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Royal Baking Powder

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DEATH HELD ALOOF

Four Shocks Required to Electrocute Jeremiah Cotto.

The Italian Murderer Pays the Penalty Amid Horrible Scenes at Sing Sing—Three Contacts Fail to Kill.

SHOCKED FOUR TIMES.
NEW YORK, March 28.—Jeremiah Cotto, the murderer of Louis Frankeloso, was electrocuted at 10:45 a. m. Four shocks were given. After the first three there were apparent signs of life. Each shock was for twelve seconds. The scene was most revolting and the execution is described as the most horrible yet.

In the Death Chair.
Cotto spent most of the time in prayer, and seemed to derive much comfort from the words of Father De Santia, who spent the night with him. The witnesses and ten reporters entered the death chamber at 10:35. Cotto was brought in between two priests, Revs. Father Milo and De Santia, of Brooklyn. Warden Brown walked in front of Cotto. Cotto was repeating the prayers in Italian after Father De Santia. Cotto was very weak and appeared to be ready to collapse. He was quickly placed in the chair and was strapped down by two keepers. The two priests got down on their knees and continued to pray, Cotto repeating the prayer after them.

Turned on the Current.
The electrode was applied to the right leg. When the straps had been adjusted Warden Brown gave the signal, the switch bar was thrown and the current shot through the form in the chair. The priests were still praying in a loud voice, but the straps around Cotto's face partly bound his lips and he could only mumble the responses. The sound of his voice was cut off sharply as the current passed through him and his body strained at the straps. His face flushed purple and froth came from his lips. The current was turned off in thirty-two seconds.

He Still Lived.
Cotto slowly opened his eyes and looked at Father Milo with what seemed a reproachful expression. He seemed protesting mutely against the treatment he was receiving. His hands moved and there was no doubt in the minds of the witnesses that he was not only alive, but conscious. The signal was given again by Warden Brown and once more the body stiffened up and strained at the straps. The current was kept on about twelve seconds, when it was turned off, a second time and Cotto's body settled down in the chair limp and at first apparently lifeless. The doctors stepped forward to listen to the heart and feel the pulse, but before they reached the body the fingers moved and Warden Brown again gave the signal.

The Third Shock.
For the third time the current shot through the body, and the rigidity of muscles and the straining at the straps was repeated. When the current was turned off this time Dr. Irving applied the stethoscope to the heart and Dr. Abbott, who had been keeping the official time, felt the pulse. They shook their heads and stepped back. The fingers began to move again and there was plenty of evidence that Cotto was still alive.

Finished the Horrible Job.
For the fourth time the warden gave the signal and for the fourth time the current was turned on. It was not turned off until the face of the man had turned a purplish black and the exposed part of the right leg was of the same color. This time the current completed its work, for when it was turned off the physicians found no signs of life.

Dr. Irving, in answer to a question of the reporter as to the indications of life after the third shock, said: "Yes, there were faint indications of life when I listened at the man's heart and felt of his pulse."
Cotto's body was not claimed by his relatives. It will be buried in quicklime.

The Crime.
The murder for which Cotto died was committed last July in the outskirts of Brooklyn. Cotto and his victim, Louis Frankeloso, were rag pickers. Cotto had been a lover of Mrs. Frankeloso in Naples, Italy, and after she and her husband emigrated to this country she sent Cotto money to follow her. He deserted a wife and family to join his paramour here. He lived with the Frankelosos in a tumble-down tenement in Brooklyn, and he and Mrs. Frankeloso discussed the question of putting Frankeloso out of the way so that they might maintain their relations without the husband's interference. One Friday night Frankeloso started out to steal vegetables from the neighboring farms, and was stealthily followed by Cotto. Upon a lonely roadside Cotto came upon his victim, and with savage fury stabbed him no less than fourteen times. Frankeloso was left dying in the road.

For Sale—Small farm in Vergennes. Will take village property in exchange. Inquire of W. A. R. BURGESS.

WIND AND HAIL.

These Two Elements Destroy Property in Several States.

CERRO GORDO, Ill., March 28.—Ten buildings were completely wrecked by a cyclone Saturday afternoon and twenty others were more or less damaged. The cyclone was preceded by a terrible hailstorm which drove every one indoors, and to this may be attributed the fact that no one was killed or even seriously injured. It was a few minutes before 3 o'clock when the windstorm swept through the village from south to north and its path was marked by a strip of wrecked and ruined buildings 200 feet in width. The path of the storm passed west of the business portion, where most of the population was gathered. Those who saw the hurricane approach took to their cellars, the inhabitants of several of the houses dismantled thus escaping injury.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., March 28.—A cone-shaped cyclone skirted along the northwest edge of this city Saturday afternoon, unroofing a number of houses and the chair factory of Showers Bros. A number of girls working in the factory were deluged with rain after the roof was blown away and were badly frightened, but escaped with little injury. An old lady by the name of Martz was badly hurt when her house was blown down.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 28.—A baby tornado swept through the city Saturday afternoon, followed by a damaging hailstorm. Signs were dismantled, part of the scaffolding of the soldiers' monument was blown down and a multitude of windows were battered in.

CELINA, O., March 28.—At 4:15 Saturday afternoon a hailstorm commenced through this section of country, lasting until 5 o'clock. The hail fell to the depth of several inches, and some stones were as large as hen's eggs. This is the most terrific hailstorm ever witnessed in this section of the state, and a great deal of damage was done to the growing crops of wheat.

SIX MEN DROWNED.

A Cross Current Capsizes a Boat Containing Eight Woodchoppers.

QUINCY, Ill., March 28.—Six colored men employed on the Illinois side of the river, opposite Canton, Mo., were drowned Saturday evening while crossing the river in a skiff. There were eight in the party, but two managed to save their lives by clinging to the boat. A cross current in the river capsized the boat. The drowned men were woodchoppers, named Marbie Shelton, Charles Bradshaw, Squire Hudrens, Dorris Belt, Hugh Tibels and Jake Gross.

TOOK TWO LIVES.

A Young Traveling Man Kills His Mistress and Himself in Omaha.

