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THE FOURTH IN LOWELL.

The weather Clerk Had It In For Us.

The committees having in charge the Fourth of July celebration had done their work well, arranging for the biggest free entertainment ever given in Lowell. The weather clerk had it in for us and did his best to spoil everything.

In the forenoon a game of ball was played between the Lowell juniors and the Ionia high school teams

Score 21 to 14 in favor of Lowell. The following events were pulled off in the mud:

100 yard foot race. C. Vanderlip, 1 Lee Jakeway, 2

B. Vanderlip, 3 200 yard foot race: The same as above.

Boys race:

Bert Bailey, 1 Jay Watters, 2 Fat men's race:

E Moffit, 1 tien. Miller, 2

Standing jump: Lee Jakeway, 1 I. Steckle 2

Standi or hop, step and jump: I. Steckle, 1 Lee Jakeway, 2

Half mile herse race, run: Wood, 1 Vandenbroeck, 2

The com ander of the games were postp ned to a date to be announced

The prize money is held by committee to be awarded whenever the menced operations. contestants see fit to compete.

Lights Are On.

The Chase Construction Co., of Detroit, completed their contract with the Citizens' Light Co. last week in establishing their city lighting system with exception of adjusting the dynamo which had not yet arrived, and the lights were turned on Saturday, the Lowell Dynumo being used to furnish the current. Only a portion of the lamps were lighted owing to the fact that the Lowell dynamo is not of sufficient capacity to furnish the required candle power. The large dynamo which the company have or dered for some time has been shipped and on its arrival will be immediately placed in position for doing business. In the meantime lighting service will be given the city free gratis. There are twelve arc lights on the south side of the river and eight on the north side. - Belding Banner.

Surveying The Route.

Huntley Russell, A. May and C W. Taylor of Grand Rapids were in the city Tuesday, having driven up from Grand Rapids for the purpose of inspecting the proposed line for the Grand Rapids, Belding & Greenville have had surveyors out several days this week and also last week, through Cannon, Grattan and Plainfield, and They have ascertained that for nearly the entire distance the roadbed can necessary to deflect and run over like a seive. private property in but few places in order to avoid steep hills.

Mr. Russell says they mean business relative to pushing the project to its speedy completion:-[Belding our paper alone. Just walk up to

Village Taxes Now Due. Pavable at Althen's store. PHIL C. ALTHEN, Treas.

Ottawa Beach Week Day Excursion

On Thursday, July 13th, the D. G. day excursion to Ottawa Beach, giving all who can get away an opportunity to spend a delightful day at Lake Michigan. The Beach and its neighbor, Macatawa Park, are particularly attractive at this season and offer advantages in fishing, bathing, etc., to suit every one. Let the work go for one day and enjoy an outing. GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

A Wheel Bargain.

For sale a good '98 wheel but little used and in good repair. Cost \$50. \$17 cash takes it. This office.

HOME NEWS.

Frank Clark was in Mt. Pleasant last week.

J. Watters of Hastings was in town over the Fourth.

Ed. Kinney of Grand Rapids was in town Tuesday.

Dr. E. A. Hodges spent Sunday in Grand Rapids.

G. V. McConnell was in Belding last week Trursday. Chas. Howe of Grand Rapids was

town Saturday evening. James H Martin of Ada has been granted a \$6 00 pension

Born-To Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hoover, a son, June 29.

Will Broadbent of Grand Rapids spent the Fourth at Lowell. W. H. Woods and bride of Chicago

visited W. H. Clark and family last

Miss Addie Kopf of Grand Rapids spent the Fourth with Lowell relatives.

Will Taylor and wife of Grand Rapids visited friends in Lowell Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Baird of Hopkins visited at D. P. Atwater's last week.

L. K. Clark and wife went to Ma- the Pacific coast. son Friday to attend the funeral of his brother.

Mrs. Cora Culdenback of Hastings is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Adams.

Chas, Quick commenced his duties as postmaster July 1, with J. W. Beery as deputy.

The Rockford paper mills have been rebuilt and have partially com-

D. F. Butts returned Monday from a two weeks visit with relatives and friends at Lapeer. Ray Edmonds of Chicago was the

guest of his parents, S. F. Edmonds and wife, Tuesday. Miss I. Alger, of Lowell, is visiting

her cousin, Miss C. La Verne Carvin. - Rockford Register. Mrs. D. Campbell and daughter,

Margaret, of Portland visited friends in Lowe I over the Fourth. Dr. G A. Jones and wife of Wa-

dena, Minn., is visiting the latter's arents, Walter Helmer and wife. Will M. Hine and wife of Grand

Rapids have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fran's Clark for a few days. Martin Nyburg, a young lad, had

his hand badly cut and burned by handling a giant cracker the Fourth. Frel E. Holmes, formerly in the employ of the Church bank and | well know here, is very ill at his home in Detroit with rheumatism,

The monkeys, who refused to act in the rain at Island Park, will surely perform at Music hall Frida; even-

ing. Admission 10 and 15 cents. R. D. Stocking walked out of the back door of his home last Thursday evening and stepped on a stick containing a couple of wire nails. "Dee"

is going around on crutches now. A city ordinance was adopted recently, at Cold water, prohibiting the laying of any sidewalk except that of Electric Railway. The promoters Portland cement. The penalty for violation of the ordinance is \$100 or 90 days' imprisonment.

