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## IT WAS GORGEOUS.

### A Remarkable Display of Aurora Borealis.

#### Many Points in America Treated to the Wonderful View—Speculation as to its Cause.

NEW YORK, Feb. 15.—The heavens presented a magnificent display of the aurora borealis Saturday evening. Shortly after 7 o'clock it suddenly burst forth from the northern sky like long, lofty banners of fire. The columns of scarlet light rose higher and higher, until they almost reached the zenith, and then sank away again to mere tufts of fire. Again they spread in ribbons of claret-colored light almost across the northwestern horizon, making a sight of magnificent beauty. Then the columns of each end of the aurora's arch disappeared, only to increase the glitter and glory of the central pillars of fire. Thus apparently strengthened, this pillar shot far toward the zenith, looking like a large Ionic column supporting the vault of the sky. The fluted column was as perfect and regular as any ever seen in Grecian temple. The reflection of the crimson colors upon the waters of the North river was brilliant in the extreme. The river seemed a mass of flowing claret or a river of blood. At first it was feared in the city that some fire had begun its ravages and had thrown its reflection upon the sky. There was for a time some excitement in the fire department, and alarms were expected at every minute. Superstitious people in the lower parts of the city as they gazed on the fiery pillars became frightened and predicted coming evil and war.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—The display of aurora borealis Saturday evening was possibly the most wonderful exhibition of the kind ever seen from the American soil. Dispatches to the Associated Press show that the phenomenon stretched over a great belt of territory from Iowa to the Atlantic ocean. The magnificent spectacle was scientifically observed at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Astronomical Director W. J. Hussey, of that institution, wired the result to the Associated Press as follows:

"The brilliant red rose aurora visible Saturday night was not altogether unexpected. In a general way auroras have been predicted for about this time. Saturday night's display naturally follows the appearance of the great sun spot which has been visible during the past week. Other auroral displays may be expected in the near future."

Other dispatches to the Associated Press show that the phenomenon was witnessed at Louisville, Cincinnati, Cleveland, Columbus, Toledo, Detroit, Indianapolis, and at Illinois and Iowa points, but not at St. Louis, Kansas City or Memphis. At Cincinnati it was first supposed that Hamilton, 25 miles north, was on fire.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 15.—W. J. Hussey, of the university observatory, says that the great sun spot observed by Miss Low, of Toronto, on the 10th was discovered by him on the 8th. This he thinks was undoubtedly the first observation made by anyone, as it would scarcely have been possible to discover it a day earlier, the sun's revolution not having progressed far enough. He estimates that it is 100,000 miles long by 50,000 or 60,000 in breadth. The black spots around the enormous fissure have now broken up into smaller ones, and Mr. Hussey is of the opinion that the vast chasm will soon disappear.

## MORTON WILL NOT RUN.

Statement That He Has Announced That He Would Not Be a Candidate.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 15.—Information has been received here from Washington that Vice President Morton told President Harrison last Friday that he would not be a candidate for the vice presidential nomination. Mr. Morton said a man from New York should be on the ticket, and he suggested Secretary Tracy as the one most acceptable to the politicians of the state. It is said that this met with a favorable response from the president.

GALESBURG, Ill., Feb. 15.—Mervin H. Pease, a resident of Knox county since 1838, was buried at Yates City Saturday. For fifty years he has been blind and was known as "Blind Pease." During political campaigns he was in demand as a republican stump speaker and was celebrated through central Illinois for his witty and pointed speeches.

## SPURGEON'S FUNERAL.

Tribute of the English People to the Memory of the Great Preacher.

LONDON, Feb. 12.—All that is mortal of Charles Haddon Spurgeon has been laid to rest in Norwood cemetery, and the interment of the once great divine was made the occasion for such an undenominational demonstration as probably has never before been seen in the united kingdom. The funeral services yesterday were very simple, being confined to prayers, the singing of appropriate hymns and brief addresses by Rev. James Spurgeon and Rev. Dr. Pierson.

At the conclusion of the last prayer and while the benediction was being pronounced the lid was placed upon the coffin and it was removed to the hearse in waiting. Then the solemn procession moved to Norwood cemetery. One hundred carriages followed the hearse, and behind these came a torrent of people on foot, filling the roadway and the sidewalks and extending back farther than the eye could reach. It was estimated that not less than 20,000 people thus paid mute testimony to the memory of the great preacher. At the grave there was a short prayer, the hymn "Abide with Me" was sung and the casket was lowered to its last resting place.