OMAHA, Neb., March 28.—Abner N. Gafford, a young traveling man from Manning, Ia., shot and killed Mabel Stevens and then killed himself early Sunday morning. When discovered they were both lying cold and stiff in bed. Gafford traveled for his brother, a butter-and-egg man at Manning. His parents are wealthy people living at Des Moines. Mabel's right name was Mooney and her parents live in Denver.

Ives Accepts Slosson's Challenge.

CHICAGO, March 28.—Frank C. Ives on Friday formally accepted the challenge of George F. Slosson to play for the championship medal at 14-inch balkline game. He deposited \$250 at the office of the Brunswick-Balke-Collender Company on Wabash avenue to cover the amount deposited by Slosson in New York city. Ives positively refuses all offers to play in New York. He stated that the match must be played in Chicago and between May 15 and 25.

Died in the Station House.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., March 28.—James B. Swain, aged about 50 years, was arrested Thursday night for being drunk. When he was placed in the station house it was discovered that he was suffering from a horrible wound in the head. He died without making a statement.

Five Were Drowned.

WESTPORT, Cal., March 28.—The steamer Benture was wrecked Sunday morning at Rockport. Both engineers, the steward, one fireman and one sailor were drowned. The vessel was broken on the rocks.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 28.—An explosion of hot metal in the converting department of Carnegie's Homestead mill dangerously burned nine men. Six are reported fatally injured.

North Dakota Democrats.

GRAND FORKS, N. D., March 25.—In state convention here yesterday the democrats elected delegates to the national convention and instructed them to vote for Cleveland.

Four Men Killed.

TROY, O., March 26.—An explosion at Fredericksburg in a mill killed four men and injured several others. Four doctors were called from Troy.

AFTER MANY MONTHS.

The Ill-Fated Hill Farm Mine Gives Up Its Dead.

The Remains of Twenty-Three Victims of the Disaster Which Occurred Twenty Months Ago Brought to the Surface.

TAKEN FROM THEIR TOMB.

DUNBAR, Pa., March 25.—The dead have been wrested from their untimely tomb and all that remains now is to accord a Christian burial to the miners who met their fate in the Hill Farm mine at Dunbar, June 16, 1890. Wednesday the bodies of twenty-three of the miners were found and they have been brought to the surface for burial. Their names are:

John Mitchell, Daniel Smith, John McCleery, Jim McCleery, Peter Devlin, John Cope, Andrew Cope, James Shearin, Elmer Devoy, John Devanny, Richard Bigley, Daniel McCauston, John Kierman, Martin Kavanaugh, Patrick Cahill, John Courtney, Patrick Courtney, John Devanny, Jr., James X. Ivy, Thomas Davis, Daniel Davis, James McCune and William Cahill.

Yet in the tenacious grasp of the mine are William Hay, Peter Agen, Joseph Bigley, Milton Turner and Barney Naut. These latter unfortunates were in the dip at the time of the explosion, and their bodies will not be recovered until all the water is pumped out.

The struggle for life of the entombed miners was as terrible as it was brief. They were suffocated—not burned or starved—and it is improbable that any lived longer than an hour. There is an unwritten law of protection among miners, by which they rush together at the sound of an explosion, impelled by a common instinct of self-preservation, for together they stand a better chance of fighting for freedom. So it was with the Hill Farm victims. When found they were huddled together in Flat No. 10, showing that they had rushed deeper into the mine, and that a moment later a scorching breath of death filled the flat, choking their lungs, bursting their veins and striking them to the earth to linger in horrible torture a few moments and then to die.

A few of the miners took refuge in one little room. When found they were piled on top of one another, contorted in ghastly shapes—heads thrown back, mouths—where the lips had fallen away—open, fleshless hands clinched and nails scarring the bones of palms—all sickening evidence of a death which was preceded by torture unimaginable. A short distance away were three miners, two of whom, the brothers McCourtney, afforded an affecting spectacle of love strong even unto death. They alone were clasped in each other's arms, and their faces were composed, even though time had ravaged their manly forms, and drilled great wells where their eyes comforted each other in that last dread hour when hope had fled. The third man—David Davis—it is supposed this is the man—sat beside them, his head between his knees. He had evidently kept his mouth close to the ground until the last breath of air had been exhausted. The fourteen other miners were entombed in a space 13 feet square. One had an open knife in his hand, as though he intended to kill himself, but was stricken by a more sudden death of suffocation.

The finding of the bodies has caused a fever among the families of the dead men still living here. Two of the widows have again married, and a few others have moved away from the place in which they felt the great blow that the mine horror brought them.

The search for the bodies has been carried on unremittingly by the owners of the Hill Farm since the awful disaster about twenty months ago, at a cost of over \$100,000. After two weeks work the searchers were compelled to abandon the work for a time till the fire, which followed the explosion could be extinguished. The mine was then sealed up and then flooded to subdue the fire, after which months were required to clear the mine of water and the tons of collected debris produced by the fire.

Destroyed the County Records.

ST. CHARLES, Mo., March 26.—The courthouse caught fire Thursday night about 9 o'clock and is now in a wrecked condition. The flames were extinguished by the fire department, but not before the loss to the county was almost irreparable. The fire originated in the county surveyor's office and destroyed all the records on file, which loss at present cannot be given a money estimate.

Quay's Libelers at Liberty.

BEAVER, Pa., March 28.—Messrs. Mellon and Porter, the Star publishers who were prosecuted for criminal libel by Senator Quay, were set at liberty Saturday. They have been in jail since February 2. Their pardon arrived just after midnight. The costs, amounting to about \$300, were paid by contributions.

Admiral Kimberly Retired.

WASHINGTON, March 26.—The naval orders contain the retirement of Rear Admiral L. A. Kimberly, to take effect April 2. He is now serving as president of the board of inspection and survey. He entered the service in 1846.

Found Dead in Her Room.

DENVER, Col., March 28.—Mrs. C. T. Tucker, of Trinidad, Col., was found dead in her room on Tremont street Sunday night. She had killed herself by taking poison, and indications show that she had been dead since Friday night. She was supposed to be temporarily absent from the city, and hence the delay in the discovery of her body.

SALISBURY'S LATEST.