A Clar sville girl who says "limb" for "leg" is quite modest; but when she referred to a certain breed of chickens as "limbhorns" she bursted be laid on the highway, it being the boiler of modesty 'tili it reaked

> Be sure and read our great offer of the LEDGER for a year and the Farm Journal for the balance of 1899 and all of 1900, 1901, 1902 and 1903, nearly five years, all for the price of the captain's office and draw the greatest prize you ever drew.

Misss Florence King met with a painful accident last Wednesday afknee cap knocked off by the fall. Dr. McDannell was summoned and R. & W. R. R. will run the first week | replaced and bandaged the dislocated part.

Fire Sale of my fly nets and dusters at 50 cents on the dollar. These goods were boxed up and got wet only at the time of the fire, Dec. 7, '98. Now is your chance to buy fly nets at less than wholesale prices while they last. H. Schreiner. j13

At request of a number of citizens that were unable to see the animals performing on Island Park, Prof. Dubec will give a performance in Music hall, Friday evening. Admission 10 and 15 cents.

When in the mood For hardware good You know you should:

Call on us for it.

We have been very busy putting up Builders hardware bills besides doing our regular retail sales work; but will try and take care of all that

We know you would

Respectfully,

..Clark & Spraker...

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Will Price started Wednesday for

Claude Palmerton of Sylvester was in town Wednesday.

James Wickham of Grand Rapids was in town Tuesday.

Cyrus Van Deusen of Grand Rapids was in town Tuesday.

Geo. Montague and wife were over from Freeport Tuesday. Bruce Walker of Grand Rapids

visited his mother the Fourth. Mr. and Mrs. Phil Dodds of Lake Odessa were in town the Fourth.

Rapids spent the Fourth in Lowell. Miss Carrie Leonard of Grand Rapids spent the Fourth with Mrs.

Mrs. Simpson of Ionia spent Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Althen.

The west side pedro club gave Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Clark a farewell surprise Monday evening.

The Board of Education met Friday evening and completed its list of teachers appointed for next year.

F. M. Johnson and family returned last night from a two week's vacation at A mont, Mayville and Imlay

Frank Clark left Wednesday for Mt. Pleasant where he has purchased a hardware stock. His wife will follow soon.

Will Bustance and wife, of Elmdale, and Gene Scoville and wife and Jas. Post and wife of Clarksville fare rate. Sat August 3 to 22. drove over to the celebration Tuesday, Return

Adv. Letters-Mrs. Cornelia Leg Mrs. Francis Richardson, Chaune Holdridge, Orris J. Randall Lewis, E. T. Lillie, C. Loadel Shay.

Mrs. H. Schreig Willie, went to De to stay with her e Trall, of Belding, wh a surgical operation. a 141 pounds cance months ago.

The next regular if Women's Foreign Miss, o of the M. E. church will the home of Mrs. A. L. Co day afternoon, July 11, at ject: "Our Work and W North China."

Everybody knowing their indebted to G. C. McConnell & will call and settle at once as the tate of G. C. McConnell, decea has to be settled up at once. G. C. McConnell & Co.

By G. V. McConnell.

Visitors at Theo. Carter's the Fourth were Mr. and Mrs. Frank ternoon while attending a picnic. Harris and daughter, of Pontiac, Mr. Her left knee was dislocated and the and Mrs. Claude Lane and S. J. Carter of Richland, Miss Olla Moore, Messrs. William Wright Allie Knee ger of Greenville, and Jesse Knee of

The government has adopted a new form of money order which will be put into use the first of September one of the next, and postmasters are instructed for a year not to order more of the old kind than they need up to that date. The new order will be similar to a bank draft and the purchaser will be given a receipt for his money when he buys it. It will be much simpler in form and easier for postmasters to make

be given

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AMERIC/

DID you notice those fine Clines wheels go by.

EXCURSION NOTICE DET. GD. RAPIDS & WEST'N

Sunday, Jatu 9. Detroit, Island Lake, Lansing. Leave Elmdale at 7:35 a. m. Leave Detroit 7:00 p. m. Rates very low as usual.

Stop Work One Day and go on Ottawa Beach Excursion.

Thursday, July 13. Train will leave Elmdale at 9:38 a. m. and ar-Mrs. Geo. Coppens of Grand rive at the beach at 11:46. Leave at 6 p. m. Rate 90; children under 12 half rate. Take a day off and see Old Lake Michigan. Go fishing, rowing, bathing and have a general good time. Tell your friends about GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Tickets will be sold at all stations

Bay View, Mich. Camp Meeting. One fare rate. Sell July 10 to 20. Return Aug. 20. . Boston, Mass.

L. A. W. meet, One fare rate. Sell August 11 & 12. Return August 20 to 31st. Charlevoix, Mich.

Same as for Bay View Camp Cincinnati, Ohio. National Saengerfest. One fare

rate. Sell June 27 to 30, Return July 5. Columbus, Ohio:

American Science Ass'n. One

Lowell Zedger.