SHIPLOAD OF FLOUR FOR THE RUSSIANS. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Feb. 13.—Four and one-half million pounds of flour have been contributed by the millers of the United States, the people of Minnesota and the farmers of Nebraska for the Russian sufferers. This is all on the road to New York, where free storage is given it by the Terminal Warehouse Company. It is to be carried free by the railroads and transport lines. The steamer Missonir will carry it free to Libau. The ship leaves early in March.

Shot by a Discarded Lover. MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Feb. 13.—Miss Julia Long, a teacher in the Marshalltown schools, was shot twice in the head and dangerously wounded at 9 o'clock Thursday night by Sam Kelly, an Iowa Central railroad engineer, who then turned the revolver upon himself and blew his brains out. The tragedy was the culmination of a love affair, the lady having tried to get rid of Kelly owing to his bad habits.

Met and Married in Half an Hour. FAIRFIELD, Ia., Feb. 13.—The record for quick time in love, courtship and marriage was broken in this city Wednesday by an old gentleman from Keokuk county, Ia., who came here, met an old lady, fell in love with her, proposed, was accepted, procured a license and was married to her all inside of thirty minutes from the time he first laid eyes on her.

Disappeared with 875,000 Francs. PARIS, Feb. 15.—Somewhat of a sensation has been caused in the jewelry trade of this city by the disappearance of a prominent jeweler, who, it is alleged, stole 875,000 francs from the safe of the firm of which his deceased father was a member and decamped.

Two Americans Found Dead. EL PASO, Tex., Feb. 13.—The dead bodies of two Americans have been found in an adobe hut near here. The murder is thought to have been committed by renegade Indians.

It is a Good Thing for the Deer. CARSON, Nev., Feb. 15.—The mountains in Nevada are now overrun with deer. Fifteen years ago these animals were almost wiped out by the Indians, but since civilization advanced they have become indolent, and instead of hunting devote their time to gambling and working alternately, so the deer have increased again.

Killed While Rescuing Her Children. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Feb. 15.—At a station on the Western North Carolina railroad, a few miles west of Asheville, three children were playing on the track in front of an approaching freight train. Their mother ran out to rescue them and the mother and one child were ground to pieces. The other two children were maimed.

Nineteen Blooded Horses Burned. NORTHFIELD, Minn., Feb. 15.—A fire occurred early Saturday morning on the Brandt farm, between here and Fairbault. A brewery located there, a barn and nineteen blooded horses belonging to Abraham Post were destroyed. Total loss, \$19,000; insurance, \$14,000.

A Bad Fire. CORYDON, Ia., Feb. 15.—Saturday night a fire at Allerton, a town 6 miles southeast of this place, destroyed a block of frame buildings in the business part of the town. The buildings were mostly occupied by firms who carried no insurance; the loss will be about \$25,000.

## THOUSANDS DYING.

### A Frightful State of Affairs in Russia.

The Starving Peasants Forced to Kill Their Horses in Order to Obtain Food.—The Thermometer 58 Degrees Below Zero.

#### A TALE OF HORROR.

LONDON, Feb. 13.—A dispatch from Penza, capital of the government of that name, in the southwestern part of what is known as Great Russia, says that the thermometer registers 58 degrees below zero, and that there is terrible suffering among the peasants. A number of men have been frozen to death on the high roads, and so intensely cold is it that birds drop dead from the trees in which they have sought shelter. None of the children in Penza are allowed to go to school.

A quantity of grain for the famine sufferers has arrived at Penza, but it is impossible to distribute it among the peasants in the surrounding country owing to the fact that nearly all the horses have been killed for food or sold to procure necessities of life. Five thousand horses have been killed in Penza alone, and it is estimated that several million draft animals have been killed throughout the empire since autumn.

Typhus fever, smallpox and diphtheria are decimating the inhabitants. Around Penza 200 of the peasants have died from these diseases. The dispatch adds that in the governments of Samara, Saratov and Nijni Novgorod, the condition is far worse than in Penza. In those three governments thousands of the peasants have fallen victims to the hunger, typhus and the other epidemic diseases. On the governments of Clarkov and Kazan, the typhus fever is especially terrible in its ravages. The inhabitants are dying off by the hundreds. Whole families have been stricken by the disease, and have died, not a single member recovering.

