serum being manufactured is what is known as the Yersin serum, and is at present the only remedy known.

Wants of the Labor Men.

Samuel Gompers, president of the American federation of labor, accompanied by other representatives of labor interests, had a conference with President McKinley to urge upon him their desire that he should advocate certain legislation in which they are interested. They want an eight-hour law for all government works, a law to prohibit the products of convict labor from being transferred from one state to another, and a law to restrict the authority of federal courts in the issuances of injunctions in labor troubles.

Tramp in Danger of a Mob.

Tom Slocum, a tramp, was lodged in jail at Bucyrus, O., on the charge of having criminally assaulted Mrs. Eli Harper and Mrs. E. M. Jump, both aged women living in the northern part of the county. Slocum has been identified and there may be trouble, as the county people near where the crime was committed are terribly wrought up over the affair.

Discloses Shortage.

Word from Marshall, Mich., says: The special committee appointed to investigate the accounts of county officers, including the superintendent of the poor, has filed its report. It shows a total shortage of $16,851.04 in accounts of A. O. Hyde, who was arrested for embezzlement.

Kills His Wife.

A special from Oklahoma City says: Tom Queenan, a bartender, driven crazy because he had gambled and lost all his money, shot and killed his wife and then jumped from a second-story window, injuring himself, so that he is not expected to live.

Killed With Poker.

Andy E. Kean, who was stabbed with a hot poker by Mike Haines in a fight in a blacksmith shop at Sioux City, Iowa, died the other day. Haines is in jail on the charge of murder in the first degree. Haines is a blacksmith and formerly worked at Sioux Falls.

Increase Dividend.

A special from Akron, O., says the American Cereal company announces that beginning February 1 the quarterly dividend will be increased to 2 per cent, raising the annual dividend from 6 to 8 per cent. The capital stock is $3,500,000.

One-half of the three-story building at 1437 and 1439 Lawrence street, Denver, Col., occupied by W. A. Hoover & Co., wholesale druggists, collapsed, the three floors above the street level, with their contents dropping into the basement.

Held in Close Quarantine.

Private advices received at Agusta, Me., say that Hon. Arthur Sewall of Bath, who is visiting his son, Hon. Harold M. Sewall, in Honolulu, is in quarantine on account of the discovery of bubonic plague at that point. The correspondent wrote that it was uncertain how long the quarantine would continue.

Costa Rica and Nicaragua are willing to lease territory to the United States for two hundred years to build the canal.

STAND UP FOR NEBRASKA

Mr. Bassett Quotes Figures That Will Make Every Citizen Proud.

S. C. Bassett of Gibbon, writing to a Lincoln paper, says: Much prominence has been given in the public press to reports made by Sec. Coburn of the Kansas state board of agriculture, showing the value of Kansas agricultural products, including live stock slaughtered and sold for slaughter for the year 1899 amounts to $169,747,037.51.

Kansas has an area of 52,531,200 acres while the area of Nebraska is 48,187,200 acres. The "range" area in Nebraska comprises some 20,000,000 acres and in Kansas about 12,000,000, making about 40,000,000 acres of agricultural lands in Kansas and in Nebraska about 28,000,000 acres. From statistics published by Commissioner S. J. Kent of the Nebraska bureau of labor it appears that the surplus agricultural products and live stock products of Nebraska for the year 1898 amounted to $187,302,312.52, being an increase over 1897 of more than $16,000,000.

These statistics are not mere guesswork, but are copied from the books of railroad and other transportation companies and show that after the farmers of Nebraska have supplied their own wants in the matter of farm products, they have a surplus to sell amounting to $187,000,000 a year.

According to assessors' returns for the year 1899 the number of live stock in the state is as follows:

	Number.	Approx. Value.
Horses and mules	666,698	$26,667,920
Dairy cows	628,750	20,990,250
Other cattle	1,270,032	34,925,870
Sheep	381,362	1,005,949
Swine	1,929,178	10,893,386
Total	4,216,030	$94,392,375

In crop production Nebraska ranks as follows: Corn third, oats fifth, wheat seventh.

In value of live stock: Horses fourth, milch cows eighth, other cattle fourth, swine sixth.

Stand up for Nebraska!

Found Guilty.

Mrs. John D. Rich, the Chicago woman who was surrendered to Mexico to be tried for the murder of her husband in Juarez last May, was adjudged guilty by the Mexican court and sentenced to serve fourteen years in prison. Mrs. Rich's lawyers will appeal to the higher court at Chihuahua, and in the event the finding of the lower court is affirmed Governor Ahumada will be asked for a pardon. Money is required to prosecute the appeal and a subscription list has been opened by United States Marshal Hillebrand. Mrs. Rich will be imprisoned at Chihuahua.

Sues City For Damages.

Andrew F. Noreen has begun a suit against the city of Fremont, together with Ed McMahon, for $1,532.53, alleged damages occurring from a negligently constructed sewer ditch operated by the city. A claim for damages had been previously made to the city council. Mr. Noreen claims that the filthy water of the sewer ditch running east of town to the Rawhide creek overflowed his land last spring and did great damage to the crop. He also states that Ed. McMahon cut a drainage ditch into the sewer ditch west of the lands of the plaintiff and caused the flow through the large excavation to be increased.

Becomes Violently Insane.

Ed Barryn, a former restaurant keeper, became insane and was placed in the city jail at Hastings and his condition became so much worse that he was transferred to the county jail. His derangement is the result of inordinate use of alcoholic stimulants. He had a temporary attack of insanity last Easter and created considerable excitement by attacking several members of the Catholic church just as they were leaving after the morning service.

Young Farmer Arrested.

Max Hendrickson, a young farmer living near Hooper, was arrested and brought into county court at Fremont on the complaint that he has been threatening to shoot Henry Harms, a neighbor. Harms claims the young man has become too free in the flourishing of a gun and his threats of personal violence too earnest. The prisoner waived examination and was bound over to district court in the sum of $50 furnished by his father, John Hendrickson.

Ordered to Bring Suit.

J. J. Everingham of Omaha, receiver for the Grain Growers' Mutual Hail association, has been instructed by Judge Dickenson to bring suit against such policy holders as he may deem advisable.

A New Church.

The Church of the Immaculate Conception, Omaha, has filed articles of incorporation, providing for the erection of a church in Omaha to cost $20,000. The incorporators are Bishop Richard Scannell, William Choka and and Theobold Kalamaja.

Residence Burns.

The house of C. H. Drummond, in the north part of Fairmont was totally destroyed by fire. The furniture was partly saved. The loss will aggregate $2,500. Insurance on the building was $800.

Says He Has Been Swindled.

John Quate, a pioneer farmer living east of McCool Junction, claims that land sharks inveigled him into a pretended trade of his farm and stock for Missouri land. On his return from Missouri he found his cattle gone and had three persons whom he claims assisted in the land deal arrested, charging them with larceny. Quate is an unassuming, unsophisticated farmer, and does not believe that he signed a deed to his place.

Sends in New Name.

Governor Shaw of Iowa sent to the senate the name of Col. H. H. Rood of Mount Vernon as his selection to fill the vacancy on the state board of control. Considerable opposition is manifested toward the confirmation and in the executive session action was postponed.

Cars Wrecked.

A broken flange on the rear truck of a car on freight No. 26, east bound, just a mile west of Ainsworth caused the derailment and general demolishing of eight cars filled with coal

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Handshaking.

It may be noticed that the handclasp is vanishing. Men and women do not shake hands as often as they did. The custom is said to have had its origin in the desire of savages upon meeting to show each other that they were without weapons. And in the opinion of many it is a relic of savagery in every sense of the word. Physicians have inveighed against it lately, declaring that the hand-shake is responsible for the spread of disease. In this attack they at least practice what they preach, and the carefulness with which a surgeon prepares his hands and surgical instruments before and after an operation is evidence that the danger is a real one. Handshaking is the only contact of flesh that takes place between ordinary acquaintances, and hence it must be the only means by which many cases of disease could have been spread.—Chicago Tribune.

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Fattening Show Babies.

London Lancet: In the next session of the Paris municipal council attention will be given to baby shows and prize competition for infants. Dr. Dufournier and Dr. Vallin have informed the council that in order to enable the infants to win medals the nurses feed them in a manner which is not conducive to their health. The infants, in fact, are greatly overfed, and at a later stage after their undue plumpness they suffer from serious disorders of digestion.

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Samoan Girls Want Husbands.

Apia seems to be pretty well supplied with some exceedingly beautiful and well-educated half-caste girls, who who would make excellent wives for the right sort of young men. Many of these girls are daughters of well-to-do parents, and not a few would be able to start out nicely as far as funds and good looks were to be counted. These girls are all unwilling to marry native husbands, and there are certainly not enough foreigners to go round. Generally Samoan and half-caste girls make excellent and faithful wives, unlike the natives of Spanish-American countries, they hold their good looks for many years.

An Ancient City Ceremony.

The ancient ceremony of paying a certain number of horseshoes and nails and the cutting of some faggots as quit rents to her majesty for certain lands held by the corporation of London from the crown, will take place this morning, before the queen's remembrancer, in one of the registrar's rooms at the royal courts of justice.—London News.

British Mule Purchases.

Up to date the British government has purchased 11,200 mules in the United States, all of which have been shipped from New Orleans. In money fully $1,500,000 has been spent and there is no prospect of any let-up. Besides mules the British agents have purchased thousands and thousands of halters, mule shoes and other paraphernalia.

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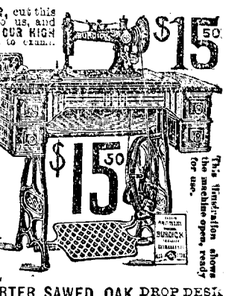

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ALL SORTS.

Washington City is distressed over some spirit rappings. Perhaps another Montana man is trying to get in.

Gen. Joubert spent his sixty-ninth birthday anniversary making a tour of the laagers. The old sea dog!

Lewis Dennis, Salem, Ind., says; "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure did me more good than anything I ever took." It digests what you eat and can not help but cure dyspepsia and stomach troubles.
Ben. Bridgford.

It is more than probable that Webster Davis will try to do one of his spellbinding turns from the summit of a South African kopje.

Krauses Cold Cure will cure colds without loss of time from your work or business. Take two capsules at night before retiring and two or three the following day. Result? Cold gone—cured Cost 25cts. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Perfect quietude in the Philipoines is not to be expected for several months. The 60,000 men sent across the Pacific will secure it, however, at the earliest practical moment.

G. H. Appleton, Justice of Clarksburg, N. J., says: "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills made for constipation. We use no others." Quickly cure all liver and bowel trouble.
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Gen. Funston predicted that the Philippine rebellion would be ended by the 1st of February, but he seems to have given it entirely too much margin.

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A Tokio paper praises for good behavior the American troops who have touched at Japanese ports. The standard of manhood in our army impresses all foreigners who have a chance to inspect it.

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South America last year increased its purchases of American agricultural machinery $500,000, and thereby announces that its methods of tilling the soil are improving rapidly.

Size doesn't indicate quality. Beware of counterfeit and worthless salve offered for DeWitt's Wicth Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the only original and infallible cure for piles and all skin diseases.
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Only two Democratic Senators from the North remain in the Senate, and one of these is likely to resign as the result of a bribery investigation.

Russia, Italy and France are constructing navies that ar ected to be world beaters, with America barred.

Prof. M. H. Kasper, Evangelical Lutheran seminary, Addison, Ills., writes;—"I had been suffering for some time with severe pains in my lungs, and coughed almost constantly. One bottle Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup entirely cured me." It is guaranteed to cure—has never failed.
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Six times as many vessels pass through the Soo Canal as through that at Suez It is time for Father Mississippi to be working for a ship canal to the lakes.

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Dr. Pierce's Pleasant Pellets do not re-act upon the system. They are a good thing to keep in the house. One 'Pellet' is a laxative, two a cathartic dose. The medicine for every woman.

Gen. Otis is rounding up the remaining bands of hostiles rapidly. Many rifles have been captured lately and rebel stores destroyed. The guerrilla stage is not as troublesome as was expected.

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Senator Morgan says the Nicaragua Canal will pay. The people are confident on that point, and will cheerfully take the risk. In fact, they expect that eventually the Nicaragua Canal will pay better than the Suez.

"I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my health and life. It cured me of lung trouble following grippe." Thousands owe their lives to the prompt action of this never failing remedy. It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis pneumonia grippe, and throat and lung trouble. Its early use prevents consumption, It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results.
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Numerous Louisiana planters are coming out in favor of Republican policies. If all the Southerners who believe the Republican position to be right and best make themselves known there will be consternation in the Democratic camp.

Place your confidence in a remed that is guaranteed to cure. "I coughed constantly and my strength was all exhausted; I looked more like one dead than alive. Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup entirely cured me." Mrs. S. D. Harsh, Fairport, Kan. For all throat and lung troubles it has never failed.
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Members of the nobility in England are accepting subordinate positions on the stage in order not to take any part in the war.

The natives are frequently called in to build the fortifications of both combatants in South Africa. What their opinion is of civilized methods of settling a dispute has not been stated.

J. I. Bevry, Loganton, Pa., writes: I am willing to take my oath that I was cured of pneumonia entirely by the use of One Minute Cough Cure after doctors failed. It also cured my children of whooping cough." Quickly relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Children all like it. Mothers endorse it.
Ben Bridgford.

The poor old crime of '73 was not thought of untill twenty-three years after it was committed and it was forgotten twenty-four years after. Only one brief year of inglorious notoriety and it sank again into oblivion! Poor old crime of '73.—York Times.

F. B. Thirkield, Health Inspector of Chicago, says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cannot be recommended too highly. It cured me of dyspepsia." It digests what you eat and cures indigestion, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia.
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Democratic papers edge around the message as if they coudn't find a good place to attack. They are not as hot against expansion as they were.

When last herd from Gen. Aguinaldo was troubled with a stitch in his side. This condition must have been caused by his having been hemmed in.

Cleanses and renovates the system, cures dyspepsia and liver troubles, makes new rich blood—Beggs' Blood Purifier. "Cured me of a bad case of blood disorder" — John Wisener, Chippewa Falls, Wis. Ben Bridgford.

Silver Republicans show a disposition to be Republicans hereafter, without the prefix. The lesson of Republican success is national prosperity and progress.

Rev. James B. Tims, of Alokchi, Checotah Nation, I. T., says of Beggs' Blood Purifier, the great blood remedy and system regenerator: "Both myself and wife were entirely cured of bad cases of scrofula by it." A guaranteed remedy of sterling merit. Ben Bridgford.

"We hold a vaster empire than has been." is the motto on the Canadian imperial postage stamp. But, large as it is, the empire will have to get along without an Alaskan seaport.

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Copperheads are on the run, and a sorry looking lot. The individual who paid $4000 to telegraph Hoar's speach to the Tagal camps is as reluctant to reveal himself as Aguinaldo is to come out of hiding.

L. T. Travis, Agent Southern R. R., Selma, Ga., writes: "I cannot say too much in praise of One Minute Cough Cure. In my case it worked liked a charm." The only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, and all throat and lung trouble.
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The expiriment in local government in the Island of Negros was spoiled by the treachery of the men who were trusted. It is nothing new to run against this trait in the Malay character. A Filipino republic would work the same way.

Johnson Bros., Druggists, guarantee every bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup and whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumoia.

In Central Park a condor from the Andes wippped a bald-headed eagle. The time has passed, however, when the Chilian bantam can bluster around the United Srtes because it has no navy.

Krause's Cold Cure is all the name implies—an absolute cure, for cold in the head, cold in the chest—in fact, cold in any part of the body. Not necessary to go to bed, or neglect your work while taking the medidine, Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Throwing mud at the Chicago drainage canal is carrying coals to Newcastle with a vengence.

I strongly recommend Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup; it cured me of a throat and lung trouble of many years' standing." Mrs. J. Bremen, Rifle, Colo. Cures coughs, colds, asthma, bronchitis, lagrippe, pneumonia, whooping cough, and consumption.
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Mr. Roberts has at least given the country a fine imitation of a man with three wives trying to be funny.

From Mrs. Vaughn to Mrs. Pinkham.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 64,587]

"DEAR FRIEND—Two years ago I had child-bed fever and womb trouble in its worse form. For eight months after birth of babe I was not able to sit up. Doctors treated me, but with no help. I had bearing-down pains, burning in stomach, kidney and bladder trouble and my back was so stiff and sore, the right ovary was badly affected and everything I ate distressed me, and there was a bad discharge.

I was confined to my bed when I wrote to you for advice and followed your directions faithfully, taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, Liver Pills and using the Wash, and am now able to do the most of my housework. I believe I should have died if it had not been for your Compound. I hope this letter may be the result of benefitting some other suffering woman. I recommend your Compound to every one."—MRS. MARY VAUGHN, TRIMBLE, PULASKI CO., KY.

Many of these sick women whose letters we print were utterly discouraged and life was a burden to them when they wrote to Lynn, Mass., to Mrs. Pinkham, and without charge of any kind received advice that made them strong, useful women again.

Fear In High Places.

A famous steeple climber was asked if he ever felt fear in his business.

"Of course I feel fear at times," he answered. "Fear is common to all mankind. Not to feel fear is not courage. To overcome fear is the true quality of courage. I divide the nerve force of a man into two parts—the impelling force and the restraining force—the same impelling force that causes a body of recruits at first to run under fire and the restraining force that causes them to overcome for various reasons the first natural fear. So, in climbing, one unused to it is by the natural impelling force of his nervous system afraid, afraid that his legs, his arms, his support, will give way and plunge him down. Shakespeare, who touched on all human emotions, touched on this feeling of fear in high places when in 'King Lear' he pictured Edward at the cliffs of Dover.

"The one way to get over the natural fear is by some restraining force from either within or without. I remember once when a new boy at sea was ordered aloft by the mate he trembled with fear and begged to be let out of it. 'Upon my soul, sir, I can't go up there.' This was his first impelling impulse. But when the mate touched him up with a rope's end he was at the top of the mast so quick that the mate could not follow him. The pain on his outer nerves brought him to his senses and made him exert his restraining force. So if you happen to be with any one who shows signs of fear in a high place a few smart slaps on the face will bring him to himself. The right medicine for unconquerable fear in a high place is immediate pain on the outside nerves."—Boston Transcript.

An Iron Czar.

In the "Memoirs of a Revolutionist," by Prince Kropotkin, the author says that Alexander II himself, for all he was willing to emancipate the serfs, was a man capable of singular harshness and even brutality. When Kropotkin was promoted and was called with other officers to the side of the czar, the latter congratulated them quietly, speaking about military duty and loyalty. "But if any of you," he went on, distinctly shouting out every word, his face suddenly contorted with anger—"but if any of you—which God preserve you from—should under any circumstances prove disloyal to the czar, the throne and the fatherland, take heed of what I say, he will be treated with all the se-veri-ty of the laws, without the slightest com-mise-ra-tion."

"His voice failed," says the author. "His face was peevish, full of that rage which I saw in my childhood on the faces of landlords when they threatened to skin their serfs 'under the rods.' He violently spurred his horse and rode out of our circle. Next morning, the 14th of June, by his orders, three officers were shot at Modlin, in Poland, and one soldier, Szur by name, was killed under the rods."

Swept Away by Plagues.

Italy once had a plague that killed 10,000 persons daily. Five hundred a day died in Rome. In one year 200,000 citizens of Constantinople died. The epidemic of 1347-9 was the worst ever visited on man. In Asia 23,000,000 perished by it and in Europe 25,000,000. In London 200 persons were buried daily in the Charterhouse yards. It was called "black death." The plague in England in 1471 destroyed more people than the continual wars for the 15 preceding years.

"Sweating sickness," prevailing in England for three years, killed half the population of all the capital towns and depopulated Oxford. It was mortal in three hours. The great plague of London in 1664 carried off 100,000 people. A transport with soldiers on board, from Sardinia to Naples, brought a plague that destroyed 400,000. An epidemic started in Marseilles by a ship from the Levant killed over 60,000.

Clever Advertisers.

A clever advertising scheme was employed by a firm in a southern city. The junior partner of the firm swore out a warrant for the arrest of the senior partner on the ground that he was selling goods below cost and that the firm was constantly losing money thereby.

The case came up in court, and the counsel for the senior partner asked for a postponement in order to have more time to prepare his case. The judge granted the request, bail was fixed and the senior member released. As he left the courtroom the junior partner arose and exclaimed, "If he is released, the sacrifice will go on!"

The news soon spread, and the firm did a better business.

When the case was again called, no plaintiff appeared, and the charge was dismissed. The firm had succeeded in their object—advertisement.

He Fired.

During the siege of Pueblo by Santa Anna, Captain Kendrick of the artillery, later professor at West Point, was in command at Fort Lorento, overlooking the city, when Colonel Childs, the commander of the American forces stationed in that vicinity and who was an excitable man, rode at a mad gallop into the fort and cried: "Fire at once! The crisis is coming!" The battery opened fire, and amid the smoke and roar of the cannon an officer, seeing no enemy, asked Kendrick what he was firing at. He calmly replied, "At the crisis."

His Paper's Motto.

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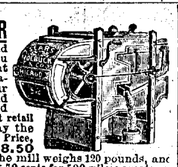

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The laborer is all right in his place, but the loafer is too lazy to look for a place.

When you have occasion to question a man's veracity, it is usually advisable to use a telephone.

If some people would tell what they know instead of what they believe they wouldn't have so much to say.

The new governor of Mississippi is opposed to lynching. Monotony is finally having its logical effect in that state.

The enterprising newspaper sensationalists who caught Aguinaldo the other afternoon have evidently turned him loose again.

It is said that an eel can live without water for eighteen days. Some people may doubt this, but the true Kentuckian fails to see anything remarkable in the statement.

The germ of honorable fame is a part of every boy. Cultivate it and it will surprise folks how quick it will grow. It is the only part of us that can neither be stunted by old age nor dimmed by our death.

The duke of Marlborough has gone to the front with four war horses, four extra steeds to carry luggage, two valets, two footmen and two coachmen, a dog cart and a carriage, plenty of wines and cigars and unlimited choice provisions. That outfit would look truly awe-inspiring pounding along a South African road in the early dawn with a crowd of whiskered burghers in full cry close behind.

A French writer who grossly insulted Queen Victoria in a scurrilous pamphlet has been sent to jail by a French judge. Small sympathy will be wasted upon the imprisoned scribe, and England as well as other countries will give France due credit for prompt and proper action in the matter. England has not many sympathizers in her present effort at robbery in the Transvaal, but the queen is above any kind of reproach. She has nothing to do with the crime.

Miss Sewell, the English lady who wrote that charming autobiography of a horse entitled "Black Beauty," sold the manuscript to a publisher for twenty pounds. Chiefly through the efforts of the American Humane Society, more than two millions of copies have been put in circulation. Mr. Angell, editor of Our Dumb Animals, who has procured the printing of two hundred and twenty thousand copies, is now directing its translation into various languages. If the horses could but know their benefactor!

Within the last few years a great change has come over the shipping of the great lakes. New steamers of large tonnage and vast carrying capacity have been gradually substituted for the fleet of small vessels that have engaged in lake commerce since 1818, when the first steamboat sailed from Buffalo to Detroit. But the coming years are to witness even greater changes. Saturday a new steamer, the John W. Gates, the largest ever constructed on the lakes, was launched at Lorain, Ohio. This vessel has been built for the American Steamship company, which already owns some of the largest vessels that ply between Buffalo, Chicago and Duluth. It is 500 feet long and is the first that has been completed of four of equal length and tonnage. These large vessels are expected greatly to economize time and expense in transporting the heavy lines of freight.

Mrs. Leland Stanford states that she has now disposed of every vestige of the enormous fortune bequeathed to her by the late Senator Stanford, and has recently signed deeds transfering all his real estate to the trustees of Leland Stanford university. This includes the largest cattle ranches, horse-breeding establishments and vineyards in the world, with various farms, country houses and large tracts of wild land. The deed covered sixty-six pages of typewritten manuscript, and required $7,000 in internal revenue stamps. Mrs. Stanford had previously transferred to the trustees of the university all her personal estate, embracing stocks and bonds valued at $15,000,000, and, so far as actual ownership of property is concerned, she is now as [illegible] as on the day on which she [illegible]n. She has a contract, how[illegible]th the trustees, under which to receive for life an annuity of [illegible]0, to be used as she pleases, and [illegible]r relatives were liberally pro[illegible]ed for in Mr. Stanford's will.

A Chicago messenger boy caught three footpads while engaged in the work of holding up a victim, followed them, pointed them out to the police and saw them safely in prison before he went on his way with his message. That boy will have no future use for the nickel novel or the marvelous adventures of the novel's youthful hero. He knows in his own heart that he has all the boy sleuths of fiction discounted and that the reality of such an act as his cannot be duplicated by any of the "thrilling" and "positively great" writers.

One of the Cape Nome pioneers—a truthful person from Kokomo, Ind.—says he scratched $3,000,000 out of the seashore, armed with nothing but his fingers and a penknife. This miner was fairly lucky, but the fortunes of the Vanderbilts would have been small indeed to his wealth had he but taken fifty enterprising American hens along to do the scratching.

One of Michigan's delinquent officials has dropped hiding out and has resorted to tears. His female friends will doubtless send him a few flowers.

A FRESH ATTACK

Belief Growing That Buller is to Try Again.

WAR OFFICE HAS NOTHING TO SAY

Not a Word Concerning Condition in Natal—Fearful of the Outcome—Military Men Regard Movement With Much Dismay.

Heilograms flashed from Ladysmith three days ago, says a London, February 3 dispatch, that the Boer investment lines then were thinning and that the besiegers were moving in force toward the Tugela, indicating that a collision was expected there. This intelligence bears out other signs that General Buller purposes a fresh attack.

The war office continues to reveal nothing of what has happened in Natal. Without exception the military critics regard with dismay the prospect of the renewal of the assaults unless General Buller has been heavily reinforced, and there is nothing to indicate that this is the case.

Lord Kitchener has been travelling from army to army in northern Cape Colony, and General French, by instructions, is now in Capetown consulting with Lord Roberts. Large engineering constructions are proceeding at Modder river, suggesting that Lord Methuen's fortified camp has been selected as the base from which to invade the Free State. Numerous sidings, platforms and warehouses are being built and a permanent railway bridge is well advanced.

There is no official news from General Buller's headquarters and the only information which has reached London in any way supporting the reports that he has recrossed the Tugela river is found in the Associated press dispatch announcing Lord Dundonald's reconnaissance, which is taken to indicate a prelude to renewed activity. As the dispatch is three days old and Lord Dundonald found no difficulty in crossing the river, it is not impossible General Buller may have moved in the interim and public anxiety is again concentrated on the Upper Tugela.

Dispatches from elsewhere in South Africa merely tell of desultory firing and the moving of patrols, though Capetown mentions a rumor that General French has captured 800 Boers, where and when not being announced.

Anti-Trust Law Effective.

The Texas anti-trust law, passed at the session of the legislature last May, is now effective. This is a most drastic measure in that it relieves all debtors in the state from paying for any goods bought of any outsider if the said outsider proves to be in any way connected with a trust. The business world is apprehensive of trouble along this line.

Threaten a Strike.

Chicago labor unions have announced officially that the building trades council, on or before February 5, will declare against the rules adopted by the contractors' associations and order a general strike if any attempt is made to enforce them. Already several of the unions have rescinded their votes on the joint arbitration agreement.

Struck a Rich Vein.

A ledge of gold ore nine feet thick on a 700-foot level about 900 feet from the main shaft has been encountered in the Holy Terror mine near Keystone, S. D., which is said to run $10,000 per ton. The Holy Terror mine has been giving a number of surprises lately by the opening up of new ore veins. The company officials do not deny the reported find.

Missouri Pacific Behind It.

W. C. McNamara of Sioux City, who owns the surveys and is promoter of the Eastern Nebraska & Gulf railroad, announces that the road will be built this year from Omaha to Sioux City, 100 miles. It is considered a movement of the Missouri Pacific to get into Sioux City.

Offers to Aid England.

Ricciotti Garibaldi, one of the sons of the famous Italian patriot, in consideration of the services rendered by England to the cause of Italian independence, has offered the British to command a corps of Italian volunteers in South Africa.

To Appoint Delegates.

Governor Poynter has been asked to appoint ten delegates to a pure food and drug congress to be held at Washington, D. C., March 7. Those who wish to attend as delegates and pay their own expenses may apply to the governor for credentials.

Injured by Explosion.

The purifying room at the gas works at Aberdeen, S. D., blew up and the explosion was felt for blocks around. The plant is badly wrecked, involving a heavy loss. Two employes were seriously injured. The property is owned by Grand Forks parties.

Bodies Have Been Shipped.

Adjutant General Barry received a telegram from Depot Quartermaster Long of San Francisco announcing that the bodies of the Nebraska soldiers that arrived recently at San Francisco have been shipped to their various destinations in Nebraska.

Killing Follows.

In an altercation over the payment of a small bill E. E. Templeton of Beeville, Tex., was shot and killed by John W. Wilson, a clerk in a shoe store. Wilson is in jail.

Wireless Telegraphy.

The American Wireless Telegraph company at Milwaukee has been incorporated, the capital being $1,000,000. Some of the largest telephone and telegraphic interests in the country are said to be interested in the new company.

Business Man Suicided.

Frederick Domeyer, a well known wholesale dealer in china and glassware, committed suicide in the office of his establishment on Leonard street, New York. Business depression is thought to have caused despondency.

GOEBEL STILL ALIVE.

Wounded Man Getting Along Very Well—Able to Take Nourishment.

A bulletin from Frankfort February 3, at 12:30 o'clock says Governor Goebel is as comfortable as he has been at any time during the day. He was able to take a little nourishment at midnight, some ice cream being given him. The indications are for a good night.

The Ohio supreme court has handed down a decision which sustains what is generally known as the Valentine-Stewart anti-trust law, which prohibits the combination of companies or firms for illegal purposes which are therein outlined. The decision is given in a demurer filed by the Standard Oil company on the ground that the law was unconstitutional. The litigation was that instituted by Attorney General Monpett against the Standard Oil, Buckeye Pipe Line and Solar Refining companies.

Train Robber Pleads Guilty.

George Riley, the train robber captured at Holden, and Jesse Sneed, at whose house the gang was corralled, were taken to Kansas City and arraigned before United States Commissioner Nuckols, charged with complicity in the robbery of the Pittsville, Mo., postoffice. Riley pleaded guilty. Sneed was held in $500 bond charged with receiving proceeds of the haul. Both will be taken to the Bates county jail for safe keeping pending trial.

Has Both Arms Broken.

Taylor Hail, an inmate of the county infirmary at Dunbar, Neb., met with a serious mishap. He and another inmate were hauling hay, when they drove over a pile of manure, the wagon was overturned, both men thrown forcibly to the ground and Mr. Hail had both of his arms broken just above the wrist. The fractures were reduced and the injured man made as comfortable as possible.

An Expensive Runaway.

As James and Joe Gifford were on their way to Ragan, Neb., their team became frightened and ran away, overturning the buggy in a wire fence, demolishing it. James Gifford's left hand and arm were badly cut in the wire, and Joe's face was very badly scratched. The horses were stopped by becoming entangled in the wire and escaped with a few scratches.

Becomes a National Park.

The recent act of the interior department, in instructing the receiver of the local land office at Rapid City, S. D., to take the first steps toward making a national reservation or park of the land upon which the famous Wind cave is situated, ten miles from Hot Springs, is approved by a number of the best citizens of Hot Springs and in Custer county.

Denies Killing of Americans.

United States Ambassador Clayton has informed the department of state that the Mexican government has received a telegram from General Torres to the effect that absolutely nothing has occurred that would give rise to the report that six Americans have been shot by his orders because they had been found in the vicinity of the hostile Yaqui encampment.

Cole Held Under Bond.

Charles H. Cole, formerly president of the Globe National bank of Boston, and who is charged with embezzling and misappropriating $900,000, the property of the bank, waived examination and was held in $50,000 bond for the grand jury of the district court, which sits in March.

Refuse to Enter Caucus.

At Sacramento, Cal., Thomas R. Bard of Ventura was nominated United States senator by a rump caucus composed of fifty-four republican members of the legislature. The followers of R. M. Burns, numbering thirty-one, refused to go into caucus as Bard's selection seemed certain.

Archbishop of Sweden Dead.

The archbishop of Sweden, the most Rev. Anton Sundberg, who was believed to have recovered from appendicitis, is dead. He was born in 1818.

Captain and Six Men Drowned.

The Italian bark Quirinale, from Carthagena, has been wrecked near Villeroi, France. Captain Calde and six men of the crew were drowned.

Fatal Ohio Feud.

Caleb Linder was shot and killed by Thaddeus Allen at Spring Valley, O., as the result of a feud. Allen is under arrest.

BRIEF NEWS

Armour & Co's armies of workmen and employes in all parts of the world were idle out of respect to the memory of Philip D. Armour, jr., whose funeral was held in Chicago.

At Chicago Terry McGovern knocked out Eddie Santry in the fifth round and his title as featherweight champion is undisputed.

The lower house of the Hungarian diet has approved a supplementary credit of 30,000,000 florins for the purchase of arms and ammunition.

Premier Bostrom of Sweden, is hopeful that the differences existing between Sweden and Norway will soon be dispelled. In an interview he said he was fully convinced that the worst was over.

Advices from Apia, Samoa say that all is quiet and the natives are more settled than at any time since the disturbance between the native factions.

Sister Stanislouis, a teacher, and Mary Foley, a pupil, were burned to death as a result of a fire which destroyed the parochial of St. Lawrence O'Toole's Catholic parish in St. Louis.

The wholesale district of Indianapolis, Ind., had a $350,000 fire.

The republican members of the ways and means committee of the house have decided that Porto Rico and the Philippines are not territory of the United States within the meaning of the section of the constitution which provides that customs and revenue laws shall be uniform throughout the United States.

The Glasgow steamers State of Nebraska and Ethiopia, nineteen and twenty days out, respectfully, have not yet been sighted.

HE WILL TRY AGAIN

Buller's Army Attempting to Relieve Ladysmith.

THE GARRISON HEARS HIS GUNS

Reported that He Has Recrossed the Tugela—Boer Forces are Active—Massing Near Ladysmith and Planting New Guns.

A London dispatch of February 5 says:

Although there is no actual confirmation of the report that General Buller has recrossed the Tugela on a third desperate attempt to relieve Ladysmith, it is known that the war office has received several South African dispatches which have not been published and if the advance is an actual fact, the secret is being well kept.

There are newspaper dispatches in plenty from Spearman's Camp up to Sunday, but there is no hint that an advance has been begun, and it is assumed in some quarters here that Lord Dundonald's reconnaisance in the district of Hungerspoort may be the only foundation for the statement that General Buller has started.

On the other hand dispatches from Ladysmith rather indicate that the advance is in operation by reporting heavy firing on Friday and Saturday, from the directions of Potgieters drift and Colenso.

A dsspatch to the Daily Chronicle from Ladysmith, dated yesterday, says:

"A report has reached us that a brigade has crossed the Tugela."

The reports that the Boers are reconcentrating around Ladysmith are also an indication that preparations are being made to resist General Buller, or for an attempt to re-attack upon the garrison in anticipation of his advance. The fact, however, that no firing has been reported under yesterday's date, either from Ladysmith or Spearman's Camp might be interpreted to mean either that the attempt had failed or that General Buller had merely made a demonstration on Friday or Saturday.

Various rumors are current. One says that General Buller is again attacking Spion kop from the side of General Lyttleton's camp. Another is that he received information from the owner of Spion Kop farm and crossed by fords further west than Trichard's drift. The military authorities in London think it more likely that the crossing would be made east of Zwarts kop. Speculation, however, is useless. The public can only wait in patience, and, it may be said also, in trepidation. Nor is the feeling of anxiety much relieved by the possibility that General Buller has been considerably reinforced since he disaster at Spion kop.

BOTH SIDES ARE SINNERS

Bribery Infectious in Ranks of Montana Men.

The defense in the case of Senator Clark of Montana before the senate committee on privileges and elections has begun the presentation of its side of the controversy. The first half of the first day was given to three witnesses for the memorialists, after which Thomas T. Lyons, county attorney for Jefferson county, was put on the stand by Mr. Faulkner in Mr. Clark's behalf.

His testimony was rather startling in several respects. He brought Representative Campbell, one of the attorneys for the prosecution, into the controversy as an active participant in the case, saying that Mr. Campbell had promised him $5,000 to testify in the case against Mr. Clark in this prosecution. He had previously been a worker for Mr. Clark and said that he acted in this matter at the instance of C. W. Clark, playing the part, as the witness put it, "of a Whiteside on the side." Accordingly, he said, he had visited Mr. Campbell. After hearing his proposition to testify that several members of the legislature had been to his knowledge bribed, Mr. Campbell had agreed to pay him the sum mentioned for the evidence, afterward agreeing to doubt it. Mr. Lyon also related that he had seen Mr. Campbell and also Attorney General Nolan since his arrival in Washington.

Horsethieves Near Ceresco.

Some time during a recent night a team, buggy and harness was stolen from J. H. Kennedy, a farmer living four miles west of Ceresco. There is no clue to the identity of the thief.

French Concessions in China.

A yellow book has been issued at Paris dealing with the successful negotiations for obtaining from the Chinese government an extension of the French concession at Shanghai. The documents show that the chief opposition came from Great Britain, which country regarded the extension as an encroachment on its sphere of influence in the Yang-Tse valley. Lord Salisbury, in view of the French agreement of 1896, finally waived opposition in exchange for certain privileges for British subjects.

Two Miners Killed.

A premature explosion of a blast at the Lincoln, Ill., coal mine wrecked two pits and buried several diggers. Thomas Evans was found dead under the debris and George Warnisher is probably fatally injured. Both are miners.

Children Burned to Death.

The house of George Winans, at Bountonville, Westchester county, N. Y., was destroyed by fire in the absence of the parents and four of Winan's children, whose ages ranged from two to eight years, were burned to death.

Many Tons of Hay Burned.

While Nathan Dodd, a farmer, was driving into Fairmont recently he saw fire climbing up the end of a hay stack belonging to Mr. Armeman. He got help and fought the fire and kept it from spreading to other hay stacks near by but a large oat straw stack and eight or ten tons of hay was destroyed. How the fire started is a mystery.

One word of good advice to touch the heart at a suitable season with a kindly reason, will do more good than a whole lecture.

WILLIAM GOEBEL IS DEAD.

Collapse Came at 6:45 P. M., Saturday, February 3.

The bullet fired by an unknown assassin last Tuesday morning ended the life of William Goebel at 6:45 Saturday evening, at Frankfort, Ky. The only persons present at the death bed were Mr. Goebel's sister, Mrs. Braunacker, and his brother, Arthur Goebel, who had been in constant attendance at Mr. Goebel's bedside, and Dr. McCormack.

Justus Goebel, another brother, who had been hurrying from Arizona as fast as steam would carry him in a vain hope of reaching his dying brother in time for some token of recognition, arrived forty minutes too late. Oxygen was frequently administered to the dying man in an effort to keep him alive until his brother's arrival, but in vain. The train on which Justus Goebel was traveling was delayed several hours from various causes.

SALOONS OF IOWA REOPEN

Rehearing and Stay Granted by the Des Moines Court.

In the case of West vs. Illinois, in which the supreme court of Iowa rendered a decision that closed most of the saloons in the interior towns of Iowa, a petition for rehearing was filed by the attorneys for the saloon men. The petition was accompanied by a motion for an order staying the force of the earlier decree until the rehearing can be argued. On consideration of this motion the court granted the stay and issued an order to that effect. This places the question in exactly the same condition as before the decision was made and the saloons were nearly all opened within a half hour of the court's action. Notice was wired to other places and saloons promptly reopened in the "drouth-stricken" towns. The petition for rehearing will probably be argued at the May term of the court. Meanwhile the saloon men will secure new petitions of consent, so that if the final decision is against them they can file their new petitions and resume business without interuption. It is believed by lawyers that the final decisions will be adverse to the saloons, but that the court grants the stay in order to enable the liquor dealers to have a reasonable time to comply with the law by filing new petitions.

SAYS HE TRIED TO BRIBE

Accusation Is Made Against Suspect Whittaker.

Constable Harrod, the officer who took Harland Whittaker, the alleged assassin, to Louisville, has given out what is regarded as evidence pointing to the accused man's guilt. Harrod says that Whittaker, while en route to Louisville, told that he had some $3,000 at home which he would give to be allowed to escape. The officer also says that Whittaker contradicts the statement of Captain Davis, in whose company he was found when arrested. Davis insists that Whittaker was sitting in a room adjoining Governor Taylor's office when the shot that felled Senator Goebel was fired. Constable Harrod says that Whittaker asserts that he was on the third floor of the building.

Harland Whittaker, who was arrested at Frankfort shortly after the shooting of William Goebel and who is suspected of being concerned in the crime, is still in the county jail at Louisville. He is in the front part of the building on the second floor and occupies a room with a number of government prisoners from the mountains.

Whittaker seems to be very glad to stay in jail just now while suspicion is turned in his direction.

He still maintains his innocence.

Wants $16,000.

William Martin, a former employe of the manufacturing department of the Grant Paving company, Omaha, has brought suit against that company for $16,000 damages for injuries received while attending to his duties. Martin was in the habit of starting the furnace fires with kerosene. One morning he made the mistake of pouring gasoline into the furnace instead of kerosene, the cans being similar, and was frightfully burned.

May Suffer Loss of Hand.

A well-borer named George Sheldon, while making a well north of Nelson, had the misfortune to have his hand badly crushed and mangled in his well machinery. The doctor in attendance has small hopes of saving the hand.

Die From the Heat.

One hundred and two sunstrokes were officially reported in this Buenos Ayres. Of these ninety-three were fatal. The temperature was 120 in the shade.

Interesting Question.

In the bigamy case in which Clarence E. Baxter, an employe of the Cudahy Packing company at South Omaha, is defendant, which is now being tried before Judge Gordon, an interesting question has arisen as to the race to which Mrs. Baxter No. 1 belongs. The plaintiff plainly has negro blood in her veins and unless she can prove that she is less than one-fourth negro the marriage is not binding under the laws of Nebraska, and in that case the charge of bigamy will be dismissed.

At Springfield, Ill., the jury, in the Sangamon circuit court brought in a verdict of not guilty in the case of Charles Ballington, charged with the murder of his wife, Margaret Ballington. Ballington, who was partly intoxicated, shot and instantly killed his wife on the night of July 3, at their home in that city.

The horse and boy who were marking off the ice on Wright's mill pond, south of York, broke through the ice, and after considerable difficulty both were rescued without any serious results.

Arrested on His Arrival.

Brigham H. Roberts arrived at Salt Lake City and was driven from the depot to the office of his attorney, J. H. Moyle. While in the office he was arrested for unlawful cohabitation with Dr. Maggie Shipp. He was released on his own recognizance to appear for a preliminary hearing.

Love.

Love is a grand, sweet song. The pity is, it wasn't composed by Wagner, in order that it might enjoy a vogue in our best circles.—Detroit Journal.

BODIES OF DEAD SOLDIERS

Remains of Nebraska Boys Being Sent to Their Relatives.

Adjutant General Barry has received a telegram from Depot Quartermaster Long at San Francisco giving the names of the dead Nebraska soldiers whose remains were brought from Manilla on the Peking. They are as follows:

Horace L. Falkner.
William R. Philpot.
Ralph W. Kels.
Earl W. Osterhout.
Frank M. Knouse.
Walter H. Hogue.
Fred Taylor.
Arthur C. Sims.
Frank S. Glover.
Albert Burd.
Ira A. Giffin.
George P. Hansen.
Lester E. Sissons.
Elmer B. Wampler,
Albert J. Erisman.
Charles O. Ballinger.
Frederick J. Pegler.
Theodore H. Larson.

All of the bodies except those of Osterhout, Ballinger, and Hansen have been shipped to their relatives. The first two of these were buried in the national cemetery at San Francisco, while the body of Hansen still remains unclaimed.

GET A HANDSOME PRESENT

Thurston Rifles and High School Cadets Given $500 Each.

An unexpected piece of good fortune has befallen the Thurston Rifles and high school cadets of Omaha in the shape of a present of about $500 to each organization. When the cost of the reception to the returning First Nebraska regiment was figured up it was found that there was a surplus in the fund raised for that purpose of nearly $1,000. This was due to the fact that only a small part of the regiment was entertained in Omaha, when preparations had been made to receive the whole regiment.

After conferring with a number of citizens as to the best disposition to make of the money, it was decided to dispose of it in the manner above stated. The portion given to the high school cadets will undoubtedly be used to purchase additional rifles for the battalion, which has long been needed, but which the cadets were unable to obtain from the board of education.

WAHOO TO HAVE SOLDIERS

Company of National Guard to Be Organized.

Adjutant General Barry has issued an order giving permission for the organization of a national guard company at Wahoo. He has authorized J. L. Sundeen of that place to organize the company. As the Second regiment is full it is taken for granted that the new company is to be assigned a place in the First regiment, there being a vacancy in that regiment by the failure of the Thurston Rifles to reenter the regiment.

MAN KILLED IN A RUNAWAY

Phelps County Farmer Thrown From a Wagon and Fails to Revive.

C. J. Malm, a farmer living three miles northwest of Bertrand, started for town to report the death of the six-months-old child of Ed Powers, a neighbor. He was driving one of Mr. Powers' teams, which ran away with him, throwing him out of the buggy onto the hard road, striking the back of his head. When picked up he was unconscious, and died later.

Will Use Old Building.

The electors of Douglas county will not be given an opportunity of casting their ballots for or against the erection of a new court house at the election to be held this spring. The county commissioners have decided to let the matter go over until next fall.

When the commissioners convened at Omaha there was a disposition to submit the $500,000 court house bond proposition. The proclamation had been drawn and was ready to be offered. A conference was held and after a short discussion, it was decided to drop the matter, owing to the fact that some opposition had developed.

Wants Damages.

August Nek has sued the Chicago House Wrecking company to recover $5,000 alleged damages. On January 27 Nek says that he was employed in demolishing the Liberal Arts building on the exposition grounds at Omaha, and that one of the walls fell upon him, a nail striking his right wrist, tearing out the cords and muscles. He says that his right hip was cut and bruised.

Barn and Horses Burned.

R. W. Woods' stable at Greeley Centre was burned together with three horses, all his harness and some other articles. Part of his hog house was also destroyed. A lantern in the hands of a boy exploded, causing the fire. The boy tried to save the horses, was burned and would have perished had not his mother brought him out. She herself was scorched, but not seriously injured. There was no insurance.

Harvesting the Ice Crop.

While the quietude of winter is felt in many ways a large force of workmen were picked up along the Elkhorn line last week who are now at work at Valentine harvesting the railroad's annual crop of ice. In the neighborhood of thirty cars are loaded daily.

The republican delegation from Nebraska held a meeting at Washington, and at the suggestion of Mr. Thurston, Mr. Mercer was selected as the congressional committeeman for Nebraska, a position he has held for some time.

New Depot Opened.

The Union Pacific has opened its new passenger station at Beatrice and passenger trains are now being run into it. It is a very handsome and convenient brick structure located one block south of the old structure which will now be used as a freight depot.

The weather of the past month has been remarkably fine, and some farmers were preparing to sow small grain and otherwise prepare for spring work. The last few days has changed the program. The mercury ran down far below the zero point.

Phrases of Affectionate Greeting.

There is a tender sweetness about one of our common phrases of affectionate greeting, simple and unobtrusive as they are, which falls like dew upon the heart. "Good night!" the little one lisps it as she toddles off to bed. Sisters and brothers exchange the wish; parents and children; friend and friend. Familiar use has robbed it of its significance to some of us; we repeat it automatically without much thought. But consider. We are as voyagers put off from time to time upon an unexplored sea. Our barques of life set sail and go onward into the darkness; and we, asleep on our pillows, take no such care as we do when awake and journeying by daylight. Of the perils of the night, whatever they may be, we take no heed. An unsleeping vigilance watches over us, but it is the vigilance of one stronger and wiser than we, who is the eternal good. Good and God spring from the same root and are the same in meaning, "Good-bye" is only "God be with you." "Good night" is really "God night," or "God guard the night." It would be a churlish household in which these gentle forms of speech were ignored or did not exist. Alike the happy and the sorrowful day by day say "Good night!"—American Hebrew.

The Prime Minister Won.

A former governor of the Australian colonies tells of a curious experience he once had with a long-headed prime minister. The latter brought in a certain measure, calculated to make the government popular with the working classes, although it affected a foreign power so much that representations were made to the imperial authorities on the subject. A dispatch was accordingly sent out to the governor to veto the bill. He sent for the premier. "I'm sorry, old man," said his excellency, "but I've just got orders from home, and I shall have to block that bill." The premier replied, "Look here, governor, I don't care a hang about the imperial guy'ment or about the queens, as far as the thing is concerned, and what's more, I don't care a hang about you. I've made up my mind to get that bill through, and I'll bring it through." The governor, who was politic, asked the "old man" to have a drink, and dropped the subject. The measure in question became a law in due course.

Speed of Ocean Liners.

In an article in Cassier's Magazine on steam speeds at sea, Mr. Oldham says twenty-five years ago the Atlantic had never been crossed by a screw steamer at a greater rate than fifteen miles an hour, that of the fastest liner, Scotia. Today steamers have reached the speed of twenty-five miles an hour, and, although the power required to propel a steamer varies with the cube of the speed, yet, before a third of the next century expires, another increase of at least 50 per cent in ocean speed may be safely predicted. The construction of a steamer of 65,000 tons will probably not trouble the constructors of the future nearly as much as did the building of the Great Eastern those of the past.

A Murderous Missile.

Shrapnel shell is a beautiful and ingenious missile. It consists of a hollow, elongated shell, with a bursting charge of powder at the base, and filled with from 200 to 600 half-inch bullets, according to the size of the gun. It is fitted with a time fuse, which is "set" to fire the bursting charge at a given number of seconds after the shell has left the gun. The bursting charge in turn blows the head off the shell, and sends forward the 200 to 600 bullets, which continue their course in a conical shower on the ground.

British Troops Fight in Plain Dress.

Nothing in the military line is more gorgeous than a British guardsman in his shining cuirass and burnished helmet. One likes to picture them going into battle thus splendid. They do not do that sort of thing at all, however. In South Africa they wear cork helmets and khaki uniforms, for all the world like other troops.

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My son had a most malignant Cancer, for which the doctors said an operation was the only hope. The operation was a severe one, as it was necessary to cut down to the jawbone and scrape it. Before a great while the Cancer returned, and began to grow rapidly. We gave him many remedies without relief, and finally, upon the advice of a friend, decided to try S. S. S. (Swift's Specific), and with the second bottle he began to improve. After twenty bottles had been taken, the Cancer disappeared entirely, and he was cured. The cure was a permanent one, for he is now seventeen years old, and has never had a sign of the dreadful disease to return.

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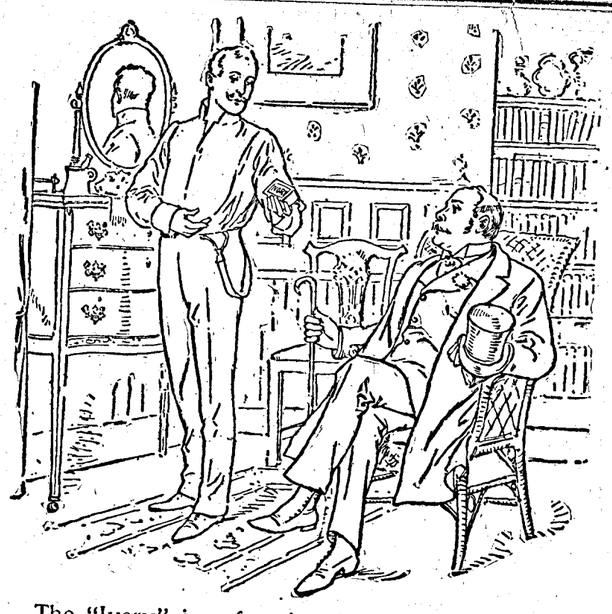

The "Ivory" is a favorite shaving soap because it makes a profuse rich lather, which softens the beard to be removed and leaves the skin unharmed.

It costs about one-fifth as much as the so-called shaving soaps and many who have used it for this purpose for years, will not have any other.

The vegetable oils of which Ivory Soap is made, fit it for many special uses for which other soaps are unsafe or unsatisfactory.

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Goebel died Saturday eveuing.

They have a new device in New York which seems to run counter to the old saying that you do not need a light to hunt a fire. It is a powerful searchlight to be used in the fighting of fires at night.

Adelbert S. Hay, the new American consul at Pretoria has gone to his post, being assured that those Missouri mules ridden by the English will never get to Pretoria so as to make a meal off of him.

THE QUIZ regrets the death of William Goebel. We believe he was not elected goyernor of Kentucky and he should not have instituted the proceedings that have brought Kentucky into this war, but we hoped that he would live as a rebuke to the murderer who shot him.

A man claims now that he knows all about the shooting of William Goebel and that he was killed by a relative of the man whom Goebel murdered some years ago. He claims to know that the shot was not fired from the executive building as reported. He may know all he says, but the chances are that he is a crank seeking notojety.

There was doubtless plenty of "hahaing" about the Bee building last Sunday when the World-Herald appeared with an alleged picture of Uncle Paul Kruger, which had been sent to that paper by a practical joker. The picture was that of an every-day man about the streets of Omaha; whose picture looks like that of Oom Paul.

The St. Paul Republican is apparantly stirring up some of those animals in Howard county who are responsible for the existence of a large public debt in that county. Brother Perkins should look out. The fellows who pilfer from the public and get the public into all sorts of debts and other troubles are great on starting an opposition sheet when a newspaper man comes out against them. There may be another alleged republican sheet in St. Paul. We have one in Ord for just such a reason. But it's harmless. Go on, Brother Perkins, the public will see you through.

Arthur Sewel, junior member and financial banker of the firm of Bryan & Sewell in the campaign of 1896, makes the following declaration concerning the outcome of the coming campaign and gives his unqualified endorsement of the Mckinley administration as to expansion: "I have always favored the acquisition of the Philipines after the Paris treaty. The United States should stand with the administration in all that is being done to hold the Philipines; they are worth retaining.

"In regard to politics, Mr. Mckinley will be renominated and re-elected. Mr. Bryan, too, will be renominated, but I fear that he cannot win the goal. The fact is the country has been too prosperous to warrant any hope of a change in the national administration and people are slow to take up reform measures when times are as prosperous as they are at present. No. I am not a candidrte for the vice-presidency again."

We were misled last week by the report that Ladysmith had fallen. But we still believe that had the English been less precipitate in goidg to her relief they woul have raised the siege sooner than they will now.

Peculiarities of Quail.

There are many odd and interesting things to be said of the quail, which is known throughout a large scope of the country as the partridge. One is that it has the power when badly frightened of withholding its scent. A covey, quickly flushed, will scatter and lie so close the best dog in the world will overrun them, making no sign of point until the bird flutters up right underfoot. Another is that it has the faculty of simulating death, if taken winged in hand, and of coming quickly to life the minute the grasp is relaxed in the neighborhood of good cover. Further, the birds have a sort of barometric sense.

A woodsman marking the direction in which quail feed can almost certainly foretell the day's weather. If they choose stubble or cornfields, it will be mild and moist; if they go to the open woods, he looks for wind and sun; if they scurry for thickets of brier and sedge, then he knows bitter cold is imminent. Unless forced to migrate by lack of food a covey always sleeps within 100 yards of the nest it was hatched in, and this although it may have fed all day several miles away. The sleeping is done in a huddled ring, tails in, heads out, all around and so closely bunched that a good sized napkin will cover it. Instinct possibly lies back of the ring making. Thus the sny creatures hope to escape surprise from creeping vermin, minks, weasles, foxes, which steal upon them in the night.

A Peculiar Dutch Custom.

The four Sundays of November are observed as fete days in Holland. They are known by the curious names Review, Decision, Purchase and Possession, and all refer to matrimonial affairs, November in Holland being the month par excellence devoted to courtship and marriage, probably because the agricultural occupations of the year are over and possibly because the lords of creation from quite remote antiquity have recognized the pleasantness of having wives to cook and cater for them during the long winter.

On Review Sunday everybody goes to church, and after service there is a church parade in every village, when the youths and maidens gaze upon each other, but forbear to speak.

On Decision Sunday each bachelor who is seeking a wife approaches the maiden of his choice with a ceremonious bow and from her manner of responding judges whether his advances are acceptable. Purchase Sunday the consent of the parents is sought if the suit has prospered during the week. Not till Possession Sunday, however, do the twain appear before the world as actual or prospective brides and grooms.—Philadelphia Ledger.

A Mystery of the Sea.

A mystery with which every sailor is familiar is the formation of dust at sea. Those who are familiar with sailing ships know that, no matter how carefully the decks may be washed down in the morning and how little work of any kind may be done during the day, nevertheless if the decks are swept at nightfall an enormous quantity of dust will be collected.

When a girl says that some other girl is pretty, the men present can always make a ten strike by disagreeing with her.—Atchison Globe

WISE AND OTHERWISIE.

W. J. Bryan's presidential boomlet will at least never go begging for the want of one enthusiastic supporter.

The superiority of the Boer officers along the line of generalship and a perfect knowledge of the general lay of the country in which they are fighting has done much thus far in bringing about their successive victories.

The iceman will doubltess rejoice at the seasonable act of the ground hog but in all probability he will grasp time by the forelock and fill his ice house without waiting for the six weeks of hard winter still on the calendar.

St. Louis continues to bemoan its fate and wail in pitiful accents over the Chicago canal. St. Louis should have spoken before. It is too late now and she should succumb to the inevitable in as graceful a manner as possible.

A local insurance agent spent several hours this week in an effort to induce the devil on this paper to take out a life insurance policy. It is needless to say that in his remarks he did not fail to assert that "the good die young."

Now the news comes to us of the death of Jay Burrows, of Lincoln. Every good populist will remember Burrows as the sire of the Farmer's Alliance party in Nebraska. A hard and constant worker for his party in the early days he was unceremoniously turned down in later years after fusion with the democrats and office-seekers had been affected, and in the years of party victory it was found there was nothing left for the party founder.

The Doctors Disagreed.

Some Vienna savans were lately confronted with a language difficulty. According to the Independance Belge, a young girl, unknown, was found unconscious in a street at Presburg and was conveyed to the hospital at Vienna, where she recovered consciousness and began to speak in a language which no one present could understand. The doctors came to the conclusion that the young woman was a native of an eastern country.

Consequently some professors from the oriental school were called in, and they were all agreed that the girl did not speak a correct language, but a dialect. The professor of Persian held that she spoke a Persian dialect and that he understood it. Another professor was of opinion that it was an Abyssinian dialect. A third was convinced that it was a Turkish patois.

Since the savans were not agreed the police deemed it necessary to make inquiries, with the result that the stranger was proved to be a Hungarian who had escaped from a prison and who did not understand a word of Persian, Abyssinian or Turkish.—London Globe.

Time to Go.

The traveling men were talking about hard luck, and one of them asked: "Did you hear about Murray? He went over to Jacksonville on his first trip with his little speech all ready, but with fear and trembling as to the result of its delivery. His first visit was to a newspaper office, and he rattled off in good style his lines.

"'What can you sell me that paper for?' asked the newspaper man, producing from a pile a sheet of paper.

"'Now,' thought Murray, 'is the time for me to make a name for myself as a man of discretion.' And he quoted the price at 3½ cents.

"'Three and a half cents!' repeated the newspeper man. 'Well, here is the bill from your house at 5 cents. Will you kindly see that it is corrected?'

"Murray fled in disgust."—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Is Baby Too Thin?

If so, there must be some trouble with its food. Well babies are plump; only the sick are thin. Are you sure the food is all right? Children can't help but grow; they must grow if their food nourishes them. Perhaps a mistake was made in the past and as a result the digestion is weakened. If that is so, don't give the baby a lot of medicine; just use your every-day common sense and help nature a little, and the way to do it is to add half a teaspoonful of

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to the baby's food three or four times a day. The gain will begin the very first day you give it. It seems to correct the digestion and gets the baby started right again. If the baby is nursing but does not thrive, then the mother should take the emulsion. It will have a good effect both upon the mother and child. Twenty-five years proves this fact.

50c. and $1.00, all druggists.
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ROSES AND RUE.

I sit in the shadow alone, sweetheart,
Your roses are scenting the air,
And I dream of our love troth long ago
Down in the garden there.
Marigolds, hollyhocks, prince's feather,
Bowed low in the dim, soft light,
As under the willow tree by the gate
I kissed you and said, "Good night."

Ah, sweetheart mine, with the pale, mute lips,
We have had our measure of rue;
The clouds were dark and the skies were fair,
But you forever were true.
And now as I sit in the dark alone
I would give the world to know
The way through the years to that faroff field
Where simples for heartache grow.

Love fades, they say, when the pulse is old,
And I am threescore and ten,
But what I have learned with its bitter loss
Lies far beyond their ken;
For tomorrow they hide you away, sweetheart,
In the graveyard out of my sight,
So I heap the roses—God's roses—round you
And kiss you and say, "Good night."

—Christian Advocate.

The Three O'Clock Man

A Ghost That Was Banished by Resolution.

Carl Westerly left the office at a quarter to 3 o'clock. There seemed not to be the remotest danger of an extra that night, and the telegraph man had long since sent in his "30." For some reason or other Westerly was more than ordinarily tired. Perhaps it was his spirit that was weary. He was tired of the endless and relentless grind of newspaper work, tired of the newspaper point of view, tired of the whole round of life. He wondered if men who had a home knew how blessed they were and thought, with distaste, of his dismal room, where his thoughts alone kept him company. It was an uninviting room, as any one who saw it must have confessed, for Westerly did not have the trick of domesticating himself as some bachelors do.

He was a bachelor indeed. He had always lived in a womanless sort of way. Sometimes it came across him that he was missing the best part of his life in knowing nothing of them, but he was shy and reverent, and it appeared to be his lot to dwell alone and envy other men. So, what with loneliness and overwork and ennui, he was not at his best on this particular night. No car was in sight, and he concluded that he had just missed the hourly horse car which took belated workers homeward after the cable had ceased its buzzing for the day; so he started out to walk. He loitered for a time, half hoping some vehicle might come in sight, but the streets seemed deserted. So, after pausing a moment to admire the sinister picturesqueness of the Chicago river, with the lights gleaming upon its murky waters from masthead and high window, he started to cross the bridge.

A distant clock struck 3, and Westerly, aroused by it from his reverie, looked up to see a man just before him—a man who seemed to have come up out of the solid planks of the bridge. He wore a hat well back on his head and showed a long, horselike face, with a hooked nose and one blind eye. About him was a cape such as men wear over their evening clothes. All his garments were of a fine cut and quality, but worn with a noticeable negligence.

It was exceedingly curious, but as Westerly approached this man he felt a fear of him—not such a fear as one may be excused for feeling at meeting a stranger in an unlikely place at a late hour, but a fear of the nerves. It seemed to him that if, by any chance, that man were to touch him he would faint. He moved as far away from him as the limits of the footpath would permit, and passed him hastily, a coldness stealing along his veins as he did so. The man merely smiled in a sardonic fashion, lifting the eyebrow of the blind eye and dropping one corner of his mouth. It was an indescribable smirk and filled Westerly with aversion.

To the newspaper man's unspeakable annoyance the man followed him along the streets to his home, and after he was in his room he peered out of the window and saw him standing on the sidewalk looking up. Actually it seemed to him that he must shriek aloud for protection from this silent man. But he controlled himself and went to bed and slept—after a time.

The next night he confessed to some apprehension as he approached the bridge, and he looked out anxiously for his dread companion of the night before. He was not to be seen anywhere. But at about the center of the bridge there he was, looking at Westerly with that one haunting eye. Again he grinned. Again he followed Westererly to his house and again he stood without and stared up at the window.

This went on for nearly three months. If by any chance the young editor went home later or earlier than 3, he had the privilege of going his way alone, but if the hour was 3 the man was there, watchful and sardonic and silent as the tomb. At times Westerly thought of addressing him, but whenever he strove to do so his tongue clove to the roof of his mouth. He evaded him at times by changing the hour of his homegoing or by riding on the street car, but somehow he was insistently drawn back to the bridge and the Three o'Clock Man, as he denominated him. He sometimes wondered if he would see the man upon the bridge if he were to pass in a car, but as no car went at that hour he was not to know.

It chanced that better times came to Westerly and that they came quite suddenly. He was given a more satisfactory position, which would involve a pleasing change of hours, and he also discovered that Elsa Sessions, the girl who did the book reviews and who had eyes several degrees bluer than the Italian heavens, was not averse to his society. But there is no need to go into that. The point is, he found out these two gratifying matters in one day and, walking home in a state of considerable exultation, noticed the Three o'Clock Man with less impatience than usual.

"Our acquaintance is ended, my uncanny friend," he thought. "Tomorrow you may keep tryst, but I will not. I will walk abroad at Christian hours and leave you to your unholy habits." Thinking these things, he passed the creature, and it seemed to him that the smirk on his face was even more than usually offensive.

So sure was he that the unwelcome acquaintance with this man was over that he did not even look from his window that night to see if he were watching, but, putting out his light, threw himself in his bed with more of happiness in his mood than he had known for years. He fell into a light slumber, from which he was aroused by the impression that some one was looking at him. He opened his eyes and stared into the gloom, a gloom not a little mitigated by a street lamp across the street, which, owing to the lifted shade, shone clearly into the room.

The feeling that some one was looking at him grew to a certainty even before Westerly's sleep weighted eyes beheld the tall and careless figure of the Three o'Clock Man standing by his bed. If the man had been repugnant to him before, he seemed hideous now. He seemed to convey some horrible threat by his presence. What was it? Madness?

Westerly gave it no words, but he felt the moment had come for liberation. He determined to make a supreme effort to free himself. Failing, he was convinced that he would be forevermore in the presence of this fearful guest. So, with an effort that took the blood from his heart and brought the drops out upon his skin, Westerly raised himself, staring unflinchingly at the Three o'Clock Man, rose from his bed and slowly advanced. The advance is slow in the face of a cruel enemy, but it is sometimes certain. It was certain with Westerly. Inch by inch they went on, facing each other, the man backing, Westerly advancing, every muscle set, every nerve strained, brain and soul and mind fixed on victory. Across the room they went, hating each other more every passing second and showing their hate on their distorted faces, wrestling as men may not wrestle with their muscles till the creature went out of the side of the room—faded from Westerly's sight. He was gone. By some great, comfortable knowledge Westerly knew him gone forever. Hardly conscious, he sank upon his bed, panting like one who has been in a frantic race or fight.

"I must tell Elsa Sessions," he remembered thinking as he sank off into a blurred condition, half fainting, half sleeping. "But, after all," he reflected the next morning, "she will never believe me. Perhaps I would better keep the strange matter of the Three o'Clock Man quite to himself."

Which he did. So it must have been the Three o'Clock Man who told.—Chicago Tribune.

Mabel's Little Sister.

When you have wanted a little sister very, very badly and when the little sister finally arrives, you are apt to love her far better than anybody else could possibly love her, even your father and mother. Mabel was 7 years old before the long wished for little sister arrived. The first rapture of really having her was dampened somewhat by the incessant crying of the baby.

For herself Mabel didn't mind. Anything the baby did was perfect, but, oh, would the others, who couldn't, of course, worship "little sister" the way Mabel did, get tired of it? One day when the baby had almost screeched her little head off, and all in that inconsequent way of babies, Mabel went to her mother in the first lull and begged absolution.

"You don't mind her crying so very much, do you, mamma?" she said earnestly. "She's so little, you know, and she can't help it yet, really and truly she can't. Please, please put up with it for my sake. And, oh, mamma, no matter how hard she cries you won't—now promise me you won't, mamma—send her away!"—New York Sun.

A Long Way Round.

What is the most roundabout journey that the absence of proper steamship communication entails on the inhabitants of any country? Surely it must be that described by our consul at Loanda, Portuguese West Africa. If one of the 6,000 whites of Angola or 1,700 Europeans in the Kongo Independent State, who so frequently need change of climate, wishes to spend a week or two in Cape Town—which should lie, even by slow steamer, only six days distant—he has to travel 3,000 miles from Loanda to Madeira, catch there a Cape steamer and journey for another fortnight the 4,800 miles to Cape Town. It thus needs fully a month's continuous traveling and 7,000 miles of it to reach a point only 1,600 miles from the starting point.—London Chronicle.

She Didn't Appear.

One day not many years ago there appeared on the bill of a certain place of amusement the fact that Mr. and Mrs. Salvini would present an interesting feature on the programme. Mrs Salvini's part in the entertainment was the task of working the stereopticon from the gallery, while her husband performed on the stage. Mrs Salvini's work was well done and was just as important as that of her husband. A reporter, who was to write an account of the programme, however, turned in something like this:

"Mr. and Mrs. Salvini were on the programme. Mr. Salvini was present and did excellent work, but for some unaccountable reason, which was not explained, Mrs. Salvini did not make her appearance."—Detroit Free Press

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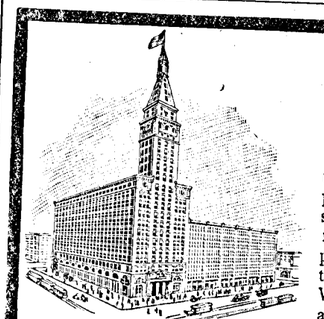

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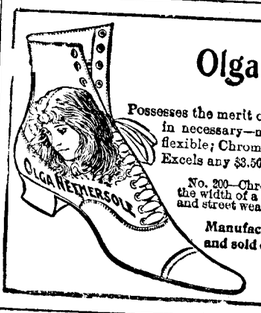

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CHAPTER XII.

When his task was finished Rob was very nervous. He did not know how these letters were going to reach the post. There was no station near. Elvin came riding in—he had been to Buenos Ayres—about supper time, and came in where Rob was, still wearing his high boots and carrying his whip. Rob shuddered as he thought of what that whip would do if Elvin discovered the letter to his uncle.

"Finished?" asked the Englishman, looking at the neat rows of letters Rob had arranged.

"Yes, sir."

Elvin took up some of the last ones, and looked them over. He nodded, and, went to his own room. He had not touched the letters among which was hidden the one to David Horton.

"Now, if it only gets into the post safely!" said Rob to himself. "But how is it going to be done?"

No more was said about the letters that night, and Rob did not dare put his plan to escape into execution. He was so eager to have that letter off safely that he resolved to remain another day and watch events. And he knew that if he escaped before the letters were mailed Elvin would suspect something and examine them all. So he slept that night again in the little room off the office.

The next morning at breakfast Elvin called a man who was working in the stables. He was a short, ugly fellow, almost black.

"Govino," said Elvin, "you see those letters in there on the desk?"

"Me see plenty," he said. "Many letters."

"Saddle a horse and ride to Dolores. Go to the postoffice and see Negora. Negora is with us, and will send the letters without allowing the fact to become known. Do you understand?"

Govino went out and saddled a horse, and then came in and got the letters. Rob breathed freely when he saw the man ride off, for even if he did read the names on the envelopes, it was not likely that he would know that Horton was not to receive one. And perhaps he could not read anything.

Elvin remained all that day around the place, and Rob found no opportunity to get away. He feared every moment that Lemuel Starne would return and recognize him. And now, when there was such hope of rescue, he did not want Starne to know who he was—and to be killed when everything was going along so well. He was glad when night came and he retired to his room. It was a warm night, and while his door was open and the lights still burning, and while Richard Elvin sat just outside smoking, he opened his window, Elvin heard it, but suspected nothing.

Then Rob put out his light, shut his door and pretended to go to bed.

That night about twelve o'clock the furious hoof-beats of a rapidly ridden horse sounded near the house. Some one leaped from him and thundered at the door. A moment later Lemuel Starne, with white face and panting bosom, stood before the astonished Richard Elvin.

"Where is he? Where is he?" he gasped, seizing Elvin's arm.

"Where is who? What's the matter with you? What's happened?"

"Where's this fine penman of yours? Where's that lovely nephew of Torrevo who was educated in New York?"

"In bed. What the mischief has got into you? Are you mad?"

"No, but you are. Do you know what you've done?"

"I generally know pretty well. To what special act do you refer?"

"I refer to your excellent private secretary," gasped Starne, almost choking with rage. "That cub! That—that—where is he?"

"In bed, I tell you!" roared Elvin. "What about him?"

"He is no more the nephew of Torrevo than I am. He is the nephew of David Horton. He is the very cub I threw overboard from the Royal Mail. He was a good private secretary. He read your fool cipher and sent the whole story—about me—and all—to Horton. He wrote a letter of his own, and sent it along with yours."

Richard Elvin quivered with emotion.

"Has Horton seen it?" he managed to gasp.

"No. I caught it just in time. I'll tell you about it later. But where is he now? I will make sure of him now. I'll kill him within the next two minutes."

With trembling finger Richard Elvin pointed toward the door of Rob's room.

"In there!" he whispered.

With an oath Starne drew a knife from under his riding coat and leaped toward the door of Rob's room. He flung it open. He stood there with the knife in his hand, stupefied with amazement. The window was open. The room was empty.

The boy he was to kill in the next two minutes was not there to kill.

CHAPTER XIII.

For once in his life, Richard Elvin was staggered.

"He's gone!" yelled Lemuel Starne. The elder man made no answer.

"He's gone!" shouted Starne again. "Don't you see what a fool you've been?".

Richard Elvin was at all times quick to resent a taunt.

"Fool!" he echoed. "Why have I been a fool? The boy may be outside."

"Yes—a good way outside," replied Starne, in disgust.

"Well, what do you mean, anyhow? You come here like a bellowing bull, rush around to stab people, and howl at me for being a fool. What have you learned?"

With a sneer of bitterness too deep for words Starne drew a folded letter from his pocket.

"Read that," he said.

It was Rob's letter to his uncle. With trembling fingers Elvin held it, and read it through. He returned it to Starne without a word.

"Why don't you speak?" demanded the son. "How do you feel, now that your foolishness has upset the whole scheme?"

"But has it?" asked Elvin. "I certainly thought the fellow was all right. How did you get this letter?"

"Why, since it became known—or supposed, as this indicates—that Rob Cleverdale was lost overboard and drowned, old Horton has been so broken in spirits that he can scarcely attend to business. He had to have someone near him whom he could trust—and that someone was myself. More and more have I worked into his confidence. Of late he has not been feeling well, and I have attended to all his correspondence. In the last mail yesterday this letter came. I opened it with many others. You can imagine my feelings when I read it.

"WHERE IS HE?" HE GASPED, SEIZING ELVIN'S ARM.

Of course I said nothing to Horton about it, but came directly here to find that cub and finish him. But now, with the same stupidity that has marked your course in the matter from the first, you have let him escape."

"Perhaps no harm has been done. You got the letter and no one else has seen it."

"But if he sent one to Horton, why not to the president or anyone else?" asked Starne.

"I don't think so. He wrote that to his uncle to bring him to the rescue. No, I think we are still safe. I was blind, that I admit. But Torrevo swore he was his nephew. Torrevo, then, must be a traitor."

"Where did Torrevo find him? I am sure there was no craft near when I threw him overboard. Still, I might have been mistaken. The 'Black Cat' sails swiftly, and it was a dark night. She would have no lights showing."

"I don't understand it," said Elvin. "Torrevo brought him here—to the Bay—and he wore a picturesque Spanish garb. He seemed to look upon Torrevo as his uncle. Torrevo certainly treated him like a nephew, for he beat him unmercifully with a rope's end. He said the boy insisted upon being one of the crew of the 'Black Cat.'"

"But it is certain that Torrevo lied, for no one but Horton's nephew could have written that letter."

"True. Stay! The first time the boy came to Black Cat Bay, Torrevo beat him. This time he did not. It may not be the same boy."

"It was the same boy. Torrevo is no doubt playing a deep game. I think I can see through the whole thing. The 'Black Cat' happened to be near when I threw the boy overboard, and picked him up. He told Torrevo who he was, and Torrevo agreed to help him. Of course, knowing our power, Torrevo would not dare do anything while that power existed. It was agreed between them to have the cub remain with Torrevo till an opportunity arose to warn Horton what was going on. This would place Torrevo in the light of being true to Horton and the government, and if we failed, he would not be punished. He would be rewarded for his aid. This is clear enough to me. It was a put up job."