F. M. Johnson, Publisher.

LOWELL, MICHIGAN

Hope is the feeling we still have after it is all gone.

Man once ate the cream, but now they cremate the man.

To the deaf and dumb man actions speak louder than words.

In the game of life the one-armed

man always plays a lone hand. There is no sympathy between a

proud mind and a beggar's purse.

Some girls make their gowns and the gowns of some other girls make them.

Knowledge is power only to the individual who knows he doesn't know it

fault-finding imagine it is intelligent criticism. A man could make money with five

fingers if he didn't have ten for it to slip through. The man who gets intoxicated at

Although the sun never sets on Uncle Sam's possessions it manages to incubate a lot of trouble nevertheless.

flection the next morning.

'Tisn't hard to tell where the children's good traits come from, but the source of their bad traits is more of a

False imprisonment is such a sorry thing, let us hope that all the people in the penitentiaries are true to their convictions.

the year.

There are things that women can't do successfully. Thus a woman in Towarda forged a check and when the discovery was made killed herself. Any man in her condition would have gone to Canada and been happy.

ing house found herself almost bankrupt through the presence of a kindergarten on one side of her house and a music teacher on the other. After all her boarders had left her she smiled grimly, made some few rearrangements in her domicile and has now opened a large nursery for exceedingly small and noisy babies. The kindergarten is weakening and the music teacher has taken to the woods. Such is woman's dire revenge.

In a recent address on vaccination an English lady physician related some curious stories illustrating the prevalence of smallpox in England just before Jezher's time. In advertisements for servants it was commonly stipulated that they "must be of the Church of England and have had the smallpox." The police, in advertising for the apprehension of a counterfeiter, gave as one of the marks of identification that the fugitive had "no pock-holes." I

SERMON. TALMAGE'S

THE NUMBER "SEVEN," LAST SUNDAY'S SUBJECT.

From Genesis, Chapter II, Verse 7, as Follows: "God Blessed the Seventh Day"-The Numeral Seven Is Favored by Divine Choice.

(Copyright 1899 by Louis Klopsch.) The mathematics of the Bible is noticeable: the geometry and the arithmetic: the square in Ezekiel: the circle spoken of in Isaiah: the curve alluded to in Job: the rule of fractions mentioned in Daniel: the rule of loss and gain in Mark, where Christ asks the people to cipher out by that rule what it would "profit a man if he gain the whole world and lose his soul." But there is one mathematical figure that is crowned above all others in the Bible: it is the numeral seven, which the Arabians got from India, and all following ages have taken from the Arabians. It stands between the figure six and the figure eight. In the Bible People who are given to conceited all the other numerals bow to it. Over three hundred times it is mentioned in the Scriptures, either alone or compounded with other words. In Genesis the week is rounded into seven days, and I use my text because there this numeral is for the first time introduced in a journey which halts not until in the close of the Book of Revelations night has plenty of time for sober reits monument is built into the wall of heaven in chrysolite, which, in the strata of precious stones is the seventh.

In the Bible we find that Jacob had to serve seven years to get Rachel, but she was well worth it: and, foretelling the years of prosperity and famine in Pharaoh's time, the seven fat oxen were eaten up of the seven lean oxen: and wisdom is said to be built on seven pillars: and the ark was left with the Philistines seven years: and Naaman, for the cure of leprosy, plunged in the Jordan seven times: the dead child, when Elisha breathed into its mouth, signaled its arrival back into consciousness by Proceedings are under way to stop sneezing seven times: to the house that he "diploma mills" next month. This | Ezekiel saw in vision, there were seven is considerate. The June grist is steps: the walls of Jericho, before they usually supposed to be the largest of, fell down, were compassed seven days: Zechariah describes a stone with seven eyes: to cleanse a leprous house, the door must besprinkled with pigeons' blood seven times: in Canaan were overthrown seven nations: on one occasion Christ cast out seven devils: on a mountain he fed a multitude of people with seven loaves, the fragments left filling seven baskets; and the clos-A Brooklyn woman who ran a board- ing passages of the Bible are magnifi- us?" No, it will not be done that cent and overwhelming with the imagery made up of seven churches, seven stars, seven candlesticks, seven seals, seven angels, and seven heads, and seven crowns and seven horns, and seven spirits, and seven vials, and seven plagues, and seven thunders.