The records show that in the vicinity of Penza, 17,996 persons, men, women and children, are daily fed by charity.

ST. PETERSBURG, Feb. 13.—The government has granted the further sum of 60,000,000 roubles to be expended for the relief of the sufferers in the famine districts.

HOMERAY, Feb. 13.—Official notice has been given that a famine prevails in this presidency, and that the famine code will be applied over an area of 5,000 square miles in the districts of Bijapur, Bolgaum and Dharwar. These districts contain a population of 1,300,000 persons.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 13.—Gov. Toole has issued a proclamation setting forth that the peasantry of Russia, embracing 25,000,000 people, is suffering from famine; that the only relief rests with the generosity of the people; that the people of Montana are blessed with abundance and prosperity. Believing the people of Montana ever ready to respond to just demands of humanity, he recommends prompt and generous contributions.

HARRISBURG, Pa., Feb. 13.—Gov. Pattison has issued a proclamation relative to the Russian famine and calling for contributions.

## SCARED TO DEATH.

A Young Girl Dies from Fright at Being Chased by Two Men.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 12.—Caroline Gardner, the 15-year-old daughter of a coal miner living at Federal Station, a few miles south of this city, was frightened to death Wednesday night by two men chasing her. The young girl went to the coal sheds shortly after dark and two men who were coming up the road started after her. She ran into the house and fell on the floor in convulsions, from which she never recovered. The men were recognized as Thomas and James Skidmore, two miners. The coroner held them for manslaughter.

Stopped a Wedding Party. SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—Near Berkeley an express train ran into a wedding party that was walking on the track. The bridegroom, Frank Bispo and his sister, Mrs. Barocco, were instantly killed and five others badly injured.

Wants Pay for the Loss of His Wife. VICKSBURG, Mich., Feb. 15.—Uriah Hursen, of this place, has sued the Grand Rapids & Indiana road for \$10,000 damages. His wife was killed in January by a passenger train on the defendant's road.

To Shut Out Typhus. WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The senate has passed a resolution authorizing immediate joint investigation of the Hebrew typhus fever-stricken immigrants.

## A MOB'S VICTIMS.

Nooses and Bullets for Two at Pine Bluff, Ark.

Murderers Hanged and Shot Full of Holes—Church-Goers Forced to Witness the Awful Sight.

#### BLOODY SCENES.

PINE BLUFF, Ark., Feb. 15.—Two negro murderers were lynched here Sunday night just as people were coming from church, on the principal street of the town, and their distorted bodies, filled with bullets, are dangling 40 feet in the air from a telegraph pole in front of the courthouse.

John Kelly, the negro who murdered J. T. McAdams on the streets in this city last Tuesday night, was captured at Rison, Ark., a little station on the Cotton Belt road, 20 miles south of Pine Bluff, about sunset Sunday evening. The news of his capture was wired to Chief of Police Nelson here, who urged them to bring the prisoner to this city on the first train. The prisoner was called upon to say if he was guilty of the crime. He claimed that he was innocent, but his explanation was very incoherent and not at all satisfactory to the crowd. The rope was speedily put over a telegraph pole immediately in front of the courthouse entrance and his body was soon hanging 40 feet in the air, riddled with bullets.

Horrible sight for church-goers. The lynching took place in the full glare of several electric lights, and was witnessed by 5,000 people, many of them being ladies who were hemmed in by the crowd on their way to church. As the lifeless body of Kelly swung in the air the street resounded with cries of: "Lynch Culbert Harris, his accomplice."

The mob soon effected an entrance to the jail and the guilty Harris was quickly pointed out by the other prisoners. Another rope was secured, and at a quarter before 11 the body was jerked into the air. Simultaneously there was a volley from firearms and Harris was a corpse. Both men were hung from the same telegraph pole and their bodies are now dangling in the air a few feet apart.

#### A Lynching in Alabama.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Feb. 15.—Riley Webb (colored), who assaulted Mrs. Crump, a white woman, in Montgomery, February 3, and was captured Saturday, was removed to Selma for safe-keeping last night. At 1 o'clock Sunday morning he was taken from the jail at that place and hanged to a tree and his body filled with bullets. He confessed.