The British Premier Replies to Wharton's Note of March 22.

LONDON, March 28.—Lord Salisbury, under date of March 26, has replied as follows to Sir Julian Pauncefote in response to Mr. Wharton's letter of March 22:

"In reply to your telegram of the 23d inst. notice has been given to owners of ships sailing for Behring sea, if treaties both agreements at present under discussion between Great Britain and the United States—that as to arbitration and that as to an intermediate arrangement—may affect the liberty of sailing in Behring sea. They have all, therefore, notice of their liability to possible interruption and will sail subject to that notice. The question of time is not, therefore, urgent.

"Inform the president that we concur in thinking that when the treaty has been ratified there will arise a new state of things. Until it is ratified our conduct is governed by the language of your note of the 14th of June, 1890. But when it is ratified each party must admit that contingent rights have become vested in the other, which both desire to protect. We think that the prohibition of sealing, if it stands alone, will be unjust to British sealers if the decision of the arbitrators should be adverse to the United States.

"We are, however, willing, when the treaty has been ratified, to agree to an arrangement similar to that of last year if the United States will consent that the arbitrators should, in the event of a decision adverse to the United States, assess the damages which the prohibition of sealing shall have inflicted on British sealers during the pendency of the arbitration and in the event of a decision adverse to Great Britain, should assess the damages which the limitation of slaughter shall, during the pendency of arbitration, have inflicted on the United States or its leases.

"As an alternative course we are also willing after the ratification of the treaty to propose dealing in the disputed waters, but seals be exempted from prohibition which produce a certificate that they have given security for such damages as the arbitrators may assess in case of a decision adverse to Great Britain, the arbitrators to receive the necessary authority on that behalf. In this case a restriction of slaughter on the island will not in point of equality be necessary. Her majesty's government is unable to see any other than one of the two methods of restricting seal hunting in the disputed waters during the arbitration which will be equitable to both parties."

ASSASSINATED.

A Colored Bishop in South Carolina Shot Dead in the Pulpit.

AUGUSTA, Ga., March 28.—News has been received here of the murder of Bishop Jones, a noted colored minister in Allendale, S. C., Thursday night. Jones formerly preached in Augusta, but went to Allendale. He succeeded in getting a considerable following, mostly from the women, supplemented by a few of the most ardent sinners among the men. Some of the husbands of the female followers objected to his methods and they prosecuted him for vagrancy, but he made a good showing on the trial. Then a number of men disguised as women waylaid the bishop at night and hammered him. But he kept on with his preaching and a short time ago his adherents built a church. Thursday night service was in progress. The bishop had prayed and taken a seat in the pulpit. An assistant had commenced to exhort when a side window was stealthily opened, the muzzle of a gun was thrust through and fired. The door of the church was shut by the murderers from the outside. Upon the discharge of the gun every light was extinguished. Then there was confusion, women screamed and struggled in total darkness expecting instant death. In a short time some one picked up courage to strike a light, when it was found that their bishop was dead with a hole in his left breast. The assassin has not been run down.

HOPKINS GOT A BIG SUM.

Rumor That Searies Paid Him \$10,000, 000 Instead of \$3,000,000.

PITTSFIELD, Mass., March 28.—Did Timothy Hopkins receive \$8,000,000 or \$10,000,000 to settle the contest over the will of his foster-mother, the late Mrs. Edward F. Searies? Down at Great Barrington, where Kellogg terrace, the \$2,000,000 home that the widow of Mark Hopkins built, but scarcely occupied, stands deserted, it is whispered that the demand for \$10,000,000 has been acceded to. A woman who had often been the guest of Mrs. Hopkins before she became Mrs. Searies said that she knew that Searies had paid Hopkins \$10,000,000. Hopkins wanted \$12,000,000 at first, that being supposed to be about half the value of the estate. He finally dropped to \$10,000,000 and Mr. Searies was willing to settle for that amount. The woman said Hopkins had some damaging evidence to produce had the case gone on.

A CHILD'S SHOCKING DEATH.

Little Edna Taylor Dies from the Bite of a Rattlesnake.

WEST UNION, O., March 28.—While little Edna, daughter of William Taylor, was searching among the rocks in a small creek for shells she was struck in the face by a huge rattlesnake, which sunk its fangs into her flesh. The child's cries brought her father, who killed the snake, which measured 5 feet 6 inches and had seventeen rattles and a button. The child died in great agony the same evening.

Charged with Murder.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 28.—Five prisoners are now in custody for the murder of Deputy Sheriff Williams in Tane county, Mo. George L. Taylor, an attorney of Forsyth, is among the number.

A Family Poisoned.

DURQUE, Ia., March 26.—Michael Smith, his wife and eight children were poisoned yesterday by eating beef affected with lumpy jaw. The mother and one boy will probably die.

Spurgeon's Will.

LONDON, March 28.—The will of the late Charles H. Spurgeon, the famous preacher, leaves everything he possessed to his wife. The personality is declared to amount to £11,160.

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ANALYSIS OF THE SILVER VOTE.

Where the Anti-Silver Democratic Votes Came From.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—In view of the extreme closeness of the vote on the silver question as disclosed Thursday night an analysis of the tie vote on the test motion of Mr. Burrows to lay the Bland bill on the table will be interesting. On this motion each side secured 148 votes and 35 members are put down as not voting, of which number the Congressional Record shows that 20 were announced to be paired on this vote, leaving 15 unpaired.

Of the 148 votes cast in favor of the motion 82 were cast by democratic members of the house and 66 by republican members. The negative vote shows the names of 11 republicans, the other 137 being either democrats or alliance men. The unexpectedly large showing of democratic votes against the silver bill came from the following states: New York, 19; Pennsylvania, 10; Wisconsin, 7; Massachusetts, 7; Iowa, 5; New Jersey, Ohio and Maryland, 4 each; Illinois, Connecticut and Michigan, 3 each; New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Louisiana and Minnesota, 2 each; South Carolina, 1 (Mr. Brawley); Delaware, 1 (Mr. Causey); West Virginia, 1 (Mr. Wilson); Missouri, 1 (Mr. Cobb), and California, 1 (Mr. Geary).

