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THE ADVANCE ON PEKING.

American and British Troops Start for the Capital City to Relieve the Legations.

THE OTHER FORCES ARE IN THE FRONT.

Li Hung Chang in a Despondent Mood
—The People of Manchuria Urged to Kill All Christians—Chinese Government Says Ministers May Have Free Communication.

London, Aug. 6.—The American and British forces began the advance on Peking last Thursday, according to a dispatch dated August 2 from Tientsin to the Daily Express.

"The main body of allies," continues the correspondent, "marched July 30. Gen. Chaffee was delayed by difficulties of disembarkation. Gen. Dord (the British commander) had no such obstacles, and his delay is inexplicable."

"The other foreign troops are now half way to Lofa. The force includes 20,000 Japanese, under Gen. Yamachuchi, and 10,000 Russians. The British force totals 9,000, and the other foreign troops are 7,000. We are weak in artillery."

"On August 1 a strong force of Chinese from the native city attacked Tientsin. By a series of brilliant charges our troops drove the enemy from their positions. The native city is still defiant, and the allies are unwilling to march troops through its streets, as this would mean an immense slaughter. When the Chinese saw so large a body of troops marching westward they apparently believed they would have an easy victory over those who were left."

Advance Guard Repulsed.

Paris, Aug. 6.—The Shanghai correspondent of the Temps, telegraphing Sunday, says: The number of allies leaving Tientsin is no better known here than are the facts as to the march itself; but it is rumored that the advance guard had been repulsed.

Has Not Killed Himself.

Shanghai, Aug. 6.—The report that Li Hung Chang had committed suicide is without foundation. He is only in a very despondent state.

Food Supply Stopped.

The Japanese consul here has received a message from Peking saying that Gen. Tung Fuh Siang has stopped all provisions going to the legations.

Orders Their Recapture.

A Tientsin dispatch, dated August 1, to Berlin, gives a report of an imperial edict issued July 27, ordering the recapture of Taku and Tientsin by troops from Shan Tung and the south.

Urged to Slay Christians.

Paris, Aug. 6.—The French foreign office has received the following dispatch from the French consul at Chefoo, dated August 2: The governor of Moukden, in a proclamation, has urged the people of Manchuria to massacre Christians. Nearly all the missions have been destroyed. The missionaries have organized for defense and are assisted by other Christians.

China Has Yielded.

Paris, Aug. 6.—Cheng, director general of railway and telegraphs, has just communicated to the consuls at Shanghai, according to a special dispatch to the Temps, dated August 5, an imperial decree, dated August 2, authorizing the foreign ministers in Peking to communicate without restriction with their governments and ordering their departure for Tientsin under a good escort.

A Pivotal Battle.

Washington, Aug. 7.—Interest in the Chinese situation was intensified yesterday by receipt of two dispatches from naval officers at Chefoo saying that the allies, 16,000 strong, fought the Chinese at Peitsang, forcing the latter to retreat; allies loss, 1,200, mostly Russians and Japanese; Chinese loss, much heavier.

Have Left Peking.

London, Aug. 7.—A Shanghai special, dated August 6, says: "Li Hung Chang has officially informed the officials that the ministers left Peking for Tientsin last Friday, August 3, with Gen. Yung Lu in command of the escort. The consuls are by no means disposed to credit Earl Li's statement."

Damage Will Reach \$1,000,000.

Arcola, Ill., Aug. 3.—Authentic reports received in this city by men who have covered the broomcorn district indicate that Wednesday's storm damaged the growing crop to the extent of \$1,000,000. From one end of the district to the other the corn is flat on the ground.

Debs Accepts.

Springfield, Mass., Aug. 6.—Eugene V. Debs, the presidential nominee of the social-democratic party, has sent his letter of acceptance to William Butcher, national secretary of the party in this city.

Death of Ex-Senator Pryor.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 6.—Luke Pryor, former United States senator and representative in congress, died at his home at Athens, Ala., Sunday. Senator Pryor was a native of Alabama.

Big Business.

Dexter Leader: If you would see a busy scene just take a half day off and walk east a couple of miles on the rail-

MAP SHOWING THE COUNTRY BETWEEN TIENTSIN AND PEKING.



The territory through which the army of the allies is advancing on the latter city.

road track where the Michigan Central has a gang of about fifty men, under the direction of Daniel Cunningham, at work preparing for the new road bed which is to straighten the track.

About half a mile from the station you will find the steam shovel in operation. This monster labor-saver is busy excavating on the south bank of the railroad, and already over a mile of side-track has been laid upon which to operate the earth trains. A telegraph station is located there and a complete set of switches and safety signal devices. The office is in charge of Frank Sharpey.

At this point the siding crosses to the north of the main track, and trainload after trainload of earth is being unloaded and leveled by machinery into the Huron river, the channel of which will be changed for a distance of about sixty rods.

At the line springs, more commonly known as "Johnson's Job," a pumping station and water tank have been established. This is in charge of Orr Waite. Across on the north side of the river from the springs a large gang of men and teams are engaged in digging a new fifty foot channel for the river. This passes through a piece of woods and the ground is a dense mass of roots, stones and stumps, which makes the work of excavating laborious in the extreme.

The work has only just begun, but one can hardly realize the magnitude of it until he visits the premises, which are a veritable hive of industry. Employment is given to every able bodied man who wants to work, and there will be work until snow flies. Thousands on thousands of carloads of earth will have to be moved, the river filled up and nearly three miles of double-track road bed built.

It is a vast undertaking, but one that will be worth many more thousands of dollars to the Central than the thousands in will cost.

Mrs. M. Kalmbach.

Mrs. Magdelena Kalmbach died on Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock surrounded by the children, at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Fred Yaeger, in Lima, aged 73 years. The funeral services were held Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock at the house, and at the Salem Lutheran church at Weinberg, about noon, Rev. Julius Klingmann officiating.

The deceased was born in Bavaria near Munich. Her maiden name was Limpert. She came with her parents to Washtenaw county when she was about 6 years of age; her father taking up government land in Freedom, it being the farm now occupied by her grandson, Charles Kalmbach. She was a widow for 25 years, her husband being killed by a runaway team attached to a reaper. Seven children survive her, Charles Kalmbach of Freedom, Mrs. Louise Yaeger of Lima, Louise, wife of Emanuel Luick of Ann Arbor; Kate, wife of Joseph Staebler of Selo; Ida, wife of John Pratt of Lima, and William and Fred of Freedom. Mrs. Kalmbach was one who by her kind disposition made many friends.

CONVICTED 90 PER CENT.

Prosecuting Attorney Kirk Made Three Hundred and Sixty-five Prosecutions.

Prosecuting Attorney Kirk has submitted his semi-annual report. It shows that there have been 365 prosecutions with 315 convictions, six discharges upon payment of costs and one settlement. Only two were acquitted, 21 nolle prossed and 16 discharged upon examinations. This makes 90 per cent convictions of people arrested and is a fine showing.

The following is the arrests in the different offenses:

- Adultery, 2.
- Assault and battery, 27.
- Assault with intent to do great bodily harm, 2.
- Assault with intent to rob, 1.
- Assault with intent to murder, 1.
- Burglary, 8.
- Careless use of fire arms, 1.
- Carrying concealed weapons, 1.
- Cruelty to animals, 1.
- Drunk, 243.
- Disorderly, 34.
- Drunkard and tipplers, 4.
- Fraudulent disposal of property, 1.
- Driving away horse of another, 1.
- Desertion of child, 1.
- Indecent language in presence of woman, 1.
- Larceny over \$25, 1.
- Larceny under \$25, 8.
- Malignant injury to personal property, 3.
- Removal of danger signal, 1.
- Robbery, 1.
- Seduction, 1.
- Slander, 1.
- Surety of the peace, 1.
- Violation of pure food law, 3.
- Violation of game law, 1.
- Violation of innkeeper's act, 2.
- Violation liquor laws, 5.
- Vagrancy, 4.

Rhode Island Scientists Puzzled.

The burning issue in Rhode Island at present is Mrs. Barney McNally's wonderful hen. Mrs. McNally's hen lives on a farm near Compton, R. I., and within the last thirty-eight days it laid no less than 289 eggs, an average of seven and one-half eggs a day. On some days the hen lays only a couple of eggs. Then, in order to keep up its average, it will take a sudden spurt and turn out a full dozen in twenty-four hours.

In order that there may be no mistake about the hen's record it is accompanied by affidavits, signed and sworn to by all the members of the McNally family and by several neighboring farmers, who have taken a day off from plowing in order to watch the wonderful hen at work.

The latest development in the case is the turning of the hen over to the scientists of the state experimental station at King ton Hill, R. I. They are to make a careful study of the wonderful hen in order that they may find out for the benefit of other farmers and hen raisers the secret of its ability. If they find out how to make other hens lay half a dozen eggs a day on the average it is predicted that the next few years will see a boom in poultry and egg raising, for a flock of six-eggs-a-day hens would prove almost as profitable as a Cape Nome gold mine.

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The Story of the Taiping Rebellion in CHINA

Peculiar Causes That Led Up to the Outbreak That Kept the Nation in a Turmoil for Twenty Years

THERE is no more interesting character in Chinese history than Hung Siu-tseun; nor are there any more dramatic incidents in the history of the Celestial empire than those connected with the Taiping rebellion. Hung Siu-tseun was the leader and organizer of the Taiping rebellion, and the story of the causes that led him to set himself up as the emperor of China are like a chapter from romance.

Had the leaders of Hung Siu-tseun's rebellion had the training and ability to establish a stable government; had his greed and avarice not run away with his better principles, or had he had the same support in overthrowing the reigning dynasty that the imperial government had in suppressing the rebellion, China would in all probability have to-day been a Christian instead of a pagan nation.

Many of the newspaper writers of to-day have compared the present reign of anarchy in China, and the causes for it, with that which attended the Taiping rebellion. While the effect upon China may be much the same, the causes of the two convulsions are entirely different. The immediate cause of the Taiping rebellion was not a hatred of the foreigners;

When he saw Siu-tseun he began crying and said: "All human beings in the world are produced and sustained by me; they eat my food and wear my clothing, but not one among them has a heart to venerate me, and what is worse they take my gifts and there-with worship demons. Do thou not imitate them."

The old man then gave him a sword with which to destroy the demons, a seal to overcome the evil spirits, and a sweet, yellow fruit to eat. Then he was led to a spot from which he could observe the world below, and he saw the horrible depravity and vice of the inhabitants.

His sickness continued for a number of days, and he had many visions, in nearly all of which he met with a man whom he called his elder brother, and who assisted him in overcoming the evil spirits.

With the return of his health he became convinced that he was to become the emperor of China, but there is nothing to indicate that he connected his strange dreams with Christianity until in 1843. Then the tracts he had bought of Liang A-fah were found in a relative's house, and he read them, and then he saw what he believed to be the true meaning of his visions. The old man whom he had met in the

CHINESE ARE EARLY RISERS.

Their Sleeping Apartments Contain Few Inducements to a Morning Nap.

The Chinese are noted as early risers, a fact that may be accounted for by the statement that their sleeping apartments are, as described by a recent visitor to Shanghai, "models of discomfort." These rooms, even in the homes of the wealthy, are usually dark and poorly ventilated, and are like inside cupboards. The bed is usually a canopied, elaborate affair, heavy and beautifully carved, and this piece of furniture is often handed down from father to son through many generations. But there is nothing elaborate about the bed covering. In place of a mattress there is a mat, and the covering is the occupant's clothing, or possibly a wadded quilt. Extra clothing is provided for cold weather, and in the north, where the weather is extremely cold, the carved wood bedstead is not used. There, in the house of every well-to-do citizen, and in the inns, there are divans of masonry beneath which there are fireplaces, and on these divans the people sleep, and the fire is utilized for cooking purposes.

There are no pillows in Chinese beds. They have instead hollow square frames of rattan or bamboo, or blocks of wood fashioned so that they fit the nape of the neck and support the head when lying on the side. People who have used these substitutes for pillows say they are much more comfortable than soft, but feather pillows, especially in hot weather. These substitutes for pillows are used even by those people who have rooms furnished with modern tables and other European furniture.

The Chinese have no use for bath-rooms or bathing paraphernalia.

PATRIARCHAL LIFE IN BRAZIL

German Colony in Which Conditions Are Primitive and Elysian.

Letters recently written from the Blumenau district in southern Brazil, where there are about 50,000 German settlers, describe life there as absolutely patriarchal, reports the New York Sun. There is practically no crime in the community. Everybody is working hard to develop the natural wealth of the country and the immigrants are both well-to-do and virtuous. Thus far they have got along very well without gas, electricity or telephones. They receive the news of the world only in foreign papers; they are rarely visited by outsiders and have absolute faith in one another.

There is only one prison in the district, and, though its jailer receives a fair salary, his position is a sinecure. In the past five years there has been only one inmate of the prison. There are seven hotels, but in most of them there are no locks on the doors and no one dreams of locking his door when this appliance is provided. When hungry folk enter the restaurants they find a liberal supply and variety of eatables spread out on the counters. Each helps himself to what he desires and at the end of his meal deposits the money he owes at the cashier's desk. The Germans seem to have created another Arcadia in the southern part of Brazil.

ADMONITION AND CORRECTION.

A Harvard Professor's Awkward Exclamation While Rebuking Profanity.

One of Senator Hoar's best stories relates how Prof. C. C. Felton, of Harvard, rebuked his younger brother for indulging in profane language. The young man stood high as a student, and on account of his relationship to Prof. Felton received the mercy of private instead of public admonition, the professor being selected to administer the reproof for an offense which was perhaps much more serious than it would be now. Mr. Felton called the youth to his room and said:

"John, I cannot express to you how horrified I am that my brother, in whose character and scholarship I had taken so much pride, should have been reported to the faculty for this vulgar and wicked offense."

John said, with much contrition: "I am exceedingly sorry. It was under circumstances of great provocation. I have never been guilty of such a thing before. I never in my life have been addicted to profanity."

"D—n it, John," roared the professor, "how often have I told you that the word is profaneness and not profanity?"

John grinned, in full appreciation of his brother's slip, and the admonition came to a hurried stop.

Dog to Have a \$200 Monument.

A monument costing \$200 is to be erected over the grave of Caesar, a Great Dane belonging to Mrs. T. B. M. Cardeza, of Germantown, Pa., which died recently. Caesar was nine years old and three feet tall and was a great pet among the Cardezas' large collection of animals. The dog was buried in a fine coffin, with real silk lining and silver handles. On the monument which is now being constructed will be inscribed the following: "Erected to an old and faithful friend."

Where the Spiders Are Useful.

At a recent meeting of arboriculturists in France the question was debated whether spiders should be suffered to spin their webs on fruit walls. The general opinion seemed to be that the webs were more useful than objectionable. It was remarked that they prevent the incursions of earwigs and similar insects and also interfere with the operations of noxious flies whose larvae ravage leaves and fruits.

HISTORIC PAPER IN ILLINOIS.

A Regimental Discharge Bearing Signature of George Washington Recently Found.

W. H. Green, of Mount Vernon, Ill., has in his possession an autograph order and letter issued by Gen. Washington in 1777, discharging Morris' famous-light horse cavalry and commending the work done by them. It reads as follows:

"The Philadelphia troop of light horse, under the command of Captain Morris, having performed their tour of duty, are discharged for the present."

"I take this opportunity of returning my sincere thanks to the captain and to the gentlemen who composed the troop for the many essential services which they have rendered to their country, and to me personally, during the course of this severe campaign."

"Though composed of gentlemen of fortune, they have shown a noble example of discipline and subordination, and in several actions have shown a spirit of bravery which will ever do honor to them, and will ever be gratefully remembered by me."

"Given at headquarters at Morris-town this twenty-third day of January, 1777."

"G. WASHINGTON." This order, says an exchange, is written on parchment paper used in early colonial days, and though yellow with age, is well preserved and perfectly legible. It was found a few days ago by Mrs. Rebecca Galbraith, of Shiloh township, while hunting through some old papers which were once the property of her grandfather, a Virginian, who lived during the revolutionary period, and who, it is thought, was a member of the light horse troop so warmly commended by Washington.