> Yea, the numeral seven seems a favorite with the divine mind outside as well as inside the Bible, for are there not seven prismatic colors? And when God with the rainbow wrote the comforting thought that the world would never have another deluge, he wrote it on the scroll of the sky in ink of seven colors. He grouped into the Pleiades seven stars. Rome, the capital of the world, sat on seven hills. When God would make the most intelligent thing on earth, the human countenance, he fashioned it with seven features-the two ears, the two eyes, the two nostrils and the mouth. Yea, our body lasts only seven years, and Hoe printing presses busy day and we gradually shed it for another body after another seven years, and so on. for we are, as our bodies, septennial nature and through revelation. imber of perfection, and so le I speak of the seven e seven stars, the seven thunders.

not all Pecksnik es, as some would rgive me, if having rified the medical ne legal profession profession-I glorihave seen them id heard them in their grander array of men and the Bible figure is hen it calls them stars; onstellations of glorious ave already taken their igh, where they shine even an they shone on earth; Ed-Kirk, of the Congregational Stephen H. Tying, of the Epishurch; Matthew Simpson, of thodist Church; John Dowling, Baptist Church; Samuel K. Talof the Presbyterian Church; iomas DeWitt, of the Reformed hurch; John Chambers, of the Independent hurch; and there I stop, for it so happens that I have mentioned the seven stars of the seven churches. I pass on to another mighty Bible seven, and they are the seven seals. St. John in vision saw a scroll with seven seals, and he heard an angel cry, "Who is worthy to loose the seals thereof?" Take eight or ten sheets of foolscap paper, paste them together and roll tnem into a scroll, and have the scroll at seven different places sealed with sealing wax. You unroll the scroll till you come to one of these seals, and ons of the then you can go no further until you been break that soal; then unroll again un-of Chican go no further until you break that then you go on until all the seven pken, and the contents of oll are revealed. Now, seven seals held by he prophecy of what

seal and unrolled the scroll, and there that covers the earth, the color of four FARM AND GARDEN was a picture of a white horse, and that means prosperity and triumph for the Roman empire, and so it really came to pass that for ninety years virtuous emperors succeeded each other-Nerva, Trajan and Antoninus, Christ in the vision broke the second seal an 1 unrolled again, and there was a picture of a red horse, and that meant bloodshed, and so it really came to pass, and the next ninety years were red with assassinations and wars. Then Christ broke the third seal and unrolled it. and there was a picture of a black horse, which in all literature means famine, oppression and taxation; and so it really came to pass. Christ went on until he broke all the seven seals and opened all the scroll. Well, the future of all of us is a sealed scroll, and I am glad that no one but Christ can open it. Do not let us join that class of Christians in our day, who are trying to break the seven seals of the future. They are trying to peep into things they have no business with.

There is another mighty seven of the

Bible, viz., the seven thunders. What

these thunders meant we are not told, and there has been much guessing about them; but they are to come, we are told, before the end of all things, and the world cannot get along without them. Thunder is the speech of lightning. There are evils in our world which must be thundered down, and which will require at least seven volleys to prostrate them. We are all doing nice, delicate, soft-handed work. in churches and reformatory institutions, against the evils of the world. and much of it amounts to a teaspoon dipping out the Atlantic ocean, or a clam shell digging away at a mountain, or a tack hammer smiting the Gibraltar. What is needed is thunderbolts, and at least seven of them. There is the long line of fraudulent commercial establishments, every stone in the foundation, and every brick in the wall, and every nail in the rafter made out of dishonesty; skeletons of poorly paid sewing girls' arms in every beam of that establishment; human nerves worked into every figure of that embroidery; blood in the deep dye of that refulgent upholstery; billions of dollars of accumulated fraud entrenched in massive storehouses, and stock companies manipulated by unscrupulous men, until the monopoly is defiant of all earth and heaven. How shall the evil be overcome? By treatises on the maxim: Honesty is the best policy? Or the soft repetition of the golden rule that we must "Do to others as we would have them do to the seven thunders.

There is drunkenness backed up by a capital mightier than in any other business. Intoxicating liquors enough in this country to float a navy. Good grain to the amount of 67,950,000 bushels annually destroyed to make the deadly liquid. Breweries, distilleries, gin shops, rum palaces, liquor associations, our nation spending annually seven hundred and forty millions of dollars for rum, resulting in bankruptcy, disease, pauperism, filth, assassination, death, illimitable woe. What will stop them? High license? No. Prohibition laws? No. Churches? No. Moral suasion? No. Thunderbolts will do it; nothing else will. Seven thunders!

Atheism with their magazines of literature scoffing at our Christianity; their night. There are their blaspheming apostle, their drunken Tom Paines and libertine Voltaires of the present als. So the numeral seven ranges as well as the past, reinforced by all the powers of darkness from highest demon to lowest imp. What will extirpate those monsters of infidelity and atheism? John Brown's shorter catachism about "Who made you?" or Westminster catechism about "What is the chief end of man?" No. Thunderbolts! The seven thunders! For the impurities of the world empalaced as well as cellared, epauletted as well as ragged, enthroned as well as ditched; for corrupt legislation which at times makes our state and national capitals a hemispheric stench; for superstitions that keep whole nations in squalor century after century, their Juggernauts crushing, their knives lacerating, their waters drowning, their funeral pyres burning, the seven thun-