The 11 republican votes opposed to the motion made by Mr. Burrows are scattered over the far west, only 1 vote, that of Mr. Vincent A. Taylor, of Ohio, coming from east of the Mississippi river. Kansas contributed 2 in Messrs. Broderick and Funston; South Dakota 2 more—Messrs. Pickler and Jolly—while the other 6 votes came from as many different states; Colorado (Mr. Townsend), Wyoming (Mr. Clark), Nevada (Mr. Bartine), California (Mr. Bowers), Idaho (Mr. Sweet) and Oregon (Mr. Hermann).

A SWINDLE EXPOSED.

Milwaukee Authorities Close Up an Alleged Charitable Organization.

MILWAUKEE, March 26.—The police have ordered solicitors for the "United States Charity Home institution" to stop begging money. About a dozen men and women under the leadership of C. E. Vogel, who recently came here from Chicago, incorporated the "institution" under the laws of the state, alleging that their purpose was to build a home for poor people of every sex and creed. The parties are not regarded as responsible and are practically unknown. They admit having received sums of money from President Harrison, Vice President Morton, Postmaster General Wanamaker and others in high positions in the government.

IS HE THE RIPPER?

Confession of Deeming, Who Killed His Wife and Children.

LONDON, March 28.—A dispatch from Australia says that the Melbourne Argus has published an alleged confession by the murderer, Frederick Deeming. In his confession Deeming is represented as saying that he was guilty of killing his wife and children at Rainhill, as well as of the murder of his other wife, Miss Mather, at Windor, near Melbourne. The murderer is represented as having also confessed that he was guilty of killing the two last Whitechapel victims. This confession is alleged to have been made to the jailor at Perth, Australia.

FATALLY HURT.

Two Young Ladies Struck by a Switch Engine at Evansville, Ind.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., March 28.—Lizzie Deinus and Mary Klinger, aged 16 and 19 years, were returning home from work Saturday night and attempted to cross the track in front of an approaching train. A switch engine coming from an opposite direction dashed down upon them. Miss Deinus had her head crushed and Miss Klinger had both legs cut off. Neither can survive. The engineer of the switch engine failed to see the girls until he was upon them.

In the Quicksands.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 28.—The recent heavy storms along this coast have caused the formation of innumerable beds of quicksand, which are sources of deadly peril to unwary people. The wife and three children of ex-Mayor Gilpin, of this city, were rescued from one of these traps of shifting sand yesterday by William Willis just as the tide was rising and each succeeding wave threatening to engulf them.

Paige Surrenders.

CLEVELAND, O., March 28.—R. K. Paige, the cashier and virtual head of the wrecked Painesville bank, returned from New York Saturday and gave himself up to the sheriff of Cuyahoga county. The liabilities of the wrecked bank are now placed at \$700,000, with assets of \$200,000.

His Fortune Gone.

Owosso, Mich., March 25.—Charles Fairfield was found dying in the poorhouse here. He formerly lived at Toronto, Ont., and during the last ten years has spent his entire fortune in searching for his wife, who eloped.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Best in town, J. L. T. cigar. April 20th concert, in lecture, at Music Hall, Grand.

Mr. Phillip spent a few days of last week at Alma.

Miss Maude Merritt, of Greenville, is visiting Mrs. John Koop.

Miss Mary Jane, of Belting, is visiting, Miss Kate Newcomb.

Mrs. Brown, of Grand Rapids, visited at O. C. McDannell's over Sunday.

Chercher Church, Jr., from Lake County, is visiting his father, Chester Church.

Miss Frances Hubbel, of Saranac, is spending a few days at Chas. McCarty's.

Mrs. Orton Hill is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. Hall, at Grand Lodge.

Misses Maytie and Lillian Morrice are spending their vacation at their home at Morris.

Miss Mae Stone, of Portland, visited her sister, Mrs. Phillip, a couple of days last week.

E. W. Dodge and son, from Owosso have been visiting relatives and friends in this place.

The best entertainment in the lecture course at Music Hall, Wednesday evening, April 6.

Those contemplating matrimony should see the Noss Jollities in "A Quick Match."

Miss Lillian Carter has been engaged to teach the spring term of school in the Maps district.

Robert White closed a very successful term of school at Whiteville. He has contracted for the spring term.

Not a bad showing for a reformer. An administration in one year, this \$1,000 in the treasury, last year \$1,700 in debt.

Mrs. D. Sovern, of Ewart, is spending a few weeks with her mother, Mrs. J. O'Heron, and sister, Mrs. R. D. Stocking.

The Noss Jollities are the only comedy play carrying an original "Bang Town Band" as seen in "A Quick Match."

The Ladies Missionary Society will give a tea at the home of Mrs. A. W. Weekes, Tuesday afternoon, April 5. All are invited.

Married—By Rev. J. S. Thomas, on March 29, Joseph H. McCord to Mrs. Ella B. Henderson, both of Easton, Iowa county, Mich.

If you want fun go and hear The Noss Jollities play the Orpheus—a positively new and original novelty, produced only in "A Quick Match."

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The St. Lawrence is the Only Stream That Has No Floods.

The St. Lawrence is a phenomenon among rivers. No other river is fed by such gigantic lakes. No other river is so independent of the elements. It defies alike rain, snow and sunshine. Ice and wind may hinder it, but it is the only thing that affects its mighty flow.

Something almost as phenomenal as the St. Lawrence itself is the fact that there is no little known about it. It asserts a writer in the American Angler. It might be safely asserted that not one per cent of the American public are aware of the fact that, among all the great rivers of the world, the St. Lawrence is the only absolutely floodless one.

Such, however, is the case. The difference between high and low water in the Ohio at Cincinnati is nearly fifty feet. Even the upper Mississippi, placid and smooth-flowing a stream as to its calmness, overflows the country for miles on either side of its banks.

The turbulent Missouri is also subject to immense rises. Some eight years ago it very recently overflowed the flourishing city of Council Bluffs, and had it risen three feet more, the magnificent iron bridge that spans it and which connects Council Bluffs with Omaha would have been snuffed a mad hole, and the vagabond river would have carved out a new channel for itself.