A HORSE'S STRANGE DIET.

When Fodder Gave Out in Ladysmith She Ate the Stuffing of a Mattress.

An amusing and at the same time pathetic story is told of a horse that survived the terrible siege at Ladysmith. This particular mare was a great favorite with her master, and the first three weeks of the siege fared not so badly considering the peculiar circumstances; but, alas, Mary's master was called away, as an engineer, to erect a bridge, and during his absence from home his valued friend was stolen.

Five sad weeks passed, and he began to think she must have fallen into the hands of the Boers. However, on reaching home one evening there she was waiting outside her stable, thin and tired, but delighted to be home again, little dreaming what anxious times were still in store for her.

One faithful day the authorities gave orders that no more "meals" must be given to the stock. Fodder was commandeered for the military horses, and the day broke at last when there was absolutely not a mouthful for poor Mary. Her master arose that morning sad and perplexed for her breakfast. But he suddenly remembered that his wife had made a new straw mattress and two pillows just before the siege began. No sooner said than done. The latter were ripped open and Mary had her novel breakfast. Later on the bed met with the same fate, and they saved Mary's life, or probably "Chevreuil" would have been her end. She is now well and lively.

NEW ZEALAND LEADS.

It is the First of Great Britain's Colonies to Grant Female Suffrage.

New Zealand has been the first of her majesty's colonies to grant to women the right to vote. The bill for female suffrage passed one house in 1892, but made no further progress. In 1893, however, it passed both houses and received the royal assent in September of the same year. Since this time it has not been "one man one vote," but "one person one vote." The qualifications for electors—applicable to whites and Maories alike—are a residence of at least one year in the colony and three months in the district, or the possession of a freehold property worth £25. Of this experiment much has been said on both sides, but neither its opponents nor most ardent advocates can as yet speak authoritatively as to the final result, says the Philadelphia Times.

Lady Stout, than whom no more enthusiastic suffragist exists, said: "The women here were not prepared for it." To this Sir Roberts adds: "It may take us 50 years before we see the results of our various experiments," while Mr. Lloyd sums up the situation: "New Zealand has reached no final social solutions, and no New Zealander, citizen or official, can be found who would pretend that it had. All they claim is that they have tried to find solutions, and they believe the fair-minded observer will declare that they are entitled to report progress to the rest of us."

Timber Barges in the North Sea.

Quite a stir is being made in Europe about what is called a new method of transporting timber across the North sea. The statement is made with quite a flourish of trumpets that a cargo recently arrived at Whitehead in towed barges, and this is noted as the first attempt to transport timber by means of barges. Some enterprising American should go over and show them how to do without barges now.

Some Comic Facts.

No comet, so far as is known, has ever come in contact with the earth or mingled its surface with our atmosphere. The nearest approach ever observed was the comet of 1770, which approached to within 1,600,000 miles of our planet.

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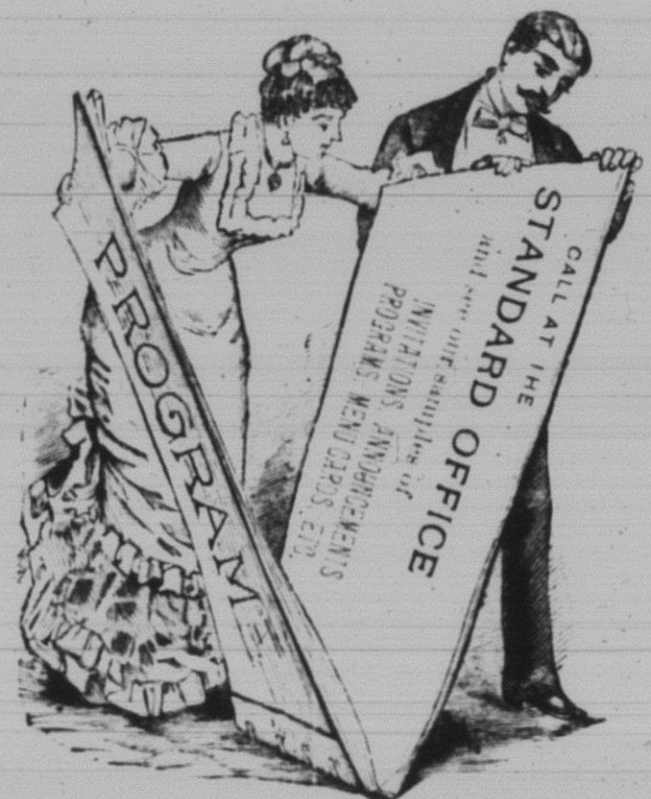
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the native converts to Christianity were not the oppressed but the oppressors. True, the Christianity was not the same kind that is honored in western lands, but it was Christianity, as Hung Siu-tseun understood it, and both recognized God as the Divine power and Christ as His Son.

Hung Siu-tseun was the son of a well-to-do farmer living near Canton. He was born in 1813, and received such education as was possible in China at that time, and in time became a school-teacher. It was while attending the examination at Canton in 1833 that he purchased a series of tracts from a venerable Chinese named Liang A-fah, a convert to Christianity. When Siu-tseun discovered that the tracts advocated Christianity he threw them aside, as he was a firm believer in the doctrines of Confucius.

In 1837 Siu-tseun was taken sick and he took to his bed prepared to die, as he claimed to have had visions, foretelling his disease and end. In a short time he lost all strength and command over his body and became unconscious of what was taking place around him, but he said his soul was acted upon by a peculiar energy, and he claimed to have seen and remembered things of a very extraordinary nature.

When he first closed his eyes he claimed that he saw a dragon, a tiger and a cock enter the room; a great number of men playing upon instruments then approached, bearing a beautiful sedan chair, in which they invited him to be seated. In this he was carried away to a beautiful palace wherein a multitude of fine men and women saluted him with expressions of joy. Here an old woman conducted him from the sedan chair and conducted him to a river, where she upbraided him for keeping company with dirty people and then washed him clean in the waters of the river. From the river he entered a room filled with old and virtuous men. These men opened his body and took out his heart and other organs, and replaced them with new ones. Then the wound closed without leaving a scar. He was then conducted to another room, even more splendid than those he had been in and in which an aged man sat upon the highest place.

beautiful palace was none other than God, and the man whom he had called his elder brother was Jesus Christ. He believed that they had been sent to reveal the meaning of his visions, and, while he had but a crude idea of Christianity, he accepted them as they were, and soon began teaching those about him. Success attended his efforts from the start, and for a time it is believed that he was sincere in his purpose to convert to Christianity the pagans of China. He studied under the direction of Rev. I. J. Roberts, an American missionary at Canton, and was baptized and received into the church.

From 1847 to 1850 he gathered converts rapidly, and without antagonizing the authorities in any way, but by the later year he had such a force about him that it was deemed inadvisable not to take some action. But by the time the government was ready to act Siu-tseun had seemingly lost sight of his religious mission other than as the means of an end. He had determined to rebel against the government.

The imperial troops sent against him were repulsed, and his followers took city after city from the constituted authorities. After Nanhai had fallen before his victorious army he was proclaimed emperor of China by his soldiers, and from that time lived the life of royalty instead of the simple life of a prophet of God.

It is not necessary to trace the history of the rebellion that followed, and which kept China in an uproar until 1867. For a time it seemed as though the followers of Siu-tseun would be successful in their overthrow of the imperial government, and probably would have done so had they have had the leaders necessary to have administered a stable government for the territory that fell into their hands. Through practically all of the long struggle Christianity remained a feature of the rebellion, and had the French and English allies that finally assisted in suppressing the rebellion assisted in placing Siu-tseun on the throne of China, and then have given him assistance in making his Christianity practical China might to-day be a Christian instead of a pagan nation.

DANIEL CLEVETON.



HUNG SIU-TSEUN.
Leader of the Taiping Rebellion in China.

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KEENAN'S CHARGE.

How 300 Men Saved the Union Army at Chancellorsville by a Deed of Matchless Daring.

This stirring story in rhyme recalls a sad though heroic incident of the battle of Chancellorsville. Gen. Howard's corps (the Eleventh) had been surprised and put to a disastrous rout by Gen. "Stonewall" Jackson's army in that unsurpassed flank movement which will go down upon the pages of history as one most remarkable. Gen. Birney's division of Gen. Sickles' corps (the Third) was the first to feel the shock of the terrible disaster from the victorious foe. Gen. Birney turned to Gen. Pleasanton, that superb cavalry leader, who happened to be near by, to stem the tide until he could get his men in position. This is touchingly and strikingly portrayed in the following verses written by an unknown author soon after the battle:

KEENAN'S CHARGE.
(Chancellorsville, May 2, 1863.)

The sun had set.
The leaves with dew were wet—
Down fell a bloody dusk
On the woods, that second of May,
Where Stonewall's corps, like a beast of prey,
Tore through with angry tusk.

"They've trapped us, boys!"
Rose from our flank a voice.
With a rush of steel and smoke
On came the rebels straight—
Eager as love and wild as hate,
And our lines reeled and broke;

Broke and fled.
No one stayed but the dead!
With curses, shrieks and cries
Horses and wagons and men
Tumbled back from shuddering glen,
And above us the fading skies.

There is one hope still—
Those batteries parked on the hill
"Battery, wheel!" (and the roar)
Pass, pieces fix, prolong to fire
Retiring. "Trot!" in the panic dire.
A bugle rings "Trot!"—and no more.

The horses plunged.
The cannon lurched and lunged
To join the hopeless rout.
But suddenly rode a form
Calmly in front of the human storm,
With a stern, commanding shout:

"Align those guns!"
(We knew it was Pleasanton's).
The cannoners bent to obey,
And worked with a will at his word;
And the black guns moved as if they had heard.
But, ah! the dread delay!

"To wait is crime;
O God! for ten minutes' time!"
The general looked around.
There Keenan sat, like a stone,
With his three hundred horse alone,
Less shaken than the ground.

"Major, your men—"
"Are soldiers, general." "Then
Charge, major! Do your best.
Hold the enemy back at all cost,
Till my guns are placed, else the army is lost.
You'll die to save the rest!"

Then by the shrouded gleam of the western
skies
Brave Keenan looked into Pleasanton's
eyes
For an instant, clear and cool and still,
Then with a smile said: "I will!"

"Cavalry, charge!" Not a man of them
shrank.
Their sharp, full cheer, from rank on rank;
Rose joyously, with a willing breath—
Rose like a greeting hail to death.
Then forward they sprang, and spurred
and clashed;

Shouted the officers in crimson sash;
Rode well the men, each brave as his fel-
low.

In their faded coats of blue and yellow,
And above in the air with an instinct true,
Like a bird of war their pennon flew.

With a clank of scabbards and a thunder
of steeds,
And blades that shine like sunlit reeds,
And strong brown faces bravely pale



THEN FORWARD THEY SPRANG.

For fear their proud attempt shall fail,
Three hundred Pennsylvanians close
On twice ten thousand gallant foes.

Line after line the troopers came
To the edge of the wood that was ring'd
with flame,
Rode in and sabered and shot and fell;
And no one came back his wounds to tell.

And full in the midst rose Keenan, tall
In the gloom, like a martyr awaiting his
fall.
While a circle-stroke of his saber swung
Round his head, like a halo there, luminous
hail.

Line after line, aye, whole platoons,
Struck dead in their saddles of brave dra-
gons
By the maddened horses were onward
borne,
And into the vortex flung, trampled and
torn.
As Keenan fought with his men, side by
side.

So they rode till there was no more to
ride.
But, over them, lying there shattered and
mute
What deep echo rolls? 'Tis a death salute
From the cannon in place; for heroes, you
braved
Not in vain, the army was saved!

Over them now—year following year—
Over their graves the pine cones fall,
And the whip-poor-will chants his specter
call;
But they stir not again; they raise no
choir—
They have ceased. But this glory shall
never cease,
Nor their light be quenched in the light of
peace;

The rush of their charge is resounding still
That saved the army at Chancellorsville.
"The Charge of the Light Brigade"
at Balaklava has been sung the world
over as written in that matchless verse
of Lord Tennyson. Yet Maj. Keenan's
charge at Chancellorsville, with his 300
gallant Pennsylvanians, will go down
upon the brightest pages of history as
an example of unsurpassed bravery
and true heroism, comparing favorably
with Lord Cardigan's charge with his
brave 600 at Balaklava. While the for-
mer with his heroic followers gave
their lives to save the army, which
they did save, the latter sacrificed the
lives of his men for naught, as the
result of a blunder of a staff officer—
D. H. Tarbell, in Troy Times.

HEROIC OLD SCOUNDREL.

That Was What They Called the
Major But He Knew How
to Fight.

"There wasn't a man at the officers' mess but despised the major," said an old army captain, relates the New York Sun, talking to some friends the other night. "We all felt that he distinctly lowered the social tone of the regiment. He was sullen and out-loudish and slovenly, with the air of a man who had proved false in some crisis and who had a grudge against fate for his own misdeeds. He was full of mean, contemptible ways. Besides, he drank heavily and would lie for days at a time in a drunken stupor."

"We would have got rid of him on charges but for the fact that he could fight. It was in the early days of the



IN A DRUNKEN STUPOR.

campaign in the Tennessee valley, and there was plenty of fighting to do. In battle the major became another man. The boys forgot his ugly and contemptible ways, and I guess the major himself did. Then we got a glimpse of the man as he must have been before some great trial spoiled him. His eyes lost their dull and filmy look and blazed beneath his shaggy brows, and under his soiled uniform his frame took on the commanding lines of the soldier. In the noise and smoke his manhood had a brief and savage resurrection.

"Somehow, before the regiment knew it, on such occasions, it was following the major likeliest-split in a dashing charge, or taking his orders as it stood grimly in line waiting attack. The colonel and lieutenant colonel, good fellows though they were, did only a thinking part. It was the major who was doing all the fighting, and the boys knew it."

"After every battle we would treat the major with respect for a little while. Our regiment was winning glory. The colonel got the thanks of congress and the general of the brigade got a promotion, but we all knew it was that mean cuss, the major, who did it. We tried to be nice to him, but he always spoiled things. Once we actually got up a banquet in his honor, after he had led the regiment brilliantly in three successive days of fighting in the woods. But he drank himself under the table and into a prolonged debauch, and the next day the regiment went into battle under the colonel and was on the run until nightfall."

"I think we were all relieved when the major disappeared once for good. It made the officers' mess more congenial. But the regiment never amounted to much after that. While it began the war brilliantly, it ended it in disgrace, and our brigadier is unofficially on record with the statement that the only good charge we made in those last years was once on the sutler's tent. The war department never knew why our record was so uneven. It was all on account of that heroic old scoundrel, the major."

Status of the Brigadier.

In January, 1862, when Judah P. Benjamin was secretary of war of the confederacy, in reply to an inquiry from the chairman of the military committee of congress, he announced that the construction placed by the war department on the law was that brigadier generals were not officers, generally, independently of any particular command; but, on the contrary, under section six of the act of March 6, 1861, held their offices "only while the brigades were in service." According to this ruling, says the Chicago Chronicle, not a few so-called brigadier generals lost their rank and title when not in service with a brigade. "In practice," added Mr. Secretary Benjamin, "the assignment of brigadier generals has been made by the president where the body of troops did not exceed the number sufficient for a single brigade; as, for instance, Gen. Withers at Mobile, or Gen. Lawton at Savannah. A brigadier general is never appointed without ascertaining in advance that there are a sufficient number of regiments ready to form a brigade for the general so appointed."

A Confession of Weakness.

Fretting is a perpetual confession of weakness.—Chicago Daily News.

HE LOST HIS BRIDE.

California Farmer's Unlucky Experience at Chicago.

Married in Toledo One Day, Gerhard Onken Loses His Wife and Two Hundred Dollars in Cash the Following Afternoon.

A feeling of loneliness, a matrimonial advertisement, a buxom woman of 40, an hour's courtship, a hasty marriage, a two-days' honeymoon, a vanishing bride, \$200 in cash gone besides expenses, a wild appeal to the police, sadness—all this, says the Chicago Inter Ocean, has been crowded into one short week of Gerhard Onken's life. Strew this love dream, romance and tragedy from Napa, Cal., to Toledo, O., with the rude awakening in Chicago, and you have the story the venerable Golden Gate fruit grower sobbed into the ears of the detectives at the city hall the other night.