#### OVER A MILLION.

The Attack Upon the Baltimore's Crew Will Cost Chili a Pretty Penny.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 15.—A fresh batch of claims against the government of Chili has been forwarded to Washington by F. Allrine Orr, a San Francisco attorney. The aggregate amount is \$1,305,000, and the claimants are all sailors of the United States cruiser Baltimore. Sailor John Hamilton wants \$150,000, and he alleges that in the riot of October 16, at Valparaiso, he was stabbed in the right loin and back, and was bruised on the head by Chilean soldiers or police. He says there is still in his body a piece of a dagger blade. Jeremiah Anderson, a coal heaver, claims a like amount for two wounds in the back. One, made with a bayonet, is five inches deep and penetrates the lung, leaving him still in a serious condition. John McBride, whose wrist was nearly severed by a Chilean cavalryman's saber, claims \$100,000. Nineteen other blue-jackets claim amounts ranging from \$30,000 to \$100,000.

#### Smallest Treasury Balance in Years.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The treasury balance is stated at \$28,490,947, the lowest reached for many years. This amount includes \$13,374,211 on deposit with national banks, \$14,673,673 of subsidiary coin, and \$402,442 of minor coin. The reduced balance is due to recent heavy disbursements, including \$7,000,000 on account of pensions, and \$1,000,000 on account of refund of direct tax collected from Kentucky and Maryland.

#### Big Failure in Montana.

HELENA, Mont., Feb. 15.—Greenwood, Bohm & Co., clothiers and dealers in liquors and tobacco, assigned Saturday. The liabilities are estimated at \$250,000. The assets are unknown, but will probably reach \$200,000. The house has an office in New York. It has been in business in Montana for twenty years. Poor collections are given as the cause of the failure.

#### Killed His Wife.

BELLS DEPOT, Tenn., Feb. 15.—A horrible murder occurred near here Saturday. William Hassell, a partly demented farmer, called his wife to bring him an ax, and when she returned with it, he struck her a terrific blow, completely crushing her skull and killing her instantly. Hassell then attempted suicide.

#### His Last Voyage.

LONDON, Feb. 15.—Admiral Sir Provo Wallis, K. C. B., died Saturday, aged nearly 101 years. He was senior admiral of the navy, was born in April, 1791, and fought on board the British warship Shannon in her historic battle off Boston harbor on June 1, 1813, with the United States frigate Chesapeake.

#### Eight Sailors Dead.

PLYMOUTH, Eng., Feb. 15.—The Norwegian bark Margarethe Padanga, bound to New York, has put into Cape

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Von Holst Has Accepted.

BERLIN, Feb. 15.—Prof. Holst, of Freiburg, who is chiefly known for his works on the American constitution, has accepted the offer of a chair in the Chicago university.

## MANGLED BY WILD DOGS.

Stockman Pratt and His Daughter Killed and Eaten by Savage Beasts.

WICHITA, Kan., Feb. 15.—A stockman named Pratt and his little daughter were killed and their bodies terribly mangled by wild dogs some miles from Leonard, Sherman county, Saturday night. These dogs come in from Colorado at this time of the year, but their depredations have been confined generally to stock, though travelers have told of being chased by them. Pratt evidently made a desperate fight, as the road along which he was chased was marked by the carcasses of dogs. He and his daughter left Leonard for home just at nightfall and got within a mile of safety before succumbing. There the wagon they were in overturned and they were evidently killed just where they fell. The horses, too, were dragged down and partially eaten a short distance away.

## FOR THE BIG RIVER.

A Favorable Report on the Bill Appropriating \$15,000,000 for the Improvement of the Mississippi.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 15.—The senate committee on commerce has agreed to make a favorable report on Senator Gibson's (La.) bill "to improve the navigation and to afford ease and safety to the trade and commerce of the Mississippi river, and to prevent destructive floods." The appropriation of \$15,000,000 for the entire improvement was reduced to \$15,000,000, and the limit of \$3,000,000, to be used annually, was reduced to \$2,000,000. The amount allowed for the improvement of the Mississippi from the mouth of the Ohio to the mouth of the Illinois river was reduced from \$6,000,000 to \$5,000,000, \$1,000,000 instead of \$2,000,000, as provided by the bill, to be used annually.