It is only the St. Lawrence, however, that has such a record. Even the mighty Amazon has its rises and falls; if its southern and northern tributaries should happen to be low, or to be high at the same time, it becomes seriously affected. Every river, in fact, on this continent, and all over the world, has great rises and falls brought about by the elements. The St. Lawrence alone excepted.

A HORRIBLE DISCOVERY.

Evidence of Cambodian Fossils Found Near a South Dakota Village.

A horrible discovery has been made in the mountains of South Dakota, about ten miles from the border, which indicates that a party of people have been driven to the dire extremity of feeding upon their own.

Robert White closed a very successful term of school at Whiteville. He has contracted for the spring term.

Not a bad showing for a reformer. An administration in one year, this \$1,000 in the treasury, last year \$1,700 in debt.

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The Noss Jollities are the only comedy play carrying an original "Bang Town Band" as seen in "A Quick Match."

The Ladies Missionary Society will give a tea at the home of Mrs. A. W. Weekes, Tuesday afternoon, April 5. All are invited.

Married—By Rev. J. S. Thomas, on March 29, Joseph H. McCord to Mrs. Ella B. Henderson, both of Easton, Iowa county, Mich.

If you want fun go and hear The Noss Jollities play the Orpheus—a positively new and original novelty, produced only in "A Quick Match."

Last year at this time, the village had an empty treasury and a loan to one of our banks of \$1,700. This year there is \$1,000 in the treasury and no loan.

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FOUR WITH ONE BULLET.

Singular Series of Injuries Caused by the Accidental Firing of a Gun.

DEMING, N. M., March 28.—A serious accident occurred between Pecos, Mex., and Deming, N. M., to a Mormon family Saturday. B. E. Young was driving along behind another wagon when a loaded gun in the front wagon fell and was discharged. The bullet very seriously wounded Mrs. Robert, daughter of Mr. Young. The bullet very seriously wounded Mrs. Robert and son, killed the baby instantly and severely wounded Mrs. Roberts.

Vote of Women Falling Off.

ACRONSWORTH, Kan., March 28.—The registration books for the spring election show 3,010 voters registered, 150 of whom are women. The latter vote is falling off rapidly. In 1888, the year the equal suffrage law went into effect, 496 Aethalon women registered, but less than 300 voted. The next year 481 women registered, but only 250 voted. The third year 296 women registered, but less than 200 voted. Last year 224 women registered, but only 140 voted.

Names for the Grip.

In the Congressionalists a physician writes investigating about the grip. In Jackson's day his opponents called the disease "Jackson's itch," and Tyler's opponents called it the "Tyler gripe."

Electric Lights and Fossils.

A curious result has followed the introduction of electricity for street lighting in Orizaba, Mexico. Millions of insects have been attracted from the mountains, and their dead bodies have collected in great heaps about the lamp posts.

Hoop's Pills cure Sick Headache.

The JOURNAL gives all the news. \$1. Smoke J. L. T. cigar, best in town, made by J. L. Taylor.

Wheat, white, 80 80
Wheat, red, 75 75
Oats, 30 30
Rye, 25 25
Flour, per hundred, 3.40
Bran, per ton, 10.00
Middlings, per ton, 11.00
Corn No. 2, per ton, 22.00
Corn & Oats, 22.00
Butter, 15
Eggs, 20
Potatoes, 20
Apples, 35

REGISTRATION NOTICE.

To the Electors of the Village of Lowell.

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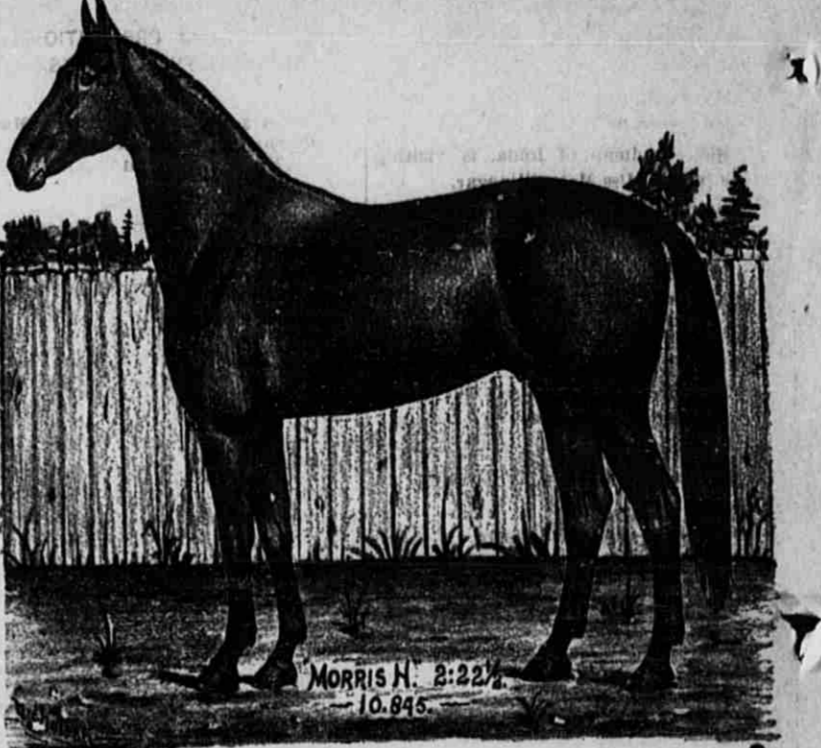
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You are hereby notified that a meeting of the Board of Registration for the Village of Lowell will be held at the office of the Township Clerk in said Village, on Saturday April 24th, 1892.

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CHAPTER I. OLIVE AND MICHAEL. THE old church in Easton, in Hampshire, stands close under a high green hill that rises far above its spire. The village lies in the valley, a place little known to tourists, but in the morning the sun rises from the east, and the hills are all in the shadows. It is a district of babbling waters, and fresh winds that come blowing freely across the far-reaching slopes; a vale of pleasant lights and faint shadows, full of sweetness and restful calm.

"I wanted to hear about you, Jane's sake," she said softly. "No, not for Jane's sake," she added suddenly, in a firmer voice. "I always liked you, Michael, and when I remember what he has done for you, I am very grateful."