"But how could it be? Torrevo did not suggest the boy to do the writing, I did. I saw the tally of the last cargo. The boy did it at Rio, I suppose while Torrevo was drunk."

(To be Continued.)

FOR HOME AND WOMEN

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

Odd and Effective—Dainty Frock for Girl of 12—How to Dress Tastefully—Here Are Certain Rules That Must Be Followed Out to the Letter.

I Cannot Tell How Much.

I cannot tell how much
In these light, latter days,
Is hung upon her touch,
Or little laughing ways.
For she is spring and song
And light and inner-glow,
And everything I know
Seems mine but for her sake.
But this I know. If wrong
And pain would come, nor spare
The roses in her cheek,
The gold that's in her hair—
If all the light were gone
From out her loving look,
Still would my love sing on
Like water in a brook.

I cannot tell how much,
In this late afternoon,
Is love's own love-light, such
As trembles through love's June.
For now for many a day
She has been all to me,
My sunshine and my sea,
My forest and my flower.
But this I know. I pray
For her where'er I rest,
And in every waking hour,
With the heart-beat in my breast,
And if all the light were gone
From all life's laughing look,
Still would my love sing on
Like water in a brook.
—Post Wheeler in New York Press.

How to Dress Tastefully.

A well-dressed woman stands sponsor for a rule which every woman could adopt with distinct profit to her personal appearance. I cannot quote it, but I can give its idea in words which will be plain enough to follow. A woman can never err in taste if she matches her hair in street attire, her eyes in house wear and her complexion in evening clothes. That is not to be taken quite literally—the hair may be light brown, which will harmonize with various shades of that color. The eyes may be pale blue, but they do not necessitate pale blue dresses, although that shade would undoubtedly prove the most becoming. A pink complexion would not always call for that tint, but for harmonizing shades, although the strict letter of the rule would be safer for those who are confessedly lacking in color judgment. At all events it would save us from many of the sights which daily meet our eyes. When I read a fashion note telling of the popularity of green and blue combined I feel a premonitory shudder at what I am doomed to witness later on. None but an artist can successfully combine violent colors, for certain shades only are capable of a pleasing combination, yet women who persist in following every fashion, however wild and absurd, will evolve startling and hideous costumes which would never have been dreamed of had the fashion not been suppressed. An announcement of the rage of black and white is a different matter, for I have yet to see where these two refuse to blend. Black is a serviceable color, for it serves as a background to all others and will often settle a vexed question of economy. Soft shades are becoming to all, vivid colors are for the few. I heard a young woman object to a scarlet throat ribbon worn by her friend because it took away what little warmth there was in her rather pale face and suggest something more delicate. She was right, too, for scarlet is exceedingly trying when laid against the majority of faces. If it was relieved a bit at the throat with white you would see a vast change for the better. There is much art in dressing the neck. The long throat needs high collars, broad ribbons and many folds, while the short one can stand but a mere line of any of these things. A short collar on a long neck takes away every particle of style from the owner's appearance, and a high one will give a touch which transforms her. This adapting of the fashions to one's own points is a fascinating study if you chose to make it so, and one that makes a woman distinctive. Because a high coiffure is considered the acme of fashion should not be a reason for the woman who is handsome in a low one to change. Such a change might transform her into a very ordinary-looking woman. There never was and never will be a style that cannot be modified to everybody's needs—the manner of doing it is the sticking point. Have you never been puzzled to find just what made one woman stylish and attractive, while her neighbor, prettier, perhaps, was noticeable for nothing but neatness? It might have been nothing more than the manner in which she pulled down her belt in front or pinned her veil or arranged her necktie. It was undoubtedly some little touch which just suited her personality—she had discovered it and her neighbor had not. Why not? Probably because she never tried; she was content to accept fashions as they came without considering individuality.

Dainty Frock For Girl of 12.

Made of slate gray cashmere, trimmed with bands of white cloth, edged with purple velvet. The guimpe is of white silk, decorated with purple applique bowknots.

Furnish the Kitchen.

It is a mistake to lavish money on drawing rooms and sacrifice the kitchen. Kitchen utensils are of the first importance. The cook cannot do her work well without proper tools and proper environment. A kitchen outfit costs little. New oilcloth for the floor, table and sink is cheap and adds immeasurably to the contentment of the maid. An attractive kitchen bespeaks the good housekeeper. It is easier to convince the servants of the desirability of keeping it clean. Neat tin and wooden boxes with labels are a delightful acquisition to the kitchen closets and much more pleasant to handle than leaky paper bags. Colored paper with pinked edges for the shelves will work wonders for the general effect and a growing plant or two gives an air of luxury which surprises those who have never tried it.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

These Unkind Friends.

"I wonder what made Mabel scream so when she found she was under the mistletoe?"

"Possibly her whereabouts was in danger of going unnoticed."—Stray Stories.

Two parts of sweet oil and one of water will relieve sunburn.

ODD AND EFFECTIVE.

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IN THE ODD CORNER.

QUEER AND CURIOUS THINGS AND EVENTS.

Wild Duck As a Mother—Queer Places Selected for Nests, Which Are Watched Jealously—A Marvelous Little Watch—About Fingal's Cave.

Meliglossa.

Under the tapestries' woven story
Of hawk and wooing and green-wood foray
She lies in blue of sky and sea,
Rosily tinted, amatory.
White her hands and her white arm whiter,
Bright her cheek and her clear eye brighter.
O, and seemeth it, verily,
Love must meet her if life requite her.
Blue is the tint of her sleeve-fold, flowing;
Blue are her eye-tints, coming, going.
What would her delicate soul-tint be
If every heart-beat, too, were showing?
Hers the grace of the grand endeavor,
Whether she look to me now or never—
I only know she was fair to me,
And fair to me once is fair forever!
—Post Wheeler in New York Press.

Wild Duck As a Mother.

The wild duck is apt to be rather quaint as a mother. She often seems to have the most peculiar idea about sites appropriate for the nursery. It is practically an essential for the well-being of her babies that the nursery should be close to the water's side, for the little ones like to take to the water as soon as hatched. They have small use for the land except to rest on, and they are rather restless. The water is their element, and yet the old mother duck will sometimes choose for her nesting place a spot remote by more than 100 yards from any water, sometimes she will even choose the humble, but yet considerable, height of a pollard willow, and how she conveys her young brood from these situations to the water is one of those problems of natural history which, like the cuckoo's way of conveying her egg into a wren's nest, will probably go on vexing till the end of time. There are theories in plenty, but no certainty. And often she will make her nest or lay her eggs (for her notions of nest architecture are primitive) in a spot that seems specially selected for its absence of covert. And yet no one can say that she is not an affectionate, even an over-anxious, mother. When you come near her nest and startle her off it, she does not go away, as a wise woman would, stealthily, secretly, so as not to reveal to you its existence, but with a flutter and a commotion and often with an affectation of a broken wing (as if to lead you off in pursuit of her, rather than leave you looking for her eggs), that tells you as plainly as if she had quacked it out: "I have a nest there; please do not go looking for it; but come and catch me; I have a broken wing." She has a charming idea of human simplicity. She has only too many reasons for her over-anxiety. It is quite pitiful. She is a pitiful object herself, as she goes about in her lame and incompetent fashion. But the real dangers that menace her young family are many and terrible. On shore, as soon as hatched, or even while still in the shell, they are the most attractive prey of rats, both gray rats and water moles, and no sooner do they take to the water than a hungry pike is looking out to gobble them up, or a heron, ostensibly bent on fishing, is not at all above skewering one of them on his bayonet beak, if it should come his way. So all these adequate causes for most poignant anxiety more than excuse Mother Duck for her fussiness, even if there be no excuse for her habit of pitching her nursery tent in sites that really are not very eligible. But this mother has chosen a fairly secluded spot. For the most part she will be found sitting closely, if she be approached with caution, or else will move just a foot or so from her nest, and remain watching jealously, lest her eggs take any harm. And close beside her in the same covert is Mother Pheasant on her nest, less suspicious and more trustful, for she is something of a domesticated person, having been brought up under a barn-door hen, and so learned the ways of civilization. If the wild duck mother could learn only a portion of her trustfulness, she would be a more contented woman.—Country Life.

A Marvelous Little Watch.

There is a Berlin man who is the proud possessor of a timepiece which is considered to be the most marvelous piece of mechanism that human skill ever put together. Ingenuity and human skill have been brought into operation, with the result that a watch has been constructed which measures less than one-quarter of an inch in diameter, or with a face of about the size of the head of a large sized tack or nail. The case is made of the very finest of gold, and the whole watch weighs less than two grains troy. In troy weight it takes 480 grains to make an ounce, and twelve ounces constitute a pound, or 5,760 grains are contained in a pound. This wonderful piece of mechanism weighs only 1-2880th part of a pound. So great a curiosity was this midget considered that its owner paid $1,946.60 for it, and would not sell it for twice that amount. The numerals on the face are in Arabic, and if the hands were put end to end they would not measure five-twenty-fourths of an inch in length, the large one being less than one-eighth and the small one less than one-twelfth of an inch long. It has, besides, just as an ordinary watch or clock, a second indicator, which is about as large in diameter as the small hand is long, and the hand of this second indicator is less than one-sixteenth of an inch in length. The numerals here are also in Arabic, but are engraved in red, to be more easily discernible. The works and hands are made of the finest tempered steel and are set throughout in diamond chips. It is constructed on the most improved plan, being wound by the stem and set by pulling the stem out a short distance.

Women in Egypt.

Woman's position in the Egyptian capital is materially benefited by the movement looking toward the education of native girls. Twenty years ago native ladies regarded education as the learning of sufficient French or Italian to read novels or follow the plot of the opera. The last few years have developed a desire among the upper-class women to have their daughters educated with as much care as boys are, and an important adjunct to the household, consequently, is the European governess, most often English. A sister of the Khedive, the Princess Khadija, is an active agent in improving the educational status of poor girls. Most women visitors to Cairo are curious to see the interior of the harem. But this, as Europeans understand it, no longer exists in Egypt. Every native house, however, has its harem division, set apart for the women—as the salamlik is for the men—nothing more. In this department reside the wife or wives and children of the master, with the addition, perhaps, of his mother. In this case her rule is probably absolute. It is she who chooses instructresses for the children, orders the affairs of the household, and even prescribes the fabrics, fashions and ornaments of the women, who are simply the wives of his excellency the pasha. It is the mother-in-law rule, literally. The windows of the harem usually overlook a courtyard or rear street, and are screened with mushrabeah lattices, penetrable only by the gaze of a person within. To minister to the wants of the women's division, a small army of servants—shiny black "slaves" from Nubir and Berber, and possibly a fair Circassian or two, imported from Constantinople—is essential. "Slavery" of this sort is scarcely bondage. It is the law of Egypt that manumission can be had for the asking, with little circumlocution or delay. These servitors are kindly treated, value their home and shrink from any movement toward legal freedom. Except to the masters and sons of the house, the harem is closed to all men, but women friends come and go freely. The tall, high-cheek-boned black men guarding the entrance to the harem, in these progressive days in Egypt possess no suggestion of the hour scene of the stage, are trained from childhood to keep unauthorized persons from intruding, and have a highly-developed aversion to sight-seers.—The Century.

Ostriches Our Strangest Crop.

In Jacksonville, Fla., has just been established the only ostrich farm in the United States, which is the wonder of all the country about. The ancestors of these ostriches were brought in a sailing ship from South Africa, their home, to California. Of the 52 emigrants, two died on the way. The others suffered a rapid decline in the California climate. The few who lived were taken to Florida, where a process of rapid breeding was carried on, and the present flourishing colony is the result. The average bird weighs 300 pounds and is eight feet high. Their hunger is insatiable, and in the matter of food they have no preference. They take great delight in a meal of ashes and kindling wood. One of them ate a gimlet the other day, and Napoleon, the largest ostrich of the family, once swallowed a lighted pipe with no apparent inconvenience. Napoleon's intelligence is almost as remarkable as his digestion. It is his especial function to guard the pheasants who form an annex to the ostrich farm, and once he undertook this duty the negro boys, who had hitherto proved a great annoyance, subsided utterly. The big ostrich attacked one of the marauders with such ferocity that the others thought it wiser to stay at home. Still more of a curiosity is Oliver W., the first pacing ostrich ever known, who can go a mile as fast as a racehorse. The owner of the ostriches also proudly displays the first incubator hatched baby ostrich that has ever been seen in America. The incubating process occupies forty-two days. Every nine months the birds are corralled, blinded, and such feathers as are ready to drop out are picked. The feathers are then prepared for the market.

Natural Soaps.

From time immemorial the Egyptian soap-root and the Spanish soap-root have been employed for washing in southern Europe and Egypt, and are, to some extent, exported for use in cleansing fine articles. In the West Indies and South America, a pulpy fruit, which grows on a tree known as the soap tree, is said to have such cleansing properties that it will clean as much linen as sixty times its weight of manufactured soap. There is also a tree in Peru, Quillaja Saponaria, whose bark, in infusion, yields a soapy liquid much valued for washing woolens and is largely imported to England and other countries for this purpose. The juice of the soap-wort, or, as it is commonly called in the United States and Great Britain, the "Bouncing Bet," strongly possesses the saponaceous qualities. In California the roots of the Phelangium Pomardianum, which grows there abundantly, are much used for washing. This plant has a strong odor of brown soap in its leaves and stems, as well as the roots. The South Sea Islands and the islands of the Caribbean sea also produce plants which are used as soap substitutes.

About Fingal's Cave.

Fingal's cave, the wonderful grotto on the southwest coast of the island of Staffa, about seven miles off the west coast of Mull, Scotland, is 212 feet deep, 33 feet wide at the entrance, and 22 feet wide at its inner end. At the opening it is 60 feet high, and the walls meet in a beautiful arch above basaltic pillars which flank it on both sides. The floor of the cave is the sea, and at low tide the water is 20 feet deep. There are many stalactites of various beautiful tints between the pillars of dark-gray basalt. The cave can be readily entered by small boats excepting at extreme high tide. It probably takes its name from Fingal, the legendary hero of Gaelic poetry.

Monkey-Faced Hen.

New York Journal: Matthew H Duke, who lives at No. 10 Mt. Vernon avenue, Mt. Vernon, is the owner of a hen with a monkey face. It was sent to Mr. Duke by a friend in Seattle, Wash. The hen is extra large for its age and in place of the regulation beak has four sharp little teeth and a tongue like a monkey. Hair grows on each side of the face and the eyes are small and dark. Mr. Duke has been offered considerable money for the freak of nature, but says he will not part with it.

GENERAL C. J. DILWORTH

Veteran of Civil War and Prominent Nebraskan Dies Suddenly.

General C. J. Dilworth died at his residence in Omaha of apoplexy, with which he was stricken. The funeral occurred in Lincoln, which was his home for a number of years prior to his removal to Omaha last fall.

General Dilworth was a veteran of the civil war and held a gallant record as a member of an Illinois regiment. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic and well known to all Nebraska veterans.

Twenty-five years ago General Dilworth became prominent in Nebraska politics, but of late years advancing age, he having been born in 1826, did not allow him to take an active part in political or business affairs. In 1873 General Dilworth was elected attorney general of Nebraska and was re-elected in 1880. Mrs. Dilworth and one son survive him.

ORDERS RATES REDUCED

State Board of Transportation Lowers Rates on Corn, Oats, Etc.

The board of transportation has issued an order reducing the local freight rates on corn, oats, mill feed and all feed stuffs, thirty per cent below the present rate which has been in force since December 1, 1894. The secretaries of the board, J. W. Edgerton, G. L. Laws and James C. Dahlman, recommended the reduction and the board adopted the recommendation. The order will benefit feeders of cattle and sheep in the western part of the state. Complaints have come from feeders on the ranges that they could not afford to ship corn from the corn producing regions of the state. It is generally believed that the railroads will not resist the order.

BATTLES IS FOUND GUILTY

Convicted of Assault With Intent to Commit Rape.

The second trial of William Battles, colored, charged with assault with intent to commit rape upon Mollie Curlis was held at Nebraska City, and the case was given to the jury, who in twenty minutes returned a verdict of guilty against the defendant. The jury was polled and notice for a new trial was given. Court then adjourned.

Dies as the Result of Burns.

James Davey, the nine months old twin son of Mr. and Mrs. Peter Davey, died at Tecumseh, the result of being accidentally burned. The mother stepped out of the house a moment, leaving the babies on the floor in charge of an older child. The latter presumably stepped on a match and ignited the clothing of little James. Before the mother could be warned and return to the house and smother the flames the child's back and head were frightfully burned and so great a surface of its skin destroyed that it was impossible to save its life.

Child Burned to Death.

The five-year-old daughter of Frank Slama, a Bohemian who lives seven miles south of Table Rock, was burned to death, and buried in the Bohemian cemetery. The little girl was left alone in the house with the baby, while the parents were out milking, and it is supposed the child got to playing with matches, her clothes taking fire, and she ran to her parents, but was so badly burned she died five hours later.

No Decision in Dinsmore Case.

The attorneys for Frank L. Dinsmore at Kearney filed a written request for a change of venue. Judge Sullivan will not act on this request until February 12, when court will convene again, he having adjourned it over the coming week. The jury in the case of the state against John W. Tatum, charged with the theft of a team of horses from an uncle, brought in a verdict of guilty.

Accidents at West Point.

While chopping wood at West Point Otto Dewitz accidentally chopped into his ankle and made a bad wound. The axe caught on the limb of a tree.

Mrs. Hubanka, who lives seven miles west of West Point, got her hand caught in a corn sheller and it was so badly mangled that it was necessary to amputate the index finger.

Declare Him Insane.

Sheriff Phillips of West Point has taken James Geist to the Hastings asylum. He showed symptoms of insanity and was taken in charge by the sheriff and declared insane by the insanity commission. In 1895 he was discharged from the asylum as being cured.

Appeals His Case.

Dr. Charles W. Little, an osteopathist practicing in Lincoln, has appealed to the supreme court from the judgment of the Lancaster county district court which imposed a fine of $50 upon him for practicing medicine without a license from the state board of health.

Leg Crushed.

A few days ago Philip Parmer, a farmer south of Peru, had his leg horribly crushed by having a wagon loaded with sand upset on him. Dr. Neal, who is attending him, has little hopes of saving the limb.

Insane Patient Dies.

John Dostle of Cuming county died the other day at the Hastings asylum. His body was shipped home and interred in the cemetery at West Point. Deceased was an inmate of the Norfolk asylum four years prior to being sent to Hastings. He leaves a wife and several grown children.

A New Bank.

The bank of McLean, Pierce county, has been organized as a private bank. The capital stock is $5,000 and A. R. McConnell and O. J. Sweet will conduct the business.

Bank Suspends Payment.

Stinson's bank of Hamilton, Ontario, has suspended payment, but it is thought that all depositors will get their money in full. The bank is owned by James Stinson of Chicago, who is said to be very wealthy. Depression in real estate is given as the cause. The amount on deposit is not yet estimated.

In the Swim.

"This image, Uncle Si, is a wood nymph." "Is it? Wall, by gosh, it's a first-class imitation o' marble."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

MODJESKA MAY RETURN TO RUSSIA

During several years the world has been interested in Mme. Helena Modjeska and her life. Ever since the unknown Polish countess appeared in "Adrienne Lecouvreur," in San Francisco, twenty-two years ago, and carried her audience by storm, anything that relates to her is read with great interest.

Probably all the selfish theater-goers would be sorry to hear that Mme. Modjeska would be allowed to return to Russia, for that would take her away from us for many months in the year, and perhaps for several years. However that may be, something has started the rumor that her banishment is over.

To the average mind the decree of the Russian government prohibiting Mme. Modjeska from returning to Russia is an unjust one. The imperial government had refused to allow the delegation of Polish women to attend the World's Fair in Chicago in 1893. For what reason this action was taken is not known, but the delegation did not go. Mme. Modjeska was asked to represent the delegation at the fair, and, naturally enough, she consented, and made an excellent speech. In it, however, she upbraided the Russian government for its treatment of the delegation. Nothing was at once forthcoming on account of this speech, and people forgot about it.

In the fall of 1894 the great actress returned to Warsaw, in Russian Poland, to fill a contract with the Imperial theater management. Imagine her surprise when the governor general, instead of approving her contract, sent for the president of the theater and upbraided him for bringing the artist to Warsaw. He said that he was surprised that the rebel dared to enter the country.

Mme. Modjeska was obliged to leave Warsaw; in fact, she was obliged to leave the country. In 1895 she arranged to appear at one of the theaters in St. Petersburg, thinking that the new regime would take a lenient view of her so-called political speech at Chicago. While on the way, however, she received a telegram from the police authorities telling her not to enter the city of St. Petersburg.

Mme. Modjeska turned about and went to Warsaw, though with some feeling of doubt as to the reception she would receive from the police. She had no sooner arrived than she received word from the governor general that she must leave the country inside of twenty-four hours. Since that time Mme. Modjeska has never returned to Russia or Russian Poland.

Although it is denied that she has received definite information from the Russian authorities that the decree of banishment has been revoked, it is believed that she will soon have word to that effect. The policy of the present government has been milder than that of the preceding, and it is probable that in a short while the great actress will be no longer expatriated.

There is an element of romance in the seemingly quiet story of Mme. Modjeska's childhood. She was the daughter of Michael Opido and Mme. Benda, both of whom were descended from the mountaineers. Her father, however, was a scholarly man, an eminent philologist and a lover of music. Modjeska was thus brought up in an artistic atmosphere. She was called Helena because her head was small and Grecian, and when she was very young her father predicted that she would cause her mother a lot of trouble.

Modjeska's mother did not wish her to go upon the stage, but the inclination was so strong that after a performance of amateur theatricals a company was formed to tour Galicia. She met with the most pronounced success, and she has never failed to improve from that day to this.—Boston Journal Magazine.

RUSSIA MAY AGAIN RECEIVE HER.

Mme. Helena Modjeska has hope that the czar's decree against her entering the country may be repealed.

TO GET GOLD OUT OF SAND.

Miner Thinks He Can Do Better at It Than Most People.

"There's millions of gold in black sand," said H. A. Frederick, a Seattle man of experience in the Klondike, to a Denver Times reporter, "and I believe I have hit upon a plan to get it out. You know this black sand is about as heavy as the gold, and in panning, as ordinarily done with cold water, the gold and the sand either go out of the pan together and are lost, or they stay in the bottom and are of no more use than if they were lost. On a claim I had in the Yukon country we got only $32 out of the black sand for a whole season and I knew that we were losing a whole lot and that there ought to be some way of getting it. So I experimented with hot water, which was not unusual, but I added some salt to it and found an improvement. I took an iron bucket holding two gallons, filled it about one-third full of sand, put in a double handful of salt, filled it with water and set it on the fire to boil. As it boiled I stirred it, like you would stir apple butter, or as we stir 'dog feed' in the Klondike, and then poured it off into the pans. I don't know what effect the salt had, but when I put a little quicksilver into the pans I'll be blamed if I didn't get every particle of gold there was. Then I went at it on a large scale and with the sand that was before practically valueless I got fifty-two ounces for one day's work by three men. This gold was worth about $50, or say $16 an ounce. I'm going to Cape Nome in the spring, where there are tons and tons of this black sand that cannot be or has not been worked and I'm going to utilize the salt sea water and get rich. You see if I don't."

Wit in the Island of Saints.

St. Patrick is said to have banished toads and snakes from the island of Saints. He did not banish wit and repartee, says the Nineteenth Century. Yet it is as hard to classify these "gems" as it is to set uncut jewels in fragile filagree. In this paper I merely pass on a few of the humorous sayings and doings I have heard and seen in this beautiful island during a long course of residence therein. My dispensary district extends over a wide sweep of moorland and mountain. Hours are long. Work hard. Pay small. What should I do without a sense of the ludicrous—that sense which can hardly lay claim to being a virtue, but is surely a most valuable possession? For instance, suddenly to hear this prayer breathed after a gouty old gentleman of miserly habits, "The Lord make your heart as tender as your toes!" quite makes up for a too small check pocketed by his medical attendant. Or a porter's answer, "There is no first train, at all at all; they are all evenin' wans here," is almost enough to compensate for long detention at a wayside station.

Too Much Faith in a Dog.

It is not always safe to put too much trust in a dog. An Ellsworth man had a highly prized dog, and when a neighbor presented a bill for hens which he claimed had been killed by the brute the dog owner was grieved and positively refused to believe the charge or pay for the hens. A few days later the Ellsworth man was driving by the farm where the hens had been killed. The dog was with him in the carriage. He drove into the farmer's yard to prove to him that his dog was not guilty. "Let out your hens," he said, "and I'll call the dog out of the carriage to prove that he will not kill the hens." It was done. Before the dog could be stopped he had killed four. The owner of the dog, who never dishonors a just bill, pulled out his wallet and settled for six hens.—Bangor (Me.) Commercial.

RED TAPE IN WASHINGTON.

Why the Carpenter Could Not Clean the Glass Door.

A correspondent passing hurriedly into the room of the committee on rivers and harbors to see Representative Burton pulled the knob off the door, says the Cleveland Plain Dealer. "How can I get that fixed, do you think?" asked Burton. "Shall I get the carpenter or the locksmith?" "The locksmith, I suppose." "No, sir. Were I to send for the locksmith he would tell me to consult the architect of the capitol. He has no authority to fix doorknobs. Doorknobs are permanent fixtures and are solely within the jurisdiction of the architect of the capitol." "Do you see that bookcase there?" said Secretary Ellis. "I caused the carpenter to paste some cloth on the inside of the glass doors in order that the books might not show. He did the work, but when he had finished I noted that he had not cleaned the glass before he put the cloth on. The thing looked so disreputable that I asked him why he had not cleaned the glass. He told me that the glass was a permanent fixture and that he had no authority to touch it, but that the placing of the cloth upon it was a temporary matter and was entirely within the province of his labors. The whole thing's got to be done all over again."

Inheritance of Health.

There is, it is true, as great an inequality in the inheritance of health as in the heirship of wealth or brains. Some are born with a fortune of vigor and soundness so large that not a lifetime of eager squandering will leave them poor, and others enter the world paupers of need so dire that no charity from medicine can ever raise them to comfort, but most of us have just that mediocre legacy of vitality which renders us undistinguishable units in the mass. It lies in the hands of each to improve or waste that property, as he chooses, for there are self-made men physically as well as financially; those who, because of ancestral wastefulness, have only a sixpence of health and turn it into a fortune, and there are spendthrifts of health who come to as sorrowful case as spendthrifts of gold. The body is the realm where a wise and frugal ruler brings happiness as surely as a foolish one insures distress, and wisdom here, as elsewhere, lies in learning and obeying natural laws.—North American Review.

Not Much Choice.

Smithers—I am going to have my picture taken. A good deal depends upon the pose, don't you know. Now, what kind of a position do you think would be the best for me Brownring—Well, I don't know. I was going to say with your back to the camera, but then your hair is rather thin behind.—Boston Transcript.

PEARLS BROUGHT FROM TEXAS.

Fine Specimens Are Procured from the Bed of the Concho River.

"Some fine pearls from the Concho river in Texas are now exhibited in this city," said a New York dealer in precious stones. "Of late years pearl hunting in that locality has been developed into a considerable industry. The harvest is brought north by a competent man about twice a year. As a rule the pearls command as high a price as any in the market. No finds of extraordinary value have been made so fas as I know; but the average is very good. Most of the pearls find a sale at between $5 and $35; a good many come nearer the latter price than the former. Some years ago nobody considered the Texas pearls as important; the growth of the industry has been gradual and quiet. Men hunt along the Concho from its mouth to its source at various times, but the most profitable fields seem to be in Sterling, Concho and Tom Green counties, where a number of pearl-trading companies have been organized, both for harvesting and selling. While these counties yield the greater part of the harvest, the Llano river and other tributaries of the upper Colorado river are good hunting grounds. I have heard it said that some valuable pearls have been found there."

Stocking Superstitions.

From Notes and Queries: On the Welsh border it used to be considered that the surest precaution against witchcraft was to wear the left stocking wrong-side out. This leads us to another kind of superstition connected with the harmless, necessary hose—their value, when properly worn or arranged, as charms or as protections against sickness or pain. If you will only take the trouble when you go to bed to cross your stockings and shoes you will be quite safe from the grip of cramp. Again, if you hang your stockings crosswise at the foot of the bed, with a pin stick in them, you need have no fear of nightmare; the hag has a holy horror of cross and pin. Wiseacres have also been heard to declare that if you will always put your left stocking and shoe on first you will enjoy immunity from toothache. This, however, the most superstitious of mortals will likely take leave to doubt. Toothache, that "hell of a' disease," as Burns calls it, is no respecter of persons, nor, assuredly, of stockings or legs.

Sponge Bags.

A sponge bag for each member of the household is an absolute necessity. The most sanitary bag is of colored linen, lined with oiled silk. Shirr the bag with wash silk ribbon in any color which fancy dictates, and embroider the owner's initials in the corner. In a large family it is well to have the sponge bag, laundry bag, bath mat, robe and towel of each member either plainly marked or of some distinguishing color.

Mormon Marriages in Mexico.

The laws of Mexico provide that a Mormon who wishes to take a second wife must present a certificate signed by his first helpmeet to the effect that she is willing; and he must also have the express consent of the second wife and her parents.

76'S VALENTINE.

[From Chicago Inter-Ocean.]

Seventy-six was "savin' up." All her little set knew it because she quit "stickin' in" for coffee at noon, she walked to and from work—that is, in theory she walked, for she often ran for blocks at a time to ward being late either at the store or at home, for no one was supposed to know she did not ride. She took the 10 cents her mother offered her every morning, either to ride "both ways," or ride one way and get coffee, whichever seemed best. Seventy-six was a queer combination of child and little old woman, like most of the cash girls in department stores. She saw and heard a great deal every day of her busy life.

And Seventy-six had an ideal, in the person of little Miss Magee, the cashier to whom she took her checks. Miss Magee was a slight, short, sweet, little body, with a great quantity of pale reddish hair that was the delight of all the cash girls' hearts, it "stayed in" so good all day. But Seventy-six in particular longed for red hair and little hands and every charm possessed by Miss Magee. So when St. Valentine's day came and Miss Magee got a nice bunch of violets delivered by a messenger boy, Seventy-six made a mental resolution that she would have a bunch of violets come to herself like that one if she lived to the next St. Valentine's day, and everyone would think she had "a fellow" and that "he sent 'em like Miss Magee's fellow did." And after the severe strain of the holidays was lifted a little in regard to her earnings, she secretly commenced to save up.

Poor little Seventy-six! To save up meant to her to walk miles twice a day, though sometimes she got a little "hitch" on a friendly express wagon, but she'd be nearly home when she'd "hitch." No one would see her away out on West Twelfth street. When she couldn't run or get a little ride and came home late she glibly invented excuses all very plausible. "Changing stock around" was one; "getting in new goods" that had to be opened and fixed at once, was another, and her mother and little sisters noted her great importance at the store.

One Sunday afternoon she canvassed the florists' stores and the combination florist and undertaking establishments, where prickly looking pillows made of hard, dry flowers, with "Rest" done in purple in the center, and white satin slippers were displayed in the windows. Up on one side of the street and down the other she sought violets, to inquire as to prices, but she never found even one. Next day at noon she got permission to go out and she had not far to seek a florist, and the wise young man there told her violets were "from 75 cents up," and that they were scarce and would be scarcer and she would have to order them a few days ahead if she wanted any. Then she hurried back to the store, and when she was reporting to the timekeeper, Mr. Goldstein, head of a department, laid his hand on her shoulder and asked her number.

"I think, Seventy-six you are getting tall for a cash," he said, and still holding her by the shoulder he half pushed, half led her to the rear of the store, and word went round that "Seventy-six was fired."

When they reached the wrappers' and inspectors' desk he found her a place there and told her if she was as good a wrapper and inspector as she had been a "cash" she'd be all right. She

SHE GOT A LITTLE "HITCH" ON A FRIENDLY EXPRESS WAGON.

started in at her new job at once and when the cash girls that she had been one of a few hours before came up with goods she gave herself lofty airs, as is the way of the world.

On the Monday following her promotion she ordered the 95-cent bunch of violets in the florist's window, left her name, number and the name of the firm she worked for. She knew the flowers would go to the office first and be "O. K.d" and in due course of time drift down the channel to her. Then all the girls would open their eyes and wonder who her fellow was and be jealous and mad if they wanted to—except, of course, Miss Magee. She would give her a few violets—yes, and poor little Eighty-nine—she would give her a few. Thus planning for the morrow she hastened down Wabash avenue to Twelfth street and ran along west, inhaling crisp, frosty air, which, despite all the injunctions of all the doctors to get out in the air, wasn't helping her lungs a bit.

After supper she was feverish and tired. Her mother did all the little things a woman thinks she must do before she sends for a doctor, but the little daughter grew steadily worse. About 2 o'clock in the morning a doctor was called. He ordered the necessary remedies and left instructions and still Seventy-six was very sick for four days. The doctor said the frost burned her throat and lungs and she should be more careful.

Tuesday, the 14th, when all the world got its valentine, the young man at the florist's store was very busy, but very gay. He whistled bits from "The Serenade" and "rags" by way of encore and he worked hard all the time.

Just before noon a tall, narrow youth in the very boxiest of topcoats came into the florist's and ordered a big box of violets sent to a beauty out on the south side, extra long stems and some nice leaves, he said he would like. The musical youth took the order to the air of "Take Your Clothes and Go" and the customer went on his way.

It was half-past 2 Tuesday afternoon and every bit of stock in the florist's was sold. Everyone was busy and the young man who whistled was so rushed he had to just whistle ragtime tunes all the afternoon, they being the quickest. So it came about that when he had a long row of boxes set out filled with the divinest gift God sends to man—flowers—he had beside him a pile of gummed labels with addresses on them. He dampened one that had on it a little sick girl's name, her number and the name of the firm she worked for, and with "Mr. Johnson, Don't Get Gay," filling the air about him he fastened it on a big box of violets with extra long stems and nice leaves—and so he sailed through his day's work.

The big box of violets for Seventy-six got to the office of the big store just before closing time. The man in the office, not knowing the little girl was absent from the store, "O. K.'d" the box and sent it downstairs to her, but it came back in a few moments for more "O. K.s." This time it was opened and the office stood still.

Violets, hundreds of them, long stems, nice leaves; violets that trem-

HE HALF PUSHED, HALF LED HER TO THE REAR OF THE STORE.

bled at their own loveliness; violets that filled all the air with springtime. "Seventy-six is coming up," said the head bookkeeper as he handed a few of the flowers to the pretty typewriter.

"I think it looks very bad for Seventy-six," said the typewriter as she fastened the violets in her waist.

That speech set all the office thinking. The girls in the office thought of Seventy-six going down the broad, bright, flower-strewn path almost any young girl can go at the price of her soul. The men in the office thought of all the things she must have stolen from the firm to buy that box of flowers, for when they asked the delivery boy who ordered them he said, "A girl, No. Seventy-six." So on that evidence and on the lack of faith in human nature in general the little sick girl out on West Twelfth street lost her reputation and her occupation. Everyone in the office had a few violets when they went home that night, not that anyone wanted to cheat the rightful owner of them, but it was too late to attend to the matter of sending her word about them that night, and they would be spoiled next day, and it would be better to use them. So everyone took a few, not all of them of course, but the violets never found Seventy-six—not one of them.

Saturday morning she came down to work, pale and thin, and Mr. Goldstein sent her upstairs to a private office to report to Mr. Ware, who had her case all laid out before him, and had no doubt but she was the coming Mme. Mandebaum, for she surely must be a clever thief, this thinly clad, frightened little child-woman. After Mr. Ware opened his mail and looked over it he turned to her and asked what she wanted and when she told her number he said, "Oh, yes. Sit down. Now, Seventy-six, a large box of flowers came here for you on the 14th, and as they were altogether too expensive for a girl like you I determined to look into the matter. Now, Seventy-six, do you know who sent them here?"

"Yes, sir. I bought them," said the girl. Mr. Ware started. "Um, um," he said. "Who gave you the money?" "I saved it." "Um—yes—well—Seventy-six, I'm sorry, but you take this note down to Mr. Gale and give in your passbook and your badge and—I hope you'll be a better girl next place you work. That's all, Seventy-six."

She slowly crept down the stairs, struggling with tears and pride, got the quarter for her badge which she had deposited for it, and once more word went around that "Seventy-six was fired."

The south side beauty took her dear, little 95-cent bunch of violets to her own room and kissed it, for she "knew whom they were from." She arranged some of them in her pretty yellow hair and though she got oceans of flowers she pressed one bunch of violets to remember that Valentine's day.

O poor Mr. Postman, you never will know
What fine things you're carrying there!
What dear little doves, just as white as the snow,
What roses so blushing and fair,
What nice little Cupid's, so smiling and fat,
What sweet little verses, all rhyming so pat.

O poor Mr. Postman, I'm sorry for you!
'Tis a very hard lot, I must say,
To carrry such lovely things hidden from view,
Nor get one peep inside them all day;
And when merry St. Valentine's ended and done,
To have given them all away, every one!

E. H. THOMAS.

Old-time valentines, with their lace paper and sentimental rhymes, have very nearly fallen into disuse. What little of their splendor remains has been relegated to the children. But if the tawdry types have been cast aside better things are offered in their place. If the poet is less heavy, entertainments of various sort flourish. Dinners, luncheons, teas and dances are all chronicled for the fateful fourteenth, and suitable and significant favors and souvenirs are being sought and purchased by the score. Cupids, hearts, bows and arrows and lovers' knots make the favorite designs. One or more, if not all, are included in every list; but as jewels, precious metals, flowers, painting, fine needlework and ribbons all go to make up, there is considerable variety and a fine opportunity for the display of personal skill.

One dinner which is to precede a dance is to be pink in its decorations, and, as far as practicable, pink in its food, while its souvenirs and those of the cotillion, which will make the finale of the evening, have all been designed with the purpose of the day in view. In the center of the table is to be a huge heart of la France roses, while over it will be suspended a bisque Cupid, with bow stretched and arrow aimed.

Encircling the entire table will be smilax in a succession of hearts, each designed to mark off the space for a cover, and before each guest will be placed a menu card in heart-shape and a silken box of the same design, within which will be candied rose leaves, and which later can be made receptacles for jeweled pins. The ices will be pink, and in heart shape, and both candles and lamps will be provided with pink shades.

During the dance arrow pins will be presented to the men, and pins in a design of lovers' knots to the girls. Bunches of roses and boutonnieres will be made the features of another figure; sachets, in heart shape, of a third, and calendars, painted upon water color paper, showing Cupid hovering over a mail box, for a fourth.

At a second dance, the invitations for which name an early hour, the dancing up to the supper hour will be general, but as each guest leaves the supper-room he or she will be required to draw from a bag containing sections of hearts. Upon each section will be written a part of some familiar and suitable quotation, one portion having been among those distributed to the women, the other among those given to the men. The two which shall match, making a perfect heart and a complete couplet, will designate partners, and when all have been matched the cotillion will begin.

Among the favors are to be bonbon boxes in heart shape, tiny Cupids, silver arrow pins, pink ribbon tied with true lovers' knots and engagement calendars made from a succession of hearts, each cut from water color paper and painted with suitable design.

After dinners and dances, card parties afford the greatest opportunity, and are in greatest demand. Among the younger set progressive hearts is much liked, and affords an excellent opportunity for the decorations and favors suited to the day.

One clever hostess has had her plans laid for some time. The large room in which the tables will be arranged is to be decorated with pink flowers and with smilax arranged in hearts and bowknots. On each table is to be placed a heart-shaped dish, in which will be bonbons, also in heart-shape and all pink. When the guests arrive each will be given a section of a paper heart, which exactly fits some other

RELEGATED TO THE CHILDREN.

section, and will be required to find its mate before partners can be arranged.

The prizes are to be a china bonbon box, painted with a Cupid design, and a volume of sentimental poems, with an extra cover painted in a similar manner, with borders of leather cut in heart-shape, and showing etched Cupids weeping over broken hearts for the boobies. After the game supper will be served, and among the dishes will be salads upon heart-shaped plates, with crisp little lovers' knots taking the place of the usual finger rolls, and ices molded into miniature gods of love.—Republic.

A NEW KIND.

'Twas just the nicest valentine
That came to me today;
A pretty box, and on the top
A little letter lay,
Which said:
"I know a little maid,
She isn't far to seek;
No dainty wild rose petal
Is pinker than her cheek;
There is no shining hazelnut
That's browner than her eye.
Just look within the box, my dear,
This little maid you'll spy."
Of course I was in haste to see
So fair and sweet a lass.
I raised the lid, within I found—
A tiny looking-glass!

—Helen S. Perkins.

When a man makes the mistake of marrying too young it is one of the mistakes he never repeats.

HAVE ODD RELIGIOUS BELIEFS.

Living Openly as Mohammedans, the Sabbateans Do Not Believe the Faith.

From the Pall Mall Gazette: Surely one of the oldest religions in the world is that of the Sabbateans of Salonica, of whom M. Danon has lately made a special study. The sect takes its name from one Sabbatai Cevi, a Smyrniote Hebrew, who flourished in the middle of the seventeenth century, and so muddled himself by constant study of the Cabala that he gave himself out for the Messiah. Thanks to some bogus miracles, thousands of Hebrews flocked to his standard and a serious revolt was on the point of breaking out when the pasha of the district captured him and offered him the choice of accepting Islam or being incontinently shot. The story is that he chose the former alternative, and that his followers, disgusted by his apostasy, abandoned their belief in his messiahship, and returned to their former faith. M. Danon's researches, however, show that the sect is not so extinct as has been thought. He had much difficulty in getting the information and it was only the lucky accident of one of the faithful sending his waistcoat to be mended, without remembering that a sort of prayerbook was stitched in the back, that threw any real light in his way. As it was, the tailor had just time to show the document to a friend, who took a copy, now in M. Danon's possession. From this it seems that the Deunmeh (or converted), as they are called by the Turks, still worship the God of Abraham under his cabalistic name of the Infinite, and acknowledge as their "Lord and King" Sabbatai Cevi, whom they call "the true Messiah and their Redeemer." They are not to take false oaths in the name or God or his Messiah, are not to murder, "even though they hate anyone," to bear false witness nor to covet other people's goods. But they are to keep their faith a profound secret and to live like Mussulmans, keeping the Moslem fasts and observing all their ceremonies without any scruple until the day when they are to "take vengeance for Israel," after which they will become angels. The mixture of gross and lifelong hypocrisy with the practice of real virtues—it is especially said that there are no poor among them, every member of the community being willing to help at any time any of the others—is very typical of these apocalyptic sects. And in this faith more than 1,000 families of Salonica believe.

AFTER THAT

They Went Around Him Like He Was a Swamp.

New York Tribune: "I heard a capital story last night," said George Cabel of St. Louis at the Hoffman House. "Years ago in a western frontier town a traveler, footsore and weary, arrived one afternoon, and made his way down the one street of the burg. He was suddenly startled by the sounds of shots, and looking up discovered four men shooting at one another. The men were standing at the four corners of an imaginary square, and each shooting at the man catacorner to him. Being in what he supposed a safe position he paused to watch the outcome of the fray, when a bullet, going wide of its intended mark, cut by his ear. That roused his wrath, and drawing his pistol he dropped the man in his tracks who had all but dropped him. Another bullet flying wide from its mark, but near to the stranger, caused him to lay out one of the other pair, and the two remaining men sought safety in flight. In that particular town duels had been previously comparatively harmless amusement, owing to the poor marksmanship of the contestants, but the man who could shoot had arrived, and the inhabitants, although they turned out to greet him in a body and grant him the freedom of the city, did so in manifest awe and trepidation. Whenever he told the story afterward he used to wind it up impressively by saying: 'And, boys, in that town after that they went around me as if I had been a swamp.'"

Danger in the Lily.

From the New York Times.—"If you knew as much about the lily of the valley as I do you would not put that stem in your mouth," politely remarked the florist to one of his customers as he placed a spray of the fragrant and graceful blossoms between his teeth. "It's not a very elegant habit, I confess," responded the customer, a bit testily, "but it's an old one, and I can't readily break myself of it." "Pardon me, but it is not the habit of which I was speaking, but of the flower itself. The lily is a dangerous flower to chew, differing from most of those one buys at the stores, for while this one stem may do you no harm, it is a fact that the lily is poisonous to man and beast alike, and as very few people know it, I always like to let my customers know the fact. Then they can dine on them if they like."

The National Beverage of England.

There is an enormous increase in the consumption of whiskies imported from Scotland and Ireland into England. If the present rate of increase of the spirit trade is maintained, England will presently have adopted whisky as the national beverage. Beer is losing ground as the people demand something stronger. The discussion of the relative merits of the whiskies has brought out the interesting incident that a short time since a vat containing 700 gallons of Scotch whisky for the consumption of the members of the house of commons was built, and that next recess will see provisions made for an adequate supply of the Irish product.

Church Did Not Suffer.

From Public Opinion: An old church minute book in Southampton, England, is said to contain the remarkable entry: "This year Mr. and Mrs. ——— were removed by divine providence to London. This church did not suffer by their removal."

A Moral Axiom.

Judge.—Percy—It isn't what we earn that makes us rich, old fel. Algy—That deuced certain, deh boy. It's what our ancestors save, bah Jove!

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ORD, - - - NEBRASKA

FRIDAY, FEB. 9, 1900.

RAILROAD TIMETABLES.

UNION PACIFIC.

No. 82.—Passenger.....Leaves 8:30 a. m
No. 84.—Freight.....Leaves 2:30 p. m
No. 81.—Passenger.....Arrives 3:50 p. m
No. 83.—Freight.....Arrives 1:00 p. m
All trains are daily except Sunday.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Passenger, going east,.....Leaves 7:25 a. m
Freight, going east, (*except Tuesday) 12:20 p. m
Freight, going west,.....Leaves 2:30 p. m
Passenger, going west,.....Leaves 4:53 p. m
*Eastbound freight goes to Ericson Tuesdays leaving Ord at 9:45 on that day only.
All trains are daily except Sunday.

Home Happenings & Comment

Scale books at the Quiz office.

Sheriff Heuck was in Arcadia last Friday.

A. M. Robbins was in Grand Island between trains Monday.

Ora Taylor returned to his work at Greeley Monday morning.

Colored paper squares for kindergarten work in schools for sale by THE QUIZ.

William Currie went to Seward Monday on business to be gone a few days.

Judge Munn is holding court at Albion this week. He went there Monday morning.

When you want posters or handbills get them at Quiz office. The best work and lowest prices.

Ora Taylor was in the city over Sunday. He is holding down his job with the Greeley Citizen pretty well.

Monday was Dr. H. T. Clark's day at North Loup, and he went there in accordance with his appointment.

Wedding, Invitation and regret goods in stock at the Quiz office. Orders quickly and neatly printed. Prices low.

Dr. Ward's Liniment and the Watkins Remedies, extracts and spices are for sale by O. B. Walton, Ord, Neb.

We have used some of the Watkins extracts and spices for sale by O. B. Walton, Ord, Neb., and find them par excellence.

Unitarian services as usual on Sunday morning next at the K. P. hall at 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon "God is Nature." Everybody invited.

Have I not bidden ye beware of something said to be the same as Rocky Mauntain Tea, made by the Madison Medicine Co.? If ye are truly wise, heed this warning. Ask your druggist.

On account of the sickness of their head miller the Woodbury Milling Company had to ship bran and feed to supply their customers last week. The mill went to work, however, after a few days delay.

The J. W. Perry Co. is raising the rear of its store building to the height of the main room and will make the premises suitable for regular store uses. It will add much to the capacity of the room.

The editor of THE QUIZ was a passenger to Burwell Tuesday night, and Wednesday morning he passed through town on his way down the road. He failed to give his destination and said he did not know when he would return.

Adam Smith moved to his farm in Geranium township the first of the week. He was not intending to move for several day yet but the renters in charge were compelled to move and so he had to go immediately so as to attend to the stock.

Artie Firkins, who had been visiting here for a few weeks, returned home to Rolf, Iowa, Monday. He has had a very pleasant visit with his uncle, A. J. Firkins, and family. Knowing the Firkins propensity for a good meal Mrs. Firkins provided him wfth a large and well-filled lunch basket.

Sunday evening Barney Brickner received word that his father was at the point of death and so he took the Monday morning train for Ohio, where the old gentleman's home is. He could only hope to see him alive, for no further news was received from him before the train pulled out.

Another fake show of probably more than the usual magniude in the point of fakeism held the boards at the opera house last Monday and Tuesday night. A small attendence greeted both performances and acted as a fitting rebuke to such classes of entertainments. The good citizens of Ord and vicinity are tired of putting up their good money to see a respectable entertainment and then being compelled to listen to a class of music hall singers in scant attire, spring their vulgar chestnuts and make the rankest kind of an attempt at stage acting. In the future such attractions will do well to give Ord a wide berth if they expect to increase the size of their exchequer.

W. J. Dickenson and family, seven in all—departed for Seattle, Wash., Monday morning. This family is from Woods Park, where Mr. and Mrs. Dickensen have lived for some ten years. Mr. Dickenson is in ill health and this trip is taken on that account. They have not sold their belongings here, but expect to do so if they like it in their new home. We hope his health will improve in Washington. The family are old friends of the Lewins, and were the guests of the latter Sunday night.

The government furnished Ord citizens with a special weather bulletin last Tuesday evening with the information that the thermometer would take a little trip below the zero mark in side of twenty four hours. As the weather man has been somewhat off his feed for several days it was quite generally believed that he was still off. Wednesday morning, however, found a cold piercing north wind which tended to act as a convincer that Uncle Sam's man knew what he was talking about.

Alice Hamilton has severed her connection with Bailey Bros. store and will next week go to Lincoln and enter a fashionable millinery house where she expects to get in touch with all the latest in the millinery art. She expects to return and open a shop of her own in the vacant frame building on the north side about April 1. She is a good milliner and we predict that she will make a success of the undertaking.

The cold wave predicted by the government died a-bornin.' The cold-ware and storm flags were displayed on Milford's store last Saturday and the sky looked as though the evil forebodings were about to be realized, but in spite of all this genial climate refused to be disturbed by these things, and our usual fine weather went right on. Stand up for Nebraska. LATER—It got here Wednesday but—stand up for Nebraska just the same.

Fourteen loyal Odd Fellows went to Sargent last Saturday on invitation of the Sargent lodge and put on the work in the initiatory first and second degrees. Sargent lodge is in excellent shape and now prides itself in the possession of a new building and furniture. The visiting brethren were royally entertained by the Sargent folks and came away feeling that they had been well repaid for the long trip.

Clarence Spaulding went to Omaha Monday. He expected to meet his wife there. The lady has been with her sick father for some weeks, but she reports that he is improving all right now and will soon be well again if present indications continue. It will be remembered that the old gentleman was stricken with paralysis a while ago.

Mrs. Link Harris received a telegram from Omaha announcing the dangerous illness of her aged father and requesting her to come at once. The telegram came too late for her to take the outgoing fretght that day, consequently she and little Floyd left Friday morning for Omaha. She did not know how long she would remain.

We are indebted to F. J. Dworak for a copy of the Ward Miner giving a full account of the recent fire that destroyed that little city. As stated in the Quiz a week or so ago our old friend F. J. Dworak was a heavy loser by the fire. His stock of $4000 was entirely lost and was covered by only $600 insurance.

Until Claflin sold out it was a question in the mind of the Quiz which was the handsomer editor, Leggett or Claflin. But with the passing of Claflin this question is settled and a still mord vexing one arises, which is the uglier in looks, Smith or Haskell.

Frank and Mellie Lewin contemplate starting for Sterling, Colo., next week where they intend working on the railroad.

$1,500,

Bought the Biggest Bargain in Shirts that ever came to Ord.

156 doz. Shirts.

3 7-10 miles of cloth made into Shirts. We will sell you a work Shirt for 10c or a dress Shirt for 25c. We sell you a Shirt for 50c you cant buy elsewhere for less than 75c

G. W. MILFORD & SONS.

Rev. E. A. Russell went to York last Saturday.

For 7 per cent farm loans call on H. E. Oleson, Ord.

Mrs. Trump returned from Olean last Saturday evening.

Dr. Brink was in Burwell Thursday night of last week.

James Tatlow came up from the Island Friday afternoon.

Remember the date of the musicale—February 16. Don't miss it.

Rev. C. A. Arnold returned from Omaha last Saturday evening.

Preacher Russell came in with the snow storm Wednesday evening.

Mrs. Haydn Strong was in North Loup last Saturday between trains.

Guy Dann passed through the city Saturday evening on his way to Burwell.

For the first time this season the cold wave flag was displayed last Saturday

Our Springdale correspondence arrived late last week, but it is good still.

Jim Barnes was in the city the last of the week. He is still living in Greeley county.

If you are thinking of buying a stove or range see Cornell Bros. They can save you some money.

Mrs. Charles Gossett and two children Bertha and Harry, were North Loup passenger Friday morning.

Geo. McDonough who had been in the city shaking hands for a few hours, returned to the Island Friday.

Work has necessarily been discontinued on the new Cernik building owing to the extremely cold weather.

A white face calf, about 4 months old, strayed from Patty's premises recently. Finder will please report to Patty.

Grace Calhoun spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Pleasant Valley. She does not tear herself loose from the printing office very often.

Attorney Herman E. Oleson went to Grand Island Thursday morning where he had business of a professional nature. He expected to return Friday noon.

Seek not to steal the other fellow's light, Rather put on steam and make your own, Do whatever you do with all your might, By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night. Ask your druggist.

Maud—Is 5 and 30 too old to hope for improvement? I should say not. One just begins to live. Take Rocky Mountain Tea. You'll be blooming fair at 60. Ask your druggist.

F. R. Foster, wife and child are in the vicinity visiting relatives and shaking hands with friends. Fred still runs on the roads of North Dakota, and finds Nebraska a good summer resort.

The Rebekah lodge will give a Faggot party at their hall on next Wednesday evening, February 14. All members of the order and all Odd Fellows and their wives are requested to be present.

The aged father of Mr. A. Walkup, David Walkup and a sister-in-law, Mrs. John Walkup, both of York, were in the city a few days at the Walkup home. They returned to York last week Friday David Walkup is 80 years old.

Clare Spaulding got back from Lincoln Wednesday evening bringing with him his wife, who has been in attendance at the sick bed of her father in Minnesota. She says that her father is some better but not yet entirely recovered from his sickness.

Mr. Atlas J. Bennitt, the efficient mail clerk on the Arcadia branch of the B. & M., has been captured by the blandishments and charms of an Arcadia belle, Miss Florence E. N. Waggoner, and, if the train was not late, was married last night at the home of the bride's parents in Arcadia.

W. H. Earnest had a narrow escape Monday. He was driving to town with a big load of Davis Creek wheat when the team he was driving became frightened at something and ran away thorwing him from the wagon. He struck the ground close to the wheel so the hind wheel of the wagon just grazed his head A closer shave of an inch or two would have ended his career, for the load would have crushed his head. The team ran north a half mile then west a like distance and were there captured. No damage was done except to loose a few bushels of wheat.

A good one from Paul Cox just reaches the ears of the Quiz. Paul is less than five years old but his mother sent him to school at his earnest request and with the consent of the teacher, it being understood that if the room became too crowded he would be denied admission further. Well, the room became too crowded and the lad was sent home. Everything did not go right with the other members of the family at school that day apparently, for Paul went to Mitchell's place and remarked: "Well, I guess that the professor had it in for the Cox's today. He licked Fred, kept Kit after school and turned me out."

Judge Munn held a special session of district court last Saturday afternoon, when Clyde Darringer was arraigned before him and plead guilty to the charge of burglary. Clyde brought sufficient proof to show that he was under eighteen years of age and so not eligible to be sent to the penitentiary, so Judge Munn ordered that he be taken to the State Industrial school at Kearney, where he is to remain until he is twenty-one years of age. Accordingly Monday morning Sheriff Heuck took the lad to Kearney. This case should act as an example to other boys who have a tendency along the same line.

From Oregon.

Mt. Angel, Ore., Jan. 16, 1900.

W. W. HASKELL:—I will write a few lines tonight. We are still here in Oregon and I suppose I am desetined to stay here now.

I was married the 5th of December to an honest, industrious and prosperous young farmer and hop-grower by the name of Ernest Palmer. Ask A. M. Finley about him if you get a chance. He knows him. Of course I think he is all right.

Well now a word as to the weather. It has been warm so far this winter. We had a couple of hard frosts in October which killed potato tops and such things as that. Then it commenced raining and grass started and now there is lots of good feed for stock. There was an immense crop of potatoes raised here last year. Many have not sold yet and there are indications of a fair price for them. Hops were not as good as common and mold appeared early and spoiled lots of them. The Pacific hop growers are trying to form an association to buy hop supplies and sell hops and thereby get supplies cheaper and at a better price. The fruit crop was small last season except strawberries and raspberries but there are strong indicatins for good crop next season. Fall grain looks well. Papa lives on a large farm and is beginning to get a start of stock around him. Respectfully,

ALMA G. RUBLE PALMER.

Musicale.

The following is the program to be given at the Methodist church Friday, February 16:

Chorus
Piano Duet.....
.....Floyd Robbins Ruth Williams
Vocal Solo.....Mrs. Hager
Recitation.....Winnie Haskell
Piano Solo.....Mrs. Cox
Vocal Solo.....Miss Wharton
Indian Club Swinging.....Carrie Smith
Piano Solo.....Gertrude Kroecth
Recitation.....Cella Calhoun
Vocal Solo.....Erma Haldeman
Piano Duet.....Mrs Cox, Ray Jennings
Vocal Solo.....Mr. Graham
Recitation.....Besse Fackler
Vocal Duet..Cella Calhoun, Fred Wells
Vocal Solo.....Miss George
Chorus

Price of admission 10c for children and 20c for adults. Seats on sale at Patty's.

Text-books or Pulpit Science?

To The Editor of The Quiz:

DEAR SIR:—As the minister of an independent religious organization and as a public instructor in morals, permit me, if you please, through the medium of your columns to make the following statement on behalf of the welfare, religious and secular, of the public.

First allow me to say that I am fully aware, I think, of the great importance of inculcating among men the practical religion of Jesus as set forth in the bible.

But I am also aware that religion, as it is taught in almost all churches, is of such a kind that no one who keeps anything like abreast with science can begin to accept it. [Hence the fact that not a single scientist in the world to-day can be called a Christian, as that word is generally defined by the churches.] A very striking proof of this has recently come to my notice. Only a short time ago I heard a sermon preached in this town, in which statements were made that were absolutely contradictory to the elementary statements of the Natural Sciences that are taught to the students daily in our schools. Very clearly this is not as it ought to be. And I am very sure that every right-thinking person will agree with me. It is neither to the welfare of religion, nor to the welfare of the secular education of our people, that the lessons taught as religious truths on Sundays from the pulpit should be contradicted and knocked on the head in the Public Schools during the week-days, and vice versa.

That the pulpit and the teacher's desk should be antagonistic is not right. It is a social inconsistency. Such a condition demands a remedy. When the popular understanding is fully alive to the inconsistency it will be remedied. And the remedy will be along one of two lines. Either good sense will be demanded from the pulpit or else the present text-books will be banished from our schools and universities and a reversion made to such as were in use two hundred years ago. Which shall it be? It is a sufficiently important question to be considered. Mine is not hypercriticism. If a teacher in our high-schools were so strangely persist, in the face of all present-day text-books, in teaching the old theory of the Earth as the centre of the planetary system, or the flatness of the earth, there would, I imagine, be more than criticism as an outcome. Therefore when from the pulpit equally crude teaching is put forward as good science, it is not outside the province of anyone whose interests lie in the general welfare and instruction of the Public to point out the evil—an evil that, as I said before, every thinking person must deplore.

Respectfully yours,
A. H TYBER.

Ord, Feb. 5, 1900.

Lincoln, Neb., Jan. 31, 1900.

FRIEND HASKELL;—Will you please send me THE QUIZ to the Sanitarium? I think it will help to bring about a speedy recovery for me. I am getting along first-rate, but am very lonesome. I think your paper will be good medicine for that.

Ord has a delegation here Ole Bergrud and myself are here swimming in sulphur and salt water. The doctors here pronounce my case an enlarged stomach and say I must stay about one month, so please send me your paper so that I may feel more like home.

Yours Respectfully,
IGN. KLIMA.

I pay 7½c for hides. W. MISKO

Legal blanks of all kinds on hand at the QUIZ office.

Matt. Coffin was a passenger to North Loup Wednesday morning.

First class tinner and plumber always at Cornell Bros. hardware.

For first class painting, derorating and sign-writing see Wm. Timm.

J. H. Capron has money to lend on improved farms at reasonable rates.

J. L. Claflin went to St. Paul Tuesday to resume his studies in shorthand. He bought a ticket.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Milford entertained a number of friends at cards Wednesday and Thursday evening.

A social dance was held in the opera house Thursday evening. We understand the attendance was good.

"gim" Barta drove over to Sargent Saturday evening and spent Sunday visiting friends in that locality.

Leon Bresley, who is working at Sargent, was in Ord Sunday visiting relatives and friends for a few hours.

Several Ordites intend going to Lincoln next Monday to hear Paderewski the great pianist, who will appear there on that evening.

Flaming posters posted in conspicuous places about out streets call attention to the fact there will be a big Masquerade ball at the opera house, on Thursday evening, February 22.

Nels Peterson has rented the Gus Lockridge farm south of the Sutton ranch and will farm it this year. Nels is a good man on a farm.

Dr. Billings, Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office over Postoffice. Residence three blocks west of Court house square, Ord, Nebraska.

THE QUIZ has printed some new certificates of stock for the Patty Drug Company. They are beauties, of course, for nothing else would do these people.

A general system of repairs is being applied to the old Heddle office building on the north side, new windows and reshelving throughout is among the list of repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Lou McClary and son, Kenneth, of Pleasant Valley passed through the city on their way to the Dry Cedar last Friday to visit relatives a few days.

Owing to circumstances it was thought advisable to postpone the musicale, which was to have been give on next Wednesday, until Friday, February 16.

Contractor Phillips has put in a new novelty in the shape of a machine for the manufacturing of stock tanks. It is smooth of action and turns out the tanks in good style.

C. I. Bragg came down from Burwell Wednesday morning, but remained in town only a few minutes, leaving at 8:30 for Gibbon where he goes to work in the interests of the A. O. O. P.

We understand that Otto Marschel and his pool hall will occuppy the second floor of the new Cernik building. But Otto says he is not saying anything for sure till he knows it for sure.

Sweat will not discolor goods dyed with Putnam Fadeless Dyes. These dyes are guaranteed to be absolutely fast to sweating and washing. 10c per package. Sold by Johnson Brosthers.

The "Rustler" comedy company bought tickets for Scotia Tuesday morning. If they are not more successful in securing an audience there than here we fear they will be compelled to "rustle" to get out of town.

The Workmen are planning for a big time in the near future. There will be a banquet, a fine program and other features. They have been offered the use of Odd Fellows hall as a reception room and place for hearing the program.

The cards are out announcing the wedding of Mr. Christian Bossen and Miss Edith Easterbrook, both of Pleasant Valley, on next Wednesday evening, February 14. Miss Edith is a granddaughter of our fellow-townsmen E. M. Foster.

I wish to sell the following lands for cash, $4.00 per acre: N. E. ¼ section 32-17-13; N. E qr. section 14-17-13; N. W. qr. section 10-20-13; N. W. N. W., S. N. W. and S. W, N. E. section 30-18-16.

J. B. PIPER,
Ramge Block, Omaha.

J. C. Shull of Auburn is at Burwell with an eye to entering the law firm of Bragg & Alger, the senior member of the firm having his time employed in the organization of A. O. O. P. lodges.

But it is not yet decided that the deal will be made.

Mrs. Dr. Cameron of Burwell went to Chicago Wednesday accompanied by her little daughter to see the doctor. The sick man is getting better slowly. We find that the people of Burwell and vicinity are intensely hoping that he will recover.

Everything is quite promising as regards the prospects for the success of the Farmer's Institute. President Firkins tells us that the state speakers as promised so far with their topics are; Dr. Peters "Care of, and preventative of animal disease;" Prof. Lyon "Forage crops" and E. A. Burnett, president of the state association, "Feeding beef and dairy cattle." Probably one of the most interesting papers on the program will be the one by W. L. McNutt on the subject "To what extent can the average central Nebraska farmer become a breeder of thoroughbred stock?" Mr. McNutt's experience along this line will make his paper an interesting one. The official program will be published in these columns next week.

OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

Conducted by CORA A. THOMPSON.

The next literary exercises will be a "Riley" program by the twelfth grade.

Several of the grades are preparing programs in honor of the birthdays of Lincoln and Washington.

Wednesday afternoon the general history class had a debate on Caesar and Pompey. The side representing Caesar came out victorious.

W. A. Anderson was a visitor at morning exercises Monday.

Since the holidays, the daily attendance of the fifth grade has been the best of the school year.

Stanley Dworak, who has been absent owing to an injury caused by a fall, is again in school.

William and Dessie Noll, who were out last week, have returned. They were kept at home by the sickness of their father.

Wilmer Gray made a trip to Hastings on his bicycle last Friday, or rather he started on his bicycle but broke down near Elba and went the remainder of the distance on the train, by which route he returned Tuesday evening.

This week the high school pupils have been required to report the time spent out of school hours on their lessons.

The dumb-bells ordered for the eighth grade have arrived and are now in use in physical culture.

A history of the world consisting of sixty volumes, has been placed in the bookcase of the high school room. These are books given by contributions from business men and patrons, and are a very acceptable addition to the library.

It has been considered advisable to have some drill in penmanship and practice in writing business forms, notes, letters, etc, and for the remainder of the year, an hour or more a week will be given to such practice.

At a meeting of the board Monday evening, it was decided to refund the tuition paid by non-resident pupils. This action was taken by the board as it believes that the county will not refuse to pay the bill.

Chas. Meals of O'Neill, a former pupil of Mr. Anderson visited the high school Tuesday afternoon. Mr. Meals was on his way to North Platte to take an examination for entrance to the academy at West Point.

This Week in Local History.

Feb. 8, 1883.—The Robbins twins were born,

A great deal of corn was still unhusked.

Feb. 7, 1890.—Hattie Woodbridge committed suicide at Arcadia.

Feb. 5, 1892.—Joseph Stara fell from his wagon while returning home from Burwell and was killed. His body was not discovered till two days afterward and all this time the team stood there, the lines being caught as to hold the the horses, and his faithful dog never deserted his master till the body was taken away.

John C. Morrow died.

Feb. 3, 1893.—Fred Dowhower committed suicide in the Norfolk asylum.

Feb. 8, 1895.—There was a bad storm raging.

H. C. Sorensen passed away at the sanitarium, Lincoln.

Feb. 5, 1897.—The C. H. Bogue Lumber Company failed.

Old man Boleich of Garfield county died. He had been found in his hut nearly frozen to death.

The authorities and Chris Brady had a set-to in the sheriff's office and Chris came out second best.

The U. P. carried out four cars of sheep for the South Omaha markets Wednesday noon. They were the property of A. H. Pierce and were a fine looking lot of animals and such shipments are bound to reflect credit upon the resources of the county.

Clark, the creamery man, was in the city a couple of days during the middle of the week.

Photographer Henderson spent a couple of days in the city this week with his wife and children.

Thos. S. Harris was a Lincoln passenger Thursday morning. He came in the night before and remained over night.

FOR SALE:—40 acres of good land two miles from Arcadia.
42-5t JAMES STERLING.

Judge Staple joined in marriage last Monday, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stara, Mr. Frank J. Vanek and Miss Mary Turdik. May happiness be their lot.

The Ladies Aid Society of the G. A. R will hold their next regular meeting at the home of Mrs. Lial Craig on Friday, Feb. 16. All members are requested to be present.

Eighty acre Farm near Manderson for sale. Good hay land. The Quiz.

Report of the Springdale school for the month ending Friday, February 2: Total enrollment 62. Average daily attendance 46. The following were not absent during the month: Mabel and Bennie Timmerman, Bertha, Bennie and Dave Arnold, Millicent Prentice, Sadie and James Bales, Vincent, Annie and Emma Vandas, Glen Millard, Ralph Potter, Willie, Floyd, Clara, Elsie Wygent, Knute Peterson, Freddie Brown, Earl and Mabel Hanson, Doane Stowell, Edna Cronk and Lila Clark.

C. A. HAGER, Teacher.

FOUND A GOLD MINE

IT WAS HIS POULTRY YARD.

Man in Iowa Uses a Compound that Makes His Hens Lay Double the Usual Number Summer and Winter. Secret of His Success.

People in the neighborhood of Creston, Iowa, are amazed at the number of eggs that this man drives to market with. When asked what was the cause of his hens being so prolific, he stated it was all in a certain compound he was using, that kept his hen in good condition and furnished them with the proper stimulus to egg production. America Poultry Mixture is the name of it, and is made by American Mfg. Co. Terre Haute, Ind. Every man in the poultry business is interested in the health of his hens and their laying capacity. In the eggs lie his profits. This mixture is guaranteed to increase the production of eggs 100 per cent or money refunded. It will do more than three times as much as the same ammount of any other compound. It is concentrated in form and the result of years of practical experience in the poultry business. There is absolutely no doubt as to what it will do, and you are invited to try it at the expense of the company. Send $1.00 for a sample package and if it doesn't do the the work you get your money back. This is fair and is made to induce poultrymen to give it a trial. It is also a sure preventative of such deseases as the terrible cholera and croup which create such havoc in all parts of the country. It acts directly on the craw and gizzard and is a thoroughly scientific preparation.

The manufacturers guarantee every package or refund purchase money. If your druggist don't sell American Poultry Mixture he's behind the age. In that case order direct from American Manufacturing Co., Terre Haut, Ind.

VICINITY CLIPPINGS.

Gleaned from our Neighbor Exchanges

From the North Loup Loyalist.

J. F. Wheatcraft is hauling ice from the river to his farm on Davis Creek. Quite a distance to haul it.

Mrs. Martha Hibbard and Mable started for Harvard, this morning, where Mrs. Hibbard will place herself in the care of a doctor who is a magnetic healer. Last night quite a number of Mable's young friends gave her a good bye party.

A very pleasant surprise was given Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Young, Saturday evening, Jan. 27, in honor of their seventeenth anniversary. A goodly number of their friends met at the Gray school house about seven o'clock and went in a crowd to the "Young" home. None of the family were aware of what was going till the door was opened, and the guests walked in. The evening was pleasantly spent in chatting and in enjoying a feast of oysters which had been prepared. Mr. and Mrs. Young are royal entertainers, and to go there insures a good time. Some useful and handsome present were left by their guests as a token of the esteem in which this worthy couple is held by their neighbors. They returned to their homes at a late hour, wishing the "bride and groom" many happy returns of the day.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the post office at Ord, Nebr., for the week ending Feb. 9, 1900.

Jake Bowers.
W. Cobch.
Ophie Johnson.
Eddie Kalsal.
Mary Poulsen.
R. C. Williams.
Johanna Wojtaszenska.

If not called for in two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead letter office. Parties claiming any of the above please say they were "advertised

S. A. STACY, Postmaster.

Jos. Masin and wife were passengers to Burwell Wednesday night.

Mr. Haizlet, a brother of Mrs. C. C. Spaulding, is spending a few days in the city.

Her Proper Place.

Miss Brooke, the English actress, once gave a couple of seats for the theater to her landlady, who had never seen her on the stage. On the following day the landlady seemed to be satisfied with the play, but she did not give any opinion of Paula. So Miss Brooke asked her the straight question, "What did you think of me?" Then the landlady exclaimed with a bland, admiring smile: "Oh, Miss Brooke, dear, you're far too good for the stage! You ought to be in a shop, tryin on mantles!"

Ready For Him.

Little Willie—Say, pa, was the earth created before man?

Pa—Yes, my son.

Little Willie—Why was it?

Pa—It was probably known that it would be the first thing he'd want when he arrived.—Chicago News.

India has perhaps a greater variety of plants than any other country in the world, having 15,000 native species, while the flora of the entire continent of Europe embraces only about 10,000.

Poverty is the stone on which many wits are whetted.—Chicago News.

WANTED, SEVERAL PERSONS FOR DISTRICT office managers in this state to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly $600.00, payable weekly. Desirable employment with unusual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago.

County Correspondence.

Springdale Sparks.

Feb. 2, 1900.—Some of the farmers that had commenced plowing were checked by the sudden cold spell.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Finley of Noble Township were visitors in Springdale one day last week.

Clayton Timmerman and Pearl McLain were guests at Vie Timmerman's las Sunday.

The te-he club met at the home of Mrs. Fellows last Sunday night.

Messrs. Will and Newell Wiygent are talking of running a herd of cattle this coming summer. They have the promise of about ten thousand head.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Hawkins of Holt county have been visiting at McLain's.

Mrs. Cora Morrison returned to her home at Hickman last Tuesday.

Some of the young people gave Miss Vie Timmerman a surprise party last Wednesday evening.

The young people tripped the fantastic toe at Charlie Young's last Tuesday night.

George White, while out to see his girl last Sunday night, lost his horse.

Abbie and Emma Potter were visiting at Barnhart's last week. The horse haying its visit out first came home and left them.

Ida Items.

A surprise party was given on Mr. Sorensen's forty-ninth birthday, Saturday nig Games and an oyster supper were the attractive features of the evenimg. The only drawback was the sickness of Mrs. Whiting, on account of which the guests departed early.

Mrs. A. J. Smith and daughter were visitors at Mrs. Goodenow's last Sunday.

Walter Johnson, of Taylor, spent Sunday with relatives in this vicinity.

Maude Jackson visited Mrs. William Wright Saturday.

Two young gunners of Ida took a stroll over hill and dale one day last week and, as the story ran, they shot the "hair" off a coyote's back, also both ears and broke one leg, yet they came home empty handed, all in fault of "poor guns."

A very pleasant surprise was given Miss Pearl Butts at her home Saturday evening. About twenty were dresent.

L. N. Kennedy and people are at home to friends on Bluff Street.

William Brockus visited at Mr. Goodenow's Wednesday.

Some more timber has been shipped up to finish the bridge work on the B. & M. road where the pile driver has been at work.

Edna Wright is absent from school owing to eczema in her face.

Doris.

Yale Yowlings.

Everybody has the grip this changable weather.

A farmer's trust has been or is to be organized at Manderson. We understand it is the first in the state.

The Manderson literary is the thing now according to Charley's way of thinking.

A. P. Williams has been in Yale a few days this week.

J. O. Smith was also in Yale taking orders for fruit trees for Stark Bros. nursery.

Ed Knott and D. B. Smith shipped cattle to Omaha last week. Mr. Knott had the misfortune to lose one between Arcadia and Loup City. It got down in the car and was killed by another standing on its wind pipe.

Quarterly meeting was held at Pleasant Valley last Tuesday, at the home of Mr. Easterbrook.

Christian and Edith have finally acknowledged who are going to occupy that new house Ed. is building.

Grace Calhoune of Ord was at Pleasant Valley last Sunday.

John says he has almost given up in dispair trying to get a wife.

D. B. Smith lost a fat cow last Saturday.

We understand that John Maslonka has rented the Dinsmore farm.

We understand that D. H. Forney, the Duncard minister, is going to moye into our neighborhood this spring.

Mira Mites.

Frank Vopat was over from Olean the first of the week.

C. W. Noll has been quite sick with la-grippe but is out now enjoying the healthful and refreshing atmosphere.

Edd Prien of Davenport Iowa, is visiting with the Priens and Heydens.

As we did not report it last week, it will not be out of the way to say that Mr. and Mrs. George Lang can rejoice over the arrival of a fine boy.

The rabbit hunters began war on the game early last fall and closed the campaign this week. The official count of the dead and wounded numbers forty five hundred and ninety nine.