A few weeks ago Gerhard Onken was a prosperous vineyardist living in Napa, Cal. His raisin crop was assured, and he entered his year's yield with the combine. Then his eye caught the following in his weekly paper:

"Wanted—A good husband with a comfortable home; no questions asked; a resident of California preferred."

The name of Louisa Ann Worthington appeared at the bottom of it, and an address on a certain street in Toledo, O., was given.

Onken had lived alone on his farm for many years. He was willing to have his past forgotten and as the Toledo woman proposed to "tote fair" and ask no questions, he thought it a good proposition. He started to investigate.

His four days' trip overland landed him in Toledo Wednesday. He found the address correct and had no trouble in meeting the woman he intended to make his wife.

Miss Worthington, 40 years old and quite fleshy, impressed the fruit grower and he immediately fell in love with her. A man whom Onken recognized as



THEIR FIRST MEETING.

a minister from his general appearance tied the knot, and they departed on their honeymoon at once.

But the new wife had many troubles and she was willing to confide in her husband. First of all, she had mortgaged her furniture for \$100, and she was anxious to have the mortgage lifted. "This Onken did with a willing heart. He also gave her \$20 to have it carted to the depot, where it was to be loaded on a train for Napa. On their journey to the vineyard the couple were to pass through Chicago, and Onken told his bride that he would like to see the large city before he returned home. The next afternoon they arrived there, and soon engaged quarters in a hotel. While walking along the downtown streets Mrs. Onken asked her husband for \$80, making a total of \$200 he had given her.

As they were passing a hair-dressing parlor in State street she begged her husband to allow her to have her hair dressed, adding that she would spend her own money to have the work done.

"All right," said Onken. "Don't be long."

"I'll not, my dear," replied the wife. "You can enjoy yourself by taking in the sights along the street until I am ready to meet you."

Onken walked to and fro for at least 45 minutes, during which time he purchased several little presents for his wife. Then he returned to the parlor in which he had left his bride, but he could not find her. When he was informed that no woman of her description had had her hair dressed there during the last hour, his eyes bulged out with amazement. After searching every street in the vicinity he decided to invoke the aid of the police.

Onken was on the verge of nervous prostration when he called at detective headquarters and related his troubles to Lieut. Perry. The officer sympathized with the sufferer, but informed him that nothing could be done for him by the police. He advised him to board the next train for Napa. Onken promised to start for home immediately.

Indian Ordained a Priest.

Rev. Henry B. Smith, rector of St. Paul's church, Ardmore, Ind. T., was recently ordained a priest of the Episcopal church in the presence of a large audience. Rev. Mr. Smith is the first Cherokee Indian to enter the priesthood. He will be assigned as an assistant at the cathedral at Milwaukee.

An Odd Club in New York.

The citizens of Copake, N. Y., recently organized a "tombstone bee" by way of a social diversion. The men and women went out to the graveyard and straightened up all the toppling monuments, and headstones, repaired the fences and cut the grass.

CAT SEEKS DEATH.

Fought for a Chance to End Its Life When It Was Condemned to a Charitable Home.

Rather than go to the home for cats in Philadelphia, a large tabby belonging to Mrs. Herman, 326 Birch street, Camden, tried to end its life in the Delaware, and when Emily Herman, the 13-year-old daughter of Mrs. Herman, tried to prevent the animal from accomplishing its purpose, it fought her fiercely and bit her on the hand so severely that she was taken to the Cooper hospital. The animal finally succeeded in getting into the river and had to be fished out.

The cat had been a pet in the Herman family for a long time. Recent-



CAT MAKES ITS ESCAPE.

ly it began to act queerly and several times made attempts to scratch the children when they played with it. It also was inclined to wander away from home for several days at a time and when it returned it usually brought several felines with it, which constantly annoyed the neighbors and caused them to complain.

As the animal had been a pet in the family for so long and was such a strong favorite with the children, Mrs. Herman was unwilling to part with it. Rather than put it out on the street, she finally decided to take it to the home for cats. There is no such institution in Camden, so she concluded to send it to Philadelphia.

While tabby was sleeping in the sun the other morning, Mrs. Herman captured it and placed it in a basket filled with soft rugs. She gave it to her daughter to bring to Philadelphia. The cat cried as the little girl carried the basket toward the ferry. The animal evidently realized that something unusual was going to happen, for when within a square of the ferry it knocked the lid off the basket and jumped out. Many ways were open for escape, but tabby stood for a second looked about and then ran toward the river. The little girl gave chase and caught it within a foot of the water's edge.

The animal yelled and scratched at the child and made every effort to get into the water. After tearing her dress with its claws, the cat finally sank its teeth into the little girl's hand, just below the thumb. With a cry of pain the girl let go her hold on the animal, fell back and the cat jumped into the river.

The little girl's hand was very badly bitten and is terribly swollen. The physicians at the hospital do not think there will be any serious results.

DREAMED OF ROBBERS.

Then He Awakened Suddenly and Caught the Hand of a Woman in His Coat Pocket.

According to the Chicago correspondent of the St. Louis Republic, a dream was the cause of the arrest of Mrs. Malama Cole. Patrick O'Mara, who works in the stock yards, while in a



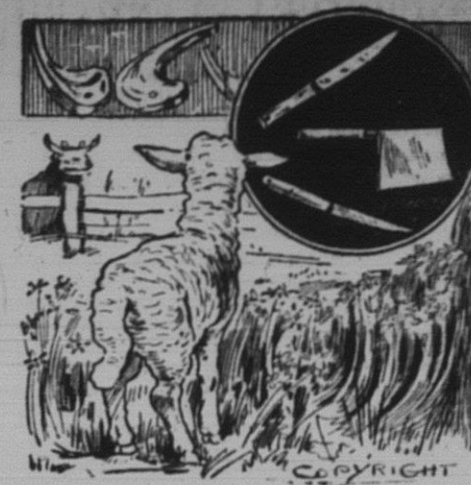
GRASPED A WOMAN'S HAND.

Halsted street hotel, dreamed he was being robbed. While he was under the influence of the dream he sprang from his bed and grasped the hand of a woman who was about to withdraw a purse containing \$75 from the pocket of his coat, which lay on a chair.

O'Mara held the woman's hand some time before awaking sufficiently to realize that his dream was true. The woman's hand, according to O'Mara, was that of Mrs. Malama Cole, wife of the hotel proprietor, from whose husband he had a short time previous engaged the room.

The aroused O'Mara raised a window and called for the police. Detective Sergts. Bonner and Barron were passing the place, and, after O'Mara had told his story, they arrested Mrs. Cole. She was taken to the Desplaines street station.

O'Mara is a cattle herder. He drew his earnings of a month and, after visiting a number of friends, went to the hotel. Mrs. Cole denied that she had attempted to rob O'Mara.



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FREEDOM.

Clarence Feldkamp of Sharon spent Sunday with friends here.

The Dettling's held a family reunion at Pleasant Lake Tuesday afternoon.

The missionary meeting at Thomas church last Sunday was well attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Guinan visited at Geo. Nordman's in Lima Saturday.

The Modern Woodmen of America held a meeting at the town hall Tuesday evening.

Chas. Keobbe who was injured by falling off a load of wheat some time ago is slowly recovering.

Gus Breitenwisher, Henry Steine-weg and Misses Marie Kurfess and Florine Uphouse drove to Clinton Saturday to attend sports day.

LIMA.

Oat harvest is about finished.

Is not this Hottentot weather?

Mrs. Lewis Mayers is on the sick list.

Corn is doing nicely, but a good smart shower would help it.

Willie Morris is still unable to use his leg that he fractured several weeks ago.

Will Coe and family, Mrs. Terry and Alvin Baldwin spent part of last week at North Lake.

Johnie Lucht is trying to tame a fox that he was fortunate enough to catch in a trap a short time ago.

Mrs. Lydia Stabler was poisoned quite badly last week by coming in contact with poison ivy while picking whortleberries.

SHARON.

Mrs. Fred Lehman visited at Grass Lake Monday.

George Lehman visited Manchester friends Sunday.

Several of the young people attended German Day at Jackson.

Miss Esther Reno went to Jackson Wednesday to visit friends.

The O'Neil relatives held a reunion at Waupler's Lake Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. Graver of Frankfort called on friends here Tuesday.

Several young men from here went on a fishing expedition Tuesday.

Miss Cassie Rupert of White Oak visited Miss Edna Raymond last week.

A machinist from Adrian has been repairing Dresselhouse and Brustle's engine.

Miss Irene Place of Chelsea was the guest of her friend, Miss Mamie Fletcher Sunday.

Misses Winifred White and Ethel White and Chas. Stringham and Henry Brower of Manchester visited at H. J. Reno's Sunday.

The young people of this vicinity held a picnic at Wolf Lake last Saturday, which was well attended. Everyone reports a good time.

SYLVAN.

Matthew Forner spent part of last week at Niagara Falls.

Rev. G. B. Marsh held services on the church lawn last Sunday afternoon.

Miss Amanda Merker returned home Tuesday after spending some time at St. Clair.

Miss Mabel St. Clair returned to her home at Lima after spending some time with her grandparents at this place.

Mrs. Geo. Steimbach and Miss Emma Forner of Lima spent Friday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chris. Forner.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Kern and daughter, Helen, and Mr. and Mrs. James Beckwith attended church at Sharon Sunday.

J. W. Sturgis resigned his position as pastor of the Christian Union church at this place and accepted a position as teacher of Latin and Greek in the Oklahoma college.

The annual Sunday-school picnic of the German M. E. and Christian Union churches will be held at Cavanaugh Lake, August 14th instead of the 16th as mentioned last week. Everyone are cordially invited to attend. Great preparation is being made to make it an enjoyable time.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Nelson Dancer spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Pierce at Lima.

NORTH LAKE.

W. E. Collings, who has been for some time in Ohio, returned to this locality this week.

Mrs. Titus Smith, who with her children has been visiting for the last few weeks with her mother, Mrs. L. W. Allyn, has returned to her home in New York state.

Mrs. Forester Watts is visiting relatives and friends in this neighborhood.

The Hadley family to the number of about 75, met together in R. C. Glenn's grove, on Wednesday the 8th instant and held a picnic of their own. The day was fine, and all the participants enjoyed themselves. Such family re-unions are much to be commended.

The Farmers' Picnic was a great success. On the first advent of summer weather many of the dwellers in city and town can hie them to the mountains, woods or sea shore, there to enjoy the rejuvenescence of urban existence, but the farmer must wait until some of the hardest labor of the year is performed before he can take a day off. There were something over 2,000 present last Tuesday; nature never displayed her charms with more lavish prodigality. The circumambient air, the brilliant sunshine, the sparkling water, with the pleasing shade of the grove were enough for the most exacting. If anything was lacking, it must be attributed to the imperfection, which, more or less, attends all human effort. The band opened the active exercises of the day with the strains of "Yankee Doodle" and the "Star Spangled Banner." Grand Master Horton made an ideal president of the day, and in his speech pointed out the objects of the Grange, and the good work it was trying to accomplish. He was followed by Hon. Thos. E. Barkworth, and our worthy representative, Hon. Henry C. Smith, who entertained the audience by their able and eloquent remarks. Miss Jennie Buell, state secretary of the Grange, followed the Hon. Thos. E. Barkworth, in a clear and well expressed statement of the good the Grange was endeavoring to accomplish for the farmer, and especially commended the North Lake Grange for their courage in coming before the public, in a bolder and more outspoken manner than so many lodges possessing double their numerical membership. Judge Newkirk was present and made a short and pleasing address. During this time the base ball game which was in full progress, formed the chief source of attraction to many. It was played between the Unadillas and Chelseas, resulting in favor of the former. All who attended the picnic, appreciating the beautiful moonlight evening they had in which to return home, must have felt that it had been a day well spent.

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FRANCISCO.

Rev. Ketterhenry is quite ill.

Mrs. Frank Scherer is seriously ill.

Mrs. Bill of Leslie is visiting relatives here.

M. Kalmbach lost a valuable horse last week.

Mrs. Fred Mensing is visiting relatives at Pontiac.

Fred Broesamle of Chelsea passed a few days of last week at this place.

Miss Crenger of Jackson is spending some time with Miss Lizzie Wulfert.

C. Phelps of Jackson spent Saturday and Sunday with his brother here.

Mrs. S. A. Furgerson spent part of last week with her brother, Jas. Richards.

Delbert Hammond of Grass Lake was the guest of Miss Lizzie Wulfert Sunday.

Miss Florence Cooper visited her cousin, Mrs. Fred Riemenschneider last week.

Misses Mabel, Dora and Eva Notten spent Sunday with their sister, Edna at Waterloo.

E. J. Notten and Fred Broesamle took a flying trip to Pleasant Lake Thursday last.

Mrs. Albert Richards and little son spent part of last week with her mother at Manchester.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Waltz and family of Root's Station was the guests of J. J. Musbach Sunday.

Mrs. John Kalmbach and two children visited her parents at West Waterloo on Saturday and Sunday.

The Francisco Cornet Band expects to furnish music at the farmers' picnic at Pleasant Lake August 16th.

Albert Horning of Jackson spent Sunday at this place.

Several from here took in German Day at Jackson today.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ackley of Unadilla spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. M. Hatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Lehman and family and Conrad Lehman of Chelsea spent Sunday at John Riemenschneider's.

The German M. E. Sunday-school will hold a picnic at Cavanaugh Lake August 14th. Every one come and have a good time.

Intestinal infection, appendicitis and all affections of the bowels, liver and kidneys prevented by taking genuine Rocky Mountain Tea, made by Madison Medicine Co.—Ask your druggist.

PHILOSOPHY OF AN OLD SALT.

He Tells a Party of Boys Out Hunting Why Some Birds Commit Suicide.

While hunting for birds' nests recently in clumps of virgin forest that fringe the lake shore at Edgewater a party of high school pupils discovered a dead woodpecker hanging head downward from the limbed side of a tall tree, relates the Chicago Chronicle. Its legs did not seem to attach to anything, but on closer scrutiny a particularly fine-spun, though very strong, cobweb was found entangling the tiny bird's claws.

The youths had not concluded their speculations as to "the how and the why" of the bird's sad end when a sea-bronzed sailor of the type of Coleridge's "ancient mariner" arose from a mist out of the lake and, approaching the scene of the discovery, gave a curious explanation of the puzzle the students were resolving in their minds. What the sailor said was about as follows:

"Alas and alack, I am grieved to see that the tropical custom of the so-called spider web suicides among small birds of the South sea islands is spreading to the feathery tribes of the northern latitudes. That you, my youthful friends, may understand my meaning, it is only necessary to say that the aborigines of many tropical countries have a pretty fable telling how the male humming bird commits suicide by entangling its toes in an overhanging cobweb of the spider-infested woods, whenever the female for which an attachment has been formed is mysteriously missing from its haunts or has died or been trapped for the millinery shops of the highly civilized nations."

ADVANCE OF THE BICYCLE.

It Is Now Being Used by Some as a Means of Earning a Livelihood.

"To what base uses is the bicycle put," exclaimed an elite member of the Scorchers' Protective association to a Detroit Free Press man, as a machine heavily laden with tinware and guided by an elongated individual made a zig-zag line down Griswold street. The rider was almost completely obscured by dishpans, lunchbaskets and a choice assortment of kitchen utensils, his nether limbs and his wind-tossed beard being the only means of identifying him with humanity. As he passed down the street he kept constantly jingling an unmusical cowbell, which did not frighten as much as it amused. He was a rare street spectacle, was this movable tinshop, and street car patrons and pedestrians gaped widely at him. But he kept steadily on his way, as though his was the most ordinary business in the world, and by and by he stopped at the house of a regular customer and sold a teapot. Farther up the street the observer caught sight of a laborer on a bicycle. He was acting as a steam barge for a cart loaded with plaster and building material, and he tooted an alarm signal that made moving vans and every sort of street vehicle give him the right of way.

"Ah, well," soliloquized the observer, "the scorchers may call it 'base uses,' but I believe there is some hope for the bicycle after all. As a feature of industrial activity it is certainly advancing."