## BURNED HIS FEET.

Barbarous Cruelties Practiced by Desperadoes in West Virginia.

KINGWOOD, W. Va., Feb. 15.—The notorious Cooley gang, which has been the terror of the Pennsylvania border for years, has resumed operations in this county. On Friday night five masked men entered the house of Farmer James Yohe, living in a lonely place, 10 miles from here. They bound Yohe and burned his feet with hot irons until he gave up his money, amounting to nearly \$300. Rewards of \$1,000 each have been offered for the capture of the Cooleys dead or alive.

## Moon-shiners in Michigan.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Feb. 15.—The revenue officers are awakening to the fact that in the lumber counties of lower Michigan there is more or less moonshining going on. Charles W. Fuller and son Lewis, of Echo township, Antrim county, were before Commissioner McQueen Saturday morning charged with running an unregistered still. The old man was held to the grand jury in the sum of \$1,000, which he announced he could not give. The boy was discharged, but probably will be arrested on another charge.

## Probably Murdered.

PORT TOWNSEND, Wash., Feb. 15.—Advices from Alaska concerning the fate of Morris Orton and party of ten miners indicate that the men have been murdered by Indians or lost at sea trying to cross the stormy waters from Cross Sound to Yukital, searching parties having hunted for six weeks for the missing miners without success. Hope of ever recovering the bodies has been abandoned. The Indians in the remote places seldom visited by warships are hostile and many murders and robberies are committed by them.

## Three Boys Drowned.

CHICAGO, Feb. 15.—Three boys were drowned in the pond back of the greenhouses in Humboldt park Saturday afternoon. They were Philip Pruns, 9 years old, who lived at 104 Cornell street; Frank Scholl, 9 years old, of 106 Cornell street; and Willie Scholl, 6 years old, brother of Frank. The boys went out on to the ice in disregard of a warning that had been given them and broke through.

## Wisconsin Democrats.

MILWAUKEE, Feb. 15.—The democratic state committee will meet in this city on February 24 to fix a date for the state convention to send delegates to the Chicago convention. The date will be somewhere between April 15 and 30. The Wisconsin delegation has secured quarters at the Leland.

## Robbed a Post Office.

HUDSON, Mich., Feb. 15.—Ellsworth Foster, a young man of good connections, has been fined \$150, or in default nine months' imprisonment, for robbing the local post office in which he was formerly assistant. He paid the fine.

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## A. W. WEEKES.

#### PLANS ALL FIXED.

**Preparations for the World's Fair Dedication Exercises October 12.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—The national board of control has approved the programme for the dedication of the exposition buildings on October 12, 1892. The programme had already passed the advisory committee and committee of the national commission, so the action is final. The programme is as follows:

1. March by orchestra. Written for the occasion by John K. Payne.
2. Prayer by Rt. Rev. Bishop Brooks, of Massachusetts.
3. Report of the World's Columbian commission by the director general.
4. Presentation of the buildings for dedication by the president of the World's Columbian exposition to the president of the World's Columbian commission.
5. Chorus, "The Heavens are Telling," Haydn.
6. Presentation of the buildings for dedication by the president of the World's Columbian commission to the president of the United States.
7. March and chorus from "The Ruins of Athens," Beethoven.
8. Dedication of the buildings by the president of the United States.
9. Hallelujah chorus from "The Messiah," Handel.
10. Dedication oration by Hon. William C. P. Breckinridge, of Kentucky.
11. Dedicatory ode, words by Miss Harriet Monroe; music by E. A. McDowell.
12. "Star Spangled Banner" and "America," with full chorus and orchestral accompaniment.
13. National salute.

These exercises will be presided over by the director general of the World's Columbian exposition, who will also act as master of ceremonies on that occasion.

#### A COAL CORNER.

**One Is Threatened by the Reading Company's Latest Move.**

CHICAGO, Feb. 12.—Dispatches telling of the gigantic combination effected by President McLeod, of the Reading railway, by which the Reading secures control of the Lehigh Valley and New Jersey Central railroads and their vast coal properties, and proposes to combine the anthracite coal producing and carrying interests into one management, created a tremendous sensation in the stock exchanges and in railway and coal circles throughout the country.