Rev. Parker closed a two week's meeting at Midvale Sunday night. We believe the meeting will result in great good to the community. He is a fearless speaker and is held in the highest esteem by all who formed his acquaintance.

Mrs. Bredthaur has been spending several days with her mother Mrs. Hackel.

We hear from good authority that Arthur Honnold, one of our successful teachers, will start for Des Moines, Iowa, about the middle of March for a two years collegiate course providing he can get some one to take his other duties off his hands.

G. G. Clement is around collecting taxes.

Walter Moody and family will be in Nebreska the last of the week. If he will settle among us again we will not complain. Amusement.

Rose Valley Round-de-lays.

Our literary aud singing school continue to be very attractive to our people. The attendence is good.

We have a new organ at the school house, which adds very much to the attractiveness of all public occasions.

Will Pigman has a new barn. John Willsche was architect and builder, and is a good one.

Will Phillips was in the Valley last week looking after his grain which yielded well.

They are putting up ice at Ericson and shipping it to Lincoln and Omaha in great quantities. Many teams in the vicinity find employment at this work. Some of the farmers are taking advantage of the opportunity and are filling ice houses on their farms.

Mr. Marshall is fixing up his place. A new windmill is one of the items of improvement.

H. C. Vincent, who has rented the old Pollock place, is hauling hay and tools onto the premises so as to be ready for work as soon as spring opens. Corn-tassel.

North Loup News.

Mrs. Martha Hibbard and daughter Mabel left Thursday morning for Harvard, Nebr., where they will visit friends, and from there they will go to Miles City, Montana where she expects to make her home for the future.

Ellis McCalep started overland for Lake City, Iowa, where he has secured work with E. C. Haskins.

A. E. Cress and Orla Goodrich were Ord passengers Thursday.

Miss Lelia Buffington returned to St. Paul Friday morning after an extended visit with relatives here.

Mrs. William Burris was in town visiting Thursday and Friday.

Guy Dann is in town again investigating the prospect for a banking business.

Miss Maude Springer was a St. Paul visitor Friday.

Mrs. Hayden Strong came down from Ord Saturday morning.

A number of townspeople went to the home of Harry Brown Friday even'ng and passed a very pleasant evening.

Mrs. Ed. Trump was in town Saturday.

Mrs. Alvord was down and staid a week with her old man.

J. H. Babcock and George Johnson were at Ord on business Monday.

Mrs. Will Freman of Scotia was in town between trains Monday.

Nancy Huckleberry was at home over Sunday.

Harrison & Jones received a car of stone this week which goes to Davis Creek for Matt Brown's new dwelling house.

V. J. Thomas is building a new house on his farm for the use of his renter this year.

Mrs. Martha L. Smith went to Ord Monday.

J.H. Babcock and family left Wednesday morning for Milton, Wisconson, where they expect to make their home for the future. The departure of this family is very much regretted by the people of North Loup, as they have resided here for many years and have many friends who would be glad to have them remain, but Mr. Babcock thinks the prospects of securing steady work at his trade is better in the older settled country, hence his decision to move. He still retains possession of his home here though and perhaps may, like many othes, find that Nebraska has attractions that will bring him back to North Loup.

George Worth, George Nash, Thomas Gray and Will Kildow started for Gentry, Arkansas, to investigate the country with the expectation of locating somewhere in that portion of the universe if everything is satisfactory.

Mrs. Charles Gosset returned to Ord Tuesday after a few days visit with relatives here.

A. H. Babcock went to Ord Wednesday on business.

Matt Coffin came down Wednesday morning on the cold wave train.

Sam Brown went to Grand Island Wednesday morning to consult Dr. Davis about the condition of his eyes.

Dr. Clark paid the city his usual monthly visit this week.

Victor Blackledge of Vinton, Iowa, arrived Wednesday. He is a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Johnson.

An effort is being made to close up a private gambling place in town which has been running for several months and which has been frepuented by some of the young boys of town. Also some of the older men are said to be regular attendants. As some of the women whose boys have been enticed there are talking the matter up, if it is not stopped they will probably hear something from them. O-A-

Poplar Grove People.

We have been told that Will Wallace and family of Geranium are going to move out of the ccunty. Where we are not aware. Good luck go with them.

Will Bartlett has rented his father-in-law's farm and expects to move on it soon.

It is rumored that John Neverkla has found himself a life companion who she is we do not know.

Jos. Waldmann had the misfortune of losing a nice heifer which he purchased only three weeks ago.

Mary Kriz left for her home in eastern Nebraska after spending a few weeks with relatives.

Johnnie reported last week that Ign. Klema left for Omaha. That was an error as he went to Lincoln.

Many have handed in their cards of application to the M. W. A., all went to Ord Monday to undergo a medical examination. The order is increasing rapidly this winter.

Frank Papousek of Iowa a former resident of Valley county arrived last week to spend a few days with relatives and friends.

A member arrived at the home of Jas. Holoun, name unknown, parties doing well.

Children Study Too Much.

The cramming system and its accompanying evils are characterized as "A National Crime at the Feet of American Parents" by Edward Bok in The Ladies' Home Journal. "No child under 15 years of age," he contends, "should be given any home study whatever by his teachers. He should have not more than from one hour to four of schooling each day, the hours increasing with his years. Outside of school hours he should have at least three hours of play. After 15 the brain has another period of rapid development, with special increase of the higher faculties. Four hours of schooling, then, is not too much, provided the child's physical being is capable of it, and in time an hour of isolated study may be added. But that is enough.

"Five hours of brain work a day is the most that we should ask of our children, and the child should pass at least two hours a day in the open air. Our boys and girls do not get enough fresh air and sunshine into their bodies and natures. The higher institutions of learning understand the need of physical development for brain growth far better than do our lesser schools and our homes—sad as it is to admit it."

Why Tower, Not Castle, of London.

London's most famous historical building was named the "Tower," and not the "Castle," of London. Most fortresses of Norman construction in England keep the name of castle. London's Norman fortress alone bears another title. The reason is to be found in the methods of Norman military architecture. A Norman fortress was constructed of a tower or keep, with an attendant castle, each having the same relative importance. The first constable of the Tower called himself "constable of the Tower of London and its attendant castle." Whereas in the case of most such buildings in England the name castle has survived longest, in the case of the principal fortresses at the capitals of Normandy and of Norman England the tower was the chief part of the fortifications. Thus the castle at Rouen, like the castle at London, always has been called the Tour de Rouen. The White Tower was so called because its builder, Henry III, whitewashed it.

A Night of Terror.

"Awful anxiety was felt for the widow of the brave General Burnham of Machias, Me., when the doctors said she would die from Pneumonia before morning" writes Mrs. S. H. Lincoln, who attended her that fearful night, "but she begged for Dr. King's New Discovery, which had more than once saved her life' and cured her of consumption. After taking, sqe slept all night. Further use entirely cured her." This marvelous medicine is guaranteed to cure all Throat, Chest and Lung Diseases. Only 50c and $1.00. Trial bottles free at Ben Bridgford's drug Store.

His Imagination.

During one of the Napoleonic campaigns a Frenchman was tripped up by a spent cannon ball, but without being injured in any way. He thought both his legs had been carried off and lay on the ground all night, suffering excruciating agony and never moving for fear of encouraging the bleeding. Next day the medical officer, coming around, said to him, "What has happened to you, comrade?" "Ah," he answered, "please touch me gently! A cannon ball has carried off both my legs!"

Stood Death Off.

E. B. Munday, a lawyer of Henrietta, Tex., once fooled a grave-digger. He says: "My brother was very low with malarial fever and jaundice. I persuaded him to try Electric Bitters, and he was soon much better, but continued their use until he was wholly cured. I am sure Electric Bitters saved his lise." This remedy expels malaria, kills disease germs and purifies the blood; aids digestion, regulates liver, kidneys and bowels, cures constipation, dyspepsia, nervous diseaees, kidney troubles, female complaints; gives perfect health. Only 50c at Ben Bridgford's drug store.

When It Doesn't Turn.

A woman's silk frock is spun by a worm, but if the worm tries to crawl on it the woman shrieks.—Chicago Record.

An Editor's Life Saved by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

During the early part of October, 1896, I contracted a bad cold which settled on my lungs and was neglected until I feared that consumption had appeared in an incipient state. I was constantly coughing and trying to expel something which I could not. I became alarmed and after giving the local doctor a trial bought a bottle of Chamberlain,s Cough Remedy and the result was immediate improvement, and after I had used three bottles my lungs were restored to their healthy state.—B. S. Edwards, Publisher of The Review, Wyant, Ill. For srle by Johnson Bros.

Trick of the Sleight of Hand Man.

The Anne Psychologique has an interesting article by M. Binet, the well known French psychologist, on mental suggestion and prestidigitation, in which he shows that sleight of hand and clever tricks do not make a prestidigitateur without a power of "suggestion" on the spectator. A skilled performer has a marvelous power of acting on the secret springs of the will. Thus he can generally make a person choose a figure below ten by the way he asks for it. If he wishes the person to choose five, he runs rapidly over the first figures and dwells a little on "five" to suggest it to the memory. It is also curious that of such figures, "seven" is the most likely to be chosen and "one" the least likely.

A Remarkable Discovery.

A remarkable discovery is one of the chronic proclamations of advertisers. No such claim is made for Lichty,s Cough Cure is an established remedy with known merit, made on scientific principles by experienced chemists. It stops coughing at once; will not cure consumption, buc gives temporary relief, and absolutely cures all other affections of the throat and lungs. For Croup, Whooping Cough and Colds, Lichty's Cough Cure is invaluable. 25 and 50 cent bottles. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

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J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, Omaha, Nebr. 45 7t

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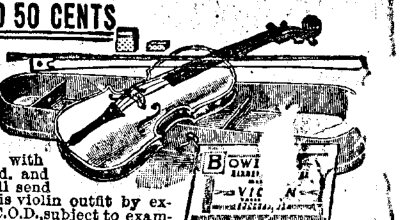

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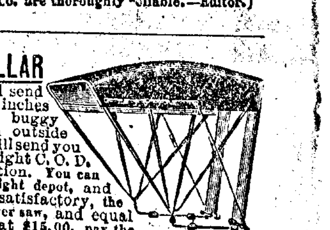

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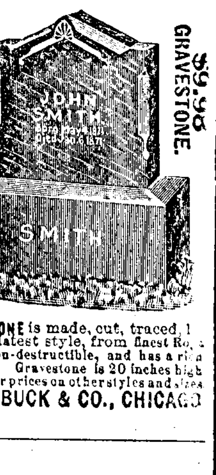

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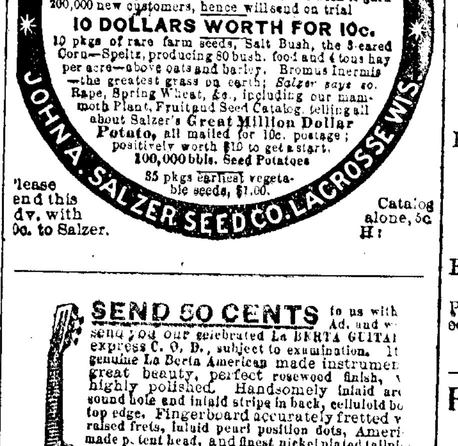

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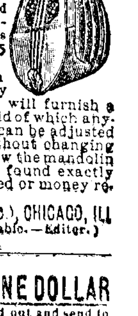

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THE TOWN IS QUIET

Day of Comparative Calm at Kentucky Capital.

THE OLIVE BRANCH IS EXTENDED

Loophole Open For a Peaceable Settlement—Republicans Make a Move—Democrats Meet Them Half Way, But Little is Done.

A Frankfort, Ky., dispatch of February 2 says: At 1 o'clock this morn-morning Dr. Hume said that Mr. Goebel would probably live through the rest of the night. He added, however, that there was a possibility of uraemic poisoning, and that it was possible for the governor to die in a convulsion almost any time.

For the first time since the shooting of Governor Goebel there were signs of a peaceful settlement Thursday. The signs were few and small and they have disappeared, but the hole into which they were withdrawn has been left open, and there is a chance that they may reappear. The original proposition looking toward an amicable adjustment came from the republican side just before noon, when T. L. Edelen of Frankfort, one of Governor Taylor's attorneys appeared at the Capital hotel to hold a conference with Judge Pryor, Lewis McQuown and Col. William Scott, the legal advisers of the democracy.

After a short talk Mr. Edelen declared that Governor Taylor and the republican party were anxious to avoid anything that might possibly lead to serious trouble, as the present conditions might be, if nothing was done to prevent it. He was assured by the democratic attorneys that they were as anxious to save any clash between the parties as the republicans could be. Mr. Edelen then proposed to submit the case of the rival governors to the Kentucky court of appeals, which, he declared, judging by the action of Judge Hazelrigg in swearing in Governor Goebel, would probably decide against Governor Taylor.

He then wanted the right to submit the matter to the United States supreme court for final settlement. The talk was informal, Mr. Edelen merely stating his position that the opposing attorneys might take the matter under advisement. The lawyers separated with an agreement to meet again at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

When they met for the second time Mr. Edelen again submitted his proposition and received the reply that the democratic attorneys desired to have the matter adjudicated in the state courts. To this Mr. Edelen objected, saying he wished the final settlement to be made in the supreme court at Washington.

Appeals to the President.

A Washington dispatch says President McKinley has received a long message from Gov. W. S. Taylor of Kentucky, dated at Frankfort. Governor Taylor recites at length the situation in Kentucky; declares that he considers himself the legally elected executive of the state and asserts that the condition of affairs at the present time is most critical. He says that a riot may occur at any time which will cause much bloodshed. Governor Taylor says that he is doubtful of his power to control the situation and appeals to the president to end the matter and to secure peace in the state by recognizing him as the governor of Kentucky. The appeal is very earnest and the aid of the administration is urgently requested.

SAYS HE KILLED GOEBEL

Man With Knowledge, or Mentally Unbalanced Makes Assertions.

James Sutton, sheriff of Whitney county, who arrived at Louisville, Ky., from Frankfort Thursday night, is a prisoner in the county jail. At an early hour at the Victoria hotel. Sutton went up to the office of the clerk, brandishing to revolvers.

"I am the man who shot Goebel," he said, "and I will never be taken alive." The hotel manager promptly sent for the police, and on the appearance of the latter Sutton ran upstairs to the third story, and when he thought he was about to be captured opened a window and leaped out. He alighted on his feet, was uninjured, and ran nearly a mile before he was arrested. The police believe that Sutton is either decidedly unbalanced mentally or that he knows who shot Goebel. An effort to interview him after he was lodged in jail proved unsuccessful. He lay in a dark corner of his cell and refused to say a word.

Three Asphyxiated.

Mrs. Samuel Thurman, aged six y. and daughter, aged seventeen, were asphyxiated by natural gas at Sheridan, Ind. When found the mother and daughter were dead, and Mr. Thurman was lying on the floor with the gas key in his hand. During the night the fire had gone out in the stove and the gas escaped. Thurman tried to shut it off, but fell unconscious. He will die.

Calls Up the Peace Treaty.

In the executive session of the senate Wednesday Senator Mason called up the Hague peace treaty, but owing to the absence of Senator Davis, who is in charge of the measure, the Illinois senator was prevailed upon to allow it to go over.

Greeley's Assailant Fined.

Joseph Furnace, who assaulted General A. W. Greeley several weeks ago, at Washington, has been fined $200 or six months in jail.

Plague Making Inroads.

Surgeon General Sternberg received a telegram from Colonel Forwood of the medical department at San Francisco, saying that Major Taylor at Honolulu reports under date of January 15 that there had been thirty-four cases of bubonic plague and twenty-seven deaths at Honolulu, and that the situation is serious. According to Major Taylor, the disease has appeared in several isolated places outside of the original district. The board of health is acting vigorously and has burnt Chinatown and other infected localities.

SPION KOP A GRAVE YARD

British Casualties Forty Per Cent of th. Men Engaged.

The supplemental lists of casualties at Spion kop fill two columns in nonpareil type in the London papers, making 1,300 reported thus far for General Buller's operations north of the Tugela. The Daily Chronicle estimates that the total exceeds 2,000. The 40 per cent loss at Spion kop is greater than any British force ever suffered, except at Albuera, Spain, in 1811.

The admiralty has warned all half pay naval officers to hold themselves in readiness for service. This, with the fact that able seamed not thoroughly experienced have been withdrawn from the channel squadron, is taken to indicate the early mobilization of the reserve fleet, especially "A" division.

At a meeting of the army and navy members of the house of commons a resolution expressing absolute confidence in whatever the government thought necessary commanded only two votes. Instead of this a resolution was adopted calling for the immediate formation of a home defense force. Lord Salisbury has called another cabinet council, which will meet Friday or Saturday to consider the situation.

Public spirits are at very low ebb.

KNEW NOTHING OF THE FUND

Widow of General Lawton Overwhelmed With Gratitude.

Until she reached San Francisco Mrs. Lawton knew nothing of the fund raised by the American people. The news was taken aboard by Pilot Reed and communicated to Mrs. Lawton by Lieutenant Colonel Edwards, the dead soldier's adjutant general.

"Oh, how kind, how kind!" she sobbed, and, completely overcome, she sank down upon a divan and cried like a child. "It had always been Henry's ambition and mine," she said presently, "to have a home for the children but I had despaired of it—"

More she could not say.

Everybody in the cabin came forward and congratulated Mrs. Lawton in turn.

INSISTS ON HIS INNOCENCE

Man Charged With Shooting Confident He Will be Cleared.

Harland Whittaker, who was suspected of having shot senator Goebel and who was taken to Louisville from Frankfort, was somewhat nervous as the result of the excitement, but he still persisted in asserting his innocence and said he had no fear from the outcome of his trial.

"I did not shoot Mr. Goebel," said he, "and never thought of doing so. I was there simply as a friend of Taylor, to see with the others that he had justice done him.

Died From Natural Causes.

Coroner's jury at Harbine, investigating the death of the woman supposed to be Mrs. D. J. Denning, have discovered that the woman's true name was Mrs. Nettie McConnell, and that she had a husband by the name of D. C. McConnell, who was a railroad brakeman living in Haywarden, Ia., from which she had eloped with her aged companion about a month prior to her death. It was also discoved that the dead woman had been subject to attacks very similar to the one that proved fatal last Saturday, and the coroner's jury returned a verdict that death was caused from heart truble.

Completes Census of Cuba.

Under General Sanger's direction the Cuban census supervisors have completed the preliminary enumeration of the population of Cuba and the results have been handed to Secretary Root. The population of Cuba is 1,272,840, which is about 55,000 less than it was when the last census was taken by the Spaniards in 1887. The population of Porto Rico is placed at 957,679. In 1887 the island showed a population of 806,708.

California Senatorial Struggle.

At Sacramento, Cal., the members of the republican majority caucused to nominate a candidate for the United States senate. Earlier in the evening the Burns and anti-Burns factions held preliminary caucuses. The caucus adjourned after taking six ballots. There was no choice, the last ballot standing: Burns 31, Bard 18, Scott 7, Grant 15 scattering 15.

Amends Financial Bill.

Senator Morgan of Alabama has offered a substitute for the senate financial bill, providing that the fixed policy of the United States is to pay off the national dept as rapidly as possible; that the specie basis, consisting of gold or silver, or both, is the only true basis of bank bills; that it is unjust to change the present financial system.

Jury Acquits Pressler.

The trial of the case of the State vs H. Bressler was concluded last evening. The jury went into the box about 6 p. m. and returned a verdict of not guilty after being out about seven hours. Mr. Bressler was arrested on the charge of shooting one of his tenants on his farm near Wisner.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

There are 5,000 cases of influenza in Madrid.

Terrible snow storms prevail in Spain, in some places being yards deep.

Rumor is current in Paris that a rebellion has occurred among the Soudanese troops in Khartoum.

Emperor Hwang Su continues to issue edicts in his own name. Officials consider that his immediate retirement is improbable.

It is said that the dowager empress of China has issued a secret decree to provincial governors exhorting them to strong measures against foreigners and even to war.

The bodies of General Lawton and Major John A. Logan, Jr., reached San Francisco Wednesday on board the transport Thomas, which entered the harbor with flags at half mast.

Charles Jones, alias Charles Johnson, the train robber who shot railway detective John Jackson at the Holden, Mo., round up several days ago was captured by a posse near Chilhowee.

HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL

Expedition of General Kobbe Takes Nine Towns.

REBELS FLEE TO THE MOUNTAINS

Seventy-Five Killed in Different Scrimmages—Towns Set on Fire Before the Americans Enter—Other General News Notes.

Brigadier General Kobbe's expedition in the islands of Luzon, Leyte and Samar has occupied permanently and garrisoned nine towns with the Forty-third and Forty-seventh regiments, says a Manila dispatch of February 5. This has placed on the market 180,000 bales of hemp.

A thousand insurgents armed with rifles and over 5,000 armed with wooden swords, bows and arrows, were encountered during the entire trip. The troops killed seventy-five natives, eleven of whom had rifles. The others were villagers armed with wooden swords. The American loss was one man killed and nine men wounded. The Americans captured $9,000 in gold, the enemy's money, and forty muzzle-loading brass cannons. At Calbagog and Samar the enemy evacuated the towns, the Americans chasing, fighting and scattering them to the mountains.

FIGHT MAY BE ON ALREADY

Buller Said to Be Knocking at the Doors of Ladysmith.

London, Eng., February 6 special says: Military opinion continues to assume, from very slender material, that General Buller is again throwing his army against the Boer's works. A retired general, Sir William Henry Green, whose distinguished career gives weight to his opinion, thinks that General Buller, with 25,000 men, is making a wide detour to the west and north in order to avoid the roughest parts of the country. As General Buller must have some thousands of wagons, Sir William Green points that the movement would necessarily be slow.

No authentic word is at hand, save that the war office reaffirmed orally to newspaper inquirers at a late hour that it could not confirm the reported advance. There the Natal situation rests.

The war office statement that it has received no confirmation of the report that General Buller has recrossed the Tugela river has failed to shake public belief that operations of tremendous importance are proceeding at the Tugela and it is thought that either the denial was prompted by a desire to keep the military movement as secret as possible until something is accomplished, or that General Buller is keeping the home officials in the dark pending results. It is obviously difficult to extract the truth from the conflicting statements shrouding General Buller's statements, but most of the commentators agree that the aggregate of the items tends to confirm the belief that movements of importance are in progress.

LOSS EXCEEDS A MILLION

Three St. Louis Dry Goods Houses Lose Entire Stock.

A fire which originated in Penny & Gentle's dry goods store at St. Louis destroyed property estimated at $1,500,000. The greater part of four blocks of buildings and their contents in the heart of the retail section were consumed. One fireman was killed and nine others of the fire department were injured more or less seriously. Five or six citizens were slightly hurt. None of the injured will die.

Mormon Converts Arrive.

Thirty-five mormon converts, many of them women, have arrived in New York on the steamship Anchoria, from Glasgow, enroute to Utah. They are from Holland, Belgium and Switzerland. There are some young girls in the party who are pretty and refined-looking. As the immigrants fulfill all the conditions of the immigration law they were allowed to proceed west.

Courts for Alaska.

Senator Carter has reported from the committee on territories the bill for a civil code of Alaska and provides for three district courts with the necessary officers and United States commissioners. Three judicial districts are created. No delegates in congress or territorial legislature is allowed under the bill.

Spreads Smallpox.

Charles Frank of Carpenter, Ia., attended a church sociable just across the state line a few days ago. During the sociable in a kissing game he bestowed kisses on three young women of the church. Shortly afterward he was taken down with the smallpox. So were all the young women. Eight cases have resulted in all and one death has occurred. The state board of health has been notified of the existence of smallpox and ordered a quarantine. The Minnesota officials have been wired of the cases in that state.

Children Burned to Death.

At Sault Ste Marie, Mich., Mrs. Jos. Kowatski locked her boy and girl, aged three and five respectively, in her house during her own absence. The house caught fire and both children were burned to death.

Deaths in Collision.

Word has just been received at Findlay, O., that a freight and passenger train on the Hocking Valley railroad collided at Carey, resulting in the death of a fireman, engineer, express messenger and two others. No further particulars are obtainable at this hour.

Edison Ill.

Thomas A. Edison is quite seriously ill in Akron, O. He had been attending the funeral of a sister at Milan, O., and on arrival at Akron Sunday, taking immediately to his bed. His ailment is said to be acute laryngitis, but physicians apprehend no serious consequences.

Aged Couple Asphyxiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Elf Knudson were asphyxiated by coal gas at Wilmot, S. D. When discovered the old gentleman was already dead and his aged wife died within a few minutes.

CONDITIONS ARE CHAOTIC.

Governor Taylor Submits a Plan to Set the Gubernatorial Controversy.

Governor Taylor has made a distinct and positive offer to submit the merits of his claim to the gubernatorial chair of Kentucky to any three fair minded men in the world, these three men to be selected by the United States supreme court. He will allow them to arbitrate the case and will abide by their decision. This announcement he made to a correspondent of the Associated press in his office in the executive building.

Chaotic is the only word that will describe the political situation as it exists in Frankfort. This condition arose not so much from anything that was done by either side as from the countless stories and rumors that were spread broadcast. Early in the morning it was positively asserted by the democrats and confirmed by a few republicans that the legislative session in London was about to be called off. The democrats claimed to have had the highest possible assurance that Governor Taylor would take such action, and that the next session of the legislature would be held in Frankfort in the capital building tomorrow morning.

Governor Taylor late in the morning, however, altered the situation entirely by declaring to the Associated press that no order had been issued revoking the meeting at London and that it would proceed as originally intended by him

To Lie in State.

The remains of Governor Goebel were taken to his home at Covington, Ky., and will lie in state. A post-mortem examination of the body of Governor Goebel was made, but no report was made as to what was learned.

YOUNG BECKHAM SWORN IN

Democrats Lose No Time in Filling the Vacancy.

Exactly one hour after the death of Mr. Goebel last Saturday, J. C. W. Beckham was sworn in as governor of the state, the oath being administered by S. J. Schakleford, clerk of the court of appeals.

Mr. Beckham seemed deeply affected by the position in which circumstances had placed him, and he did not reveal much joy over the congratulations which those in the room showered upon him, although he accepted them gratefully.

J. C. W. Beckham is a young man, having been born August 5, 1869, at Bardstown, Ky. He was elected a member of the Kentucky house of representatives in 1893. He was re-elected in 1897 and made speaker of the house in 1898. In 1899 he was nominated for lieutenant governor on the same ticket with William Goebel. In person Governor Beckham is of slight physique and a somewhat boyish appearance. He is gifted with exceedingly pleasant manners and is very popular personally.

Mr. Beckham has appointed Gen. John B. Castleman of Louisville adjutant general of the state. He will enter upon the duties of the office immediately.

ARMED CONFLICT AVOIDED

Governor Taylor Orders the Release of Alonzo Walker.

Armed conflict between the civil authorities of Franklin county and the national guard of the state of Kentucky has been averted, and unless new causes should come to the front, there is small likelihood that the political situation will again become as threatening as it has been.

Governor Taylor ordered the release of Alonzo Walker, for the possession of whom Judge Moore had declared that Sheriff Suter would swear in a posse, and take possession of the capitol grounds, if such an extreme became necessary. While not recognizing in his action the existence of a writ of habeas corpus which had been sworn out in behalf of Walker, Governor Taylor by releasing the man removed the most threatening sign of trouble. The commanding officers of the troops which guard the capitol grounds are careful to say that the situation is entirely a military affair and that they extend the writ of habeas corpus very little consideration, but whether they regard it or not, Walker is free and Sheriff Suter will not be called upon to summon force in the attempt to secure his release.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

A report from Bisbee, Ariz., states that General Torres, commander of the Mexican forces in the Yaqui war, had been killed in the Bacatete mountains.

D. M. Burns has withdrawn from the race for senator of California. This insures the election of Thomas B. Bard, the republican "rump" caucus nominee.

Professor H. D. Young, superintendent of the public schools at Norwich, O., was run over by a Baltimore & Ohio passenger train and killed. He was thirty years old.

Treasurer Meserve has issued a call for state warrants aggregating $42,000. The call is to become effective February 12. The registered numbers of the warrants run from 52,651 to 53,170.

Mrs. Grace Scott of Kalamazoo, Mich., was found in a field seven miles northwest of there frozen to death. She had undertaken to drive to the home of an aunt in Alamo. As marks of violence were found foul play is suspected.

Fish Combine.

A fish combine has been formed by forty of the wholesale houses of Boston and other points on the New England coast under the title of the Boston Fish company. The authorized capital is $5,000,000. The organization began business on February 1.

Seek New Connection.

The Fort Dodge and Southeastern railway has been organized by Fort Dodge, Ia., capitalists with $250,000 capital. It will build forty miles of road to connect that city with the Iowa Central at Story, or with the Chicago & Northwestern at Boone.

Lockout at An End.

The lockout at the piano and organ factories of Chicago, which has kept 3,500 men out of employment for thirteen weeks, was raised Tuesday. The wage loss was $600,000; the loss to manufacturers cannot be estimated.

LIFE WAS A FAILURE

So Declares C. F. Burnet of Ravena, Who Kills Himself

HAD ILL HEALTH FOR TEN YEARS

Despondent Over Poor Success in Business, He Ends His Earthly Existence by Shooting Himself With a Revolver—Nebraska News.

Charles F. Burnet of Ravenna committed suicide at Shelby by shooting himself in the temple with a revolver. For about a week he solicited members for the Ben Hur lodge without success. He went to his room in a private house and in the evening the owners found him dead. He left a note giving his body to the Omaha medical institute with instructions that after using they give it proper burial and a headstone He said his life had been a failure for ten years, during which he had an incurable bowel complaint. He was thirty years old and unmarried. He said all his business had been unsuccessful and that was the day of his last act. His brother in Ravenna wired to hold the body until his arrival.

REVENUE PRODUCING LAW

Reciprocal Insurance Act to Be Enforced Strictly.

Auditor Cornell has decided to enforce the reciprocal insurance law. During the last three years he has made an effort to enforce this law and as a result has collected about $50,000 under its provisions. The law applies only to life insurance companies. It is estimated that a strict enforcement will bring in fees to the state amounting to from $50,000 to $65,000 each year. The auditor is now receiving application from all companies doing business in the state for renewal of licenses. The companies are required to file an annual statement and secure a renewal of license at the beginning of each year. All life insurance companies will be notified that unless they pay the reciprocal tax due no license will be granted. In this way it is believed the law can be enforced.

The National Life Insurance company of Montpelier recently paid a fee of $504.79 to the state treasurer of Nebraska at the request of the auditor. Nearly all of this fee became due because of a law in Vermont taxing companies 2 per cent on gross premiums. Nebraska has no such law but as Vermont has a law of that kind, the fee must be paid. The law known as the reciprocal law provides that a company from another state must pay the license fees required by the laws of Nebraska and as much more, as the license fees of its own state are in excess of license fees of the state of Nebraska. The object of this law is to exact from companies of other states as much as the laws of such other states would require of Nebraska companies entering such states.

Considerable disturbance may be made over the law, but Auditor Cornell is determined to follow it strictly. Deputy Insurance Clerk Price has secured copies of the laws of all the states in the country and is prepared to tell each company just how much must be paid.

Finds Remains in Coffin.

Sheriff Lancaster of York has returned from Henderson, where he had been investigating the alleged grave robbing. He found that the matter was considerably overdrawn, and many wierd stories were the result of the affair. Nichols is a brother-in-law of Goosen who says that there was no intention of removing the remains. The object in examining the grave was to convince young Goosen that his mother's remains were unmolested. The remains were found in the coffin.

Two Fatalities at a Fire.

The five story building at Michigan avenue and Randolph streets, Chicago, occupied by Sprague, Warner & Co., one of the largest wholesale grocery houses in the west, was partially destroyed by fire, and the loss will reach several hundred thousand dollars. William Fleming, a fireman, was fatally injured by falling from the third story.

Boy Seriously Injured.

At Tecumseh, Neb., Dick Eaton, the son of W. F. Eaton, was kicked in the forehead by a horse. The shock was very severe and the flesh considerably lacerated, but it is believed no further injury resulted.

Calls For Resignation.

Governor Tanner has called for and received the resignation of Zion K. Wood as trustee of the asylum for feeble minded at Lincoln, Ill. Mr. Wood is a republican and lives at Mt. Pulaski. The governor declines to talk about the dismissal, saying he is not prepared to give out the particulars. An investigation has been held and it is surmised that the trouble lies in the letting of contracts for the new buildings which have been provided for by appropriation by the last legislature, but which have not been commenced yet.

Alleged Elopers Detained.

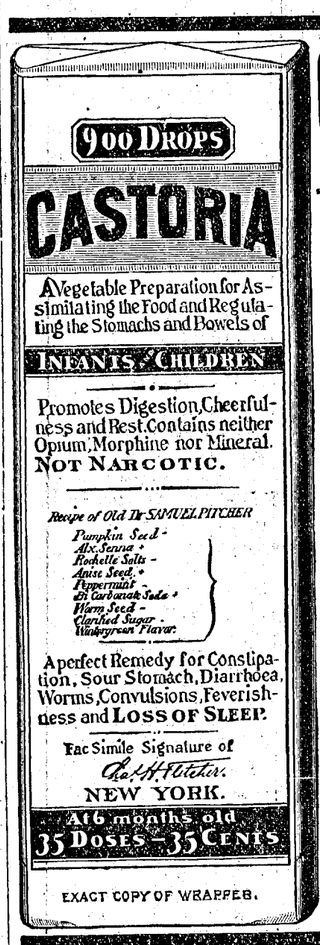
Marshal Ilgenfritz of York received a telegram from Farnumsville, Ia., requesting him to arrest or detain Bert McDonald and Jessie McClean, an alleged eloping couple from that city, whose destination was Avoca, Neb. The couple arrived on the Elkhorn passenger and were promptly taken into custody by the marshal, but as they offered to remain there until the girl's father arrived, they were allowed to stay at the LaGrande hotel. The couple are not married, but declare that they will be sooner or later.

Pioneer Nebraska Woman Dead.

Mrs. Shoff, wife of John Shoff, edtitor of the Grafton Sun, died Friday morning. She was buried in the Grafton cemetery. Mr. and Mrs. Shoff are old residents of Grafton, having located there in 1870.

Begin to Harvest Ice.

The ice harvest has begun in earnest at Table Rock. The ice men had begun to get pretty dubious about the matter, as it has been so warm, but the cold weather of the past few days has given them a good quality of ice, from six to eight inches thick.



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The Same Thing.

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Fattening Show Babies.

London Lancet: In the next session of the Paris municipal council attention will be given to baby shows and prize competition for infants. Dr. Dufourmier and Dr. Vallin have informed the council that in order to enable the infants to win medals the nurses feed them in a manner which is not conducive to their health. The infants, in fact, are greatly overfed, and at a later stage after their undue plumpness they suffer from serious disorders of digestion.

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Samoan Girls Want Husbands.

Apia seems to be pretty well supplied with some exceedingly beautiful and well-educated half-caste girls, who who would make excellent wives for the right sort of young men. Many of these girls are daughters of well-to-do parents, and not a few would be able to start out nicely as far as funds and good looks were to be counted. These girls are all unwilling to marry native husbands, and there are certainly not enough foreigners to go round. Generally Samoan and half-caste girls make excellent and faithful wives, unlike the natives of Spanish-American countries, they hold their good looks for many years.

An Ancient City Ceremony.

The ancient ceremony of paying a certain number of horseshoes and nails and the cutting of some faggots as quit rents to her majesty for certain lands held by the corporation of London from the crown, will take place this morning, before the queen's remembrancer, in one of the registrar's rooms at the royal courts of justice.—London News.

British Mule Purchases.

Up to date the British government has purchased 11,200 mules in the United States, all of which have been shipped from New Orleans. In money fully $1,500,000 has been spent and there is no prospect of any let-up. Besides mules the British agents have purchased thousands and thousands of halters, mule shoes and other paraphernalia.

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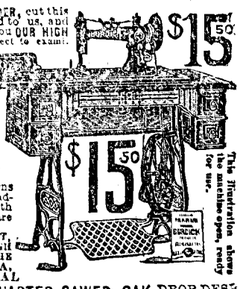

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North Loup News.

Dr. Burdick went to Ord Monday.

Guy Dann came down Monday morning.

Mrs. Alvord returned to the farm Saturday.

C. C. Shultz of Central City was here over Sunday.

Sam McClellan was at Ord Monday morning on business.

Mrs. Hill and Jud. returned Monday noon from Farwell.

Mrs. Susan Albertson went to Central City Monday afternoon.

Gowen & Johnson shipped a car of hogs to Omaha Monday last.

Rev. Witter is holding revival meetings at the S. D. B. church.

Lester Watts, Mark Howard and Louis Sheldon went to Ord Thursday.

Everybody is expected to come out to see and hear the old maids next Saturday evening.

W. H. Lewis and wife are the proud parents of a boy baby born last Saturday night and weighing eleven pounds.

W. E. Gowen sold seventy head of steers this week to parties from Hamburg, Ia., at $30 per head. They were shipped out Saturday.

The North Loup Improvement Co. has let the contract for another brick building to be erected on the vacant lot, adjoining the block already owned by them. Will be one story and basement. When finished it will be occupied by the new bank.

Arrangements are now completed by which North Loup will be sure of having a bank in the near future. Articles of incorporation have been signed by Sam McClellan, W. E. Gowen, Geo. E. Johnson and Guy Dann. It will be called the Farmer's State Bank of North Loup and is expected to be ready for business about the 1st of May.

There is a prospect of a number of acres of sugar beets being raised here this season. Rev. Pinckney has contracted for ten acres and several other parties for smaller amounts.

Once-Again.

Poplar Grove People.

A large congregation was present at church last Sunday owing to the nice weather.

Mrs. F. Adamek and baby visited Grandma Prestele one day last week. Mrs. Prestele has suffered considerable rheumatic pains in her hands but is improving somewhat.

Mr. Charles Brim of Custer Co., and Miss Mary Penas are to be united in marriage in the near future.

There was a large attendance at the literary last Tuesday. All were well entertained. The literary promises a gooe future.

Ralph Stafford bought a full blooded sow of J. C. Meese.

Ign. Klema, J. C. Meese and Mr. Prestele bought a carload of corn of Mr. Barstow, of Ord, who had it shipped to Comstock. They hauled the corn last Tuesday.

The chairman of our literary promised the school-ma'am to be at the school house bright and early the next morning and have a fire made and the floor swept. But when the teacher was climbing throueh the window the chairman was still engaged in sweet repose. But when he woke up and rubbed his eyes he glanced at the clock and lo! it was past nine o'clock. Of course he hurried and when he unlocked the school house door he found the fire built and the teacher busy sweeping. He excused himself and promised to never make such a promise again. If you wish to know who this chairman is, come to our literary next Tuesday night.

Johnie.

Pleasant Valley Pick-Ups.

The cold wave came rather unexpectedly, and after the warm weather all winter it seemed rather severe.

Moving time is at hand and there will be several changes here this spring.

Mr. Polson will move over near Ord. We are sorry to lose these people from our neighborhood for they are the kind of people that help build up the reputation of a community.

Mr. John McClary and wife have been visiting Mr. add Mrs. John Romine who live on the Cedar.

Mr. Frank Harris and wife have been visiting their many friends here. They are now living near Seward, Nebr. They have many warm friends here who gave them a cordial welcome.

The invitations are out for the marriage of Christian Bossen and Edith Easterbrook on Feb. 14. These young people are well known here and their many friends wish them joy and happiness through life.

The quarterly meeting here was poorly attended owing to sickness and a misunderstanding in regard to the time. The presiding elder preached a splendid sermon and made many friends although his stay was short. The next quarterly meeting will be at Vinton.

Alpha.

Springdale Sparks.

The Ladies Aid Society met at Mrs. Hansen's last Wednesday. It being a bad day there were only a few present.

Mary Jones of Plain Valley was a visitor of Vie Timmerman last week.

Fine music by the te-he club last Friday night at literary.

Ruby Charlton was a guest at Lura Timmerman's last Friday night.

Some of our young folks are having fine times skating these nice evenings.

There was a dance at Mr. Bales last Tuesday night. Tommy played the fiddle, Sam played the fife, And Blackbird waltzed with the yellow bird's wife.

The S. S. Brown people are expecting their daughter from Oklahoma soon.

The te-he club met at Mr. White's last Saturday night.

Blackbird.

In a short time the only government force stationed at Hawaii will be a battalion of marines. The opponents of annexation were mistaken when they declared that the islands would be a heavy military charge.

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During the early part of October, 1896, I contracted a bad cold which settled on my lungs and was neglected until I feared that consumption had appeared in an incipient state. I was constantly coughing and trying to expel something which I could not. I became alarmed and after giving the local doctor a trial bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the result was immediate improvement, and after I had used three bottles my lungs were restored to their healthy state.—B. S. Edwards, Publisher of The Review, Wyant, Ill. For srle by Johnson Bros.

VICINITY CLIPPINGS.

Gleaned from our Neighbor Exchanges

From the Sargent Leader.

On last Saturday, fourteen of Ord's representative Odd Fellows, making the working team of that order, visited Sargent Lodge and did the work in the various degrees, exemplifying the ritualistic and floor work beautifully. This team is acknowledged to be one of the best in the state and Sargent Lodge may well be proud of such visitors. At one o'clock a. m. they were called from labor to refreshments, a nice lunch having been prepared for them, which all enjoyed to their hearts' content, during which time speeches and toasts were listened to for the good of the order in general and Sargent Lodge in particular. There are warm places for the Ord Lodge in the hearts of the boys here.

From the St. Paul Free Press.

Mr. J. L. Claflin of Ord, who has been lately appointed court reporter in this district under Judge Munn, is one of our energetic workers in the winged art.

From the North Loup Loyalist.

Mrs. Charles Gosset and her two children, of Ord, returned to their home Tuesday afternoon, after spending a few days at the home of Mrs. Gosset's parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Cox.

Matt Coffin, of Ord, was in town, yesterday, drafting plans for the brick block which the North Loup Improvement Co. expect to erect as soon as spring opens up. The building will occupy the vacant lot between Stover's store and the meat market, and will be of the same length as the store. The plan is to have the first thirty feet used as a bank and the rest of the ground floor to be connected with the store, while the basement will be floored and so arranged that it can be used for offices etc. The company is showing commendable enterprise in its efforts to build up our town.

From the Fremont Tribune.

Edgar Howard, the editor statesman of the Papio, has announced himself a candidate for the position of the hydra-headed parties to which he belongs, and he has laid down the platform on which he proposes to ask recognition. He says it will be the proper regulation of corporations in Nebraska and the keeping inviolate of pledges made to that effect. "My candidacy," he says, "will first of all be based upon an unqualified opposition to the conditions that prevail at the state house today." From this it will be seen that Mr. Howard sets himself squarely against two strong political forces in the state—the railroads and the visible, concrete portion of the Fusion party, exemplified by its state officials. It is clear, therefore, that if he wins the fight in which he is just engaging, it will mean the repudiation of all present state officials. Howard is an intrepid fellow and enjoys a ruction about as much as the next one, and the prospects, according to his plan, appear very bright for affording him an unlimited quantity of unalloyed fun.

Should Mr. Howard win out; should he convince the several parties from which he expects a nomination that their present servants are not faithful and that a change is necessary, and then should he secure the support of a majority of the voters of the state, we have little doubt that he would keep his pledge to make it hot for corporations, though of course to be able to accomplish definite results, the other state officers would have to be of the same mind and stuff as he. —Fremont Tribune.

Goldsmith.

Not long before the close of Goldsmith's life he produced the brilliant and humorous lines of "Retaliation." Varied accounts are given of the origin of this poem. It will be remembered that in a joke Garrick wrote the following couplet as an epitaph for Goldsmith:

Here lies Nolly Goldsmith, for shortness called Noll,
Who wrote like an angel, but talked like poor poll.

It was on April 4, 1774, that Goldsmith died. The precise spot where he was buried in the Temple churchyard is unknown.

This is Johnson's summing up of the character of Goldsmith: "He had raised money and squandered it by every artifice of acquisition and folly of expense. But let not his frailties be remembered; he was a very great man." —William Black's "Life of Goldsmith."

Daniel Webster's Paper Cutter.

Joseph M. Terry of Peconic, N. Y., has presented a valuable relic of Daniel Webster to the Suffolk County Historical society. It is an ivory paper cutter which Mr. Webster used for a number of years in his library at Marshfield, Mass. Webster gave it to Charles Taylor, then a boy, whose father was at the time manager of Mr. Webster's farm. Young Taylor preserved the relic and several years ago while residing near Mr. Terry's house gave it to him.—New York Sun.

A Song About a Man.

"I will sing you a song about a man," said the minstrel. "By the way, did you ever notice that there never was a song written about a man? All songs are about roses and maidens and love and trysting places and sunsets and mothers; never one about the old man. Come to think about it, though, there was one, 'Father, Dear Father, Come Home With Me Now.' In this song the old man is drunk in the first verse."—Atchison Globe.

Henry George's First Friend.

In the late seventies Henry George, the single tax reformer, came east from California. He was desperately poor and had but few acquaintances.

Shortly after his arrival he lectured before the Saturday Ethical club of New York, where his brilliant oratory and shabby attire made so striking a contrast as to excite the sympathy of those present.

After he left the club appointed a committee to aid him in getting up a public lecture. Among others, the committee included Seth Low, who was then engaged in business. He was in consultation at the time, and the committee were in a hurry, so he told them to send him a lot of tickets. They forwarded 20 to him the same day and felt happy at having secured $20 for the lecture fund. The next morning came a letter of thanks from Mr. Low praising the lecturer's intellectuality and inclosing a check for $250. The affair was a success, netting about $300, so that President Low may be said to have been the first man to start Mr. George on his eastern career.

Twenty years later, in 1897, Mr. Low was the citizens' candidate and Mr. George the labor candidate for mayor of New York. The latter made a vigorous campaign and in all his speeches advised the citizens, if they could not vote for him, to vote for his friend Seth Low, and on one occasion he said that if it had not been for the latter he would not be there as a candidate. Few understood his full meaning.—Saturday Evening Post.

He Had Enough.

There is a New York physician who takes an active interest in politics and is popular with the "boys." In spite of his jolly disposition he is an extremely thin man, so thin that many a joke is aimed at him. Here is the latest story they are telling about him:

A grocer's boy entered the doctor's office the other day with a basket of fine fruit which some grateful patient had sent to him. The doctor told the boy to place the basket in a cabinet which stood against the wall. At the same instant he stepped out of the room, and, going into an adjoining one, manipulated a contrivance which caused an articulated skeleton within the cabinet to waggle its head and limbs in an appalling manner just as the messenger boy opened the door.

With a yell of terror the boy fled. When the doctor had enjoyed a hearty laugh, he picked up a fine apple and followed the boy into the street to give it to him. "Come here, my boy!" he shouted. "Here's a fine apple for you."

"Not on your life!" replied the affrighted youngster, taking to his heels again. "You can't fool me with your clothes on."—New York Tribune.

An Absentminded Professor.

I have a story of a gentleman now engaged in educational work which is, I think, somewhat remarkable and is also quite true. This gentleman was once professor of mathematics in a fine New England college. He was greatly interested in the work and devoted himself so wholly to it that a natural tendency which he had to absentmindedness became much accentuated.

One day when he had guests at dinner and was helping them to fish from a platter he took a plate bottom side up, put a fish on the bottom of the plate and handed it thus to one of the guests. There was a laugh at once, and his wife said, "My dear, if your absentmindedness has gone so far that you are serving people food on the bottoms of plates, I shall insist on your resigning your professorship."

She did insist on it, and he resigned and went into another and more general field of teaching. He is still a little inclined to be forgetful—like some of the rest of us—but he has never since served food on the bottom of a plate.—Boston Transcript.

His Answer Was Reassuring.

Mgr. Calino, the simple hearted and ingenuous Frenchman, happened to be riding in a train in the same compartment with a lady who was in constant fear of a smashup.

At every sudden stop, every jar, every sound of the bell or whistle, she cried out:

"Oh! Oh! Have we run off the track? Is it a collision? Are we going to be killed?"

Calino paid no attention, but remained wrapped in solemn silence. Presently the lady said to him:

"And you, sir, aren't you afraid of railroad accidents?"

"Not I, madame," answered Calino reassuringly. "It has been foretold that I am to die on the guillotine!"

The nervous woman went into hysterics and had to be removed from the train at the next station. — Youth's Companion.

At the Theater.

Fuddy—What do you laugh at that old joke for? When I told it to you three months ago, you didn't even smile, and now you laugh at it as though you would die.

Duddy—Yes, I know; I paid to get in here, and I'm bound to make the most of my money's worth.—Boston Transcript.

Abusing His Privileges.

"Dauber says he is wedded to his art."

"He evidently thinks he is, or he wouldn't mistreat her so shamefully." —Chicago Record.

Their First Steps.

"A man goes wrong," said the social sage, "from pure cussedness; a woman out of mere curiosity."—Philadelphia North American.

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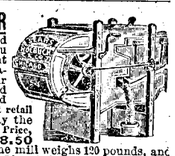

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A man may shun other men, but he can't get away from himself.

It's always difficult for a man to get anywhere with a lame excuse.

Trusts not only have no souls, but they are also devoid of nationality.

A married man's idea of home comfort is a shirt that wasn't made at home.

Some people who don't know what they want complain because they fail to get it.

When a man sows a crop of wild oats he invariably does the harvesting himself.

A man's gallantry crops out when he is entertaining a woman who is not related to him.

The public has a very poor opinion of the person who invents the lies necessary to keep a politician afloat.

The dramatization of "David Harum" may demonstrate the possibility of making pound cake out of angel food.

An old bachelor says some men are under the impression that it takes trouble to perfect character, so they get married.

To be a teacher requires three qualifications in three degrees: a little knowledge, much common sense, infinite devotion.

No human life would be possible if there were not forces in and around man perpetually tending to repair the wounds and breaches that he himself makes.

The cut in the pay of the sleeping car porters is to be made by the company. The public is expected to maintain that portion of the wages it contributes.

Uncle Sam can mobilize an army of 200,000 men in thirty days, and they can fight after they get there. In both these respects he has shown his superiority over John Bull.

England has lost two major generals in South Africa and a third is dangerously wounded. More head work and less exposure on the firing line among the British generals would help their cause.

There is one sphere of woman's activity which is not the subject of the familiar criticism that the work had better be left to the men. The New York Sun publishes a record, which does not purport to be complete, of notable gifts and bequests of women during the year just ended. The millions bestowed on various philanthropic objects, using the term in its broadest sense, bear witness alike to the generous spirit of the givers, and to the general store of unselfishness which saves us from the condemnation of being, as a nation, in bondage to greed and extravagance.

Should it be a rule of life to get all you can, or to give all you can? That question is just now under discussion. Well, how much can one give unless he first gets? The men who are laying thousands or millions on the altars of education, humanity or religion have generally been successful as captains of industry, princes of commerce, or leaders of large business enterprises. Possibly also their chief benefaction has consisted in creating profitable employment—which is a kind of giving—especially, if they have been just and considerate in their dealings, and have paid fair wages. To get honestly is quite as legitimate as to give generously, and ought to take equal rank.

Lawton's famous feat, in pursuing and capturing Geronimo and his band on foot after the horses of the soldiers had died of exhaustion, had its counterpart in the rescue of Lieut. Gilmore and his men of the Yorktown, who were ambushed and captured by Filipinos at Baler, on the eastern ast of Luzon, in April last. It was earned that they had been taken across the mountains, and their subsequent fate had been a matter of much concern. When the campaign began in northern Luzon, Col. Hare of the 33d and Lieut.-Col. Howze of the 34th regiments, with a detachment of soldiers, began a determined effort to discover and rescue them. Getting track of the party, despite harrowing privations and difficulties almost insurmountable, they followed the trail with dogged, relentless persistency till the Filipinos were absolutely "walked off their feet," corralled and captured, and Lieut. Gilmore and men were rescued. "A remarkable achievement," says Gen. Otis, and no one will dispute him.

Studying all sides of the question with impartial eyes, it really seems as if the wealthy American father would fare better by presenting his daughter with an Angora kitten than by buying her a titled husband. The kitten and the count both come high and cost some little money to keep, but the kitten has a chance to take prizes at the annual cat show, while the nobleman cannot even win out in a speculation.

Seeing may be believing, but it is sometimes better to go blind and let the other fellow bluff you.

The report of the Maine commissioners of fisheries and game shows that material for bear stories is not yet exhausted. Since fifty-five bears were killed in Maine during the past year, and since one bear is supposed to be good for his weight in stories about his doing and undoing, the danger of a shortage in literary matter is not imminent.

For some reason the stories of the unpleasant things the lawyers are doing to the Pullman estate elicit no public sympathy.

BULLER GOES BACK

Last Movement Declared Complete Failure.

HAS RECROSSED THE TUGELA RIVER

Desultory Cannonade, But No Active Fighting—First Report From Boer Headquarters Telling of Retreat Causes Consternation.

A Leipsic, February 9 dispatch says: The Neuste Nachrichten prints a special dispatch from a correspondent who claims that General Buller's third attempt to relieve Ladysmith has completely failed.

Mr. Balfour, the government leader, replying to a question in the house of commons as to whether any information had been received from the seat of war, said:

"Our information points to the fact that General Buller is not pressing an advance from the position he has occupied. We do not consider it right to press him for details of the operations which are in progress, nor if he gives such information do we deem it proper to make this public until such operations are completed. The government had no information as to whether General MacDonald has retired."

A dispatch from Boer Head Laager, Ladysmith, Thursday, Feb. 8, says: The British who were in possession of the kopje at Molen's drift abandoned it after after a bombardment by Boer cannon this morning and retired across the Tugela river to their former position.

A desultory cannonade is proceeding at the Tugela this morning, but otherwise everything is quiet.

A London, Feb. 9, dispatch says: Up to the present time the war office has evidently heard nothing of General Buller's retreat as described in the dispatches from the Boer Head Laager, Ladysmith, February 8.

When shown the Boer dispatch the officials appeared utterly dumfounded. Apparently they had not the least suspicion of the possibility of such an outcome of the operation.

It is said on reliable authority that General Buller's dispatch announcing Monday's and Tuesday's movements was particularly hopeful. He described the position gained as effective, so the news of another retirement is exceedingly bitter to the British, and, though it comes from Boer sources, there is little disposition to discredit it.

The news spread rapidly, and, naturally, disappointment was visible on all sides, although the long silence from the Upper Tugela had already aroused apprehension that General Buller might have found it impossible to go forward, in which case he would have no option but to recross the river.

APPEAL TO FEDERAL COURT

Attorneys for Minor State Officers in Kentucky Appeal to Courts.

A Cincinnati dispatch says: Judge William H. Taft, who has just been appointed as president of the new Philippine commission, has given notice to counsel that on February 12 he would hear arguments on the petition of the state officers of Kentucky other than governor and lieutenant governor for a restraining order against the three members of the Kentucky state board of election commissioners and the contestants other than those of governor and lieutenant governor.

The legislature in Kentucky hears and decides contests for governor and lieutenant governor, but the contests for other state offices comes before the state board of election commissioners, sitting as a contest board and in which said board has final jurisdiction. This petition for an injunction against the present state board of election commissioners and the democratic contestants for minor state offices is therefore not one affecting Governor Taylor and Lieutenant Governor Marshall.

IRISH GIRLS GET FORTUNE

Declared Entitled to Property of John McClellan.

In the celebrated case at Sioux Falls involving the heirship to the estate of John McClellan, the wealthy pioneer who was crushed and killed in an elevator in the Vaneps building on August 2 last, County Judge Wilkes the other day handed down his decision, in which he holds that the Ireland claimants, Mary McClellan and Margaret Hamill, nieces of the deceased, have made the best prima facie case and, in accordance with their petition, William Vaneps, a prominent business man, was appointed administrator of the estate.

Food Company Assigns.

The Standard Food company, proprietors of the new Desipota factory at Aberdeen, S. D., have made an assignment. J. G. Neuman, late of Indianapolis, and W. L. Shunk, principal stockholders, declare the embarrassment is only temporary. The factory's product is manufactured from potatoes by patented processes.

For New Cabinet Member.

Senator Nelson has been authorized to report his substitute for a bill providing for a department of commerce with a cabinet officer. An amendment was made to take the patent office from the interior department and include it in the new department.

Becomes a Catholic Priest.

General W. A. Olmstead, who served through the civil war, has been ordained to the priesthood of the Roman Catholic church at the church of the Sadred Heart, Notre Dame University, South Bend, Ind.

Masked Men Loot a Bank.

The bank at Maiden, a few miles south of Dexter, Mo., was entered by three masked men, who blew the safe open with dynamite and secured about $5,000. City Marshal Davis opened fire on the burglars, but they escaped.

Extradition Treaty Ratified.

The senate in an executive session ratified the extradition treaty with Peru and the Mexican boundary treaty. The senate also ordered printed a number of old documents bearing on the Clayton-Bulwer treaty.

PEACE PACT PUT OFF

Governor Taylor Refuses to Sign Agreement and Trouble Expected.

Governor Taylor had not, up to Saturday morning, signed the Louisville peace agreement. He announced, moreover, that he had no intention of doing so for some time, and did not know whether he would sign it at all. On the other hand, the democrats were confident that he would affix his signature to the document. Friday was a day of conferences in Frankfort. They were in full swing from 10:30 in the morning until 5:30 at night, and outwardly nothing tangible resulted from them. The situation is now, to all appearances, exactly where it was when the peace agreement was first submitted to Governor Taylor.

The tension under which the republican members of the state legislature who are at London, Ky., has been laboring, especially during the past week, reached a crisis when the following message from Governor Taylor was received by a member:

"Have warrants issued for members of the house and put in the hands of sergeant-at-arms to serve."

The warrants were made out late Friday and given to Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the house. Lieutenant Governor Marshall telegraphed he would come to London.

Sergeant-at-Arms Cecil of the house and Howard of the senate left after 1 o'clock Saturday morning on the northbound train armed with warrants for the arrest of absent democratic members of both houses.

LOOK FOR BAD NEWS

London Accepts as True Third Reported Reverse.

A London dispatch of February 10, 4:20 a. m., says: London accepts as true the Boer statement that General Buller has failed again. These statements were passed by the British censor at Aden and are read in the light of Mr. Balfour's announcement in commons that General Buller is not pressing his advance. Mr. Winston Churchill wires that Vaal krantz was impracticable for the lack of guns which were needed to support a further advance.

His cablegrams leaves General Buller on Tuesday night sending a fresh brigade to relieve the tired holders of Vaal krantz. The descriptive writers with General Buller were allowed a rather free hand again in explaining the ugly position which the British held and the natural obstacles which had to be overcome. So it is easy to infer with Boer riflemen and artillery defending them these hills, ravines and jungles have not been overcome and thus the public is prepared in advance for bad news.

Heliograms from Ladysmith, dated Monday, describe the effect General Buller's cannonade had on the worn garrison. Hope ran high that the long period of inactivity and tedium was drawing to a close. The crash of guns was almost continuous for ten hours and at times it seemed as if as many as twenty shells burst in a minute.

The Boers, preparing always for the possibility of defeat, were driving herds and sending long wagon trains towards the Drakensberg passes. Intense darkness and silence followed, broken only by frogs croaking and the occasional blaze of star shells, surrounding the town with a cirle of light to prevent the unobserved approach of the enemy. A series of British mines laid for the Boers exploded accidentally, shaking and alarming the city and camp.

One Factory to Control.

Fruit jar manufacturers of Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana, representing the entire production of the country, have completed an organization whereby hereafter, it is said, all the product will be sold from the Muncie factory, and each factory will share in profits as per capital invested. Jobbers have not been allowed to buy this year as yet and the entire season's business is yet in the hands of the manufacturers, who have advanced prices 25 per cent.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Colonel W. R. Thompson, who was secretary of the navy when Rutherford B. Hayes was president, died at his home at Terre Haute, Ind., at the age of 91 years.

Benjamin Royce, a well-to-do farmer near Dixie, Wash., was shot to death by his grandson, Frank Royce, who afterwards cremated the body and committed suicide.

Three persons were killed and three seriously injured in a head-on collision between fast freight trains on a branch of the New York Central at Gordon Heights, Pa. Both engines were demolished, and thirty-seven cars were wrecked.

The coremakers' strike, which was inaugurated at a number of foundries in Cleveland several weeks ago, has terminated in a victory for the strikers. They will get $2.50 per day, time and a half for over hours and double pay for work on Sundays and holidays.

Word was received in Lincoln Friday that the plant of the Beatrice Creamery company at Harrington, Kas., burned. The entire plant was consumed. The insurance carried did not cover the entire property, but it was sufficient so that the loss will not be complete.

A London, Eng., dispatch says: Sir Henry M. Stanley, the celebrated African explorer and unionist liberal of parliament, was taken suddenly ill with gastritis in the house of commons Wednesday night and is in a somewhat serious condition.

Reuben Ross (colored) was hanged at Lamberton, N. C., for criminal assault upon a white woman named Mrs. Bettie Ingram. He declared his innocence of this crime, but said he was guilty of assault on a young white woman of Rockingham, for which a negro named John Evans was hanged.

Congressman Sutherland of Nebraska has secured $70 for W. D. Burd of Nelson, being pay due his son, A. H. Burd, of Company H, who was killed in the Philippines.

A burglar named John Johnson was fatally shot at Highby's station, Mo., while he and three others were attempting to rob the safe at the store of Higby & Son. The burglars were surprised by Charles Higby, a merchant, and Charles McCoppin, a telegraph operator. They fired on the robbers, wounding one. The other three escaped.

AGGRESSIVE MOVE

General Joubert Takes Action to Outflank British.

MARCHING WITH SIX THOUSAND MEN

Boers Gain a New Position—Point of Vantage Gives Them View of Enemy—Apprehension at Pietermaritzburg as to Next Movement.

It is rumored at Durban, Natal, that General Joubert is marching with a column of 6,000 men to outflank General Buller.

A London dispatch dated February 12 says: The Pietermaritzburg correspondent of the Daily Mail, telegraphing yesterday says:

"The Boers have occupied Bloy's farm, south of the Tugela, which is under an hour's ride from Chievely, and have turned the homestead into a hospital. On the farm are hills commanding both bridges over the Tugela as well as Forts Wylie and Molyneux, and Ladysmith is obtainable.

"There is much apprehension here regarding the Boer movements, and the authorities are on the alert."

Attempt to Hold up a Train.

An attempt to hold up a south-bound passenger train on the Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe railway was made a mile north of Perry, Okl. Some one pulled the bell cord and the train was slowing down when the engineer noticed several masked men standing near the track. The engineer opened the throttle and the train dashed by the would-be robbers, who made a futile attempt to board it. Officers are in pursuit of the robbers.

New President for Eureka.

At a meeting of the board of trustees of Eureka, Ill., college, Prof. R. E. Heironymous was chosen president to succeed Dr. J. H. Hardin, whose resignation is to take effect in June. Professor Heironymus has for several years filled the chair of English language and literature in Eurka college, and for two years was vice president. During the past two years he has been in California.

A Fifty Year Sentence.

John R. Haines, a Topeka, Kas., railway ticket scalper, has been found guilty of murder in the second degree of killing Charles G. Watson, a bartender, in November last at Kansas City, Mo., and his punishment fixed at fifty years in the penitentiary. The men had been life-time friends. Watson was formerly a wealthy Cincinnati lumber merchant, but lost his money.

Accepts His Resignation.

A Guthrie, Okl., dispatch says: The resignation of Harper S. Cunningham, territorial attorney general, has been accepted by Governor Barnes. This resignation has been in the hands of the governor since April 3 last, when the territorial senate refused to confirm Mr. Cunningham's nomination on account of charges made against his administration.

Over Seven Thousand Out.

Seven thousand workingmen who have been engaged on buildings in course of construction in Chicago quit work Saturday. This act, it is asserted, marks the real beginning of a war between labor and the contractors which will suspend building operations in Chicago for a period, the end of which no one sees.

Barrow Not Insane.

Warden Johnson of Sing Sing prison, New York, says that George W. Barrow, who last June was sentenced to fourteen years and ten months in state prison for participating in the kidnaping of Marion Clarke, in not insane, as has been reported. Barrow, who has been ill, is much better and will not be removed to an asylum.

Plague Outlook Better.

Surgeon General Wyman has received the following telegram from Angel island, California, concerning the plague situation at Honolula: 'Carmichael reports February 2, no cases since 25th, outlook encouraging, seventy-four hundred people in quarantine Stansfield arrived.'

Fire at Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Building No. 7, in the Brooklyn navy yard, occupied by the electrical department, was destroyed by fire. The loss is $100,000, equally divided between the building and machinery. The fire is supposed to have been caused by a defective electric light wire.

A Family Asphyxiated.

Martin Jordan, an engineer, his wife, Mary, and their five-months-old boy were asphyxiated by gas in their home at Forty-third street and Stewart avenue, Chicago. A leak in a pipe in the basement filled the house with gas, and when found the victims had been dead several hours.

Fire at Worcester.

Fire in the Gilam block at Worcester, Mass., occupied by the National Biscuit company, gutted the building, doing $60,000 damage.

Turkish Minister Arrives.

Ali Feerouh Bey, the Turkish minister to the United States, arrived in New York on La Gascogne and left at once for Washington. He was accompanied by his wife and sister-in-law, who were dressed in Turkish fashion.

Shot From Ambush.

J. Seutz, a wealth St. Louis county, Mo., wine-grower, was shot from ambush and mortally wounded, while seated near a window reading a paper, at his home near Clayton.

Tanner Able to Vote.

Governor Tanner of Illinois is better, though very weak. He was driven to the polling place of the first precinct of the Fourth ward, where he voted at the republican primary for delegates to the county convention and county officers.

Boy Dies.

Charles Fenton, the seven-year-old boy who was run down by a street car at Thirty-eighth and Harney streets last week, died at the Clarkson hospital in Omaha.

MASKED ROBBER IS KILLED

Attempts to Hold Up a Saloon and is Shot Down.

A lone robber, well dressed, with money in his pockets and with a ribbed silk mask to cover up his features, was shot and killed in C. H. Woerner's park pavilion, 1859 West Madison street, Chicago, Ill by Frank Barum, an Oak Park lawyer, and Edward Sommerfeldt the bartender. Besides Sommerfeldt and Barum there was only one other person in the saloon when the robber entered. The robber commanded them to throw up their hands. Resistance was offered, and in the struggle the robber fired twice at his victims, one of the bullets taking effect in Sommerfeldt's arm. Barum then managed to wrench the revolver from the robber. Sommerfeldt in the meantime had secured his revolver and both he and Barum fired several shots at the robber, who fell dead at their feet. The police were notified and the body of the hold-up man was removed to the morgue. In the pockets of the dead man were found $165. Barnum and Sommerfeldt were not arrested.

HE ADVOCATES PEACE

England, If Victory Comes, Will Have Hard Task Ahead.

The London Daily Chronicle has published a long disquisition upon South African affairs from S. O. Conwright-Schreiner, who advocates peace overtures to Great Britain. He says:

"I am convinced that if the two republics had a sufficient guarantee that their independence would be rerpected, the Transvaal would grant a five year retrospective franchise, the burghers would retire to their own countries and the war would cease immediately."

These views, coming from a kinsman of W. P. Schreiner, the Cape premier, will probably excite much comment. Mr. Conwright-Schreiner points out that the Dutch outnumber the English colonists, and that if local self-government continue to exist it will be in the control of a large and exasperated anti-British majority firmly imbued with the conviction that the war was forced on the Boers.

GOOD RELATIONS RESTORED

Trouble Over the Bluefields Incident Is Averted.

The small speck of trouble that existed in the relations between the United States and Nicaragua owing to the extortion of double duties from American merchants in Bluefields last summer by General Torres, has been removed. The United States government protested at the time and the Nicaraguan government placed the money collected as excess duties by its agents in the hands of the British consul at Bluefields, pending a determination of its rights in the matter. It is understood that the Nicaraguan judiciary, to which the matter was submitted, has now reached the conclusion that, in this particular instance, the money should be returned to merchants.

TEXAS MURDERER LYNCHED

Mob Completes Work Which Jury by Acquittal Begins.

A Port Arthur, Tex., special says that James Sweeney, white, was lynched at that place for murdering Charles Crumbach, a laborer in a cotton mill over which Sweeney presided as foreman.

The murder occurred February 1, Sweeney was indicted and at his trial at Beaumont was acquitted. When he returned to Port Arthur a mob met him at the depot, took him up town and hanged him to a telephone pole.

Sheriff Langham of Beaumont has arrested "Jack" Martin, a fellow workman of Crumbach's, who is believed to have been a ringleader in the lynching.

STEAMER GIVEN UP AS LOST

Russian Dredger Missing With Nineteen Aboard.

A dispatch dated London, February 9, says: The new Russian steam dredger Delovant, which left Clyde December 21 for Odessa, is overdue and has been given up as lost. It is surmised she foundered in the channel. There were nineteen persons on board.

Threatens to Retaliate.

At a meeting in Chicago of freight representatives of western lines to consider the ultimatum recently handed down by the eastern lines in regard to prorating on west-bound business, a committee was appointed to map out a plan of action. The western roads declare that the return to the methods the eastern lines recently adopted, scheduled for March 1, would result in unbearable discrimination against Chicago in favor of St. Louis. If the eastern roads refuse to prorate with the western roads on west-bound business it is said the western lines will retaliate by refusing to handle their eastern connections business.

Wants a Divorce.

Edith Guilford has filed her petition in district court at Nebraska City, asking for a divorce from her husband, Lyman Guilford, on the ground of extreme cruelty. She asks for alimony and the custody of the minor children.

Shock of Operation Kills.

George Brown, an old soldier of York, died while an operation was being performed on his left arm to remove an abscess. The operation was being done without the use of anesthetics and the shock of the knife threw him into convulsions, death ensuing in a very short time. Deceased was a member of Company G, Forty-eighth Illinois, and served a term as councilman a few years ago.

Dr. J. T. Miller has been appointed a pension examining surgeon at Holdrege, Neb.

Meeting of Miner's Board.

A meeting of the executive board of the Illinois district, united mine workers of America, is convened in Springfield, Ill., to arrange for the joint conference of operators and miners of the state, adjourned from Indianapolis last Monday to Springfield for February 10.

Cured of Stuttering by Bullet Wound.

A Mauser bullet passed through the throat of a soldier in a Colorado regiment at Manila. Before receiving the wounds he had been a stutterer, now he has no difficulty in talking.

FRED KELLEY IS ARRESTED

Apprehended in San Francisco on Return From Manila.

Frederick S. Kelley, formerly an employe of a prominent insurance company in Omaha, but who left that city about two years ago when defalcations, amounting to about $5,000 were about to be discovered, has been arrested by detectives in San Francisco. The arrest was kept a secret for sometime when it was learned that Kelley left for Chicago in the custody of detectives. He was accompanied by his young wife, formerly of Oakland. Since his departure from Omaha Kelley has traveled much and held a good position in Manila, but his love for his own country got the better of him and he returned. Kelley's relatives are wealthy and prominent people of Lincoln, Neb.

CANNOT BE EXCLUDED

Interesting Case of Violation of School Regulations at Grand Island.

The police court at Grand Island, Judge Abbott presiding, was the scene of an interesting case recently. On Thursday of last week, Principal Matthews of the high school suspended Ed Hayman, a young man in his room, for not complying with the recently-made regulation, declaring it compulsory for male students of the high school to take the cadet work of the school as a physical exercise. The young man appeared willing but his father objected. On Friday morning the young man returned and took his seat. The principal took from him his books and in a friendly conversation with him asked him to obey the order of suspension until the matter causing the suspension, over which he, the principal had no control, was otherwise settled. The young man obeyed and went home, but returned in twenty minutes. He had seen his father and told the teacher that he must remain and continue his work in school. The principal asked the student not to cause any more trouble, but the student persisted and the principal swore out a warrant against the student for the disturbance of the school discipline and the trial was had before a jury. The defense tried to go into the cause of the suspension, but was warned by the court that the only questions to be decided were if the principal had power to suspend, and whether, if he had, the pupil was creating a disturbance to the discipline of the school in refusing to leave the room when requested. The jury took the cause into consideration, evidently, for it took but a few minutes for it to bring in a verdict of not guilty, and the result will probably be that the young man may be allowed to sit in the rooms, without books and without study, as long as he pleases, or be asked from day to leave the room. That is to say, the question really at issue, the compulsory order, was not decided.

DIED AT POST OF DUTY

Funeral at Stanton of Another Nebraska Soldier Boy.

The funeral services of Elmer Vaughan, late of the Twenty-third infantry, who died in Manila, P. I., in September, 1898, were held at Stanton Saturday. They were in charge of Captain Gegner of Madison, Neb., late of the Fighting First Nebraska, and now captain of company F, N. N. G. The body arrived Thursday. It was taken in charge by the local ex-soldiers of the Spanish war and by them a guard of honor was maintained until the hour of the funeral exercises. At 3 o'clock assembly was sounded and the funeral procession, headed by the Stanton military band, was promptly formed on Pacific avenue and marched to the cemetery. Here a short address and prayer was made by Rev. Klopp. Then three volleys were fired over the open grave by a detachment of the Madison company of national guards. The services at the cemetery were concluded by the sweet, sad notes of "Lights Out."

Elmer Vaughan was the son of the present county surveyor, a bright young man, and well liked by all. He enlisted in the regular army after war had been declared under the act providing for enlistments for "during the war," was assigned to the Twenty-third infantry and participated with his regiment in the campaign which culminated in the capture of the city of Manila.

Planning Another New Depot.

It is authoriatively stated that the St. Joseph & Grand Island road will begin the erection within the next month of a new passenger depot at Hastings on the east side of Denver avenue on the ground now occupied by Heiler's coal yard. The coal yard will be removed across the avenue to the place now occupied by the charred wreck of the old depot and the old grain elevator standing on St. Joe avenue will be removed to the south side of the tracks and east of the flouring mill. This will bring the St. Joe depot within a block of the site selected for the Burlington's new passenger depot.

The Methodists started a revival at Centerville Sunday.

County Commissioners Meet.

County Commissioner F. Beckmann, of Lancaster county, president of the county commissioners' association, of the state, has sent out a call for the annual meeting of the association at Hastings, beginning on February 20. The meeting this year will be none the less interesting than last year when the legislature was in session. Secretary Will Brookley joins with President Beckmann in asking all members of the association to attend the meeting.

Has Saloonkeeper Arrested.

W. H. Clemmons, president of the Fremont normal school, has had Nels Olesen, a Fremont saloonkeeper, arrested, charging him with selling liquor to a minor.

Mr. Clemmons claims that Oleson sold to Homer Marlatt, a normal student, eighteen years old, a half-pint of whisky on Saturday. The student, it is alleged, became disgracefully drunk, hence Mr. Clemmon's actian.

Originality is labor lost when you fail to make it convincing.

The Run-Off.

"Once," said the dreamy tragedian, "I toured the great state of Illinois in less than a week."

"Who was your backer?" inquired the press agent.

"Beg pardon?"

"I say who backed you on this tour?"

"I really do not grasp your meaning."

"Who was behind you on this meteoric tour?"

"Oh! The sheriff."—Chicago News.

Cranial Exposure.

"I wish I knew," said Mr. Tucker, "how I caught this cold."

"Didn't you get a bad cold when you changed your underclothes last spring, paw?" asked Tommy.

"Yes, I believe I did."

"This cold's in your head, ain't it, paw?"

"Yes."

"I guess you got it by changing your mind."—Chicago Tribune.

An Eye to Business.

Collector—I can't keep coming here every day after this bill.

Landlady—I'll rent you a room for ten dollars a week.

In the Club's Cafe.

Spacer—"I say, old chap, come over and tell us a few bright things that boy of yours says, will you?"

Onlyone—"Why—er—really—"

Spacer—"You see, it's like this: Scribbler is boring the party to death with some of his stale jokes, and we want to get rid of him."—Puck.

A Boston Beau.

Fred—"Why is it you never take a lady to the opera?"

Harry—"For this reason: If I take a lady who doesn't understand the music she will be pestering me all the evening; if she knows all about music she will be sure to find out that I dont."—Boston Transcript.