the bad way things often go, hear you not a rumbling down the sky of heavy artillery, coming in on our side, the seven thunders of the Almighty? Do not let us try to wield them ourselves; they are too heavy and too fiery for us to handle; but God can and God will; and when all mercy has failed and all milder means are exhausted, then judgment will begin Thunderbolts! Depend upon it, that what is not done under the flash of the seven candlesticks will be done by the trampling of the seven thunders. But I leave this imperial and multipotent numeral seven, where the Bible leaves it, imbedded in the finest wall that was ever built, or will be constructed, the wall of heaven. It is the seven strata of precious stones that make up that wall. After naming six of the precious stones in that wall, the Bible cries out-"the seventh chrysolite!" The chrysolite is an exquisite green, and in that seventh layer of the heavenly wall shall be preserved forever the dominant color of the earth we once inhabited. I have sometimes been saddened at the thought that this world, according to science and revelation, is to be blotted out of existn the earth; it meant ence, for it is such a beautiful world. wledge of the future was But here in this layer of the heavenly and no man and no angel wall, where the numeral seven is to Why do you wear it? Ella (her younghy to open it; but the Bible be imbedded, the strata of green is er sister)-For/your sake, dear. I rist opened it and broke all to be photographed, and emilimed, mustn't be too attractive, you know!a seals. He broke the first and perpetuated, the color of the grass | Punch.

age that fills the forest, the color of tne deep sea. One glance at that green chrysolite, a million years after MATTERS OF INTEREST TO this planet has been extinguished, will bring to mind just how it looked in summer and spring, and will say to those who were born blind on earth, and never saw at all in this world, after they have obtained full eyesight in heaven: "If you would know how the earth appeared in June and August, look at that seventh layer of the heavenly wall, the green of the chrysolite."

And while we stand there and talk,

spirit with spirit, that old color of the earth which had more sway than all the other colors put together, will bring back to us our earthly experiences, and noticing that this green chrysolite is the seventh layer of crystalized magnificence, we may bethink ourselves of the domination of that numeral seven over all other numerals, and thank God that in the dark earth we left behind us we so long enjoyed the light of the seven golden candlesticks, and were all of us permitted to shine among the seven stars of more or less magof the mysterious future have been seven, which did such tremendous work in the history of nations on earth, has been given such a high place in that Niagara of colors, the phire; the third, a chalcedony; the fourth, emerald; the fifth, sardonyx; ger of its loss by leaching. the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrys-

"When shall these eyes thy heavenbuilt walls

And pearly gates behold; Tny bulwarks with salvation strong. and streets of shining gold?

GERMANY READY.

Roads Leading from France One Continuous Fort.

the German army, face watchfully toward the west. From the gates of Metz the roads to Paris taper through wall after wall of entrenchments, which end with the heights above the stricken field of Gravelotte. Thence to the frontier of France is only a short walk across the grave-covered ground. From Metz to France is one long "glacis," unassailable by the invader. Above it the nearest French fortress, the threat of France. In Metz and Strasburg a raine-will be crossing the border: while the system in accordance with outlined. which the railway touches all the great cantonments of Germany and then converge on to the frontier, will land half a million men near Metz in three days. Soils in good condition, rather than to In a week 2,500,000 men will be on and poer, worn-out soils, and he should beyond the frontier; in a week 4,000,- also consider whether, even if the ir-000 Germans will be under arms. In creased yield from its use should be as Metz and Strasburg stores and food great as can be expected, there is a posand fodder lie ready in magazines, the sibility of obtaining a profit. The solls Yonder are intrenched Infidelity and | transport animals stand harnessed by to which high-grade fertilizers are aythe wagons. All the appliances and plied should possess good absorptive munitions of modern war are to hand, and retentive properties, in order that and would be on the road in a few the materials applied may be held and tion; their clothes are in their kmep- of heat and an easy circulation of wa-

A DELIGHTFUL LUNCHEON. The Hostess Put Every Woman at Her

Mrs. Washington A. Roebling in honor | sense. of Mrs. Daniel Manning, president-general of the Daughters of the American Revolution, was an outburst of spring hospitality, says Harper's Bazar. At this luncheon over 150 women, representing many different organizations, including patriotic, literary, civic and philanthropic clubs, were charmingly entertained and amalgamated, through the skill and tact of the hostess, into a sociable and thoroughly acquainted Oh, men and women, disheartened at company of women. By a system of cards and index lists which hung in the reception room every guest knew her table as she entered the large ballroom at Delmonico's, where the luncheon was spread. Intimate friends of Mrs. Roebling presided at the small tables, that, each holding eight, circled the large round one in the center of the room at which were seated Mrs. Roebling, Mrs. Manning and special dignitaries of the D. A. R. and Sorosis asguests were all seated and before she the first of September, but start anothhad taken her own place, Mrs. Roebgiving a word of welcome to every one ber, sift the soil in the first heap and and assuring herself that no one at any you will have an ideal compost in its company. When the coffee was Vicks. served, Mrs. Roebling arose and in a few graceful words presented Mrs. before cold weather, sift and mix with whom they were addressed.

Considerate.

Hilda-That awful old hat, Ella!

AGRICULTURISTS.

Some Up-to-Date Hints About Cultivation of the Soil and Yields Thereof-Horticulture, Viticulture and Floriculture.

Soils and Fertilizers.