"How you exaggerate trifles!" he cried, irritably. "Let me put the case clearly before you, and then, perhaps, you will see it in the right light. Aaron Fenlake is one of the foremen in Bateson's office, and he has a clerical position which he can give to a clerk if he wishes. He has a good deal of money, and he is a very capable man. He has a good deal of money, and he is a very capable man. He has a good deal of money, and he is a very capable man."

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than himself, come breaking through the brush not twenty feet away, and uttering such furious growls as Rans had never heard before in all his life. Springing to his feet, he gathered the hairy overcoat up over his arms and set off at such a lively gallop that a moment he was right at the heels of the youngsters.

"No, it wasn't a bear—'twas me," he gasped. "But there was a real bear about the school which he attended that was a large bear had been seen on Bald mountain just back of the village, and the boys had a deal of talk about it. Most of them were boastful of their courage, prating of what they would do if they saw a bear, how they would face and attack it, killing it or capturing it alive. Rans bore his share in this absurd talk, but he knew well enough that not one of the boys would do as they boasted, should a bear come along."

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A Rifle Carried Underneath the Horse Will Shoot Accurately.

Capt. W. F. Peel, of the British army, has invented and tested a contrivance for adding to the effective fighting strength of the cavalry. The invention, says the United Service Gazette, consists of an attachment for rifles or other firearms to the harness of cavalry horses in such a manner that they may, while so attached, be fired at the will of the rider.

Fitted to the under side of the girth, or belly band, is a clip or other suitable appliance for sustaining the firearm in a central position, longitudinally, under the body of the horse, the muzzle end of the firearm protruding forward in the direction of and preferably beyond the chest of the animal, the barrel passing between his forelegs. Suitable attachments are also fitted to the harness to support and adjust the firearm.

The rider is provided with means for discharging the firearm while the latter remains in the position above described. These means may consist of mechanical, electrical, pneumatic or other appliances.

In working by means of electricity a battery, accumulator or dynamo may be fitted to the saddle and electro magnets or other appliance may be fitted so as to operate the trigger of the firearm, the connection being effected by wire so arranged that, by touching a button, the electric force causes the piece to fire, the operation being repeated as required until the firearm has discharged its ammunition.

A bearing rein or other attachment to the bit or bridle is arranged to prevent the animal's head being lowered when the gun is being fired.

Experiments with Capt. Peel's attachment were made recently at the Carrage and at Pirbright, and proved that the rifle could be fired with the attachment without startling the horse and with a fair degree of accuracy at short ranges.

It has been objected that Capt. Peel's invention could not be used with the present cavalry drill, but it may very fairly be argued that drill should depend on weapons, and not weapons on drill; that if cavalry would be adapted by the addition of this new mode of offense, the drill must be modified so far as may be necessary to admit of its introduction.

FEATHERED BOARDERS.

The Novel Enterprise Established by a Pennsylvanian.

An interesting hotel for summer boarders is described by a Reading (Pa.) correspondent of the Chicago Herald. Music is a popular diversion at summer resorts, but this place is no doubt exceptional for the quality and variety of the music furnished by the guests. The proprietor had his attention called, not long ago, to the fact that ladies on leaving home for the summer are often at a loss what to do with their pet birds, not wishing to inflict their care upon friendly neighbors, nor to trust them to careless servants. So he advertised for "bird boarders," and now his house is full.

The rates of board vary with the different species of birds, according to the amount of attention they require and the character of food suited to their tastes. Canaries are boarded for twenty-five cents a week. A common soft cracker, with mixed seed and occasional hard-boiled eggs grated, with plenty of cuttlefish bone, is all they demand. The noisy parrot is considered a profitable boarder at fifty cents a week. It is entirely satisfied with crackers, peanuts, sunflower seeds, and unhulled rice.

More aristocratic birds, however, such as bullfinches, nightingales and mocking-birds, must have ants' eggs, which are prepared in Europe and shipped here, together with meal-worms and expensive seeds of particular kinds. One dollar and a half a week is charged for the board of these species.

The landlord says that the companionship which his feathered boarders enjoy in their summer boarding house adds materially to their well-being, and in the case of song birds to the quality of their singing.

Among the interesting bird guests this season are a collection of Hartz mountain and English canaries, several macaws, Cuban parrots, American finches and nightingales. The landlord endures the noise with equanimity and feels thankful that his guests cannot get out of their cages and storm the business counter with their complaints and remarks, as sea-shore visitors sometimes do.

If you want the genuine "old test oil" drop a postal to Eugene Cable.

FROM ALL AROUND US.

Kindale.

Dr. Preesey, of Grand Rapids was in town last week and visited W. and B. Hoods and C. H. Farnham.

Frank Wallington, from Wis., is visiting his sister, Mrs C. H. Farnham.

The grip has a fast hold of Mrs J. C. English.

Artie Burr has the typhoid fever, which is likely to have its full run.

Foster brothers expect to finish the logs in their yard this week.

Miss Betah Budway is convalescing.

C. S. English has been on the sick list during the past week, but is better now.

A. Keller is building on the S. Towl farm.

E. B. Chapman is getting ready to move to Petoskey.

Logan.

Miss Susie Lacy is taking dressmaking lessons of Miss Anna Gibson, of Lowell.

Mrs Marion Pardee, of Grand Rapids, has been visiting relatives here the past two weeks.

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Mr and Mrs P. Russel, of Lake Odessa, spent Sunday with the latter's parents, Mr and Mrs P. K. Thomas.

Chas. Johnson and Miss Rose Needham, of Lowell, spent Sunday with the latter's sister, Mrs Norman Ford.

Little Wallace Weller, of Gd. Rapids, has been enjoying sugar-making with his little friend, Robbie Ford, the past week.

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A number of the young people of this place called on the Misses Ida and Ruthie Henry, Friday evening to pay them a farewell visit, as Mr Henry and family intend to move to Alto soon. A pleasant time was reported by all present.

South Boston.

Mark Sneathen returned from a two weeks business trip in Minn., last week.

Rev. Lindsay has severed his connection with the Union church and will go to Canada.