The Century Squabble.

"Ancient looking individual, isn't he?"

"Yep. Looks as if he might date back to the year one."

"Excuse me, but you mean the year naught."

Then the fight begins.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Points of View.

"The soil," remarked the Economist, "is what supports us."

Here the lawyer admitted that land is the cause of three-fourths of the litigation, while the doctor did not deny that effluvia from the ground leads to much sickness.—Detroit Journal.

Society.

Osmond—"After all, there are but two things which makes the society woman truly happy."

Desmond—"What are they?"

"Doing what other society people do and doing what other society people have never done."—Life.

How He Got Even.

Brown—Robinson claims that he could have cut me out and married you himself if he had wanted to.

His wife—Why didn't he do it, then?

Brown—He owed me a grudge.—Tit-Bits.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

One word of good advice to touch the heart at a suitable season with a kindly reason, will do more good than a whole lecture.

Scrofula to Consumption.

Any one predisposed to Scrofula can never be healthy and vigorous. This taint in the blood naturally drifts into Consumption. Being such a deep-seated blood disease, Swift's Specific is the only known cure for Scrofula, because it is the only remedy which can reach the disease.

Scrofula appeared on the head of my little grandchild when only 18 months old. Shortly after breaking out it spread rapidly all over her body. The scabs on the sores would peel off on the slightest touch, and the odor that would arise made the atmosphere of the room sickening and unbearable. The disease next attacked the eyes, and we feared she would lose her sight. Eminent physicians from the surrounding country were consulted, but could do nothing to relieve the little innocent, and gave it as their opinion that the case was hopeless and impossible to save the child's eyesight. It was then that we decided to try Swift's Specific. That medicine at once made a speedy and complete cure. She is now a young lady, and has never had a sign of the disease to return.

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FOR WOMEN AND HOME

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

Pink Mousseline De Soie Bodice—A Unique Evening Gown—Hot Water Remedies—Useful Household Hints—Our Cooking School.

The Ways of Maidens Fair.

They look the new moon in the face,
"Now, make a wish," said she,
"I will if you will make one, too,"
He answered pensively.
They gazed up at the crescent that
Hung in the western sky,
And wished and turned away, and each
Broke off a little sigh.
They sat one upon the steps,
He and the maiden fair;
She looked around to be assured
No one was lurking there.
"What was your wish?" she sweetly asked
"Ah, something good, I know;
Confess, and I will tell you mine,
Perhaps, before you go."
He looked into her upturned eyes,
Her little hand sought his.
"My wish tonight," he said, "was what
My fond wish always is:
I wish that I, somehow, might find
The road that leads to fame—
That, dying, I may leave behind
A great, an honored name."
She pulled her little hand away,
She sighed another sigh.
"What fools they are who wish," she said;
"Good evening and good-bye!"
And, going home, he wondered at
The sudden change of air—
Some people know so little of
The ways of maidens fair.
—S. E. Kiser.

Hot Water Remedies.

Buffalo Evening News: Hot water is so simple a remedy, and so easily obtained that its value is not half appreciated. It is one of the best restorers of nervous energy, it rests the weary, and it relieves pain, not only as an outward application, but as a remedy to be taken internally. A sudden and wearing attack of coughing often needs immediate attention, especially in consumptives, and those chronically ill. In an emergency, that ever useful remedy will often prove effective. It is much better than the ordinary cough mixtures, which disorder the digestion and spoil the appetite. Water, almost boiling, should be sipped when the paroxysms come on. A cough, resulting from irritation, is relieved by hot water through the promotion of secretion, which moistens the irritated surfaces. For the trying dry cough, hot water is also excellent, as it promotes expectoration, and brings relief. When one has a sudden attack of indigestion it is a good plan to take a cup of hot water as nearly boiling as it can be borne. Persons suffering from dyspepsia will find a relief by drinking a cup of hot water on rising in the morning. When one comes home at night after a fatiguing day, nothing is more restful than bathing the head and back of the neck with a towel wrung out of water as hot as can be borne. It soothes the nerves and rests body and brain. The same treatment relieves a nervous headache as nothing else does. When one is overheated and there is a rush of blood to the head, a hot towel applied to the face and head is a great relief. In the heat of summer this same hot towel refreshes and cools the skin, and gives it a feeling of lightness and comfort that cold water never gives.

Economy and Old Furniture.

There are certain economies which are not economies. Our clothes and our houses should be reflections of ourselves. I do not want you to carry this to the extreme. There is no reason why you should dress in silk and satin and velvet, and wear powdered hair, and dance a minuet because you have a Louis XVI. or a colonial house. I have known people to admire the Orient so much that they have had complete Oriental rooms without a chair in them, or even a divan. Handsome rugs, were placed on the floor, and everyone sat there, and shoes were removed before entering the apartment. I know of others who had become so enamored of life in the Pacific Islands as to occasionally give a feast in an apartment arranged in the simple fashion of those remote countries. They did not go into cannibalism, but they had their dishes served very much in the same manner, and almost indulged in a war and sun dance. Perhaps the taste of this might be questioned, but then it was honest without the least sham. If I am able to pick up genuine furniture for my Louis rooms I shall be delighted, but I should rather have a piece made to correspond with the period and I should not hesitate to tell anyone the truth about it. I could even have a room of the era arranged without a single equivocal or doubtful old piece. There is one thing upon which I shall insist. My chairs are to be made to sit upon and there shall be plenty of room for people to get around.—Vogue.

A Woman's Cleverness.

There are many who consider cleverness lies merely in being able to do one or two things specially well. This is not so. A clever woman is one who looks well after the ways of her own household; a clever woman is one who undertakes nothing that she does not understand; a clever woman is one who is mistress of tact, and knows how to make the social wheels run smoothly; a clever woman is one who acts like hot water on tea, she brings the sweetness and strength out of everybody else.

Lambs-Wool Dressing Gowns.

It is pleasant to note, with the change of the times, a growing taste for lambs-wool dressing gowns instead of the expensive materials which have enjoyed so glorious a reign for a season past. These are as soft as soft can be, and of light becoming colorings, the fabric has been brought into greater prominence than ever this winter. The gowns are mostly of the monk's robe order, all in one, with an important cord and tassels round the waist, and a deep rolled collar cape of white cloth, piped with white and blue, or whatever shade may be chosen for the lambs' wool. At present there is "a feeling for" pink.

Gas-Lit Rooms.

Sufficient heed is not taken to properly ventilate rooms lighted by gas. A single gas burner is a deadly instrument in the production of carbonic acid to deteriorate the atmosphere of a room, and consumes enormous quantities of oxygen in the process. Each person sitting in the room assists in this deadly process of corruption, for every breath expelled from the lungs is so impure, so perfectly devoid of nourishment, that to re-enter the human system without any admixture of a purer atmosphere would prove instantly fatal. Hence the necessity of providing adequate means for the escape of the corrupted air, and for the introduction of fresh supplies of pure air through open windows, doors, and fire-places. A vessel containing cold water hidden away out of sight will further materially assist in purifying the air of a room.

PINK MOUSSELINE DE SOIE BODICE.

A Unique Evening Gown.

This charming evening gown is of green and cream white, with just a thought of gold. The underskirt is of green velvet shot with a thread of gold, that only shows when the pile of the velvet is open. The overdress and corsage are of light green and cream-striped taffeta. It is the trimming of the dress that gives it its distinctive characteristic. This is a pattern material, and only comes in enough quantity to trim one dress and it costs $9 a yard. This pattern is of silk net, with an applique of French mousseline de soie, the net of white and the mousseline of pale green. It is in bow-knot design and there is a Tom Thumb fringe of cream silk which is festooned from one bow-knot to another. Little wavelike threads of gold run from the bow-knots to the fringe. The corsage has a drapery of the green velvet, like

the skirt, running across the upper part of the sleeve. Over the shoulder is an ornament of green velvet flowers. On the left shoulder is a group of saucy velvet bows fastened with jewels, and at the left side of the belt hangs a sash of velvet. The hair ornament is of light-green tulle with the aigrette, and it is studded with emeralds set on tiny glit wires.—Washington Post.

Useful Household Hints.

Fresh raw meat is the best bait for mice traps.

Lemon and salt will remove stains from the hands.

Hot water and soda will remove most grease stains.

For nose bleeding, snuff powdered alum through the nostrils.

To make your light brilliant, rub the lamp chimneys, after washing, with dry salt.

Overheated rooms are more injurious than a temperature lower than is usually advised for them.

Use warm water instead of cold for watering the tropical plants, such as palms, rubber plants, orange trees, etc.

Yellow oil stains left by the sewing machine will easily be removed in the wash if they are first rubbed over with a little liquid ammonia.

To raise the nap in cloth soak it in cold water for half an hour, then put on a board and rub the threadbare parts with a prickly thistle or emery.

Creamy Hair-Wash.—One ounce of oil sweet almonds, one ounce strong liquid ammonia, two ounces rosewater, four ounces spirits of rosemary. Mix well. To be well rubbed in the hair.

OUR COOKING SCHOOL.

Pigs in Blankets.

Roll a good-sized oyster in a very thin strip of bacon and fasten with a small skewer; toothpicks are very good to use. Fry in boiling hot lard until done.

Prune Whips.

Whites of five eggs, one half cup sugar, one quarter pound prunes; stew prunes until soft, rub through a sieve, chop meats of prunes, mix together and beat well; bake about 15 minutes. Serve with cream or custard as preferred.

Cold Water Cake.

Two cups sugar, one half cup butter, three cups flour, one cup water, four eggs, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, one teaspoonful vanila. Rub sugar and butter to a cream; add the eggs well beaten, then add the water, then the flour and baking powder.

Stewed Celery.

Clean the heads thoroughly. Take off the coarse, green, outer leaves. Cut in small pieces and stew in a little broth. When tender add some rich cream, a little flour and butter enough to thicken the cream. Season with salt and a little nutmeg.

Macaroni Soup.

Boil a quarter of a pound of macaroni in a quart of water for 10 minutes, then strain it off, and throw it into two quarts of boiling stock; let it simmer gently for half an hour, then serve, with grated cheese, upon a plate separately.

Potato Croquettes.

Season cold mashed potatoes with pepper, salt and nutmeg. Beat to a cream, with a tablespoonful of melted butter to every cupful of potato. Add two or three beaten eggs and some minced parsley. Roll into small balls; dip in beaten egg, then in bread crumbs and fry in hot lard.

Not Worth Mentioning.

A clergyman says that he was one day called down into his study to perform the marriage ceremony for a couple in middle life.

"Have you ever been married before?" asked the clergyman of the bridegroom.

"No, sir."

"Have you?" to the bride.

"Well, yes, I have," replied the bride, laconically; "but it was twenty years ago, and he fell off a barn and killed hisself when we'd been married only a week, so it really ain't worth mentioning."—Tit-Bits.

Careless.

"Whah is Mistah Chalkeye?" inquired Miss Miami Brown.

"Whah is he?" repeated Mr. Erastus Pinkley.

"Yes. He said he wah gwineteer call."

"Well, you sees, de troof is dat he's laid up. He wah kyahless 'bout his health."

"Hab he a cold?"

"No. I had a razor out an' inquired if anybody wanted to fight and he said 'yes.'"—Washington Star.

Enjoying Poor Health.

The Chicken—How's your appetite these days, old man?

The Bulldog—Not very good. I feel just as satisfied after a few bites as if I'd had a meal. How's yours?

The Chicken—Poor, very poor! I just pick at things.—New York Press.

Now He's Gone to Help Joubert.

"Well," he said, "the Boers are on the move."

"Yes," she replied, looking at the clock, "but there are some exceptions."—Stray Stories.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"LESSONS OF THE RIVER," SUBJECT THEREOF.

Isaiah 48: 18: "O That Thou Hadst Harkened to My Commandments! Then Had Thy Peace Been Like a River."

"In the anatomy of countries the arteries are its rivers, through which throb the life and the strength of nations. Along their banks cities have planted themselves, and the whistle of the factory answering to the whistle of the boat, and the steady blow of the paddlewheel tell us that we are in a busy part of a busy world. Religion has made out of them her altars and devotees have bowed and worshiped at their shrines. By the side of the Ganges the cots of the dying are placed. As soon as the breath leaves a body, the mouth, the nostrils and the ears are filled with dirt, and the stenchful corpse floats down the stream. To the crocodile the Hindoo mother tossed her babe as an offering, and Charlemagne, to convert his kingdom to Christianity, drove hundreds of thousands of unwilling subjects like cattle into the stream, where the priests baptized them by the wholesale. Pilgrims returning from the Holy Land bring back water from the Jordan. Not because the Jordan is any better than the Abana and the Pharpar, but because we would have water from the same river into which Christ waded and into which he sank. Over the rocks leap the springs, and the creeks dash on toward the seas, and freshets come, until the watersheds can hold no more. The whole land is drunk. As the finest gems are quarried from the darkest mines, the richest grains have waded knee-deep in the mud. The trees sink their roots and stretch out their leafy hands toward God in prayer, and everywhere the cry is, 'Drink, drink, drink give me.' Down the Rhine the tourist drifts in dreamy wonder at scenes where enchantment has been at work. Yonder a bold cliff, here a quiet pastoral.

"There history tells us a bloody battle was fought, and the dead and the wounded were pitched in until the waters were crimsoned. Here is the place where Caesar crossed, while upon that bluff a fortress has crouched for centuries. Along those embattlements the knights of old trod in armor clad. Every nook was a trysting place. In amazement you wonder how the ivy dared to climb such dizzy heights, and smile because the rocks have hidden themselves behind a curtain of green. That is the Rhine.

"Our grand old Hudson comes rolling down to the sea, flecked with white sails under the plateaus of West Point, from which Benedict Arnold fled, on past the rugged Palisades which frown upon the opposite banks, where wealth and aristocracy have run to cover. Rocked upon the bosom of the waters, your eyes, like those of a sick child, are growing heavy. The distant hills whispering back their soft echoes and the gentle splash from the oar blades are the lullabies singing us to sleep. The music grows fainter and fainter. All is not stilled. 'O that thou hadst harkened unto my commandments! then had thy peace been like a river, a gentle river.' Thus Isaiah pictures God weeping over the sins of his children and pleading with them to come back to his forgiving heart.

What the River Teaches.

"Lesson the first. The river teaches us the peace of obedience. Of all masters, the most inexorable is nature. She never laughs with us because we want to laugh, or weeps with us because we want to cry. Many a wedding day has been wet with shower and frozen with snows, and many a funeral procession wends its way through a garden. Even the birds may carol in the tree branches overhead when we lower the dear body into the ground, as though every heartache, sorrow, hopelessness and sob could be driven away by their happy songs. The farmers study the laws of the seasons. We plant at a certain time, reap when we ought to reap, care for the cattle as they ought to be cared for, and the more we obey the atmospheric commands the greater the crops, the fuller the hencoops and the fatter the calves. The sailors keep one eye upon the north star, another upon the compass, while the hand is flinging the sounding lead. They watch the chart as carefully as the weather cock with his bill touches the lips of the storm to feel the first breath of the wind.

Must Obey Natural Laws.

"The planets remain in the places for which they are intended. The longer we hear the 'Thou shalt' of astronomy the longer we live. Otherwise, as flying meteors, we tumble through space or dash ourselves in vain against some world destroyer. The sheep have to eat grass, the fish must live in water, the ground moles naturally burrow under the mountains, the flowers to escape the weeds find their companionship in a garden. The owls and the bats wait until darkness has settled itself before they can see to start out for food. The polar bear would soon die under the intense heat of the tropics, and an elephant would freeze to death sleeping upon an artic iceberg. That horse has the greatest liberty who does not pull against the curb, or, as the Bible more beautifully expresses it, tries to 'kick against the pricks.' For every river God makes a channel. If the water starts on the west side of the Rocky mountains it flows to the Pacific coast; if on the east side of the Alleghanies it flows to the Atlantic. God has marked out a course for your life and mine, and we must obey it, whether we will or no.

"As we follow that course, remember our peace, like a river, is not always going to be smooth. Sometimes there will be shallows and shoals. Sometimes the miller's wheel will threaten to dash us into foam. Sometimes we shall have to go out of our way to pass a graveyard.

God Is Our Refuge.

"Martin Luther's favorite chapter was Psalm xlvi., 'God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. Though the waters thereof roar and be troubled, though the mountains shake with the swelling thereof.' And in the forty-third chapter of Isaiah we read, 'When those passeth through the waters I will be with thee, and through the rivers, they shall not overflow thee.'

"Yet, so inexorable are God's laws, Naaman the warrior, to be cured of his leprosy, had to wash in the troubled Jordan, the swiftly flowing, filthy waters of the despised Jordan. 'Absurd,' answered the Napoleon of the Damascene capital. Am I going to make a spectacle of myself? I am not a hireling. I can pay for a cure. My servants are carrying the presents of 10 talents of silver and 6,000 pieces of gold and 10 changes of raiment. And I have a letter of introduction from my royal master to the king of Jerusalem. Besides that, what right have you to ask me to bathe in the waters of the Jordan? The two most beautiful rivers in the world flow past my palace door. Are not Abana and Pharphar rivers of Damascus better than all the waters of Israel? May I not wash in them?' Yet, when Naaman had submerged his will to God's will and had dipped seven times in the river Jordan, 'his flesh came again like unto the flesh of a little child, and he was clean.'

Bridges.

"There is a strange theory that each bridge which spans a river has a key note. It matters not whether it be the Brooklyn bridge over the East river, or the Suspension bridge over the Ohio river, or the iron bridge over the River Tay, or the London bridges spanning the Thames, or the Parisian bridges arching the Seine. Whether they are made of iron, wood, stone, or steel. If a musician can once strike the key note of those bridges, certain waves of sound are started which will shake and oscillate and destroy the strongest bridge ever made and tumble the massive beams into the water. So manifest is this law an army on the march passing a river always breaks step for fear of starting the wood and iron in that fatal swing. Some commentators go so far as to claim that when the archangel blows the blast of the resurrection he will not make a loud sound, which will scatter earth to the four quarters of infinitude. That may be only a theory, but in our lives there are certain things we can do and certain things we cannot do.

"Once strike the key note of imperfection and keep playing it, and the bridge of moral character will totter and sway and tremble and crash into utter and everlasting demolition. May the divine finger guide us through the meadowlands and the green pastures that grow by the still waters of obedience, 'as a river, a gentle river.'

Teaches Practical Usefulness.

"Lesson the second. The river teaches the place of practical usefulness. We all look at objects from a different standpoint. The sportsman wants the river in which to fish; the manufacturer wants the river to turn his wheel; the yachtsman that he might launch his craft and have it as a swan float along, spreading her white wings, dipping now and then to cool her blistering sides. The farmer utilizes the river that he may turn the waters into canals and make the desert blossom as the rose. The whole country of Egypt is dependent upon the River Nile. Every year it overflows the banks. In the thick mud the sower flings his seeds. If the river does not rise high enough to submerge the land there is a drought up and down the breadth and length of the kingdom. To this custom refers the strange passage of scripture when it says: 'Cast thy bread upon the waters and thou shalt find it after many days.' So important is the River Nile the Egyptians used to worship it as a god.

Uses of the Rivers.

"Everyone wants the river for something, from the artist studying the white caps to the pilot awake at his wheel, looking at sleeping cities or signalling passing boats filled with human cargoes, whose lights make them look like great floating palaces, while in the evening hour the lowing herds stoop to quench their thirst or watch the waters back up and overflow the meadows. Rivers were made for some practical use—so are we:

"God sent his messenger, the rain,
And said unto the mountain brook,
Rise up and from thy caverns look;
And leap with naked, snow-white feet
From the cool hills into the heat
Of the broad, arid plain.

"Now, remember the Bible was written in the vivid, intense, and picturesque language of the East, and you must interpret it accordingly. The Bible declares the promised land was a land flowing with milk and honey. Does that literally mean Palestine is a place where thousands of Alderney cows come down to the river banks and stand there chewing their cuds while the Jewish maidens milk them and toss pailful after pailful of the foaming dairy treasure into the currents? Then these rivers of milk flow down, bending and winding as they go, churning themselves into islands of butter, upon which islands of butter the bees build their hives and buzz and buzz as they store the winter's food.

Our Guardian Angels.

"Turn to the thirteenth chapter of Matthew. 'If ye have faith as a grain of mustard seed ye shall say unto this mountain, Remove hence to yonder place, and it shall remove, and nothing shall be impossible for you.' And in the ninety-first psalm David wrote: 'He shall give his angels charge over thee to keep thee in all thy ways. They shall bear thee up in their hands lest thou dash thy foot against a stone.'

"Does the Bible literally mean we can say to a mountain 'Begone!' and it will tumble into the sea, or that we can jump off the ledge of rock overhanging Niagara, and the angels will fly down and catch us before we are flung under the falls? 'Of course not,' your answer. God expects every man to use his common sense. Jesus never helped anyone unless that person was first willing to help himself. He said unto him sick of the palsy, 'Arise, take up thy bed and walk.' He commanded the ten lepers, 'Go show yourselves unto the priests, and it came to pass as they went they were cleansed.' And way back in the time of Job we read: 'The Lord turned the captivity of Job when he commanded him to pray for his three friends.' In other words, God did not help Job until Job's heart was ready to forgive his fellow men.

Places of Peace.

"This peace like a river is not up in the mountains, but down in the valleys, down in the home, in the store, in the factory. Anything that unfits you and myself for the ordinary duties of life and makes you unwilling as a parent to care for the child as an honest man to pay the butcher's, grocer's and clothier's bills is no gospel peace at all.

"As far as I can make out, holy water with most of us means we can tumble upon God all meannesses and sins, and expect Jesus to do everything and we do nothing. Oh, for a practical gospel, for a religion to live by, as well as to die by, 'as a river—a gentle river.'

"Lastly, our peace, like a river, must have its source from above. An old axiom says water cannot run up hill. The physical law of gravity draws down, does not push up. But in Solomon's writings we read: 'All rivers run into the sea, yet the sea is not full unto the place from whence the rivers come, whither they return again.' And in the last chapter of Revelations St. John saw heaven as 'a pure river of water, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and on either side of the river was there the tree of life and the leaves of it were for the healing of the nations.'

"Then we turn back to the fifty-fifth chapter of Isaiah and read 'As the rain cometh down and the snow from heaven and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth and maketh it bring forth and bud that it may give seed to the sower and bread to the eater, for my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither your ways my ways, saith the Lord.'

"Then the sun begins to work. The golden pulleys of evaporation lower, and the water does not climb up hill, but lifts itself unto the clouds. And if you should call, 'Whither bound, O storm?' the wind would shriek, 'I am carrying forth a reservoir that the rivers may be filled and the fields can drink so that man and beast and bird and things under the earth and above the earth shall live.'

Prayers for Blessings.

"Cannot we have this shower of blessing from above? Let us pray for a cloud burst of Pentecostal tears and the manifestations of the Holy Ghost. This thought is especially appropriate. Of all the Old Testament writers Isaiah is aptly called the evangelical prophet because he mentions many times the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and the sufferings of the crucifixion."

The Lumberman.

For all the lumberman's rough jocularity, his heart is right, says Rollin Lynde Hartt in the January Atlantic. Once the forest harbored fugitives from justice; but the railroad brought the sheriff, the sheriff brought the law, and law brings decency. Besides, as at sea and on the plains, the open air breathes a spirit of chivalry. Suppose a man affronts a waitress; twenty defenders leap to their feet. Suppose a poor fellow is hurt; round goes the hat. What is more, two comrades will drop their work and take him sixty miles to the doctor. And, sad to tell, there is need enough for that sort of sympathy. "Woodman," says Helen, who, in spite of my earnest remonstrance, never verifies her quotations, "Woodman, spare that toe!" A fine hero, no doubt, is this man of the forest, a brave and a generous soul; but nevertheless, as in the case of Mr. Burgess' impurpled heifer, "I'd rather see than be one." For, roundly outdoing that sly humorist's confessed preference for "fingers rather than toes," the lumberman does his best to dispense with both. What are left by the woods are claimed by the mill.

The Australian Boomerang.

The boomerang, that unique instrument of war or of the chase used by the aborigines of Australia, is of hard wood, of a bent form; the shape is parabolic. It is about two and a half inches broad, a third of an inch thick, and two feet long, the extremities being rounded. The method of using this remarkable weapon is very peculiar. It is taken by one end, with the bulged side downward, and thrown forward as if to hit some object twenty-five yards in advance. Instead of continuing to go directly forward, as would naturally be expected, it slowly ascends in the air, whirling round and round, and describing a curved line until it reaches a considerable height, when it begins to retrograde and finally sweeps over the head of the projector and falls behind him. This surprising motion is produced by the reaction of the air upon a missile of this peculiar shape. The boomerang is one of the ancient instruments of war of the natives of Australia. They are said to be very dexterous in hitting birds with it—the birds being, of course, behind them, and perhaps not aware that they are objects of attack.

Photographing the Inside of the Stomach

Photographing the inside of the stomach has the sound of a very difficult operation, whereas it is really a very simple undertaking. The patient merely swallows the camera and electric light and conducts operations by a cord attached to the film. There is also a conducting wire which extends from the electric light out to an adjacent battery. The photographs are taken by pulling the cord, which enables the film to run past the lens, the electric light is then turned on until the sensitive plate has been impressed with the image. The light is then turned off and another section of the film is brought into play. When the film is exhausted the apparatus is withdrawn and the films developed and enlarged.

Bearskins Sent From This Country.

Owing to the growing scarcity of the American black bear, from which bearskin caps are made, and the consequent rise in price, a brigade committee has been appointed to report to the British war office as to the expediency of abolishing this cap. The troops who now wear the bearskin are the brigade of Guards, the Scots Greys and the Royal Engineer band. The official life of a bearskin is eight years, and when a third battalion shall have been added to the Scots Guards, the number of bearskins required will be about 1,000 annually.

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON VII, FEB. 18—JOHN IV: 5-26—AT JACOB'S WELL.

Golden Text—God Is a Spirit: and They That Worship Him Must Worship Him in Spirit and in Truth—John 4:24.

5. "Then cometh he," on his way from Judea to Galilee. "A city . . . called Sychar." The ancient Shechem between Mts. Ebal and Gerizim. Sychar means drunken town, or lying town.—Vincent. "That Jacob gave to his son Joseph." Few places in Palestine, after Jerusalem, have had so much of Bible history connected with them.

6. "Now Jacob's well was there." "One of the few sites about which there is no dispute." This well, measured in late years by Captain Anderson and by Lieutenant Conder, is seventy-five feet deep, and eight or nine feet in diameter. "Jesus therefore, being wearied with his journey." He was not weary of his work, but only in his work. "Sat (was sitting) thus on (by) the well," probably on the low curb usually placed around wells, resting, waiting for the return of his disciples. "It was about the sixth hour." Either noon, according to Jewish reckoning, or 6 p. m., according to one method of Roman reckoning, which many learned men think was used by John.

7. "There cometh a woman of (out of) Samaria." Not the city of Samaria, seven miles away, but from the country of Samaria; one of Samaritan race and religion. "To draw water." "Jesus saith unto her." The reason is given in the next verse. The disciples had gone to the city half or three-fourths of a mile away (8) "to buy meat," food. "Not meat, but 'provisions,' the plural being used in the Greek."—Professor Riddle. "Give me to drink." In regard to Oriental customs it is not considered "important for a man, though a stranger, to ask a woman to let down her pitcher and give him to drink."

9. "How is it that thou, being a Jew." "Jesus would be recognized as a Jew by his dress. The color of the fringes on his garments was probably white; that of Samaritans would be blue. "Askest drink," etc. The wonder of the Samaritan woman was that a Jew should seek, by asking and receiving drink, to make a friendly compact with a member of a hostile race. "For the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans." They have no dealings of friendly intercourse.

10. "If thou knewest the gift of God." His son, the Messiah, and the salvation he was bringing to man. "Thou wouldst have asked of him." Emphasize the thou and him. "And he would have given thee living water."

11. "Sir, thou hast nothing to draw with." That is, the usual leathern bucket and line. Note her change of tone.

12. "Art thou greater than our father Jacob?" Can you dig a better well, or find sweeter water?

13. "Whosoever drinketh of this water shall thirst again." This water satisfying only bodily thirst for brief periods, and a type of all worldly supplies for the deeper thirst of the soul.

14. "Whosoever drinketh of the water that I shall give him." Observe the representation throughout that the water is a gift from Christ to humanity. God's good things can never be bought. "Shall never thirst." This does not contradict the Beatitudes, "Blessed are those that hunger and thirst after righteousness," but it declares that there is an unfailing supply always at hand for the thirst. The water that satisfies is not from without, an external supply, that may fail, or be far away, but "shall be in him a well (a fountain, a spring) of water springing up into (unto) everlasting life."

15. "Sir, give me this water." Her soul is being awakened, and yet she does not fully comprehend his meaning. Hence the next lesson he teaches her in the following verses, the consciousness of her sin and need.

16. "Go, call thy husband." A natural request, but leading to her confession of sin.

18. "Thou hast had five husbands." Dr. Van Lennep (Bible Lands, p. 557), referring to the terrible frequency of divorces among Jews and Muslims at the present day, says: "We have known a man not 40 years of age who had successively married and put away a dozen wives."

19. "I perceive that thou are a prophet." Both from his knowledge of her past life and from his treatment of her sin.

20. "Our fathers worshipped in this mountain." Doubtless pointing to Mt. Gerizim at the foot of which they were standing. This was doubtless an oft discussed and puzzling question.

21. "Jesus saith unto her." His answer is admirable, the plain truth told in a way not to repel her. "The hour (the time) cometh, when ye shall," etc., i. e., when ye shall "worship the Father." Showing the loving and attractive side of God, drawing us to worship above, but unrestricted by time or place.

22. "Ye worship ye know not what." Better as in R. V., "Ye worship that which ye know not; we worship that which we know." "For salvation is of the Jews." Literally, the salvation, the expected salvation, is of the Jews, i. e., proceeds from them (not belongs to them).—Cambridge Bible.

23. "But the hour cometh, and now is." The new day has dawned; the Messiah has come. "When the true worshippers." Who worship not in forms merely, but with the heart. "Shall worship the Father." The true object of worship, God, presented in that aspect which most calls out sincere loving, heartfelt worship. "In spirit" designates the worship of the mind and heart, a real, spiritual worship as distinguished from a merely formal worship. "In truth" designates sincerity of worship in the true way. "For the Father seeketh such to worship Him."

24. "God is a Spirit." Essentially, absolutely spirit. Therefore, true worship must be of the Spirit.

25. "I know that Messias cometh." "Messias" is the Greek form of the Hebrew Messiah, as Christos is the Greek translation of it. "He will tell us all things." What Jesus had been telling the woman implied that he could tell all things. Therefore, she thought that possibly he might be the expected one.

26. "I . . . am he." Your judgment is right. All that has been foretold of the Messiah is true of me.

RAMS' HORNS.

Faith is reason's telescope.

True prayer consumes all pride.

The Christian is never off duty.

Christ is the world's conscience.

Not need, but pride, keeps us poor.

No man hits higher than he aims.

Death levels down, but love levels up.

Meditation is the breathing of the soul.

None love life like those who live love.

The books of heaven are written by men.

Love lights up the loved with lovelines.

Patience is not necessarily a virtue on a hot day.

True patriotism moves upward, rather than outward.

The way to get more is to make the most of what we have.

To admit our imperfection is to move toward perfection.

He who fails to build up, sins as truly as he who tears down.

The shades that hide the flowers bring out the blossoms of the sky.

God takes interest in us on his loan, while men take it out of us on theirs.

He who says we die as the beasts is quite likely to shape his living on the same rule.—Ram's Horn.

Rob Cleverdale's Adventure.

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CHAPTER XIII.—(Continued.)

"Drunk! Not a bit of it. Did you ever see Torrevo drunk? I did not. I tell you it was a put up job. Torrevo knew you always looked at the invoices and tally, and he played this little game for you to see how well the boy wrote. He knew your anxiety to get the work done well would do the rest. But what's the use standing here talking? He's gone, and getting farther away every minute."

"We must follow—but in which direction?"

"In which direction? Why, in what direction would he go but toward his ally, Torrevo, the traitor? He has gone back to the 'Black Cat.'"

"He may have gone toward Buenos Ayres."

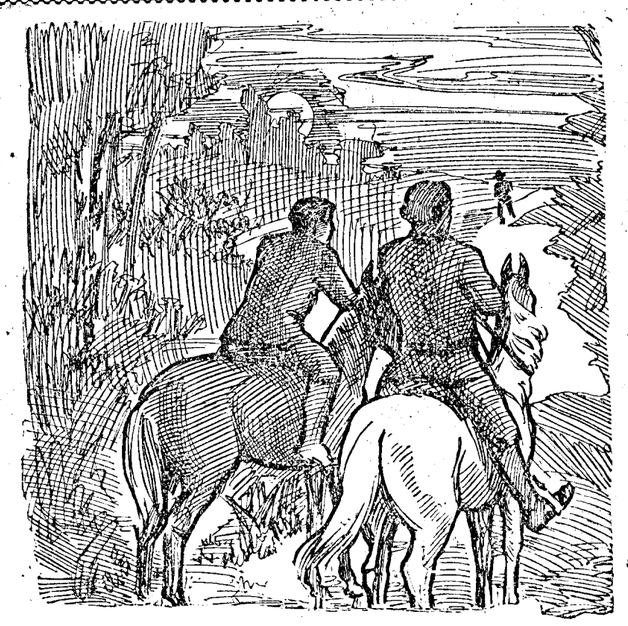
"Not he. What could he do there? I tell you, the bargain included the safety of Torrevo. The boy has gone back to join Torrevo, and the 'Black Cat' will sail for Buenos Ayres with these two precious fellows on board."

"I will order horses. We can reach the 'Black Cat' before morning. They will not sail till then. We may even overtake the boy."

Now that his stupor was over, Elvin could think and act quickly. He realized the danger in which he and his son stood as long as this intrepid and intelligent young American was alive and at large. He ordered horses to be saddled, and, after a drink to brace their nerves, father and son sat out on their errand—two men, to run down and kill a boy.

There was a moon, and the way was easily made. The horses were put to their utmost, and mile after mile was covered, but no Rob was seen.

Suddenly Starne drew up and called to Elvin.



"BY JOVE, THAT'S TERREVO!"

"Hist!" he said. "There is a man coming this way on foot."

Elvin reined in his horse and sat looking in the direction indicated by Starne.

"By Jove!" he exclaimed. "That's Torrevo!"

And Torrevo it was, making his way on foot from the "Black Cat" to Elvin's headquarters.

CHAPTER XIV.

Elvin and Starne rode toward him slowly.

"Be ready for treachery," said Starne. "Have your pistol in your hand. This fellow must be up to mischief."

Torrevo saw them coming, but walked on as if he feared nothing. Even had he stood in fear of his life there was no place to hide.

"Well," said Elvin, maintaining an outward coolness he did not feel. "What are you doing here? I thought you were to go to Montevideo."

"True, Captain Elvin. I am going. But I thought perhaps my nephew would be done with his new duties by now, and, as he has become very valuable on board, I am taking a walk out to your place to get him."

"Your nephew! Ha! That's good. And have you not seen that dear nephew of yours tonight?"

"I have not, captain. Else why would I be walking out to see him now. I have not been near your place this night."

"No! And neither has he! Look here, Torrevo, what is this game you are playing?"

"Game? What game? What do you mean?"

Torrevo's black eyes glistened with suspicion as he looked from one to the other. He readily saw that something unusual had happened, and from their words he believed they had discovered Rob's identity and his own duplicity.

"You know well enough what I mean. You are a traitor."

"That is what the judge said when I was convicted. That was five years ago."

"Yes, you were a traitor to your friends then, and you are a traitor to your friends now. Did you think you could hoodwink us? I knew that boy was Horton's nephew."

"So did I" said Torrevo, stolidly.

"But you told me," said Elvin, choking with rage, and made worse by Torrevo's coolness; "you told me that he was your own nephew."

"Certainly—and so he is."

Both Elvin and Starne stood aghast at this. This was the most monumental cheek they had ever seen.

"He is Horton's nephew and mine also," said Torrevo, as if it was a matter of no importance. "You see, captain, Horton's sister married my other."

"Liar!" shouted Starne. "Horton but one sister. She is now in New and her name is Cleverdale."

"That is true, also," said Torrevo, with an imperturbability that was amazing. "She married Senor Cleverdale after my brother died."

"But this boy's name is Cleverdale."

"Yes, they gave him that. He was only a year old when my brother died."

"But you sent him to me to spy, and report all to Horton."

"Captain, you are mistaken. I did not send him to you at all. You saw his handwriting and took him. Did I say for you to take him?"

"Enough of this talk!" exclaimed Starne. "You have told us a pack of lies. I know that Horton's sister was never married but once, and that time it was to Cleverdale. Torrevo, you are a traitor and you must pay the penalty. Where is that boy?"

"That is what I was going to ask you. You took him. I want him back. He is very valuable to me on the schooner.'

"You will never see the schooner again!" shouted Starne.

Torrevo's quick eye saw the gleam of a pistol. He had none himself, but in the twinkling of an eye he had produced a long knife, and sprang upon Starne. Starne was still in the saddle, and all Torrevo could do was to slash at his legs. Starne aimed and sent a bullet into Torrevo's heart."

"One traitor less," he said, calmly, as Torrevo fell on the ground dead. "What a glorious liar that fellow was. He would have been worth something if he could have been trusted."

"But we are in a fine fix!" said Elvin. "The 'Black Cat' was due at Montevideo in two days to bring over General Quesada. Now we have no one to take command. We must have Quesada."

"I'll bring Quesada. The crew of the 'Black Cat' know me, and will obey me. I shall be missed in Buenos Ayres, but that won't matter. We will be masters there in less than a week. I will take the 'Black Cat' after Quesada. You lead my horse back. But you must find that boy."

"He must have gone toward Buenos Ayres."

"No, he will try to find the 'Black Cat.' Torrevo's anxiety proves that there was an agreement between them whereby the boy was to return. Torrevo's own safety depended on his keeping the boy with him and sharing the glory when we were all captured."

"It looks so. Well, I will have men out after him in the morning. He may even now be on the 'Black Cat.' If so, you will know what to do with him."

"Will I not!" replied Starne, with an evil laugh. "I'll kill him with his eyes open and looking at me."

The two men parted, Starne going on foot toward Black Cat Bay, and Elvin returning to his headquarters, leading Lemuel's horse.

But where was Rob Cleverdale, while Elvin, Starne and Torrevo were looking for him in vain?

He was on his way to the "Black Cat," as Starne suspected, but, being ignorant of the road, he had gone a little out of his way, and thus missed Torrevo.

Early in the evening, when Elvin thought he had gone to bed, the courageous young American had slipped out of the window, which was not more than five feet from the ground, and had fortunately chosen a moment when there was no one around to see him. Finding all clear, he had shaped his course as well as he knew how, for Black Cat Bay, and started off on a run. He kept up this gait for some time and then rested. There was no sight of pursuers, so he trudged on again, keeping the direction, as he thought, straight to the river. But he did not travel as straight as he thought he did. He made quite a detour to the north, thus missing Torrevo, but toward morning reached the river a short distance above the bay. There was an island, quite a mountain, out in the river, which could be seen from the entrance to Black Cat Bay, and Rob could see it from the point where he met the river. From its position he knew he was too high up, and went down toward the anchorage.

(To be continued.)

"Wow!"

Mrs. Nobbs—"What a funny name that nurse of the young Archduke of Austria has."

Nobbs—"What is it?"

Mrs. Nobbs—"Her name is Wowse."

Nobbs—"Well, every nursery is full of 'wows' at times, isn't it?"—Baltimore American.

BETSEY BLESSING.

The summer of the year 1776, when the American army was stationed in New York, the commander-in-chief, Gen. Washington, was indulging in a brief resting spell after dinner when he was approached by an orderly, who saluted and said:

"A young woman who calls herself Betsey Ann Blessing would have speech with your excellency."

"Betsey Ann Blessing?" repeated Washington, with a momentary show of irritation; "who is she, and why may she not defer her business till the morrow? I warrant me that her lover is a prisoner of war, and she is ready to swear that he is a loyal whig! What think you, Holdfast?"

"If it please your excellency, she is well favored, as far as I could know from her crying, for she is in sore trouble."

"Aye! I am a true soothsayer! Crying, is she? Show her in, Holdfast, and see that the guard trouble her not. I misdoubt my own judgment in giving audience to strangers in these troublous times. It mayhap that Mistress Blessing prove a traitor in disguise."

The orderley soon returned, ushering in a girl so young she appeared like a child, and indeed acted like one, for no sooner did she stand in the presence of the great man than she seized his hand—that hand of stalwart proportions—and dropping on her knees kissed it with the ardor of a devotee. Meanwhile the tears streamed down her face in piteous torrents, and her form shook with suppressed emotions.

Washington had a tender heart, and he was greatly distressed by this unusual scene.

"Now, Mistress Blessing," said Washington, in his kindest manner, "tell me what brings you hither, and what your errand may be?"

"I came hither to save your excellency's life!" was the startling response.

It is a matter of history that Gen. Washington never disdained the simplest detail of army news, also that dispatches of the greatest importance were brought to him in the most trivial way. Instead, then, of laughing at the apparent presumption of this weeping girl, he bade her tell him everything, promising her immunity from punishment in case her news was not as weighty as she anticipated.

Thus encouraged, she began her story.

"On the morow your excellency is to dine with several officers of your command, under guard?"

"How do you know that, girl?" asked Washington, much surprised.

"Your excellency will lay certain plans against the enemy before the company?"

"Proceed!" commanded Washington, sternly.

"Among the dishes set before your excellency will be a new vegetable, of which you are very fond."

"Ah," laughed the general, "you have lost or forgotten an order from the kitchen. Here indeed is a new version of the mountain and the mouse!"

"I know not, gracious sir, what meaning that hath of the mountain and the mouse," cried Betsey, "but if a mess of green peas be served at table on the morrow, I beg and beseech you, sir, not to taste of them!"

"Wherefore, Mistress Blessing?" asked Washington, in his sternest manner.

"The peas will be poisoned!"

"How do you know this?" demanded the general, in the tone which made his soldiers quail when they heard it. "Speak, and see that you trifle not with me. Nay, child, do not fear! If what you say be true, not you, but the traitor who planned the dastardly deed, shall suffer!"

"No, no!" retorted the trembling girl, "no one must suffer! Is it not enough that I have dared to come into a lion's jaws to tell of the deed to insure safety for the designer thereof? Now that I have warned your excellency, permit me to retire from your distinguished presence."

Gen. Washington gave a signal, and instantly an armed guard of soldiers responded.

"Arrest this girl!" he said, sternly, and keep her under guard until such time as she sends for me to confess her fault!"

"That will I never, though I die in prison!" was the defiant reply, as the girl, who had entered bowed and weeping, raised her head proudly and walked out with the soldiers like a young queen.

All was tumult in the kitchens at Richmond Hill, and cooks were running about getting into one another's way, when a fair-haired youth in the garb of a serving-man loitered in and made his way unobserved to the great

"NOW, MISTRESS BLESSING, WHAT BRINGS YOU HITHER?"

fireplace, where he uncovered the skillets in which the vegetables were simmering on the hearth. When he came to that one containing the peas he dropped in a handful of some condiment and instantly took his departure.

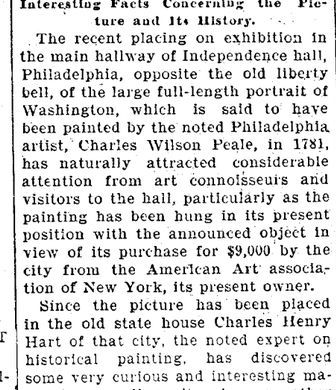
His next appearance was under the window of that room in which Mistress Blessing was incarcerated.

"H-i-s-t! Sweetheart! The dose is ready. Keep heart until the morrow, when I will myself release thee to ride pick-a-back on my roan horse. It is told in the town that Betsey Ann Blessing is arrested for a spy! Keep up your courage, sweetheart!"

"If you would befriend me, betake yourself to some safer place," whispered Betsey's voice through the barred window far above him. "A halter will be ready for your neck if you are seen or suspected, and, listen, if your dose takes effect, you are no longer lover of mine!"

The youth went away, grumbling about all being fair in love and war.

If Washington was different from his usual self at that historic dinner, the fact was not even recorded. There was much secret discussion of weighty affairs with his guests, and he gave close attention to the viands set before him. It was not, however, until the vegetables were served that he made any allusions to the food. When his favorite vegetable, a dish of green peas, was uncovered, he demanded at-



PARTOOK EAGERLY OF THE PEAS.

tention, and when all was silent, remarked in a loud voice:

"There is death in the pot!"

A great excitement ensued; the guests, who were in full uniform, drew their swords, and murmurs of "Death to the traitor!" were heard on every side.

Then Washington sent for Mistress Blessing, who came with a defiant light in her eye, and was given the seat of honor at her host's right hand. She took it with a dignity that called forth approving and admiring comments. Soldiers are proverbially gallant, and those of "'76" were no exception to the rule.

A servant was next sent out by the commander-in-chief on a peculiar errand. He returned, bringing with him a live and particularly active chicken, which partook eagerly of the dish of peas.

And in five minutes by the watch it lay dead in their midst.

Betsey Ann Blessing married her lover, after turning him into a patriot, and Washington himself gave away the bride. How much he knew remained his own secret, but green peas never afterward graced his table or were alluded to in his conversation.

PEALE'S PORTRAIT.

Interesting Facts Concerning the Picture and Its History.

The recent placing on exhibition in the main hallway of Independence hall, Philadelphia, opposite the old liberty bell, of the large full-length portrait of Washington, which is said to have been painted by the noted Philadelphia artist, Charles Wilson Peale, in 1781, has naturally attracted considerable attention from art connoisseurs and visitors to the hall, particularly as the painting has been hung in its present position with the announced object in view of its purchase for $9,000 by the city from the American Art association of New York, its present owner.

Since the picture has been placed in the old state house Charles Henry Hart of that city, the noted expert on historical painting, has discovered some very curious and interesting material regarding it. Among other things Mr. Hart has pointed out the fact that the painting is not an original from life, but a replica, one of several copies made by the artist and sold for thirty guineas each, or about $150. Mr. Hart has further stated that the original painting is still extant, and, moreover, in Philadelphia, hanging in the hallway of the country place of the late Thomas McKean, Germantown, and is in excellent condition. This

PEALE'S WASHINGTON.

picture was purchased at auction by Henry Pratt McKean in 1854 for $360.

Concerning the history of the copy of this picture now offered for sale to Philadelphia, the following is an extract from a communication received by Director Riter from Thomas E. Kirby of the American Art association:

"Replying to your inquiries in reference to the portrait of Gen. Washington by Charles Wilson Peale, now in our possession, we will state that the painting was purchased in Cadiz, Spain, in February, 1896, by our Paris agent, M. Montaignac. This painting for many years was in the hands of bankers in Cadiz, held as collateral, and although they knew the work to be the portrait of an American general, did not know it to be a portrait of our immortal Washington. M. Montaignac, in sending the work to us, states that the picture was ordered to be painted by Don Juan Marailles, Spanish minister to the United States in 1779, in connection with Gen. Washington's presence in Philadelphia. While Peale painted seven or eight similar portraits, we consider the one in our possession the finest sample he produced, and failing to find the slightest hint of retouching or restoration. We also believe that our portrait is the only one having the signature of artist and date (1781). Before sending the portrait to us our agent showed the picture in Paris, and we quote from a letter written by a well-known connoisseur, G. A. Lucas, an intimate friend of the late William H. Stewart of Philadelphia, the famous connoisseur:

"'Dear M. Montaignac: So much interested was I in the Peale portrait of Washington now in your possession that, after seeing it, I visited Versailles in order to examine one by the same artist which has been in the gallery for a great many years, and was glad to find that your portrait, according to my judgment, is superior to it both in execution of the figure and the accessories, the latter in the Versailles one having all the appearance of having been painted by another than that of Peale. The Versailles portrait is unsigned; yours bears the artist's signature. I hope, as you tell me its destination is America, that it will a permanent resting place in a public gallery, and it now occurs to me that a most fitting one would be Mount Vernon. I am always happy when I see "epaves" of our early history rescued from loss and destruction and finding a home in our country, where they may be always seen and fully appreciated and admired.'"

HOUSE OF ANCESTORS.

The illustration shows the old Sulgrave manor house, in Northamptonshire, the English ancestral home of George Washington. The coat of arms used by Washington may be descried over the doorway. No attempt has been made to restore the house, though it is cared for and kept from wilful destruction.

Surely Must Be Pleased

"What's the matter now?" asked the harsup landlord. "Don't you see, the plaster's all fallen off the ceiling?" said the tenant. "Well, now, I hope you're satisfied. The first thing you did after moving in was to complain about the ceilings being so low."—Stray Stories.

The Vegetarian's Heart.

The heart of a vegetarian beats on an average 58 to the minute; that of the meat eater, 75. This represents a difference of 20,000 beats in twenty-four hours.

Genius only commands recognition when it has created the taste which is to appreciate it.—Froude.

IS AN OLD INVENTION.

FISHHOOK IS ALMOST CO-EXISTENT WITH MAN.

Story of Its Revolution as It Journeys Through the Ages—Prehistoric Relics Found in Switzerland Prove the Age of the Idea.

Men have doubtless been fishers from very remote times. Hunger would teach them to catch fish as well as to hunt mammals, but while the evidences of the latter are so abundant in the shape of stone weapons the weapons or implements used for catching fish, being made of less durable material, have disappeared. The exceptions to this general statement are the few instances where fishhooks made entirely of stone or of a combination of stone and wood or bone, have been preserved with the other implements of similar material, says Popular Science. Fishhooks of silicious material have not been found in America, but hooks composed of flint or chalcedony and bone have been found in Greenland. The invention of rude implements to facilitate the catching of fish would not require the exercise of any great ingenuity or mechanical skill. From watching the fish snap at or swallow objects thrown in the water, the idea of trying some tempting bait on the end of a string and throwing it into the water, to be seized and swallowed by the fish, which could then be pulled out by means of the string, would be very simple and from this to the earliest known attachment for making the capture of the fish more certain that of attaching a sliver of wood to the end of the string or line in such a way that any attempt at escape on the part of the fish would make its capture more certain was very easy. Afterward pieces of bone or wood sharpened at each end and sometimes grooved in the middle to keep the string from slipping were evolved. Implements of this character are still used by the Eskimos for catching seagulls and other water fowl. A cord made of braided grass, fifteen or eighteen inches long is looped around the groove in the bone and fastened to a trawl line, kept extended by anchored buoys, the bone being baited with small fish, into which the implement is inserted lengthwise. The trawl lines are placed near the breeding places of the birds and would be equally effective in the capture of certain kinds of fish. As man gained experience and advanced in knowledge other forms of implements would be evolved, better suited for the purpose, but with the exception of better material being used in the manufacture the fishhooks of the civilized nations of today are but little in advance of those used by savage races and prehistoric peoples. Prehistoric fishhooks of bronze and others made from the tusks of the wild boar are found in the Swiss lakes. Another form of bronze fishhook, found in the lake of Morat, is almost identical in form with those used today. Chippel flint fishhooks are found in Sweden. Among the aborigines of Wisconsin native copper was used in the manufacture of various weapons and implements and fishhooks of beaten copper have been found in some of the mounds of that region.

PROGRESS OF THE SOUTH.

Twenty Years Have Shown a Remarkable Growth in Dixie.

The industrial progress of the south during the past twenty years has been phenomenal. In the past ten years the production of wheat has increased 54 per cent in the south, and the number of hogs raised there during that period has nearly doubled. Seventy-two varieties of field crops are now grown where ther formerly was nothing but cotton, and sixty-five varieties of vegetables, fruits and melons are raised in the south for markets in the north. While five years ago the cotton mills in the south consumed but720,000 bales of cotton, their consumption amounts to nearly 1,500,000 bales in the 550 mills, with 4,952,092 spindles and 104,446 looms. The number of mills has increased 206, and of spindles and looms 640 per cent. The finest blankets made in the country are now manufactured in North Carolina, where 104 woolen mills are in operation. The finest grade of wool can be grown in the south almost as cheaply as cotton. Two decades ago the south produced annually but 6,000,000 tons of bituminous coal; that product has now passed the 40,000,000 mark, and of the 47,000 square miles of coal fields in the south only about 1,000 are under development. While two decades ago less than 500,000 tons of iron were produced, the production has now grown to 2,500,000 tons of a very superior article. And the iron industry of the south is as yet in its infancy. There are enormous iron ore deposits in different parts of that section of the country which have thus far not been touched at all. This is but a short summary of the progress made in the south during the past twenty years, but it suffices to indicate the possibilities of that part of the country and what is in store for it in the future, since it is no longer limited to cotton.

Smallest Coin in Use.

In Europe the smallest coin now current, and the one having the least value, is the Greek lepton. The lepton is, according to the decimal monetary system, current in all countries belonging to the Latin union. Some idea of this valuable little disc of copper may be gathered from the fact that the lepton is the one hundredth part of a drachma. The Greek drachma usually passes for the same value that a franc piece does; that is, it is about equal to twenty cents of our money.—Memphis Scimetar.

Appased Her Anger.

"Are you engaged?" said a gentleman to a young lady at a country dance. "I was," she replied, with flashing eyes, "but if that Pete Thompson thinks that I'm going to sit here and see him squeeze that freckle-faced Wilkins girl's hand all evening, he'll be mistaken, diamond or no diamond."—Ohio State Journal.

Number of Teeth.

The number of teeth at maturity is 32, or 16 in each jaw.

PARIS FRIVOLITIES.

Fin Babbles of Genius, Skating Staff and Jewels.

"We had fewer New Year's cards this year than ever before," writes Fill in a letter from Paris to the New York Commercial Advertiser. "It is not at all chautelaire to send shop-made 'images' to one's friends, and only the poets and the authors and the painters send cards now. Ordinary persons content themselves by posting their ordinary visiting cards, with a few words of greeting, and perhaps a wee photograph of the sender placed in one corner of the card. But if one is a personage—ah! then it is done differently. One paints a charming little picture and has it reproduced on as many cards as one wishes to send away; or one writes some pretty little triolets and has them printed in gold and powdered with diamond dust, or one writes a touching and beautiful little story suitable for New Year's reading and has it printed and bound for private circulation. All this for the friends of clever folks. If one is not a celebrity or the cherished friend of a celebrity one is forgotten in these days. But if we have not had New Year's cards we have had skating, and, as you know, skating in Paris is a picturesque proceeding always, but especially so this season, as the 'batons de velours' (velvet staffs) of the second empire have been revived, and added much to the beauty of the scene at the Horseshoe pond on the Bois de Boulogne. These staffs were brought into use by the poor Empress Eugenie when that exalted unfortunate took her first lessons in skating. The empress had two instructors, but etiquette forbade their holding the hands of their pupil to guide her uncertain glides over the ice. M. Carter was at that time the king of skaters, and he invented the staff, which consisted of a stout rod covered with wadded velvet. The ends of the rod were held by two professors, while the empress, placing her hands in the center and leaning her weight upon it, was supported and guided without having occasion to touch the skating masters. The staffs have appeared this season in great numbers and are of all colors, but bright red and blue predominate. It is impossible, ma chere, to imagine anything prettier than a pretty woman holding one of these staffs and accompanied by two beaux cavaliers, gliding birdlike over the ice. Do not say, 'Birds do not glide.' I always think of seagulls when I see fine skating. I have seen a wonderful jewel in the Rene de la Paix. It is a pigeon-blood ruby, surrounded by smaller rubies, to represent a burning flame, the shape of the flame being outlined in brilliants of exceptional brilliancy and beauty. Beneath the flame and attached by an invisible gold thread is a large moth composed of curious gray crystal found in the mountains of America—on dit—and surrounded by diamonds, the flimy outstretched wings also of diamonds, with an outline of pale-colored emeralds! Volla, est-ce-beau?"

IN NO MAN'S LAND.

Freak Island in the Missouri Near the Borders of South Dakota.

A freak of action of the Missouri river near the southeastern portion of South Dakota in 1881 which resulted in the loss of several million dollars' worth of cattle and property, the wiping out of an entire township and the forming of an island in the river has caused no end of trouble in the years that have intervened. The most difficulty has been in connection with the island. The damage was caused by a flood which resulted from the melting of snow in all parts of the state, and which caused the Missouri to spread far over its banks. When the waters had subsided it was found that the river had cut through some of the best farms in the northern part of Nebraska for a distance of about two miles, thus shortening the old channel by seventeen miles. The island of land thus formed has been in the courts of the state ever since. The last legislature of the state annexed "the island' to South Dakota for judicial and taxable purposes. There is a provision in the state constitution which says that land cannot be added to or taken from a county without submitting the question to the people of the county for a majority vote. In order to get this island into such condition that the inhabitants can vote it is necessary to have it annexed to Clay county. It was expected that this election could be held last November with the judicial election, but the secretary of the state decided that it would take a general election, which will not be held until the fall of 1900. At that time the people all over the county will vote on the question whether or not the island shall be annexed.

STAGE KISSES ARE GENUINE.

And They Have to Be Sufficiently Fervid, Too.

They must have an impulsive manner. They must look sufficiently fervid, says the Ladies' Home Journal. It is a curious sight—that of two players who are to express the ardent love which Shakespeare has written for his "Romeo and Juliet," but who at rehearsals, in modern clothes and no accessories of glamour, practice a kiss as mechanically and unfeelingly as though it were—as it is then—utterly devoid of sentiment. There must be no hesitation nor clumsiness. Romeo is not permitted to decide whether to throw both arms around his sweetheart or only one, or which. Nor may Juliet be shy or forward, yielding or resisting, as she chooses. The director will place their arms for them if they do not themselves make a picturesque exhibit of tenderness. And the kiss? Shall it be delivered by the wooer on the lips of the won, or on brow or cheek? That question is considered and settled. Are kisses on the stage genuine? Well, not at rehearsals, except, maybe, once or twice, in order to show the effect fully. An actress would resent a real kiss at a rehearsal except when necessary. For the satisfaction of natural curiosity on that point it may be told right here that most of the kisses in the public performances of plays are actual kisses.

Good meat has a reddish brown color and contains no clots of blood.

Do not wash your hands and face with a common laundry soap, or if you do, don't complain when you find them rough, hard and chapped. Ordinary laundry soaps are good for scrubbing floors, but not for the skin. Ivory Soap makes a creamy lather that rinses easily and takes the dirt with it. The natural oil of the skin washed with Ivory Soap is not removed, and the skin is left soft and smooth.

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Henry M. Stanley, the noted explorer, is reported ill.

Governor Rosevelt of New York is reported as being opposed to his nomination for vice president. He prefers to be governor of New York.

Governor Taylor refuses to give up his position as governor for a democratic promise to pass a good election-contest law. He knows what democratic promises of the Kentucky stripe are worth.

There seems to be no human probability of the defeat of McKinley at the coming election. But we must remember that we felt the same way about Harrison's second campaign. Republicans must not lose this great contest by their over-confidence.

The Grand Island Weekly Journal, Vol. 1, No. 1, is at hand. This is the successor of the Republican, which the Fodreas had allowed to be gobbled up by the Free Press while Mobley was in the Philippines and could not help himself. The new paper is by L. J. Simmons and is a creditable paper. We hope that Mr. Simmons will steer clear of the daily business and if so he ought to make a success of his venture.

When Bryan was in Harrisburg, Penn., a few weeks ago the Telegraph of that city published a very complete and complimentary account of his meeting, but along side of the account was a double-column article headed "When Bryan was Here Before—and Now." In this article the paper recounts the number of men and wages paid at the various factories of the city at the time of the former Bryan visit at the close of the Cleveand administration and at the same factories now. The showing is a most emphatic rebuttal of any argument that Bryan could possibly have advanced.

From a Christian Standpoint.

To the Editor of the Quiz:

DEAR SIR:—Is not your recent correspondent, "The minister of an independent religious organization and a public instructor in morals," taking needless alarm over the antagonistic teaching of "pulpit and teacher's desk?"

Some familiarity for a number of years with the text books used in our common schools, colleges and universities, gives me—as a believer in the crucified Christ—entire assurance as to any pronounced inharmony with orthodox religious beliefs.

"As to the "fact" that "not a single scientist in the world today can be called a Christian, as that word is generally defined by the churches;" the statement stands a mere personal opinion with no word of proof. Who are the scientists of today? Will your correspondent kindly name them? Does he count as one?

There is one who "was in the world and the world was made by Him and the world knew Him not." Indeed, "All things were made by Him and without Him was not anything made that was made." This includes the human race. And who is Creator of the worlds and of man? The Logos. The Word. Having made these human beings, who must be responsible to Him. Did He—could He leave them with no knowledge of their relation and responsibility? The "good sense" of every candid thinker will suggest the necessity of a revelation. The only adequate revelation is found in scripture, where the way of life is made plain even to the unscientific.

If worshippers of science will for a moment consider what science is and that scientific observers have been drawing erroneous conclusions in all ages, are equally liable to do the same to-day and that generations of men have lived in the acceptance of these errors as solid, established scientific fact, they will see how excellent was Paul's exhortation to his son in the faith, "O Timothy, keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane and vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called: which some professing have erred concerning the faith." True science is a revelation of God and corroboration of scripture, and many a reverent observer has been brought into the light of divine truth by looking through nature up to nature's God and Maker.

If your correspondent, Mr. Editor, were a watchmaker and could create infinitesimal inhabitants of that watch, which was kept alway running; if he touched, for a moment one of the wheels in that mechanism, what wouldhis little people think? They understand all "natural phenemona" but here comes in the, to them, supernatural element, something above and beyond their limited comprehension. So, to us, a miracle, something outside the laws of nature as known to us but in perfect harmony with supernatural law.

Some of us believe in miracles not alone, because God's word records them but because we have ourselves experienced a miracle, we have the evidence of personal experience.

Our Lord said "Ye shall be winesses unto me." Witnesses. Can one witness, testify to what he does not know? The pulpit announces "glad tidings." Salvation through Christ who has borne in his own body, our sins on the cross. Our sins, the most "easily besetting" of which is "unbelief," because it "makes God a liar" and "God will not be mocked."

In regard to the pulpit teachings of Ord in orthodox churches, does your correspondent believe that any human soul will say in the day of judgment that its lost condition is due to such preaching?

Respectfully yours,
MRS. E. A. RUSSELL.

Horse Racing on the Stage.

In racing scenes the horses do run at full speed. They run, however, not on the fixed stage, but on what may be called treadmills, which keep the horses in front of the house for longer or shorter periods, according as they are moved quickly or slowly. A picket fence, placed between the audience and the course, not only makes the scene more realistic; it also hides the mechanism of the treadmills. This fence has contributed in another way to add to the effect by being moved in opposition to the direction of the horses and so lending to their apparent speed.

As to the sounds made by the footfalls of horses to be heard as though passing outside an interior scene, they are reproduced by the dried hoofs of dead horses or wooden imitations mounted on handles and hammered against surfaces of stone, gravel, sod or whatever the occasion may demand. They are also more elaborately manufactured by revolving a cylinder with pins protruding from the surface. These pins are arranged, like the spurs on a hand organ roller, to imitate trotting, galloping or walking when struck against other substances. If the sound of a carriage is to be added to the trampling of horses, wheels are run on sand.—Cassell's Magazine.

THE CITY'S AFFAIRS.

A Proposition to Vote $7000 Additional Water Bonds Submmitted.

Feb. 1, 1900. The city met in regular session, The petition of G. W. Hall and other for a sidewalk was granted.

The water commissioner reported $1344 92 collected to date.

The following bills were allowed:

BUSINESS TAX FUND:	
Frank Mallory Co., mdse.......	$ 2 39
A. J. Shirley, salary............	6 30
Jos. Cernik, salary..............	4 00
J. W. Beran, salary.............	4 00
H. D. Heuck, salary.............	4 00
H. C. Perry, salary..............	4 00
H. Strong, salary	4 00
J. H. Carson, salary.............	25 00
W. H. Carson, salary	25 00
P. W. Busby, salary, killing dogs	46 48
WATER FUND:	
V. Abelbart, salary	40 00
R J. Clark, hauling.............	10 65
Johnson Bros., mdse,...........	45
U. P. Coal Co, mdse............	91 00

Cornell Bros. allowed $2.60 on the Fire Apparatus Fund.

Feb. 7. Board met and adjourned till Feb. 12.

Feb. 12. A resolution was adopted setting forth that there are city bonds outstanding in the sums $16,000, $12,000 and $4,000 which may now be paid, and declaring the intention of the mayor and council to refund the latter two lots of bonds in lot of bonds known as "Refunding Water Bonds" in the sum of $16000 and at 4½ percent interest, due in 20 years. Protests may be filed by any tax paper on or before March 7, 1900. at the office of the city clerk.

A proposition was also submitted to the legal voters of the city to be voted upon at the spring election, April 3, 1900, to determine whether the city shall issue additional water bonds in the sum of $7000 to improve the waterworks system, to be known as "Water Extension Bonds," and will bear interest at rate of 5 percent.

Grandfather's Hymns.

The Contributors' Club in The Atlantic gives some information concerning "grandfather's" hymns: "Imagine them and their good wives gathered in the New England meeting house, trolling forth such 'spiritual songs' as the book preserves for us:

"Then, blooming friends, a long farewell;
We're bound to heaven, but you to hell.
Still God may hear us while we pray
And change you ere the burning day.

"And, be it observed, this 'burning day' to them was something as definite as washing day. This was none of your vague purgatorial way stations, but as fiery a pit of torment as the imagination can well conceive. Here is a glimpse of it:

"Hark, the shrill outcries of the guilty wretches!
Lively bright horror and amazing anguish
Stare through their eyelids, while the living worm lies
Gnawing within them."

Doubling His Joy.

"Young man," said the girl's father, "do you realize that in asking for my daughter's hand in marriage you are asking me to give up my only child?"

"Excuse me, sir," replied the young man, "but you are evidently laboring under a misapprehension. I propose to come and live with you after we are married, and you will then have two children instead of one. Now, what more could you ask?"—Chicago News.

A Lack.

She—What! Are you going to dine at the club? I should think you would hate to take dinner there.

He—Why?

She—Because, my dear, you will miss all the pleasure of complaining about what you get to eat.—Detroit Free Press.

Sailors' trousers, or "trombone pants," as they have sometimes been called, expand in bell shape at the bottom so as to be the more easily kicked off in case of the wearer's falling into the water.

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Did you ever try to dodge the rain-drops? Did not succeed very well, did you? It's just as useless to try to escape from the germs of consumption. You can't do it. They are about us on every hand and we are constantly taking them into our lungs.

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Poteen.

This wild west of Ireland is the natural home of "poteen," or illicit whisky. This is because the loneliness and remoteness of the spots chosen for making it, almost inaccessible through the mountains and bogs save to those who know something about the country, are all in favor of the smugglers escaping detection, while its network of mountain lakes and small running streams affords the necessary cold water for condensing the distilled fumes into spirit during the cooling process.

Dear beyond any "parliament whisky"—by which expression he denotes that sort which has paid the tax imposed by the brutal Saxon government—is this fiery fluid to the heart of every true peasant son of Connaught, and daughter,too, for that matter, for the fair sex, especially if at all up in years, takes its fair share. And, in the interest of truth, it must be added that those who inhabit the coast counties from Kerry to Donegal, inclusive, are also fully alive to its seductive merits. Indeed, many doctors—local, of course—will tell you that well made poteen is better in sickness than the adulterated whisky usually met with in the small public houses in this region of poverty, for in the Connemara country at any rate the illicit whisky is made of pure malt, though rumor has it that the less particular palate of Donegal, for instance, is satisfied with a fire water mainly made from molasses, potatoes—aye, sometimes from almost any other rubbish you please.—Chambers' Journal.

Patrols on Russian Railroads.

The Transsiberian railroad is very closely guarded, the management feeling personally responsible for the people they carry on their trains. The road is divided into sections of one verst, or five-eighths of a mile. In a neat little log house, usually in a garden, live the guard and his people. The average family is a wife and five tow-headed children. The houses were built by the company and evidently with a view to meeting the demands of increasing families. The guard or a member of his family must patrol his section night and day. He steps to the side of the track as the train approaches and after it has passed steps back into the middle of the track, holds a small green flag in the air, at night a lantern, and stands like a statue until the train has entered the next section. Several guards do duty in the heavy curves, and frequently they are only a few hundred feet apart.

Much of the track patrolling is done by women, who have proved fully as reliable as the men. The women are nearly always barefooted, and as they stand on the track holding the flag aloft, a Siberian breeze toying with their short skirts, they are fine subjects for a sculptor after a unique model.—Siberian Letter in Chicago Record.

Seeing and Knowing.

An eminent lord chief justice who was trying a right of way case had before him a witness, an old farmer, who was proceeding to tell the jury that he had "knowed the path for 60 year, and my feyther towld I as he heard my grandfeyther say"—

"Stop!" cried the judge. "We can't have any hearsay evidence here."

"No!" exclaimed Farmer Giles. "Then how dost know who thy feyther was, 'cept by hearsay?"

After the laughter had subsided the judge said, "In courts of law we can only be guided by what you have seen with your eyes and nothing more nor less."

"Oh, that be blowed for a tale!" replied the farmer. "I ha' got a bile on the back of my neck, and I never seed 'un, but I be prepared to swear he's there, dang 'un!"

This second triumph on the part of the witness set in a torrent of hearsay evidence about the footpath, which obtained weight with the jury, albeit the judge told them it was not testimony of any value, and the farmer's party won.

Worse Than Death Valley.

Dreadful as Death valley is, its northwestern arm, known as Mesquite valley, is worse. All the waters upon its surface are poison, and down through the canyon a hot, suffocating wind blows with terrible velocity. During its course through the desert it frequently gathers clouds of white sand that have blinded many a horse and rider, and at frequent intervals it whirls down the canyon like a cyclone of sharp crystals. Under the glistening beds of salt and borax are concealed streams of salt water which flow sluggishly toward some unknown outlet or may be lapped up by the parched winds.

One of the strangest phenomena of this extraordinary place is what frontiersmen, for want of a better name, have called "raising earth." By the action of the sun a crust composed of minerals and clay has been formed on the surface, and by some curious pressure of nature has been lifted from the earth in irregular curves like pie crust in the oven. The cavity between this crust and the solid earth varies from one to ten feet, and the depth frequently changes after heavy windstorms by the displacement of the air beneath. The man or the animal that steps upon this crust is gone forever. It is absolutely impossible for any one to extricate himself when plunging about in the "raising earth."—Chicago Record.

Took Her Cousin's Place.

One day a young Swede, a student at the University of Berlin, received a letter from his uncle saying that his daughter, the young man's cousin, would stop in Berlin for a few days on her way to Ems and would he kindly meet her and show her the city. The mail coach arrived and with it the young lady, who found a fine looking young fellow with a vivid boutonniere awaiting her arrival. He accompanied her to the hotel. The following morning he called and took her driving in an elegant brougham. These attentions continued during the three days of her visit. The lady appeared overjoyed at the gallantry of this cousin, whom she had never met before.

On the day of her departure, while assisting her into the mail coach, the young man said, "I cannot let you depart without making a confession." The lady blushed and dropped her eyes. "I must tell you that I am not your cousin. Your cousin is a friend of mine. He had no time to accompany you, having to cram for his examinations, so he bade me take his place."

"In heaven's name, who are you, then?" cried the lady.

The young man handed her his card. The postilion blew his trumpet, the mail coach rolled away, as the young lady read this name on the card: "Otto von Bismarck."—Current Literature.

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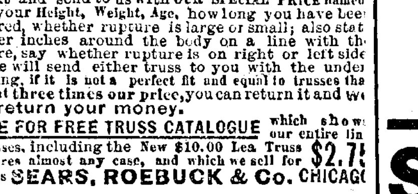

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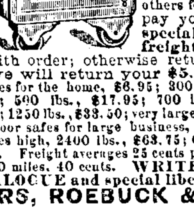

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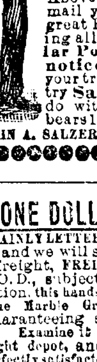

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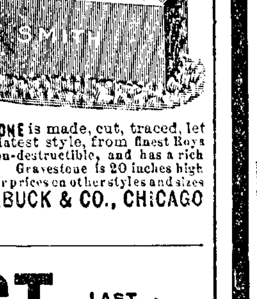

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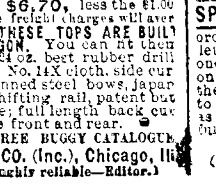

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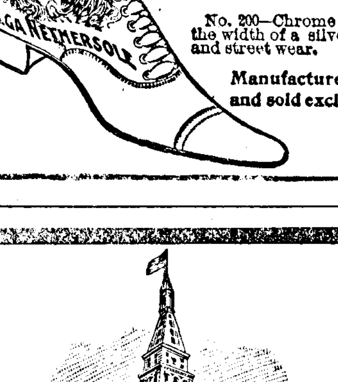

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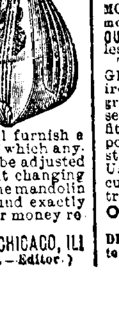

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RAILROAD TIMETABLES.

UNION PACIFIC.

No. 82.—Passenger..... Leaves 8:30 a. m
No. 84.—Freight..... Leaves 2:30 p. m
No. 81.—Passenger..... Arrives 3:50 p. m
No. 83.—Freight..... Arrives 1:00 p. m
All trains are daily except Sunday.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Passenger, going east,.....Leaves 7:25 a. m
Freight, going east, (*except Tuesday) 12:20 p. m
Freight, going west,..... Leaves 2:30 p. m
Passenger, going west,..... Leaves 4:53 p. m
*Eastbound freight goes to Ericson Tuesdays leaving Ord at 9:45 on that day only.
All trains are daily except Sunday.

Home Happenings & Comment

Scale books at the Quiz office.

Al. Kroetch was down from Burwell Monday.

Will Tuma was a passenger to Elyria Saturday evening.

For 7 per cent farm loans call on H. F. Oleson, Ord.

Colored paper squares for kindergarten work in schools for sale by THE QUIZ.

When you want posters or handbills get them at Quiz office. The best work and lowest prices.

Mrs. Arthur Nichols of Burwell was in the city Monday. She returned home in the evening.

Misses Kittie Cox and Bird Ratliff went to St. Paul last week Friday for a few hours sojourn with friends.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Capron entertained a number of friends with cards and refreshments last Friday night.

Mrs. Steven Weare went to St. Paul to visit friends for a few days Tuesday. She was accompanied by her children.

The W. C. T. U. will meet at the home of Mrs. Claflin Thursday afternoon, Feb. 22, at half past two o'clock.

Dr. Roeder of Grand Island was called Thursday evening to assist Dr. Haldeman in the Witt case. The doctor returned home the next morning.

We have used some of the Watkins extracts and spices for sale by O. B. Walton, Ord, Neb., and find them par excellence.

Miss Antonia Masin went up to Burwell Saturday evening, where she will remain for a few weeks, at the home of her brother Charlie.

Remember these facts; more for your money, less trouble to use and each package colors all fibers. Putnam Fadeless Dyes sold at 10c per package by Johnson Bros.

Friends were very kind to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Siler during the sickness, death and buriel of their child, and they desire to thank the public for these many evidences of sympathy and goodwill.

Have I not bidden ye beware of something said to be the same as Rocky Mauntain Tea, made by the Madison Medicine Co.? If ye are truly wise heed this warning. Ask your druggist.

Ed. Weare went back to work at Havelock Monday. He had been laying off for a month or so on account of being sick, but is in trim now to do good work for the company.

Mr. John H. Witt, of Melbourne, Ia., arrived in town last week to assist in caring for his brother, A. F. Witt. Mr. Witt left on Tuesday to attend the funeral at Grand Island and will go from there home.

A. F. Witt's eldest daughter and child, Mrs. Louise Ritterbusch of Oklahoma City, arrived in town on Monday last, but too late to see her father alive. She reached Grand Island too late to make connection with the Ord train and consequently had to remain in that city Sunday. She feels very bad over this as it had been nearly nine years since she had seen her father.