Suspicious.

Cook (to policeman)—"How neatly you carry that leg of mutton, Robert!" Then, with a sudden outburst of jealousy: "You have deceived me! I am not your first love."—Tit-Bits.

A Drifting Wreck.

"What is a skeptic, pa?" "Well, the most hopeless kind of skeptic is a woman who has lost her faith in doctors."—Indianapolis Journal.

Does Not Necessarily Follow.

Don't imagine because you are homely that you are above the average in intelligence. —Chicago Daily News.

In the Course of Time.

In the course of time the equator may be converted into a race course. —Dallas News.

Nursing Mothers

dread hot weather. They know how it weakens and how this affects the baby.

All such mothers need Scott's Emulsion. It gives them strength and makes the baby's food richer and more abundant.

50c. and \$1. All druggists.

CIGAR STUBS OF CRIMINALS.

They Have a Generic Similarity of Value as Clues to the Detective.

According to Prof. Hans Gross, of Berlin, valuable clues toward the detection of criminals may be obtained through an examination of cigar tips. Of course, this applies to those who carelessly throw away in the street or elsewhere, says the London News.

"If you pick up any tip," he says, "and examine it closely the chances are that you will be able to learn something as to the personality and social position of the man who threw it away. In the case of criminals the first point to be considered is the manner in which it was cut off from the cigar. If a knife or any other instrument was used for this purpose, then this instrument will doubtless be found on the criminal. If, on the other hand, it was bit off with the teeth, a thorough examination of the tip will show what kind of teeth were used for this purpose."

"A man with a row of even teeth will bite off the end of his cigar squarely and evenly, whereas one with jagged, uneven teeth will bite it unevenly and in such a manner as to leave clearly visible the marks of his incisors. By comparing the marks on cigar tips with the teeth of suspected criminals prosecuting officers and detectives will be able to obtain much information which they could not possibly obtain any other way."

BUILT WHOLLY OF PAPER.

English Hospital Near London Where the Wounded Soldiers from Africa Are Cared For.

The return of so many wounded soldiers from South Africa to Great Britain has taxed the local hospitals to the utmost, so that all sorts of emergency homes must be provided for the sick. The oddest of all is "a paper hospital" in the suburbs. Not far from London, at Netley, is to be found a whole paper city with a population of 500 men—all in a paper wrapping. This paper city is the convalescent ranch of the Netley hospital, and the material of which it is built is paper mache. It is a new idea for a hospital hut. There are 45 of these huts behind the red brick hospital building, and in each of them are ten men, who as a rule spend a fortnight in the paper city.

The houses of this city are glistening, white, lean, long and businesslike. At the end, and so that there may be a curtain at the doorway and no draught, is a bulging porch. Fluttering from each of the windows is a scarlet curtain to give a touch of color to the white landscape. Inside the paper mache buildings it is all quietude and comfort. Each building is 36 feet long. Ranged along the length are ten beds, with easy spring mattresses that can allow for the tossing of a man still in pain, even if he is convalescent. Beside each bed is a room for the necessary lat, and at one side of the hut is the wooden mess table.

BIRDS THAT LIVE IN COLONIES

Many South African Feathered Creatures Develop the Social Instinct.

The social weaver birds of South Africa build their nests in colonies under a common umbrella-like roof, probably woven for defensive purposes against the intrusion of snakes. The gardener, one of the bower birds, constructs its highly decorated nest with adjoining ornamental spaces, apparently for the purpose of furnishing an attractive meeting place for social intercourse with her fellows. The spotted collar bird—a cousin of the crow—prepares its artistic bower, a sort of assembly room ornamented with shells, pebbles and other bright colored bric-a-brac, where in due time festive gatherings are held, and much apparent mutual admiration attends strutting and dancing of the males.

The European lapwing also carries out its taste for social intercourse to the extent of holding dancing parties, described by Hudson. At these the birds, who live in pairs, are joined by a third, and all three, keeping step, begin a rapid march, uttering resonant drumming notes in time with their movements. As the march ceases the leader stands erect, while the others bow before it, and the visitor returns to its own quarters, to receive a return call from one of the other two, when the quaint performance is repeated.

HAT THAT MAKES HAIR GROW.

A New Yankee Notion That Promises to Drive Bald Heads from Existence.

A Massachusetts Yankee has been tempting immortality by inventing a hat the wearing of which will assure to the most baldheaded of the race a new and luxuriant head of hair, says the New York Tribune. To all outward appearances the new patent differs not at all from the ordinary derby. Its secret is concealed within the crown. There, fastened to the interior of the crown, and thereby raised an inch or more above the hair, is a small metal receptacle. Into this receptacle is locked a specially prepared pad, which is soaked before using with a secret combination of chemicals. When the hat is worn the heat of the head generates a chemical action which throws off from the pad vapor. This vapor, acting on a perfectly bald scalp, will produce a new crop of hair, or if the hair has begun to fall it will renew and strengthen the growth. In this way a baldheaded man need lose no time in taking treatments, but may go about his business serene in the certainty that the vapor is doing its work.

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Statement at the close of Business August 7, 1900.

RESOURCES

Loans and discounts	\$ 58,702 27
Bonds, mortgages and securities	165,935 05
Premiums paid on bond	398 75
Overdrafts	155 52
Banking house	8,000 00
Furniture and fixtures	2,000 00
Due from other banks and bankers	11,806 23
Due from banks in reserve cities	\$31,993 52
U. S. and state bonds	4,500 00
U. S. and Nat'l Bank Cur'cy	4,726 00
Gold coin	5,185 00
Silver coin	2,489 90
Nickels and cents	106 43
Checks, cash items, internal rev. acct.	182 14
Total	\$296,180 81

LIABILITIES

Capital stock paid in	\$ 40,000 00
Surplus	2,000 00
Undivided profits, net	3,319 50
Dividends unpaid	17 50
Commercial deposits	40,718 41
Certificates of deposit	10,840 30
Savings deposits	182,939 35
Savings certificates	16,345 75
Total	\$296,180 81

State of Michigan, County of Washtenaw, ss.

I, J. A. Palmer, cashier of the above named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN A. PALMER, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of August, 1900.

GEO. A. BEGOL, Notary Public.

Collections receive personal attention of an officer of the Bank, are carefully made and promptly accounted for.

The Business of all our patrons are served with regard to their best interests and every facility freely extended consistent with sound Banking.

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If you carry one of WINAN'S WATCHES. Many people are handicapped in their journey through this vale of tears by carrying any old thing for a time piece, and often being just too late to "get there." Some unkindly say that they carry the watch just to show the chain. Be that as it may, we want you all to know that nowhere else can you find such good values in watches of all sizes, grades and makes, as we have at \$4.00 and upwards. Everything fully guaranteed.

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Fine Repairing a Specialty.

See our line of Clocks.

HOW CHINESE USE THE BIBLE.

The Explanation of a Sudden Demand That Astonished the Missionary Society.

"What becomes of all the Bibles that go to Chi?" used to be a standing puzzle to the missionaries," remarked a Chicago preacher as he discussed the boxes.

"A few years ago," he continued, "there went up a great cry for 'missionary Bibles' in the Flowery Kingdom. The Bible society was extremely gratified. The demand was unprecedented and thousands of dollars were spent in sending them nice red morocco Testaments."

"This sort of thing went on for a long time, but the number of native converts did not increase accordingly. The missionaries investigated. What do you suppose they discovered?"

"That they used the Bibles for gunwadding?"

"No. They made firecrackers of 'em. Practically all the nicely printed Bibles that we were sending over there were rolled up in nice little rolls, a page at a time, and made into firecrackers. The Chinese make firecrackers at home, for an incredibly low price, and the paper that they were getting free cost a considerable figure with them. But it taught us a celestial lesson, as I might say."

A Historic Cable.

According to the Telegrapher, the cable of the Western Union which runs under Lake Champlain from Ticonderoga to Larrabee's Point has something of a history. It was made in Europe and first connected opposite shores of the Red sea. Later it was brought to this country and connected Tybee Island, near Beaufort, S. C., with Hilton Head. At the end of the civil war it was taken to New York city and remained in the company's storehouse until it was placed under Lake Champlain.

Exports of Scientific Instruments.

The exports of scientific instruments from the United States to foreign countries during the past nine months amounted to nearly \$5,000,000, being an increase of 54 per cent. over the corresponding period of the previous year, and larger per cent. of increase than for any other class of exports. This is a notable showing of the increasing appreciation which our scientific apparatus is receiving abroad.

Utterly Ridiculous.

May—These post office clerks are just simple. I gave one a letter to-day, and he said it needed another stamp, because it was overweight.

Fay—Well? "Goodness! Don't you see. Another stamp would make it still heavier." —Catholic Standard and Times.

E. H. Brown

This signature is on every box of the genuine Laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets the remedy that cures a cold in one day

Anarchists Locked Up.

Chicago, Aug. 6.—The police prevented anarchists from gathering in this city to rejoice over the murder of King Humbert, and five were arrested, among them Mrs. Lucy Parsons.

A MINISTER'S GOOD WORK.

"I had a severe attack of bilious colic, got a bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy, took two doses and was entirely cured," says Rev. A. A. Power, of Emporia, Kan. "My neighbor across the street was sick for over a week, had two or three bottles of medicine from the doctor. He used them for three or four days without relief, then called in another doctor who treated him for some days and gave him no relief, so discharged him. I went over to see him the next morning. He said his bowels were in a terrible fix, that they had been running off so long that it was almost bloody flux. I asked him if he had tried Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy and he said, 'No.' I went home and brought him my bottle and gave him one dose; told him to take another dose in fifteen or twenty minutes if he did not find relief, but he took no more and was entirely cured." For sale by all druggists.

Not a Word.

Magistrate—You are charged with talking back to an officer, sir; have you anything to say?

Prisoner—Divil a word, yer honor. Ol've sed so moogh alreddy.—Ohio State Journal.

The Philippine natives run pell mell. At the sound of our Yankee yell. But, oh, what a gait they'll have, maybe, After taking Rocky Mountain Tea—Ask your Druggist.

Standing Room Only.

Ida—The trouble is women don't stand together. May—they don't? Well, you just watch them at a bargain counter!—Chicago Evening News.

Perfect womanhood depends on perfect health. Nature's rarest gift of physical beauty comes to all who use Rocky Mountain Tea. 35c.—Ask your druggist.

Settled.

Friend—I suppose you have already picked out a profession for your little boy.

Pond Mamma—Yes; he's to be either a piano virtuoso or a football player. He has just the loveliest head of hair.—Philadelphia Press.

It will surprise you to experience the benefit obtained by using the dainty and famous little pills known as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Glazier & Stimson.

Mothers endorse it, children like it, old folks use it. We refer to One Minute Cough Cure. It will quickly cure all throat and lung troubles. Glazier & Stimson.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The choir of the M. E. church are spending this week at North Lake.

No services will be held in the German Lutheran church next Sunday.

Mrs. Carrie Seper Cushman has again taken up her work as music teacher.

Train No. 36, due at Chelsea at 7:15 a. m., now takes on mail at this station.

Peter Fletcher of Lima reports a yield of 659 bushels of oats from nine acres.

An effort is being made to organize a Grange in the western part of Lyndon.

The democratic convention to nominate county officers has been called for September 12th.

Wanted—A copy of the Standard of either December 7th, 14th or 21st, 1899. Bring to Standard office.

The B. Y. P. U. will give a ten cent supper at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Depew Tuesday, August 14th.

The next regular teachers' examination will be held at the Ann Arbor high school building, beginning August 16th.

The German Sunday schools of Chelsea and Dexter reports the best time they ever had at their picnic at North Lake, Thursday, August 2d.

The man who changes sides is "a disgruntled flopper" or "a patriot who has had his eyes opened," according to the politics of the one who expresses the opinion.

The annual union picnic of the Sunday-schools of Lyndon and vicinity will be held at Cavanaugh Lake, Tuesday, August 14th, 1900. There will be good speakers present. The Francisco Band will furnish the music.

L. T. Freeman and family, accompanied by Mrs. J. H. Hollis and Mrs. Welch, drove over here from Chelsea, last Friday to spend the day visiting friends. We are sure they are always very welcome here.—Manchester Enterprise.

It is said that rough rider clubs will be the proper caper during the campaign so if you see a lot of your fellow citizens dressed in rough rider clothes, sombrero hats and indulging in cowboy antics, you may know that a Teddy Roosevelt club is in your midst.

Washtenaw County Maccabee association will hold a basket picnic at Whitmore Lake on Aug. 23. Speeches will be made by officers of the great tent and bive, and prizes will be given to the tents and bives showing the largest attendance. Good music and dancing will be features.

Authorities warn the people of the country about following up the Belgian hare craze. One pair of these hares will raise a family of over 100 in a year, and it may be the English sparrow plague over again, only much worse. Australia can attest to the truth of this statement.

Mrs. C. H. Nulte gave a farewell reception on Tuesday evening to Rev. J. I. Nickerson and family, who left for their home in Chelsea yesterday. It was a surprise party so far as the guests of honor were concerned and it proved a very enjoyable occasion to the large number present.—Cheboygan Tribune.

An important and interesting social event, marking a new era in the lives of the "high contracting parties," took place at high noon today, Thursday, August 9, 1900, at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Townsend, at which time their daughter, Louisa Cora was united in marriage to Frank J. Mellicamp, by Rev. Thomas Holmes, D. D.

"Reports from every county in the state," says Game Warden Morse, in his monthly report to the secretary of state, "show an increase in quail and partridge over last year, and a marked increase in brook trout streams and lakes of the state. The catch of trout and whitefish by the commercial fishermen of the upper lakes is reported to be better than for several years, which is decidedly encouraging."

An exchange says that under the pension law of May 9, 1900, veterans who have attained an age of 75 years are entitled to and can obtain a pension of \$12 per month, being considered wholly disabled for manual labor. Claimants 65 years of age may obtain \$6 per month under the same act. In the application no other disabling cause need be set forth than a statement of the age, but competent proof will be required for the age.

The Washtenaw teachers' institute closed its sessions Friday. It consisted of a round up of the School Officers' association, the Washtenaw Teachers' association and the patrons. The following were the officers elected by the Officers' association: John K. Campbell, of Augusta, president; A. D. Crittenden, of Chelsea, secretary and treasurer. The County Teachers' association elected the following: President, C. O. Hoyt, of Ypsilanti; vice-president, Schuyler Foster, of Chelsea; secretary, Emma Taylor, of Ann Arbor; treasurer, Grace Luxton, of Milan.

The German Workingmen's Society headed by the Chelsea Band went to Jackson today to celebrate German Day. Three hundred tickets were sold at this station.

The Adrian Press is noted for being strictly temperate, but last week it "got a little off" as the following item shows: "Surveyors have been in the city this week, looking after the street railroad line from Toledo."

There were 1,342,725,980 pieces of mail handled by the railway postal clerks during the year ending June 30th. The number of pieces handled to one error was 7,666; number of examinations, 1,791; number of cards handled, 2,377,339; number correct, 2,355,501; number of errors, 21,316; percentage correct, 99.08.

Misfortune came not singly to John Kilmer, a dairyman, at Manhattan Beach yesterday. In the morning his horses ran away, badly damaging his wagon. He took the outfit to a blacksmith shop for repairs, and returned again to get it last night. He had driven but a short distance when his horses again got beyond his control and ran away at Tenth and Platte, throwing him to the ground and dashing his wagon to splinters. Kilmer suffered a scalp wound and a badly hurt hip.—Rocky Mountain News.

The Chelsea market today is as follows: Wheat 73 cents for red or white; oats 30 cents; rye 45 cents; corn 50 cents; beans \$1.15; clover seed at retail \$5.90, timothy seed \$1.75; wool 15 to 18 cents; beef on foot 2 to 4 cents; dressed beef 5 to 7 cents; live hogs 3 to 5 cents; dressed hogs 5 to 6 1/2 cents; spring lambs 5 to 6 cents; mutton 4 cents; live veal calves 5 cents; dressed veal 7 cents; spring chickens 10 cents; fowls 6 cents; lard 8 cents; green hides 6 cents; pelts 25 to 75 cents; potatoes 25 cents; cabbage 25 to 30 cts. dozen; apples 25 to 40 cents; eggs 10 cents; butter 14 cents.