Messrs. Drexel, Morgan & Co. announced officially Thursday afternoon that the leases and contracts which were signed Wednesday night have now been ratified by the boards of directors of the Reading, New Jersey Central and Lehigh Valley railway companies, by which was effected the combination of the anthracite coal interests. Samuel Sloan, president of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western, said to a reporter regarding the combination:

"The Lackawanna is thoroughly in sympathy with the combination. While we have made no formal agreement with the Reading we shall act in harmony with that company, and we shall not be a competitive factor in the coal trade. We shall act with the combined interests both in the output and price of coal. The object is not to raise the price, but to regulate production and to make prices uniform."

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 13.—On Friday President W. L. Squire, of the republican state league of clubs, called the state convention of delegates to order in the Grand opera house and after invocation by Rev. Mr. Green, of Wilmington, read his address. His mention of Gov. McKinley's name in connection with the presidency called for uproarious applause. Secretary Chesters' report showed that 300 new clubs were organized during the last state campaign, and there are now 530 in the state.

#### Knights of Reciprocity.

TOPEKA, Kan., Feb. 12.—The grand lodge of the Knights of Reciprocity has issued a circular announcing that within the next ninety days every state in the union will be organized. This organization has its membership at present chiefly confined to alliance states and its object is to assist republican organizations.

#### Must Be Plainly Marked.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The treasury department has issued stringent instructions to customs officials that after March 1, 1892, no merchandise shipped from abroad shall be admitted to entry unless plainly marked so as to indicate the country of their origin.

#### Government Employees.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12.—The first volume of the blue book for 1891 shows that there are employed in the postal service of the United States in all capacities 184,431 persons and in all other departments of the government 62,863 persons, making a total of 247,294.

#### Death of a Veteran Journalist.

KROOK, Ia., Feb. 12.—Thomas Gregg, a veteran newspaper man of Iowa and Illinois, died at his home in Hamilton, opposite this city Thursday morning, aged 84 years. He was the author of "Mormonism and Mormon Troubles in Illinois."

#### FROM ALL AROUND US.

**West Lowell Links.**

There will be an oyster supper, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 24, at the house of Alex. Onan, for the benefit of Rev. Priest. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Bill 50 cents a couple.

Mrs. Nodyne, a sister of Mrs. Gustwood, starts this week for Rochester, N. Y., with her daughter, who is quite ill.

Miss Ellie McConnell entertained her friends last Saturday evening. A very pleasant time was had.

**Ada.**

Prof. Hardy is conducting a singing school at the Congregational church.

A large number attended the chicken pie social at Marshal Foster's last Friday evening.

A tent of Maccabees is being organized here.

Ren McMurray, of Kansas, arrived here Friday with his brother, who is in very poor health.

Michael Gunnan was arrested Monday on a warrant charging him with committing assault and battery upon James Finn Gunnan was arraigned before Justice Brown, of Grand Rapids, and pleaded not guilty to the complaint. He furnished bail for his appearance for trial.

#### South Boston.

The snow which came on Sunday was much appreciated by many.

Miss Wallington, who teaches in the North Bell district, has not been able to teach for about a week, but is improving.

Quarterly meeting at the M. E. Church next Sunday. Services Saturday evening and at the usual hour on Sunday.

Rev. J. W. Arney closes his work at Freeport this week, and has announced that he would be ready to serve the people here anytime thereafter.

Mrs. E. B. Chapman is not any better.

The party who was buying chickens alive in this community and stated that they would bleed about a pound, found a party who knew by experience, how much they would shrink by being picked and bled.

Joseph Hines has returned from his northern trip.

Cole Newton moved some of his goods from Lowell to his new home on Monday.

#### Grattan Gatherings.

Sleighing and snug winter weather.

To Mr and Mrs Frank Madison, a daughter.

Special meeting of F. and A. M. Lodge Feb. 13, for initiation exercises.

George Youngs sold a four year old horse to Mr Hillman, of Newaygo Co., Feb. 12. Price \$150.

Bert Lessiter sold six fat hogs—weight guessed at 250 lbs.—to Nason Brothers, for \$80.

Mrs. H. Rothrock and daughter Maud, of Eureka, visited Mrs. Will Howard Feb. 14, who is sick with the grip.

Rev. F. E. Wright, of Rockford, chose Acts 26-28 for the basis of an interesting discourse at Ashley church Feb. 14.