We know of a farmer living but a few miles from Clarkson who has, since last fall, fed several hundred bushels of potatoes to his hogs with the very best results. He boils the potatoes with a steam cooker before feeding, and says that his hogs have done much better than when fed on dry food only. At the present prices potatoes are cheaper to feed than corn.—Howells Journal.

The Rebekahs had things their own way at Odd Fellows hall Wednesday night. Members of the order with their husbands and wives and also former Rebekahs and Odd Fellows were among the company and the hall was comfortably filled for the occasion. Mrs. Harve Potter presided. The first on the bill of fare was a literary program, which was short. Then the special feature of the occasion began, which was the burning of fagots. Each person in the room had to go to the center of the room by turns and burn a fagot, and before the flame went out had to complete a story or song. The fagots had been doctored so they would not burn, and consequently everybody but a few had to pay a fine of 10 cents for their failure. Refreshments were served and a good time was had. Another entertainment is to follow soon of a different nature, to which it is announced the children of Rebekahs will be invited.

It begins to look as though Ord is to lose Prof. R. W. Bond. He has closed a deal with the musical interests of Hastings whereby he becomes leader of the Second Regiment Band and will have other business connections there which will keep him employed at that place Hastings is to be congratulated on getting this man as musical director. He is a recognized success as a leader, is a fine cornet soloist, and has become widely known through his compositions. With the excellent timber known to be in the Hastings band he will have a much better opportunity to be heard than seemed to be offered here at Ord. Hastings people will find him worth their confidence in social as well as musical matters, for he stands well as a citizen and business man.

Johnson Brothers, agents for the Omaha Bee in this city, are in receipt of a check from the Bee Publishing Company for $5.00, this being the 18th prize offered by the Bee to the agent making the largest increase in his list of subscribers. It is evident that when there are any extra plumbs in the market, Johnson Brothers do not propose to take a back seat, and are to be admired for their energy and enthusiasm. The next time the Bee puts up a number of cash prizes, our citizens should all take hold and help Johnson Brothers win the first prize of $100.00.

The much-talked-of new bank at North Loup seems to be a settled thing. Articles of incorporation have been filed showing that the name of the institution will be the Farmers State Bank and the incorporators are Sam. McClellan, Geo. Johnson, W. E. Gowen and Guy Dann. There is a good opening for a bank at that place and the people around there will be very glad to have it started. All the incorporators are solid men and the country around being filled with prosperous farmers there is no reason why the bank ought not to make a go of it. Good luck to it.

About eight inches of snow fell this week, and as there was very little wind at the time the white coat is spread all over the face of the earth pretty evenly. This puts a stop to letting cattle range in the hills and rustle a living, and is the first time this season that cattle have had to be fed without being able to rustle their feed. But the spell cannot be long and cattle will be making their own way again in a few days. if THE QUIZ hits its guess.

The cold snap last week was not so bad for the cattle in this vicinity. Stock was in a vigorous condition and able to stand so short a storm or even one of greater duration. The wind was severe and the cold intense, but as the weather was dry save to the extent of a dry snow, the cattle were not much disturbed by it. The season is so well advanced now that there is not any likelihood of there being long storms now.

Word was received over the telephone Tuesday that the oldest child of Charles Siler was dying at Hastings. Mr. and Mrs. George F. Siler left on the afternoon freight that day, and Miss Mamie Siler went the next morning. A sister of Mrs. Siler is also at the point of death in Ohio, and these afflictions taken with the death of Ed's baby Sunday make the bereavements of this family very severe.

THE QUIZ has explained more than once that it is open to decent discussion of any public question. Wheather a person agrees or not with the views of THE QUIZ he has free but limited use of these columns. We can see no reason why anyone could object to the publication of Mr. Tyrer's remarks last week. He has a right to his views and a right to express them.

Musicale to-night.

Rev. E. A. Russell went to York last Saturday.

Mr. Gardner of Arcadia was in the city Monday.

H. E. Oleson was doing business at Burwell Wednesday night.

Charles and Mrs. Cass Cornell went to Omaha yeasterday morning.

Tickets on sale at Patty's for the Epworth League musicale tonight.

A good old fashioned snow storm set in Tuesday morning from the east.

Mrs. George McLain has been very sick lately, but is much better this week.

Dr. Ward's Liniment and the Watkins Remedies, extracts and spices are for sale by O. B. Walton, Ord, Neb.

If you are thinking of buying a stove or range see Cornell Bros. They can save you some money.

A white face calf, about 4 months old, strayed from Patty's premises recently. Finder will please report to Patty.

Something got out of kilter with the Milford street light last week and the glim did not shine all night for a while.

Mrs. Will Siler arrived in the city Monday evening to attend the funeral of the little child of Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Siler.

Ed. Watson or Grace Calhoun will sell you a ticket for the Epworth League Musicale tonight. Big program. Buy a ticket.

There were many friends of the late Fred Witt to witness the brief ceremonies there prior to his being taken to the train.

Prof. R. W, Bond has been in the city this week looking after business. He is spending much of his time at Hastings now-a-days.

The prettiest and most stylish goods in the millinery line will be on display in Mrs. Blanch Timm's millinery parlors in a few weeks.

The B. & M. depot has received a coat of brown paint this week on the outer walls and the interior has likewise been appropriately painted.

L. Foster and son Jake started on a trapping expedition last Monday. They were headed for the Elkhorn river, and expect to be gone several weeks.

The weather has not been quite so favorable for stock lately as it has been prior to this this winter. But there is nothing to complain about on that score.

STRAYED: — From my place Feb. 2, one black male pig; weight about 60 lbs; been exposed to the cholera. Anybody tell me of his whereabouts I will settle all damages. J. VAN WIE.

Maud—Is 5 and 30 too old to hope for improvement? I should say not. One just begins to live. Take Rocky Mountain Tea. You'll be blooming fair at 60. Ask your druggist.

Daniel Burke returned home Saturday evening for a Snnday vacation. He is working in the South Platte country for the stock food folks and is doing well.

Wednesday night was the record breaker in the matter of cold weather. The thermometer stood at 22 below at sunrise. But it was clear and still and one would not have thought it so cold.

Harve Potter is better again after his hard pull and went to work on his beat again this week. He is not well, however, but did not want to lose any more time. He has a cold time to night-watch this week.

A child was born to Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Siler a few days ago, but the little one was destined to live but seven days. It died Sunday night and was buried Monday evening. We sympathize with these people in their loss.

Prof. R. W. Bond got away to Hastings yeasterday morning. He has been a great inspiration to music in Ord and has given Ord a name in that line. But he will probably be seen about this place once in a while still.

Mrs. John Sharp received word Monday that her mother, living at Lincoln, was not expected to live. Accordingly she hastened to that city, going on the B. & M. morning passenger Tuesday. She was accompanied by her three small children.

Miss Alice Hamilton went to Hickman Tuesday to visit her friend, Mrs. Cora Morrison, nee Brown for a few days. Later she goes to Lincoln to buy goods for her new millinery store. She will be home about the first of March to open the store.

Mrs. Blanche Timm will go soon to Omaha, Des Moines and Keokuk to buy a stock of millinery goods for her spring trade. She proposes to furnish her customers the very best there is in the market in the way of hats and trimmings. Wait for her new stock.

The Nebraska Independent pays a glowing compliment to Dr. C. E. Coffin for his management of the Hospital for Insane at Lincoln. It goes somewhat into detail in pointing out the excellent and economical manner in which he has been running that great institution.

Quarterly services will be held at the Methodist church Saturday evening and Sunday morning and evening of next week. The conference will be held Saturday evening, Feb. 17, and the presiding elder will preach at Ord both morning and evening of Sunday following.

A. J. Firkins went to Omaha yesterday to attend a big sale of whiteface cattle. His intention is to buy a couple of cows and if he does you may be sure that they will be the best to be had. Lon knows a cow and can size up her good points as quickly and as accurately as the next one.

Rev. W. H D. Hornedy reached the city Sunday morning and preached both morning and evening, at the Methodist and Baptist churches. There was no prior announcement of the morning meeting, but there were good congregations at both meetings.

Monday evening he spoke at the Presbyterian and infused new life in the Anti-Saloon League, organized here some year or two ago. The new officers and committees are as follows: President, M, Coombs. 1st Vice-Prisdent; Rev. O. A. Arnold; agitation committss; Mrs. G. T. Hather, A. J. Wise, R. L Staple, Mrs. Kate Cushing, J. C. Cornell. 2nd Vice-President; H. Westover; legislative committee; M. T. Stiffler, J. H. Capron, G. W. Rogers, Dr. O. A. Brink. Law enforcement committee; W. A. Anderson, M. M. Claflin, James Milford. Press Committee; Frank Miles, Mrs. S. A. Masin, C. L. Anderson. Hospitality committee; Woman's Christian Tenperence Union. Enrollment committee; D. A. Gard, W.W. Haskell, Oliver Cromwell, Mrs. S. A. Parks, Miss Lucy George. Secretary; M. M. Claflin. Collecteor; Miss Grace Calhoun.

The Ord man who travels around a good deal hands us the following, which is the latest product of his pen, ann we print it as we would any other scientific discovery.

"It is said of one of Ord's best lawyers that he carries with him a pocket threshing machine through which at night in hotels and Pullman sleepers he runs long litigated cases, for the successful prosecution of which he has gained such a wide notoriety. The machine is self-acting with an automatic steam whistle which can be heard for a great distance, closely resembling a foghorn on a river steam boat. The occupants of rooms and berths in his immediate vicinity are alternately amused, annoyed and alarmed. It seems sometimes that they are close to the locomotive on the track, and then, as they get into a troubled sleep, that they are experiencing the sensation of an earthquake, with the foundations giving way beneath them, and last that a Nebraska cyclone is right upon them, and they must flee to the nearest cave for safety. And yet with all these objections the machine is said to run without friction and is a profitable invention, entitling the owner to secure a whole section of a sleeper at a nominal cost, and three or four rooms adjoining his at hotels without extra price."

THE QUIZ is a believer in irrigation. And it believes that the only kind of an irrigation enterprise that is worth having is one owned and controled by private interests, not by the public. The work of H. E. Babcock in the vicinity of Columbus in pushing through the Great Eastern Canal goes to sustain these views. From the Columbus Times we learn of the sale of a 400-acre farm near Monroe for $50 an acre to be used as a seed-growing farm. The purchasers are Emmerson Bros., of Boston, seedmen. They will lease other land and it is claimed that they will make Columbus their western headquarters. The work of raising seeds for the market is a very important branch of intense farming and the industry will add many thousands of dollars to the current circulation of funds in the vicinity of Columbus. Mr. Babcock thinks that the securing of this farm is only the begining of what will be looked for in the near future in the way of developments under his ditch.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Eaton drove over to Arcadia last week Thursday to witness the marriage of A. J. Bennitt, the fellow mail messenger on the Arcadia branch of the B. & M. Ray reports all kinds of experiences on the road. They got stuck at one point and he and his wife had to both get out and boost the rig out of a snow-drift At another place one of the horses fell down on the buggy pole and broke it, and he was just about to tell some more mishaps when the train pulled out and choked him off. All this goes to prove that fellows who make a business of riding on the cars have no more use to monkey around on dry land like a land lubber than an old salt has. Stick to your mail car, Ray, and if that gets stuck in a drift let the engineer worry himself about getting it out.

Not succeeding in doing himself any bodily harm by a run-away a few days ago, V. H. Earnest of Davis Creek succeeded in breaking his leg Tuesday of this week while walking along in a quiet and peaceable manner. Tuesday afternoon while walking he was taken with a sort of dizzy spell and fell, breaking one of the bones of his leg about three inches above the ankle. Vol has been having hard luck one way and another lately with sickness and otherways. But he is nervy and won't mind a broken leg much. We are indebted to Dr. O. A. Brink for this news.

Monday evening the telephone wires were connected with St. Paul and some sweet music heard all the way from there. Two or three phones in St. Paul were utilized to furnish the music through. A solo was sung into one phone and the mandolin accompaniament was sent through another. The effect was very pleasant on the souls of the listeners at Ord Marvelous things are done with the telephone.

The largest stock of spring and summer millinery that has ever been displayed in Ord will be found at the millinery parlors of Mrs. Blanche Timm upon her return from the eastern markets. Her prices on this line of goods will be so reasonable that all can afford to buy a new hat this spring.

Dairying for Profit.

H. P. Maiden can give the farmers of Valley County some pointers on dairying for money, he having recieved a check for $13.59 from the Ravenna Creamery Co., it being the pay for cream sold them in the month of January from two cows.

A new kiln of brick is just burned at the Ord brick yards.

Legal blanks of all kinds on hand at the Quiz office.

First class tinner and plumber always at Cornell Bros. hardware.

For first class painting, derorating and sign-writing see Wm. Timm.

J. H. Capron has money to lend on improved farms at reasonable rates.

Epworth League musicale at Methodist church tonight. Get your tickets.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Robbins have gone to Kansas on a visit with old school friends.

Wedding, Invitation and regret goods in stock at the Quiz office. Orders quickly and neatly printed. Prices low.

FOR SALE:—40 acres of good land two miles from Arcadia.
42-5t JAMES STERLING.

Twenty-cents, worth at least seventy-five. What? Why, that Epworth League Musicale at the M. E. church tonight.

Dr. Billings, Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office over Postoffice. Residence three blocks west of Court house square, Ord, Nebraska.

Unitarian services as usual on Sunday morning at K. P. hall at 11 o'clock. Subject of sermon, "What is the use of going to church?" Everybody invited.

George Knecht has just learned that an old friend of his whom he has not seen for twenty years, has been living at St. Paul and he went down there yesterday to see him.

Seek not to steal the other fellow's light,
Rather put on steam and make your own,
Do whatever you do with all your might,
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night.
Ask your druggist.

Dell Chpman placed crepe mourning on the mill door on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday in memory of A. F. Witt, who has done such faithful work there for the last seven years.

I wish to sell the following lands for cash, $4.00 per acre: N. E. ¼ section 32-17-13; N. E qr. section 14-17-13; N. W. qr. section 10-20-13; N. W. N. W., S. W. and S. W, N. E. section 30-18-16.
J. B. PIPER,
Ramge Block, Omaha.

Mrs. Blanche Timm will have a surprise in store for lovers of fine millinery when she returns from the east with her big stock of spring millinery. She informs us that she will put in a much larger stock than in previous years and that some of the patterns that she will display at her Easter opening will be marvels of beauty.

J. S. Brown of Kearney arrived Monday evening to take the place of head miller at the Woodbury mills. He is an old friend and acquaintance of Mr. Witt and is a first class miller, for the Woodbury people have none other to make their flour. Mr. Brown did not know that Mr. Witt was dead till on the way to Ord. He was coming up to help out till the sick man recovered. The news of his death was a shock to him.

Eighty acre Farm near Manderson for sale. Good hay land. The Quiz.

Please remember the Presbyterian ladies' supper Feb. 22, at the Woodbury brick block first door west of Mallory's store. George and Martha Washington will be there to receive you. The following is the bill of fare which will be served:—Chicken Pie, Mashed Potatoes, Baked Beans, Rolls, Brown Bread, Butter, Cranberry Sauce, Salad, Pickles, Cheese, Straws, Coffee, Cream and Cakes.

Card of Thanks.

To the many who so kindly aided us in the sickness and death of our beloved husband, father and brother, we hereby extend our heartfelt thanks. May the Lord prosper and protect you as He will the good and the kind.

MRS. MAGDALENA WITT AND FAMILY.
MRS. LOUISE RITTERBUSCH.
WILL AND FRED WITT
JOHN H. WITT.

Program of Farmer's Institute.

At Ord, February 27 and 28

2:00 p. m.
Music.....Ord High School
President's Address.....A. J. Firkins
Paper, "The range cattle of Nebraska".....W. C. Johns, Burwell
Discussion opened by Adam Smith.
Paper, "Dairy Products" and "Exhibit of Hand Cream Separator,".....A. J. Wise
Discussion opened by V. J. Thomas, North Loup
7:30 p m.
Music.....Clement's Quartette
Address,.....Dr. A. T. Peters, of State Ass'n
"Forage Crops,".....L. D Stilson, State Assn.
10:00 a. m.
Paper, "Value of Alfalfa as a forage Crop,".....G. G. Clement.
Discussion opened by A. M. Russell.
Address, "Prevention of Hog Cholera,".....Dr. A. T. Peters
2:00 p. m.
Music.....Ord High School
Address, "Care of Diary Cattle,"..L. D. Stilson
"To what Extent can the Average Central Nebraska farmer become a Breeder of Thoroughbred stock,".....W. L. McNutt
Discussion opened by Sam. McClellan
Address "Prevention of Blackleg,".....Dr. A. T. Peters
7:30 p. m.
Music.....Ord High School and Anble Quartet
"Feeding Beef Cattle,".....J. A. Ollis Jr.
Discussion led by S. L. Perkins.
"Agricultural Education"...Hon. E. V. Forrell
Closing.

WANTED, SEVERAL PERSONS FOR DISTRICT office managers in this state to represent me in their own and surrounding counties. Willing to pay yearly $900.00, payable weekly. Desirable employment with unusual opportunities. References exchanged. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. S. A. Park, 320 Caxton Building, Chicago.

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At Rest.

On Sunday morning at 8:30 of February 11, occurred the death of A. F. Witt of this city. Mr. Witt had not been feeling well for some time, but would not give up and only took to his bed on the 1st of February Since which time he has been gradually growing worse. The best of medical aid was employed not only of Ord but also of Grand Island, but nothing could be done and he passed away as above stated.

Mr. Witt was born in Holstin, Germany, on February 15, 1845. He came to America in 1866, and in 1870 was married to Theresa Becker. Four children were born to them, three of whom are still living, Louisa Ritterbusch of Oklahoma City and William and Fred Witt, of this place. In 1883 his wife died and in 1885, two years later, he was married to Magdalena Dieckmann at St. Libora, Neb. To this union three children were born, Anna, Maggie and little Frank.

The children were all present at their father's death bed, with the exception of Mrs. Louise Ritterbusch, who reached here on Monday noon. Word was sent to the aged mother and only brother. The brother, John H. Witt of Iowa, came at once and has given untiring attention, and it was Mr. Witt's great comfort that this brother was by his bed side.

Mr. Witt has spent the greater portion of his life in milling and for the last seven years has been head miller at the Woodbury Roller Mills. Those who have been associated with him for the last seven years can best describe the character and life of the departed one. Their universal verdict is a kind good man. He was always ready and anxious to give a helping hand. The mill hands feel that they have not only lost the best of millers but also a friend and brother.

Short services were held from the home on Tuesday morning and a large number of friends and neighbors followed the body to the depot, from which it was taken to Grand Island and laid in the Catholic church yard.

One more good citizen is laid to rest. Whose turn will it be next? Let us live as good a life as the departed one and in the end all may be well.

A precious one from us has gone
A voice we loved is still;
A place is vacant in our homes,
Which never can be filled.

God in his wisdom has recalled,
The boon his love has given;
And though the body moulders here,
The soul is safe in Heaven.

Notice to D. of H. and A. O. U. W.

A banquet will be given jointly by Ord Lodge No. 256 A. O. U. W. and Ord Lodge No. 146 D. of H. to its members at Ord on Wednesday, Feb. 21, from 1 to 4 o'clock in the afternoon.

The members will meet at the Odd Fellow's hall and the banquet will be served at the A. O. U. W. hall.

Each member is allowed to invite one person who is eligible to membership in either order.

A miscellaneous program will also be given at the Odd Fellows hall. In view of the large company expected, members are requested to bring a liberal supply of cake, bread or rolls and cold meat. Oysters, etc., will be served by the lodge. FRANK KOUPAL, Recorder.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the post office at Ord, Nebr., for the week ending Feb. 16, 1900.

Charles Dobin.
May McMellen.
Mrs. Lane Smith.
Mr. & Mrs. Rial Struble.
Mrs. Lillie Wallace-
J. E. Wilder.
R. C. Williams.
Orville L. Wright.

If not called for in two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead letter office. Parties claiming any of the above please say they were "advertised
S. A. STACY, Postmaster.

This Week in Local History.

Feb. 15,1883.—Samuel Mitchell arrived from Cincinnata and became a citizen of the county.

A nine-day storm closed. Much snow had fallen.

Feb. 12,1886.—Alliances were the fad and many were in full running order.

Charles A. Mumn, now district judge, closed a successful term of school in Springdale and was handsomely remembered by his pupils.

An epidemic of disease was raging in Woods Park and children of Clark Moore and Jack Holmad died.

Feb. 14, 1890.—J. A. Ollis Jr. borrowed, as he thought, A. Trout's horse and buggy and started for a drive out into the country. It happened that he took I. Moore's horse. Moore thought that someone had stolen old Sam and so he got the sheriff and Marshal Klinker out after the thief. They loaned Ollis a horse to finish his journey and drove home with Moore's horse.

Feb. 13, 1891.—C. M. Page and Jake Beehrle lost some cattle in a big storm.

THE QUIZ prints a fine map of Camp Bills, where the Ord militia boys were on duty so long looking after the Indians.

Feb. 14, 1896.—Rev. Lisle of the Methonist church at North Loup was overtaken on his way to Long Pine with the news that the preacher's house at the latter place was burned.

Alvie Chatfield met with a loss by fire on his Rose Valley farm.

Reinhardt Fuss got his fingers caught in the gearing of his windmill many feet above ground, and was only released by his plucky wife who climed up and helped him out. His fingers were terribly lacerated.

OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

Conducted by CORA A. THOMPSON.

The high school will give a musical entertainment some time in the near future.

Wednesday, after school the seventh grade had a "Valentine party" at the home of Hattie Harris.

The ninth grade held a class meeting at the home of Winifred Haskell last evening.

Friday, February 23, the pupils of the sixth and seventh grades will give a program together, in honor of the great men whose birthdays are in the month of February.

The physical geography class has finished the chapter on "The Inside of the Earth," — earthquakes, volcanoes, etc., and is now ready to begin the study of "The Outside of the Earth" and the division of geological time.

The class in American literature had a quotation contest Tuesday afternoon. Willie Patty carried off the honors—and a copy of Hawthornes' Wonder-Book.

Some work in literature is now being done in all of the grades from the seventh up. The eighth is studying selections from Irving's Sketch Book; the ninth, to be in keeping with this fine winter weather, Whittier's Snow-Bound; the tenth, Julius Caesar in connection with general history; the eleventh, Holmes' poems; and the twelfth has just finished Pope's Essay on Man, and will take up Scott's Marmion next.

With a view to encouraging the growth of the moral nature of pupils, the self governing system has been tried in the study rooms of the Omaha high school. The experiment was first tried in the twelfth grade. For the first two days all were quiet and intent upon their studies. On the third day several restless ones were no longer able to restrain themselves and the disorder being noticeable, the instructors made inquries. Here a question in regard to school honor was raised. No pupil would tell on another, and, as the offenders were not found out, the plan was given up, and the twelfth grade was in disgrace. The ninth grade saw an opportunity to distinguish themselves, and accordingly appointed a committee to wait upon the principal. A contract was made and the ninth grade enjoyed the confidence so lately reposed in their superiors. Whenever any member acted in an unbecoming manner, he was promptly reported and denied the privileges of the study room. The twelfth grade bore their downfall in silence for several days, when they could stand it no longer. After several meetings, a committee was appointed to confer with the principal and ask for another chance. They acknowledged then that they had been following a false code of honor, which they were resolved to abandon. As a result, the twelfth grade was reinstated. It is to be hoped that the honor system will find favor with the pupils in all high schools—that they will see the benefits to be derived from a system which develops and strengthens the character.

The following resolutions were adopted by the high school:

WHEREAS, The Ord High School has just received a new set of histories which have long been needed, and

WHEREAS, The teacher of this school and the business men of Ord have so liberally contributed in the way of finance, be it

Resolved, That the Ord High School extend a vote of thanks to said teachers and business men for their interest taken in our school, and furthermore be it

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be printed in each of the three weekly papers of this city.

The societies will give a union program Thursday evening, Feb. 22:

Music.....Double Quartet
Five-Minutes Talk.....Mr. Anderson
Recitation.....Irl Tolen
Music.....Myrnie Auble
Speech.....Harold Robbins
Reveiw of David Harum... Willie Patty
Reading.....Frank Cushing
Music.... Chester Letts, Lew Schwaner
Recitation.....Bird Ratliff
Debate: Resolved, That Women should have the Right of Suffrage.
Affirmrtive; Lillian Johnson, Kittie Cox, Gertrude Kroetch.
Negative; Horace Robbins, Wayne Clements, Henry Misko.
Tableau..... Miss Thompson

Musicale.

The following is the program to be given at the Methodist church tonight:

Chorus
Piano Duet,.....Floyd Robbins Ruth Williams
Vocal Solo.....Mrs Hager
Recitation.....Winnie Haskell
Piano Solo.....Mrs. Cox
Vocal Solo.....Miss Wharton
Indian Club Swinging.... Carrie Smith
Piano Solo.....Gertrude Kroecth
Recitation.....Cella Calhoun
Vocal Solo.....Erma Haldeman
Piano Duet..... Mrs Cox, Rav Jennings
Vocal Solo..... Mr. Graham
Recitation.....Besse Fackler
Vocal Duet.. Cella Calhoun, Fred Wells
Vocal Solo.....Miss George
Chorus

Price of admission 10c for children and 20c for adults. Seats on sale at Patty's.

An Insinuation.

"I simply had to do it," said Mr. Erastus Pinkly in an apologetic tone. "I had to draw my razzer so's to hol' up my character."

"Did he slander you behind your back?"

"No, suh; 'twas to my face. He axed me what business I was in, an I says, 'Raisin chickens.' Den he looked at me solemn an says, 'You doesn' mean "raisin," you means "liftin."'"—Washington Star.

Spion Kop row enters into rivalry with Bunker Hill as the place where Warren fell.

WE ARE

the undisputed Leaders in our lines of Business, and Sold More dress goods, clothing and shoes last year than any other two stores in Ord. We carry twice as much stock as any other store and buy our goods direct from the manufacturers. Our motto is The Best goods at the Bottom price, and what we say we do, we do do.

G. W. MILFORD & SONS.

ALL SORTS.

Arthur Sewel is quarantined ir California, but whether against smallpox or another Democratic nomination is not stated.

It may readily be conceded that Aguinaldo's veracity is of as high an order as Pettigrew's statesmanship.

Lewis Dennis, Salem, Ind., says; "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure did me more good than anything I ever took." It digests what you eat and can not help but cure dyspepsia and stomach troubles.
Ben. Bridgford.

But why should the American Peace Society concern itself about South Africa when Kentucky is right here in our midst?

Gen. Butler is reported to be holding bis own. This is hardly sufficient—in war times a General. to be successful, should hold more than his own.

Krauses Cold Cure will cure colds wihout loss of time from your work or business. Take two capsules at night before retiring and two or three the following day. Result? Cold gone—cured Cost 25cts. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Senetor Teller seems to be trying to make up in the ardor of his expansion sentiments for the unpopulariy of his silver views.

Perhaps the Frankfort disturbances will settle the question aa to the relative staying qualities possessep by the Kentucky Colonels and the Kentucky Judgee.

G. H. Appleton, Justice of Clarksburg, N. J., says: "DeWitt's Little Early Risers are the best pills made for constipation. We use no others." Quickly cure all liver and bowel trouble.
Ben Bridgford.

The British army outnumbers that of the Boers nearly four to one. The trouble is that the majority can't rule in South Africa, any more than it can in Kentucky.

The modern and most effective cure for constipation and all liver troubles—the famous little pills known as De-Witt's Little Early Risers.
Ben Bridgford.

Rev. Dr. Sheldon has presented a music box to the inmates of a Kansas poor house. If this is his plan of abolishing poor houses he should try the accordion.

Size doesn't indicate quality. Beware of counterfeit and worthless salve offered for DeWitt's Wicth Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the only original and infallible cure for piles and all skin diseases.
Ben Bridgford.

There would seem to be little need of holding an election in Kentucky when a Governor can be chosen by a steering commitee and a physician's certificate.

Prof. M. H. Kasper, Evangelical Lutheran seminary, Addison, Ills., writes;—"I had been suffering for some time with severe pains in my lungs, and coughed almost constantly. One bottle Beggs' Cherry Cough Syrup entirely cured me." It is guaranteed to cure—has never failed.
Ben. Bridgford.

Wheather England loses or wins in South Africa, it is reasonable certain that Canada and Australia will be allowed to set up for themselves if so disposed. The British have been roughly handled twice by colonials substantially of their own race.

Krause's Cold Cure is all the name implies—an absolute cure, for cold in the head, cold in the chest—in fact, cold in any part of the body. Not necessary to go to bed, or neglect your work while taking the medidine. Sold by Ben Bridgford.

Japan not only favors the open door, but has decided to exempt Christian churches from taxation. The people of that country have been apt pupils during the comparatively few years that have passed since they were a hermit nation.

Johnson Bros., Druggists, guarantee evey bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and will refund the money to anyone who is not satisfied after using two-thirds of the contents. This is the best remedy in the world for la grippe, coughs, colds, croup aud whooping cough and is pleasant and safe to take. It prevents any tendency of a cold to result in pneumoia.

New York exporters say the Transvaal laid in twice as much flour as usual last year had enormous stores of jerked beef, cereals anu canned meats. The world is ready to believe that Boer preparatian was thorough in all respects.

L. T. Travis, Agent Southern R. R., Selina, Ga., writes: "I cannot say too much in praise of One Minute Cough Cure. In my case it worked liked a charm," The only harmless remedy that gives immediate results. Cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, and all throat and lung trouble.
Ben. Bridgford.

The Queen's speech says the war must go on "for the maintenance of the Empire and the assertion of its supemacy in South Africa." There are no signs yet of a modification of the British demands.

Purifies the blood—fills the sysetm with life, health and vigor,—Beggs' Blood Purifier. "It cured me of dyspepsia and costiveness, and otner diseases arising from impure blood; I think it's a splendid medicine" says Mrs. Alice Reed, Butler, Mo. Ben Bridgford.

That was a most unedifying and disgusting spectacle witnessed at Frankfort, Ky., on Wednesday—the chief justice of a great state administering an official oath to a dying man, in the interest of partisan and factional politic. The crime of assassination is scarcely more deplorable or brutal.

The United States sells more than twice as much as it buys, Germany buys $250,000,000 worth more a year than it sells, and Great Britain buys twice as mucn as it sells.

Great opportunity offered to good, reliable men. Salary of $15 per week and expenses for man with rig to introduce our Poultry Mixture and Insect Destroyer in the country. Send stamp, American Mfg. Co., Terre Haute, Ind.

Senetor Pettigrew made a great mistake when he involved his friend Aguinaldo in a question of veracity with Admiral Dewy. The country can not forget that the Admiral was raised in a Vermont orchard.

"Beggs, Cherry Cough Syrup saved the life of my baby boy when dying of croup; God bless the remedy." writes Mrs. Adam Schrieber, Chattanooga, Tenn. Sayes thousands of little ones every year. Guaranteed cure for all throat and lung troubles.

Congressman Sibley makes a mucn better speech from the Republican band whgon than he ever succeeded in doing from the Democratic stump. Environment is a big thing in politics.

"I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my health and life. It cured me of lung trouble following grippe." Thousands owe their lives to the prompt action of this never failing remedy, It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis pneumonia grippe, and throat and lung trouble. Its early use prevents consumption, It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results.
Ben. Bridgford.

The Kentuckian who was found to have five pistols on his person was justly regarded with suspicion. Your peaceable, orderly Kentuckian does not make such a walking arsenal of himself. He carries only three.

J. I. Bevry, Logauton, Pa, writes: I am willing to take my oath that I was cured of pneumonia entirely by the use of One Minute Cough Cure after doctors failed. It also cured my children of whooping cough." Quickly relieves and cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Children all like it. Mothers endorse it.
Ben Bridgford.

There is one town in the country at which William J. Bryan would not accept an invitation to speak just now, even with a $200 guarantee. It is needless to say that it is the capitol of Kentucky.

F. B. Thirkield, Health Inspector of Chicago, says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cannot be recommended too highly. It cured me of dyspepsia." It digests what you eat and cures indigestion, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia.
Ben Bridgford.

"In the climate of South Africa," observes the Rochester Democrat, "there seems to be something fatal to the military reputation of British generals." Yes. It is the Boers.

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While around the hearth we gather,
One and all,
In the bleak and windy weather
Of the fall!

Friendly flame, remote Chaldea
Seers of name effaced, Sabean
Shepherds in the elder ages,
Persian bards in mystic pages,
Thee adored, for so divinely
Streamed thy light,
Half we follow and enshrine thee
Spirit bright!

Dear the friends each heart remembers,
As in cheer we stir the embers,
Bid the ash renew its beauty,
Sparkle, flash and glow till duty,
Through the comfort of the hour,
Woos our soul,
And we deem its sterner dower
Life's best goal.

So we dream not visionary,
When we deem the missionary
Household fire, once more relighted,
Blazing higher the while united,
Round the hearth of home we gather,
One and all,
In the bleak and windy weather
Of the fall!
—American Kitchen Magazine.

PRISONER OF WAR

A Landlord Goes to Collect His Rent and Instead Gets Collected Himself.

"No rent again this month! This is the third time it has happened within the half year. I'll go there myself and get the money, or I'll know the reason why."

Matthew Deane was in particularly bad humor this raw December morning. Everything had gone wrong. Stocks had fallen when they ought to have risen, his clerk had tipped over the inkstand on his special and peculiar heap of paper, the fire obstinately refused to burn in the grate—in short, nothing went right, and Mr. Deane was consequently and correspondingly cross.

"Jenkins!"

"Yes, sir."

"Go to the Widow Clarkson and tell her I shall be there in half an hour and expect confidently—mind, Jenkins, confidently—to receive that rent money, or else I shall feel myself obliged to resort to extreme measures. You understand, Jenkins?"

"Certainly, sir."

"Then don't stand there staring like an idiot!" snarled Mr. Deane in a sudden burst of irritation, and Jenkins disappeared like a shot.

Just half an hour afterward Matthew Deane brushed the brown hair just sprinkled with gray from his square yet not unkindly brow. Putting on his fur lined overcoat, he walked forth into the chilly winter air fully determined figuratively to annihilate the defaulting Widow Clarkson.

It was a dwarfish little red brick house, which appeared originally to have aspired to two storyhood lot, but, cramped by circumstances, had settled down into a story and a half, but the windows shone like Brazilian pebbles, and the doorsteps were worn by much scouring. Neither of these circumstances, however, did Mr. Deane remark as he pulled the glittering brass doorknob and strode into Mrs. Clarkson's neat parlor.

There was a small fire—very small, as if every lump of anthracite was hoarded in the stove—and at a table, with writing implements before her, sat a young lady whom Mr. Deane at once recognized as Mrs. Clarkson's niece, Miss Olive Mellen. She was not disagreeable to look upon, though you would never have thought of classing her among the beauties, with shining black hair, blue, long lashed eyes and a very pretty mouth, hiding teeth like rice kernels, so white were they.

Miss Mellen rose with a polite nod, which was grimly reciprocated by Mr. Deane.

"I have called to see your aunt, Miss Mellen."

"I know it, sir, but as I am aware of her timid temperament I sent her away. I prefer to deal with you myself."

Mr. Deane started. The cool audacity of this damsel in gray, with scarlet ribbons in her hair, rather astonished him.

"I suppose the money is ready?"

"No, sir; it is not."

"Then, Miss Olive—pardon me—I must speak plainly, I shall send an officer here this afternoon to put a valuation on the furniture and"—

"You will do nothing of the kind, sir!"

Olive's cheeks had reddened, and her eyes flashed portentously. Mr. Deane turned toward the door, but ere he knew what she was doing Olive had walked quietly across the room, locked the door and taken out the key. Then she resumed her seat.

"What does this mean?" ejaculated the astonished "prisoner of war."

"It means, sir, that you will now be obliged to reconsider the question," said Olive.

"Obliged?"

"Yes. You will hardly jump out of the window, and there is no other method of egress, unless you choose to go up the chimney. Now, then, Mr. Deane, will you tell me if you, a Christian man in the nineteenth century, intend to sell a poor widow's furniture because she is not able to pay your rent? Listen, sir!"

Mr. Deane had opened his mouth to remonstrate, but Olive enforced her words with a very emphatic little stamp of the foot, and he was, as it were, stricken dumb.

"You are what the world calls a rich man, Mr. Deane. You own rows of houses, piles of bank stock, railroad shares, bonds and mortgages—who knows what? My aunt has nothing. I support her by copying. Now, if this case be carried into a court of law, my poor ailing aunt will be a sufferer. You would emerge unscathed and profiting. You are not a bad man, Mr. Deane; you have a great many noble qualities, and I like you for them." She paused an instant and looked intently and gravely at Mr. Deane. The color rose to his cheek. It was not disagreeable to be told by a pretty young girl that she liked him, on any terms, yet she had indulged in pretty plain speaking. "I have heard," she went on, "of your doing kind actions when you were in the humor for it. You can do them and you shall in this instance. You are cross this morning, you know you are! Hush, no excuse! You are selfish and irritable and overbearing! If I were your mother, and you a little boy, I should certainly put you in a corner until you promised to be good."

Mr. Deane smiled, although he was getting angry. Olive went on with the utmost composure:

"But as it is, I shall only keep you here a prisoner until you have behaved and given me your word not to annoy my aunt again for rent until she is able to pay you. Then, and not until then, will you receive your money. Do you promise? Yes or no?"

"I certainly shall agree to no such terms," said Mr. Deane tartly.

"Very well, sir; I can wait."

Miss Mellen deposited the key in the pocket of her gray dress and sat down to her copying. Had she been a man Mr. Deane would probably have knocked her down; as it was, she wore an invisible armor of power in the very fact that she was a fragile, slight woman, and she knew it.

"Miss Olive," he said sternly, "let us terminate this mummery. Unlock that door!"

"Mr. Deane, I will not!"

"I shall shout and alarm the neighborhood then or call a policeman."

"Very well, Mr. Deane. Do so if you please."

She dipped her pen in the ink and began on a fresh page. Matthew sat down, puzzled and discomfited, and watched the long lashed eyes and faintly tinted cheeks of his keeper. She was very pretty. What a pity she was so obstinate!

"Miss Olive!"

"Sir?"

"The clock has just struck 12."

"I heard it."

"I should like to go out to get some lunch."

"I am sorry that that luxury is out of your power."

"But I'm confounded hungry."

"Are you?"

"And I'm not going to stand this sort of thing any longer."

"No?"

How provokingly nonchalant she was! Mr. Deane eyed the pocket of the gray dress greedily and walked up and down the room pettishly.

"I have an appointment at 1."

"Indeed! What a pity you will be unable to keep it!"

He took another turn across the room. Olive looked up with a smile.

"Well, are you ready to promise?"

"Hang it, yes! What else can I do?"

"You promise?"

"I do, because I can't help myself."

Olive drew the key from her pocket, with softened eyes.

"You have made me very happy, Mr. Deane. I dare say you think me unwomanly and unfeminine, but indeed you do not know to what extremities we are driven by poverty. Good morning, sir."

Mr. Deane sallied forth with a curious complication of thoughts and emotions struggling through his brain, in which gray dresses, long lashed blue eyes and scarlet ribbons played a prominent part.

"Did you get the money, sir?" asked the clerk when he walked into the office.

"Mind your business, sir," was the tart response.

"I pity her husband," thought Mr. Deane as he turned the papers over on his desk. "How she will henpeck him! By the way, I wonder who her husband will be?"

The next day he called at the Widow Clarkson's to assure Miss Mellen that he had no idea of breaking his promise, and the next but one after that he came to tell the young lady she need entertain no doubt of his integrity, and the next week he dropped in on them with no particular errand to serve as an excuse!

"When shall we be married, Olive! Next month, dearest? Do not let us put it off later."

"I have no wishes but yours, Matthew."

"Really, Miss Olive Mellen, to hear that meek tone one would suppose you had never locked me up here and tyrannized over me as a jailer."

Olive burst into a merry laugh.

"You dear old Matthew! I give you warning beforehand that I mean to have my own way in everything. Do you wish to recede from your bargain? It is not too late yet."

No, Matthew Deane didn't. He had a vague idea that it would be very pleasant to be henpecked by Olive!—Chicago Times-Herald.

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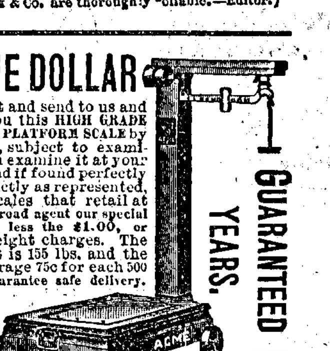

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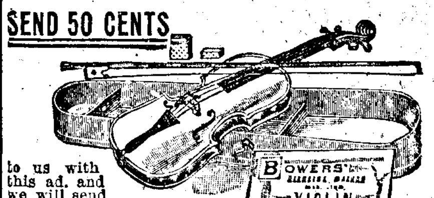

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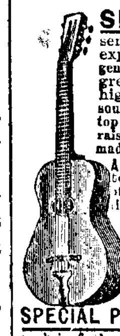

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A FIGHT IS COMING

Lord Roberts Prepares For Early Movement.

IS NEARLY READY FOR THE BATTLE

Tells Correspondents to Preserve Patience—Work in Plenty Very Soon—Relief of Kimberley the Supposed Project—Other News.

A London, Feb. 13th dispatch says; Lord Roberts has gathered 35,000 men, with whom, according to the best military opinion in London, he purposes turning the left of the Magersfontein lines near Jacobsdal, entering the Free State, compelling Gen. Cronje to raise the siege of Kimberley and thus make his first step to Bloemfontein.

Yesterday Lord Roberts announced the appointment of General Sir Henry Colville, hitherto commander of the guards brigade, to the command of the Ninth division, which is being formed, and will consist, probably, to a great extent of colonial troops. General Colville will be succeeded by General Reginald Pole-Carew.

Lord Roberts tells correspondents that when he gets down to business they shall have ample opportunity to send the news. His chief press censor yesterday issued new rules, and in future all written communications are to go unchecked. Only telegrams will be censored. For the next few days little news is likely to get through, but later there will be more freedom. Thus says the censor, and the clause may be interpreted to mean that something is about to happen.

HE ABSOLUTELY REFUSES

Governor Taylor Will Not Sign the Louisville Agreement.

"After mature deliberation and conference with my friends from every section of the state I have concluded to allow this controversy to take its due course, vigorously contesting every inch of ground and upholding the rights of the people to the uttermost. If those rights be destroyed, the responsibility for that destruction must rest with those who sit in judgment.

"It is due to say that the eminent gentlemen, my friends, who secured the propositions resulting from the Louisville conference, acted in perfect good faith, from the highest motives of patriotism, and did the very best they could."

"WILLIAM S. TAYLOR,
Governor of Kentucky."

The above proclamation has been issued by Governor Taylor and according to his oral statement at the time of its issuance embodies all he desires to say concerning his position at the present time.

The decision not to sign the agreement was reached after he had been in conference for over two hours with fully 150 prominent republicans from all over the state.

Orders were issued to General Collier to prepare for the departure of the troops, and all have gone home with the exception of enough to be a peace guard.

Word was at once sent to the members of the republican legislature now in session in London that the next session would be held in Frankfort, and a prompt reply was received.

The action of Governor Taylor returns the gubernatorial fight to the exact position it occupied on the day following the Goebel assassination, with the additional complication that there was but one legislature and one governor in fact, whereas there are now two claimants for the position, and two separate bodies, each claiming to be the lawmaking power of Kentucky.

M'KINLEY MAY LEAD PARADE

Grand Army Veterans Hope to Have Him at Encampment.

It is expected that President McKinley, mounted on horseback, will lead the last great parade of veterans of the Civil war that will ever be given. Commander-in-chief Albert J. Shaw of the national encampment, G. A. R., has appointed him as an aide-de-camp on his staff, and among others he will receive the regular official order to appear in the big parade of the Grand Army to be held during the national encampment in Chicago next summer. Of course the organization will have its regular encampments after this one, but there is a feeling that next summer's event will be the last really great and notable one. The president is a member of the organization, and will be the guest of Chicago during the entire week and the governors of several states will be present.

Closing in Upon Bogota.

There are persistent reports at Kingston, Jamaica, that the Columbian insurgents are closing in upon Bogota for the purpose of forcing a crisis, which the government is anxious to avoid on account of the disaffection among the military, as well as in the civil service. The end, however, is thought to be very near.

Bold Looting of a Bank.

The bank of Henry D. Bowman, at Las Cruces, N. M., was robbed by two men, who held up the employes at the muzzles of revolvers. The cashier was forced to open the safe and the men took all the available cash, amounting to $3,000. Then they quickly left the building, mounted their horses and rode toward the Oregon mountains, fifteen miles away. Twenty minutes later Sheriff Garrett and five others took the trail and it is believed that the outlaws will be rounded up in a short time.

More Money for University.

It is expected that at a dinner to be given at the Hotel Manhattan early next month John D. Rockefeller will announce a further gift of $1,500,000 to Chicago university, making his total contribution to that institution of $8,500,000.

Ohio River Steamer Sinks.

The steamer Henry M. Stanley struck the Kentucky pier of the Southern railway bridge at Cincinnati and sank in twenty-five feet of water, with the bow on the Kentucky shore. So far as known only one man was drowned.

MOLINEUX FOUND GUILTY

Jury Says He Murdered Mrs. Katherine J. Adams.

A New York, February 10 dispatch says: After deliberating seven and a half hours the jury returned a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree against Roland B. Molineux, charged with the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams by poison, on December 28, 1898.

Bartow S. Weeks, counsel for the defense, made the usual motion and Recorder Goff adjourned court until February 13, when he said he would hear the motion and sentence the defendant.

From the time the jury went out at 3:15 p. m. the crowd in the court room watched the door through which they had left the court in silent expectation. The jury came in shortly after 9 o'clock to ask for exhibits of handwriting and again at 10:30 they came in for instructions. Fifteen minutes later they again entered and this time it was apparent they had reached an agreement.

The names of the jury were read and the clerk said:

"Gentlemen of the jury, have you agreed upon a verdict?"

"We have," replied the foreman.

"The jurors will please rise. The defendant will rise."

"What is your verdict?"

"We find the defendant guilty of murder in the first degree."

Molineux's counsel asked for a poll of the jury. Each juryman agreed with the verdict rendered by the foreman. The recorder then announced that he would hear the motion and sentence the prisoner on Friday next.

FINDS CAUSE TO HOLD THEM

Government Contractors Favored by Carter to Be Rearrested.

United States commissioner Shields, after an extended examination, has decided that there was probable cause to hold John F., Edward and William Gaynor and Benjamin D. Greene, the members of the Atlantic Contracting company, alleged to have been favored by former Captain Oberlin M. Carter in the Savannah river and Cumberland Sound improvement work and indicted in Savannah, Ga., for conspiracy and having defrauded the government to the amount of $575,000. The contractors are out on bail but they will be rearrested and taken before Judge Brown at New York, when the application for a warrant for removal to the Georgia district will be applied for.

HOUSE TO HOUSE CANVASS

Adherents of W. C. T. U. Bound to Save the Temple.

That the adherents of the W. C. T. U., whose rallying cry has been from the first "Save the temple," has not given hope of accomplishing its original object is shown by the fact that a house to house canvass of Chicago with a view to obtaining the necessary purchase money has begun. Mrs. Matilda B. Carse and friends are at the head of this new plan to buy the graceful structure as a memorial to the late Francis E. Willard. The work will be, however, under the personal supervision of Mrs. Mary H. Rossiter of New York, who arrived in Chicago last week.

BANK CASHIER IS ARRESTED

Charge Lodged of a Misappropriation of Bank's Funds.

Robert E. Spencer, the cashier of the banking firm of R. D. and Robert E. Spencer, which filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States court at Hartford, Conn., recently, with liabilities at $105,000, has been arrested on a criminal charge, alleging the misappropriation of funds. The papers which were served allege the misappropriation of the specific sum of $600. Spencer was released on bonds of $1000

To Investigate Riots.

The house committee on military affairs has issued twenty-five subpoenas for the investigation in the Idaho mining riots which federal troops under General Merriam suppressed. The investigation is to begin February 26. Mr. Sovereign of the Knights of Labor, and other representatives of labor organizations were among those subpoenaed.

Beaten to Death.

At Cherry Station, Tenn., just across the Kentucky line, Jim Gordon, a negro farmhand, enraged because Mrs. George Rollins, a highly respected white woman, refused to give him some money, savagely attacked her and cut her throat with a butcherknife. Her screams were heard by her husband, who shot the negro twice and beat out his brains with the gun. Mrs. Rollins died in a few minutes.

Murdered at Council Bluffs.

Charles B. Jones was murdered at his room in Council Bluffs, Ia., by his mistress, a negress, who is said to have shot him through the head. The amazon says he shot himself. She is in jail. Jones was a leading colored politician. He had been paying attention to an Omaha girl. The police think jealousy was the motive.

Killed in a Slate Quarry.

Eli Leabolt, aged twenty-one years, was instantly killed and Abraham Vehl seriously injured in a slate quarry at Slatington, Pa. A heavy stone was being hoisted when the chain broke.

Winds Up Its Affairs.

Edward F. C. Young, receiver of the National Cordage company of New Jersey, having wound up the affairs of the corporation has applied for a discharge, which was granted by Judge Lacombe.

January Exports.

The monthly statement issued by the bureau of statistics shows that the total exports for the month of January were $64,329,539, as compared with $74,728,763 for January 1899.

Every man's heart is connected with heaven by wireless telegraphy. The stings of remorse mean that God is "calling up" the operator. Blessed are they that understand the wonderful code, for when the heart beats with remorse they will answer asking for forgiveness with the promise to do better.

TAKING HIS TIME

Governor Taylor Refuses To Be Coerced.

HE WILL NOT SIGN THE AGREEMENT

Demands at Least Another Day To Consider—Must Repeal Goebel Law—Concessions Made at Louisville Considered Insufficient.

A Frankfort, Ky., dispatch says unless some action regarding the Louisville agreement is taken by Governor Taylor Friday or Saturday, or some word sent to them concerning his intentions, the democrats will proceed upon the hypothesis that he does not intend to take any action, and will go ahead with the organization of their state government at Louisville. A conference was held last night in the Capital hotel, at which Governor Beckham, Senator Blackburn, S. J. Shackleford and John K. Hendrick were present. The delay of Governor Taylor in declaring himself regarding the Louisville agreement was discussed at length, and it was agreed by all present that in their opinion the democrats had waited long enough. One day more will be allowed for some intimation from Governor Taylor, and if it is not forthcoming a state government will be organized at Louisville.

Governor Taylor has announced that he had taken no action regarding the agreement, and that there was no possible chance of his doing so soon. It is practically certain that the agreement will not be accepted by Governor Taylor as it stands. He desires more specific promises regarding the repeal of the Goebel law, and a decision in the gubernatorial contest by a separate vote of two legislative houses. To this last the democrats say they will not agree. Regarding the repeal of the law they claim that no mention was made of a repeal in the Louisville conference. Governor Taylor holds the view at present that Governor Goebel was never legally seated and will demand a new vote on the matter before he will consent to abandon his seat under any circumstances.

Not a democratic member of the house was in Frankfort to attend the funeral, and Governor Beckham, General Castleman and a few other democratic leaders returned to Louisville to take matters in hand there.

The application for a permanent injunction restraining Governor Taylor from interfering with the sessions of the legislature in Frankfort and from convening at London was not heard at Georgetown as originally intended. The matter went over.

BULLER ABLE TO HOLD ON

British General Retains His Grip on the Position Taken.

A cable dispatch received in London from Spearman's camp, under Thursday's date says: Buller holds his position. Relief is certain.

A London February 9 dispatch says: All the messages from the observers with General Buller throw a phrase or two about "the strength of the Boer positions" and the "difficulties of General Buller's work," but they do not carry events beyond Tuesday evening.

Their last slender narratives leave the British advance on Vaal krantz, in the center of a semi-circle, where the troops are exposed to the Boer artillery on both sides and in the center. The fighting continued until 9 Tuesday evening, and almost without doubt Wednesday, as the Boers would certainly not like to leave this wedge into their lines unmolested. It is also inferred that General Buller must either continue his advance or retire.

The heaviest fighting appears to have been on Tuesday. General Buller's 233 casualties are mentioned as having occurred before noon Tuesday. Large lists are consequently expected for the rest of the day. The casuaties already reported bringing the total British losses during the war to 10,244 killed, wounded and captured.

Neck Broken by Fall.

Charles Walker of University Place, was thrown from a buggy and had his neck broken while returning from Ashland. Death resulted almost immediately.

Mr. Walker is a painter, who came to University Place last fall to visit his sister, Mrs. J. W. Bradsby. The prospects for work influenced him to prolong his visit. In company with his brother-in-law, Will Bradsby, and a friend, Fred Treueax, he was returning from Ashland when the team either became frightened at something at the roadside or the cold weather had made them spirited, and they started on a run.

Ask Detail of Warships.

Senator Penrose introduced a resolution in the senate requesting the president to detail so many naval vessels as in his judgment may be necessary to maintain a strict neutrality and maintain our commercial rights in Portugese waters in South Africa during the progress of the British-Boer war.

To Raise Governor's Salary.

The lower house of the Iowa legislature passed the bill by Santee for raising the salary of the governor from $3,000 to $5,000. This is in addition to perquisites of $1,100 which are now enjoyed and not be interfered with under the proposed measure.

Government Troops Take Town.

The Caracas government troops again occupy San Fernando de Apure, a town in the state of Apure, seventy miles south of Calaboso, which had recently been taken by the revolutionists.

Fear Thompson Is Dying.

Col. Richard W. Thompson, ex-secretary of the navy, soldier, statesman and author, and the only surviving member of the congress of 1841, is critically ill at his home in Terre Haute, Ind. His family is greatly alarmed and unless the individual rallies the worst is feared. Col. Thompson is ninety-one years of age.

Insurgents Take Capital.

A special from Kingston, Jamaica, says that news has been received there that the insurgents have captured Bogota, capital of Colombia.

DEMOLISHED A STREET CAR

Wild Missouri Pacific Engine Causes a Wreck.

A Missouri Pacific east-bound engine ran into a north-bound street car at the 27th street crossing at Lincoln, Neb., Wednesday evening and demolished the car. No one was injured. The track was blockaded for more than an hour, and the outgoing passenger train was delayed until the wreck was cleared away. The street car was in charge of Motorman Ed Bohanan. In approaching the crossing of the tracks the speed of the car was slackened by a snowdrift and just as it reached the centre of the tracks the fuse in the motor blew out. Motorman Bohanan, knowing that the Missouri Pacific train was about due, ran west along the railroad track to flag it, leaving Conductor Schneiver to put in the fuse. The trolley was left on the wire in order to keep the car lighted, so that it might be seen by the approaching train. When Motorman Bohanan neared Twenty-sixth street he saw a wild engine coming at a speed that he estimates at fifty miles per hour. He tried to flag it, but he says the engineer paid no attention to him and did not even whistle until he had passed the crossing. The snow was blowing and drifting and at that time it was impossible to see a great distance ahead. Conductor Schneiver saw the approaching engine and yelled to the passengers in the car to leave it at once. They did so, and the conductor had just left his car when the engine struck it, carrying it up on top of the engine and reducing it to splinters. The engine carried it for another block before it stopped, and when the stop was finally made the track ahead of the engine was blocked by the wreckage from the car.

INDIANS MURDER A FAMILY

Accuse Members of Witch Craft and Shoot Them Down.

Word has been received at Victoria, B. C., by department of Indian affairs and by the police authorities of fresh troubles among the Indians of Upper Liard. Seven members of a Scotch-Indian family named McTavish are said to have been murdered. There was an epidemic of scurvey last fall and the story was started among the Indians that the McTavishes had caused it by witchcraft. A council was held, the McTarvishes condemned and a night attack planned for their destruction. Setting fire to the McTavish home, the savages shot their victims as they attempted to escape the flames, only one of the family of eight succeeding in reaching the shelter of the forest and ultimately the Gasca Trading company's store at Laketown.

Constable Stewart, with two men, started out at once, under the guidance of the sole survivor of the hapless family, to arrest the murderers and the trio have not yet returned. Commissioner Porter of Telegraph Creek has sent an effective posse to take energetic action in the case.

DIRECT VOTE FOR SENATORS

The Minority Report Submitted on the House Bill.

A minority report has been made to the national house on the bill for the election of senators by the people. It concurs with the principle of the bill, but urges direct elections without awaiting legislative approval for the change of system as proposed by the majority. The report states that there is a wide-spread public demand for the election of senators, in part impelled by a "sense of a righteous indignation aroused by accusations of alleged methods sometimes employed by gentlemen whose ambitions lead them to seek a seat in the United States senate."

Under such circumstances Messrs. Rucker and Zeigler, who sign the report, says the time has come when the exalted position of the United States senator shall not be open to the suspicion of being purchasable.

SHOOTS HIS FATHER-IN-LAW

Affray at Waterloo, Neb., Which May Result Fatally.

At Waterloo, Neb., Thomas Barton fatally shot his father-in-law, Mr. Hively. Barton and his brother-in-law, Dave Hively, were fighting in the street. Barton pulled his revolver and fired at Dave, but just at this instance the elder Hively stepped between them and received the bullet at the side of the nose. The doctors say that Hively cannot live. Barton has been put under arrest.

It is said that the quarrel between him and Dave Hively was due to the charge that Barton had been beating his wife, formerly Emma Hively. Barton has lived at Waterloo about three months, being a peddler of nostrums. Hively is an old man with no present occupation.

Dinner to Supreme Court.

President and Mrs. McKinley gave a dinner at the White house to the members of tha supreme court. Owing to the large number present the table, was set in the main vestibule. Those invited to meet the guests of the evening included members of the judiciary committees of both houses of congress, and others.

Burglars at Alma, Neb.

Burglars entered the dwelling of J. B. Billings at Alma and secured two gold watches and pocketbooks containing papers of A. A. Billings. They also entered the dwellings of H. J. Hill and E. L. Willitts, securing little of any value. There is no clue as to who the thieves are.

Harry Cody, aged fourteen, died at his home in Ogallala. The boy was skating with schoolmates recently and it is believed he took a heavy cold, which settled on his lungs and caused his death.

New Normal Schools.

The house committee on normal schools surprised the Iowa assembly by agreeing almost unanimously to report for passage the caucus bill to establish three new state normal schools, in the northwest, southwest and southeast parts of the state. It was supposed the bill had little chance to be reported. The normal school lobbyists, representing towns that want the institutions, are flocking in to labor with members.

Fremont looks longing towards Carnegie. It declares it needs a library.

SMALL POX SCARE

Men With Disease at Large at South Omaha.

THE PEST HOUSE WAS BURNED

Neighbors Set Fire to the New Building to Keep the Patients Away—Klug Demands Kodak a Pullman Conductor Took From Him

South Omaha is in a quiver of excitement over a smallpox scare that presents some serious features. Recently two colored men walked into the office of Dr. Curtis and asked for treatment. The physician discovered almost at a glance that both had well developed cases of smallpox. The disease had been allowed to go without treatment so long that there was no possibility of a mistake.

The dangerous feature of the situation is that the men have been at large in the city for several days. They slept at the city jail and scores of persons have undoubtedly been exposed to the disease.

Both the patients are strangers. They came to South Omaha from Kansas City and neither is disposed to give a very definite account of himself. One says they have been in South Omaha for three days and the other says they have been there a week.

The city authorities built a pest house in which they expected to take care of the patients. The house was located in Sarpy county about 250 yards south of the Douglas county line near the Thirteenth street boulevard. The authorities thought everything was in readiness to receive the patients, but when a man was sent to complete some minor details, he reported that the pest house had been burned some time during the night.

KLUG DEMANDS HIS KODAK

Says That a Pullman Conductor Took it For Fare.

A. W. Klug of Pierce purchased a first-class ticket at Grand Island and boarded Union Pacific train No. 2, which runs nothing but Pullmans. The conductor demanded 25 cents extra when the ticket was presented and Klug refused to pay it, saying that he bought the ticket for the train supposing it was sufficient and was allowed to take the train without being told otherwise. He was permitted to remain in the car, but as he was about to get off the train at Columbus the Pullman conductor, he claims, picked up a kodak, valued at $8, belonging to Klug and kept it in lieu of 25 cents which he failed to collect. Klug complained to the county attorney at Columbus, who has written for the return of the kodak, and if this letter isn't sufficient a warrant will be issued for the arrest of the railroad man and he will be caught as he comes through.

ARRESTS THEM ON SIGHT

Two Men Wanted in Kansas Are Taken at Beatrice.

A day or two ago the Beatrice police received a request from Washington, Kas., officers to be on the lookout for Jim Lillie and a man named Stewart, with a request for their arrest on sight. Monday Policeman Moore saw the two eating dinner at Dunn's restaurant, and without waiting for formalities, placed the men under arrest. What they are wanted for is not known but they will be held until the Kansas authorities come, having wired that they would come on the first train. Lillie is well known in the locality, but his partner Stewart is not so well known.

WANTS DEPOT FACILITIES

Complaint Relating to the Handling of Grain.

E. T. Denney of Hayes county has filed a complaint with the board of transportation. His complaint is in the form of a letter in which he asks the board to compel the B. & M. to furnish depot facilities for receiving and delivering grain in car loads at Palisades and Arapahoe. Mr. Denney is manager of the Palisade Grain and Live Stock company. What he means by depot facilities for the reception and delivery of grain is not made plain in his letter.

An Inquest Not Necessary.

Joe Kruta, the suicide who shot himself in the Elkhorn lodging house in Omaha recently, will be buried at the county's expense. Since there was no question that the man came to his death by his own hand no inquest was held. Kruta, a laborer, whose home was in Geneva, went to Omaha a month ago to seek work but being ill a great deal, he was unable to secure suitable employment.

Trusted a Stranger.

Miss Edna Reed, who lives at 1512 South Fifth street, Omaha, rented a room to a stranger, who later gathered together everything of value in the room and skipped out. Miss Reed's gold watch, valued at $20, was among the missing articles.

To Preserve War Relics.

Adjutant General Barry has awarded the contract for making an airtight case for war relics to the Standard Planing Mill company of Lincoln. This company offered to do the work for $488. The other bids ranged from $500 to $780.

Union Pacific Settles.

The Union Pacific Railroad company has settled its differences with the state oil inspector by promising to permit the inspection of all oil shipped by it into this state.

Jim Den Dead.

Intelligence of the death of Jim Den has been received in Omaha. He died at Phoenix, Ariz., where he had gone several weeks ago for the benefit of his health. His disease was quick consumption. The sad event will cast a gloom over a wide circle of friends throughout the state. He was one of the best known sportsmen and trap shots in Nebraska. He leaves a wife and one child in Arapahoe.

It is hard to support a sealskin woman on a muskrat salary.

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Rare Old Bible Found.

A wonderful old Bible has just been discovered in Venice, the fortunate finder being Leo S. Olschki, a well-known antiquarian of Florence. It is in five large volumes, and was printed in Rome in the printing house of Don Pietro Massimo in 1471 and 1472. Soon after it came from the press it was purchased by a patrician family of Venice, and it was in the archives of this family that Olschki discovered it.

A Czar's Novel Visiting Card.

From the Ladies' Home Journal: The Russians tell a story of the late Czar Alexander III. that upon the rare occasions when it was incumbent upon him to pay a call he would take a gold coin bearing his "image and superscription" and twisting it between thumb and finger leave it in lieu of a card—the only man in Russia who had strength for the feat.

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Transvaal Minerals.

The Transvaal is the richest country in the world so far as minerals are concerned. In 1877 England annexed the Transvaal, but evacuated it in 1881. In 1848 England conquered and and annexed the Orange Free State, but evacuated it six years later.

The Prime Minister Won.

A former governor of the Australian colonies tells of a curious experience he once had with a long-headed prime minister. The latter brought in a certain measure, calculated to make the government popular with the working classes, although it affected a foreign power so much that representations were made to the imperial authorities on the subject. A dispatch was accordingly sent out to the governor to veto the bill. He sent for the premier. "I'm sorry, old man," said his excellency, "but I've just got orders from home, and I shall have to block that bill." The premier replied, "Look here, governor, I don't care a hang about the imperial guv'ment or about the queens, as far as the thing is concerned, and what's more, I don't care a hang about you. I've made up my mind to get that bill through, and I'll bring it through." The governor, who was politic, asked the "old man" to have a drink, and dropped the subject. The measure in question became a law in due course.

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Great French Disasters.

Twenty-five thousand French prisoners were taken by the German troops at the battle of Sedan, in the Franco-German war, on the 31st of August, 1870, while on the following day, as the result of the German victory, other 83,000 French soldiers surrendered, together with 70 mitrailleuses, 400 fieldpieces and 150 fortress guns. About 14,000 French wounded were found lying on the battlefield, and about 3,000 escaped into Belgium and laid down their arms. On the 27th of October, in the same year, Marshal Bazaine, after fighting and suffering several defeats in the neighborhood of Metz, surrendered with his army, including Marshals Canrobert and Le Boeuf, 66 generals, about 6,000 officers, and 173,000 men, including the Imperial Guard, 400 pieces of artillery, 100 mitrailleuses, and 53 eagles or standards.

Insignificant Wounds.

A Berlin physician has written an article on the dangers resulting from what are considered insignificant wounds. For instance, in thirteen wounds on the thumb, permanent disability followed in 60 per cent.

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County Correspondence.

Mira Mites.

Mrs. A. S. Pursell and little Jessie have been on the sick list.

Katie Lee is recognized as the best speller in this "neck o' woods".

Alvena Koelling has been spending a week with her sister at Olean.

Lillie Johnson and Ava Clement remained in Ord last Saturday and Sunday.

Rev. Parker did not come up from Elba Saturday owing to the bad weather.

Mrs. W. N. Woody and children have all been very sick since their arrival last week. A severe attack of the grip.

Charley King promises us all the particulars of the joke on somebody for our next write-up. It is too good to keep.

A. Ward has been complaining all week and says the weather is always against him. He was intending to attend the Odd Fellow's party in Ord Wednesday evening, and had a good story prepared.

Nellie Pursell was the recipient of a pleasant surprisr last Wednesday night. Several of her friends called upon her without previous announcement and were delightfully entertained in social converse, music, games etc.

Word has been recieved from C. S. Hunt in Oregon saying that he is well and enjoying his bachelor life. He is spending all his spare moments hunting a large cougar which has been destroying many sheep for him and his neighbors. He also says he could not get along without THE QUIZ.

Shoveling snow and putting up ice are in order. About the time I was giving them a smart remark about its not being an ice season, Old Boreas was riding down the gale and closing things up in a snap, and now C. W. Noll, T. C. Honnold, Marks and Cook are putting up ice 12 and 14 inches thick. It seems just my luck when I drop a commonplace remark about the weather to have it change and make the saying sound silly.

Amusement.

Ida Items.

Again the sun shines.

Mr. Noble has his ice put up on the Brockus farm.

Martin Kruser visited Mr. Kennedy last Wednesday.

Mrs. Dan Smith visited at Mr. Goodenow's Sunday.

Benj. Armstrong is at home for a few days making preparations for the sale which is to be Friday, Feb. 23.

The people of this vicinity have all had their names on the sick list for the past two weeks, but all are now on the mend.

Last Monday while Richard Brockus was doing the evening chores, a horse caught him by the coat and threw him some distance. The ground being frozen his ankle was sprined severely. He is yet unable to be about.

Maude Jackson entertained a few of her friends Wednesday evening with a Valentine party. Doris.

North Loup News.

N. K. Redlon shipped hogs to Omaha Thursday.

J. B. Clement was up from the Island over Sunday.

George E. and Robert Johnson went to Ord Wednesday.

Will Kildow and Thos. Gray went to St. Paul Wednesday.

Winter is still lingering with us here but is warming up now.

Dr. F. O. Burdick made a business trip to Lincoln this week.

The old maids postponed their convention until next Saturday, the 24th.

Two new inhabitants came to town this week—a boy at Manford Potters and a girl at Thorngates. Both arrived the same day.

The Isrealites, who went to spy out the land of the Philistines dowi in Arkansas, have all returned. Two of them, Will Kildow and Thomas Gray, bought farms near Gentry. All timber land 40 acres each. The others did not find anything to suit them.

Sam McClellan is shipping out the last of his potato crop, two cars going to Galesburg this week.

George Worth has been confined to the house, since his return from the south, with sore throat.

Rev. C. E. Humphreys and wife of Farwell were in town Tuesday and Wednesday. Once-Again.

Poplar Grove People.

Ign. Klema is expected home this week.

But few were present at the literary last Saturday.

Albert Voracek called at Jos. Waldmann's last Sunday.

Arnold Kerber gave a dance last Sunday. Adomek Bros. furnished the music.

A nice lot of snow fell last week. Had it remained spread as it fell it would have given us considerable moisture where it is most needed.

Thos. Boruvka left our locality for his father-in-law's, Mr. Turek, and from there expects to move onto a farm which he has rented near Ord.

Mr. Chas. Brim of Custer County, and Miss Mary Penas were joined in marriage last Monday, in church, Father Nemec tying the knot. May good luck be theirs.

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An Editor's Life Saved by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy.

During the early part of October, 1896, I contracted a bad cold which settled on my lungs and was neglected until I feared that consumption had appeared in an incipient state. I was constantly coughing and trying to expel something which I could not. I became alarmed and after giving the local doctor a trial bought a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy and the result was immediate improvement, and after I had used three bottles my lungs were restored to their healthy state.—B. S Edwards, Publisher of The Review Wyant, Ill. For srle by Johnson Bros

"A Bright Little Boy"

Would be sure of a welcome in almost any home. But what a welcome he would have in a home where the hope of children had been extinguished. What a welcome this particular "bright little boy" did have in such a home, may be judged by the closing paragraph of his mother's letter, given below. There is no room for the whole letter, which recounts a story of fifteen years of suffering and a perfect cure by the use of "three bottles of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription, two bottles of 'Golden Medical Discovery,' and some of the 'Pellets.'"

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"Pleasant Pellets" clear the complexion.

VICINITY CLIPPINGS.

Gleaned from our Neighbor Exchanges

From the St. Paul Republican,

The Ord Quiz, which has been through the mill two or three times itself, sizes up the situation in this fashion:

The St. Paul Republican is apparently stirring up some of those animals in Howard county who are responsible for the existence of a large public debt in that county. Brother Perkins should look out. The fellows who pilfer from the public and get the public into all sorts of debts and other troubles are great on starting an opposition sheet when a newspaper man comes out against them. There may be another alleged republican sheet in St. Paul. We have one in Ord for just such a reason. But it's harmless. Go on, Brother Perkins, the public will see you through.

These remarks are in thorough harmony with an item published in the St. Paul Press last week which quoted "a prominent republican as saying that a good, reliable republican paper in St. Paul would fill a long felt want, It has been an open secret for some time that Andrew Henry, editor of the Press, feels that his sacrifices in the cause of "reform", are not appreciated, and it would not be very surprising if he should not take advantage of this elegant opportunity himself. Nothing could be more in accordance with the eternal fitness of things than a man of Andrew Henry's calibre defending the acts of the "old" republican party, the manners of which are today almost without exception shining lights in the allied forces of sham reform.

Mausers and Lee-Enfields.

The chief distinction between the Mauser and the Lee-Enfield is this—that while the Lee-Enfield has a magazine which is inserted underneath the body through the trigger guard and secured by a catch and is provided with what is called a "cut off" to prevent the cartridges from rising, so that it can be used as a simple breechloader for single firing until the magazine, which contains ten cartridges, is ordered to be used, the Mauser has a magazine which, though not absolutely fixed, is only intended to be taken off for cleaning. It does not need a "cut off" to use as a single loader.

The magazine contains five cartridges, but whereas the cartridges for the Lee-Enfield have, when the magazine is charged, to be each put in separately, the magazine of the Mauser is filled at once by placing against the face of the magazine a set of five cartridges held in a clip which falls off when the cartridges have been inserted in the magazine.

Thus if each weapon were at the beginning of a fight empty, the Mauser would permit of more rapid fire because it could be loaded five cartridges at a time, while the Lee-Enfield would take, cartridge by cartridge, as long to load as a single breechloader. On the other hand, the times when a very rapid discharge of fire is desirable are not numerous, and for these the Lee-Enfield has ten cartridges ready against the Mauser's five.—Nineteenth Century.

Key, Kee, Kay.

Professor Skeat wishes to know when the pronunciation of key as kee can first be clearly detected. It occurs in Milton, "Comus," line 13:

To lay their just hands on that golden key
That opes the palace of eternity.

And a little later in Marvell's "Fleckno:"

Now as two instruments to the same key
Being tuned by art, if the one touched be,
The other opposite as soon replies.

These instances are curious, for both before and after this time the prevailing pronunciation was evidently kay. Herbert rhymes the word with way. In "The Secrets of Angling" (1613) culverkeys is rhymed with rays. In Wither's "Mistress of Phil'arete" (1622), key with day. Dryden, too, and Swift have the same pronunciation, and not till I come to Green's "Spleen" (1737) do I, after an hour's search, find the other. There pleas rhymes with keys. This pronunciation must, however, have become common soon afterward.

In Duncombe's "Imitation of Gray's Elegy" it is rhymed with me, and Garrick rhymes it with flea, which would, I suppose, be pronounced then as it is now. Nares, in his "Elements of Orthoepy" (1784), says of the diphthong ey, "its proper sound should be that of the long e. This, however, is given to it only in the word key, for ley—a field—is constantly written lea."—Notes and Queries.

"More Sociable."

A lady who has recently returned from abroad had a curious experience at the little town of Dinant, in Belgium. She was traveling in a party of three, including another lady and a young man. They sought accommodation at a hotel and were shown a room in which there were three beds and on a deal table three basins and jugs about as big as slop basins and milk jugs.

The ladies explained that one room was quite insufficient for their needs, but it was a long time before they could get the hostess to understand why. They were then shown another room with three beds, three slop basins and three milk jugs and were told that they could have that, too, if they liked to pay for the six beds. It was therefore arranged that the man should have one room and three beds and the ladies the other room and three beds.

"Do you always sleep in threes?" said one lady to the hostess.

"Yes," was the reply; "it is much more sociable."—Madame.

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The Truthful Prince.

In his book about Persia, "The Land of the Lion and the Sun," Dr. Wills says that he was once conversing with the king's son, and a large circle of courtiers and priests filled the room. The prince narrated his exploits in hunting the antelope the previous day and gravely stated that while pursuing a pair of ahu when riding a very restive horse his headstall broke.

"What should you have done, doctor?" asked the prince.

"I should have tried to stick on as long as the ground was good and, expecting an accident, have awaited it."

"Ah, that was because you were not a prince," he said. "I leaned forward, and, unclasping my belt, placed it in the horse's mouth as a bridle, and, thus directing him, pursued my game and killed both antelope."

All the circle applauded, as of course they were bound to do. Dr. Wills was silent.

"You don't mean to say you don't believe that?" said the prince. "Speak out if you don't. I shan't be offended in the least."

"Well, your highness, I don't believe it."

"Quite right, darogh bood" (it was a lie), unblushingly replied his royal highness and burst into a fit of laughter quite unabashed. The circle of courtiers, of course, were convulsed.

She Smoked.

A patient of one of the leading specialists who treat polypi in the nose and throat is a woman well known for her work in Sunday schools in this city. She has a record as the organizer of a number of anticigarette leagues among the schoolboys. She came to her doctor the other day. He cheered her greatly by telling her he could cure her quickly and without the use of the knife.

"But you must promise to follow my directions," said the doctor, with the suspicion of a twinkle in his eye.

"Oh, I promise," said the lady.

"Without qualification?" asked the physician.

"Absolutely without qualification," answered the lady.

"Well, then, you must smoke cigarettes!"

The lady gasped. Visions of what might happen if she were seen with a cigarette between her teeth by any of her pupils floated before her, and she almost fainted. But the doctor was inexorable. The lady followed his directions, and in a week the foreign growth in her nose had disappeared. But that doesn't mean that the lady is now a confirmed cigarette smoker.—United States Tobacco Journal.