The first case to test the validity of the new state dog license law was recently tried at Saginaw and a decision was rendered by the trial justice that needs only the affirmation of the supreme court to wipe the new law off the statute books. The plaintiff sued to recover damages for the killing of his Newfoundland pup by the dog warden of Carrollton township, and he based his case on the ground that dogs are personal property. The court held that this ground was well taken and awarded the plaintiff damages in the sum of \$50. The case will be carried to the supreme court by the dog warden and will probably come up for hearing some time in September, when that tribunal reconvenes after its summer vacation.—Northville Record.

The Michigan Forestry Commission has issued a pamphlet entitled "A Little Talk about Michigan Forestry," which should be in the hands of everyone who believes in the preservation of the Michigan forests, and the reforestation of the state. This question has grown to be a serious one, and one in fact of vital interest to Michigan, if our state is to be kept one of the garden spots of the country. The wanton destruction of our forests has done much to bring about climatic changes extremely injurious, and its effects upon the farm crops of the state is evident. A good start has been made looking to the growing of timber, but it should be taken up by every farmer who has a little waste land suitable for the growth of trees but not for cultivation. The question is a most important one and should be studied by the people.

At race meetings throughout the country a notable feature especially in the home breeding districts is the exhibition of the stallions of the locality. The Jackson Co. Driving Club desires to add this feature to its program Friday August 24 and respectfully asks the cooperation of all owners of stallions. All such owners are invited to show their horses, to lead bridle in front of the grand stand on that day when the starting judge will announce name of horse, owner, pedigree, record, produce. Horses and attendants will, of course be admitted free and stalls provided. The Driving Club hopes to arouse interest in the horse business and believes this plan a good one for all concerned. Let all stallion owners assist in making Breeders Day the success it should be, by showing their horses. All communications may be addressed to W. W. Todd Secretary Jackson Co. Driving Club, Jackson, Michigan.

Some newspaper subscribers often wonder why a publisher will keep on sending his paper when the subscription has expired. The reason is this: When the subscription price is paid to a certain time and is promptly discontinued at that time, many a subscriber allows his angry passions to rise and curses the publisher for insinuating that his credit is not good. That will make the average man mad. Rather than cast insinuations against any subscriber's honesty to pay small debts it becomes customary for country newspapers to continue sending the paper after the subscription has expired, although the large dailies and weeklies do not follow this rule as the subscribers live at a great distance, and besides they are not acquainted with their financial standing. One could deem it an honor to know that his credit is not doubted when the publisher continues to send the paper.—Frankfort Patriot.

PERSONAL.

A. W. Wilkinson spent Saturday at Detroit.

Geo. A. BeGole and son LaMont spent Sunday at Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Geo. Webster spent Sunday at Grass Lake.

C. E. Foster of Clinton spent several days of this week here.

Prof. and Mrs. W. W. Gifford are spending this week at Leslie.

Harry Munroe of Detroit is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Canfield.

Miss Emma Miller of Chicago is visiting her parents here this week.

Miss Franc Streeter of Fowlerville is visiting friends and relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. S. A. Mapes are entertaining Mr. Mapes' parents of Plainfield.

A. R. Crittenden of the Washtenaw Times was a caller at the Standard office Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. Clark spent several days of the past week with relatives at Eaton Rapids.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Obert of Durand were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Watson the first of the week.

D. W. Greenleaf left Saturday night for Tekamah, Neb., to visit his parents. He will be gone two weeks.

Mrs. John Welch of Grass Lake, and Mrs. R. M. Speer and son of Battle Creek visited relatives here last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Davis and Mr. and Mrs. H. I. Davis were the guests of South Lyons friends Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Titus L. Smith of Corning, N. Y., who have been visiting relatives here for some time, returned to their home today.

Ransom Armstrong of Durand was the guest of his parents, Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Armstrong at Cavanaugh Lake the first of the week.

Mrs. Wesley Canfield, who has been visiting her sons at Inlay City and her sister, Mrs. H. M. Dean at Detroit, returned home Friday.

Rev. Thomas Holmes, D. D., returned yesterday from an absence of eleven days, visiting, lecturing and preaching. The places visited were Toledo, Defiance and West Unity, Ohio, and Hudson and Jackson, Mich.

S. Maxon and Mrs. Elizabeth Halstead of Elkhart, Ind., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Jenks of Lima, and on Wednesday participated in the celebration of the 80th birthday of Mrs. Polly Tallman, mother of Mrs. Jenks.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.

Washtenaw County Pomona Grange will hold a basket picnic at the home of H. D. Platt, on the electric road between Ann Arbor and Ypsilanti, Wednesday, August 15th, to which all members of the Grange and their friends will be welcome. Hon. Milo D. Campbell, president of the tax commission, is expected to speak on the afternoon program.

The Fable of the Small Bird.

Once upon a time there was a bantam rooster with an immense opinion of himself, and as he stood in the barnyard he said:

"I will make a stir in the world. I will attract attention."

Wherefore he began to crow lustily, although he had nothing much to crow about.

Now it happened that far above the bantam a hawk was wheeling in the circumambient air. The hawk had not seen the bantam, owing to the latter's diminutive proportions, but when the bantam crowed the hawk heard and in about forty seconds had his claws full and was contentedly winging his flight homeward.

Moral: It is not a profitable thing to try to make a noise in the world without a reasonable excuse.

State of Ohio, City of Toledo, Lucas County.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney & Co., doing business in the City of Toledo, County and State aforesaid, and that said firm will pay ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS for each and every case of Catarrh that cannot be cured by the use of HALL'S CATARRH CURE.

FRANK J. CHENEY.
Sworn to before me and subscribed in my presence, this 6th day of December, A. D. 1886.

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Choice Alaska salmon at 12 1/2c per can

Pillar Rock and Warren salmon 18c can

Best Elsie cheese 14c pound

Best Lyndon cheese 12c pound

Large clean Raisins 8c pound

4 pounds Vail & Crane crackers for 25c

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THE BEST ON EARTH.

Sturgis Wager

DETECTIVE STORY

BY EDGAR MORETTE

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—Scene of story is in New York city. Time, early evening, last day of year. Cable train collides with cab, throwing to ground cabman and passenger. Cabman, who was driving, is killed. Passenger, who was sitting in the cab, is injured. Sturgis, reporter, examines cab and surroundings.

CHAPTER II.—Later that evening, at stag dinner party, Sturgis, in impromptu discussion, maintains reliability of circumstantial evidence. Dr. Murdoch, famous chemist, wagers in reply \$5,000 to \$100 that from any daily paper he can select an unsolvable riddle. Sturgis takes bet.

CHAPTER III.—Case selected is of two mysterious shots fired that afternoon in or near Knickerbocker bank. Man had been seen running from bank with valise and arrested. Man said he stole valise from bank steps and was shot at. Valise contained nothing of interest.

CHAPTER IV.—Sturgis secures appointment with Dunlap, president of bank, to visit scene of shooting early next morning, then induces his friend Dr. Murdoch to come to his rooms while he arranges data of the two strange cases.

CHAPTER V.—From observations made thus far and inductive reasoning thereon, reporter has concluded: (1) dead man in cab was bookkeeper about 30 years old, receiving good salary; (2) wound caused by bullet fired at close quarters; (3) might have shot himself; (4) shooting had not occurred in cab; (5) right arm broken by heavy instrument; and (6) cabman was drugged, and young man who escaped involved in some way in crime. Cab mystery also noted as possible sequel to bank mystery.

CHAPTER VI.—Sturgis calls for Sprague, artist friend, to get his company during investigation at bank, but artist has appointment with some fair sitter whose portrait he is making.

CHAPTER VII.—Agnes Murdoch (in charge of her father's household since her mother's death) finds her father in his study. She, in reply to a question concerning attention of a "Thomas Chatham," shows her dislike of the persistent suitor. Her father intimates she shall not be further bothered.

CHAPTER VIII.—Miss Murdoch's final sitting for portrait induces artist to ask privilege of calling at her home, which she readily grants. Reporter brings note for Agnes. This is read with evident anxiety, and she drops it. It remains forgotten when she leaves studio.

CHAPTER IX.—Promptly at time agreed Dunlap meets Sturgis. Reporter brings long and careful examination in bank. Revolver in bookkeeper's desk shows two empty cartridges.

CHAPTER X.—Examination completed. Sturgis questions banker regarding reliability of Arbogast, head bookkeeper, then announces Arbogast to be a defaulter with Chatham, accountant who frequently examined condition of books, as accomplice. Message Arbogast sent Chatham deciphered from marks on a blotter.

CHAPTER XI.—Reporter has now completed diagram showing movements of Arbogast and Chatham and one other whose identity is as yet completely veiled. Arbogast at last moment had found a note which caused him to suspect his accomplice. He fired warning shot in hand and was about to fire again when unknown conspirator rushed in and seized his arm. This action resulted in turning weapon and making Arbogast shoot himself. Dunlap is incredulous, but verifies story in part by later identifying body of Arbogast at morgue.

CHAPTER XII.—Banker calls upon Mrs. Arbogast. While with her she receives letter written by her husband telling of falsification and expected flight. He has by mistake allowed a depositor to overdraw account. Chatham has discovered mistake, and for fear of losing position Arbogast allows himself to be used by Chatham and a Mr. Seymour. By false entries Seymour has drawn \$50,000. Changing in method of book keeping was about to expose matter. Arbogast tells his wife to give "lap" confession as soon as he has escaped.

CHAPTER XIII.—The afternoon of crime Chatham had had occasion to use telephone. Sturgis learns he had been connected with the Manhattan Chemical company, a mysterious concern not known to commercial agencies. At office of chemical concern Sturgis places detective.

CHAPTER XIV.

THE LETTER.

There is a magic in the refreshing sleep of youth calculated to exorcise the nightmares. When Sprague, arising after a good night's rest, found the world bathed in the sunshine of a crisp January day, he felt the physical pleasure of living which comes from supple muscles, from the coursing of a generous blood through the veins, from the cravings of a healthy appetite.

He remembered the "blue days" of the day before, and found it difficult to account for them. He was in love, certainly. But that in itself did not furnish a sufficient reason for despondency. It was rumored that the object of his affections was on the eve of betrothal to another. But what dependence can be placed upon a public rumor? As a matter of fact Miss Murdoch wore no rings; in the absence of the badge of the betrothed woman, was he not justified in believing her fancy free?

In that case, there was a fair field and no favor. Why should not he have as good a chance of winning the prize as another man? No man, of course, was worthy of Agnes Murdoch. That was the fundamental axiom. But in love success does not perch only upon the banner of the worthy. If it did, the human race would soon become extinct.

So the young man's thoughts ran on, while hope once more found a resting place in his heart.

Miss Murdoch was not to pose again, but Sprague was eager to work on the portrait. He was about to step into the studio after breakfast, when the housekeeper announced a call from his lawyer, who wished to consult him about some important matters. The entire morning was thus consumed in necessary but tedious business, and it was not until after luncheon that the artist was at last free to set to work.

Uncovering the portrait, he stood off to examine it. As he did so, something white upon the floor caught his eye. He stooped to pick it up. It was a letter in a beautifully regular masculine hand. Mechanically he turned it over and unfolded it. His eyes carelessly swept the written page; then in a flash he realized what it was, and he flung it violently from him.

Only a few words had left their impression upon his retina—a few scattered words and a signature. But these were branded deep upon his brain for all time, in letters of fire which burned their way to his very soul. For he had recognized the letter which had been delivered by the messenger to Miss Murdoch the day before, and he had seen enough to know that it was couched in words of passionate love. In that instant was quenched the last ray of hope which had lurked within his heart. Overwhelmed with a sense of utter desolation, he sank back upon a divan, and for a long time remained lost in bitter reflections.

But Sprague, in spite of his dilettanteism, was a man of grit when occasion called for it. Summoning at length his fortitude and his pride, he proceeded to carry out what he conceived to be the duty of a gentleman under the circumstances.

Picking up the letter again, he placed it unread in an envelope, into which he slipped his card, with a brief explanation of the finding of the paper. Then, after addressing the envelope, he started out to mail it himself.

"Thomas Chatham!" he mused, as he went down the stairs; "Thomas Chatham! Why, he is the man who took such pains to inform me that Miss Murdoch was betrothed, or on the point of being betrothed—the flashily dressed young man with red hair who is so regular an attendant at the Murdochs' informal receptions, and who never seems to be invited on state occasions; an insignificant and conceited puppy. Poor girl, what a pity that she should throw herself away upon such a man. But, if he marries her, he shall make her happy, or else—"

The balance of his thought was not put into words; but his face became set in stern lines and his hands clenched in grim determination.

Sprague, with the letter for Miss Murdoch in his hand, hurried to the nearest letter box, raised the lid of the drop, inserted the letter in the slot and then tightened his grasp of it and began to think.

The letter, if mailed, might perhaps not reach its destination until the following morning. It might be of importance, since it had been sent by messenger and to the studio instead of to Miss Murdoch's house. Besides, Miss Murdoch would probably be worried when she discovered that she had lost it. It ought therefore to be returned to her at once.

The letter, by this time, had been withdrawn from the slot of the letter box.

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"A caller!" exclaimed Agnes, in surprise. "At this time of day? Did he give you his card?"

"No, miss. Nor his name, nayther."

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"Chatham!" suggested Agnes, with sudden seriousness.

"Yes, miss; it do be the same."

"I cannot receive him," said Miss Murdoch, in frigid tones. "I am surprised that John should have admitted him, after the explicit instructions I gave him yesterday. Hereafter I am never at home to Mr. Chatham."

"Your butler is not at fault in this instance," said a voice from the hallway, and before either of the women could recover from her surprise, a flashily dressed young man with intensely red hair entered the room. He carried his left arm in a sling. His face was pale; his eyes glittered with a feverish light; his voice quivered with repressed excitement.

"I was waiting for your father in his office, when I heard your maid go by, and I asked her to announce me. I hoped for, but I can hardly say I expected, a more hospitable reception."

Miss Murdoch, after the first shock of surprise, had drawn up her graceful figure to its full height, and stood looking at the young man with undisguised contempt in her flashing eyes.

Chatham paused as if expecting a reply; and then:

"Shall I explain the object of my visit before your servant?" he asked, bitterly.

"You may leave, Mary, until I ring for you," said the young girl, turning to the maid.

The woman reluctantly left the room, casting curious glances upon her young mistress and her unwelcome guest as she went.

Chatham made a motion as if to take a chair; but Agnes remained significantly standing.

"Perhaps," she said, coldly, "you will be good enough to explain as briefly as possible your object in forcing your presence upon me in this ungentlemanly way?"

"I suppose my conduct does strike you as ungentlemanly," said the young man, pleasantly; "but what could I do? I love you devotedly, madly, and you will not allow me even to tell you so. You instruct your servants to turn me away from the door like a beggar. Is it a crime to love you?"

"No, Mr. Chatham," said the girl, more gently, "it is not a crime to love a woman; but it is at least a serious blunder to adopt the method you have selected of showing your affection, and it is certainly not generous to force it upon her as you are doing."

"What else can I do?" he repeated, doggedly. "Here am I, suddenly obliged to leave New York for a long time—perhaps forever—and unable to get a single word with you. I called yesterday morning and was informed that you were at that artist fellow's studio. Then I wrote you a letter, asking for an interview, and I left it there for you myself. The only notice you took of it was to give instructions to your butler not to admit me if I called again. I cannot go away like that, without a ray of hope to lighten my exile, and to leave you here surrounded by a lot of men who are anxious to marry you."

The tender-hearted girl felt a growing pity for the awkward and vulgar young man in whom she began vaguely to discern a genuine suffering.

"I am sorry, Mr. Chatham," she said, "more sorry than I can say. But what can I do? I do not care for you in the way you wish, and affection is not to be coerced. I have done the best I could to discourage you, because—"

"I know you have," interrupted Chatham; "you have avoided me, and snubbed me, and taken every way you could to show that you do not like me."

"It would have been mistaken kindness to do otherwise," said Agnes, gently.