Bulletin 136 of the New Jersey Experiment Station says: Great progress has been made in the use of commercial fertilizers in the past few years. A point of primary importance that has been learned is that their application is necessary in the profitable culture of many of the crops grown in the state. The question next in importance to this is how to use the materials containing the plant food elements in order to secure the largest return from their application to the different crops. While the three constituents, nitrogen, phosphoric acid and nitude, and that all the seven seals potash, are all essential, because all are liable to exhaustion, nitrogen is the broken wide open for us by a loving one that should receive more careful Christ, and that the seven thunders attention than the others-first, behaving done their work have ceased cause it is the most expensive of the reverberation, and that the numeral three to supply; second, because the forms in which it exists differ so widely in their rate of availabilty or immediate usefulness to the plant, and third, because when it is applied in an imwall of heaven, "the first foundation mediately available form it is so readiof which is jasper; the second, sap- ly soluble and so completely carried in the soil water that there is great dan-The mineral elements, potash and

phosphoric acid, on the other hand, are relatively cheap as compared with n!trogen. In the case of potash, the availability of the different forms in which it is usually obtained is not a matter of importance, since all are readily available, while in the case of phosphoric acid the soluble and immediately available forms contained in superphosphates may be obtained quite cheaply as many of the organic forms, as animal bone and tankage, which are Metz and Strasburg, the outposts of not so immediately useful. These mineral elements, too, however soluble when applied, are fixed by the soil, and are thus not liable to rapid loss by leaching. When the farmer applies th: minerals or materials containing phosphoric acid or potash in their beat forms his expenditure is not so great as for an equal amount of nitrogen; he can place his dependence upon its presence there during the growing season, rise the five great sentinel forts which and that the plants can readily obtain surround Metz, and from the high it, and he can rest assured that if the ground on which these stand can be one season's growth of the plants does residues will remain for future crops, though they may be less readily argreat German army stands at atten- quired by them. The chances of obtion, ready for war. Touch the right taining in the crop at some time the button in Berlin and in half an hour needed minerals applied, even when 30,000 men will be marching from Metz used in excess, are greater than those and within twelve hours 100,000 men- from the application of nitrogen in escause of the differences here briefly

In the next place, the farmer shoul! remember that the best use of nitrogen is attained when it is applied to minutes. When the troops go "route retained for the use of the crop, gul marching," they carry with them three the physical character also should be days' food and three days' ammuni- such as to permit a ready penetration sacks. They can carry no more in ter, conditions which are essentia- in order that the activities within the soil may be unimpeded, thus making it possible for the plants to obtain their needed food. In too many cases good plant food is wasted, because applied to mixtures of sand, clay and other ma-The charming luncheon given by terials, rather than to soils in the true

Prepared Soil.

too near house, and yet not vers far away, have made an excavation a fort deep and a few feet square. If in grais ground have the sods in a heap by themselves and the soil in another heap. Put a layer of stable mapure in the bottom of the expavation and over it a layer of sods (cut fine) and earth mixed. Here throw the waste from the kitchen vegetable parings, bean and pea pods, weeds from the garden, clippings from the lawn, faded boquets, rhubarb leaves; also leaves from the forest, it convenient to get. Cover this collection of waste, occasionally, with soil, and water the mass with wash suds, chamber slops and dish water, adding dry soil in sufficient quantities to take up the excess of moisture. Have the mass worked over several times dursembled to do her honor. When the ing the summer. Do not add to it after er heap. After a few days of dry ling went about from table to table, weather, in the latter part of Septemtable was unknown to all the others of which to pot your winter plants, says

If the second heap gets rotted down Manning and welcomed her guests. one part sand to two parts soil, and Then, in the most informal and de- have something your winter bulbs will lightful way, she asked one and an- enjoy. It isu't much work to prepare other of the ladies present to say a the compost. The waste and weeds word, her lively challenges bringing must go somewhere. The wash and out every time clever and absolutely waste water must be disposed of, and impromptu speeches from those to it is better to have a place where it can be turned to good account than to let it all go down the sink drain, to farmer with a little ordinary fare and diphtheria and typhoid.

> Honey Dew. I make no great pretentions to knowledge, but having lived al! my for a lazy man.

life in the woods of southern Indiana, I have had a chance to learn something of this much talked of Honey Dew, and I am free to take the ground that there is no such thing, and I will give any man five dollars on receipt of one pound of honey that can be proved to have been gathered from deposits of aphides, says a writer in Farm Journal.

Next summer, say the last of June or during July, when the weather is warm and moist, what is generally called splendid growing weather, take a trip out into the woods in the afternoon, climb up into an oak, hickory or ash tree and examine the leaves, and you will find small particles of dried substance on the leaves. Be sure to have a glass with you and you will find a small rupture on the top side of the leaf, showing that the substance dried on the leaf has exuded from it. Now touch your tongue to this dry substance and you will find it sweet as sugar, and on the ash, hickory, poplar, pear and maple you will find it of a pleasaut flavor, but on the oak it will not be as pleasant. At that time you will and no bees working on the leaves, but early the next morning return to your investigation and you will find these same trees alive with bees, provided there was a fall of dew the night before, as this substance must be displived before the bees can handle it.

In localities here, where no oak or black gum timber grows, we get no better honey than is gathered from the so-called honey dew. The two kinds mentioned seem to make it very

Repairing an Underdrain.