Chinese Inquests.

Coroners' inquests are well known among the Chinese. One of the chief differences between their system and ours is that the Chinese doctors never dissect. In fact, Chinamen have a perfect horror of dissection.

There are few things more absurd than the code of rules laid down for the Chinese coroner. In the first place, he is bidden to make sure that he has a dead body before he begins his inquest. That, however, is less ridiculous than it sounds, for the heathen Chinee is tricky and may demand an inquest on a sham deceased with a view of extorting money from some person who may be denounced as having caused the death.

The preposterous part of the code comes in with regard to the alleged signs which show the cause of death. If the deceased is supposed to have been poisoned, rice is put into his mouth and then taken out and given to a chicken. Its effect on the fowl decides the question. Most of the other methods adopted are even more absurd and fanciful, and, as a result, inquests in China do very little to prevent crime.—Chicago News.

He Won the Bet.

A showman was making great noise at the front of the exhibition of "wonders" he had on show. A man standing in the crowd, with a little dog beside him, cried out:

"I'll bet you a quid you can't let me see a lion."

"Done!" said the showman eagerly. "Put down your money."

The man placed a sovereign in the hand of a bystander, and the showman did the same.

"Now walk this way," said the showman, "and I'll soon convince you. There!" said he triumphantly. "Look in that corner at the beautiful Numidian lion."

"I don't see any," responded the other.

"What's the matter with you?" asked the showman.

"I'm blind," was the reply, and in a few minutes the blind man pocketed the two sovereigns and went away.—London Answers.

How She Knew.

Speaking of kindergartens for colored children calls to mind the experience of a "befo' de war" matron who was teaching one of the little darkies on her plantation how to spell.

The primer she used was a pictorial one, and over each word was its accompanying picture, and Polly glibly spelled o-x, ox, and b-o-x, box, etc. But the teacher thought that she was making right rapid progress, so she put her hand over the picture and said:

"Polly, what does o-x spell?"

"Ox," answered Polly nimbly.

"How do you know that it spells ox, Polly?"

"Seed his tail," replied the apt Polly.—Memphis Scimitar.

Dubious Compliment.

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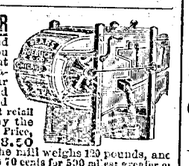

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All human power is a compound of time and patience.

The man who distrusts his neighbor will bear watching.

Love is the only passion which looks to neither past nor future.

The savage has feelings only; the civilized has feelings and ideas.

An ounce of silence is sometimes worth more than a pound of talk.

It is an indisputable fact that the heaviest books have the least in them.

It is thought women wear shoes too small because the right size is too large.

After a man reaches the high-water mark he has to hustle to keep his head above it.

You can never get the best of a chemist in an argument; he always has a retort.

Men of fine characters confess their faults to themselves and punish themselves for them.

If society gives us pillows she makes it up by gout; just as she puts up law to modify justice.

A woman's errors come almost always from her belief in good, or her confidence in truth.

The under dog in the scrap may be in the right, but that doesn't rattle any bones with the dog on top.

There is always a chance of reforming a bad man, but if he is a hypocrite his case is absolutely hopeless.

Bravery may be cultivated. Showing a spirit of courage in the minor affairs of life trains us to be strong in the great crises.

There will be an interesting time when the attendants of the Duke of Marlborough attempt to boost the young man and his light housekeeping outfit up a kop.

Do not live in the clubland of some transcendental heaven; do your best to bring the glory of a real heaven down, and ray it out upon your fellows in this workday world.

From recently published letters of Sir Alfred Milner it seems that on Nov. 30 of last year he wrote to Mr. Chamberlain about "the colossal armaments of the Transvaal" and described the Boer republic as "a huge arsenal." The warning came too late and the world, as a consequence, has seen during the closing year of the century two little republics successfully confronting the greatest empire of modern times. The future historian of the Transvaal war will have some interesting materials at hand when he comes to narrate this struggle almost without a parallel in history.

Henry D. Clayton of Alabama has introduced in congress a resolution providing for the turning over of Cuba to the Cubans on the coming Fourth of July. The date is not well chosen. There is no need for spectacular performance of what the United States is pledged to do. By the terms of the treaty of Spain this country is bound to remain in control in Cuba until the coming April, in order to give Spanish residents a chance to straighten up their affairs and leave the island if they so desire. When that date arrives Cuba should, as a matter of course, be turned over to the Cubans, in fulfillment of a solemn pledge made by the American government in entering upon the war with Spain.

It is curious how a conviction tends to become deep and strong by reason of the fact that it is entertained. It seems to possess the power of the seed to send out shoots and become rooted in the mind, and ultimately to yield to its fruitage. Indeed, except for those rare natures that have the power on the instant of coming to the firmest decision, the element of time is an important factor in the strength of our convictions. While we are completely occupied in other things our beliefs and decisions are unconsciously growing, and we find, perhaps to our surprise, that the opinion of a month or two ago has become a controlling conviction. Parents are often discouraged because noble ideas appear to arouse so little response in the inner lives of their children. But there is no reason for discouragement. If they will recall the time factor in the formation of their own characters, they will have an abounding faith in the gradual deepening of convictions through the processes of life. The good seed that falls on good ground needs only to be let alone to produce a good harvest.

Every man will have the power he earns, and the power that he has will tell, not because people like it or like him, but because it is power, and as such can keep itself erect without having a cricket put under its feet, and keep itself dry without having an umbrella spread over its head.

It is easy for you to live after the world's opinion, and in solitude to live after one's own; but the truly great man is he who, in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude.

We mortals sometimes cut a pitiable figure in our attempt to display. We may be sure of our own merits, yet fatally ignorant of the point of view from which we are regarded by our neighbor. Our fine patterns in tattooing may be far from throwing him into a swoon of admiration, though we turn ourselves all round to show them.

Lose not a day in useless lamentation. Help mankind whenever you can; love them, and thank God that you have seen and known and loved on this earth, and that you have lost it.

IS AT KIMBERLEY

French Blazes the Way to Besieged Garrison.

NO TIDINGS OF A GREAT BATTLE

Boers Evidently Offering Little Resistance—News Comes From Roberts—General Himself Stationed at Jacobsdal—London Rejoices

London has received the following dispatch from Wedraai, dated Thursday at midnight: "Official news has been received here that General French arrived at Kimberley today and dined at the club this evening."

The war office announces that Gen. French reached Kimberley Thursday evening.

Following is Lord Roberts' message to the war office:

"Jacobsdal, February 16.—2 a. m.—French, with a force of artillery, cavalry and mounted infantry, reached Kimberley this evening, Thursday." I have good reason to believe the Magersfontein trenches have been abandoned and that the Boers are endeavoring to escape. General French is scouring the country north of Kimberley. One of General Kelly-Kenny's brigades of infantry is in pursuit of a large Boer convoy moving towards Bloemfontein."

The following dispatch from General Roberts fills the gaps in the earlier dispatches:

"Modder River, Feb. 15.—The Sixth divison left Waterfall drift early yesterday morning and marched here, going on the same evening to Reondeval drift to hold the crossing of the Modder river and leave General French free to act. Shortly after arriving here the mounted infantry visited Jacobsdal and found it full of women and children, with four of our wounded men doing well.

"On the way back the mounted infantry were attacked and nine men were wounded. Colonel Henry and Major Hatchell and ten men were missing. Both officers were subsequently found at Jacobsdal, slightly wounded.

"The cavalry division is moving in a northerly direction and has apparently already reduced the pressure on Kimberley, as Kakewich signals the enemy has abandoned Alexandersfontein and that he has occupied it.

"French has advanced as far as Abonsdam with a slight loss and is pushing on the posts, his rear being held by mounted infantry. Clements, having been pressed by the Boers, has retired to Arundel to cover Naauwpoort."

The war office points out that the word "here" in the above dispatch means some other point on the Modder river than the Modder river station.

There is great rejoicing in London over the relief of Kimberley. Stocks took an upward spurt.

MR. MOORE'S DEFALCATION

The Insurance Companies Will Be Asked to Make It Good.

State Auditor Cornell appears to have meant what he said when he announced that he intended to collect from insurance companies the amount of ex-Auditor Eugene Moore's shortage. He is now preparing itemized bills to be sent to the various companies for collection. The total amount of the shortage is $23,000.

Statements are being made out in the auditor's office in accordance with the records of Eugene Moore. The records are said to be accurate, as Mr. Moore made no effort to cover up any of the payments he received. The itemized statement to each company will show the exact amount still due the state for fees between February 6, 1895, and December 31, 1896. Accompanying the statement is a circular letter requesting the companies to remit to the state treasurer and to make a "special check or draft for Moore's defalcation."

Breaks Sounding Record

The United States steamship Nero, during its recent survey for a trans-Pacific cable, broke the record for deep sea soundings. One sounding near Guam island marked 5,160 fathoms and another 5,269 fathoms, only sixty-six feet short of six statute miles. That is deeper than the height of the highest mountain peak on the land surface of the globe.

Polygamists Barred Out.

The house committee on election of president and vice president submitted a report in favor of a joint resolution for a constitutional amendment disqualifying polygamists for election as senators or representatives in congress and prohibiting polygamy and polygamous association between the sexes.

San Francisco Firm Fails.

The contract firm of Marcus & Remmels of San Francisco has failed for $140,000. Several large blocks of city property owned by them have been sold to satisfy the pressing creditors. The firm states that it is able to liquidate all debts, and will be allowed to continue its business.

Appeal From Taft.

Ex-Governor Bradley and other attorneys interested in the Kentucky contest election cases, appeared before United States Circuit Judge Taft in chambers at Cincinnati, and filed notice of an appeal from the decision rendered by the latter on last Wednesday afternoon. The appeal will be taken direct to the United States supreme court. The petition for appeal merely states that Judge Taft erred in declaring that jurisdiction did not lie in the federal court, and it was sorely upon this ground that the appeals were taken.

Overcome by Sewer Gas.

A Chicago sewer laborer was killed and five others overcome by gas while at work in a sewer at Paulina and Fulton streets. It is said the remaining five may not recover because they were drenched with water and then exposed to the cold wind before reaching the county hospital.

Hardware Men Conclude.

The Iowa retail hardware dealers' association adjourned after a three days' convention. Dubuque was selected for the place to meet next year.

PROVISIONS OF THE BILL

A Summary of the Senate Substitute for House Financial Measure.

The following is a summary of the senate subsitute for the house financial bill:

It provides that the dollar of 25 8-10 grains of gold nine-tenths fine shall be the standard unit of value, and that all forms of United States money shall be maintained at a parity with it, and that treasury notes and greenbacks shall be redeemable in gold.

The secretary of the treasury is to set apart a fund of $150,000,000 in gold for the redemption of these notes, and to maintain this fund at a figure not below $100,000,000 he is empowered to sell bonds of the United States, bearing interest at not exceeding 3 per cent.

It shall also be the duty of the secretary of the treasury as fast as standard silver dollars are coined to retire an equal amount of the treasury notes and to issue silver certificates against the silver so coined. Under certain provisions, too, gold certificates shall be issued against the gold held in the treasury. No United States notes or treasury notes shall be issued in denominations of less than $10, and no silver certificates in denominations of more than $10. The secretary of the treasury is also authorized to refund the bonded debt of the United States in thirty-year bonds, bearing 2 per cent interest, the principal and interest of these bonds to be paid in gold. the 2 per cent bonds shall be issued at not less than par. Any national bank, by depositing with the United States, bonds of this country. shall be permitted to issue circulating notes to the face value of the bonds deposited, no bank being allowed to issue circulating notes in excess of the amount of the paid-in capital stock of the bank.

THE KENTUCKY SITUATION

Warden Recognizes Beckham and Refuses to Obey Taylor.

The clash between the democrats and rebublican branches of the Kentucky government was emphasized oy the prison officials releasing John Seals, a Louisville convict, on a pardon issued by Governor Beckham. Douglass Hays, a Knott county convict recently pardoned by Governor Taylor, is still in confinement, the prison officials refusing to recognize Taylor as governor.

Attorneys for the contestees and contestants today signed the following agreement as to the conduct of the contestants for minor state offices:

"We hereby agree that all the testimony taken in the contest for governor and lieutenant governor so far as the same may be competent and relevant may be read as evidence in the contest for the minor state offices now pending, and that the contests shall be submitted to said board without argument, the counsel for neither side nor any other person to be present during the trial, and the contestees expressly reserving all rights to accept, object or demur to the evidence or other proceeding which they may have under the law, and that the contestees do not by the agreement waive or relinquish any objection to the jurisdiction of the board."

The state canvassing board took up the cases of the minor offices on the state ticket. It is not expected that any decisions will be rendered inside of three or four days.

NEWS IN BRIEF

The coroner at Hot Springs, S. D., received word from Oelrichs, twenty miles from Hot Springs, of the finding of the body of a young wonan named Ellen Gusterson in a dry well near A. J. Colgan's house. She disappeared some months ago.

Assets of the defunct Chemical National band of Chicago, representating a face value of more than $900,000, were sold at auction by Receiver William C. Niblack for $487.75. One judgment for $105,468 was sold for $1.50. The chemical bank started in business in 1890 and went under in 1893.

A dispatch from Iloilo says that three Massachusetts soldiers of the Twenty-sixth regiment, U. S. V., have been tortured to death by insurgents. The men were Dennis Hayes, William Dugan and Michael Tracey, privates of company F, under Captain William M. Tutherty. They remained behind the column at Baling last November and were captured.

Secretary of State Stearns, as chairman of the state board of auditors, has authorized Sheriff Porter to offer a reward of $1,000 for the apprehension of ex-Quartermaster General Wm. L. White, who is wanted on the charge alleging embezzlement of state funds while a member of the Michigan military board, and who disappeared several weeks ago.

The cable dispatch to which Former Consul Macrum referred in his recent statement as having been refused absolutely by the censor at Durban, was filed by Frank H. Nelson, formerly of Chicago, and was addressed to Miss Aldwywith Bond of Buffalo, N. Y., who at that time was in London and on her way to the Transvaal to wed him.

Lord Chesterfield and Miss Enid Wilson were married in London Friday. There was a large and fashionable attendance at the ceremony.

About 250 Chicago journeymen tailors were locked out by the members of the tailors' and drapers' exchange. The journeymen tailors' union No. 5 demanded that the merchants provide free work rooms for the men before April 1. The merchants refused and demanded that the men sign by February 15 an agreement not to strike during 1900.

A strike at No. 1 shaft at Spring Valley, Ill., affecting 500 miners was ordered by the pit committee because the Spring Valley Coal company had in its employ a non-union engineer. It is feared that the strike will involve the other shafts and that 1,500 more miners will go out.

The normal school bill was defeated in the house of the Iowa legislature by a vote of 46 to 57. This was the chief bill before the present legislature. The preliminary plans were for the establishment of three schools in the state upon the recommendation of the educational association.

CUT OFF ESCAPE

General Cronje Said to be Between Two Fires.

BOER FORCES SAID TO BE SURROUNDED

French Awaiting Reinforcements to Close In—Passes Army on Retreat—Now Stands Between It and Bloemfontein—Other News.

A London, February 20, 12:30 a. m. dispatch says: The war office at midnight announced that it had nothing further for publication from South Africa.

In the lobbies of the house of commons last evening, however, it was rumored that General Cronje's army was surrounded; that General French had got between the Boer forces and Bloemfontein, and that he was only awaiting reinforcements to close in on the enemy.

A dispatch of 3:45 a. m., February 20, says: A member of the cabinet told H. W. Lucy that the war office had received a telegram announcing that General Cronje was hopelessly surrounded.

The situation as disclosed by correspondents over the Free State border is tantalizing the London public expectation. The elementary facts are that the Boers are trekking eastward toward Bloemfontein, with slow moving baggage trains, and that they are pursued by Lord Kitchener with General Kelly-Kenney's division. General MacDonald, with the Highlanders, made a forced march to Koodoos rand ford and on Sunday pushed twenty miles eastward. General French left Kimberley Saturday, going east along the Modder river. Lord Kitchener is trying to outmarch and to outflank the Boers, thus checking their retreat, if possible, and driving them back into the hands of MacDonald and French.

The war office message communicated to Mr. Lucy seems to indicate that Lord Kitchener has either got ahead of the Boers or is about to realize his plan, and the war office waits to announce a decisive result. Meanwhile Commandant Delarey, with the Boers from Colesberg, is hanging on to the right flank of the British pursuing columns, seeking to delay their movements and so to assist the Boer wagon trains to escape.

THE POPULISTS SPLIT

Fusionists and Anti-Fusionists Fail to Reach Amicable Agreement.

At the populist convention at Lincoln, Neb., February 19, the middle-of-the-road members of the populist national committee displeased at what they believed to be the intention of the fusion members to oust them from the meeting, and angered at the action of Chairman Butler in appointing a one-sided committee on credentials and in arbitrarily adjourning the session to await a report, organized a bolters' national committee, appointed a committee on resolutions and took other measures to carry on an independent session.

This action was followed by a mass meeting of the committeemen, principally anti-fusionists. Those who spoke severely criticised Chairman Butler on account of his arbitrary actions and some expressed the belief that the populist party would suffer as a result.

At 3 o'clock the committee met in representative hall at the state house. It was an executive session. It was brought to a summary adjournment by order of Chairman Butler, the anti-fusionists refusing, however, to recognize the adjournment.

The bolters met prior to evening session and decided to go into meeting again and demand that the chairman rescind his action, and to ask for a new deal all around. Their demond was not entertained, and the split came at 8 p. m.

The demands of the bolters for a new committee on credentials was ignored and at a seperate meeting held by them they decided to hold their national convention May 9th at Cincinnati.

The regular organization continued in session, refused to admit any bolters and without settling the matter of a convention adjourned until Tuesday.

SAYS ASHES SHALL MINGLE

Remarkable Codicil to Will of Marquis of Queensberry.

A codicil to the will of Queensberry who died February 1, made the following provisions:

"At my death I wish to be cremated, and direct that my ashes be placed in the earth unmolested—"earth to earth, ashes to ashes"—in any spot convenient that I have loved.

"I particularly request that no Christian mummeries or tomfooleries be performed at the grave, but that I be buried as an agnostic. If it should be a comfort to any one, there is a plenty of friends who would come to say a few words of common sense.

"No monument will be required, nor no procession, as the ashes can be carried in a man's hand."

Gets Off Lightly.

C. G. Jesse, druggist, charged with the murder of Frank Griffin, editor of Griffin's Daily View, on the streets of Maryville, Mo., April 8, 1898, was found guilty of manslaughter in the fourth degree and sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

Governor Tanner Very Weak.

Governor Tanner's condition is about the same as for the past few days. He is still very weak, and it will be several days before he will be able to sit up.

Miners Badly Burned.

Three miners at the Barclay Coal company's shaft at Barclay, Ill., twelve miles from Springfield, named Samuel Shargis, Martin Yankis, and Stephen Prowlowski, were so badly burned by an explosion of pit gas they will probably die.

Forty Horses Die in Fire.

A five-story brick building at No. 46 Harrison street, Cleveland, O., used as a stable by Gibbons & Pinkett, agents for Armour & Co., was destroyed by fire. Forty horses perished in the flames.

SUMMARY OF LATEST NEWS

The Leading Events of the Wide World Briefly Sketched.

Out of a total of fifty-one cases of bubonic plague at Manila there have been thirty-two fatalities.

Lawrence Morrissey, a farmer near Tecumseh, Neb., got his left hand caught in a corn sheller and the thumb and forefinger had to be amputated.

Charles E. Macrum, ex-consul to Pretoria, is in Washington in order to be handy in case his testimony in regard to South Africa should be called for or needed.

At Springfield, Ill., Peter Jones, a young blacksmith, and William Mooney, a machinist, got into a fight and Mooney was fatally shot. Jones says he shot in self-defense.

Allen W. Clark, of the national democratic committee expresses the conviction that the committee will select Kansas City as the place for holding the national convention.

State Treasurer Meserve has issued a call for $48,000 worth of general fund state warrants for February 24. This makes four calls for the month, the total amount being $135,000.

The outbreak in the Island of Martinique greatly bothers the French republic. According to dispatches, it seems there is a rebellion on there due to maladministration of affairs.

At St. Louis, Mrs. Julia Cramer, wife of a foundry workman, incensed at his drinking, poured coal oil over her clothes and set fire to them in his presence. She was fatally burned.

A somewhat bloody battle took place at El Paso, Tex., between a mob of negro soldiers from Ft. Bliss bent on rescuing a couple of comrades and the police who had the prisoners in charge. One man on each side was killed.

The remains of Sergeant Charles Mellick of Company H, First Nebraska, who was killed in battle in the Philippines, arrived at Nelson, Neb., and were buried there with military honors.

Edwin Mayo of the Pudd'nhead Wilson company dropped dead in the Frontenac hotel at Quebec, Mr. Mayo was the son of the late Frank Mayo, for whom the play "Pudd'nhead Wilson" was written.

Eugene Monagan has been arrested in New York charged with grand larceny in the first degree. His offense consisted in systematically doctoring the books of John Collins & Son, cotton brokers, to cover a deficit of about $30,000.

Some one who evidently had revenge in mind, killed a beef in Fred Fritz's stock yards at Wilcox, Neb. The animal was struck in the head with some blunt instrument. Mr. Fritz recently had some parties arrested for breaking into his butcher shop.

An alligator's nest, which contained the mother alligator and eighty young ones, was found in the Angelina river bottom by James B. Harris of Nacogdoches county, Texas. The young ones were each about a foot long.

President Samuel Strong of the Free Coinage Mining company of Cripple Creek, Col., was married recently to Miss Regina Neville of Altman. Now he has two breach of promise suits on his hands, the plaintiffs being Miss Vance of Goldfield, Col., who wants $250,000, and Miss Nellie Lewis of Pasedena, Cal., who asks for the modest little sum of $200,000.

Jasper Sutton of Bloomfield, Ia., an aged and respected citizen, was shot and killed by Leslie Eastburn, aged 21. Eastburn had called to take Alice Sutton to church and the old man objected. An altercation ensued and each man drew his gun, but young Eastman fired first. He gave himself up, going into the Sutton home and consoling the daughter until an officer arrived.

Munir Bey, the sultan's envoy to France, presented President Loubet with the insignia and grand cordon of the Order of Nichamimtiaz, the highest decoration in the Turkish empire. As Emperor William of Germany was but recently so decorated, the action of the sultan in decorating Loubet is interpreted in France to mean that it enjoys equal prestige with Germany at the Ottoman court.

The London correspondent of the Paris Figaro says he learns that President McKinley recently sounded Lord Pauncefote with a view of ascertaining how an offer of mediation in the Transvaal difficulty on the part of the United States would be received and that the English reply was that such an offer, made officially, would be considered an unfriendly act. The story is emphatically denied at the British embassy at Washington.

After an absence of ten years, Frank Crane returned to his home at Wakefield, Neb. He disappeared in 1890, located in Pittsburg, Pa., where he became connected with a furniture factory. During his absence his mother died, leaving to him an estate valued at $70,000, and provisions were made in the will that in the event of his death $2,000 was to go to each of his seven children. His return has prevented what promised to lead to much litigation in the settlement of the estate.

The remains of H. Guy Livingston, who was a member of Company M, First Nebraska infantry, and who died in the Philippines, arrived at Plattsmouth, Neb., and were buried there. Before being interred the body was wrapped in an American flag. Many of his comrades in arms were present.

Engineer Frazer and Fireman Backley of the "Twilight Limited" passenger train out of St. Paul for Duluth, on the C., St. P., M. & O. road, were badly injured in a wreck that occurred at Gordon, Wis., by the train being ditched. The passengers were badly shaken up.

General Bravo's force of Mexican government troops has driven back the Maya Indians and taken possession of several important towns that were occupied by the rebels during the week. The country occupied by the Mayas is little known to the outside word. Its natural riches are great.

The Pittsburg Plate Glass company has announced a general advance of 5 per cent on glass prices effective at once. This is due to the fact that foreign makers advanced prices 15 per cent about ten days ago, the foreign market being very strong.

DEATH OF R. P. R. MILLAR.

Veteran Railroad Man Stricken With Apoplexy.

Richard P. R. Millar, general agent for the Missouri Pacific at Lincoln, dropped dead in the lavatory of the union depot, Ninth and S streets Wednesday afternoon at 1:40. Apoplexy is believed to have been the cause of his death.

Mr. Millar had not been at the depot during the forenoon, and in an effort to reach a car in the afternoon he had taken quite a long run. He reached the car out of breath and rode up town. He had been looking after some business in northeast Lincoln, and was anxious to reach the depot at a certain time.

After arriving at the depot he stepped into the lavatory, and a few moments afterwards W. D. Crawford of 2307 North Twenty-third street, followed him in. Mr. Crawford found Mr. Millar lying on the floor in an unconscious condition. He called to D. J. Anthony of Wallace, Neb., who was sitting in the waiting room. The alarm was given and a few moments later Mr. Millar was carried out into the waiting room, and medical aid was summoned. Mr. Millar died within a few minutes after being removed to the waiting room.

Mr. Millar has been a resident of Lincoln for twenty-six years, coming there in 1874 to take the position of general agent of the Atchison & Nebraska railroad. He has been employed in the transportation business all his life. He was very prominent in Masonic, A. O. U. W., and railroad circles.

STICKS TO ITS ORDER

Board of Education Declares Cadet Work Must be Done.

The board of education of Grand Island met to consider the position the cadet work in the schools was left in as a result of Saturday's jury, finding Ed Hayman not guilty of disturbing the peace by refusing to leave the room when suspended. All members of the board expressed it as their sentiment to maintain the position taken, and the rules the board had adopted. These rules showed that the work of drilling was compulsory in no greater degree than other studies are compulsory, if the student prefers not to take the course he has no standing in that course and it will affect his grade. By unanimous vote the board resolved to adhere to these rules and instruct the teachers to treat the cadet work as they would any other course. The rules were adopted upon a petition of a majority of the high school students to have the same adopted.

Want Rural Mail Delivery.

An effort is being made to secure rural mail delivery in York county. It should be a success as no county in the state has better roads. Arborville is an inland town twelve miles straight north of Bradshaw, and for several years farmers between Bradshaw and Arborville have had a rural mail delivery of their own that has been convenient, successful and very satisfactory. At the crossroads of each section a mail box has been nailed to a post along the road and at each farmers' house on this road is a mail box. This mail route takes in a territory two to three miles wide, giving daily mail service to a large number of farmers. Whenever a farmer living on this route goes to town and gets his mail he also gets the mail of other farmers on the mail route and on his way home drops the mail in the proper mail boxes.

Arm Caught in a Saw.

Mr. Walker, who was the engineer at the flouring mill at Pawnee City before it closed down, was working at the saw mill and accidently fell into the saw, which caught his chin and cut it some. In order to escape from the saw he raised his left hand, and the saw caught it and severed it from the arm about midway between the elbow and wrist. Surgeons attended the injured man who is resting as well as could be expected. Mr. Walker and his family are strangers in Pawnee City and have the sympathy of the entire community.

Pope Kills Himself.

The news was received at Fremont, Neb., recently that Ulysses S. Pope, better known as Sam Pope, had committed suicide at Lewis, Ia., while influenced by a fit of melancholy.

Pope is the man who was shot five times by Ed. Jerome at Fremont on August 8 of last year, and who is now serving a term in the penitentiary for doing so. Pope made a partial recovery in spite of the fact that four bullets, lodged in his body, had never been extracted.

Dr. Abbott's Illness.

Dr. L. J. Abbott, of South Omaha, formerly superintendent of the Lincoln insane hospital, was suddenly stricken with paralysis while sitting at his breakfast table. The whole left side is affected, and although he is slightly better, grave apprehension exists as to his recovery.

This was the second stroke of paralysis that Mr. Abbott has experienced and his father died from the same cause.

Bullet Through His Heart.

A man supposed to be A. C. Howe of 321 Kansas avenue, Topeka, Kas., shot himself through the heart in the office of the Western Union Telegraph company, 1134 O street, Lincoln, at 10:25 last Wednesday evening. The ball from a revolver passed through his heart, causing death within a few seconds. He did not utter a ward after the shot was fired, although when the operators in the room at the time reached him it appeared that he was trying to say something. He was a telegraph operator out of work.

Harness Shop Burglarized.

The harness shop of Mr. Sheffler, at Nelson, was burglarized to the extent of about $40 or $50, taking all his tools and leaving him nothing to work with. As he is a poor man, the loss falls heavily on him. Both front and back doors were found open when he came down to his work next morning.

Roland Reed Doing Well.

Roland Reed, the actor, was again operation in St. Luke's hospital at New York for cancer of the intestines. He is reported as resting easily.

A Woman's Cleverness.

There are many who consider cleverness lies merely in being able to do one or two things specially well. This is not so. A clever woman is one who looks well after the ways of her own household; a clever woman is one who undertakes nothing that she does not understand; a clever woman is one who is mistress of tact, and knows how to make the social wheels run smoothly; a clever woman is one who acts like hot water on tea, she brings the sweetness and strength out of everybody else.

Useful Household Hints.

Fresh raw meat is the best bait for mice traps.

Lemon and salt will remove stains from the hands.

Hot water and soda will remove most grease stains.

For nose bleeding, snuff powdered alum through the nostrils.

To make your light brilliant, rub the lamp chimneys, after washing, with dry salt.

Overheated rooms are more injurious than a temperature lower than is usually advised for them.

Use warm water instead of cold for watering the tropical plants, such as palms, rubber plants, orange trees, etc.

If black underwear, stockings or black yarn that is to be knitted is boiled a few minutes in milk the dye will not stain the skin.

Limewater will sweeten jars and jugs which soap and water fail to cleanse. It is admirable for cleansing milk vessels and nursing bottles.

Yellow oil stains left by the sewing machine will easily be removed in the wash if they are first rubbed over with a little liquid ammonia.

To raise the nap in cloth soak it in cold water for half an hour, then put on a board and rub the threadbare parts with a prickly thistle or emery.

Creamy Hair-Wash.—One ounce of oil sweet almonds, one ounce strong liquid ammonia, two ounces rosewater, four ounces spirits of rosemary. Mix well. To be well rubbed in the hair.

OUR COOKING SCHOOL.

Figs in Blankets.

Roll a good-sized oyster in a very thin strip of bacon and fasten with a small skewer; toothpicks are very good to use. Fry in boiling hot lard until done.

Prune Whips.

Whites of five eggs, one half cup sugar, one quarter pound prunes; stew prunes until soft, rub through a sieve, chop meats of prunes, mix together and beat well; bake about 15 minutes. Serve with cream or custard as preferred.

Cold Water Cake.

Two cups sugar, one half cup butter, three cups flour, one cup water, four eggs, two teaspoonfuls baking powder, one teaspoonful vanila. Rub sugar and butter to a cream; add the eggs well beaten, then add the water, then the flour and baking powder.

Stewed Celery.

Clean the heads thoroughly. Take off the coarse, green, outer leaves. Cut in small pieces and stew in a little broth. When tender add some rich cream, a little flour and butter enough to thicken the cream. Season with salt and a little nutmeg.

Macaroni Soup.

Boil a quarter of a pound of macaroni in a quart of water for 10 minutes, then strain it off, and throw it into two quarts of boiling stock; let it simmer gently for half an hour, then serve, with grated cheese, upon a plate separately.

Potato Croquettes.

Season cold mashed potatoes with pepper, salt and nutmeg. Beat to a cream, with a tablespoonful of melted butter to every cupful of potato. Add two or three beaten eggs and some minced parsley. Roll into small balls; dip in beaten egg, then in bread crumbs and fry in hot lard.

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For Infants and Childre[illegible]

The Kind You Have Always Bo[illegible]t

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher

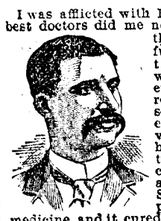
Female Divers of Japan.

Diving for seaweed, sea cucumbers and agar-agar is the occupation of over 100 women at Shima, Japan.

Doctors Can't Cure It!

Contagious blood poison is absolutely beyond the skill of the doctors. They may dose a patient for years on their mercurial and potash remedies, but he will never be rid of the disease; on the other hand, his condition will grow steadily worse. S. S. S. is the only cure for this terrible affliction, because it is the only remedy which goes direct to the cause of the disease and forces it from the system.

I was afflicted with Blood Poison, and the best doctors did me no good, though I took their treatment faithfully. In fact, I seemed to get worse all the while. I took almost every so-called blood remedy, but they did not seem to reach the disease, and had no effect whatever. I was disheartened, for it seemed that I would never be cured. At the advice of a friend I then took S. S. S., and began to improve. I continued the medicine, and it cured me completely, building up my health and increasing my appetite. Although this was ten years ago, I have never yet had a sign of the disease to return.



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It is like self-destruction to continue to take potash and mercury; besides totally destroying the digestion, they dry up the marrow in the bones, producing a stiffness and swelling of the joints, causing the hair to fall out, and completely wrecking the system.

S.S.S. For The Blood

is guaranteed Purely Vegetable, and is the only blood remedy free from these dangerous minerals.

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FOR HOME AND WOMEN

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

Elegant Evening Gown — Skating Gown —Notes on Gloves — The Home Sewing-Room—When the Hair Is Healthy —Our Cooking School.

My Lady's Gown.

My lady's gown is gray and soft;
  So like her eyes
That from its silken folds there comes
  A hint of paradise.
I hold it close against my heart—
  My lady's gown.

The while she hummed a little song
  I saw her lay
This bit of lace around her throat;
  Dear eyes of gray.
So serious in fashioning
  My lady's gown.

My lady's gown is folded now;
  The knot of blue
Upon her breast is passing sweet
  With lavender and rue;
It brings me dreams of bygone days;
  My lady's gown.

Today I see the little gown
  With brimming eyes,
For out beneath the grass-grown hill
  My lady lies;
And with despairing sobs I kiss
  My lady's gown.
—Myrtle Reed, in Munsey's.

Notes on Gloves.

To be well-gloved is a mark of a well-dressed woman, and yet this important detail is often overlooked on account of expense. Women who soon find the bottom of their purses try to get over the costly fashion of wearing gloves by buying cheap articles or by wearing their gloves until the tan becomes black or the black becomes gray. Either course is a mistake. In buying gloves choose those that are elastic in texture, as they fit much better to the hand. Choose a size which fits comfortably, as baggy gloves are inelegant, and tight gloves impede the circulation. The ease with which the top button can be fastened is a pretty good test for correct size. Having bought the gloves, they should be carefully tried on, and not left until they are wanted to be worn. If they are hurriedly put on at first the fingers and thumbs get twisted away, and can never be brought back again to their proper positions. A pair of glove stretchers, which can be purchased for a few cents, is a useful possession,and by its use gloves will go on the hand with less coaxing than is generally required by new gloves. The buttons of gloves are generally weak points, and before the gloves are worn the tape which attaches the buttons should be more securely fastened to the gloves. When the seams give way they should be neatly oversewed with cotton, and not with silk, which is apt to cut the kid. Should the gloves split the torn edges should be worked with buttonhole stitches set rather far apart. The looped edges of the buttonhole stitch may then be sewed together. A small split in black kid gloves may be neatly and quickly mended by a small strip of court plaster stuck on the wrong side of the gloves.

When the Hair Is Healthy.

When is the hair in good health? When it is naturally glossy, responding to the well-wielded brush as a silver teapot does to the chamois leather; when it is neither over-dry nor unduly moist and greasy; when it does not fall out; when it is a good color, and when it does not split at the ends. Some lucky people have no trouble with their hair; others are everlastingly trying to improve their scanty supply in one way or another. Scanty hair, however, is not unhealthy hair in a very great many instances. It is fine hair and fine hair never looks much. Possessors of such a type of tresses should comfort themselves with the knowledge that super-refined, delicately nurtured natures often own this kind of hair. But there are some people who are never satisfied. Those whose hair is normally healthy should rest contented with its color, thickness and length. All they have to do to keep it in a state of glossy beauty is to brush it well every morning and every evening, being very particular to use only quite clean brushes.

A Comfortable Room.

A room as you enter it for the first time suggests one of two things—comfort or discomfort. Easy chairs, a sofa with plenty of soft cushions in suitable places, a few bright pictures, plenty of cosy rugs, and a little dainty bric-a-brac well placed, are things indispensable to a comfortable room. There must be tables and books, papers and magazines; in fact, the family sitting room should be the best used and most luxurious apartment in the house—well lighted and well ventilated—instead of which it is very often the least used room in the house, often kept locked, unless there are visitors. And the art of ornamentation in this room is sometimes carried to excess. I have entered houses where my first thought was of a fancy goods shop, and I have groaned to think of the amount of time and labor expended by some poor woman to dust those goods. One is almost afraid to move about at ease lest fearful damages might be the result. Hand-made decoration carried out in brackets and fans ornament the walls effectively, and add to the beauty of the room if in taste and limitation.

In a Little Girl's Room.

If your little daughter is about to move from the nursery into a room of her own here are a few suggestions as to its furniture: Have a dotted Swiss curtain at the window, tied back with forget-me-not blue ribbons. Let the little bedstead be painted with white enamel and draped with a canopy of white Swiss, through which a blue silk lining should show. The bureau, which should correspond in size to the bed, should also be white, and, if one's bank account will allow it, decorated in silver. The latest washstand for a child's room is of willow, painted in white, with a deep hollow in the center to hold the dainty bowl and pitcher. In this room all the appointments of the washstand should be of white china, strewn with forget-me-nots. In the corner of the room have a baby divan covered with light blue chintz and banked with white linen-covered pillows, ornamented with a blue silk frill. A little willow rocking chair is another requirement. It should be painted in white and have the seat cushioned in light blue plush. Cover the walls with a paper which looks like a pompadour silk. It may be cream white in color striped with lines of forget-me-nots. Have plenty of pictures on the walls, and a carpet of blue felt on the floor, half-covered by rugs, and the small girl who owns this apartment can not fail to be happy.

ELEGANT EVENING GOWN.

Composed of black silk velvet and white, black velvet-dotted taffeta silk combined with white ermine and huge chiffon rosettes. The bodice is embroidered with silver and jewels.

The Home Sewing Room.

Women who find it more advantageous from a financial standpoint to have a dressmaker come in by the day and do the sewing acknowledge that a separate sewing room is a blessing to be appreciated. Here one can work undisturbed. Of course, nothing but the tools used in the construction of a gown are kept in the room. It must not serve the dual purpose of storeroom and sewing room. A row of drawers where new and old materials are kept separate is an indispensable necessity. The other furnishings should consist of a sewing machine and dress form, a large work basket, a cutting table and spool stand in the middle of which is a cushion for needles. When work is over they can be left in the sewing room, and there is no necessity of tucking them away in odd corners. Besides, a great deal of valuable time is saved by the arrangement of having the articles within reach on a moment's notice, and every woman should, if she can, have a sewing room.

Skating Gown

Of black and white broadcloth; the collar and skirt edged with ermine fur. The small hat is of black velvet, with one white ostrich tip on the left side.

Benefits of Borax.

One simple medicinal remedy that my father set great store by was borax, says a writer. He had my mother keep a solution of salt water and borax constantly on hand, and if the slightest irritation or sore throat developed among us, he had us gargle three times a day, and lave our mouth and tonsils freely. He thought our good health and freedom from fevers and contagious diseases was owing to the use of borax. In the case of a burn, he had us wet cloths, dipped in a strong solution of borax water, and was very careful to exclude the air in putting them off and on. It is very cooling and healing, and a child does not rebel so much against it as with other remedies. One very great thing in its favor in using it among children is, it is so harmless, while other gargles with carbolic acid and such are often taken by mistake and cause great distress. I often think if every young mother only knew of its virtues she would be thankful, and having once adopted it, would never give it up. As a disinfectant it is excellent. One should keep it on the kitchen shelf. If you awaken in the night coughing and cannot stop, get a small portion of the powdered borax and place on your tongue and let it slowly dissolve, and it will almost instantly stop the cough, as it will also relieve an ulcer in the throat.

OUR COOKING SCHOOL.

Stewed Celery.

Cut parts not suitable for salad into inch pieces. Cook in one cup of water till tender. Add one-half cup cream to celery water, bind with white roux, and season with salt and peper. The tender bleached leaves may be stewed with the stalks.

Oysters a la Marguerite.

Chop some stalks of celery into fine pieces and fry them in butter until a golden color. Then add to them the juice of a dozen oysters and a glass of sherry, and cook. Put in the oysters and oyster crabs, a piece of fresh butter, and cook for five minutes. This is a very nice chafing dish dainty.

Fig Cake.

Whites of three eggs, two cups of sugar, one cup of butter, one cup of sweet milk, three cups of flour, one teaspoonful of soda, two teaspoonfuls of cream tartar.

Filling—One pound of figs, chopped fine, one cup of sugar, one cup of milk. Cook slowly until it thickens. When cool spread between the layers.

Cranberry Jelly.

Pick over and wash sufficient berries to measure two quarts. Put them in a large granite stewpan with two pounds of granulated sugar and one pint of water. Cover closely and bring quickly to the boiling point; boil for ten minutes without stirring, then skim and press through a sieve. Pour into wetted molds and set away in a cold pantry.

Cinnamon Cakes.

Whites and yolks of two eggs, which are to be beaten up with a quarter of a pound of castor sugar for half an hour; add two ounces of powdered almonds, quarter of an ounce of powdered cinnamon and twelve pounded cloves. Stir into this mixture, very gradually, half a pound of fine flour. Roll out into long strips and divide into cakes and bake in buttered tins.

Apples With Figs.

Cut apples in halves, core and pare, and lay in a baking dish. Into each apple cavity put a prepared fig and a few bits of crystalized ginger. Make a syrup of three-fourths cupful of water and one-half cupful of sugar and pour over the apples. Bake until they are tender, basting several times. Carefully lift them out into a pretty glass dish, pouring any syrup that remains into the fig centres. Serve very cold with whipped cream or a soft custard. If preferred, instead of cutting the apples into halves, they can be pared and cored whole, being careful not to remove quite all of the apple from the bottom, and proceed with as above.

Little Helps.

Milk will remove ink stains from cloth if used immediately.

Grease spots may be removed from oak by washing them with warm beer.

A sprinkling of freshly ground coffee will keep game sweet for several days.

Spirits of turpentine is the thing with which to cleanse and brighten patent leather.

An almost invisible cement for mending glass is made of isinglass boiled in spirits of wine.

Skim milk is very useful for washing floor tiles; it gives them a better appearance than hot water.

To remove grease marks on velvet, scrape a little pipeclay over the grease spot, and let it remain an hour or two. Afterwards brush off with a soft brush.

To cleanse tinware, first wash the tin thoroughly with hot soapsuds, wipe it thoroughly dry, and then scour with flour and well-crumbled newspaper.

IN THE ODD CORNER.

QUEER AND CURIOUS THINGS AND EVENTS.

Worse Than the Lernean Hydra — Minute Fresh Water Hydra Can be Cut Into Pieces and in a Few Hours Each Is a Complete Hydra.

The Winter Camp.

The walls of logs are thick and stout;
  The rugged hearth is wide and gray;
The roof will keep the thin winds out—
  The fire will chase the frosts away;
    While we take comfort merrilee,
    And spin brave yarns above the tea.

Lacoble tells of caribou
  And long, gray wolves, in Labrador;
And Stanley sings the red canoe;
  And Dick expounds his Micmac lore;
    While I talk glibly as I can,
    With one eye on the frying-pan.

We talk of dees in field and wood,
  Of fir-clad hills and miles of spruce—
The alder-swamp's gray solitude—
  The trampled shelter of the moose;
    And when the bacon is fried brown
    We let the conversation down.

Our snowshoes stand against the wall—
  They need good rest, for they have gone
Down forest trails, where shy beasts call—
  A giant journey since the dawn.
    I wonder if they ever tire
    And want to lounge about the fire?

What matters it tho' winds blow chill
  And foot the drifts about our door,
When we have fire-light, and good-will,
  And bear-skins strewn upon the floor,
    And bacon, and a pot of tea
    To make the time go merrilee?
—Theodore Roberts, in Outing.

Worse Than the Lernean Hydra.

There was once, says mythology, a hydra, which inhabited the marsh of Lerne, in Greece, and spread terror in all the country around. This frightful creature had seven heads, and if some adventurer tried, with praiseworthy intention, to cut off one, it immediately grew again. Now there actually exist animals which, considering their small size, are more dreadful than the hydra of the Greeks. It is a simple sack of some few millimeters in length, called the fresh water hydra. Around the orifice of the sack, an orifice which is the mouth of the animal, are found disposed long arms or tentacles, armed with poisonous darts. The hydra, very greedy and always in quest of prey, ceaselessly agitates its long arms in the water, and if one of them encounters any animalcule, it twines itself around the poor victim, pierces it with its darts, paralyzes it, and so carries it to the mouth of the hydra, which swallows and digests it. There is nothing very extraordinary in all that, but here is where the fantastic begins; cut off one of the arms of the hydra, and at the end of twenty hours the arm will have grown out again; split the animal lengthwise, in such a way as to separate it in two halves, each part folds back on itself, welds its two edges together, and you have two hydras instead of one. Instead of splitting the animal lengthwise, cut it across in such a way as to have at the top a depth of sack without tentacles, at the bottom a kind of ring or tube provided with arms, but open at both ends; you will see the upper half provide itself very rapidly with arms, and the lower part, which already has tentacles, close itself at the top, in such a way that each half of the original hydra will become a complete hydra. Turn the hydra inside out, as one turns the finger of a glove, so that the stomach of the animal becomes its skin, and its skin its stomach. In the first moment the hydra seems to experience a certain inconvenience; it does not seem to be sure of itself. But, at the end of a few hours, it appears to take its lot philosophically, and takes food and digests it with its former skin, which becomes its new stomach.

Unpleasant Bedfellows in Mexico

The adventures of naturalits in odd corners of the globe rival the experiences of explorers in variety and interest. Dr. Maximilian Schumann, a Belgian naturalist, journeyed through Mexico, not many years ago, and here is one of the reminiscences which he brought back with him: I had gone a day's journey on horseback from the city of Zacatecas towards the southeast to examine some ancient Toltec ruins. I arrived at my destination late at night and lighted a fire within the ruins to make my supper. After eating I spread my blanket and lay down. When I awoke in the moring, my first impulse was to stretch out my hand. I threw it out from under the blanket and as I did so it almost touched a big, poisonous rattlesnake, quietly coiled by my side. I escaped by the merest chance. Looking toward my feet, what was my astonishment to see six other rattlesnakes coiled at intervals over my body. The reptiles did not belong to the variety commonly known in California, but were of a peculiarly poisonous species found in hot regions. When I lighted my fire in the evening it was too dark to see the snakes, which, I presume, had crept along the walls. The altitude of the ruins is nearly eight thousand feet, and so the nights are cold. My fire had attracted the reptiles. When they approached it they found my bed, and discerning the warm blankets, crawled up on them and went to sleep. I extricated myself from the blanket with infinite care. Once on my feet I was no longer afraid of the reptiles, but as I already had specimens of them in my collection, I killed them all and nailed them to the adobe wall with my card on each.

Wonderful Rock Carving.

"On the island of Grand Manan, in the bay of Fundy," writes a correspondent who has been there, "is one of the most beautiful natural rock carvings in the world. It stands at the head of a ledge of rocks jutting into the bay from the foot of one of the immense cliffs at the southern end of Grand Manan. Its shape is that of an almost perfect cross. I shall never forget the first view I had of it. At the back of the cliff, several hundred feet above the sea level, a narrow path leads through dark, overhanging pines. Stepping out of this darkness, almost upon the edge of the cliff, into the brilliancy of a sunlit day, I saw below me the bright spray dashing up against the foot of a cross, and, perched on the top of the holy emblem, a snow-white seagull, all the whiter for the bright sunlight on its feathers. The effect was exquisite, magical. The cross, with its white gull, rose out of the water, as if to symbolize the peace which awaited the storm-tossed mariner in his homing harbor. I am sure that had any vessel from any one of the Latin countries sailed past at that moment the crew would at sight of the cross have sunk on their knees in prayer. All along the foot of the cliffs the sea has beaten in the shore and has formed strange rock shapes. None of these are as beautiful as the Southern Cross. But it is not a little curious that at the very opposite end of the island is a rock shaped exactly like a bishop's miter, and called the Bishop. Further up the bay is a rock shaped like a man's head with a cowl, and called the Friar's Head."

Dawson City's Fire Dogs.

There is in Dawson City one of the most remarkable fire brigades in the world. The engine is drawn by a team of dogs, and the sight of this team driving through the streets of Dawson City, with the fire engine trailing behind, is one of the most unique exhibitions in Alaska. The way the horses jump into their places when the alarm sounds in an American engine-house has always been a source of pride to the citizen spectator. The dogs are not a bit less active and intelligent than the horses. The instant the alarm sounds in the fire house of a Dawson City brigade, the dogs are alert, and when the number of strokes has been given which announces the calling out of the brigade, the clever animals immediately spring into the place where their collars are ready to be snapped into position. A few seconds later they are dashing through the streets of Dawson City at full tilt, dragging the fire apparatus at their heels, and tearing along in response to the cracking of the whips of the drivers, as though they fully realized the importance of their duties. When the brigade turns out the streets of Dawson City are sure to be lined with spectators, for the people never tire of watching their dog team dash through the town. It is about the first thing to which a new arrival is introduced when Dawson attractions are on exhibition. — Correspondence Washington Post.

Horses' Sense of Smell.

The horse will leave musty hay untouched in his bin, however hungry. He will not drink water objectionable to his questioning sniff, or from a bucket which some odor makes offensive, however thirsty. His intelligent nose will widen, quiver and query over the daintiest bit offered by the fairest hands, with coaxing that would make a mortal shut his eyes and swallow a nauseous mouthful at a gulp. A mare is never satisfied by either sight or whinny that her colt is really her own until she has a clear nasal certificate to the fact. A blind horse will not allow the approach of any stranger without showing signs of anger not safely to be disregarded. This distinction is evidently made by his sense of smell at a considerable distance. Blind horses, as a rule, will gallop wildly about a pasture without striking the surrounding fence. The sense of smell informs them of its proximity. Others will, when loosened from the stable, go direct to the gate or bars opened to their accustomed feeding grounds, and, when desiring to return after hours of careless wandering, will distinguish one outlet and patiently await its opening. The odor of that particular part of the fence is their pilot to it. The horse in browsing or while gathering herbage with its lips is guided in its choice of proper food entirely by its nostrils. Blind horses do not make mistakes in their diet.—The Horse and Stable.

Wonders of Howe's Cave.

Howe's cave is situated thirty-nine miles from Albany, New York, and after the Luray cave, Virginia, and the Mammoth cave, Kentucky, is probably the most remarkable cavern known. The entrance is about fifty feet above the valley, and the rock chambers known as the reception room, Washington hall, the bridal chamber, and the chapel, are successively reached. Then the Harlequin tunnel is traversed and the visitor passes through Cataract hall, Ghost room and Music hall. The Stygian lake is ten feet deep and is thirty by twenty feet in extent. Fine stalagmites appear both above and below the lake. The lake is crossed in a small boat, and a path, which begins at Plymouth Rock, the landing place, and follows a small brook, traverses the chambers and passages known as the Devil's Gateway, Museum, Geological room, Uncle Tom's cabin, Giant's study, Pirates' cave, Rocky mountains and valley of Jehoshaphat. Then the winding way is succeeded by the rotunda. The stalactites and stalagmites are abundant and beautiful. The cave was discovered by Lester Howe, for whom it was named, in 1842. He penetrated it to a distance of eleven or twelve miles, it is said, but visitors do not generally go farther than about four miles. It is also called the Otsgaragee cave, and is considered one of the wonders of the continent.

Dog Hospitals.

This is the time of the year when the hospitals for dogs in the large cities are busiest. One such in New York is crowded. Here, says the Evening Post, all the diseases inherent in dogs for contagious complaints and cases for harmless ailments. Under no consideration are the two cases ever allowed to mingle. A number of the dogs are steady boarders; their masters either are out of town or do not want the care of them during the cold weather. After their exercise the dogs are fed and brushed, and in some cases treated to vapor baths. Aside from broken legs, distemper and complaints resultant from over-feeding are most numerous. A regular diet is enforced in the latter case, and after a time the animal recovers. Of homesick dogs there are not a few, and in rare instances these have to be sent back before their treatment is completed.

Twisted.

"How did that orator impress his audience?" "Oh, he's all right; but everybody tittered when his tongue got twisted and he shouted: 'Tottle the thrusts!'"—Indianapolis Journal.

OUTWITTED A ROBBER

HOW A BANK CASHIER MADE A FORTUNE.

Lured the Crook Into a Trap and Covered Up His Own Guilt — A Detective's Remarkable and Thrilling Tale.

"I happened to be in the Jefferson Market court a while back," said a veteran New York detective, "when a seedy, emaciated, palsied old man was 'vagged' by the magistrate for begging on the streets. I hadn't seen this man for nearly thirty years, but I thought I recognized him as he stood leaning on the rail in front of the magistrate's desk, and when he stepped back, after getting his 30-day dose, I spoke to him and found that I wasn't mistaken in his identity. The sight of him took me back to the days when Boss Tweed was 'it' in this town, and when the situation was that police officials had a good deal more intimate knowledge of the doings of professional criminals than they have nowadays. Here's the story that the old man related to me:

"One day in the fall of 1870 one of the most finished and successful bank burglars who ever worked a drill in this country—I won't mention his name, for he's still alive, and he took a brace years ago, after doing his last bit—was walking along Sixth avenue enjoying his parole and the mellow sunshine. There were a whole lot of indictments hanging over him, of course, but they didn't worry him any, for he happened to be on pretty fair terms with some of the men attached to the municipal administration at that time. As he swung along he was accosted by a prosperous looking man he did not know, although the prosperous looking citizen addressed him by his proper name. The crook took the stranger into a cafe and asked him things.

"'In the first place, how did you know me?' he inquired of the stranger.

"'Well, it appeared that the burglar had been pointed out to the stranger by a detective who was so shady that he afterwards did time for surreptitiously extending aid and comfort to the enemy—one of the old-time bands of New York crooks.

"'Well,' said the top-notch cracksman to the stranger, 'I don't suppose you're seeking my acquaintanceship for the sake of being introduced into society or for the enjoyment of my winning ways. What's your lay?'

"Then the stranger up and told him what his graft was.

"'I'm the cashier of a bank a bit up the state,' said he to the burglar. 'The directors don't know anything about it, but I'm short in my accounts. There's only one way out of it. The bank'll have to be robbed by professional cracksmen. That will let me out, and in addition, I'll get my rake-off from the robbery. I want you to rob the bank. You'll find $35,000 in cash in it on the night you arrange the job—I'll attend to that. Of course I want my bit out of that—$10,000 at least. I've always heard that you were square on these divisions of plunder, and therefore I'll trust you to hand me my share after you've done the job for putting you onto it.'

"'That sounds good enough to eat,' replied the cracksman, who was quite some more than 7 years of age, and who could see a man-trap as far as a 13-inch gun'll shoot. 'Fact is, it's so sweet that I'm almost cloying. Now I've heard your proposition. You give me a couple of days to investigate you and then we'll talk business.'

"They appointed another meeting at the same place a couple of days later, and in the meantime the cracksman, whose facilities were excellent, looked into the job. He found that his man really was the cashier of a prominent up-state bank, in a town not more than an hour's run from New York. So when the cashier called at the appointed time he was ready to talk business.

"'You'll have a hard night's work,' said the cashier, 'for in order to avert suspicion I'll have to leave the vaults and safes all locked up tighter'n a drum as usual. You'll need several assistants.'

"'That's my end of it,' replied the cracksman. 'You just pass those little details up to me. Every man to his trade. They don't make 'em so strong that I can't get into 'em.'

"Then all the details were arranged and the robbery was fixed for a certain night in the following week. The cashier was especially solicitous that he should get his share of the proceeds of the crib-cracking. The cracksman assured him that if there were $35,000 in the job $25,000 would be enough for himself and his assistants, and the cashier would get the rest. On the night fixed the cracksman and three of his best men went up to the town and pulled off the job. It was a matter of four hours before the gang, after overpowering an bucking and gagging the night watchman, got into the main safe. They found it empty. Then they tackled the smaller safes. These, too, were empty. The top-notch cracksman was mad, you may believe.

"'It was the first and last time I ever played the part of a good thing in a job like that,' he said afterward.

"The cashier had simply looted the bank himself, and the robbery he had arranged was simply to cover up his own trail. There have been Napoleons of Finance without number developed from the ranks of bank cashiers, but I never heard of a cleaner bit of work than that. It was almost genius.

"Of course the cracksman and his pals had nothing to do but to pack their kits and drill back to New York. They weren't, of course, in a position to say anything about how they'd been taken in. The top-notch cracksman had to read in the afternoon newspapers the lurid accounts of how the bank had been robbed of cash and securities 'approximating $100,000 in amount,' and grind his teeth and cuss. The bank's failure was announced a few days later.

"Two months after that it fell to my lot to handcuff myself to this top-notch cracksman and to take him up the river on a Central train. One of the indictments against him was pressed for some reason or other, and he got a five-year stunt. I was taking him to Auburn for his stretch. The cracksman looked idly out of the window at the throngs around the stations where the train stopped. At one of the stations, about an hour's run from New York, I noticed his face suddenly darken with rage, and I asked him what was up. He pointed out a slick-looking man who was sitting in a dog-cart beside the station, and he cursed him in a blood-curdling way for two minutes before he was able to tell me the story I've told you fellows. The man in the dog-cart was the cashier who was crafty enough to pull it all over one of the most accomplished all-around crooks in the western hemisphere. The failure of the bank hadn't hurt the cashier at all in the estimation of his townsmen. Bank was robbed by cracksmen, y'see, and how could the cashier help it?

"Well, I didn't see that it was up to me to say anything about what the cracksman had told me, although I frequently saw the cashier flying high in New York after that. I lost track of him in a few years, however, and concluded that he had struck out for the west or somewhere or another with his beautifully contrived rake-down from his bank. He was the emaciated, palsied old vag I saw in the Jefferson Court a while back."

THE FRENCHMAN'S CLUB.

His Resort Is the Cafe, Either for Business or Pleasure.

Those who have not lived in France can form little idea of the important place the cafe occupies in the life of an average Frenchman. Clubs, as we know them, or as they are used in England, are rare, and, when found, are, with few exceptions, but gambling houses in disguise. As a Frenchman rarely asks an acquaintance, or even a friend, to his apartments, the cafe has become, during the past fifty years, the common ground where all meet, either for business or pleasure. Not in Paris only, but all over France, in every garrison town, provincial city, or tiny village, the cafe is the chief attraction, the center of thought, the focus toward which all the rays of masculine existence converge. For in Paris the student, newly arrived from the provinces, living in furnished rooms, to whose modest purse the theaters and other places of amusement are practically closed, the cafe is a supreme resource. His mind is molded, his ideas and opinions formed, more by what he hears and sees there than by any other influence. His restaurant is of no importance. He may eat anywhere, but the choice of his cafe will often give the bent to a young man's career. It indicates to his acquaintances his exact shade of politics and his opinions on literature, music or art. In Paris to know a man at all is to know where you can find him at the hour of the aperitif—what Baudelaire called—"L'heure sainte de l'absinthe." When young men form a society among themselves an establishment of this kind is chosen as their meeting place, and thousands exist only by such patronage, as, for example, the Cafe de la Regence, Place du Theatre Francais, which is frequented entirely by men who play chess.—From "The Poetic Cabarets of Paris," by Eliot Gregory, in the January Scribner's.

EASY TO BEAT HOTELS.

There Is No Warning Given Against the Deadbeat.

"Hotel men give out that they warn each other by circulars about deadbeats," said the slick-looking man with the high hat to the Detroit Journal reporter, "but don't you let that stop you if you want to live high for a week. Few men like to publish the fact that they have been done up. It's the easiest thing in the world to beat a first-class hotel. All you want is a good suit of clothes and plenty of cheek. A grip with a few shirts and collars is as good as a trunk. You drive up in style. You register to get the best room in the house. You bulldoze the clerks and threaten the servants. A checkbook is a good thing to show, but you pay for nothing. You talk in a loud voice; you make plenty of kicks and you order the best wines for dinner. Lands, but the whole staff of the house will fall over each other to make it pleasant for you! You don't pay the first week's bill. On the contrary, you are indignant and demand an apology. When the second week is due your drafts have not come. You will be worked out of the house, but with gentleness and apologies. They don't want a row and they don't want notoriety. You'll be forgiven if you go, and if you take up your quarters for the next two weeks right across the street no one from the hotel will give you away. When a man beats us we like to see him beat our neighbor, you know. It's nice and genteel work,with no kicks nor hard times, and there is always room for one more in the profession."

A Persian Romance.

A Persian plaque in the South Kensington museum, London, bears by means of clever relief and brilliant color a romantic tale, part legend and part history. Nobody knows the proportion of each. At any event, it is declared to be an incident in the life of Baharam V. of the Sassanian dynasty. Baharam, according to legend and plaque, was a wonderful archer. During one of his hunting expeditions, on which his favorite wife had accompanied him, he shot a sleeping antelope with such precision as to graze the animal's ear. The antelope awoke, and, believing himself annoyed by a fly, put his hind hoof to his ear to strike off the fly. A second arrow sent by the royal hand fixed the antelope's hoof to his horn. The king's wife merely said, "Practice makes perfect," which touched the pride of her royal spouse. Indeed, as the penalty for her plain speaking, she was sent out into the mountains to perish, but instead found shelter in a village. Here she lodged in an upper room ascended by twenty steps, and, having bought a calf, carried it up and down every day. The king, passing by four years later, was amazed at seeing a young woman carrying a cow up a flight of twenty steps. The lady again took occasion to remark, "Practice makes perfect," whereupon she unveiled, was recognized and restored to favor.—London Leader.

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Buller seems to make a bull of it every time he tries to do something, and the worst of it is he is always trying.

It must be irritating to the French to hear that the only general in the English army who has any kind of success fighting the Boers is a namesake of theirs.

The English are rejoicing over their victories around Kimberly, but there is the bitter with the sweet. Cecil Rhodes was found to be there and so was turned loose again.

It is quite a relief to find that there is one honest man in Montana. The evidences in the Clark case goes to show that one man, Dr. Tracey, could not be corrupted by Clark's money. Of course he was a republican.

The Pacific states are for expansion, the solid south is for expansion and the rest of the country is largely for expansion. It looks like a good show for Bryan to have another four years to go scooting around the country.

THE QUIZ is under obligations to Hon. D. Meiklejohn for copies of the report of the secretary of war for the years 1898 and 1899. As these reports cover the whole period of the Spanish war and a long time before and after they are valuable documents to keep.

"My notion," says Thos. B. Reed, "is that while Providence and the higher laws which really govern the universe are, in men's talk, much inferior to the Revised Statutes before they are enacted, they are always found to be quite superior to them after they are enacted. In fact, Nature abhors a monopoly as much as it does a vacuum."

Our friend F. A. Harrison, who is sending out hot stuff from Washington to the Nebraska press, writes us that he enclosed in his unsealed letter a few locust seeds from the trees that overhang the tomb of Washington. The envelope came but no seeds. Some fellow along the line between Washington and Ord who had the handling of that letter wanted those seeds worse than he thought THE QUIZ did.

In his determination to wage war upon the Filipino insurgents, so long as they are in armed rebellion against the authority of the United States, the President is discharging an imperative duty and is doing only what any other man in his place, republican or democrat, would be compelled to do. Should he abandon the islands as Edward Atkinson and ex-Governor Boutwell demand, the nation would be disgraced in our own and in the eyes of the world. Nor can the President legally hold out to the insurgents Mr Bryan's "independence under a protectorate," for no President has the right or power to promise the surrender of a foot of territory which has passed under the sovereignty of the republic.

THE QUIZ stands up for our forefathers who fought for their rights and against the doctrine of "taxation without representation," and for the further reason that England was the aggressor in the war of 1776. For the same reason THE QUIZ stands up for England in the present war with the Transvaal. England is now fighting under like conditions that our forefathers fought in the seventeen-seventies. Oom Paul and his men are for taxation without representation and they are the ones who opened hostilities by going into English territory and attacking the English forces. Therefore England is right in this war or our forefathers were wrong in theirs.

Our populist friends who are so loud against expansion do not consider that if the government had adopted that policy long ago there would be very little room for the pop party in the United States. The Louisiana purchase alone, if it were disposed of today, would get rid of most of the pops.

This is a "two-billion-dollar" country indeed. The money in circulation in January exceeded the $2,000,000,000 mark for the first time, and our exports surpassed the same figure. But there are populists that do not profess to believe that the country is prosperous. They do not believe it because they do not want to, of course.

About all the valuable space in that valuable paper, the Sargent Leader, last week was taken up in the publication of ordinances for the new city. The town has been incorporated and the publication of ordinances was the first thing to be done to make the city a self-governing institution.

The latest diversion of the two governors of Kentucky is the pardoning of prisoners in the penitentiary. But the democratic governor had the edge on Taylor, for the warden recognizes the former and will not turn out the prisoners that Taylor tells him to.

Ex-comptroller Eckels says that the republican party will become "a great free trade party." There is considerable doubt about that, but if it should there would be no doubt about what the democrat party would do. It would be for protection.

Many populists will not believe that the country is prosperous in spite of the gold standard till they have to, but they will howl calamity on the least kind of a provocation.

All things are coming our way. Among the latest announcements along this line is a greatly increased demand for American coal.

That Bryan will be the demopop kite this fall is settled, but it is still unsettled whether he will have two tails to it.

The English garrison at Ladysmith is getting even with those Missouri mules (for the stampede they made at the beginning of the war) by eating them.

The marvelous announcement is made over the wires that Buller saw a trap set for him by the Boers, which caused him to get back across the Tugela. This is remarkable if true. Heretofore that general has walked into everything in the shape of a trap that he has come up to.

The fall of Frank G. Simmons, postmaster of Seward, is a surprise to the public. How he came to be so desperately involved financially as to tempt him to use government funds, is not explained. He has been apparently doing a good business as a newspaper man and has been treated well in public matters, having held other public positions than that of postmaster of Seward. He was arrested last week charged with embezzling over $3000 of postal and money order funds. He admitted his guilt and said he used it to pay personal debts.

Sham Antiquities.

A few years ago, in Soho, London, there was a factory for antique coppers which is probably still in operation. The legitimate business of the place was the manufacture of stewpans and kettles, but when trade was dull in that way any sort of antiques for which there happened to be a demand was produced instead.

An old incense burner, for example, would be reproduced by the dozen by hammering over a chuck. If ornamented with pierced work, the copies would be coated with asphaltum, through which the design would be traced, when it would then be eaten out in an acid bath, saving the time which would be required to cut out the pattern with a piercing saw. The bath leaves thin edges, by which such work may be detected.

The work would then be annealed and would be permitted to oxidize and scale. Pickling with muriatic acid and salt, to produce a good coating of verdigris, would complete the job. Sometimes these "antiques" would be purposely broken and would be clumsily mended with solder or with pure tin if the piece was to pass for a very ancient one. Chiseled metal was reproduced by casting and "dubbing" over with the hammer, then pickling, annealing and bending. In such ways helmets, copper and brass castings for antique furniture and the like were made.—Art Amateur.

Soldiers of Fortune.

"It is embarrassing to meet former cotillon partners as elevator boys and waiters," said a European lady now visiting New York. "It has been my fate to undergo and inflict this unhappiness several times.

"I went to a fashionable hotel on my arrival. Wearing his hotel livery with the same grace as he had borne his officer's uniform when I last saw him and danced with him at a state ball in a foreign capital, was a man I had known. He colored to the eyes as he saw me, but made no sign, nor did I.

"The same thing has happened since at restaurants, at other hotels, in riding academies and in carriages. Some day M. le Baron de Trois Etoiles and Graf von Truemmer-Schloss will appear in European society with new eclat and full purses. Will I ever say that I know where they made their money? Why, of course not. It is a far cry from America to Europe, and in their own country these gentlemen have an irreproachable social position. I have really already forgotten the names of those I have seen, I assure you."—New York Mail and Express.

That Cough Hangs On

You have used all sorts of cough remedies but it does not yield; it is too deep seated. It may wear itself out in time, but it is more liable to produce la grippe, pneumonia or a serious throat affection. You need something that will give you strength and build up the body.

SCOTT'S EMULSION

will do this when everything else fails. There is no doubt about it. It nourishes, strengthens, builds up and makes the body strong and healthy, not only to throw off this hard cough, but to fortify the system against further attacks. If you are run down or emaciated you should certainly take this nourishing food medicine.

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THE BOOK COLLECTOR.

He Made a Swap Which Satisfied the Secondhand Dealer.

"It's astonishing how book collecting will blunt a man's conception of the rights of meum et tuum," said the proprietor of a delightful old secondhand store on the south side of the town. "I wouldn't trust a confirmed collector as far as I could throw Jackson square by the monument. They all consider themselves licensed privateers, and when one of them wants any particular volume and can't buy it the chances are it will mysteriously disappear the first time he pays you a visit. I am on to most of the tricks of the fraternity, however, and it takes a pretty smooth individual to secure any plunder in this shop.

"Only recently I circumvented an old gentleman in a manner that is apt to adhere to his memory for some time. He is a passionate admirer of Dickens and has a fine collection of early editions and books in general relating to the great novelist. One of his sets, a very handsome print with the original Cruikshank plates, is short one volume, the eighth. I have a copy of the same edition, and he has tried repeatedly to get me to break it so as to complete his own, but I have of course refused.

"Then I noticed that he began to drop in of afternoons with a book under his arm, looking up and down the shelves. The volume he carried bore a close external resemblance to the copy of Dickens he wanted, and I suspected at once that I would some day find them exchanged. Consequently I locked up the coveted volume S and substituted a worthless treatise on mathematics bound in the same manner. My visitor knew the exact location of the book on the shelf, and the other day I purposely gave him an opportunity to make the shift. It was done in a twinkling, and presently he strolled out. I haven't seen him since. The book he left was a very pretty copy of Keats. I am well satisfied with the swap."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

THE LEADING ARTICLE.

Advent and Development of the Editorial in Newspapers.

"I know what 'leaders' are, for I have written them," said Benjamin Disraeli in the course of a speech in the house of commons, and, though all of us may not have written "leaders" for The Morning Post and other newspapers, like Disraeli, we all at least know the meaning of the term "leaders."

For more than 100 years after the publication of the first daily newspaper The Daily Courant, which consisted of a small sheet printed on one side only and made its appearance in London in March, 1702, the "dailies" confined themselves to what is perhaps the proper business of a newspaper, the publication of the largest possible amount of news, and made no attempt whatever to mold or direct public opinion.

At the opening of the nineteenth century "the leading article" first appeared in the morning papers. It was originally called the "leaded article," because of the "leads" or spaces introduced between the lines to spread out the article and give it an imposing appearance in order that it might at once attract the eye of even the most casual reader. After a time it was called "leading article" or "leader" or "editorial," names by which it is now universally known in newspaper offices.

At the beginning "leaders" were published only tentatively. Their publication was irregular. In form they were brief—we should call them "editorial paragraphs" now—and they were principally used to direct special attention to some important event recorded in the news columns. But 75 years ago they became a settled and regular feature of the daily newspaper and a potent agency for promoting opinions, political, religious and social.—Cornhill Magazine.

Their Little Weaknesses.

"Nations and women are a good deal alike."

"In what way?"

"Well, when one woman gets a new hat her neighbor wants to go right away and get a better one, and when one nation builds a new warship all the others start right out to get bigger ones."—Chicago Times-Herald.

A PLUNGE TO DEATH.

SAM PATCH'S FAMOUS JUMP OVER THE GENESEE FALLS.

The Last of a Sensational Series of Daring Feats Which Might Have Resulted Differently but For a Bottle of Brandy.

Nov. 13, 1829, Sam Patch lost his life in jumping from a scaffold 25 feet above the brink of the Genesee falls into the abyss below. He undertook to jump in all a distance of 125 feet. Of course the whole population of Rochester as well as the farmers from neighboring villages were upon the scene. The fame of Patch had for several weeks been a topic of conversation among the early settlers.

Patch was born in Rhode Island in 1807. Soon after he removed to Paterson, N. J., at which place in 1827 he was seized with the jumping mania. After giving several daring exhibitions in New Jersey he decided to try his luck at Niagara falls two years later. In October, 1827, he jumped from a shelving rock between Goat island and the gurgling waters many feet below. A few days later he startled the natives by jumping from the old Fitzhugh street bridge at dawn. He swam under the water to a convenient hiding place, where he had much amusement in watching several boats crowded with people dragging for his body. They were startled when he called merrily to them, joking them for their wasted efforts in his behalf.

On another morning he startled a Rochester lad by jumping from the brink of the falls to the rapids below. If Patch had not reassured the boy, he would have had half of the population of Rochester dragging the water for his dead body.

With such a record it is no wonder that on the morning of Nov. 13 all the muddy roads leading to Rochester were thronged with people desirous of seeing the wonderful jumper. Even if farmers were unusually busy in securing the last of their harvests they found time to take a day or two off in order to witness the feats of Sam Patch. Several boats brought hundreds of visitors in holiday attire from Canada, Oswego and Lewiston. Buffalo, Canandaigua and Batavia were almost depopulated on account of the exodus to Rochester. The few taverns in the city turned guests away, and many had to camp out overnight.

Notwithstanding the raw, cold weather throngs of settlers lined the banks below the falls. Although Sam said he did not feel the cold weather, he was pleased to fortify himself with a drink of brandy tendered to him by his friend, William Cochrane. Several of the spectators contributed a unique uniform. Dressed in white trousers decorated with a black silk handkerchief tied around his body, surmounted by a light woolen jacket and skullcap, Sam must have presented a grotesque appearance.

After taking another drink from the flask Sam made the following speech to the thousands of breathless spectators: "Napoleon was a great man and a great general. He conquered armies, and he conquered nations. But he couldn't jump the Genesee falls. Wellington was a great man and a great soldier. He conquered armies, and he conquered nations, and he conquered Napoleon, but he couldn't jump the Genesee falls. That was left for me to do, and I can do it and will."

Although Sam Patch could jump the Genesee falls when he was sober, he could not do it when he felt the effects of the brandy. Owing to this fact he met his death when he took the jump. When the thousands of silent and horror stricken spectators saw Sam strike the water, they did not see him come to the surface. His descent was so unlike his previous efforts, when he shot like an arrow from a bow, that the spectators were certain that he met his doom when he reached the water and the jagged, piercing rocks beneath.

The spectators searched in vain for the jumper. The torches of the searchers along the river bank and those of the searchers who dragged the river in boats lit up the river during the long night hours. Amid the roar of the cataract the sorrowing multitude shed tears for the jolly good fellow who, like many others, loved his bottle on occasions.

Notwithstanding the rumors that Sam Patch had been seen alive in Rochester nothing was heard of him until St. Patrick's day, when his body was found in a cake of ice near the mouth of the Genesee. His remains were buried in the cemetery at Charlotte. Although it had been the ambition of his life to jump London bridge, he met his death in the Genesee. The feats of Sam Patch filled the newspapers for weeks, and although such poets as Mrs. Sigourney wrote poems dedicated to his memory no monument has been erected in commemoration of his feats.

Indeed, the event produced a profound impression upon the people of those days. On the following Sunday the preachers in Rochester and neighboring towns could not say enough against the evils of jumping. Some even went as far as Josiah Bissell, who told the pupils of the Third church Sunday school that because they saw the fatal leap they were accessories to his death and were murderers in the sight of God.—Rochester Herald.

Heaven Twice Found.

Now she suffers him to print a kiss upon her brow.

"This is heaven!" he says.

Two years pass now. His baby has just ceased crying.

"This is heaven!" says he.

Here we see how a man's ideals change with the lapse of time.—Detroit Journal.

Too Much Time Wanted.

"If you will get my new suit done by Saturday," said a customer to a tailor, "I'll be forever indebted to you."

"If that's your game," replied the tailor, "the clothes will not be done at all."—Ohio State Journal.