"No, it wouldn't," exclaimed the accountant; "I don't ask you to love me; not at once, at any rate. But give me a show; give me time; give me a little hope—"

"I cannot do that," said the girl, in a low tone.

"Why can't you?" urged the young man excitedly. "I have sacrificed everything for you; I have given up all I had; I have lost my position; I have risked my life—"

"I don't understand you," said Miss Murdoch, looking at him in astonishment.

"Your father would," he replied, huskily; "it was he egged me on to this; he promised me that you would have me—"

"My father promised—"

"Yes, your father; and by G—"

Chatham, who was growing more and more excited, brought down his clenched fist upon a table near which he stood, and with an evident effort repressed the oath which rose to his lips. Miss Murdoch, startled and bewildered, observed him in speechless amazement.

After a momentary struggle, the accountant suddenly broke forth in piteous pleading:

"I don't ask much now. Tell me only one thing and I shall go away content for the present. Say that no other man has any better chance with you than I have. Say that you do not love anyone else."

The young girl tried hard to avoid his ardent gaze.

"Say it!" he commanded, in sudden sternness.

Agnes drew herself up proudly then.

"I don't know by what right you presume to entice or to command me," she said, coldly, at the same time making a motion as if to touch the button of the electric bell.

Chatham saw the motion and sprang before her to intercept it.

"Ah! that is the way of it, is it?" he exclaimed, with passionate jealousy. "You are—in love—with another man!"

The words seemed to choke him in the utterance. The blood rushed to his head; the veins on his temples stood

out in purple vividness, and, as he clutched spasmodically at his collar, a wild light came into his eyes.

Agnes caught their mad glitter and shrank back in sudden terror.

"I have been duped!" he shouted, frantically. "I have been a cat's-paw, and now that I have done all that was wanted of me I am to be turned off like a dog, with a kick. The dirty work is done, is it? We'll see about that; we'll see what your father has to say. But, at any rate, you can be sure of one thing."

His voice sank to a hoarse whisper and the words fell with impressive distinctness:

"If I don't marry you, no one ever shall!"

As he spoke he leaned forward upon the table which stood near him, and his fingers closed nervously upon the handle of a jeweled paper knife. There was murder in his eye at that moment, and the frightened girl quailed before it.

Suddenly her ear caught the sound of footsteps in the hallway. She opened her lips to call for help, but before she could utter a sound the door opened, revealing the anxious face of the housemaid, who had heard enough to realize that it was time to interrupt the tete-a-tete without further ceremony.

"Mr. Sprague, miss," she announced, with a comforting nod at her young mistress, whose pale face and frightened eyes had not escaped her attention.

Sprague stood on the threshold in evident embarrassment, looking from Agnes to Chatham, and uncertain how to act.

"I fear I am intruding, Miss Murdoch," he said at last; "your maid told me she thought you could receive me. Perhaps I would better call again."

"No, no, Mr. Sprague," replied the young girl, effusively, coming toward him with outstretched hands; "I am so glad to see you." And then, observing his inquiring glance toward Chatham, "I think," she added, coldly, "that this gentleman has said all that he has to say to me."

Chatham's excitement had subsided; in the reaction, he seemed ill and weak and he nervously clenched his tremulous right hand.

"I will wait to see Dr. Murdoch," he said, doggedly, in a low voice.

"As you please," replied Agnes, after a slight hesitation. "Mary, show Mr. Chatham to the doctor's study."

As the accountant followed the servant from the room, blank despair was stamped in every feature, and it seemed to Sprague, as the door closed, that he heard something like a convulsive sob.

Unconsciously Agnes had elung to Sprague's hand. Now, as the sense of danger disappeared, she became aware of what she was doing; and, in sudden embarrassment, she withdrew her hand from his reassuring clasp.

The artist, recalling the object of his visit, at once became grave and formal.

"I am sorry to intrude upon you at this unconventional hour, Miss Murdoch, but I found this letter in my studio to-day. It was evidently dropped by you yesterday; and, thinking it might be important, I—"

"A letter? What letter?" asked Agnes, puzzled.

Sprague held out the sealed envelope. The young girl tore it open and cast a hurried glance at its contents. Then suddenly understanding, she tore the paper to shreds and threw these angrily into the fire which burned brightly in the large open fireplace.

"Oh, that!" she exclaimed, contemptuously. And then after a pause: "Do you mean to say you thought—"

"She stopped short, seized by a sudden shyness.

"What else could I think?" said Sprague, softly.

He was watching the fragments of paper as they flared upon the hearth. The flame which consumed them seemed to shed a radiant glow upon his heart.

"Then," he added, presently, and still more softly, "if there is nothing between you and him—perhaps—perhaps I may hope—Miss Murdoch—Agnes—"

His hand sought hers and found it. But the reaction had come at last, and the brave girl who had been able to control herself in the presence of a threatening madman now gave way to a fit of hysterical weeping.

Sprague, not being a medical man, could hardly have known what remedies to employ in an emergency of this kind. All he did was to whisper soothing words in the young girl's ear and to kiss the tears from her eyes. But apparently that was enough. Evidently for a layman he must have possessed considerable medical intuition; for, after sobbing awhile upon his shoulder, Agnes quieted down gradually and remained contentedly nestling in his arms, while the artist, doubtless fearful of a relapse, continued, for perhaps an unnecessarily long time, to ply the treatment whose effect had produced upon his patient so marked, so rapid, and so satisfactory a result.

The attention of the medical profession is respectfully called to a treatment which, though empirical, may possibly possess specific virtues.

TO BE CONTINUED.

There is no legitimate male descendant of any kind of England who sat on the throne before the reign of George I. Of the 25 barons who set their hands to magna charta not a single male descendant remains. There is not a single barony by writ now held by a male of the family in which it was originally created. There are only about 300 nobles or gentle families now holding the same land in male succession which their male ancestors held even so recently as the reign of King Henry VII.—Chicago Chronicle.

You will never find any other pills so prompt and so pleasant as DeWitt's Little Early Risers. Glazier & Stimson.

Quails in Egypt.

Quails swarmed by the million in Egypt. This fact was not generally known until a protest was recently raised by Frenchmen against carrying the birds across French territory for English use.

Millions will be spent in politics this year. We can't keep the campaign going without money any more than we can keep the body vigorous without food. Dyspeptics used to starve themselves. Now Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and allows you to eat all the good food you want. It radically cures stomach troubles. Glazier & Stimson.

A solid train, 80 carloads of salt from the Great Salt Lake, Utah, was recently shipped from Saltair to Idaho points.—Railway and Engineering Review.

The average distance traveled by British engine drivers is from 30,000 to 50,000 miles every year. There are about 20,000 drivers in the United Kingdom.

The wolf in the fable put on sheep's clothing because if he traveled on his own reputation he couldn't accomplish his purpose. Counterfeiters of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve couldn't sell their worthless salves on their merits, so they put them in boxes and wrappers like DeWitt's. Look out for them. Take only DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. It cures piles and all skin diseases. Glazier & Stimson.

Girls employed in the crape manufacture are under a curious contract not to engage in any housework after their hours of labor. The reason is lest their hands should become coarse and unfitted for the delicate nature of their employment.

Chinese are dangerous enemies, for they are treacherous. That's why all counterfeiters of DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve are dangerous. They look like DeWitt's but instead of the all-healing witch hazel they all contain ingredients liable to irritate the skin and cause blood poisoning. For piles, injuries and skin diseases use the original and genuine DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. Glazier & Stimson.

Rev. Henry Richards, from Africa, is visiting this country for a few months. He has charge of the station on the Congo. He founded this station in 1897, under the auspices of the Livingstone Inland Mission. In 1896 this mission was transferred to the American Baptist Missionary union, and soon after, in 1898, the great awakening occurred, when over 1,000 natives professed religion and gave up idolatry. Since then 2,000 converts have been baptized.

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Small American Force Surprised by Strong Band of Filipinos Near San Miguel.

TWENTY ARE KILLED OR CAPTURED.

Gen. MacArthur is Preparing an Extensive Expedition—Intends to Drive Insurgents Out of Bulacan—The Philippine Commission is Preparing to Assume Control.

Washington, Aug. 6.—The first serious check which the American troops have met in the Philippines during the past two months is recorded in a dispatch received Saturday morning from Gen. MacArthur. It is assumed that the little American command which suffered so severely was completely trapped and was obliged to surrender or be exterminated. The message is as follows:

"Manila, Aug. 4.—Adjutant General, Washington: First Lieut. Alstetter, corps of engineers, United States army, with escort 15 men attacked August 1, road between San Miguel de Mayumo (Luzon) and San Isidro (Luzon) by armed band insurgents, reported 350 strong. Entire party killed, wounded or captured.

"Wounded sent San Isidro with note from Laguna Maraimo announcing prisoners would be well treated.

(Signed) "MACARTHUR."

Preparing to Move.

Manila, Aug. 6.—Gen. MacArthur is preparing an extensive expedition for the purpose of driving the insurgents out of Bulacan. A scouting expedition, operating around Laguna de Bay, has destroyed the quarters of Col. Cuelles, 12 barracks and the food and medical stores of the rebels.

A Week's Campaign.

The results of the campaign during the last week show 39 rebels killed and 35 captured. Sixty rifles were captured. The Americans lost seven killed, including an officer; nine wounded and 21 captured, including an officer.

The Philippine Commission.

Manila, Aug. 6.—On September 1 the commission headed by Judge Taft will become the legislative body of the Philippines, with power to take and appropriate insular moneys, to establish judicial and educational systems and to make and pass all laws. No money will be permitted to be drawn from the insular funds except by authorization of the committee. Judge Taft and his colleagues will also exercise certain executive functions. For instance, they will appoint judges, officials in the educational department and officers of municipalities, which the commission establish pending elections. Gen. MacArthur will be the executive head to enforce the laws of the commission, and he will conduct the government in accordance with the same until the commission recommends to President McKinley the appointment of a civil governor.

BALL AND BAT.

Tables Showing the Standing of the Clubs of Leading Organizations Up to Date.

The standing of the leading baseball clubs is shown in the following table. National league:

Clubs.	Won.	Lost.	Per cent.
Brooklyn	53	30	.639
Pittsburgh	45	38	.543
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Chicago	42	42	.500
Boston	42	42	.500
St. Louis	37	44	.457
Cincinnati	38	48	.441
New York	31	49	.388
American league:			
Chicago	52	26	.690
Indianapolis	47	31	.603
Milwaukee	50	44	.532
Detroit	46	46	.500
Cleveland	44	45	.495
Cleveland	46	50	.479
Buffalo	43	51	.457
Minneapolis	40	54	.425

Death of a Millionaire.

Toledo, O., Aug. 7.—Dennis Coghlin, the wealthiest man in Toledo and northwestern Ohio, died at his home Monday night after a lingering illness. He owned many of the large business blocks in the city, and was a stockholder in many banks, besides being the owner of large brewery interests. He was a native of Ireland, and was about 80 years of age. It is estimated that his wealth amounted to \$15,000,000.

Death of Ex-Gov. Cox, of Ohio.

Cleveland, Aug. 6.—Former Gov. Jacob D. Cox died Saturday afternoon at Magnolia, Mass. He was governor of Ohio during 1866-'67 and was secretary of the interior under President Grant. Until within a few weeks he had made his home at Oberlin. He leaves a son in Cleveland, Jacob D. Cox, Jr.

A Royal Wedding.

Belgrade, Aug. 6.—King Alexander on Sunday wedded Mue. Draga Maschin, the ceremony being performed with great pomp. In honor of the event the king granted an amnesty, together with numerous political pardons, including the former radical premier, Tauschanovich.

Elected Governor.

South McAlester, I. T., Aug. 3.—Reliable returns of the election for governor, held in Choctaw Nation Wednesday, show that Judge J. W. Dukes has been elected. Mr. Dukes ran on the full blood ticket.

Elopers Drowned.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Aug. 3.—Martha Hendricks and Paul Varner, who were attempting to elope from here, were drowned while trying to escape from the gulf's father.

Paupers Barred.

Toronto, Ont., Aug. 4.—The government has decided the pauper immigrants arriving at any Canadian port cannot be permitted to land.

IOWA REPUBLICANS.

Meet in Des Moines and Nominate a State Ticket—Synopsis of the Platform Adopted.

Des Moines, Ia., Aug. 2.—The republican state convention nominated the following state ticket:

Secretary of State, W. B. Martin, Greenfield; auditor of state, F. P. Merriam, Manchester; treasurer of state, G. S. Gilbertson, Forest City; attorney general, C. W. Mullin, Waterloo; judge of supreme court, E. J. McChlain, Iowa City; railway commissioner, D. J. Palmer, Washington; presidential electors at large, John N. Baldwin, Council Bluffs; Ole O. Roe, Des Moines; First district, E. V. Tucker, Louisiana; Second district, J. A. L. Bartholomew, Jackson county; Third, L. B. Raymond, Franklin county; Fourth, C. H. McNider, Cerro Gordo county; Fifth, H. H. Reed, Linn county; Sixth, S. H. Harper, Wapello county; Eighth, Marion F. Stookey, Decatur county; Ninth, P. L. Sever, Guthrie county; Tenth, Thomas Wray, Crawford county; Eleventh, George E. Bowers, Sioux county.

Following is a synopsis of the platform adopted:

It commends and indorses the Iowa delegation, in both the senate and house of representatives; indorses and commends the administration of Gov. Leslie M. Shaw in state affairs; has no other platform to present for the present campaign than the national platform of Philadelphia, which meets with the unqualified approval of Iowa republicans; the republican party of Iowa has no apologies to make for that platform, nor for the candidates who stand upon it. William McKinley and Theodore Roosevelt, backed by all citizens of the nation and state tickets. Sorrow is expressed at the death of the late Senator Geary; expresses sympathy with Minister Conger and his family, and earnestly prays for their safety and immediate success.

TRAIN HELD UP.

Two Masked Men Plunder Passengers on the Union Pacific and Kill an Old Man.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 6.—A Journal special from Salina, Kan., says: Union Pacific east-bound passenger train No. 4, which left Denver Saturday night, was held up by two men several miles west of Hugo, Col., 90 miles this side of Denver. The passengers in the Pullman sleepers were robbed of their money and valuables, obtaining about \$100 in cash, gold watches and jewelry. An old man, named Fay, a resident of California, who had been visiting in Denver and was on his way to St. Louis, refused to surrender his valuables and fired a shot at one of the robbers, but missed. Thereupon the robbers fired, one shot entering Fay's mouth and coming out at the back of his head, killing him almost instantly. The robbers stopped the train, jumped off and escaped.

THE NEGRO SHUT OUT.

North Carolina Votes to Practically Disfranchise the Colored Man in the State.

Raleigh, N. C., Aug. 3.—After one of the most bitterly contested campaigns ever known in the old North state the democrats and white supremacy triumphed Thursday by a majority of about 30,000. The election disfranchised the negro and changed the state legislature from its combination majority of republicans and populists to straight democratic, insuring the defeat of Marion Butler for reelection as United States senator. The negroes, as a general thing, remained away from the polls.

Spencer B. Adams, fusion nominee for governor, was defeated by Charles B. Aycock, the democratic nominee, and all other democratic state officers were elected.

Hanged Himself.

Fort Scott, Kan., Aug. 7.—Miss Katherine M. West, a young woman educator, widely known in the east, committed suicide in an asylum at Oswanton, Kan., Monday by hanging herself. As a teacher in New York city, Orange, N. J., and Bridgeport, Conn., Miss West became prominent in educational circles. She was a graduate of Dupauw university and received the A. B. degree at Ann Arbor.

Alabama Election.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 7.—In the state election yesterday a large majority was returned for the democratic ticket, headed by William J. Samford, of Lee county, for governor. In the eighth district Judge William Richardson, of Madison county, was elected to succeed Gen. Joe Wheeler, who resigned his seat in congress.

Work Resumed.

Lorain, O., Aug. 7.—The Lorain mills, of the Federal Steel company, resumed work in all departments Monday, except the blast furnace, with a full force of men. The orders on hand indicate steady work at the mills the remainder of the year.

A Hot Week.