While many in this locality are not well, we are glad to report that none are seriously ill.

The next meeting of the L. D. C., will be held at So. Boston Hall, on Thursday, April 7th.

Town meeting is near by and we are glad to notice a disposition shown by voters to elect the best men regardless of party.

Mrs Will Sandell and Mrs Arthur Sherman, made a flying visit to South Boston on Tuesday, the latter visiting some of her old school day friends.

There will be an oyster supper at So. Boston Grange Hall, on Tuesday evening, April 5th, the net proceeds to apply on Rev. J. W. Arney's salary. Bill \$1. a couple. A general invitation is extended.

The Master of the Council asks that mutton and wool growing be the subject for discussion for the next meeting of Lowell District Council and every one interested will be present with samples of wool.

The following are the officers of the M. E. Sabbath school for the coming year: Supt., Mrs D. H. English; Ass't Supt., Mrs R. Vickery; Sec., Mrs H. Tucker; Treas., Wesley Cilly; Librarian, Miss Annie Holmes; Organist, Mrs Luella Rykart.

There will be a sheep shearing festival at Eustice Church's on Wednesday, April 18th, '92. Everybody interested in the growing of wool or mutton are

invited, and the hour of meeting is at nine o'clock a. m. The membership fee is 25 cents. The following are the officers for the coming festival: Pres., G. J. Story; Vice Pres., Messrs P. C. Freeman, Dr. U. R. Millman, Wm. Woodman, Winfield Allen, A. R. Denise, John A. Sessions and Thomas Ellis; D. H. English, Sec; E. W. English, Treas. Com. on By Laws—Dr. U. Millman, P. C. Freeman and A. P. Burr.

Freeport.

Dr. H. F. Peckham and daughter were at the county seat Monday.

Two hardware stores will make business lively in that line this summer.

W. H. and Mrs Pardee spent Sunday with the former's parents near Logan.

Hiram Rogers lost his "sugar house" Sunday evening by fire; also a new evaporator.

Jno. Norman was called to Kalamazoo last week by the sudden death of his aged father.

Ollie Motter, of Cleveland, O., has been visiting relatives and friends here the past week.

S. Finch, of Bowne, who was hurt last week by jumping off a load of hay, is recovering slowly.

The ticket office can be found at Perkins' Hotel, thus making a first-class depot of this popular hostelry.

The lodge supper was largely attended considering the state of the highways, and every one enjoyed themselves.

Miss Edith Smith, who has so long made her home at Wm. Godfrey's expects soon to accompany her father north.

The W. R. C. will meet 1st and 2nd Saturdays until further notice; the Post calling to order at 1 p. m. and Corps at 2:30 p. m.

E. H. Sisson and family will occupy a part of Mrs Wm. Ward's house and Edwards, the artist, will move into the rooms vacated by Mr S.

A goodly number of little people were entertained by Miss Bell Curtiss last Saturday and "oh! we had such a good time" said a little Miss, who was present.

Mr and Mrs A. Gackler are expected home from their wedding trip next Saturday. They will "set up housekeeping" in the rooms over Roush's corner store.

Miss Nora Verooman, formerly of this place, was united in marriage the first of the week, with Geo. Washburn, of Ada. "Long life and happiness" say all her young friends here.

Last Wednesday, March 23th, over 20 ladies put in good time at Jacob Smelker's; a "rag bee" was the attraction. Dinner and supper was served and at a late hour the guests separated, each expressing the wish to soon meet again.

Henry Thomas, of Bowne, received a blow from his ax one day last week which laid his foot open for about four inches; Dr. H. C. Peckham sewed up the wound and if the patient keeps off that foot you may hear of his early recovery.

On Tuesday of last week R. M. Walker and bride, of Rockford, were the guests of J. W. and Mrs Godfrey. They returned home on Wednesday to attend the marriage of Mary, sister of the groom. On Friday, the newly wedded pair came to Freeport also to visit ye editor and wife (the ladies are sisters). The young couple have the best wishes of many Freeport friends.

Cards were mailed last week announcing the marriage of Adam Gackler to Eva M. Reuter, at the residence of the bride's parents, Wednesday, March 23rd. The ceremony was witnessed only by the near relatives, with one exception; Jno. Myers and wife supported the happy couple in return for a like service rendered them two years before. Rev. Dixon performed the ceremony and many good wishes were expressed for the future prosperity of this popular couple. They will be at home in Freeport after April 5th. Among the guests from abroad were S. S. Yeiter and wife; J. W. Reuter and wife, of McCords; C. Beshler and wife,

of Caledonia and the groom's mother and sisters of Middleville.

W. S. Bouck had a narrow escape from instant death last Friday. On returning about dusk from town, he found the road full of horses and driving by them entered his own yard when they followed at break neck speed; Mr B. and wife alighted from the buggy and in trying to hold his horse, Mr Bouck was thrown violently backward, off his feet, horse and buggy passing over him, and when he was able to rise, finding no bones broken, he saw his horse and buggy tearing around the fields, over fences, and buggy in the air most of the time. Calling the animal to him it obeyed his voice and stood trembling and exhausted from fright. On examination nothing was found hurt except a gate broken to pieces, but it took Mr B. until the next day to find the scattered contents of that buggy.

THE NEGRO'S HUMOR.

He Is Often Funny Without Intending to Be.