It has been calculated that the loss from illness averages 20,000,000 weeks of work in the year, or 2½ per cent of the work done by the whole population between 15 and 65 years of age.

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FRIDAY, FEB. 23, 1900.

RAILROAD TIMETABLES.

UNION PACIFIC.

Passenger..... Leaves 8:30 a. m
Freight..... Leaves 2:30 p. m
Passenger..... Arrives 3:50 p. m
Freight..... Arrives 1:00 p. m
Trains are daily except Sunday.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

Eager, going east,..... Leaves 7:25 a. m
Mail, going east, (except Tuesday) 12:20 p. m
Night, going west,..... Leaves 2:30 p. m
Passenger, going west,..... Leaves 4:53 p. m
Eastbound freight goes to Ericson Tuesdays leaving Ord at 9:45 on that day only.
All trains are daily except Sunday.

Some Happenings & Comment

Scale books at the QUIZ office.

Read T. M. Roberts' ad in this paper.

For 7 per cent farm loans call on H. F. Oleson, Ord.

Charles Cornell got back from Omaha Tuesday evening.

Colored paper squares for kindergarten work in schools for sale by THE QUIZ.

W. A. Anderson went to North Loup Monday, presumably on sugar beet business.

A. U. Dann was in the city between trains Wednesday on his way to North Loup.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Robbins returned from their trip to Kansas Tuesday evening.

Mrs. Turner came up from the Island last Friday on a visit with relatives and friends.

Chickenpox is doing duty in the city and quite a number of the children of the city have it.

When you want posters or handbills get them at Quiz office. The best work and lowest prices.

We have used some of the Watkins extracts and spices for sale by C. B. Walton, Ord, Neb., and find them par excellence.

Gus and Lee Lockridge are doing a good deal of riding on the cars lately, but they never venture further from home than Olean or North Loup.

J. L. Claflin came home for a two days vacation Friday evening. He is making commendable progress in the shorthand work, and hopes to be fully competent to do court work right in a few months.

George Knecht returned from St. Paul Tuesday evening, where he had been visiting an old friend whom he had not seen for two decades. The smile on George's face showed that he had enjoyed his trip.

Dr. Cramer writes us that he will be in Ord on the 26th of the month, next Monday. He is very busy with his duties at Kansas City, but feels that he must look into the faces of some of his Ord friends again.

The Ladies' Aid of the M. E. church will meet at the home of Mrs. Haskell next Wednesday at 2 p. m., it being their regular free-will offering. Light refreshments will be served from 4 to 6. Everybody invited.

D. N. McCord is in the vicinity crying sales. People who have had anything to do with sales say that it pays to have Dave do their auctioneering. He is a good judge of values and has a knack of keeping things humming at a sale.

Mrs. A. F. Witt and daughter and three children of the latter arrived in the city Tuesday evening. We believe that Mrs. Witt had been absent since accompanying her husband's remains to Grand Island for burial.

Billy McMullen came down from Burwell Wednesday morning with his arms full of old Oil City papers for Boss Milford to read. People who hale from Oil City, Penn., never lose interest in the old oil town and never tire of reading its papers.

Strange, isn't it, that W. A. Anderson should have anything to do with "octopuses"? He is the able and efficient agent of the Oxnards and does not seem to be harmed in the least with them He makes a trip once in a while to Grand Island, and no doubt on these occasions he helps eat a victim or two of the corporation.

Semi-public services of the chapter of sorrow by Mispa Chapter of the Eastern Star were held at Masonic hall last Saturday night in honor of the late Mrs. Goodhand. The ritualistic part of the ceremony, as all kr ow who haye witnessed such, is very pretty and impressive. In addition to this Mrs. Dr. Haldeman delivered a fine eulogy on the deceased and Miss Ella Bond recited Ella Wheeler Wilcox's poem "In Memoriam," which was admirably suited to the occasion. Music was furnished by Mrs. M. J. Coffin, Miss Lucy George and Messrs. Graham and Patton.

The hall was well filled by members of the order and a number of invited witnesses.

A floral star representing in form and appropriate colors the cardinal points of the order, was among the mementoes of the occasion and was most beautiful.

Frank Cummins returned home from a long absence last Saturday afternoon. After putting in his crop last spring he went to northwest Canada, the country advertised so extensively, and got enough of it in a little while. Later he returned to South Dakota and then to Kansas, from which state he comes direct. He is not looking well by any means having had a severe attack of the grip lately. He gives Canada a black eye as a place to go to.

A compound, double-acting proof of the value of advertising in THE QUIZ is a case of R. C. Schwaner. Early last week he told the QUIZ man to insert an advertisement to the effect that a pig of his had strayed. The notice was put in type and even before the paper was out the pig showed up. That ought to be proof enough of the value of advertising, but it is not all. Having as he supposed, found his pig he asked us not to print the notice for he did not want to be annoyed by people bringing pigs to him all the week. After THE QUIZ was out Schwaner found that the pig he had was not his at all. The whole thing is clear enough. The Fates were bound that he should not have that pig till he advertises for it.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hutchens, who have been living in Oregon for some time, arrived in this country Monday night. They are doing well out there, but Mrs. Hutchen's health is not good, and on that account as much as for a visit with old friends, they have returned here for a few weeks sojourn. They stopped and visited the Fergusons, Schaefers, etc. on their way here and report them all doing well.

The Workmen and Degree of Honor gave an interesting program at Odd Fellows hall Wednesday afternoon and from thereon till evening served refreshments at their hall. Oysters were greatly in evidence and so were the people to partake of them. They invited friends outside of the order to partake of the refreshments.

Harold Robbins cut his knee very badly last Saturday afternoon while trying to jump over the depot truck at the U. P. station. He slipped as he jumped and fell on the truck in such a way as to recieve a severe gash on the kneepan. The doctor had to take a few stiches in the wound in dressing it.

Editor Smith was happily surprised on reaching Kearney to find that his child, whose sickness had called him so suddenly, was doing well. He and the whole family arrived Monday evening. The family consists of wife and three children, two boys and a girl. They will be domiciled in the Coombs house on the hill.

Charles F. Smith recieved word by wire last Friday night from his wife stating that their little child was not expected to live. He took the first train to go to them. Mrs. Smith and children had gone to Kearney on a visit prior to coming to Ord, and it was there that the child was taken sick.

Mrs. R. W. Bond went to Hastings Wednesday, where she will be at home after this. She has no plans at present for the future, but expresses the belief that she cannot content herself outside of a store very long. She is a most agreeable and successful dry goods clerk.

Tomorrow one of the classes of the high school will give a program devoted wholly to the lives of great men who were born in February. In answer to many inquiries we will say that our birthday is in January, but we are just as liable to die in February as in any month.

Gold and expansion keep good company. It was the gold excitement that made our far west inhabitable and inhabited, and Alaska, after being a territory for a third of a century, is coming into statehood by the same way.

Col. William Broker went to Mason City Tuesday to visit with relatives for a few weeks.

The telephone man arrived in the city again last Friday to put in some additional phones.

We learn that Dora Babcock fell and broke her leg while on the ice at Columbus a few weeks ago.

If you are thinking of buying a stove or range see Cornell Bros. They can save you some money.

Miss Anna Fisher arrived from Wahoo last week Thursday on a visit with her friend, Mrs. Vincent Kokes.

Dr. Ward's Liniment and the Watkins Remedies, extracts and spices are for sale by C. B. Walton, Ord, Neb.

A. J. Firkins returned from Omaha Saturday evening. He had been there attending a big sale of whiteface cattle.

People know where to get the best work done in the printing line and the result is that THE QUIZ has about all it can do in that way.

The postoffice and drugstore room of the QUIZ building was lighted with Milford gas this week. It makes a light worth looking at.

Walter Hale, a friend of Adam Smith, returned home to Hoosierd om Wednesday. He has been a guest of Mr. Smith for a month or so.

Misses Mamie and Cecil Siler returned home from Hastings Monday night. They had been there to attend the funeral of Charlie's child.

Eric Johnson, brother of our county attorney, arrived in the city the other day for a brief visit with his brother. He is a merchant at Genoa.

John Wentworth and Will Gruber went to North Loup last Saturday to look after a contract for putting up the new building at that place.

Dr. Billings, Homeopathic Physician and Surgeon. Office over Postoffice. Residence three blocks west of Court house square, Ord, Nebraska.

Mrs. Geo. Cooper was up to Ord over Sunday to attend the chapter of sorrow at Masonic hall Saturday evening. She returned home Monday morning.

A son and heir was born to George W. Hall and wife last week Wednesday evening. The young man is not strong and well, but it is expected that he will pull through all right.

STRAYED: — From my place Feb. 2, one black male pig; weight about 60 lbs; been exposed to the cholera. Anybody tell me of his whereabouts I will settle all damages. J. VAN WIE.

The Presbyterian ladies are preparing for a sale of useful and fancy articles, on the afternoon of April 13 and 14, in the Woodbury block. Light refreshments will be served.

Mrs. A. F. Prentice and child went to Cordova Monday on a visit with the E. E. Beecher family. The Beechers, as our readers will remember, used to live in Springdale.

Maud—Is 5 and 30 too old to hope for improvement? I should say not. One just begins to live. Take Rocky Mountain Tea. You'll be blooming fair at 60. Ask your druggist.

Do you know how to wash? Well then you know how to dye, that is if you use Putuam Fadeless Dyes. Just boil the goods with the dye, that's all. Sold by Johnson Bros.

The storm and falling temperature flags were displayed Monday, but the storm was only a light flurry of snow and the falling temperature was not enough to make a mosquito shiver.

Have I not bidden ye beware of something said to be the same as Rocky Mountain Tea, made by the Madison Medicine Co.? If ye are truly wise heed this warning. Ask your druggist.

Harry Scott is thinking of going to Leadville in a few days. What he purposes to do we are not at this moment advised, but he will sure enough get the mining fever. They all get it out there.

Will Aldriach, who used to hang out in this vicinity in a very early day, was at Burwell a few days. He returned to the Black Hills Tuesday, where his home now is. He put in the hour between trains at Ord in good old fashion.

George Perry moved his "Klodings" store to Perry's store, and the stocks are thus united. The addition to the rear of the Perry store is for the purpose of adding room for this clothing stock. The room occupied by George is now vacant and so far as we know has not yet found a tenant.

Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Milligan very pleasantly entertained a number of young people at their home Tuesday evening. The hours were passed in playing the popular game, crokinole, and at a seasonable hour refreshments were served. A delightful time is the report of all those present.

The evening was by no means favorable for the Epworth League entertainment last Friday evening. It had been storming all day and the night was cold and the weather uninviting. The result was that there was a small crowd out to enjoy the performance. But the program was worth braving the cold to hear. The income from the sale of tickets was about $17.

Jack Tulley is arranging to put down a deep well in hopes of getting a flow of water. He is advised by those who ought to know that an artesian well can be had here as well as anywhere. We are glad to have him make the experiment. He will do a thorough job of it if he tries it, and if he succeeds, as we believe he will, there will be other wells of the kind put down. He will procure a proper outfit for the work.

Married.

The home of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Easterbrook, in Pleasant Valley, was the scene of a pretty little wedding Wednesday evening, February 14th, their daughter Edith and Christian M. Bossen being the contracting parties. Miss Edith Tennant played the wedding march as the bridal party entered and took their places beneath a beautiful horse shoe suspended from an arch trimmed with white and evergreen, in the southwest corner of the parlor. Miss Cora Easterbrork, sister of the bride, acted as bridesmaid and Chas. W. McClary as groomsman. The bride and sister were dressed with exquisite taste in cream cashmere. The bride's dress was trimmed with brocaded satin and pearl trimming and Miss Cora's with silk and cream ribbon.

Immediately after the solemn and very impressive ceremony, pronounced by Rev. Miles of Arcadia, making the happy couple one, a bounteous supper was served to about sixty-five invited guests. Those attending from a distance were Mr. and Mr. E. M. Foster of Ord, Mr. and Mrs. Hotchkins and Frank and Mabelle Foster of Loup City, and Mr. Frank Foster and family of Enderlin, North Dakota. Three side tables were loaded with beautiful and useful presents as remembrances of the high esteem in which this young couple were held. Mr. and Mrs. Bossen will make their future home in the Valley, and they have the sincerest wishes of the community for the continued happiness in the life they have so hopefully begun.

Program of Farmer's Institute.

At Ord, February 27 and 28.

2:00 p. m.

Music.....Ord High School
President's Address,.....A. J. Firkins
Paper, "The range cattle of Nebraska".....
.....W. C. Johns, Burwell
Discussion opened by Adam Smith.
Paper, "Dairy Products" and "Exhibit of Hand Cream Separator,".....A. J. Wise
Discussion opened by V. J. Thomas, North Loup

7:30 p m.

Music,.....Clement's Quartette
Address,.....Dr. A. T. Peters, of State Ass'n
"Forage Crops,",.....L. D Stilson, State Assn.

10:00 a. m.

Paper, "Value of Alfalfa as a forage Crop,"
..... G. G. Clement.
Discussion opened by A. M. Russell.
Address, "Prevention of Hog Cholera,"....
.....Dr. A. T. Peters

2:00 p. m.

Music..... Ord High School
Address, "Care of Diary Cattle,"..L. D. Stilson
"To what Extent can the Average Central Nebraska farmer become a Breeder of Thoroughbred stock,".....W. L. McNutt
Discussion opened by Sam. McClellan
Address, "Prevention of Blackleg," .....
.....Dr. A. T. Peters

7:30 p. m.

Music.....Ord High School and Auble Quartet
"Feeding Beef Cattle,"..... J. A. Ollis Jr.
Discussion led by S. L. Perkins.
"Agricultural Education"...Hon. E. V. Forrell

Closing.

I wish to sell the following lands for cash, $4.00 per acre: N. E. ¼ section 32-17-13; N. E qr. section 14-17-13; N. W. qr. section 10-20-13; N. W. N. W., S. N. W. and S. W. N. E. section 30-18-16.

J. B. PIPER,
Ramge Block, Omaha.

The Woman's Reading Club of Ord met at Mrs. Provins' home on February 21, 1900. A special program in honor of George Washington's birthday was successfully rendered as follows:

Music, "Glorious Union Forever"
.....Mrs. Brink
Life of Washington.....Mrs. Provins
Music, Patriotic Medley,
.....Mrs. Perry Milford
Reminiscences of Washington,
.....Mrs. John Perry
Music, "Home, Sweet Home," Mrs. Cox
Washington's Journey to his Inauguration".....Mrs. Mortensen
Reading.....Mrs. Cox
Song.....By Members of Club

Eighty acre Farm near Manderson for sale. Good hay land. The Quiz.

Ho There ! !

Having secured the services of H. A. Goodrich, I am prepared to serve the public better than ever heretofore and guarantee satisfaction and square dealing in all departments of my business.

All business entrusted to Mr. Goodrich will receive our prompt attention, and all work done by him will be the same as by me.

We ask a share of your patronage. We will deal in all kinds of building material, real estate and attend to rentals in town. Yours for business,

W. L. PHILLIHS.

General Buller may not be much of a swimmer, but General Funston will have to admit that as a river crosser the young British commander has lowered all records.

A One Sided One.

There are times, even in the best regulated families, when it becomes necessary to discipline some young and stirring member of the household. The other evening an indulgent father concluded that such a time had arrived, as his 8-year-old son had committed an act of insubordination and threatened to repeat it. Rebukes and warnings were in vain, and at last the youngster was given a sound spanking. Half an hour later, after friendly relations had been resumed, an older son came home and was somewhat surprised when the 8-year-old said to him: "You ought to have been here awhile ago. Me and papa had a fight."—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

Advertised Letters.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in the post office at Ord, Nebr., for the week ending Feb. 16, 1900.

Johnson, Axel
Lawrence, Jno.
Nielson, Frands
Wichie, John

If not called for in two weeks these letters will be sent to the dead letter office. Parties claiming any of the above please say they were "advertised

S. A. STACY, Postmaster.

H. E. Oleson went to Greeley Monday.

Fred Witt returned home last Friday night.

Will Hather's child Alice was sick last week.

Robert Johnson was in the city Wednesday night.

Legal blanks of all kinds on hand at the QUIZ office.

Freeman Lewin went to North Loup and Scotia last Saturday.

First class tinner and plumber always at Cornell Bros. hardware.

For first class painting, derorating and sign-writing see Wm. Timm.

J. H. Capron has money to lend on improved farms at reasonable rates.

Judge Munn came into town Friday night. He had been holding court at Albion.

Dr. Billings went to North Loup last Saturday to assist in a few surgical operations.

Dr. Billings returned from his professional trip to North Loup Saturday evening.

Mrs. Cass Cornell returned home last Saturday evening. She had been to Omaha.

Ed Weare did not remain long at Lincoln. He got home again Wednesday evening.

J. H. Hughes and son Fax went to Illinois last Saturday for a few weeks sojourn.

Mrs. D. N. McCord is visiting in this vicinity. The McCords are living at Schuyler again.

H. Gudmundsen has completed a fine map of the county, showing the names of all the freeholders.

Twins were born to Mr. and Mrs. John Naab of Arcadia last week. All parties are doing well.

THE QUIZ people are under obligations for some of the cake that adorned the tables at the Bossen-Easterbrook wedding.

Mrs. Witt offers her farm, the old Fairgeal farm, on Elm Creek for sale. See her about it if you want a good farm.

Virgil Blacklidge of Newton, Iowa, is on a visit with relatives in this vicinity. He was with his cousin, Ed Watson, yesterday.

George Siler returned home from Hastings Wednesday evening. He had been there to attend the funeral of his grandchild.

Prof. H. M. Davis will entertain the English Literature class at Hotel Ord this evening. Mrs. Brink and Bridgford and Misses Thompson and Jones will also be among the guests.

Seek not to steal the other fellow's light,
Rather put on steam and make your own,
Do whatever you do with all your might,
By taking Rocky Mountain Tea at night.
Ask your druggist.

Frank Foster and wife started homeward Monday morning, having had a pleasant visit with relatives in this county, and among other enjoyable things witnessing a bright wedding of one of their kin.

On account of the cold weather the Lower sale, advertised for one day last week, was postponed till March 1st. At that time all the things advertised and others since added will be sold. Adam Smith will cry the sale.

The heifer is recorded as Queen 2d, No. 83,323. She was calved Jan. 28, 1898. She was sired by Anxiety Monarch, 63,264, which is a 2800 pound animal. Her dam is Queen 43899. Bred by W. N. Rogers of McCook. The heifer weighs 1100 and is only just past 2-year-old.

The weather clerk ought to make all his storm predictions read so as to except Nebraska. Nebraska's reputation as a winter resort refuses to be sullied by any designs upon it by any storm-forecasting sonofagun. When Nebraska concludes to have a storm it comes along without any reference to the government storm charts—but usually the storms do not come at all. Stand up for Nebraska.

Pettigrew insists that Aguinaldo's statements are entitled to more weight than Admiral Dewey's or Commissioner Shurman's. In other words, Pettigrew is determined to do a thorough job of Pettigrewing while he is about it.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION

Of The First National Bank at Ord, in the state of Nebraska, at the close of business Feb. 13, 1900.]

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		$140,318 71
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured		6,488 32
United States bonds to secure circulation		12,500 00
Banking house, furniture, and fixtures		7,000 00
Revenue stamp account		195 00
Due from approved reserve agents	18,437 50	
Checks and other cash items	890 58	
Fractional paper currency nickels, and cents	28 59	
Specie	4,631 00	
Legal tender notes	4,595 00	
Redemption fund with U. S. treasurer (5 per cent of circulation)	562 50	29,145 17
Total		$195,647 20

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$50,000 00
Surplus fund		14,000 00
Undivided profit less expenses and taxes paid		5,738 36
National bank notes outstanding		11,250 00
Individual deposits subject to check	84,494 54	
Demand certificates of deposit	30,164 30	114,658 84
Total		$195,647 20

State of Nebraska, } ss
Valley County, }

I, E. M. Williams, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. E. M. WILLIAMS, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of Feb. 1899.

[SEAL] J. H. CAPRON, Notary Public.

My commission expires Dec. 12, 1900.

Correct—Attest:
J. R. WILLIAMS,
GEO. W. MICKELWAIT,
PETER MORTENSEN. } Directors.

The Valentine party given by Maude Jackson Wednesday, February 14, was a success in every way. But owing to the inclemency of the weather only a few were present. The attractive features of the evening were bambardo and a penny contest. Out of the twenty-four questions asked Jennie Smith answered the greatest number and was awarded first prize, which was a lovely hand painted Valentine book-mark, and Pearl Butts the booby prize, which was a penny suspended by a baby ribbon. The literary salad caused great merriment as each one performed his part. Pearl Butts entertained the company with instrumental music: Gertrude Whiting, an impromptu speech; Harvey Brown did the cake walk, and judging from the description Martin Kruser gave of his future wife she will be more ornamental than useful. The salad was digested by a good hearty laugh over the story of Algernon and Cerena. When all were seated at the supper table they were served with snapping bonbons which contained valentine caps, which were donned and worn the balance of the evening, giving them all a very grotesque appearance. After playing numerous other games the guests took their departure, feeling well paid for their venture out on such a cold night. A GUEST.

A. J. Firkins returned home from Omaha last Saturday highly pleased with his success in getting the pick of the heifers sold at the Hereford sales. He got a heifer coming two which was the best one in the stables, finely bred and being bred to one of the best bulls in the country. The price paid was $245, but he said he would have paid $500 for her if he had had to.

He shipped her home that night her car being brought up on the passenger train, so that she would not have to be left at the Island over Sunday.

Lon already has a fine Hereford cow and with this addition to the she part of his herd he feels that he will be able to make his herd speak out in meeting soon.

If you ever have a half day to while away go down to the Ord Hardware store and mention Herefords to Lon and he will see that your half day is used up without a bit of effort on your part. It is better than a picnic to hear him talk whiteface cattle.

Postmaster Stacy informs us that there is no little commotion among the people getting mail at Geranium about the rumor that the office is to be discontinued. He says that he has been talked to by a good many people from that locality about the question, and there is a general apprehension that this will be done. He thinks, however, that their fears are groundless. The whole trouble, he thinks, has grown out of the fact that, since a postal clerk has been put on to Sargent, there is likely to be a change in the manner of supplying the mail to the small offices between here and Sargent.

The Annual Congregational Meeting of the Presbyterian church was held last Thursday evening. At the meeting the board of trustees was re-elected, and composed of Mr. P. Mortensen, Mr. M. J. Coffin, Mr. J. S. Bassell, Mrs. W. S. Waters, Mrs. S. E. Timmerman and Mrs. G. W. Milford. The elders elected were: Mr. J. H. Capron, Mr. Oliver Cromwell, Mr. G. S. Seiver, and Mr. H. D. Stowell. The elders were ordained and installed at the morning service last Sunday.

Burlington Route.

New time card, February 25th.

Radical changes in the schedules of Burlington trains will be made Sunday, February 25th.

To avoid disappointment and loss of time, consult local ticket agent who is in a position to give you correct information.

J. FRANCIS,
General Passenger Agent,
Omaha.

Gold at Cape Nome.

If you want information about the Cape Nome country, how to get there and what it costs, write to J. Francis, General Passenger Agent, B. & M. R. R. R. in Nebraska, Omaha, Neb.

There are 10,343,152 American citizens eligible for military duty, and Mr. Bull wishes he was Uncle Sam when he thinks of the Boer problem.

It may be remarked of the last two Secretaries of State that they represent the Hay-Day of American diplomacy.

Few Democrats expect Bryan to be elected, but they greet him with enthusiasm as an interregdum, a candidate whose defeat can be comfortably discounted.

Duluth gives an early straw for 1900 with a Republican majority after a lively contest. The silverites under the leadership of ex-Congressman Towne have lost their grip.

When the time comes to talk of idemnities Mr. Bull should allow the Boers something handsome for pointing out what is behind the timea in the British military system.

Mr. Bryan clings tenaciously to the 1896 platform, but he is not insisting so strongly on the 1896 ticket. He is willing to graft a new tail on the latter.

In case of doubt Governor Taylor proposes to tighten his grip. He declines to lay down his official responsibility until the courts lay down the law.

Learn Shorthand by Mail.

The Chicago Shorthand School gives individual instruction in best system (Graham's) at low rate of $1.00 a month. Trial lesson, 10 cts. Begin now

P. H. PETERSON, Dept. G.
172 North Humboldt St.,
Chicago, Ill.

MILFORD SHOES??

LARGEST STOCK. LATEST STYLES AT THE BOTTOM PRICE. THEY WEAR THE LONGEST

OUR CITY SCHOOLS.

Conducted by CORA A. THOMPSON.

The Latin classes have had some vocabulary tests lately.

Mr. Anderson is the proud possessor of a State Teachers' Certificate.

Miss Armstrong's Washington program has been postponed until next week.

Wilmore Gray has been absent this week, attending to some work on the farm.

Several of the ninth grade are taking a review in arithmetic in the eighth grade.

Frances Treban, who has been home owing to the sickness of her mother, is again in school.

Harold Robbins met with a severe accident last Saturday, but with the aid of a cane, is able to attend his classes.

Miss Crow's pupils have a nice collection of Indian curiosities, consisting of moccasins, war clubs and bead work.

The seventh grade had an arithmetic match last Friday—the girls against the boys. The score stood eleven to six in favor of the boys.

Mr. Anderson will go to Greeley Center this afternoon to attend the County Teachers' Association, where he is on the program for a paper on "Patriotism."

Tuesday Master Frank Anderson was a visitor in the High School, where he was particularly impressed by the exercises in physical culture, and in which he joined with much vigor.

Miss Jennings's, Mrs. Jones's and Miss Ollis's grades will have their Washington programs this afternoon. All of the rooms are prettily and appropriately decorated for the occasion.

The pupils of the different grades are looking forward with much interest to the result of the spelling contest. At the last the ninth grade won the honors which have been held all the year by the eleventh grade.

At the teachers' meeting Monday Mrs. Jones read a paper on "A Good Recitation From the Teacher's Standpoint." Following this was a general discussion by the teachers on the important points brought out in the papers.

In a list of subjects recently assigned to the rhetoric class for compositions, the majority wrote on "The Pleasures of Spring." Nearly all agreed that spring is the most pleasant season of the year, and the one that they look forward to with the greatest anticipations.

During the cold weather last week the pupils of the sixth and seventh grades were all crowded together in one room as it was impossible to heat the room occupied by the seventh grade. The pupils were kept busy with written work as it was not convenient to have regular recitations.

The pupils of the chemistry class have been putting in extra hours this week to make up the time lost when the weather was too cold to work in the laboratory. The metals of the silver, copper, tin and iron groups have been separated and tested, and experiments made in oxidation and reduction.

This Week in Local History.

Interesting news items gleaned from the files of THE QUIZ for the last seventeen years, showing what had happened each year in the week corresponding with the present.

Feb. 22, 1883.—O. S. Haskell had sold his house in Chidago and was about to locate in Ord.

E. E. Bird, who had his feet frozen a month before, had the injured parts of his anatomy amputated. Drs Klinker and Haldeman did the job.

L. A. Ellis, the hardware man, failed.

The following were the roll of honor mentioned in the school report for Ord schools: Anna, Cynthia and Harvey Smith, June Sweet, Edna Pettie, John and Mabel Klinker, Myrtle Lykes, and Mitch. Coleman, for the senior department. In the intermediate department we find the names of Edith Robbins Harold Foght, and Freddie and Bennie Davis. In the primary department these among others are especially mentioned: Ione Milford, Daisy Westover Clayt Gass, Daisy Hilton, Emma Robbins and Frank Cryer.

Feb. 22, 1884.—Mrs. G. W. Seiver died

Adam Smith advertised a watch lost. Has anybody found it yet?

Feb. 20, 1885.—Vincent Kokes came up from St. Paul to help H. A. Walker in his drug store for a while.

Latham and Perry began building more wheat bins.

The new school house bell was placed in position.

Mrs. Wolf and Dee Williams opened a millinery store.

Progressive eucher was the fad.

Henry Lee located in the country.

The Standard was bought by Provins & McDonough.

Feb. 24, 1888.—Rev. Geo. O. Ferguson and Miss Lucy K. Wood of Marshalltown, Iowa, were married at that place.

Valley county's first court house was moved to the east side of the square by J. W. Beran & Co., and has since been occupied by Mr. Beran.

Feb. 21, 1890.—E. S. Ballou and S. A. Stacy formed a company to loan money.

F. S. Kull arrived in the county.

D. C. Way's typewriter company was organized. We could give the names of the incorporators, but for their sakes we will not.

Mabel Klinker and S. W. Conely were married.

Frank Landa, a cripple, living over the Sherman county line, was found murdered.

James Milford and Emma Ratliff were married.

Feb. 18, 1898.—C. D. Clements, father of the Clements brothers, died.

T. J. Nethery and Miss Hattie Winslow were married.

Rob Cleverdale's Adventure.

By Seward W. Hopkins.

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CHAPTER XIV.—(Continued.)

The boat which had brought Torrevo to shore was there, with two of the crew.

"Where El Capitan?" asked one.

"I have not seen him," said Rob. "Is he ashore?"

"Him go far. Him leave at night. Where him go?"

"He'll come back all right," said Rob. "Take me on board, will you? I have run away from Elvin, and they may come after me. I want to hide."

"Hide from Senor Elvin! Ho! Him got sharp eye!"

"He can't see down in the hold of the 'Black Cat,'" said Rob.

During the voyage to Brazil and back many of the crew had grown fond of Rob—in their own savage sort of fondness. They all feared Elvin, but none loved him.

"Come!" said the one who was doing the talking.

Rob stepped into the boat, they shoved off, and in a few minutes Rob was on board. The situation was at once explained by Rob, and the crew promised to help him. He was snugly hidden in the hold, and his last words were:

"If anybody comes after me, don't say I am here. But tell Torrevo when he comes."

Rob remained for sometime hidden there, and wondered what kept Torrevo so long. He could see nothing, hear nothing. He could feel the motion of the schooner, and knew she was still at anchor.

At last he heard the sound of the anchor chain. They were getting under way.

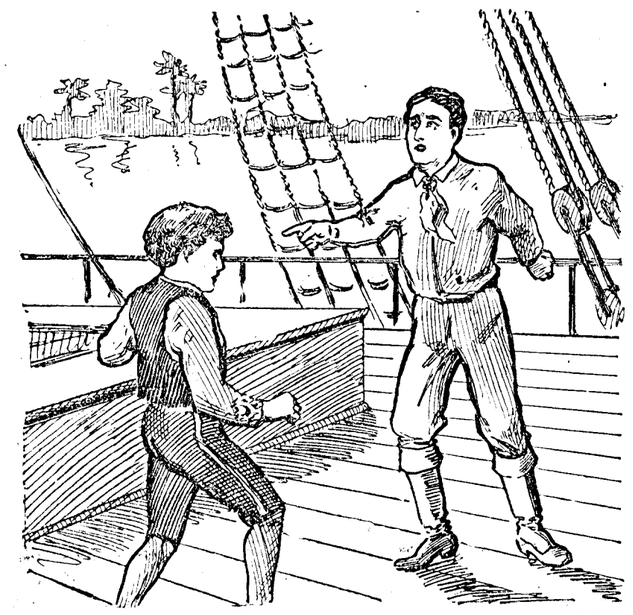
"Torrevo has come back," said Rob, exultingly. "Now I am all right."

He still remained hidden for a time, wondering why Torrevo did not call him.

"He is waiting for me to come up," said Rob to himself again. "I will go now. We must be a good distance away from the bay by now."

He crawled out from his hiding place, and, finding the hatchway left partly open for him, clambered out of the hold and went on deck. The "Black Cat" was speeding down the river. The crew were working as they never worked for Torrevo.

Rob took a turn or two on deck, looking for Torrevo, and suddenly came face to face with—Lemuel Starne.



"OH, HO! YOU ARE ON BOARD?"

CHAPTER XV.

A look of demoniac hate came into the face of Lemuel Starne.

"Oh, ho!" he cried. "So you are on board, eh! Well, really, this is quite a pleasure, Mr. Rob Cleverdale.

Rob stared in amazement, and felt a thrill of terror. Then Starne had learned who he was.

"This is quite a bit of masquerading," continued Starne, pointing to his Spanish clothes. "A gift from your dear uncle, I suppose. Your Uncle Terrevo, I mean."

He laughed exultantly, and his flaming eyes showed Rob that no mercy could be expected from this terrible foe.

"Allow me to present you this, with the compliments of Mr. David Horton," said Starne. He took from his pocket Rob's own letter, and handed it to him. "It will scarcely do us any harm now."

"How did you get this?" demanded Rob. "Did my uncle see it?"

"Ha! ha! Well, I should say not. Fortunately, your uncle trusts me, and I read his letters. You played a sharp game, but fate was too strong for you."

"I played no game but what was right," said Rob. "You and your father are two villains."

"Indeed! Well, keep a civil tongue in your head. You are dealing with me now, and not with my father. You cannot pull the wool over my eyes. I am too sharp for you, Master Cleverdale, Torrevo and Horton."

"Oh, you are sharp enough," said Rob, resolved not to let this arrant boaster see how much afraid he really was. "But when the government seizes you and your gang, then we'll see."

"You will never see that time," said Starne, growing more and more ugly all the time, and scarcely able to maintain the composure he had assumed. He wished to taunt and torture the young American before he killed him.

The dusky, swarthy crew, seeing that something unusual was happening, left their work on board, those who could, and gathered round the two. Rob stood like a young gladiator, defying the greater strength of the other.

"You crossed my path when you decided to come to Buenos Ayres," said Starne, "and I resolved to get rid of you. You know how well I succeeded—but for that fool of a Torrevo, you would long ago have been food for the fishes in this river. Well, Torrevo is dead. I shot him last night. Oh! It was a pretty game. We met him going to the house to look for you. His nephew, he said. Ha! ha! his precious nephew will join him soon enough, I fancy."

"What do you mean, you coward?" demanded Rob. "You will not kill me now that I am here alone and in your power?"

"Will I not?" chuckled Starne. "That's just what I am going to do, and pretty quick at that. What do you think I am going to do? Let you go free and get shot myself? Why, you would have the soldiers of the government after us in no time. Oh, no! You played your game and lost. I play to win. And I could not expect to win with a prying cub like you around. So, say your prayers, if you want to. Your time is come."

There was a murmur among the crew. These dark-skinned fellows were not all murderers because they were smugglers. They had liked Torrevo, and they bore Starne no love for killing him. They liked Rob, and while they were not the kind to mourn if they heard of his death somewhere else, they were not quite ready to have him killed under their very noses.

Rob heard the murmur, and instinctively knew that some of the men were friendly to him, and opposed to Starne's brutality. He quickly turned and addressed them.

"Men, I have sailed with you!" he said. "Torrevo was your friend and mine. Will you let this man kill me?"

There was no answer from the crew. They looked at each other with dark, questioning glances.

"Will they let me!" yelled Starne, now beside himself with murderous rage. "I'll show you and them what I care for their let."

He drew a pistol from his belt. As he raised it to aim at Rob, the boy suddenly felt a giant arm on his, and he was swung round behind a powerful fellow who took his place before Starne.

"No shoot!" said the dusky giant.

Starne, who had now lost all control of himself, and had no caution in him, turned white to the lips at this unexpected interruption.

"Get out of the way!" he yelled. "Do you know that boy is a traitor?"

"No shoot!" said the man, stolidly.

"He must die!" said Starne. "He is placing us all in danger. He knows all our secrets. He is the nephew of Horton, of Buenos Ayres, and knows that we have arms stored in the cave; knows that we are planning to overthrow the government, and knows who the men are who are with us. If he lives and escapes from this schooner, he will have us all shot. He did write a letter to his uncle, but I got it. I tell you he must die."

"No shoot!" said the confronting giant, with a face that was impassive.

"No kill," now came from someone in the crowd.

"He berry good boy. What for he must die?" asked one, who had heard every word of Starne's explanation.

"To save your life and mine!" said Starne. Then, with an angry glance around, he added, "And because I say so. I will not only shoot him, but every man who interferes, as well."

Quick looks of anger greeted this speech. Starne was not aiding his cause any by rousing the anger of such men as these.

Rob, whose senses were rendered more acute by the danger he was in, saw at once that Starne had created a feeling against himself. He was quick to take advantage of it.

"Every man who sticks to me will be rewarded by my uncle!" he called out. "What if this man does kill me? Does he think that the letter he received was the only one I wrote? Before a week has passed this gang of plotters will be in prison. Where will you be, then, if you follow him? But if you stand by me, my uncle will help you, and everyone will go free."

At this there was a rising sound of approval in the crowd.

(To be continued.)

An Epitome of a Century's Progress.

Professor—"Miss Flavilla, mention a few of the most wonderful scientific inventions of the nineteenth century." Miss Flavilla—"Yes, sir; the telephone, photograph button, golf capes and ice cream soda."

A Correspondent's Bull.

A rural correspondent thus writes of a society wedding: "The groom's present to the bride was a handsome diamond brooch, besides many other beautiful things in cut glass."—Carnegie Union.

TALMAGE'S SERMON.

"MAKING THE DEAF HEAR" IS THE SUBJECT.

"And They Bring Unto Him One That Was Deaf" — Mark vii: 32—Christ's Work as a Healer—A Lesson for All Men.

"Six thousand years ago Adam and Eve were driven out of the garden of Eden. But in the latter part of this sixth millennium the kindergartens, academies, colleges, universities, seminaries, lyceums, legislatures, political colleges, lawyers, doctors, ministers, daily newspapers, weeklies, and monthly magazines have been working side by side to change the sands of ignorance into the flora of knowledge, to lift the depressed valleys to the heights of the hills, and to deluge earth's dry places with the water of life. Once the pulpit was the great center, the intellectual as well as the spiritual educator of the community. The clergyman, like the pope of Rome, could speak ex-cathedra. The orator always knew as much as, if not a great deal more than, the auditor. Now the intellectual audiences think for themselves. The churches and the public halls are filled with juries ready to weigh evidences. The people have not only one, but many, Rosetta stones. The dead languages are no longer dead. Hearers as well as speakers can soon separate the brass from the gold, the tares from the wheat, the false from the true, man's thoughts from God's thoughts. Once the king was not only the ruler, but the judge and the executioner. Two women claimed a certain baby. Solomon, in his wisdom, said, 'Bring me a sword. Divide the living child in two, and give half to the one and half to the other.' When the true mother fell down and begged that her child be given to the enemy rather than be destroyed. Solomon said to the weeping suppliant, 'Give her the living child, and in no wise slay it; she is the mother.'

One of Christ's Cures.

"Today we are going to study one of Christ's most wonderful cures: The unstopping of a deaf mute's ears. It is the more remarkable because St. Mark is the only divine biographer who resords the miracle. In the first place, 'they bring unto him one that is deaf,' because the affliction was considered incurable. Even unto this day we know but very little about the human ear. The eye, the foot, the hand, the stomach, the liver, the heart have been explored and are understood by the dissector's knife. But the ear, with its tympanum, its bones, its two vestibules or storm doors, for the anatomist must pass through the outer and middle ear before he can enter the holy of holies of sound; the ear, able to catch a loved one's whisperings, and yet not be stunned at the thunderclap of a tornado, has never been fully mastered. The drum has side holes to let the air in and out, that the drumhead may vibrate and cause sound. We find in the ear there is a long tube connecting with the throat, and on the top of this tube there is a thin membrane or skin which moves up and down as the waves of sound strike it. And catarrhal troubles are dangerous because they threaten the stoppage of this tube. Sometimes deafness is caused by cerebro-spinal meningitis. The nerve which runs from the base of the brain to the ear becomes paralized. Sometimes deafness is caused by the outer nerves of the ear being destroyed by that most dreaded of all infantile diseases called scarlet fever, a more destructive enemy to the nursery than death, because when it is driven away from the cradle, in mad rage this disease generally strikes a paralyzing blow which leaves its victim helpless and worse than dead. Sometimes the cause is inexplicable. A man's ear may be perfectly formed, yet the mind is no more able to differentiate sound that one afflicted with color blindness is able to distinguish between red, white, yellow, blue, purple, or green. Whatever may be the cause of deafness, when a child is once born deaf, he is deaf to the grave. No power of surgery or medicament has ever been able to cure the affliction.

Figures That Prove Facts.

"To prove this is true, of the 35,000 deaf mutes in the United States, and 29,512 deaf mutes in France, and the 24,488 deaf in Germany, and the 2,000 deaf in Denmark, and the 4,778 in Sardinia, and 4,000 deaf mutes in Canada, and the 10,000,000 deaf mutes in this world at the present time—for Joseph A. Seiss, in his book called 'The Children of Silence,' declares there is one deaf mute to ever 1,400 of the human race—not one of the deaf mutes has ever heard one sound if born without the power of hearing. Now, you must realize the condition in which Jesus Christ lived was entirely different from that of the present day. In this age of factories and smoke and beehives of swarming populations a city is a place where no one knows his neighbor. The only interest most of us take in the man who lives next door is when the crape hangs upon the knob and the hearse comes to carry away the filled casket. But in olden times, as in smaller country villages today, everyone knew everybody else. Here was a lad born deaf. Everyone knew his relatives and knew him, and knew he had never heard a sound. He had the sullen, vicious, self-willed, sinful look of the deaf mutes of old. Perhaps in one of his fits of evil temper he picked up a club, and as a maniac struck his mother over the head and left her bleeding upon the floor, caring not even though she was a corpse.

Wonderful Medicine Man.

"'By the way,' some one says, 'have you heard of Jesus, the wonderful medicine man, whom some call a phophet? They say he can cure sickness by just looking at an invalid. He is a young Nazarene, only 30 years of age. You know my wife's cousin. Some few months ago he was invited to a wedding in the little village of Cana, near Gallilee. And this Jesus came to the marriage, and the wine gave out, and he bended over some waterpots and the water turned into wine. My cousin said it was so; you need not laugh. I believe him.'

"'Yes,' answered another, 'I heard that he resurrected Jairus' daughter, nd that an old woman, who had a chronic sickness of twelve years, just touched his garment and was healed.'

"'Yes,' answered another, 'I not only heard that he opened the eyes of one born blind, but I even heard he cured a dumb man possessed with a devil,' and the people marveled, saying: 'It was never so seen in Israel.'

"Just then another neighbor comes in and says that Jesus, this same Jesus, this miraculous Jesus, is only a short distance away over the hills of Decapolis. 'Come,' they say, with one accord, 'let us take him to Christ. He can cure if any one can.' And they bring unto him one that was deaf because the affliction was incurable.

"Lesson the second: They brought unto Jesus one who was not only deaf, but dumb. The Bible says he 'had an impediment in his speech.' No one part of the physical body can be entirely divorced from the other parts. As Paul said: 'The body is one that hath many members, and all of the members of that one body being many, are one body.'

"We find that these different members act and react upon each other. The hand protects the eye. The eye warns the foot. The foot is the messenger boy for the brain. The veins are the canals carrying to the farthest extremeties the daily supplies of food, tibrim for the muscles, albumen for the blood, lime for the bones, phosphates for the nerves, moisture for the glands. And all over the surface of the body the pores of the skin as scavengers are at work tossing off the refuse night and day, as well as day and night. While the nerves are the harpstrings upon which nature thumbs the harmonies of life.

No Organ Independent.

"But in Christ's time no one part of the body was more dependent on another part than the organ of speech was upon the organs of the ear. That is the reason we quoted only the first nine words of the verse for a text. There have been cases on record where persons have been dumb and not deaf. But these are very rare. Ninety-nine times out of a hundred, when a man is a deaf mute, his vocal organs are all right, but undeveloped. The deaf and dumb are unable to speak merely because the ear cannot teach the voice how to act. There are today 375 different deaf mute schools, with 2,197 teachers and 25,797 pupils.

"By the power of touch, by placing the finger under the throat of the teacher and practicing the vowels and consonants, even those who were born deaf mutes are now taught to speak. And through the same wonderful system, not only the deaf mutes, but in some instances those who have had two of their five senses gone are not only deaf and dumb, but also blind, have had the spark of intelligence kindled in their darkened brain.

"'Walled in by deafness, dumbness, blindness all
Can life exist beneath that dreadful pall?
It does. life, love are there; the living soul
Beats hot against the bars that hold it in
Striving among the best to reach the goal,
And through Christ's death immortal life to win.'

"So when Jesus placed the two fingers as two syringes against the two broken ear drums and said, 'Ephphatha'—that is—'Be opened,' he loosed the tongue that had an impediment at the same time. The best way to develop the tongue is to develop the ear. No man can speak right unless he first learns to hear right. John James Audubon, with gun and pencil, disappeared into the American forests. He lived among the birds until the birds adopted him into 1,000 different families. They talked to him; he listened. After awhile the naturalist's ear became so keen he knew their songs of joy, their cries of sorrow and their love-makings. He stood at their cradles and dug their graves. For years and years thus he practiced self-sacrifice and worked and studied. Do you wonder that John James Audubon's tongue was able to talk about his feathered friends so interestingly that grown people stopped to listen and the little children begged to look at his pretty pictures?

"This feeling was exhibited in the ninth chapter of John, when the disciples asked him in reference to one born blind, saying, 'Master, who did sin, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?' Jesus answered: 'Neither hath this man sinned or his parents, but that the work of God might be made manifest in him.'

Effects of Heredity.

"In fifty-nine cases of deafness reported by the Illinois institution, in 1873, the parents of forty-two were first-cousins; of nine, second cousins, of five, third cousins, and of two fourth cousins, and of one an uncle and a niece. And Dr. David Buxton writes: 'I knew the mother of three mute children who was the daughter of a deaf mute, and the grandfather, though his own children heard perfectly, was one of the eight deaf mutes in a family of sixteen. If a deaf person marries one who hears, the chances of their having a deaf-mute child are three-fourths of 1 per cent.'

"In the next place, for these unfortunates we should build the best schools and send them the best teachers. That is the great trouble with work, the bright Christian teachers will not devote their time to these educational opportunities. The class is naturally small, the classroom very depressing, and the remuneration not enticing.

"Most important of all, we should surround them with Christian love. The matron of a deaf and dumb school told me the deaf mutes were happy as long as they were inside the four walls of the school, but the children in the street would tease and tantalize them. As we help the helpless, God will care for us.

"There is a beautiful story told that one day a clergyman was visiting a deaf and dumb school, and the teacher, having sent the pupils to the blackboard, the visiting clergyman asked a young boy there three questions. First, 'Who made the world?' Immediately the deaf-mute child wrote, 'In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.' Question the second: 'Why did Jesus Christ come into the world?' With a smile the lad again wrote, 'This is a faithful saying, and worthy of all acceptation, that Jesus Christ came into the world to save sinners.' The clergyman hesitated for a moment, and then asked: 'Why were you born deaf and dumb, while I can hear and speak?'

"A tear started, yet the lad hesitated not, but wrote, 'Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in thy sight.'

"In that last great day may our sinful ears hear the words 'Well done.' For then the dumb shall speak and the silent lips sing for joy."

SWEETHEARTS AND WIVES.

How the Boer Women Put in Their Time During the War.

Boer wives, mothers, sisters and daughters, whose male relatives are fighting now, are passing through an unnecessarily anxious time, says the London Mail. The war authorities at Pretoria apparently hold strictly selfish views upon the subject of casualty lists, deeming it impolitic to let those who are bereaved know that their men folk are dead. Owing to the influence the knowledge might have on others who are going to the front, the Boer war office keeps its secrets inviolate and does not issue news of loses on the field. The elder generation of Boer women will probably be bearing the suspense in tight-lipped, listless silence, but the girls who have received the benefits of education will understand how cruel their position is and fret in impotent wrath beneath the injustice inflicted upon them by this reticence. What kind of lives are these women leading? In all likelihood pretty much what they led in ordinary times. Their farms are squat, two or three roomed buildings, dumped down on the veldt far away from neighbors, in the center of the acreage of land farmed by the proprietor. They are wretchedly uncomfortable habitations, for Boer women are not house-proud. Formerly no Boer woman received more than an apology for an education and a very lame one at that. Now, however, some of the youngsters are sent to the convent schools and are modeled into very much improved editions of the original Boers.

Legend of the Topaz.

The topaz is called the stone of gratitude, and the old Roman books record a suggestive legend. The blind Emperor Theodosius used to hang a brazen gong before his palace gates and sit beside it on certain days hearing and putting to rights the grievances of any of his subjects. Those who wished for his advice and help had but to sound the gong, and immediately admission into the presence of Caesar was obtained. One day a great snake crept up to the gate and struck the brazen gong with its coils, and Theodosius gave orders that no one should molest the creature and bade her to tell him her wish. The snake bent her crest lowly in homage and straightway told the following tale: Her nest was at the base of the gateway tower, and while she had gone to find food for her young brood a strange beast covered with sharp needles had invaded her home, killed the nestlings and now held possession of the little dwelling. Would Caesar grant her justice? The Emperor gave orders for the porcupine to be slain and the mother to be restored to her desolate nest. Night fell and the sleeping world had forgotten the Emperor's kindly deed, but with the early dawn a great serpent glided into the palace, up the steps into the royal chamber and laid upon each of the Emperor's closed eyes a gleaming topaz. When Emperor Theodosius awoke he found he was no longer blind, for the mother snake had paid her debt of gratitude.

Everybody Plays the Guitar.

In Portugal men play upon the guitar as naturally as yankees whistle. The peasants are universally given to the instrument, chiefly as an accompaniment to the voice. In towns and villages the artisans are often expert guitar players and walk in groups to and from their work, enlivening the journey with music and song. The carpenter who comes to your house to execute a small job brings his guitar with his tools and the blacksmith is a far better performer on the guitar than the anvil. When Portuguese day laborer or workman has finished his long day's toil he does not hie him to a wine shop to squander the few cents he has earned; he does not even lean against a post and smoke, nor whittle a stick while swapping yarns with his fellows. If he did not bring his guitar with him he goes straight home and gets it, rests and comforts himself with the music while supper is being prepared. Afterward he spends the evening singing doggerel songs to a strumping accompaniment, titled back in a chair against his own house wall or on the doorstep of a neighbor.

Silencing Greeley.

After all, the "new woman" is not such a very new institution. Few advocates of women's suffrage today have better arguments in reserve than that which, on one occasion, silenced Horace Greeley. The famous editor had thrashed over the question of women's rights with an able representative of their sex, and wound up with the contention that in times or war women were quite useless. "What would you do," he demanded, "in the event of civil war?" "Just what you would do, Mr. Greeley," replied his opponent promptly. "I should sit in my office and write articles urging other people to go and fight."—Youth's Companion.

Poor, Poor Fellow!

Charitable Party—"Poor soldier; here is 50 cents for you. Your sign reads that your head was lacerated in the Philippines by the bursting of a shell." Masquerading Si—"Yes, kind madam; a Filipino citizen threw a cocoanut shell against my head with all his force. You doesn't begin ter know de dangers uv war, mum—yo doesn't begin ter know 'em."—Judge.

Happiness.

Mrs. Mulligan—An' what did his 'onner say to you this morning? Mrs. Mulcahy—Can't you and your husband live together without fighting? Mrs. Mulligan—An' what did yer say? Mrs. Mulcahy—No, yer 'onner, not he[illegible]ly.

Education is the only interest w[illegible] the deep, controling anxiety of thoughtful man.—Wendell Phillips

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

LESSON VIII, FEB. 25—LUKE IV: 16-30—JESUS REJECTED.

Golden Text—He Came Unto His Own, and His Own Received Him Not—John I:11—Second Year of the Ministry of Christ.

16. "Nazareth, where he had been brought up." He came to preach now among those who had known him from his youth. His family were in moderate circumstances. "As his custom was," all his life long, "he went into the synagogue," a building that took the place of our modern church. "And stood up for to read," as was usual when reading from the law.

17. "And there was delivered unto him the book." In the form of a roll, or double roll, taken from the sacred chest behind the pulpit. Rolls like this were found in the ruins of Pompeii, and hundreds of them are in the museum at Naples. "Of the prophet Esaias." The Greek form for Isaiah. "And . . . found the place." Not necessarily any appointed lesson, but the passage he wanted. "Where it was written." In Isa. 61: 1, 2. The quotation follows somewhat closely the Greek translation.

18. "The Spirit of the Lord." Jehovah, the eternal, almight God. "Because he hath anointed me." Set apart, divinely appointed, as kings and priests were by the ceremony of anointing. "Preach the gospel." Good news, Good spell, t. e.; story; or God, which is short for "good," and spell. "To the poor." "In Scriptural language the poor represent all who are destitute of good necessary to their perfection and happiness, especially those who feel their want and are disconsolate."—John Mason. "To heal the broken-hearted," overwhelmed with sorrow for their sins, or their losses and sufferings. "To preach" (a different word from preach in the first part of the verse), to herald, to proclaim aloud to all. "Deliverance to the captives." To all captives, whether in material or in spiritual captivity. "Recovering of sight to the blind." There are three kinds of blindness—Blindness of the body. Mental blindness—Ignorance, low ideals. Moral blindness—Ignorance of God, of righteousness, of heaven, of the possibilities of the soul, of highest hopes and joys of true life. Jesus came to cure them all. "To set at liberty them that are bruised." The wounds and bruises caused by sin, wounds of the conscience, wounds of the heart, crushed by heavy and hopeless burdens, the victims of outrage and oppression.

19. "To preach (herald, the same as the second preach in v. 18) the acceptable year of the Lord." The year or era in which God has been pleased, for the best of reasons, to bring these blessings to the people. God's chosen opportunity had come.

20. "And he closed the book." By rolling up the roll. Notice how the quotation stops when it comes to the fearful sentence, "and the day of vengeance of our God." "And . . . gave it . . . to the minister." The attendant. "And sat down." "The habitual position of a Jewish teacher."—Professor Vincent. So that his sitting down was the signal that he was about to speak.

21. "This day is this scripture fulfilled." This prophecy was originally spoken to the exiles in Babylon. They were poor, oppressed, broken-hearted, away from home, blind to the goodness and promises of God.

22. "And all bear him witness." Both friends and enemies. Of the facts there could be no doubt. "And wondered at the gracious words." They were indeed marvelous, beyond any event in the history of the world, "full of grace and truth. "Is not this Joseph's son?" The question with some might be one of wonder and admiration that their fellow-citizen could attain such a high position. With others it would contain a sneer at the stupendous pretensions of a common village carpenter.

23. "Ye will surely say." Jesus shows that he knows their thoughts. "This proverb." Greek, parable, "parable," "denoting any kind of figurative discourse, whether a complete narrative or a short sentence couched in an image, like proverbs."—Godel. "Physician, heal thyself." Prove by healing your own sickness that you can heal the diseases of others. "Whatsoever heard done in Capernaum." Jesus had only the December before healed a nobleman's son at Capernaum. "Do also here in thy country." Let us see some of your miracles.

24. "No prophet is accepted in his own country." A general truth, the statement of a common experience.

26. "Sarepta." Greek form of Zarephath. On the shore of the Mediterranean, near Sidon.

27. "And many lepers." (For this story, see 2 Kings 5: 1-14.) Leprosy was then and still is very common in Palestine. "Eliseus." Greek form of Elisha.

28. "And all . . . were filled with wrath." The tense (aorist) implies a sudden outburst. "Truth embitters those whom it does not enlighten."

29. "And rose up." Broke up the service irreverently and rushed forth.—F., F., and B. "And thrust him." With violence. They were a furious mob. "Unto the brow of the hill." As the Roman mob led unpopular persons to the top of the Tarpeian Rock and thrust them down.

30. "But he passing through the midst." It is not said that this was miraculous. It seems at times that the divinity within Jesus shone forth with awe-producing power. "Went his way." He returned once more several months later to give them one more opportunity to repent. But they then, as now, madly threw away their blessings, and, like swine, trampled the divine pearls under their feet.

FROM GUESSES AT TRUTH.

Few persons have courage to appear as good as they really are.

The greatest truths are the simplest; and so are the greatest men.

Crimes sometimes shock us too much, vices almost always too little.

Be what you are. This is the first step toward becoming better than you are.

The craving for sympathy is the common boundary line between joy and sorrow.

The praises of others may be of use, in teaching us, not what we are, but what we ought to be.

The errors of the good are often difficult to eradicate, from being founded on mistaken views of duty.

Self-depreciation is not humility, though often mistaken for it. Its source is oftener mortified pride.

CHURCH AND CLERGY.

No process of evolution can originate life.

Men of great force are apt to have great faults.

He who judges another writes his own sentence.

The culture of fools is but the cultivation of folly.

Religious bigotry turns the covenants into curses.

No man loses anything though he lose all for Christ.

The way to the joy of our Lord is through His cross.

The pickets of civilization are the principles of Christ.

Every Christian is a photograph, a sun picture of the Son.

Christian conscience alone can condition Christian conduct.

HIGH PRICE OF PAPER.

TARIFF TAX ON WOOD PULP A COSTLY ONE.

May Compel Subscribers to Pay More for Their Country Newspaper — The Cry for Its Instant Repeal Is Very Loud—Paper Trust Robbery.

There are very conclusive reasons why the present tariff tax on wood pulp and printing paper should be repealed, and there is no reason in the interest of American industry that pleads for the continuance of these taxes. They are now simply an element of robbery under color of law, and they should be effaced from our statutes.

The paper trust is now taxing the newspaper and book publishers of the country many millions, not because of any such actual increase in the cost of producing paper, but because the trust has the power to extort from the purchasers of paper up to the extent that would make tariff-taxed foreign paper and pulp cheaper than the prices demanded here. This trust has played its scheme of extortion to the uttermost, and congress should at once remove the tax that protects no American industry and that has become only an agent to rob the consumers.

Two-thirds of the wood pulp used in the manufacture of paper for American consumption should come from Canada, but it is excluded by a tariff tax, and we are now rushing headlong in the destruction of our forests, while Canada, with its almost limitless supply of timber, cannot reach our markets because of the tax imposed by the tariff.

The two conclusive reasons which should make congress act promptly are—first, that the paper trust should be at once halted in its rapid destruction of our American forests by the admission of free wood pulp from Canada; and, second, that the present extortion practiced by the paper trust upon publishers of newspapers and books shall cease to have the protection of the government.

The time has come when any trust that makes arbitrary profits by tariff duties must cease to be protected by the government. Where American industry needs protection it is reasonable to permit it, but where alleged protection is used only for systematic robbery, it must be overthrown.

We can now manufacture paper as cheaply as any country in the world. There is no excuse whatever for a tax upon the manufactured articles, and the raw material should be free, not only because the general principle is correct, but because if it shall not be done promptly our forests will be practically destroyed within a few years by tariff taxes excluding the lumber of Canada from our markets.

Paper and pulp must be made free of all taxes, as the paper trust has demonstrated that these taxes serve only a single purpose—that is to invite robbery under color of law.—Philadelphia Times.

A Hard Rain.

"It rains a great deal in the Puget sound country," said the man from that section, "and I heard of a funny incident not long ago about it. Some chap had come from the Missippi valley to take up his residence at Whatcom, on Bellingham bay, where there are very high tides. When the boat landed him at the end of the long pier extending over the tide flats the water was low and the new man didn't notice anything but a wide stretch of sand between the boat and the town. It was in the evening about dark and was raining, and he went to the hotel on the front street and stayed there, going to bed without having gone out for a walk. The next morning when he got up he looked out and the tide was in, the water coming up close to the hotel. He gazed at the widespread waters for an instant, and, throwing up his hands in astonishment, he exclaimed, 'Gee whiz, but it must have rained hard last night!' Then he hurried down stairs to the office to find out if there was any danger from the flood, and the clerk smiled four or five times and gave him some much-needed information."—Washington Star.

Both in the Same Box.

A parson who occasionally preaches in South London arrived to take the place of the vicar, who had been called away on account of some family bereavement, and found an old and rather asthmatic lady struggling up the steps which led to the front door. He courteously gave her his arm to assist her and when they reached the top the dame asked him if he knew who was going to preach. "Mr. So-and-So," replied the parson, giving his own name. "Oh, dear me," exclaimed the old lady; "help me down again, if you please; I'd rather listen to the groaning and creaking of a windmill than sit under him," and she prepared to descend. The parson gently assisted her downstairs and sighfully remarked as he bade her good-by: "I wouldn't go in, either, if I weren't the preacher."

New Method of Lighting Tunnels.

A new method of lighting tunnels is about to be adopted in one constructed in Paris for an electric road. Electric lamps will be turned on automatically as the train enters the tunnel and cut off automatically as it emerges. The lights are arranged on each side on a level with the windows of the cars, so that during daytime it will not be necessarry to turn on the light in the cars. This mode has been devised by a French inventor, and doubtless will be found of great utility.

Domestic Reminders.

Wife—Do you know what you remind me of? Husband—No, but I do know what you remind me of. Wife—What? Husband—Of every little thing I forget to attend to that you ask me about.—Detroit Free Press.

The Dictionary Habit.

Friend—What queer language your husband uses. He pronounces every word a half a dozen different ways.

Wife—Yes, he has a dozen different dictionaries.—New York Weekly.

VOTES TO SPARE

Senate Passes the Financial Bill 46 to 29.

PARTY LINES ARE TIGHTENED UP

Chandler the Only Republican to Go Astray—Two Democrats for Bill—Lindsay and Caffery Go With the Majority—Other News.

The senate substitute for the house currency bill was passed by the senate Thursday by the decisive majority of forty-six to twenty-nine. Prior to the final passage of the bill amendments were considered under the ten minute rule. Only two of the amendments were adopted, one offered by the committee on finance, keeping the door open to international bimetallism, and one by Mr. Nelson of Minnesota, providing for national banks with $25,000 capital in towns of not more than four thousand inhabitants.

The vote taken on the various amendments offered were practically along party lines. Mr. Chandler (republican, New Hampshire) voted for the bimetalic amendment, but against the bill. Mr. Caffery (democrat, Louisiana) and Mr. Lindsay (democrat, Kentucky) voted against the committee amendment, but for the bill. Mr. Kyle (South Dakota) was the only senator who did not vote and was not paired. The free silver substitute offered by Mr. Jones, the leader of the democratic side, was defeated by a majority of nineteen, the vote being forty-seven to twenty-eight.

Wants No Rupture.

Count Almenas, in the senate at Madrid, asked the government to communicate to the senate the dispatches exchanged before the Spanish-American war between the government and the United States through the Spanish naval attache in Washington, Lieut. Jose Sobral. The minister of marine refuse to make to make public such documents on the ground that to do so might interfere with good relations existing between Madrid and Washington.

Three Smothered by Gas.

Mrs. Jannette Schwartz and her two children, Lulu, aged nine years, and Henrietta, four months old, were found dead in bed at Chicago, the result of asphyxiation. Mrs. Schwartz was the wife of J. T. Schwartz, a bartender. While he was serving customers in the front of the building the members of his family, occupying rooms in the rear, were being slowly smothered. It is supposed the jets were accidentally turned on.

Killed by a Fall.

John B. Oltman, a broker, was killed at the New York athletic club by falling down the marble stairs to the main floor. When half way down the stairs he slipped and fell, and slid down the remaining steps, his head striking each step ane the blood, which flowed profusely, reddening the white marble. Mr. Oltman was picked up unconscious and died soon afterward.

Kansas Man for Commissioner.

The president has sent to the senate the nomination of James Allon of Kansas to be commissioner to the international exposition at Paris, also a number of army nominations, including Lieutenant Colonel A. S. Cummins of the Twenty-seventh infantry, to be colonel of that regiment.

Thirteen Lancers Killed.

General Botha, a Boer commander, with a small force, crossed the Tugela river to a deserted British camp, where he encountered fifty lancers, of whom thirteen were killed, five wounded and nine taken prisoners. One of the prisoners was sent to tell the British to fetch their wounded.

Has All the Money It Needs.

From Dr. Moller, in Europe, Secretary Van Sielen of the Boer relief fund committee has received a letter saying that the Netherlands Red Cross committee has all the money it needs at present, all ambulances needed having been provided and furnished.

Will Prosecute Deputy.

As an outcome of Thursday's fight in the chamber of deputies at Brussels M. Demblon, the socialist deputy who was removed by force from the house for threatening to box the ears of M. Wiart, a deputy of the independent party, will be prosecuted for assault.

Earthquake Shocks at Peru.

At 6:55 a. m. Thursday morning a severe earthquake shock, which caused great alarm, was felt in Lima, Peru. In the course of the disturbance the river Rimao flooded its banks in the outskirts of Lima, endangering life and property.

La Grippe Gaining Ground.

The grippe is gaining ground in Berlin, Germany. The physicians assert that at present there are more than 60,000 persons suffering from the disease.

Odd Fellows' Home Burned.

The state Odd Fellows' home, situated a mile south of Liberty, Mo., was destroyed by fire that started from a torch a plumber used to thaw out a frosted water pipe. The inmates were gotten out in safety. Loss $70,000, insurance $30,000.

Commissioners Murdered

The British commissioners, Middle and Sutherlond, who have been engaged in the demarcation of the Burmo Chineses boundary, have been murdered in Mongham district. Consul Litton was wounded, but escaped.

Horton Law Repealed.

The bill repealing the so-called Horton law which permits boxing matches in the state of New York was passed in the assembly at Albany, the vote standing 92 yeas to 36 nays. The bill has now gone to the senate where it will be considered by the code committee,

Bostonian Wins.

Charles Treshie, the Bostonian, defeated Dr. L. L. Mial, the New Yorker, at New York, 400 to 161, in the A. A. U., class A billiard championship tourney.

CIRCUIT COURT CANNOT ACT

United States Judge Taft Refuses to Take Up Kentucky Case.

In the circuit court of the United States at Cincinnati, Judge W. H. Taft denied the motion for a preliminary injunction in both of the cases from Kentucky. After citing the law showing that the federal court had no jurisdiction in such cases, Judge Taft reviewed the Goebel election law and denounced in vigorous terms the conditions that have been existing in Kentucky. But he held that it was merely a matter of law with the court.

While the court held that no injunctions would issue, yet it was held that after the cases had been heard in the state courts they could get in on error for review in the United States supreme court.

After the decision was announced Former Governor Bradley and his associate council announced that they were unable to state what would be the next step of the republican state officers of Kentucky, They had no doubt either of the ultimate possibility of a hearing of the cases in the United States court as indicated by Judge Taft, or of the final result.

STRIKE LIKELY TO SPREAD

Other Cities May Be Involved in the Chicago Strike.

The Building and Trades' council of Chicago has announced through its secretary that the National Building Trades' council would be called upon to call strikes in other cities upon all buildings being constructed by Chicago contractors who have locked out union labor.

A committee was appointed to ascertain what work was being done by the contractors outside of Chicago. Their information will be presented to the national organization, which has already expressed its desire to aid the local men in every way and strikes will be ordered. Buildings in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, as well as in many other cities, it is believed, are in course of construction by firms which are members of the Building Contractors' council.

WANT BLACKLEG VIRUS

Stockmen of Southeast Nebraska Make Inquries.

Numerous inquiries have come from the stockmen of Nebraska, and especially from the southwest corner, says a Washington special as to the blackleg vaccine which is furnished by the government. Mr. Sutherland made full inquiry as to the matter and learned that the vaccine is guarded so it cannot be used for private speculation, but it is obtainable by stockowners. Applicants must write to the bureau of animal industry for blanks, and must state that they are the owners of the cattle, or have charge of them. Blanks are furnished and when the applicant secures the indorsement of a congressman or senator from his state the vaccine is furnished.

Maine Anniversary Day.

Thursday was the second anniversary of the destruction of the Maine in the harbor of Havana. Mrs. Hillington of Chicago sent a large box of flowers for distribution upon the graves or the victims of that disaster. Her son was a member of the crew of the Maine and lost his life on that occasion. Colonel True, the depot quartermaster personally undertook the work of placing the flowers upon the graves of the Maine dead.

Reports Heavy Fighting.

The British steamer Tagus, which has arrived at Kingston, Jamaica, from Colon, reports heavy fighting last week around Barranquilla, while the insurgent forces were pressing Carthagena, for the purpose of cutting off Bogota from mail communication. Rodriguez, it is further asserted, has escaped from Pioho with 200 fellow prisoners, and has a quantity of arms.

Must Have a Strong Fleet.

The Berlin papers print a dispatch from the Osservatore Romano, the pope's organ, which expresses an earnest hope that the reichstag will adopt the naval augmentation bill, as "the European situation makes a strong fleet for Germany appear indispensible."

A Liberal Elected.

In a parliamentary bye-election in the Rossendale division of Lancashire, England, to fill the vacancy caused by John Henry Madden, liberal, W. Mather, liberal and radical, defeated Dr. G. Kingsbury, conservative by 1,372 votes.

Killed by Roof Collapse.

One workman was killed, two badly injured, and several others slightly hurt by the collapse of the heavy sheet iron roof covering the cast house of the Illinois steel company's plant at Joliet. Twenty men were buried in the debris.

Will Not Retire.

Secretary of Agriculture Wilson has taken occasion to deny the rumor that he was to retire from the cabinet on account of ill health. He says his health is excellent.

Tanner Some Better.

Governor Tanner of Illinois is reported to be a little better, though still very weak and confined to his bed. Governor Tanner has been ill for some time, but took a set back from a drive to the primary election on which he insisted in order to vote.

Killed at a Dance.

Arthur Wolford shot and killed Herman Schultz at the home of Jacob Harness south of Kokomo, Ind. Wolford is now in jail. The shooting occurred during a dance at the Harness home and was witnessed by many persons.

Reed's Condition.

Roland Reed, the actor, who has for some time been a patient at St. Luke's hospital at New York, and who recently submitted to a second operation, is reported to be resting comfortably.

The riotous disturbances in Martinique island continue. A house was burned at Deschampes and there were risings at several points.

The senate committee on military affairs has favorably reported the bill for the establishment of a military post at Des Moines, Ia.

BOERS GET AWAY

Evade Being Surrounded by a Hasty Retreat.

MUCH PRAISE FOR LORD ROBERTS

Plans Were Well Laid and Admirably Executed—Army Moved Like Clockwork and Proved the Mobility of Its Organization.

A London, Feb. 19 dispatch says: It is now amply confirmed that General Cronje escaped. Every detail received, however, proves how admirably Lord Roberts' plans were conceived and were succeeding. But for the unexpected delay at Dekiel's drift, which was almost impassable for wagons, the whole Boer force would have been surrounded. The delay of one day there gave them their chance for a hasty retreat.

All the other movements of Lord Roberts were executed exactly to time. Apparently General Cronje is retreating with the main army, and even if he escapes altogether he will probably lose all his baggage.

There is still something doubtful about the capture of the British convoy. According to the Daily Mail correspondent with the convoy—which consisted of 200 wagons, each loaded with six thousand pounds of rations and of forage and each drawn by sixteen oxen—it was quite unexpectedly attacked by a commando supposed to come from Colesberg. The escort, consisting of eighty of the Gordon Highlanders, forty men of the army service corps and a few of Kitchener's horse, maintaining a defense until the arrival of reinforcements, sustaining insignificant casualties.

The Standard's correspondent at Jacobsdal, telegraphing Thursday, says:

"An attack was made yesterday upon the rear guard of our main body by a force of 1,400 Boers, who were hurried up from Colesburg. They succeeded in capturing some of the wagons, but Lord Roberts did not delay his march to retake these. There were few casualties on our side.

"The last of our supply columns arrived from Honeynest kloof today, having met with no opposition on the way."

Specials from Ladysmith report an apparent movement on the part of the Boers toward the Free State, presumably with the object of assisting General Cronje. The news that General Buller is attempting another crossing of the Tugela, east of Colenso, after the capture of Hlandwane hill, therefore gives satisfaction. Buller's losses so far have been about twenty in wounded. His entire army, with the exception of General Hart's brigade, is engaged in the operation.

It is announced that the channel squadron, instead of going to Gibraltar, has been ordered to remain in British waters until March.

SAID TO BE A RUSE

Belief That Boers Have Led French and Roberts Into a Trap.

A dispatch which President Kruger is said to have sent to The Hague since the successful movement of General French for the relief of Kimberley reached a former official of Holland in New York city. The message, which was apparently sent with a view to quieting the apprehensions of the friends of the Boers, read:

"No uneasiness; federal operations west fully planned."

The recipient of this dispatch, who conceals his identity from the public, received and published a dispatch announcing the defeat of the British at Spion kop twenty-four hours before the news of that event was made known through British sources.

Ordered to Approve.

District Judge Frost at Lincoln has allowed a peremptory writ of mandamus in the case of the state ex rel Mrs. A. M. Davis against Secretary of State Porter, an action brought to compel him to approve certain claims of the society of the home for the friendless which the auditor approved and which Mr. Porter claimed the right to disapprove. In the trial of the case the secretary of state decided to stand upon a demurerr to the petition which was overruled. The peremptory writ was then allowed. The claims he is ordered to approve amount to about $6,000, and consist of living expenses, fuel, lights, stationery, postage, furniture and wages of employes and superintendents.

Japan Watching Russia

Advices from Japan per steamer Coptic report that the Japanese government has knowledge that Russia will place 50,000 troops at Port Arthur within two years. Japan is apprehensive of the move, as Russia could fill Korea with soldiers in a very short time.

James Rudge, mine foreman of the National coal works at Noblestown, Pa., was shot and killed by George McMurray, jr., a former employe of the company, because his placed had been filled by another.

Russia Claims Rights.

The Constantinople correspondent of the London Times says: "As compensation for the Bagdad railway concession to Germany, Russia demands a prior right, on equal terms, over all applicants for railway concessions in Asia minor north of the German line.

The German authorities at Tsintan fort (Kiao Chau bay) have sent 180 men and two guns to Kiao Chau to protect the railroad engineers and the property there from an attack on the part of the rioters at Kau-Mi, which is threatened.

Rooks Sent to Rhodesia.

In July, 1898, Mr. Rhodes sent out 500 young rooks to Rhodesia, and as these were found to do so well and to take kindly to their surroundings at Grotte Shuur, Rondebosch, where Mr. Rhodes' residence is situated, amidst thousands of large oaks and Scotch firs, another consignment of 500 birds has just been dispatched from Southampton, England, to Rhodesia.

Denmark Leads in Education.

Denmark claims that there is not a single person in her domain who cannot read and write.

MOLINEUX IN DEATH HOUSE

Receives Sentence and is at Once Taken to Sing Sing.

Roland B. Molineux was sentenced to die in Sing Sing prison during the week of March 26 for the murder of Mrs. Katherine J. Adams. He made a statement asserting that he had not been fairly convicted, and that "yellow journalism" had put a price upon his head.

After denouncing the newspapers and making quite an extended argument in his own behalf the defendant paused, either to regain his composure or to control his temper, and went on speaking with remarkable clearness and with angry vehemence:

"I denounce and despise," he said, "the act of the district attorney in attempting to villify the reputatinn of the pure and lovely woman who bears my name. It was the act of a blackguard, and a villainous lie.

Now, your honor, (to the recorder) I am prepared for sentence. I am not afraid."

Molineux is now in the death house at Sing Sing prison.

AN ANTI-TRUST NEWSPAPER

Enterprise Sanctioned and Launched in Chicago.

A new weekly paper to be known as the "American Anti-Trust Journal" the launching of which was sanctioned at the recent anti-trust conference at Chicago, is to appear soon. The place of publication will be Chicago. Although but an experiment, 25,000 copies of the first issue are to be printed and sent broadcast over the country and the facilities are such that the number of copies can be easily increased to 70,000.

The Journal will contain not less than sixteen pages, and the first issue will contain the full proceedings of the recent conference. The paper will be devoted entirely to anti-trust matters, and only those who are not members of trusts will be permitted to use the advertising columns.

Peck Starts for Paris.

Commissioner General Ferdinand W. Peck has gone to Paris and the exposition. The departure marks the end of eighteen months of propaganda and organization on this side of the Atlantic, and Mr. Peck leaves with the satisfaction of having succeeded in awakening American manufacturers and producers to the opportunity offered by the fair to American commercial expansion, and of having secured and sent over the seas the exhibits of some 7,500 exhibitors.

Not Amenable to English Law.