While it is true that a deeply laid underdrain with even fall will seldom gai out of repair, there are many drains waich are dug with fall which varies much in different parts, says American Cultivator. It is just here that the break is most likely to occur. In the suddent arrest of a body of rapidy falling water, either the stone cr zile are liable to be turned one side, and when the water reaches the nearly level part of the drain it backs up hill until it accumulates enough force to break an opening to the surface, whence it often runs over the drain that is empty below. There will generally be found an obstruction some feet below where the break occurred, and by digging until this is located, and removing it, the repairs of the train can be made with little difficulty, provided it is done the same season that the break occurs. If left longer the result will be that the neglected train will have its channel filled with theaper to take it all out and build a new drain than to attempt to repair t. Yet so difficult is the task of repairing a drain while the ditch is filled with water that there is temptation to leave the work until there is less mud and slush. In other words, much of a the frontier field force of Alsace-Lor- cess, or even in moderate amounts, bt- drain is ruined to save some disagreeable work in muddy water.

Feeding Value of Rape.

Rape has a high feeding value. It

makes an excellent feed for fattening sheep and swine and for producing an abundant flow of milk in milch cows. On account of danger of tainting the milk many people do not feed it to the cows until after milking. Rape can be used to good advantage as a part of the ration for animals that are being fed in pens for market or for the show ring. It is also a valuable food for young lambs at weaning time. By beginning as early as practicable in the spring, and seeding at intervals of two or three weeks, a continuous succession of rape can be produced throughout the: period when the permanent pasturer are most likely to be short. Rape endure quite severe cold weather, will thus last a long time after ordinary pasture grasses succun the frost. By the use of this stock can be gotten into good co for the holiday markets or for and there need be no check in fat, and milk production thro In some out-of-the-way corner, net sufficient succulent food during the summer and autumn months, as is to frequently the case.-T. A. Williams.

The Pansy.

The pansy is a lover of cool weather. It gives its largest, finest flowers, and its most profuse crop of them, in the spring and during the early summer, and, if the plants have been properly treated, again in the fall. It would no doubt continue to bloom as freely during the summer as in spring or fall if the weather conditions were the same. But as soon as the intense heat of the midsummer comes on the vitality of the plant begins to be affected, and this accounts for the indications of "dwindling," mentioned by my correspondent. Its flowers become smaller and smaller, until they are wholly unlike, in all respects, the magnificent specimens of May and June. And as the heat of the season, generally accompanied with more or less drouth. increases, the plants seem to die off by inches. The red spider, encouraged by dry weather, which he delights in, adds his efforts to the work of the heat, and the luxuriant plants of spring are hardly recognizable in July and August .-Harper's Bazar.

Grain Rusts.-The Kentucky Experiment Station has issued a bulletin relative to grain rusts, concerning especially the red rust of wheat and the methods of treatment and prevention. Rust, while a very destructive lisease. is comparatively easily treated by the breed sewer gas, or into an open drain judgment. The method of billing by to breed flies and foul smells, if not scalding is the most generally employed, and has been con cessfully for years.

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Constipated bowels.

What is the cause of all

dizzy, always feel dull and

headache?

your mouth?

your body.

this trouble?

THE BURGLARS TWO.

Last autumn, toward the end of the "Long," Hargreaves and I went down to Lyncaster-on-Sea to do some read-

The season was over, and we found ourselves almost the only visitors in the place-quite the only ones, in fact, at the Park hotel. Consequently we had a choice of rooms, and it was purely accidental that we chose the corner sitting-room on the "second floor front," overlooking the grounds of the hotel and also the People's park.

The western wall of the hotel gardens formed the eastern boundary of the park, and our room was at right angles to the wall. Immediately beneath it, on the park side, was a row of garden seats.

One night Hargreaves and I were luxuriating in a lounge after dinner. The room was in darkness and we were quiet for once-enjoying a smoke and half dozing.

Presently I was roused by the sound of voices talking outside. The window was open and I drew aside the curtain and looked out.

Two men occupied the seat just below me, on the park side of the walldecent looking fellows, as far as I could tell in the dusk. I looked carelessly at them for a moment, and was about to return to my pipe when a word or Ease, a powder for the feet. It makes two caught my ear. I leaned forward

"Then it's all settled. We sneak up the drive, steal a ladder and you climb in at the landing window. We shan't be disturbed; old Seaton sleeps at he back of the house, so do the servants."

"Go on." "Her room is in the front-the first on the left from the landing window. I spotted it the other night when I was strolling up and down-'

"Oh! never mind that. Hurry up." "Well, you know what to do next. Seize the little darling, gag her, lower her down to me-she's a mere featherweight-follow, and I'll manage the rest."

"Sh-sh! Not so loud." The speaker glanced apprehensively

over his shoulder at the hotel. "You're sure this place is empty?"

he went on. "There'll be a pretty now d'ye do if we've been overheard!" "Of course it's empty. How funky

you are!" "Well, I don't care about the busi-

ness. 'Tis infernally risky, and-" "Oh! come, you can't back out of it now. You understand? Meet me at Piso's Cure for consumption is our only medicine for coughs and colds.—Mrs. C. Beltz, 439 11:30 o'clock at the cross roads half 8th Ave., Denver, Col., Nov. 8, 1895. a mile from Seaton hall. Then a It is a great mistake to remember your trials tramp, a few minutes' wild excitement. then-Dora and bliss!"