Among the old-time negroes in the region was much of a humor very interesting. Their speech, says Col. Richard M. Johnston in the Century, by constant contact with the white man's, which it sought to imitate, had a certain vivacity never heard on large seaboard and river plantations. In the lightness of the negro's heart, with an imagination that never sought to be curbed, his words and his deportment often had a fun as racy as any lover of that article reasonably could wish to see. Even his complainings, oftener than otherwise, were put forth with a resentment so peculiar as to provoke as well laughter as sympathy. Witness the following anecdote of the return to his old master, not very long ago, of one of his former slaves after having served another person for a year: "Why, Jim, how happens it that you quit Perkins?" asked the gentleman. "Well, now, Marsa Jack, I gwine up en tell you jes how 'tis. I wuck fer dah man all las' year, and I wuck hard, en I make him a good crop. Well, now, de troof is, I did git 'fom him a few, but min' you, jes only a few, merlases en tobarker, en one hat, en a par' o' shoes, en one little thing en 'nother. Well, den, Chris'mus come, en he say: 'Jim, I gwine make out our 'count.' En den he tuck he piece o' paper, en he pen, en he ink-vial, en he 'gin a-settin' down, en when he thoo vid dat job, he 'gin a-addin' up, en a-put'n down, en a-kyar'n; en he kyar'd, en he kep' on a-kyar'n, 'ontwel, bless your soul en body! Marsa Jacky, when he got thoo, he done kyar's off all what was a comin' to me! En so I makes up my min', I does, to leff dar, en pewoose myself back to you, whar I knows dey not gwine be no sich kyar'n as dem." Then he joined heartily in the laugh raised by what had just occurred to him as being a good practical joke.

SOME SPEED MAKERS.

Among Various Kinds of Locomotion the Bicycle Ranks Seventh.

Some curious facts are brought into prominence by a correspondent of Cycling, who has been at the pains to draw up a comparative table of the rates of speed in different modes of locomotion. The express train, of course, stands preeminent. Man has as yet discovered no way of getting about faster on the earth's surface. It will be a surprise, however, to many to learn that the safety bicycle, of which so much is heard nowadays, only occupies in this list the seventh place.

The fastest time in which a train has been known to travel a mile was 49 seconds and a fraction; to accomplish the same distance the fastest bicyclist who has hitherto ridden took 2 1/2 minutes, or just about three times as long. An ice yacht has traveled a mile in 1 minute ten seconds, a running horse in 1 minute 35 1/2 seconds, a torpedo boat in 1 minute 50 seconds, a steam yacht in 2 minutes 15 seconds and a fraction, and a skater on ice, with a favorable wind behind him, in 2 minutes and 13 seconds and rather a large fraction. A little way after the safety bicycle comes the ocean liner; the oarsman is much slower, taking 3 minutes 40 seconds to travel a mile, and the slowest of all is the swimmer, who requires very little short of an hour to perform the same journey.

AN IMPORTED WIFE.

A Colonial Frenchman Has a Helpmate Shipped to Him Per Order.

Having made his fortune in the provinces, a wealthy Frenchman wrote to his business correspondent in Paris in the following terms:

"As I have taken a resolution to marry, and do not find a suitable match out here, do not fail to send by the next ship bound hither a young lady of the subjoined qualifications. Let her be of an honest family, between twenty and twenty-five years of age, of a middle stature and well proportioned; her face agreeable, her character blameless, and her constitution strong enough to bear the change of climate, that there may be no occasion to look for a second wife because of the death of the first, soon after she came to hand, which must be provided against as much as possible. Considering the great distance and the dangers of the sea, I demand no portion. If she arrives here on the conditions stipulated, with the present letter indorsed by you, I hereby engage to marry the bearer at fifteen days' sight."

This is a sensible letter, very different from ordinary billet-doux, and it was replied to with punctuality and in the same terms, says the Irish Times. Among goods sent by his correspondent was the following item: "A young gentleman, twenty-five years of age, of the quality and shape as conditioned per order, as appears by the affidavits and certificates she has to produce."

A few days, we are told, were devoted to courtship, when the nuptial ceremony took place with great magnificence; "nor did Martinique boast a happier couple than the one thus singularly united."

EARTHQUAKE PROOF.

A Factor That Must Be Considered in Japanese Architecture.

In all countries where earthquakes are of common occurrence the art of constructing buildings in such a way as to resist the effect of the shocks has been studied, and, as always happens, experience has proved the best teacher. An extraordinary opportunity to compare the strength of buildings thus made with others built after the ordinary European fashion was furnished by the terrible earthquake in Japan last October, says the Youth's Companion.

Prof. John Milne, one of the foremost authorities on the subject of earthquakes, has studied the effects of this great shock, which destroyed over forty thousand houses, and reports that "in many places so-called 'foreign' buildings of brick and stone, undoubtedly put up in the flimsiest manner, lie in heaps of ruin between Japanese buildings yet standing."

Some of the Japanese castles and temples escaped, though situated within the district where the shock was most destructive. Prof. Milne attributes this in the case of the castles to their pyramidal form and to the moats that surround them, and in the case of the temples to the multiplicity of joints between the roof and the supporting columns, the effect of which was to produce a "basket-like yielding" when the temples were shaken by the earthquake, thus preventing the breaking of the walls.

In some of our western states where tornadoes occur a similar problem is presented, and so far no method of constructing a house that will enable it to resist the tornado's fury has been invented, and the only alternative has been to dig underground chambers near the houses, into which families can flee for safety.

Probably a Japanese would consider one of our tornadoes as a thing far more to be dreaded than the earthquake of his native country.

CRIME IN LONDON.

All the criminal returns published of late have happily tended to show that crime is decreasing, says the London Telegraph. The judicial statistics for the past year bear the same testimony. Whether under the head of "criminal classes at large" or "in local and convict prisons and reformatories," the figures show a steady decline. The same is true of the houses of bad character, by which is meant such as are the resort of thieves, depredators and suspected persons. In England and Wales there are 2,688 houses of this description. It seems rather odd to be told that of these 345 are public houses and 265 beer shops, because if they are known resorts of such characters why are their licenses not withdrawn? Is it for the reason once given by a French administrator that they serve the ends of the law by providing places where those who are wanted by the police can easily be found? The known houses of receivers of stolen goods had declined from 778 two years ago to 724 last year.

FASTEST TIME ON RECORD.

New York, March 28.—The French line steamship La Touraine, from Havre, March 19, crossed Sandy Hook bar at 8:38 o'clock Saturday morning. The trip was made in 6 days 23 hours and 50 minutes, the fastest on record.

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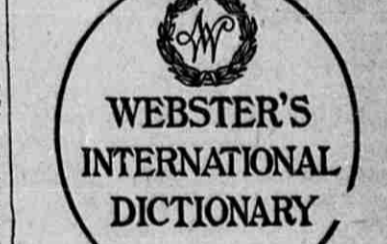
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