O. VanDusen, of Vergennes, was a visitor at H. Lessiter's Feb. 10.

#### A NATIONAL EVENT.

The holding of the World's Fair in a city scarcely fifty years old will be a remarkable event, but whether it will really benefit this nation as much as the discovery of the Restorative Nerve by Dr. Franklin Miles is doubtful. This is just what the American people need to cure their excessive nervousness, dyspepsia, headache, dizziness, sleeplessness, neuralgia, nervous debility, dullness, confusion of mind, etc. It acts like a charm. Trial bottles and fine book on "Nervous and Heart Diseases," with unequalled testimonials free at Yeiter & Look. It is warranted to contain no opium, morphine or dangerous drugs.

Hood's Pills act especially upon the liver, rousing it from torpidity to its natural duties, cure constipation and assist digestion.

Mr and Mrs Reuben Clark and son Leonard, Mrs. P. Hillman and child. Some of these funerals took place 35 years ago.

The county Grange, held with Grattan Grange Feb. 10, was an interesting session if the day was stormy. Various subjects were freely discussed. "Free mail delivery," with enthusiasm; "The Board of Trade," in a different light. Mrs. Moffat, of Cannon, gave a fine recitation and Mrs. O. I. Watkins' essay did the writer credit. The sisters filled the long tables with estabes and fragrant coffee for drink, the dinner hour being one of social enjoyment.

Mrs. Minerva Brown Smith was born at Leeds, Ontario, and was 73 years, 7 months old at the time of death. She had resided here since 1845, uniting with the Ashley church in 1863, leading a faithful christian life. She was left a widow many years ago, and lived with her only daughter, Mrs. Lagee Hall. Funeral services Feb. 9th, Rev. J. H. Fairchild officiating. Burial in Ashley cemetery.

**Morse Lake.**

Frank Kraft is clearing off the swamp on Wm. Denise's forty. It is a fine improvement on an already valuable forty.

Mr and Mrs Richard Morse and baby, of Lowell, visited at L. L. Fairchild's last Sunday.

Mrs. S. P. Curtiss is quite ill.

Last Saturday evening Wm. Denise found his fattest steer dead in the stable, supposed to have choked to death.

We are informed that Frank Clark is to be married Feb. 17th to Miss Van Der Stolp. The wedding will be at the house of the bride's parents, near Old Rapids.

Died, Feb. 14th, infant son of Mr and Mrs E. L. Curtiss. Funeral, Tuesday, from the family residence at J. Wingler's farm.

Master Charley Murray, from Hastings, is visiting at C. L. Blakeslee's.

The West Lowell M. E. church will give a musical entertainment in the near future. An admission fee of 15 cents will be charged, children 10 cents. The proceeds will be used to buy a bell for the church.

**Echos From the Stone School.**

The Lowell Journal of Feb. 3d contains a statement which is very unfair, as well as false. The scholars of the Stone school did not run away from school because they were expecting the School Inspector, for he visited the Stone school in the forenoon and left for the Lake school the same time the scholars started to visit the Morse school. On arriving there they found about a dozen scholars, but no teacher, as she had gone to attend the funeral of Geo. Parrott. While standing at the window viewing the funeral procession pass, one of the boys from the Stone school accidentally broke a pane of glass from the window. He told the scholars he would pay the damages, but could not then, as he had no money with him. The correspondent says the Dist. Board sent the amount of damages they were expected to pay. When the matter was investigated they had done no damage aside from window, one dollar paid that and there would be enough left to pay the six letters written by the Board. The assessor of Dist. No. 4, Lowell, says they are satisfied with one dollar, if they will only reprimand the scholars of the Stone school as they have theirs. Don't know how they did theirs.

**NEGRO ELOQUENCE.**

**White Bishops Failed to Rouse a Colored Congregation.**

White preachers cannot move a colored congregation as the negroes can and do, says the New York Sun. In November, 1860, when the general convention of the Episcopal church met in Richmond, the pastor of the largest colored congregation there—the Baptist church, which had bought and owned its pastor—courteously invited some of the bishops to address them. The choice fell on Bishop Williams, of Connecticut, and Bishop Clarke, of Rhode Island, both extremely eloquent preachers, and they stood up before three thousand hearers and did their best to rouse them. The colored people sat silent, respectful and admiring before the two prelates, and gave no outward sign of interest.