Pierre, S. D., Aug. 6.—The past week has broken all records for heat here. The average maximum for the week was 103. The highest was 111 and the temperature was above 100 for five days in the week.

Killed by Divorced Wife.

Mason City, Ia., Aug. 7.—Harry Wheelock, twice a convict at the Anamosa penitentiary, was shot and killed Monday morning by Mrs. Burgess, his divorced wife, whom he attempted to kill.

Famous Scholar Dead.

Beloit, Wis., Aug. 6.—Joseph Emerson, aged 79 years, a famous scholar and for 30 years associated with Beloit college as professor of Greek, died at his home here.

Shows a Deficit.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The government receipts during July amounted to \$95,955,160 and the expenditures \$53,979,653, leaving a deficit for the month of \$42,975,493.

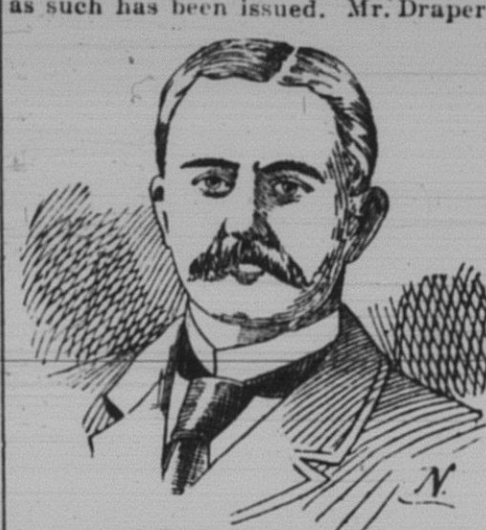
Fatal Jealousy.

Moline, Ill., Aug. 4.—Andrew Nelson, aged 77, fatally shot his wife, aged 67, and then killed himself. Jealousy was the cause.

WOLCOTT ACCEPTS.

The Ex-Governor Will Succeed Ambassador Draper at the Italian Court at Rome.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Mr. Roger Wolcott has accepted the president's tender of the post of ambassador to Italy, vice Draper, resigned, and his commission as such has been issued. Mr. Draper's



EX-GOV. ROGER WOLCOTT.

resignation does not take effect for about six weeks so that the new ambassador will not assume his office until fall, taking advantage of the intervening time to make a flying visit from Paris to the United States.

BOERS DERAIL TRAIN.

United States Consul Was on Board and American Flag Flashed from Cars—No Prisoners Taken.

Bloemfontein, Aug. 6.—A train on board of which was United States Consul Stowe, and over which was flying the stars and stripes, has been derailed and burned at Honigspruit, south of Kroonstad, by a flying patrol of Boers. No prisoners were taken.

London, Aug. 6.—A special from Pretoria, dated Saturday, says: "Gen. Christian De Wet is completely surrounded near Reitzburg, and it is impossible for his forces to escape through the strong British cordons."

"The Boers say they will make a stand near Machodorp. They are short of ammunition and food. Gen. Hamilton, by the rapidity of his movements, prevents reinforcements reaching Commandant Botha. "It appears that after the train carrying United States Consul Stowe, and flying the stars and stripes, was derailed at Honigspruit, south of Kroonstad, concealed Boers fired, killing four."

London, Aug. 7.—A dispatch says that the circle around Gen. De Wet and Steyn is being narrowed gradually by the British under Lord Kitchener.

ITALY'S NEW KING.

Consecrates Himself to the Guardianship of Liberty—Sends Thanks to President McKinley.

Monza, Aug. 4.—King Victor Emmanuel III. has addressed a proclamation to the Italian people in which he consecrates himself to the guardianship of liberty and of the sacred legacy left to him by his murdered parent.

Washington, Aug. 6.—The king of Italy has sent the following message to President McKinley:

"Monza, Aug. 3.—His Excellency, William McKinley, I heartily thank your excellency and the great American people, who, sharing my grief and that of my country, have strengthened the old bonds of friendship existing between the two nations."

FIRE CAUSES HEAVY LOSS.

Great Lumber Yards in Ashland, Wis., Are Burned—Damage Estimated at \$1,000,000.

Ashland, Wis., Aug. 6.—A million dollars is the loss occasioned by Saturday afternoon's fire. The property destroyed includes about 2,000,000 feet of lumber on Barker & Stewart's docks and 3,000,000 on the Keystone docks. The east and west Keystone tramways were also destroyed, all of the Barker & Stewart's tramways except one, and the warehouse and about two-thirds of the Lime, Salt and Cement company's dock.

Troops Called Out.

Duluth, Minn., Aug. 6.—Lawless followers of a circus have caused a reign of terror for nearly a week in Cass Lake, Grand Rapids and other towns in northern Minnesota. Their depredations became so serious that residents of these places called upon Gov. Lind Sunday to afford them military protection, and three local companies of the state guard have been ordered out.

Can Copyright Speeches.

London, Aug. 7.—The house of lords gave a judgment in the case of the Times vs. Lane, the question being whether a reporter can copyright speeches, in this case the utterances being those of Lord Rosebery. The judgment reverses the decision of the court of appeals, the house of lords upholding the copyright of the Times.

Will Meet in Cleveland.

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 6.—Rev. J. L. Milligan, chaplain of Riverside penitentiary, and secretary of the National Prison association, announced that the annual meeting will be held in Cleveland from September 22 to 26 inclusive.

Took 2,452 Ballots.

Jacksonville, Ill., Aug. 4.—Friday, on the twenty-four hundred and fifty-second ballot, T. J. Selby, of Calhoun county, was nominated for congress by the Sixteenth district democratic convention.

Not Guilty.

New London, Mo., Aug. 2.—Alexander Jester, charged with the murder of Gilbert W. Gates 20 years ago, was acquitted by a jury here.

Breaks All Records.

Washington, Aug. 2.—The amount of gold in the treasury yesterday was \$431,173,764, the highest in the history of the government.

PREPARE FOR PYTHIANS.

Members of the Order Will Give Visiting Knights a Royal Welcome to Detroit.

Detroit, Aug. 6.—The preparations for the entertainment of the Pythians who attend the supreme lodge session in Detroit are more complete than have ever before been made for this order. The camp will be erected on the East boulevard, near to the Belle Isle entrance, and the sanitation will be thoroughly protected by specially built sewers, which are being put in by the board of public works, under plans by the health board. Water mains are being laid through the camp, covering the entire ground, one-half a mile in length. The camp will be lighted with incandescent lamps, and the local committee is preparing big hotel tents, in which the entire uniform rank will be taken care of as perfectly as they would be in a hotel, and fully 1,000 people will be employed in preparing and serving the food. This feature will be an innovation, and is a plan which Chairman Cunningham, of the Detroit executive committee, has urged upon the state and government as a satisfactory method of handling troops in mobilization.

Detroit and Michigan Pythians will spend \$30,000 in the entertainment of the visiting troops. It is stated by Gen. Carahan, the commander-in-chief of the U. S. K. of P., that no less than 16,000 men will be in camp, and that 2,000 to 4,000 more than that number can be counted upon for the big parade on Tuesday, August 28. At the prize drill contest, which will consume two days, \$10,000 in prizes will be divided between the companies entered in competition. The prize drills will occur on Belle Isle and at the D. A. C. grounds simultaneously.

The headquarters of the Pythians in Detroit is being called upon every day with requests for hotel and boarding-house accommodations, and a subcommittee is kept busy investigating and placing the applicants to the best advantage.

A PITIFUL CASE.

To Her Failure to Graduate Is Ascribed the Death of Miss McCarrick, of Lansing.

Lansing, Aug. 6.—Great indignation prevails at Mason since the death of Miss Alta McCarrick, a few days ago. She was a member of the class of 1900 in the high school. She was a close student, although somewhat backward in her studies, and she expected to be graduated with her class. At the commencement exercises she took her place with the other graduates on the stage, but when the diplomas were given out her name was not called. Instead, the superintendent announced that Miss McCarrick was not deserving of a diploma. Mortified and disgraced, the girl went home crying. Soon after she was taken sick with brain fever, and in her delirium her public humiliation completely occupied her unquiet mind. A few days ago she died, and the physicians say that while there was a trace of tubercular trouble, there is no doubt that the incident on graduation night was the inciting cause of her fatal illness.

A Heavy Loss.

Yale, Aug. 3.—Fire Thursday morning at three o'clock wiped out Armstrong & Newkirk's elevator and hay sheds, Smith & Bricker's hay sheds and James Lindsey's hay sheds, and it was by heroic efforts that adjoining property was saved. Armstrong & Newkirk lost elevator, 600 bushels of wheat, also other grain, hay, horse, buggy, harness and cutter. Smith & Bricker lost hay sheds and \$300 in hay. James Lindsey lost sheds and \$200 worth of hay. In all about 200 tons of hay went up in smoke, 600 bushels of wheat and considerable other grain. Entire loss will foot up close to \$10,000, which is partially covered by insurance.

One Drowned.

Port Huron, Aug. 6.—The schooner Fontana, bound down with iron ore, was run into and sunk at 12:30 o'clock Saturday morning by the schooner Santiago, in tow of the steamer Apomattox. John McGregor, a seaman hailing from Pittsburgh, Pa., was caught in the wreck and drowned. He was not married. The rest of the crew managed to launch their yawl boat and were picked up by the steamer Kaliyuga, which had the Fontana in tow.

An Auspicious Opening.

Holland, Aug. 6.—Sunday marked the opening of assembly week at Macatawa park and prospects are bright for an exceptionally interesting season on account of the prominence of the speakers on the programme. The St. Paul's Episcopal church choir boys from Chicago, who are camping at Marshall's, will assist in the musical programme.

Bathers Drown.

Grand Haven, Aug. 3.—Albert Fowler, aged 13, and Victor Chase, aged 21, were drowned in Spring Lake Wednesday evening while bathing. Young Fowler was the son of a prominent St. Louis family. Chase resided in Chicago. Both young men were stopping for the summer at Arbutus Banks, Spring Lake.

Hot Day in Detroit.

Detroit, Aug. 6.—Sunday was the hottest day of the summer in Detroit. The official weather bureau thermometer registered 94 degrees at two o'clock, but thermometers on the street level showed 96 degrees at that time. Despite the intense heat there were no deaths reported.

Killed His Wife.

Jackson, Mich., Aug. 7.—Edward Lett, a colored ex-convict, shot his wife twice at their home here Monday night, killing her instantly. Jealousy is believed to have incited Lett to the killing. He was immediately arrested.

NEWSY PARAGRAPHS.

Bits of Interesting Gossip Gathered by Mail and Telegram from Many Points.

Hobert Charters, of Curtis, was instantly killed by a falling limb, which broke his neck.

Avoca had an early morning fire Thursday that destroyed several business houses; loss, \$10,000.

Wednesday night burglars robbed the store of H. G. Wendland & Co., Bay City, of \$800 worth of silks.

Sheep-killing dogs are still getting in their work in Calhoun county, to the sorrow of the owners of fine sheep.

The people's independent party (the true populists of Michigan) will hold their state convention at Saginaw, August 22.

Henry Caldwell and Joseph N. Martin, Thirtieth United States infantry, who have both died in the Philippines, enlisted from Jackson.

Yale's fair dates for this year are September 18, 19 and 20. Novel features are three walking races—animals to draw loads.

The Niles band has been notified that it has been chosen the brigade band to the Knights of Pythias encampment in Detroit on August 27.

The Dowaigie canning factory will be ready to put up sweet corn about the middle of next week and their tomatoes will be ripe about August 15.

At Port Huron the coroner's jury in the case of George F. Lee, the Toronto man said to have died from alcoholism, rendered a verdict of death from apoplexy.

The Albion Mirror says that eight to ten bushels per acre is a good yield for wheat in that vicinity this season. And this in the best wheat raising county in the state.

Clarence Shearer, an epileptic, 23 years old, disappeared from his home in Goldwater, and his body was found floating in South lake by workmen from a factory. The face was eaten badly by turtles.

The Michigan Telephone company has paid its taxes for the present year amounting to \$31,522.68 to the state treasurer. The taxes cover the lines of the Michigan Central, Detroit, New State and Kalamazoo companies.

The internal revenue collections in the Saginaw district for July amounted to \$14,861.58, of which \$19,944.52 was for beer stamps, \$3,135.66 for cigar stamps; liquor dealers' stamps, \$14,893, and miscellaneous items make up the remainder.

Farmers along the line of the Kalamazoo Valley Electric company's line, between Allegan and Battle Creek, are going to be up-to-date, and many of them are arranging to "tap the wires" for power with which to run churns, feed cutters and other light machinery on their farms.

Nashville is making arrangements for the biggest day in her history, which will be Tuesday, August 14. The occasion is to be a farmers' picnic and day of sports. The leading merchants and citizens in general are spending their time and money to make the event an unqualified success in every particular.

Pontiac held a special election Tuesday. The proposition to bond the city for \$50,000 for water improvements and extensions fell 59 votes short of the necessary two-thirds majority and the vote on bonding the city for \$15,000 for purchasing the mill pond and water rights of the Pontiac Knitting Works company showed that 267 more voters were opposed to the proposition than favored it.

Michigan G. A. R.

Lansing, Aug. 4.—Col. Pond, the assistant adjutant general of the Grand Army of the Republic in Michigan, has completed his semi-annual report to national headquarters showing the condition of the organization in this state on the 1st of July, 1900. On January 1, 1900, there were 382 posts and 15,102 members in the department. On July 1, last, there were 383 posts and 15,256 members; an absolute gain of 154 members, notwithstanding there had been a loss by death of 175. Since July 1 last there have been three new posts organized, one each in Jackson, Tuscola and Antrim counties.

Proposed Long Electric Road.

Pontiac, Aug. 6.—Congressman Samuel W. Smith and J. E. Sawyer, of this city, are out on the line of the proposed electric line from Pontiac to Flint, Saginaw and Bay City in company with three eastern gentlemen who represent unlimited capital that the Pontiac promoters hope to place behind their enterprise. The whole of the proposed route will be gone over very carefully and the promoters are confident that negotiations will be completed within a very few days that will insure the road.

Boat Capsized.

Muskegon, Aug. 2.—Two men and a young woman lost their lives by drowning in Muskegon lake Tuesday night. The drowned are: John Mortimer, Charles Erickson, Selma Teleson. Three other occupants of the boat were saved. The boat in which the party were rowing capsized a mile from shore. Mortimer managed to right the craft and saved two of the girls. This makes a total of nine persons drowned in the vicinity in less than six weeks.

Gets Old Railway Charter.

Sault Ste. Marie, Aug. 3.—President F. H. Clergue, for the Algoma Central railroad, has secured the local stock in the old Hudson Bay & Sault Ste. Marie Railway company, acquiring its charter and privileges. The charter gives the company the right to construct a road from Mississauga to Moose Factory, located on Hudson bay, and carries with it a subsidy of \$350,000 and 1,250,000 acres of land along the proposed route.

Music Box in a Ring.

The most charming little ring in the world is the property of Mr. Temple, of London. This gentleman is a nephew of Sir Richard Temple, and the ring in question is a highly prized old family heirloom. Inside of this tiny circle of gold are the works of a perfect little music box. You touch a spring and hold the ring quite close to your ear. Then you hear the sweetest, weirdest, tiniest little tune, which seems like a voice from spirit-land.

Poor Uses for Fine Wood.

Rosewood and mahogany are so plentiful in Mexico that some of the copper mines there are timbered with rosewood, while mahogany is used as fuel for the engines.

How Some Rivers Enter the Sea.

Recent studies of the ocean bottom near the coast line of continents have shown that rivers of considerable size sometimes enter the sea beneath the surface.

PASSED THE CENTURY MARK.

Centenarian Choctaw Squaw Who Is Still Able to Make Long Trips Over the Country.

The oldest person living in Kansas is a Choctaw squaw known as Nancy Jacobs, who lives in Cedar county in the Choctaw nation. There is no doubt whatever that she is over 100 years old. She was practically discovered by a census enumerator recently. Her Indian name is Honitima, and she is the wife of a medicine man long since dead. She lives alone in an old log cabin. No roads lead to her house, save a little trail through the woods, scarcely distinguishable. When asked by the census man how old she was she said she was not sure, but must be over 100 years. She was a grown woman when the Choctaws migrated to the Indian territory from their old home in Mississippi. She was an old woman when the civil war broke out, and tells how she made vannah, an Indian bread, made of corn, beans and other ingredients and wrapped in corn shucks, for the boys who fought the Faluma, as the Indians called the Yankees.