Edward Galer, a desk cadet on the American line steamer St. Louis, who was arrested at Southampton, Eng., on February 9 for the alleged theft of two bills of acceptance for 21,134 marks in transit from Berlin to New York, was brought up in court and discharged, as the robbery took place on board an American ship outside of English jurisdiction and as the United States has given no intention of demanding extradition.

Bitter Toward Reformers.

An imperial edict just issued at Pekin, China, commands Li Hung Chang to desecrate and destroy the tombs of the ancestors of the Chinese reformer, Kang Yu Wei, and offers 100,000 taels for the capture of Kang Yu Wei dead or alive. Though the edict purports to emanate from the emperor, it is evidently the work of the dowager empress, whose bitterness towards the reformers is thus further evidenced.

Declares Him a Legal Voter.

In the case at York against John Plessinger of Arborville, who was accused of having voted illegally at the election last November, Judge Wildman held that Mr. Plessinger was a legal voter at that time, and therefore dismissed the action against him. The trial occurred the 12th inst., but the judge deferred his decision.

Simpton Denies It.

Justice of the Peace Simpton, whom Mrs. Nettie Craven said would swear that he married her and Senator Fair, when interviewed stated that her story was correct and that he was prepared to prove it. Now, however, he has made affidavit that he never performed the marriage, and that he had been bribed by Mrs. Craven to testify that he did.

Goes to Porto Rico.

Lieutent Colonel Russel B. Harrison, United States volunteers, has been relieved from further duty as inspector general of the department of Santiago and Puerto Principe. He will soon go to San Juano de Porto Rico for duty as inspector general of the department of Porto Rico.

NEWS IN BRIEF

After a week of slow improvement E. J. Phelps, of New Haven, Conn., who has had a severe attack of pneumonia, is now practically out of danger and is regaining strength.

Some of a band of Cree Indians, camped near Butte, Mont., went to the city to get a quantity of alcohol. By mistake they were given wood alcohol. Three of the band, two bucks and a squaw, drank it. They all died in great agony.

His Boy Lost.

J. W. Daily, a banker at Colon, Neb., telephoned Detective Malone at Lincoln to send out his bloodhounds. He said a young son of one of the citizens of Colon had wandered away and could not be found, and it was feared that he would freeze to death in the snow. Mr. Malone sent Charles Franklin out with the dogs.

Negro Lynched.

At Aiken, S. C., Will Burts, a negro, was lynched for attempted assault of Mrs. C. L. Weeks, a planter's wife.

African City Built of Lead.

There is a city in Africa where lead is used successfully for building purposes. Byra is the name of this rather extensive town, which has over 300 buildings built of pure lead. These very fine public buildings, with beautiful ornamentations, have been constructed from pure lead. Besides durability the cheapness of the mineral is a great consideration. Thus the construction of any of these very elaborate buildings never exceeds the cost of $80,000.

IS NEARLY FROZEN

John Fitzpatrick of Greeley County a Victim.

HIS RECOVERY IS VERY DOUBTFUL

Started for Home After Night and Found in a Cornfield in the Morning in an Unconscious Condition—Other News.

Nearly Greeley Center, John Fitspatrick, one of the wealthiest men in Greeley county, was found lying in a a cornfield Sunday morning by John Salter, badly frozen and in an unconscious conscious condition. His recovery is doubtful.

It is said that Mr. Fitzpatrick had been drinking the evening before starting for his home, and that he lost his way in the dark and remained out all night in the bitter cold.

F. G. SIMMONS ARRESTED

He Is Charged With Embezzlement of Postal Funds.

Deputy United States Marshal Moore arrested Frank G. Simmons Friday last and took him before United States Commissioner Billingsley, at Lincoln. The complaint was filed by District Attorney W. S. Summers and charged with embezzling and converting to his own use $2,460, the property of the United States, while acting as postmaster at Seward. Mr. Simmons was not ready to plead and his bail was fixed at $2,500. The marshal went with him to Seward to find bondsmen.

Mr. Simmons was prominent politically and in newspaper circles for many years, having been the editor of the Seward Reporter, a weekly paper issued at Seward. The examination of Mr. Simmons' books, according to the statements of Postoffice Inspectors Sinclair and Swift, left no doubt as to Mr. Simmons' use of the money. His office was taken charge of by his bondsmen at once.

Mr. Simmons is forty-five years old and has a wife and five children. His paper has not been paying for a year or two and he has been struggling through financial embarrassments. The obligations pressing him most were loans from personal friends. He has many friends in Seward who sympathize with him and his family. He was always popular.

Mr. Simmons had no trouble to secure bail, his friends showing a disposition to aid him, even to the extent of making good his shortage.

THEY CARE FOR THE DEAD

Operators of Lincoln Bury the Man Who Killed Himself.

The telegraph operators of Lincoln and Topeka buried the remains of Anderson C. Howe, the operator who committed suicide in the Western Union office at Lincoln Wednesday of last week. Word was received from Howe's father, saying that he was too poor to care for his son's remains, and asking that they be turned over to the county. The Lincoln operators did not like this idea and they began to make arrangements to bury Howe in Lincoln. The operators in the Western Union office at Topeka were notified of this arrangement and they promptly telegraphed that they would subscribe $13 toward a burial fund. The Western Union, Postal, broker office, Burlington and other railroad operators in Lincoln donated money to the fund. The funeral was held Sunday, Dr. Wharton of St. Paul's church preaching the services.

BURGLAR MAKES GOOD HAUL

Carries Off More Than $200 Worth of Property.

A burglar entered the residence of D. P. Weeks, No. 321 North Sixteenth street, Lincoln, and secured two valuable gold watches and $4.50 in cash. The watches and the money were taken from a room occupied at the time by Ralph Drain and Ralph Hollenbeck, two university students. Two watch chains and one charm, made of a small gold piece, were also taken. The watches were taken from a dresser standing near the head of the bed in which the young men were sleeping, and the money from the pockets of their clothing. One of the watch chains was on a vest which had been left hanging in a closet. The work of the burglar indicated that he was perfectly familiar with the place and knew exactly where everything wanted was kept.

Fire Does Damage at Harvard.

The large two-story residence of Mrs. W. H. McBride, at Harvard, was discovered to be on fire. A telephone alarm was sent in and the fire department responded promptly and put it out. The origin of the fire is unknown. The damage is considerable, principally from water. No insurance.

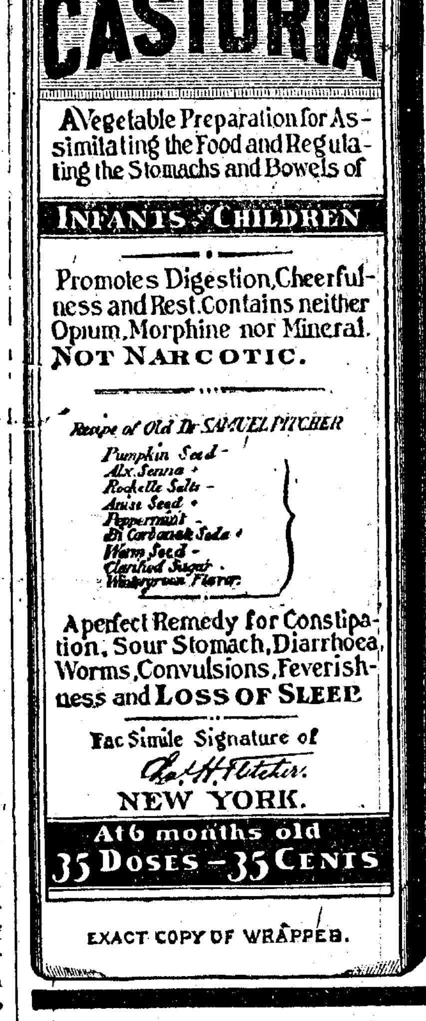
Representative Hull of Iowa has introduced a bill giving the adjutant general of the army the rank of major general.

Low Rates for Veterans.

The Central passenger association at their meeting in Chicago decided to grant a rate of one cent a mile for the national encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic to be held in that city next August. This is the lowest rate ever made for any occasion. The association also agreed to grant a rate of one fare for the round trip, plus $2 for the national educational association meeting at Charleston, S. C., next July. For the national prohibition convention at Chicago on June 28 a rate of one fare for the round trip was made.

Honey a Healthful Food.

Scientific men say that honey is a much more healthful sweet than sugar, and has many valuable properties. It is nutritive, and when used freely with bread makes an excellent food for children. It is laxative, and may be used advantageously in place of medicine by persons of sedentary lives. Being also the daintiest and most delicious of sweets—an extract of blossoms—it is hardly possible to eat it to an injurious extent. It needs no digestion, as sugar does, and even acts as a digestive aid.



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Fernandina, Fla., is the largest shipping point in the world for phosphate rock. The rock, which is used as a fertilizer, was discovered in Florida in 1888. In 1890 the shipments from Fernandina amounted to 10,428 tons. Each year it has increased, until last year 195,000 tons were shipped from that port. This year it is expected that the shipments will reach 288,000 tons. All the phosphate rock shipped from Fernandina goes to foreign countries. The harbor of Fernandina is unsurpassed by that of any Florida port, the depth of water over the bar being 22½ feet.

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Smoke Shells Suggested.

The great loss of life incurred by the English troops is mainly attributable to the charges they have had to make across open spaces in order to dislodge the enemy from the sheltering kopje. In order to minimize the death roll it has been suggested that just before a charge takes place smoke shells should be fired, which would temporarily hide the English soldiers.

Public Schools Gaining.

The current annual report of Dr. William T. Harris, United States commissioner of education, estimates the population between the ages of 5 and 18, at 21,458,294. Of these 15,038,636 are enrolled in the public schools. The increase in attendance in the public schools is in excess of the increase in population. The recent enrollment is 70 per cent of the whole, against 65.5 in 1880 and 61.4 in 1870. The average term of the school year increased from 132 days in 1870 to 143 days in 1898.

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Followed Instructions.

Aunt M'riar—Hiram, hev ye got John's letter?

Hiram Otecake—Naw; wuzn't nuthin' important in it, but ther envelope sez, "Return in five days," so I done it. —New York World.

Fighting Rams in India.

In India the chief pastime of the natives is ram-fighting. The greatest possible care is taken in rearing and training the rams for fighting. When the horns first appear on the lamb they are pulled out. A second pair then grows, which are much larger and stronger than the first. As the ram grows older it is taught to buck. The trainer uses a shield, which is padded somewhat, so that the ram will not break its horns. Gradually the animal learns to take a long run before bucking and finally, when full grown, it is all that two men can do to hold the shield against its onslaughts. A remarkable thing about the animals is that the one which has been defeated will never face its conqueror again.

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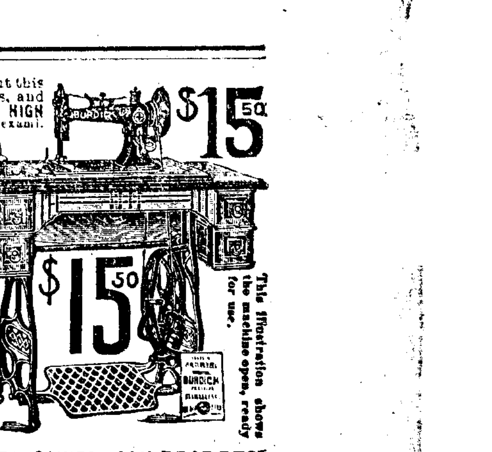

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Ida Items.

C. Spaulding is at the Companys' ranch this week.

Mr. Ed. Harrow, formerly of this place but now of Kansas, surprised his many friends here by stepping off of the train Saturday night. He is looking after business interests and may locate here again. He will find a welcome. He has been stopping at Mr. Goodenow's.

Mr. Brockus had a fine sale Monday. Everything brought a top price. Mr. Brockus will commence moving his household effects Tuesday. This vicinity has lost a splendid neighbor and it is hoped by their many friends that their sojourn in Burwell will be such that we can welcome them back in our mids't ere long. However, what is Ida's loss is Burwell's gain.

Mr. Witham is again confined to his room.

Ferd Butts is not able to attend to business at Burwell so is home for a much needed rest.

Mr. Noble of Richland precinct will move this week on the Brockus farm. We extend a warm welcome to Mr. Noble and family as they come highly recommended.

Mrs L. N. Kennedy spent Sunday with her parents at Ida, Mr. Kennedy was at Taylor.

Henry Payton and family of near Kent are visiting his parents this week.

Miss Gertrude Whiting is quite sick.

Mrs. White is looking after business interests and shaking hands with old friends and neighbors. She is on her return from the Pacific coast, where she has spent the winter.

Misses Pearl Butts and Edna Wright took dinner with Maude Jackson Monday.

Miss Jennie Smith and Maude Jackson visited at the Joe Payton home Tuesday night. Doris.

Poplar Grove People.

Frank Adamek bought a fine horse of Wallace Dye of Woods Park.

Ign. Klema is still bedfast.

Ralph Stafford lost a hog by smothering while hauling them to Comstock one day this week.

Alva Rockhold and a collector for the Nichols & Shepherd Co. were in Poplar Grove last Monday.

Mike Prestele, George Geiger, and Jos. Waldemann drove to Sargent last Sunday returning Monday

Frank Krickac is on the sick list.

The Woodmen had a big "blow-out" last Saturday night initiating nine candidates.

The young folks had a grand ball at the Ptacnick's hall last Sunday. A large crowd was present and a good time reported.

Frank Adamek had the misfortune of losing a calf by eating too much millet hay.

Arnold Kerbel moved back to his brother Joe.

A crowd consisting of about forty young and old gathered at the Penas' home to serenade the young couple. Johnnie.

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FIRST WIG IN HISTORY.

It Was Worn by the Daughter of Saul, King of Israel.

The first wig mentioned in history was made of a goat's skin and worn by the daughter of Saul, king of Israel. The first artistic wigs were made in the south of Italy for the Gapiniens, who lived in Apulia and were known for the luxuries of their toilet. These people were, they say, the first who painted their faces. This they did with the juice of strawberries.

The Persians wore wigs. Xenophon relates that little Cyrus, when he visited Astyages, his grandfather, whose eyes were framed in blue paint and who wore an enormous wig, threw himself on his knees and cried, "Oh, mother, what a beautiful grandfather I have!" Aglais, a maid of honor, was so struck by the appearance of the old gentleman that she remained with Astyages as a slave.

The Phœnician women, who were proud of their hair, having been ordered by their priests to offer it up on the altars dedicated to Venus after the death of Adonis, obeyed, but with murmuring. Soon after they were consoled by a Greek merchant, who told them that he would give them the means of hiding their bald pates under luxurious curls. In his chariot he had hundreds of wigs of all colors.

Wigs were in vogue in Rome toward the end of the republic and so well made that, says Ovid, "no man could know if his wife had any hair at all before she had given him an opportunity of seizing her by the tresses."

Teutonic peasants were the providers of blond hair for rich Roman princesses, who loved the contrast of its flaxen hue with their black eyes. They even had morning wigs, small and tightly curled, of any color, and they kept the beautiful fair ones to receive their admirers at night. Messalina had 150 wigs to disguise herself.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

THE SAMPLE FIEND.

It Takes Lots of Material to Supply the Sampler's Demands.

Coming suddenly upon a salesman in a retail store who had a number of yard long lengths of new piques liberally sprinkled with those little price tags (the pins all stuck through the several thicknesses and bent down), one understood all at once the full import of the demands of the sample fiend. Marked off evenly like a checkerboard, with 17 price tags lengthwise and seven to the width, which made 119 to the yard, the salesman was going over the lot with a pencil, setting down the width and price on each.

At one store the one who is at the head of each stock attends to the preparing of the samples of his particular stock. Thus the pique samples would be cut by one, samples of swiss by another, of organdie by another, and so on. In the silk department one man, who is kept for the purpose, does it all. And it takes all his time.

For people from a distance who do their buying by mail this is of course a very good method. But the part to which all sane people take exception is the senseless sampling of those who wander aimlessly about, evidently gathering samples as a thoughtless child sometimes pulls twigs in passing bushes. The worst of it is we have to pay for this senseless woman's foolishness, it being often observable that the biggest samplers are the smallest buyers. One clerk says that he has actually seen thrown upon the sidewalk the samples given to a woman after showing her his whole stock, her purchase being ostensibly postponed because of her fear that the goods will not match something or other.

The time is past when these scraps went to feed the insatiate crazy quilt fiends.—Philadelphia Record.

His Resentment.

A Memphis young lady who is very fond of her sister's little child, a boy of 2 or 3 years, who is visiting her now, was trying yesterday to get him to let her "fix him up" to have his photograph taken. She got her curling tongs and was trying to coax him to let her curl his hair. But with true boyish disgust at the idea of having his hair treated like a girl's he refused to submit to the process. She insisted, however, and offered him every kind of bribe, but in every instance he refused to allow her to do what she wished, and finally, becoming tired of her attempt to get him to submit, he sat down, crossed his legs and looked up at her very seriously and said:

"Auntie, I tell you what I'll do. I won't take a dollar to let you curl my hair, but I'll give you a dollar if you just go away and let my hair alone."—Memphis Scimitar.

Wounded In Battle.

An army loses far more of its strength through its wounded than through its killed. In the first place there are four or five wounded to one killed, and in the second place the dead men give no trouble, while the wounded require an immense number of noncombatants to attend to them. A great many of the wounded return again to duty, their wounds being comparatively slight, but as a rule more than half of them take no more part in the war.—London Answers.

The Poet's Choice.

"I don't care for your poem, 'The Song of the Lark,'" remarked the editor. The poet sighed wearily.

"To tell the truth," he replied, "I myself much prefer the lay of the hen."—Philadelphia Record.

Among birds the swan lives to be the oldest, in extreme cases reaching 300 years. The falcon has been known to live over 162 years.

The average duration of marriages in England is 28 years; in France and Germany, 26; Norway, 24; Russia, 30.

VICINITY CLIPPINGS.

Gleaned from our Neighbor Exchanges

From the Greeley Leader-Independent.

Last Sunday morning John Salter found John Fitzpatrick lying in his corn field in an unconcious condition. He had started the evening before and becoming confused, wandered about a good part of the night and was finally overcome with the cold and fatigue. He was taken home and it was thought he would not recover as his hands, feet and face were frozen. He seems to be rallying, however, and it is thought he will come out all right again with the exception of losing some of his toes which the doctors think will have to be amputated

From the North Loup Loyalist.

The meetings in the S. D. B. church are being held each night, and are increasing in interest and attendance. Pastor Witter is preaching some especially strong sermons with the result that the church members are beginning to see the need of taking a firmer stand for Christ and the church.

[From the Burwell Mascot.]

It made a chill of horror pass over us Sunday when we saw a horse running and a small girl upon it screaming at the top of her voice. The girl was one of O. I. Bragg's small children and the horse belongs to O. H. Tompson. After running about a half mile the child was thrown, but except a few bruises and scratches about the face, was not hurt. It was a narrow escape from what might have been a serious affair.

Sunday evening, Jasper Beckwith of Willow Springs precinct, was striken by appoplexy. He had been entertaining company during the day and late in the evening after all had gone, he complained to his aged wife that he had a severe pain in his side, he arose and started to go into the bed room to lie down, but as he got to the door he said it had gone to his head and clapping his head in his hands fell backwards, dead. Mr. Beckwith was 82 years of age and has lived here several years. He leaves an aged and respected wife and several children, all of whom are married. The funeral was preached at the house Tuesday, by Rev. J. F. Webster and the remains interred in the Burwell cemetary.

From the Taylor Clarion.

SUDDEN DEATH.—On Saturday evening Saul Dice, brother of Mrs. Bagley, went to bed as usual, but the next morning he was dead, and from appearances he passed away without a struggle. He was about 66 years old; was quite an eccentric individual, but was respected and liked by all; honest and faithful as the sun above. He was buried in the cemetery the next day, Rev. Wismer officiating.

This leaves Mr. and Mrs. Bagley in quite a helpless condition, both being old and feeble, as Mr. Dice was their mainstay in doing chores and odd jobs.

From the Arcadia Champion.

John Wall went down to Lincoln Wednesday and brought home his daughters, Miss Ina and Pearl, who have been attending the high school for the past six months. Miss Pearl won third place in mathematics out of a class of 138.

W. A. Prentiss of North Loup who has been in Arcadia the past week in the interest of the American Home Association of St. Paul, Neb., has succeeded admirably. He now has thirty members and is not half through the field. The Home is an insurance as well as a social organization and is one of the finest we know of. Judge A. A. Kendall of St. Paul, Neb., is at the head of it and this alone speaks volumes for its success. Should you wish a cheap as well as a reliable insurance you would do well to see Mr. Prentiss. He will be in Arcadia until the first of March.

[From the Scotia Register.]

—The Greely Dramatic Co. played to a full house Saturday night. The Scotia orchestra furnished some excellent music for the occasion. The play was very good for amateurs, some of the actors showing considerable ability in that line. Mr. Howard and Mrs. Martin as Larry and Biddy caused many a hearty laugh by their Irish wit. It was a very enjoyable entertainment and was appreciated by the large audience.

A Model of Joy.

The artist placed the easel in front of his model and worked away rapidly on his allegorical picture of "Joy."

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"Down on South Water street this morning," he went on, "I saw the fattest possum that was ever brought to this town. I am going to get it for you."

"Golly!"

And the picture was a magnificent success.—Chicago Tribune.

Lady Churchill's Patriotic Retort.

Lady Churchill has inherited the wit of her father, as she demonstrated upon one occasion to an eminent British politician. He was somewhat annoyed at the campaign she had made and said:

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Honors Easy.

"The audience was a trifle severe in its comments on the essay your wife read."

"Yes," answered Mr. Meekton, "but the audience hasn't any the best of it. It 'ud feel pretty small and discouraged if it only knew what Henrietta says about the people who criticised her."—Washington Star.

The Very Man.

"Who would be the right officer to approach for inside governmental information?" asked the new Washington correspondent of the old one.

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It is worth noting, also, that the first English general who has earned promotion in South Africa is French.

Old man Joubert is adhering tenaciously to his promise to fight "to the last ditch, the last gun and the last man."

Nearly 200,000 valentines passed through the Chicago postoffice this year, and yet Chicago has been called a city with no sentiment above corned beef.

A Delaware woman who went away with another man while her husband was out doing the milking left a note saying: "Dear John—I have gone away with the man I love, and we will live happy. Don't hunt for us." But John is hunting for them with a gun, probably to prove that she was wrong for once. Some men take such a mean delight in robbing women of innocent peace.

A young minister who did not scruple to fish for compliments was once invited to take dinner with an old elder, as reticent as they make them. Manipulate the conversation as he would, the young man could not get his host to say "sermon," and at last he boldly introduced the important subject by remarking directly, "That was a fine text I had to-day." But the elder knew his man. "Ou, ay, there's naething wrang wi' the text!"

England has more battleships and cruisers than France and Russia combined and more than Germany, Italy, United States and Japan combined. In torpedo boats she is inferior to France and but little superior to Russia. The Australians want to have a little navy, but objection is raised to this in England on the ground that the colonists would next insist upon having a voice in the disposition of the British fleet and might not be disposed to take a hand in all of the imperial wars.

The czar of Russia is not much in love with the grandeur in which he is compelled to live. He has no liking for a soldier's or sportsman's life, and is never more uncomfortable than when obliged to don the gorgeous uniform of some crack regiment of which he is colonel. He is fond of rowing, cycling, tennis and other quiet sports. His happiest moments are spent in his unpretentious library. The czar and his young wife have for their favorite domestic resort the small Alexander palace, at Czarskoie Selo. In the grounds of this palace is a queerly built pavilion, or summer house, which was designed by the great Catherine of Russia, and here the royal pair enjoy their meals unattended by servants. A sort of "trick table" sinks through the floor when each course is finished and reappears laid for the following course.

Curious as it may appear to many people, it is, nevertheless, extremely probable that the war in South Africa may have the effect of giving an immense stimulus to mule breeding in Great Britain. The truth is that the military authorities have discovered that the demand for really eligible mules far exceeds the supply, and as it is evident to the public that the prices paid for such animals are remunerative, it is pretty certain that the lesson will receive the attention it deserves. In this country the mule is highly valued for heavy draught work. When it is also borne in mind that the mule can exist well where a horse would well-nigh starve, that he is the most healthy of animals and a willing worker, in spite of all the jokes which are made on the score of the obstinacy displayed by some mules, there can be no gainsaying the fact that he is a useful beast.

A recent commercial report shows the intimate relation between weather and business. The unusually mild temperature has had its effect in many ways. The smaller sale of shoes is attributed to the mildness of the weather, and the absence of rain and the slight fall of snow have resulted in the shut-down of some rubber factories. The sale of overshoes, rubber boots, and mackintoshes is much less than ever before. The ice business is affected, the but in most localities being small and giving promise of a small crop, with dearer prices in the summer. The scarcity of snow in the northwest is decreasing the log cut. Drought in New England resulted in a shortage of water in the little streams that furnish power to the cotton and other mills, causing many of them to shut down. This was followed by floods that brought too high a level and kept the mills still closed. Warm weather being responsible for scarcity of ice and lumber, one would think it would result in a decreased price of coal, but, strangely enough, this has not followed.

In addition to the known wealth of the Philippine islands it is pointed out in a monograph just published in Germany that they are among the few places on earth where the trees from which gutta-percha is procured will flourish. This material is indispensable for covering sub-marine cables and electric wires and for many other uses, says the Army and Navy Journal. No substitute has been found, and the supply drawn from Sumatra and Borneo is almost entirely exhausted through the wasteful methods employed in gathering it.

William Waldorf Astor seems to be trying to follow the old adage, "if you cannot speak well of another, say nothing at all." Within the last few months two notable Englishmen have died, the duke of Westminster and George W. Steevens, the brilliant war correspondent, and in each case Mr. Astor refused to permit an obituary of them to be published in his Pall Mall Gazette. He had trouble with the duke over the purchase of Cliveden, his beautiful home on the Thames, and never forgave Steevens for leaving his journal for the Daily Mail.

IS LEFT TO COURTS

Settlement of Kentucky Controversy Near.

ATTORNEYS ABLE TO AGREE ON TERMS

Consolidation of the Multiplicity of Suits and Final Action to Go Before a Louisville Judge—Other Important News.

The contests over the Kentucky state officers are very much simplified by an agreement entered into between the attorneys for the republicans and the democrats, representing both sides and straightening out the legal tangle over the multiplicity of injunction suits for the title to the governorship.

The agreement is that there shall be a speedy trial in the courts on an agreed case, involving all of the issues, the first hearing to be before Judge Emmetfield, at Louisville. The agreein part follows:

"There are now pending in the Jefferson circuit court two suits entitled respectively Taylor vs. Beckham, et al., and Marshal vs. Beckham, et al., and another suit, in the name of Beckham vs. Taylor and Marshal, is to be filed in said court. Process has been served in the first named two suits and the defendants agree at once to enter their appearance in the last named suit. All of said suits are to be placed upon the ordinary docket and tried by the court on the law and facts.

"One answer and the subsequent pleadings in the two first named suits may be filed and applied to both cases and they are to be consolidated; the same evidence shall be heard in all the cases, the three cases being tried and heard together. The pleadings shall be made up by Tuesday, February 27, 1900, or sooner if possible.

"The evidence shall be by deposition or record unless otherwise agreed upon, and shall be taken as soon as possible, say within ten days from the time the pleadings are closed."

There is general elation in political circles tonight over the argument between the attorneys, as it is conceded the matter will now be passed to a speedy finish. Both sides are pleased over the terms agreed on.

DECLARE GOEBEL ELECTED

Kentucky Democrats of the Legislature Ratify Former Action.

The democratic members of the two houses of the Keutucky legislaturre met in joint session and by a vote of seventy-four to two ratified the former proceedings by which William Goebel was declared elected governor and J. C W. Beckham lieutenant governor, and through which Beckham, since the death of Governor Goebel, claims title to the office of governor. The republican members of the legislature remained away from the joint session, having decided in caucus not to attend. The senate had adopted the resolutions Tuesday and the house Wednesday and the adoption of them by the joint assembly from the democratic standpoint puts the finishing touches to its action on the contests.

The attorneys for Taylor and Beckham will hold a joint conference for the purpose of discussing propositions to settle which of the two injunction suits, relating to the contest over the governorship, shall have precedence, or the consolidation of both cases in order to avoid a clash between courts over the question of jurisdiction.

PRONOUNCES THE LAW VOID

Anti-Deparment Store Legislation in Missouri Ineffectual

The Missouri supreme court in an opinion by Judge Robinson, declared the department store law, passed by the last legislature, unconstitutional and void.

The reasons given are that it is clearly class legislation: that the act is incomplete and is not a law and does not constitute a rule of conduct and that the act imposes an occupation tax as a license to do business. The law applied only to St. Joseph, Kansas City and St. Louis, and to stores in those cities employing more than a certain number of clerks. This feature is objected to in the opinion as class legislation.

Young Man Drops Dead.

Robert Martinson, a young man of Omaha, dropped dead Wednesay at the depot at Hooper. He had been unwell some time and in hopes of betterment had been visiting a friend working on John Dixon's farm, six miles northeast of Hooper, but his condition did not improve. He was about to return to Omaha. Alighting from the buggy at the station he fell dead on the platform.

Horse Falls Upon Him.

George Thomas, a cattle dealer of Creighton, Neb., and the proprietor of the "Plum Dale Stock Farm" was quite badly hurt by his horse falling upon him. His arm was broken and the muscles were very badly lacerated and torn. He is suffering intensely and it will be some time before he will be able to attend to his business.

Think the Case Peculiar.

As the facts develop people at Wahoo make the charge that Lee Johnson, the hardware merchant of Mead, who was reported to have been robbed last Monday night, was not robbed at all. The returning of the Lincoln bloodhounds to the Johnson residence hastened the formation of this sentiment, and there are said to be many other peculiar circumstances connected with the case. Mr. Johnson maintains that he was robbed. Mr. Johnson has always been considered an honest citizen.

Murder in Blind Tiger.

During a dispute over a game of craps in a blind tiger in Corbin, Ky., George Harp was shot and instantly killed; Lieutenont Abe Early was shot in the elbow and back, and Jim Sulfridge was shot through the arm. It is uncertain who killed Harp.

Burles Woman Suffrage.

The Massachusetts house had its annual debate on woman suffrage, resulting in the defeat of the proposition, 124 to 32, a larger majority than for many years.

SWINE BREEDERS' MEETING

Association Addressed by the Secretary of Agriculture.

At the opening of the annual winter meeting of the state swine breeders' association, Secretary of Agriculture James Wilson was introduced and made a practical speech to the state breeders who were attending the meeting at Lincoln, and gave them many valuable pointers. He spoke of the importance of the swine industry and of the fact that we have in the corn growing regions developed one type of hog; namely, the lard hog; that the bacon hog was a different creature and that it could not be grown upon corn alone. The bacon hog must be fed upon nitrogenous food. He urged the swine breeders to keep in mind both of these kinds of hogs, and to remember that they could evolve the one or the other form by careful selection. The lard hog can be prepared for market in a few months, while the bacon hog requires two years or more for its perfection. He then went on to speak of the relation between the swine industry and other farm industries. "I would not grow hogs alone," he said; "nor cattle alone, nor would I engage in ordinary farm tillage alone. The dairy and the swine herd are related to one another and the best results are obtained where there is a mixed industry."

In speaking of the work done in the way of a study of the diseases of swine he described the method adopted in Washington in the production of serum for the treatment of hog cholera, and then paid a very high compliment to the state of Nebraska by stating that Nebraska alone of all the states in the union was doing a large work along this line of the protection of the farmers. He complimented the Nebraska experiment station and intimated that perhaps the farmers did not fully appreciate as they should the good work which was done in the station. He closed his interesting address by calling attention to the fact that the sugar beet industry of the state was only partially developed; that when the sugar maker had taken out from the beets all he wanted, there was left in the pulp as much valuable food matter for domestic animals as if the sugar maker had not touched the beet at all. He urged the farmers of the state to turn their attention to this great opportunity to get still more out of the beets than they are now getting. The address was listened to with marked attention by those present and a hearty round of applause greeted him at its close.

REPORT LADYSMITH SAFE

Boers Reported to Have Loosened Their Galp on Besieged Town.

A London dispatch says the war office has received the following from Gen. Buller:

"CHIEVELEY CAMP, February 21—The Fifth division crossed the Tugela today by pontoon and drove back the enemy's rear guard, our naval twelve-pounder silencing all of the enemy's guns."

The Berlin Tageblatt publishes a special from Brussels, which says the Transvaal legation there announces that all the Boers are evacuating Natal, their positions in that colony being no longer tenable. General Joubert, it is added, has ordered the concentration of all the available forces to oppose Lord Roberts.

The siege of Ladysmith it is further stated, will be raised, and it is expect-General Buller will enter the town at the end of the week.

Victims of a Snowslide.

News has been received at Aspen, Colo., that Harry Wico, Ed Robinson and Tom McDerMott, miners, working at the Enterprise group in the Taylor river country, were buried in a snowslide two or three days ago, and the bodies have just been recovered. The scene of the accident is twenty-five or thirty miles from Aspen and there is no telegraphic communication with the place.

Strike of Coal Miners.

A general strike is on at all the mines between Sandy Lake, Pa., and Jackson Center, the men going out on refusal of an advance of 5 cents a ton for run of the mine. The former price was forty cents. All the mines have been running full time and are several weeks behind in filling orders.

Edwards Receives Appointment.

Lieutenant Colonel Clarence R. Edwards, Forty-seventh volunteer infantry, who was on the staff of General Lawton at the time of his death, and who accompanied the remains to the city of Washington, has been appointed chief of the division of customs and insular affairs of the war department.

Tried to Break Through.

Alaska, W. Va., is quarantined on account of smallpox by the officials of the Chesapeake & Ohio railway. Oscar Blacklan attempted to break through the quarantine guard and was shot dead.

Family Burned to Death.

Edward Lawrence of Lakeville Corner, New Brunswick, and his wife and three children, were burned to death in their homes at that place.

Mother and Boys Drowned.

The wife and two sons of Enoch Stevenson were drowned in a pond near their home at Eldora, N. J. The two boys, aged ten and thirteen, were playing on the ice when they broke through. Their screams attracted the attention of the mother, who ran to save them and all perished.

Kearsarge in Commission.

The battleship Kearsarge was placed in commission Wednesday with the usual ceremonies. Captain W. M. Folger assumed command.

Drops Dead in a Depot.

Louis Hagg of Cleveland, O., dropped dead in the Lake Shore depot at Chicago. He was on his way to Peoria and was waiting for a train when he died. Heart disease is supposed to have been the cause of death.

Gambling Houses Must Close.

The fire and police board of Denver have ordered the chief of police to close all gambling houses of the city. The action was taken in response to a request from the ministerial associations.

TRAGEDY AT BROCK

Wealthy Farmer Kills Wife and Suicides.

MURDERED WOMAN PROMINENT W.C.T.U.

Wilson Wakelin of Brock Goes Wrong and After Killing His Wife, Goes to Cemetery and Suicides on First Wife's Grave.

A telegram from Brock, Neb., says: Wilson Wakelin cut his wife's throat shortly after 11 o'clock Monday night and proceeding to the cemetery first cuts his own throat and then blew out his brains on the grave of his first wife.

Wakelin is a farmer living three miles north of Brock. His wife was widely known all over the state, having for some years been president of the Nebraska Woman's Christian Temperance Union, and a well known worker in that organization. At the time of her death she was general superintendent of the division of work known as "Mothers' metings."

About 11;30 Monday night S. P. Robertson, a farmer living near the Wakelin place, was aroused by a knocking at his door. Opening his window he found Wakelin outside. The latter told him that his wife, who had been ill for some time, was worse, and asked him if he would go over and tell his son-in-law, who lives close at hand, to go to town and get a doctor.

Wakelin seemed to be in much distress of mind that Robertson got up and went over to the Wakelin house. He found a light on the sitting room table, but no one in sight. On the table, in plain view, was a note, which read as follows:

"11:05 p. m.—Am going to kill Mary."

Appended was the following line:

"11:15—Have cut her throat. She is entirely dead. You will find me at the cemetery."

Mr. Robertson went for help at once. On the bed in her usual apartment lay Mrs. Wakelin with her throat cut, the windpipe having been severed by a razor's stroke.

There was very little blood on the bed or about her person. About all the blood visible was in the slopjar, over which, it is presumed, he held his wife's throat, after he had cut it. He seemed to have taken special pains to wipe from her person all blood-stains.

A searching party started for the cemetery at once. There, on the grave of his first wife, they found the body of Wakelin—dead. He had taken the razor with which he had cut his wife's throat, made an incision in the jugular vein on either side of his throat. In order to make sure that death would ensue he had taken a revolver, placed it against his right temple and pulled the trigger.

No other note or writing to indicate why he had done the deed was to be found. Wakelin and his wife had been married about six or eight years. He had never shown any symptoms or signs of insanity, and everything indicates he committed the deed coolly and deliberately. The razor and revolver were found by his side in the cemetery.

Coroner's inquests were held on the two bodies and a verdict rendered in accordadce with the above report.

TO SAVE BLOEMFONTEIN.

Boers Hasten to Defend Free State Capital.

A dispatch from Lorenzo Marquez dated Friday last, says:

"It is reported here that 5,000 burghers have left Ladysmith for the Free State. The Boers are concentrating their forces thirty miles outside of Bloemfontein and the Free State government is moving to Winburg.

"Reinforcements from all parts are passing through Bloemfontein hourly. President Steyn has telegraphed President Kruger that Lord Roberts is within a few hours of Bloemfontein, and he urges that every male, irrespective of nationality, should be commandeered.

Cronje's Position Strong.

A dispatch from the neighborhood of the investment of General Cronje says that a baloon has discovered that the Boers are well covered by a system of burrowing in the river bank, which resembles a rabbit-warren and affords shellproof positions.

This, perhaps more than any other circumstance, explains why what has been regarded as Cronje's death struggle has been prolonged.

As General Cronje is reported to have plenty of food the plan of starving him out can scarcely avail, so Lord Roberts must either wait until his ammunition runs out, or those of General Cronje's forces who are counseling surrender prevail. In the meanwhile the British are gradually drawing the cordon closer.

Cloth Plant Burned.

A portion of the Minetto Shade Cloth company plant, at Minetto, a suburb of Oswego, N. Y., was destroyed by fire. Loss $200,000. The fire was caused by friction in the plant mill.

WILL RESIST THE GERMANS

Natives in China to Oppose Further Railroad Building.

A dispatch to the New York Herald from Pekin, China, says: John Fowler, United States consul at Chee Foo, province of Shan Tung, reports that 4,000 armed natives have gathered on the line of the survey for the new German railway to await the arrival of the German troops. The natives are determined to resist the construction of the road.

Planning to Build a Church.

The United Brethren congregation of York Neb., has completed arrangements for building a new church this spring as soon as the weather will permit. It will be a brick structure and will cost about $6,000. At present meetings are held in the college chapel, which proves to be too small to accommodate the increasing attendance, and the outcome was the proposition for building the new church.

The works of the Maritime Milling company at New Glasgow, N. S., were destroyed by fire today. Loss, $150,000.

A RESUME OF LATE NEWS

Concise Condensation of the Important Events of the World.

Another case of bubonic plague has developed at Sydney, N. S. W.

The Plattsville, Wis., powder mills were wrecked by an explosion, killing three persons and seriously injuring another.

Fire in the Paris house and the big dry goods store of L. D. Newell & Son at Providence, R. I., caused an estimated loss of 100,000.

The influenza is still raging in Berlin. Princess Frederick Charles and the Italian ambassador here. Count Lanza di Busca have been attacked.

At Chicago, Rev. Charles Palmertson Anderssn was consecrated bishop-coadjutor of the Episcopal diocese of Chicago by Bishop McLaren, assisted by others.

Miss Lillian, daughter of Lord Pauncefote, British ambassador to the United States, was married in Washington to Hon. Robert Bromley of Stoke Hall, Newark, Nottinghamshire, England.

At a meeting of the executive committee of Tammany hall a resolution was adopted denouncing the Hay-Pauncefote treaty as a violation of the Monroe doctrine, establishing an entangling alliance with Great Britain.

An ordinance has been introduced in the city council of Nebraska City, Neb., levying an annual license of $5 on each fire insurance doing business in the city, the proceeds to be used in caring for sick firemen and those injured while on duty.

Thomas Roan died in the county jail at Auburn, Neb., from the effects of excessive drinking. He was a painter by trade and had been a teetotaler about seven years past until about two months ago, when he again began drinking, since which time he has drank very heavily.

Shortly after midnight last Saturday the express on the Lehigh Valley railroad struck a carriage containing seven persons at Tuttle's crossing, about twenty-five miles east from Rochester, N. Y., instantantly killing five of the occupants, fatally injuring another, and badly bruising the other.

A dispatch from New York says that Nellie Grant Sartoris is now convalescing from an operation and will be about in a few days. On account of public statements that her malady was cancer, it is stated that an examination made after the operation shows that there is no evidence that a cancer has ever existed.

The executive committee of the national association of democratic clubs met at Washington today, Chairman McMillan presiding, and decided to hold the next meeting at Indianapolis, Ind., September 5. Joseph C. Sibley of Pennsylvania tendered his resignation as member of the executive committee, and it was accepted.

It has been officially announced in Washington that four of the five members of the Philippine commission have been selected. They are Judge Taft of Ohio, Luke E. Wright of Tennessee, H. C. Ide of Vermont and Dean Worcester of Michigan. The fifth member will be announced later. It is generally believed he will be Bernard Moses of California.

A Berlin dispatch says that Baron Hesse Wartegg, writing from Singapore, in the Cologne Volks Zeitung, in which the writer says that an expedition is being prepared in the French Indies for the purpose of seizing Hainan and therewith threatening the independence of Siam. The Baron adds that the matter was brought to the attention of Prince Henry of Prussia when the latter was at Bangkok.

It is said that several thousand more men will be thrown out of work during the week at Chicago, and the tieup of the building industry of city will be further complicated by the action taken at the meeting of the building material trades council. Its decision that the delivery of brick from all yards in Cook county to buildings under construction by the united contractors where non-union men were employed be stopped will make idle 1,000 brickmakers, and the order extending the strike of the machinists to other trades will call out at least 3,000 others.

Crawls a Mile for Help.

A New York, February 26 dispatch says: The residence of Robert Johnson, a retired dry goods merchant on the Hudson at Mount St. Vincent, New York, burned to the ground. The damage is $100,000. Johnson, who lived alone, was asleep on the top floor. He escaped down a surveyor's chain which he fastened to the window. In juming from the top of a storm door to the ground he wrenched his back. He crawled over half a mile on his hands and knees in the snow to the house of a gardener, and after telling of the fire fell unconscious.

Punishment to Fit Crime.

Albert Hoskins, in the criminal court at Kansas City, pleaded guilty to "holding up" a street car conductor one night last September and was sentenced to twenty-one years in the penitentiary. He is a widower and has two children. Two weeks ago a jury in the same court assessessed a forty-year sentence against a negro highwayman.

Major Ennis, Sixth artillery, commanding Camp McKinley, Honolulu, H. I., reports to the war department, under date of February 15, one death at Hilo from plague. He says there have been no new cases at Honolulu for eight days.

One of the fiercest snowstorms of the winter prevailed throughout northern Ohio the forepart of the week. A forty-mile gale from the nortwest was accompanied by a heavy driving snow, causing big drifts to form everywhere. The temperature fell rapidly.

Wants the Date Change.

An effort is being made to change the date of the national populist convention set for May 9 at Sioux Falls. M. L. Fox of Sioux Falls, a leading South Dakota populist, in an interview said that Sioux Falls is a little afraid that the weather just at that season will be unpleasant, and it is thought if it can be put off till a later date conditions probably would be more favorable.

The turn in the lane always comes when we least expect it.

Many a bearded fugitive from justice has escaped by a close shave.

HE CANNOT ESCAPE

Fifty Guns Are Bearing Upon Cronje at Short Range.

HIS SURRENDER IS EXPECTED SOON

Gallant But Ghastly Defense Already Too Long—Graphic Description of Terrible Fight Sent to London by a Correspondent.

Mr. Balfour announced in the house of commons at 4:15 Saturday morning, February 24 that no further news regarding General Cronje had been received by the government. He had sent to the war office during the hour and he asserted that nothing had come to hand there.

General Cronje, therefore, is still unbeaten. No other construction is placed upon the three days' silence of Lord Roberts. Yet no one sees how it is humanly possible, judging from the descriptions of his situation Wednesday morning, for him to resist so long. Great Britain does not withhold admiration for the valor of a losing fight against such odds.

"Englishmen feel something like pride in Cronje, even as a foe," says the Daily News. "In a position covering only a square mile, hemmed in on all sides, circled with a chain of fire from rifle, Maxim and Howitzer, played on by deadly lyddite, bursting in its own sickly light, his hastily built trenches enfiladed by a stream of lead sweeping down the river from the north bank, General Cronje still elects to fight. It is a magnificent courage."

General Cronje's wife is described by prisoners as urging him to surrender in order to save the lives of his men, but he would not. The British cavalry patrols sent by Lord Methuen north of Kimberley discovered the Boers concentrating, whether for offense or defense is simply conjecture.

Durban Gets Wild Rumors.

A dispatch from Durban says: The rumor gains credence that Ladysmith has been relieved. It is also reported that General Cronje has surrendered 8,000 men and that General Kitchener has been slightly wounded in the left arm. Crowds throng the streets singing and cheering because of supposed victories. Seventeen hundred Boers have been killed or wounded, the latter, it is reported, including General Cronje.

WILD DAY IN COTTON TRADE

Sensational Advance at Liverpool Sets Market Agog.

A New York dispatch, dated February 23, says: The wildest excitement prevailed on the cotton exchange today following an erratic, sensational advance in prices at Liverpool, the latter market closing today at a net rise of 3@3 10-64d on the future list and 5-32d in the spot quotation as compared with the closing of Wednesday.

The Liverpool advance, according to private cables, was to a considerable extent on the report then in circulation to the effect that Cronje had surrendered. But apart from the South African situation the English cotton trade manifested alarm in consequence of the arbitrary attitude of holders of cotton in this country, with their own stocks down to 60,000 bales against 1,801,000 a year ago, and 1,179,000 bales two years ago.

Yet they are taking only one-third of the exports now in progress from the American seaboard, the other two-thirds going to the continent. There was a large amount of selling, but everything offered was promptly absorbed, and the market closed practically at the highest point of the day, an advance at 9 to 27 points. The best advance had been 20 to 22 points.

LEE HERDMAN APPOINTED

Secures the Supreme Court Reportership—Nelson to Be Deputy.

Lee Herdman of Omaha has been appointed clerk of the supreme court, reporter of the court and state librarian His deputy is to be Elon W. Nelson, at present deputy land commissioner. Judge Wilbur F. Bryant will prepare the supreme court reports for publication.

Wreck of a Freight Train.

Big Four freight train No. 96, east bound, went through a bridge over the Wabash river at the western limits of Terre Haute, Ind., resulting in fatal injuries to Fireman Ruddle of Indianapolis, Ind., and Brakeman John Whiteman of Mattoon, Ill. The train consisted of forty-nine cars and thirty-eight of them went into the stream. They were loaded with lumber and wheat. Loss $200,000.

Russian Cruiser Appears.

The Times of Bombay, India, announces that a large Russian cruiser has arrived at Bandar Abbas, on the Straits of Ormuc, which connects the Persian gulf with the Arabian sea. The British third-class cruiser Pomone and the British gunboat Sphinx have proceeded thither.

Find a Long-Missing Body.

The body of Thomas M. Atkinson, in a badly decomposed state, has been found in the Tancarville canal at Havre, France. The remains have been identified as those of a marine of the United States ship Prairie, who had been missing since December 20 last.

Session Vain.

Owing to the successful tactics of filibusters the Texas legislature was forced to adjourn after a thirty-days special session without having accomplished the object for which it was called—the passage of a tax adjustment law.

Postpones Treaty.

The customs committee of the French chamber of deputies considered the reciprocity treaty with the United States and decided to adjourn the examination of the document until it has obtained from the government precise indication respecting the intentions of the United States senate.

Six New Cases of Plague.

Six cases of the plague and one death have occurred at Aden. Drastic measures have been taken to prevent a spread of the disease. The infected areas have been isolated.

CURED OF THE DRINKING HA

Monologue Taken in Shorthand the Man Ashamed of Himself.

"There goes a man whom I claimed from the demon rum," marked a New Orleans court ste rapher, chatting on the corner other day. "I grabbed him by the and snatched him out of a drunka grave, as the temperance orators it." "I didn't know you practi body-snatching as a side line," int rupted an incredulous friend." "W I don't, as a rule, but this was pec iar. Seriously, I saved that you man from going to the dogs throu drink. It happened in this way: H is a tiptop fellow and has no end ability, but four or five years ago began to let red liquor get the be of him. He had a fine position at th time, and I don't think he exactly neglected his work, but it got to be a com mon thing to see him standing aroun barrooms in the evening, about two thirds full, and talking foolish. A few of his close friends took the liberty of giving him a quiet hint, and, as usual in such cases, he got highly indignant and denied point blank that he had ever been in the least under the influence. All the same, he kept increasing the pace until it became pretty easy to predict where he was going to land, and it was at that stage of the game that I did my great reformation act. I was sitting in a restaurant one evening when he came in with some fellow and took the next table, without seeing me. He was just drunk enough to be talkative about his private affairs, and on the impulse of the moment I pulled out my stenographer's note book and took a f shorthand report of every word said. It was the usual maudlin rot your good fellow half seas over, shading off in spots to boozy pathos, wher both gentlemen wept in their beer, an including numerous highly candid details of the speaker's daily life. Next morning I copied the whole thing neatly on the typewriter and sent it around to his office. In less than ten minutes he came tearing in with his eyes fairly hanging out of their sockets. 'Great heavens, Charlie!' he gasped, 'what is this, anyhow?' 'It's a stenographic report of your monologue at ——'s last evening,' I replied, and gave him a brief explanation. 'Did I really talk like that?' 'I assure you it is a verbatim report,' said I. He turned pale and walked out, and from that day to this he hasn't taken a drink. His prospects at present are splendid—in fact, he is one of our coming men. All that he needed was to hear himself as others heard him.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

"Tea" School.

The oddest school in the United States is now in daily session at Pinehurst, Summerville, S. C., says the New York Journal. Uncle Sam's paternal and financial part in the institution makes it of interest to the nation. It is situated in the heart of the tea lands about Summerville, and its odd feature is the curriculum. Under the supervision of a competent teacher thirty South Carolina pickaninnies are taught the three old fashioned R's—"readin', 'ritin' and 'rithmetic"—and tea picking. And the last is not the least important study. The rapid development of tea raising in the South has received additional impetus from the announced intention of Sir Thomas Lipton to invest $500,000 in tea culture in South Carolina. Sir Thomas is familiar with the soil and climatic conditions of the state, having at one time worked as a laborer on a rice plantation in Georgetown county.

The United States Department of Agriculture is taking a lively interest in the "tea school," and has given it financial aid.

Good Reason.

From the New York World: A—"Would you start out on a journey on Friday?" B—"No, indeed." A—"Why are people so superstitious?" B—"But this has nothing to do with superstition. I get paid on Saturday."

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Oh, the Pain of Rheumatism

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Female Divers of Japan.

Diving for seaweed, sea cucumbers and agar-agar is the occupation of over 100 women at Shima, Japan.

FOR WOMEN AND HOME

ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

How to Clean Ribbons—Stylish Waist—Theater Gown — Value of Space in Rooms—When You Hang Your Pictures, Few Good Hints.

She Walks in Beauty.

(Old Favorite Series.)

She walks in beauty like the night
Of cloudless climes and starry skies;
And all that's best of dark and bright
Meets in her aspect and her eyes;
Thus mellowed to that tender light
Which heaven to gaudy day denies.

One shade the more, one ray the less,
Had half impaired the nameless grace
Which waves in every raven tress,
Or softly lightens o'er her face—
Where thoughts serenely sweet express
How pure, how dear, their dwelling place.

And on that cheek, and o'er that brow,
So soft, so calm, yet eloquent,
The smiles that win, the tints that glow,
But tell of days in goodness spent,
A mind at peace with all below,
A heart whose love is innocent.

—Lord Byron.

How to Clean Ribbons.

Now that ribbons are so extensively worn it is quite worth while to know how to clean them successfully and easily. The two methods here given have been put to the practical test many times over, so there need be no hesitancy about trying either one through fear of failure or of unsatisfactory results. The first method is exceedingly simple, and answers the purpose for all except white ribbons or those that are very badly mussed. Fill in glass fruit jar about half full of gasoline—more or less, according to the amount of ribbon to be cleaned. Place the soiled ribbons in it—all colors, lengths and kinds may go in at once—and screw the cover on tightly. Shake the bottle occasionally and leave it closed for from two to six hours or over night. Then take out the ribbons, shake each one well and hang it to dry in the open air. The ribbons will be clean and the dirt will be found on the bottom of the jar. Of course, the ribbons need a thorough airing and sun bath to remove the odor of the gasoline, but that is all. No pressing is required, as the gasoline does not affect them as water would. The clear gasoline should be poured off without disturbing that at the bottom; then the dirt which has settled at the bottom should be emptied out and the clear gasoline put back, ready for use another time. Keep it tightly covered, and, of course, never use it near a fire, because of the danger of its igniting. The gasoline will turn white ribbons yellow, so this method is not advisable for them. It also leaves the ribbons in the same condition as it found them as regards their being mussed or crumpled, so those that are badly creased should be given the treatment that is accorded the white ribons. Prepare a suds of soft water and any pure soap, wash the ribbon in this, just as you would wash a fine handkerchief, rinse and let it partially dry. Take it down while still damp in all parts and roll it smoothly over a wide card or piece of pasteboard, rolling a piece of clean white muslin with it. Wrap the muslin round last, so that the ribbon shall be covered, and place the whole under a heavy weight. A letter press is an excellent place in which to press it. Leave it until it shall have had time to dry. The muslin will absorb the moisture. The ribbon will come out looking fresh and clean, and will have lost none of its "life," as is the case with ribbons which are pressed with an iron. If a good soap is used the colors will not run, and this process takes out the creases as well as removes the dirt.

When You Hang Your Pictures.

By hanging pictures low you increase the apparent height of the room. Colored pictures should not be hung in hallways or on staircases unless there is plenty of light for them. In such places strong photographs, engravings, and drawings in black and white go best. A picture should not be hung from one nail; the diamond lines formed by the cord have a very discordant effect. Two nails, and two vertical cords, or, what is far more safe, pieces of wire cordage, should be used instead of the single cord. Picture cords should be as near the color of the wall upon which they are put as possible, so that they may be but little seen. When one picture is hung beneath another the bottom one should be hung from the one above, and not from the top; thus we avoid multiplying the cords, which is always objectionable. A good hue for walls where prints or photographs are to be hung, is a rich yellow brown or a leather color. Lustre to the black of the print of the tone of the photographs is thus imparted. The wall paper should have no strongly defined pattern. The center of the picture, as a rule, should not be much above the level of the eye.

Value of Space in Rooms.

The season is rapidly approaching when it may be necessary to move and for those intending to change their places of residence this little notice is prepared. In selecting new apartments it should be the aim of the housewife to economize on space. Where closets are scarce, a shelf fastened at a convenient height for gowns and hung with portiers or curtains of daintily figured cretonne, make a serviceable substitute. Fancy brass hooks are fastened to the outer side and the shelf can be enameled to harmonize with the furnishings of the room. On top are books and photographs, which mislead the casual observer. Any carpenter will put up the shelves for a mere song, as it were. A box couch in the dining room may do duty as a linen closet and in the library it may serve as a receptacle for old newspapers and books that are not in frequent use. In the bedroom the box couch can still be impressed into service as a repository for shoes or best bodices and evening gowns.

Arranging Bric-a-Brac.

There can be no better decoration in a room than bric-a-brac, yet nothing so detracts from art as too much ornamentation. A New York society woman who has recently started a bureau where women just beginning housekeeping go and get ideas as to how they can best furnish their homes, said to your correspondent a few days ago: "The best plan in the world when purchasing bric-a-brac is to buy nothing that has no visible sphere of usefulness, or if this seems too broad a rule, to purchase only one of a kind of the useless articles. No woman who cares for the appearance of her room will have two of every kind of article. This gives a sameness to its decorative effect that is indescribably inartistic. The day of 'matched' pieces is no more. Elegance consists in having things that are worth having, and just enough of them. If one takes to buying cheap china it will be found that it accumulates with startling rapidity, and in the end is only a nuisance."

STYLISH WAIST.

It is of embroidered crepe in the palest salmon tint, the dots being done in black silk. The decoration is composed of bias folds and rosettes of black mirroir velvet and revers of richly embroidered chiffon. Worn with this fascinating bodice was a dainty turban in all white chiffon, with fluffy strings tied at the throat in a smart bow.

Theatre Gown.

Dull reddish purple smooth-faced cloth, laid in shallow vertical pleats, stitched down along the edges to the knees. Belt, yoke and stock of dull pastel pink panne velvet, the latter two being spangled with gold. Belt buckle of brass. Toque of white embroidered net, with ornamental spray of dull pink roses and shaded leaves.

A Word About the Children.

The importance of obedience in children has been greatly overestimated. So far as this life is converned, only the most extravagant optimist would hold that the average child owed any debt of gratitude for having been brought into the world. If the parent desires to train his child for menial employment, then the insistence on obedience for its own sake is at least logical; but is the welfare of the average American boy or girl best served by cultivating a spirit of unquestioning obedience and dependence upon a stronger will? Or is the best kind of citizenship produced by such training? The boy who has been trained to obey his father simply because of the fact of parentage often proves to be the most unmanageable when he is under the temporary care of adults whose right of "bossing" him he does not recognize. On the other hand, the child who has been governed by laws which he understands and who has grown to regard his parents as his older and wiser friends is apt to be docile when in the care of strangers, and to accept as an obvious necessity a temporary dictatorship without explanation of orders when traveling or in similar emergencies.—Dr. A. L. Benedict in the February Woman's Home Companion.

Where Table Should Stand.

A table in a drawing room usually looks better if it is not placed in the center of the apartment. Let it be pushed away, and the chairs disposed in such a manner that it may be seen when they are intended to be sat upon. Chairs placed against a wall or rammed into corners is an ugly and inappropriate arrangement. Have what the French call little etablissements in the room, if it be large enough. For instance, near small or large tables, have two or three chairs or a chair or a lounge, enabling those visitors, should several call at the same time, to talk comfortably, which it is impossible if a large party has to sit in a circle and join in a general conversation. A table upon which ornaments and books radiate in a star-like shape is very ugly. Let the books and ornaments be placed in studied carelessness, and avoid primness in every way.

The Wholesome Girl.

"Cleanliness and neatness go hand in hand in the care of the person, and one cannot be too particular as regards one's appearance in that respect. There is much truth in the Spanish proverb that 'no woman is ugly if she is well dressed.' There is more in the fact that the slovenly girl, no matter how great her beauty, is never an attractive object, and, as one grows older, one's inclination is to fall off in those little scrupulous niceties that glorify even a plain woman. Wholesome and sweet we can all be, even though nature has not given us a Grecian profile or the curves of a Venus."—New York Herald.

OUR COOKING SCHOOL.

Apple Ginger.

Take two pounds hard apples, two pounds loaf sugar, one and one-half pints of water, one ounce of tincture of ginger. Boil the sugar and water to a syrup, adding the ginger when it boils. Dip the pared and cored apples into cold water, and boil them in the syrup until transparent. Put the pieces of apples into a jar, pour over them the syrup and cover.

Fig Dumplings.

Mix half a pound of flour with a quarter of a pound of fine chopped suet. Add half a pound of figs chopped into small pieces, one tablespoonful of baking powder, and half a teaspoonful of sugar, and half a teaspoonful of allspice. Mix all these together thoroughly with a little water, divide into five or six dumplings, put into fast boiling water and cook for an hour and a half.

Steamed Lemon Pudding.

One teacup of self-raising flour, one teacupful breadcrumbs, one teacupful sugar, one teacupful of beef suet, three-quarters cup of sweet milk, the grated rind of a lemon. Mix and put in a buttered bowl, and tie a greased paper on the top. Put in a pan of boiling water, and let it boil for two hours. If a larger pudding be required, double the quantities, and the longer it is steamed the better it is.

Celery Fritters.

All the green stalks and tender leaves from the bunch of celery used for salad may be utilized in celery fritters. Clean and chop fine, and to one cupful of this chopped celery add one scant pint of flour, one beaten egg, one-half teaspoonful of salt, one-quarter of a teaspoonful of pepper, one teaspoonful of baking powder and sufficient milk to make a thick batter. This is dropped by spoonfuls into hot fat, and the fritters are drained on unglazed paper before being served.

A Way Around It.

"I shall never be able to find another husband like dear John," said the widow.

"'I know,' replied the persistent suitor. "But wouldn't you like an entirely different one, just by way of contrast?"—Philadelphia North American.

Presence of Mind.

Professor—Suppose you were engaged in the autopsy of a subject, and it gave signs of life, what would you do? —Student—I think I should * * * change the subject, sir.—Brooklyn Life.

WROTE "IN HIS STEPS"

AND GAVE REFORM MOVEMENT A START.

Rev. Sheldon of Topeka Is One of the Most Original Preachers in the Country—Believes in Less Preaching and More Practice.

Rev. Charles M. Sheldon of Topeka, Kan., is probably the most original and unique figure in the religious world today. He first attracted attention by his novel, "In His Steps." When people began to study him they found him remarkably interesting. He is a man of marvelous resources and is simple and direct in his manner of doing things. He has applied these characteristics of simplicity and directness in his methods of conducting the Central Congregational church of Topeka, of which he is pastor. A radical departure of Dr. Sheldon from accepted form is his method of conducting Sunday evening service. Instead of the conventional sermon he has for a long time given readings from original religious novels, bringing home to the congregation the truths and beauties of the better life in this way. These novels are published after the congregation has heard them, and some of them have had a phenomenal sale.

For some time after Dr. Sheldon introduced his innovation of pulpit readings he was assailed with criticisms from many quarters. The most common judgment passed upon him was that he sought notoriety and that he was eccentric. In Topeka Dr. Sheldon is known to be sincere in his efforts to do good in all that he undertakes, and his admirable personality disarms any criticism on the score of eccentricity. To acquaint himself with the actual life of the classes with which he seldom had opportunity to come in close contact Dr. Sheldon has spent much of his time in mixing with those of humble station. Not long ago he asked his congregation for a vacation of three months with the exception of Sundays. It was not known what he was doing during that time, but it transpired that poorer classes. He established a social settlement in "Tennessee-town," the he gave himself up to work among the negro quarter of the city, and has been doing much to raise the people to a respectability they had not dreamed of. He spent several days with each of the different classes of people of the city. One week he traveled through the state on freight and stock trains in the disguise of a railroad man. Another week he spent as a reporter on one of the daily papers that he might see the various phases of life from that view point. He mixed with lawyers, doctors, business men, street car men and the laboring classes.

His latest move was to obtain absolute control for one week of a Topeka daily paper.

REV. CHARLES M. SHELDON.

A Thoughtful Wife.

Alpharetta (Ga.) Free Press: A man went home the other night and found the house locked up. After infinite trouble he managed to gain an entrance through a back window, and then discovered on the parlor table a note from his wife reading: "I have gone over to father's; you will find the key on the side of the steps." What a thoughtful woman!

FRENCH HATE FOR ENGLAND

The Bitter Feeling Between the Countries Is Steadily Growing.

There is no question about the bitter feeling between France and England is growing, says a writer. Whenever the English meet a set-back in South Africa the people in Paris are simply wild with delight, and the comments of the French press are, to say the least, unkind. On the other hand, the English papers refer to the French in uncomplimentary and no uncertain terms, and in parody of Rudyard Kipling's latest poem, they now speak of French journalists as "The Absent-Minded Beggars." The trouble with the English, in a measure, seems to have been a swollen pride on the part of the cabinet, or, at least, a portion of it, who apparently looked on this war as a sort of picnic which they could take care of without trouble and without assistance. In pursuance of this idea, they not only at first refused the offers of colonial assistance, but let it be known that they held the colonial forces cheaply, and not at all as in the same class with the regular "Tommy Atkinses" as fighting men. So far, according to the accounts, the colonial troops have done the better work. Another useless thing that has been done has been the frequent references to the organization known as the "Cape Mounted Rifles" as a non-combatant force. Every one connected with the C. M. R. is mad clear through, and justly so, as the C. M. R. is to South Africa much what the mounted police is to Canada, and to say that the latter body is not a fighting force would be to betray a lack of knowledge of their history. Within our borders we have had analogous organizations as has, I presume, every country in its beginnings. Take the Texas Rangers, for instance; that they fought and were organized particularly with that purpose in view, and as to how they fulfilled their mission, many a page in the history of the Lone Star State bears glorious witness.

A FOXY OLD FOX.

He Fooled the Hunter and Played Tag with the Dog.

"The longest chase I ever made after any fox," said a Lewiston hunter, Thursday, "was for one that many people have tried to get, up at Sleeper's woods above Lewiston. There is a hill up there, the sides of which are full of fox burrows, and a fox could run into one hole and out another, and perhaps out the other side of the hill. I had a good dog, and we started a fox early in the morning, and the dog chased him through Sleeper's bog hour after hour. Every time that they came out of the bog, and ran up to the hill to circle around to the open I noticed that the dog would be cut up, torn and bleeding about the head as if he had been in a fight. I afterward found that he had been running through blackberry bushes for miles, the foxy old reynard trying to kill him that way. But what puzzled me was that the fox would dodge in at a hole in the side of the hill, apparently tired to death, and then the next minute he would dodge out the next hole as fresh as if he had plunged into a spring of eternal youth. I couldn't understand it. And the dog couldn't; but I noticed that the dog was tired out, while the fox seemed as fresh as ever. Along toward night I got down by one of the holes just as the fox was springing into it and shot him, filling him with buckshot and stretching him out there. A minute later, a second fox leaped out of a hole a little way off and ran, the dog after her, and then I understood it. It was a put-up job to tire out my dog. For when one fox came in tired out with a two-mile run, the second one would come bounding out and away, giving the first one time to rest. That night I got the second one just before sunset, and it was with a good deal of satisfaction that I trudged home with the two, my dog limping sorely after me." —Lewiston, Me., Journal.

New Zealand's Gold Mines.

The New Zealand gold output for the month of December amounted to 39,673 ounces, valued at £153,602, as compared with 30,743 ounces, valued at £121,068, for December, 1898. The increase during the past 12 months, as compared with the year 1898, was 190,410 ounces, valued at £432,551.

WHEN HANNA WORE WHISKERS.

Here is a most interesting and remarkable photograph of Senator Mark Hanna, which was taken by Mr. A. L. Newman of the Cleveland Plaindealer's staff, from an old painting. This is the first time that the public at large have been permitted to see how this well-known man looked under hirsute conditions.

IN THE ODD CORNER.

QUEER AND CURIOUS THINGS AND EVENTS.

Diving for Water—Strangest Industry in the World in the Hottest Region—Remarkable Somnambulistic Feat—Giving the Lie in Persia.

The Meeting of the Waters.

(Old Favorite Series.)

["The Meeting of the Waters" (the union of the rivers Avon and Avoca) forms a part of that beautiful scenery which lies between Rathdrum and Arklow, in the County of Wicklow, and these lines were suggested to the author, Thomas Moore, by a visit to this romantic spot in the summer of the year 1807.]

There is not in the wide world a valley so sweet,
As that vale in whose bosom the bright waters meet;
Oh! the last rays of feeling and life must depart,
Ere the bloom of that valley shall fade from my heart.

Yet it was not that Nature had shed o'er the scene
Her purest of crystal and brightest of green;
'Twas not her soft magic of streamlet or hill
Oh! no—it was something more exquisite still.

'Twas that friends, the beloved of my bosom, were near,
Who made every dear scene of enchantment more dear,
And who felt how the best charms of Nature improve,
When we see them reflected from looks that we love.

Sweet vale of Avoca! how calm could I rest
In thy bosom of shade, with the friends I love best,
Where the storms that we feel in this cold world should cease,
And our hearts, like the waters, be mingled in peace.

Diving for Water.

What is believed to be the hottest region in the world is that part of the eastern shore of the Persian Gulf which is named after the Bahrein Islands that lie near it. On the Bahrein Island proper, which is the largest of the group, the thermometer never falls below 100 degrees day or night, and often rises as high as 140 degrees in the shade. Only the natives can bear this enormous heat at all, and even they suffer terribly at times because of the fierceness of the temperature varies so little and gives them hardly a respite. To add to the decided discomforts of the region, the coast is so dry that borings have been made as deep as 1,000 feet without striking water. There is not a drop to be had except far in the interior, and the condition of water carried for any distance in such heat as this may be imagined. Yet the natives never lack for water that is not merely fresh, but actually cool. And they get it in a way that is wonderful. They get it by diving into the sea for it. Many years ago pearl fishers who dived into the waters off the shores of these islands for pearls, which are plentiful there, discovered that immense springs sprouted from the bottom of the sea. Accidentally they found that these springs were of sweet water. Ever since then a regular industry, perhaps one of the strangest industries in the world, has been that of diving for fresh water. The divers go out every morning. They take with them goat skins, and, weighted with stones to insure a swift descent, they plunge into the depths. At the bottom they hold the mouths of the skins over a spring, and as soon as it is filled tie it up swiftly and ascend. The skins are hauled up with lines. As there are 75,000 persons in that barren group of islands the industry of diving for fresh water is a large one, and the divers get rich. The water is about 20 degrees cooler than is the atmosphere on land, so it is a boon to the suffering population; and the lucky divers who get to land first are certain of high prices. In fact, the fresher the water is the more the diver earns, and as the submarine springs are only a mile away from shore the water hardly gets time to lose any of its grateful temperature before it is landed—if one can say that water is "landed."

Remarkable Somnambulistic Feat.

One of the most remarkable somnambulistic feats ever performed by a somnambulist is that of writing sermons and pieces of music. The somnambulist who did so is a young man at a theological college, the facts being vouched for by a clergyman who, wishing to personally witness the feats, went nightly to the young man's chamber. He saw him get out of bed, secure paper, and compose and write sermons. On finishing a page, he read it aloud. When a word displeased him he wrote a correction with great exactness. To test whether he used his eyes the clergyman put a card under his chin so as to prevent his seeing the paper but he continued to write. The clergyman next took away the paper, at the same time substituting another piece, and he used it and wrote his corrections on the places corresponding to those of his own paper. Another astonishing feat of this somnambulist was a piece of music written with great exactitude. He used a cane for a ruler. The clefs, the flats and the sharps were all in their right places. The notes were all made as circles, and those requiring it were afterwards blackened with ink. More than one case of a somnambulist swimming while asleep has been placed on record. A young girl somnambulist was in the habit of imitating the violin with her lips, giving the preliminary tuning and scraping with the utmost fidelity. When a young child she lived in a room adjoining one occupied by a fiddler, who often performed upon his instrument within her hearing.

Giving the Lie in Persia.

The giving of the lie is no insult in Persia; among the natives a common expression is, "You are lying," says Dr. Wills in "The Land of the Lion and Sun." After a time one learns mentally to discount the statements made by the natives, and habit generally enables one to do it correctly. All ranks of society exaggerate and draw the long bow. A curious instance of this occurred in Shiraz. Dr. Wills relates that he was conversing with the king's son, and a large circle of courtiers and priests filled the room. The prince narrated his exploits in hunting the antelope the previous day, and gravely stated that while pursuing a pair of ahu when riding a very restive horse his headstall broke. "What should you have done, doctor?" asked the prince. "I should have tried to stick on as long as the ground was good, and expecting an accident, have awaited for it." "Ah, that was because you were not a prince," he said. "I leant forward, and unclasping my belt, placed it in the horse's mouth as a bridle, and thus directing him, pursued my game and killed both antelope." All the circle applauded, as of course they were bound to do. Dr. Wills was silent. "You don't mean to say you don't believe that?" said the prince. "Speak out if you don't; I shan't be offended in the least." "Well, your highness, I don't believe it." "Quite righ, darogh bood" (it was a lie), unblushingly replied his royal highness, and burst into a fit of laughter quite unabashed; the circle of courtiers, of course, were convulsed.

Odd Custom.

Antiquity, solemnity and hilarity, says the London Telegraph, were harmoniously blended in the quaint ceremony of "weighing in" the mayor of High Wycombe, a ceremony which has taken place in that borough annually on Nov. 9 for about half a dozen centuries. The reason of the custom has been lost in the mist of past ages. Members of the town council met at the house of the retiring mayor (Councillor Deacon) and, accompanied by the mace bearer and the borough beadle in their old world costumes of cocked hats, blue coats, knee breeches and silk stockings, marched to the guildhall, where Councillor Vernon was duly elected chief magistrate for the ensuing year. Then the procession was reformed, with the new mayor at its head, and walked to an ante-room, where the borough's head constable was in attendance with a weighing machine, by virtue of his appointment as inspector of weights and measures. The mayor's weight was accurately ascertained, and with no less solemnity recorded in a big book. After that the aldermen and councillors were treated in the same manner.

Falling Bullets.

Falling bullets kill many men, even when they are lying sheltered behind trenches. If a bullet is fired in the air it falls with as much force as it goes up. But, curiously, there is a certain limit of height beyond which a bullet gains no more falling force; the reason being that when the motion is very rapid the resistance of the air balances the attraction of gravity. In the siege of Sebastapol—and, in fact, during every campaign—a great many men were killed by falling bullets. And the terrific force with which they come down is shown by a case in which the bullet entered the shoulder of a cavalryman, passed down through his body and penetrated several inches into his horse's back. A curious instance occurred not long ago in India. While a native was cleaning boots in the open air he was seen to drop dead without a cry. On examining him, they found that a bullet had entered the top of his head. No shot had been heard, and the person who fired it must have been a very long way off.

Virginia's Natural Bridge.

The famous natural bridge of Virginia is situated in Rockbridge county, and spans the mountain chasm in which flows the little stream called Cedar Creek, the bed of which is more than two hundred feet below the surface of the plain. The middle of the arch is forty-five feet in perpendicular thickness, which increases to sixty feet at its juncture with the vast abutments. It is sixty feet wide, and its span is almost ninety feet. Across the top is a public road. For many years the name of Washington, cut in the rock forming one of the abutments when the Father of his Country was a lad, stood high above all others; but in 1818 a student of Washington College, Virginia, Piper by name, climbed from the foot to the top of the rock and placed his name above that of Washington.

An Extraordinary Island.

In the Bay of Plenty, New Zealand, is one of the most extraordinary islands in the world. It is called White Island, and consists mainly of sulphur mixed with gypsum and a few other minerals. Over this island, which is about three miles in circumference, and which rises about 800 feet and 900 feet above the sea, floats continually an immense cloud of vapor attaining an elevation 10,000 feet. In the center is a boiling lake of acid charged water, covering fifty acres, and surrounded with blow-holes from which steam and sulphurous fumes are emitted with great force and noise. With care, a boat can be navigated on the lake. The sulphur from White Island is very pure, but little effort has yet been made to procure it systematically.

A Visit to Jerusalem.

If Jerusalem is the most interesting city in the world it is the most disappointing. The genuine Jerusalem houses are low, and have flat stone roofs with low domes in the center to catch as much rain-water as possible. . . . The Jews' houses are the filthiest tenements ever seen, the doors are not high enough to enter without stooping (a precautionary measure in case of disturbances), and a wall is generally built partly across the entrance passage, preventing passers-by from getting even a glimpse of the interior. The streets are of the narrowest description, in many places arched over; some are but a series of steps, in rainy weather almost impassable on account of the mud. A walk through the smaller streets is a thing to remember; they are about as wide as a dining table, slippery with refuse, and, being covered over in many places, devoid of sun and fresh air. The shops are dark, and down the murky thoroughfare crowd dirty people carrying meat, fish, rubbish, etc.; amid them parade solemn donkeys quite unconscious that their burdens are wider than themselves, and every passer-by is shouting, quarreling and screaming. Jerusalem seen from a distance, however, has a glory of its own, and the climate is as healthy as any in the world.—Margaret Thomas.