Presently the pastor arose, thanked his visitors in the name of his flock, and then went on to make application of what they had heard. His first words were like a breath of wind over a field of ripening grain. Every head responded. Then came sighs, groans and shouts as the great deep of human feeling was broken up, and three thousand people were in tears and in the throes of sympathy. "I tell you," said one of the bishops afterward, in narrating his experience, "I was ashamed of myself when I watched the power of the colored preacher and recognized my own failure."

**A BIG RAT CATCHING.**

**How an Official Building Was Cleaned of Its Plague of Rodents.**

A delusion which has lingered long in the public mind is that "fireproof" buildings, if not actually fireproof, were at least rat-proof, but the idea is no longer entertained at the corporation counsel's office, says the New York News. The city's law department has offices in the Staats Zeitung building, but of late the rats have got so thick as to be a standing admonition of temperance to Corporation Counsel Clark's young assistants.

They ate Mr. Clark's soap, rummaged through his library and nestled in all the snug corners where they were least desired. It is even alleged that one lady rat had the temerity to establish her interesting family in the pocket of an old office coat used by one of the young Blackstones in the office, and when the owner of the coat imprudently introduced his hand into the pocket he got a sharp reminder that caused him to be active for once. Things got so bad that finally, Isaacson, the rat-catcher, was called in, and some three hundred powerful spring traps were scattered about the building, and a number of lithe, wiry ferrets were let loose in the various rat holes. There was a unanimous stampede of the rat population, and a barrel full of dead rodents was carried out. By actual count seventy-one rats were killed. The war will be renewed, and the artists for the morning papers are drawing upon their imaginations and paper all the scenes, to be accompanied by descriptive letter press from accomplished reporters who were not present.

**A PHILOSOPHICAL ARTIST.**

**Was Willing His Creditor Should Sell Him Out.**

"A few days ago I met with the toughest case in my whole experience," said the agent of a very successful debt-collecting firm to a London Tid-Bits man. "I tackled my man for three pounds he owes to a restaurant. He's an artist. 'I am sorry,' said he, leaving off work on the picture and pushing his velvet smoking-cap on the back of his head, while he looked lazily at the bill, 'but I cannot pay this for a few months yet.' 'Why not?' said I. 'Because I have more pressing liability.' 'More pressing than a bill of this kind?' said I, sarcastically. 'Yes, a good deal,' said he. 'I'm buying a pair of shoes on the installment plan, and the second shoe is to be delivered to-day if I can make partial payment. The coin is here,' said he, tapping his waistcoat pocket. 'All right,' I said, 'but you just give that coin to me on account or I'll sell you up.' 'Sell what up?' he drawled out. 'Why, these pictures,' said I, sweeping my arm in a comprehensive way round the studio. 'These pictures?' All right, my boy, go ahead. If you can sell them I'll be much obliged to you. It's more than I can do.' With that he lighted his pipe and went on painting as tranquil as a summer's day. I admired him and asked him out to have a drop of something. 'Excuse me,' he said, standing back and regarding his picture with one eye closed, but not even glancing at me. 'I never have social relations with my tradespeople.' It was faint when I got down to the street."

**AN INDIAN JAILER.**

**The Faithfulness of His Reports to His Superior.**

The jail-fixed establishment consisted of a native jailer, with deputies and a few paid warders, with a semi-military guard for sentry work, armed with muskets and provided with ammunition, most of which was so old and damp from the climate that it had to be destroyed periodically, says the National Review. They were commanded and drilled by a handsome old pensioned subahdar (native officer). This old gentleman wore a collar of large gold beads round his neck, and over his dress of spotless white an embroidered sword-belt supported a native sword in a green and gold scabbard. He was a very striking-looking old man, with strict notions of discipline and duty. His father had been at Plassy with Clive.

It was part of this officer's duty to make his morning report at the magistrate's house, if the magistrate had not time to go to the jail on his morning round. His usual report was brief and emphatic. "My lord, the jail is all well." One morning he continued it thus: "Be it known to your lordship that the jail cat has had five kittens. Will your lordship order that the cat have an extra ration of milk?" This he said in the gravest voice, with his hand still at his forehead in military salute. When the order was given for the cat's extra ration he marched off without the shadow of a smile on his face, while the magistrate remained almost convulsed with suppressed laughter.

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