Nancy is a big woman, very tall and erect. She is one of the original six town Indians, a clan among the Choctaws. She is a medicine woman and treats the young people of the tribe with the same mysterious concoctions that were used by her husband. She says she is as strong as when she was 20 years old. She makes long trips to Antlers, a distance of 30 miles, in her old wagon, and latches up and unhitches alone. She has a few hogs and makes her own meat for the winter. She has a married daughter 60 years old. She cannot understand or speak English, and has never seen a railroad train.

CENSUS FIGURES OF MEXICO.

Show That the Population of the Republic Numbers Twelve and a Half Millions.

The results of the general census of Mexico taken in 1895, which have just been published, show a population of 12,461,673, almost equally divided between males and females. Only two states—Jalisco and Guanajuato—have a population of more than 1,000,000, while the state of Mexico has about 500,000. As a whole, says the Buffalo Express, Mexico must be regarded as a healthful place of residence, for the census records more than 700 centenarians. In the foreign-born population of the country the United States stands next to Spain, the latter being slightly in excess with 12,859.

Illiteracy is very high, more than 8,000,000 of the population being unable either to read or write. This is approximately three-fourths of the inhabitants. The Roman Catholics of Mexico number only about 200,000 less than the total population of the country. Of the remainder 68,000 have no professed belief and 43,000 are divided between ten different beliefs ranging from Protestantism to Mohammedanism. There are more than 2,000,000 people in Mexico who do not speak Spanish, whose native tongue is one of 52 Mexican and Indian languages.

These tongues, with the foreign languages spoken in the republic, make up a total of 63 languages to be heard in Mexico.

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HOW A STENOGRAPHER SECURED A SCOOP

By Robert F. Rose.

IT IS not my purpose to name the stenographer who performed the act, but to a stenographer is due the credit, if credit it may be termed, of obtaining a "scoop" of the platform at the national convention of the populist party, which convened in St. Louis in 1900. How I became possessed of the facts makes no particular difference, so far as this story is concerned, but that it is true is within my knowledge.

This particular shorthand writer, who, for convenience, we will call Mr. Forest, was in the employ of one of the two great press associations then in existence. He was called to St. Louis by wire, and on his arrival at the headquarters of that news association was taken aside by the man in charge, who said to him:

"Forest, I have called you here, not so much to work on the convention itself as for another reason. I know you desire to make a reputation for yourself in the newspaper world, and that you have a good deal of hustle and nerve about you. I want a 'scoop' of that platform, and that is your assignment. Use your own judgment in the matter of getting it, but get it."

To the uninitiated, it may be well to explain that a "scoop" or a "beat," or an "exclusive," consists of securing a piece of news in advance of competitors, and many reporters on metropolitan papers owe their continued employment to the fact that at some time or other, during their career, they have been successful in securing for those papers an important "scoop." It may also be well to explain that when it comes to landing that precious thing, the rule that "all is fair in love and war" is extended to embrace "and in obtaining exclusive news."

So that was not a particularly cheerful assignment. The shorthand man realized that there were about 100 trained newspaper men in St. Louis, whose business it was to get the news, all bent on the errand of procuring exclusive news, and that the greatest news to obtain in advance at a national political convention was the platform. He also knew that even though he should be lucky enough to hide himself in the room in which the resolutions committee met, the chances were one hundred to one against his securing a position in which he could write shorthand, and while the rather vulgar term "knocker" was not then a part of the slang vocabulary, he foresaw that in the event he should endeavor to get in the room by strategy, the newspaper reporters, knowing him, would immediately apprise the members of the committee of his business and foil his plans. But he had been given the assignment, and this is the manner in which he went about the filling of it:

The chairman of the resolutions committee was ex-Gov. Weaver, of Iowa, who four years before was the presidential nominee of that party, and the secretary was Robert Schilling, of Milwaukee. The latter the shorthand man had met some years before, but not when he was identified with any newspaper or press association. The committee was to meet at four o'clock the next afternoon at the Ludden hotel, while the offices of the press association were in rooms in the floor above.

Forest outlined his plan and followed it to the letter. An hour before the committee was to meet, he took his typewriting machine to the room of the committee, placed it on a table, and spread his paper and carbons around the table, lit a cigar and waited for the members to arrive. When they did begin to arrive, he looked at them condescendingly, and in reply to their questions told them he had been detailed to do the shorthand work and typewriting for the committee. As soon as Chairman Weaver made his appearance, Forest called him aside, and the following conversation took place:

"Your name is Gen. Weaver?" asked Forest.
"Yes."
"You are the chairman of the resolutions committee, I believe?"
"No, the resolutions committee," answered Weaver.
"Yes, yes, I knew it was some committee," rejoined Forest. "Well, I was sent here to do the shorthand work and typewriting for the committee."
"Who asked you?"

"Why, the secretary, Mr. Schilling."
"Oh, yes; you mean Schilling. All right. Take a seat. We will need you after awhile."

Before long Mr. Schilling appeared. Upon his arrival he asked Forest who had sent for him, to which question the answer "Gen. Weaver" was sufficient to allay any further questioning on that point. But Schilling's memory was good, and soon he asked the question:

"Didn't you formerly live in Milwaukee?"
"Yes."
"Isn't your name Forest?"
"Yes."
"Haven't you a brother by the name of — Forest?"

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engaged in discussion of a proposed plank for the platform, Forest would pick it up, crumble it into a small ball, and shove it into his pocket. Then came the various planks—the financial, the good roads, the land, the taxation, in fact all those which go to make up a national political platform. But in a short time Chairman Weaver turned to Forest and said:

"That machine of yours makes too much noise. You go into the next room with it, and do your typewriting there. But look out for the newspaper men and do not give them any information."

Then Forest feared it was all up with him. He knew that in order to gain admission to the next room he would have to run the gauntlet of a half hundred newspaper men, many of whom would know him. But there was no alternative, and he started for the room with his machine. He had hardly seated himself, when a reporter for the Chicago Inter Ocean, with whom he was acquainted, gained admission to his room and started to talk with him.

"For God's sake, Frank," said Forest, "get away from here and give me a chance for my life. All the Chicago newspapers take the report from our association, and it is not possible for you to print that platform in the Inter Ocean to-morrow unless you get it from us. Don't let those eastern newspaper men, who use the report of the other association, know that I ever saw a newspaper."

Not only did that reporter comply with the request, but he warned other Chicago reporters not to recognize Forest. A few minutes more and a reporter representing the opposition association came in. He was an eastern newspaper man, and was not acquainted with Forest.

"What are you doing?" he asked.
"Copying the platform."
"Let me see it?"
"Oh, no."

"Say, would you like to make \$100?"
"Well, I should say I would."
"Well, you get me a copy of that platform and I will give you \$100."

"Not much. You can't buy me. I know you. You are one of those newspaper fellows. You never saw enough money to buy a copy of this platform."

The reporter remained for a few moments in thought. Seeing that he could not obtain the platform, he thought he could have a little fun at the expense of Forest.

"Are you a populist?" he queried.
"Yes."
"Where are you from?"
"Kansas."

Then he called in the other reporters and endeavored to rouse the ire of the "Kansas populist typewriter" by submitting him to the "guying" process. But the ire could not be roused just then. To make matters more ludicrous, a newspaper man representing the same press association as did Forest, was one of the party. Of course, he saw that Forest was doing his work, and in order to keep up appearances helped the opposition reporter in his efforts to embarrass Forest.

At 10:30 o'clock that night the last plank of the platform had been agreed upon, and was given to Forest to take to the other room to copy. As he was leaving he was asked by Schilling in a tone of voice loud enough for the whole committee to hear, if any of the newspaper reporters had tried to get the platform. He answered that he had met them, but that they had not been successful. Then Schilling turned to the others and said:

"Now, gentlemen, you know it is essential to keep the doings of this committee secret. I desire that each one of you should realize that, and when approached by the reporters, have nothing to say to them. I will not be responsible for the keeping of this platform out of the papers unless each member of the committee gives me his pledge to that effect."

And they pledged. Ten minutes afterward Forest rushed into the headquarters of his press association, and dived down into his pockets. From his trousers' pockets he took the preamble, from another the land plank, and so on, until the telegraphers were busy sending out the entire platform.

And that is the way in which a stenographer secured a "scoop" of the platform at the populist national convention.

This story would hardly be complete, however, without referring to a little incident which happened a few hours later. About three o'clock in the morning, after the night's work was completed and it was too late to send any further news, Forest accompanied another reporter for the press association he represented, by the name of Tom Dawson, to that somewhat famed restaurant in St. Louis run by Tony Faust. Entering the place, he saw his friend who represented the opposition association, seated at a table with a number of newspaper men.

"Tom," said Forest, "after we have supplied the inner man, introduce me to that fellow."

"Certainly," answered Dawson, who was the same reporter who had been an amused spectator at the "guying" process of a few hours before. He took Forest to the table at which this reporter sat, and said:

"G—, allow me to introduce you to Mr. Forest, of our Chicago office."

"I am happy—" began G—. Then he stopped for a moment, and then almost shrieked:

"Ain't you that Kansas populist typewriter?"

"So I have been told."

The following forenoon Forest received six congratulatory telegrams from the Chicago office. The first was from the general manager of the association, and read:

"You have done great work in securing the platform. I personally congratulate you, and have ordered that your account be credited with \$200 as an evidence of our substantial appreciation."

—Bookkeeper.

County and Vicinity

Saturday was sports day at Saline. Col. W. F. Cody, "Buffalo Bill" was so delighted with the Michigan Central depot garden at Ypsilanti that he had his private car photographed with the garden as a background.

Four of unquestionably the finest Berkshire pigs in Michigan have just been received at Grey Tower. They were imported from England—bred by Philo L. Mills, the breeder of the finest Berkshires in Europe. There is one male in the lot, and the animals are about five months old. They stood the ocean well and are in fine condition.—Grass Lake News.

At the University hospital there is a rather unusual sight. A few days ago a baby was born. On the third day after its coming into the world it developed two teeth. On the fifth day two more teeth appeared. Thus the baby at the age of five days has four teeth. This will make mothers look back a long way before another instance can be found which will beat this record. Argus.

James Anthony, whose death is noticed in another column, was one of our pioneers. Down the river are the remains of an old lime kiln, where he burned lime used in the construction of the first brick buildings in the village. Every school boy knows where the old lime kiln is. Up the railroad, above the target, is another kiln where he burned bog lime, which was sold by him to the early settlers.—Manchester Enterprise.

Bradshaw has sent his resignation in as pastor of the First Congregational church at Ann Arbor to take effect September 1. The Congregational church is one of the strongest in Ann Arbor and includes in its membership President Angell and numerous of the university professors. Mr. Bradshaw has accepted a call to the First Congregational church at Oberlin, which he considers as offering the greatest field in the west, as there are regularly five or six hundred students there at church services. He went to Ann Arbor from Galesburg, Ill., twelve years ago, showing that college towns make great demands for him.

Edward Gillet, a farmer living three miles north of the village, saw a bird out in his orchard eating fruit. Now Gillet is very saving of his fruit and objects to having birds eat it all up. So he went into the house and got his revolver, cocked it and started after the bird. He sneaked along behind bushes and held the revolver behind him so that the bird would not divine his murderous intentions, and was just about near enough when the gun went off. The bullet plowed down the calf of his leg next the bone for about eight inches. The bird flew away and Gillet came to Wayne, where Dr. Bennett extracted the bullet. This is Gillet's third experience in sending bullets into some part of his anatomy.—Wayne Review.

Garlic Odor No Joke in Cuba.

American newspaper humor does not seem to be yet understood in Cuba, although our national ways are otherwise spreading among the people. The American editor of a newspaper in Havana has got himself into serious trouble by printing a paragraph, the point of which was that the breath of Cuban ladies smelled of garlic. He meant it for a jest, but in Cuba one does not jest concerning the ladies, and garlic also, which everybody uses, is a serious thing. Accordingly, the injudicious editor has been complained of to the American authorities, and a number of excited gentlemen are about to send him invitations to the field of honor. In the United States, garlic and onions form a common and perfectly legitimate subject of jest, and certainly no one would think of getting angry about it. Not so, however, in the stately social circles of Havana, where garlic is a solemn institution, and where it is the grossest breach of good manners for a gentleman to allude to what a lady eats.—Baltimore News.

Value of Nettles.

The common nettle, long considered by all but the stupid donkey as least among the herbs of the field, has at last come into its own, and now stands accorded a high place among the household remedies. A learned Bohemian herbalist has lately published a pamphlet on nettles and their importance, while Father Knapp sings the praises of herb dumplings made with nettles as nourishing and wholesome. He concludes his panegyric with this prescription for the helpless rheumatic: "Let those who are suffering from rheumatism and can no longer find any remedy for it rub or strike the suffering part with fresh nettles for a few minutes daily. The fear of the unaccustomed rod will soon give way to joy at its remarkable healing efficacy."—Buffalo Commercial.

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England's Debt to Cromwell.

If England rules the seas more than ever Neptune did, it is because a man "has been found of remarkable depth of spirit," who had, in the seventeenth century, the idea of drawing up the navigation act. It dominates the policy of the civilized world to-day. Europe is forced to rest in the month of April, 1900, silent, with folded arms, before the movements in the Transvaal, because Oliver Cromwell dipped his pen in the ink on October 9, 1651.—Bordeaux La Petite Gironde.

Knew Something Was Wrong.

"You seem to be worried," said the friend.
"I am," replied the man who was scanning the newspaper. "I am looking for a report of an accident of some sort at that summer resort where Marla and the children are."
"What makes you think there's been one?"
"Why, she hasn't written home for more money in nearly a week."—Chicago Post.

Knew His Business.

"Look here," exclaimed the irate customer as he entered the meat shop, "that steak you sent me this morning is no good—it's from the back of the neck."

"Well, dot vas all right, ain't it?" answered the butcher. "All dot beef vat I sell vas der neck back. Dere vas nottings but horns der der front dot neck already."—Chicago Evening News.

Freddie's Idea of It.

Freddie—Ma, didn't the minister say that the hairs of our heads are numbered?

Ma—He did, Freddie.
(After an interval of reflection)—"I suppose that's done so if one falls out we'll know just where to put it back in the right place."—Richmond Dispatch.

Couldn't Fool Her.

Mrs. Hiram Offen—Bridget, did you string the beans, as I told you?

New Servant—No, ma'am, I didn't. An' let me tell ye, ma'am, ye can't string me. Ye kin ate thim loose up not at all.—Philadelphia Press.

Adding Insult to Injury.

Waggs—Every time I take a drink it goes straight to my head.
Jaggs—Well, take my advice and give up those soft drinks.

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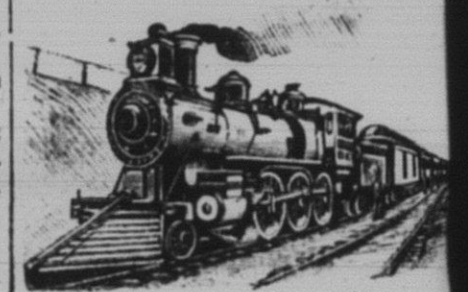
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National Association of Letter Carriers Detroit, September 3 to 8. One fare for the round trip.

Michigan Trotting and Racing Circuit race meeting, at Jackson, August 25 to 28. Rate of one and one-third fare for round trip.

The M. C. will run an excursion to the Agricultural College at Lansing, Thursday, August 16th. Train leaves Chelsea at 7:22 a. m., returning leaves Lansing at 6 p. m. Fare for round trip \$1.20.

Seventh-Day Adventist conference camp-meeting at Iona, July 25 to August 12th. One fare for round trip.

Michigan Trotting and Racing Circuit race meeting at Ypsilanti September 25 to 28. One and one-third fare for round trip.

Week end excursion to Detroit for round trip, Saturday August 11th.

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