"Catch your hare before you cook it. Tom. It's a far cry tonight's affair to bliss and Dora."

"Oh, shut up! I'm off." "So am I."

The two men moved away, and I-I

sank back in my chair and gasped. What could it mean? Did these coldblooded ruffians really contemplate breaking into a man's house and stealing his daughter under his very nose? It was incredible, impossible; it was-I roused Hargreaves with a vigorous

shake. "Wake up!" I shouted, "wake up! Thieves! Burglars! Kidnapers! Miss Seaton of Seaton hall!"

"What the deuce are you talking about?" cried Hargreaves, starting up. "Are you mad?"

I pulled myself together with an effort, and rapidly ran over what I had

heard. Hargreaves listened-and scoffed. It was the greatest rubbish he had ever heard. Carry off a girl in that desperado fashion in these days! Absurd! "Go to sleep again, my dear fellow, and dream some sense!"

This was irritating. If there had with Hargreaves, but there was not. I

assumed a lofty indifference. "Believe it or not, as you like," I said, "it's true enough. I shall be at Seaton hall at midnight to stop this desperate deed, and if I lose my life in | yes! to steal what? the interest of my fellow creatures my blood be on your head."

This rhetorical display impressed Hargreaves. Seeing which, I followed it up with a hint of ignoring the Lyncaster police, and capturing the burglars off our own bat.

Hargreaves was "fetched."

A couple of hours later two villians, armed with blackthorn cudgels, strode along the road from Lyncaster to Seaton-myself and Hargreaves on the warpath.

We were horribly nervous-at least, I was. A four-mile walk in mud and a thick mist had cooled my enthusiasm. and nervous tremors trickled down my spine as I thought of attacking those rufflans alone and unaided.

Visions floated before me in frightful procession. I saw myself and Hargreaves a pair of mangled corpses weltering in our gore. Horrible! Wining the cold perspiration from my forehead I stole a glance at Hargreaves.

He was stalking along in silent them "fire away." gloom, his hands thrust into his pockets, his cap tugged down over his eyes. "Hargreaves," I began. He started

as though he had been shot. This was "H-Hargreaves," I said, trying to

have accomplices? Perhaps there is a g-gang of them." "Rubbish!" from Hargreaves, sav-

agely. 'Bosh! How goes the enemy?" signed myself to fate.

We reached the crossroads by 11 o'clock, after which ten minutes' sharp walking brought us to Seaton hall

The house was approached by a drive tic. about a quarter of a mile in length. "At last he hit on a brilliant idea.

of the hall.

There we crouched side by side and waited. It was beastly-branches of trees stuck into us, prickly shrubs lacerated our faces. We could distinguish nothing but the dim outline of the house, for the mist, which had been gradually increasing, suddenly descended like a thick pall, shrouding troduction-gratitude-bliss!" everything.

We seemed to have been there for hours, during which my only comfort lay in clutching the blackthorn cudgel and a pocket pistol, to which Hargreaves carried the pair, when suddenly Hargreaves gripped my arm.

I listened. Footsteps were coming stealthily toward us. Nearer and nearer they drew-near and nearer. I crouched down behind the shrubs and peered out.

Ah-ha! There they were—the rufflans! Thank goodness, only two of them. They sneaked along on the narrow strip of grass bordering the gravel drive, passed and disappeared into the darkness.

A few minutes elapsed. Then a lantern's red bull's eye gleamed out close to the ground. Two figures reared a ladder against the house wall.

One of the men mounted and disappeared. I could hear Hargreaves' breath coming in quick gasps. My teeth chattered.

Now the fellow was at the window again. He clutched something in his arms. Miss Dora Seaton? No-not Miss Dora Seaton-a bundle! A kicking, struggling bundle!

Silently, swiftly he descended. The ladder was removed, the red light of the lantern extinguished. We felt the two coming toward us in the darkness. My heart beat up into my throat, my knees shook, and I clutched the blackthorn cudgel.

"Now!" cried Hargreaves. We sprang out. Each hurled him-

self on his man, seized him by the throat, and hung on.

The shock of the attack was irresistible. With scarcely a sound, scarcely even a scuffle, we forced the fellows down, Tightening my grip-

"If they struggle," I cried to an imaginary comrade in the darkness; "if they struggle, fire!"

I gagged my man, bound his unresisting hands, turned on the lantern-



FOOTSTEPS WERE COMING TO-WARDS US.

and staggered back in utter amaze

"Graham!" I cried. "Graham!" "Dagmore!" ejaculated Hargreaves. Tom Dagmore! by the powers!"

Hargreaves and I stared at one another. The burglars lay and glared at us, gagged and helpless. The mysterious bundle struggled and plunged about our feet. Over all loomed the shadow of the old hall, wrapped in silent darkness.

Then Hargreaves began to laugh. He rolled about the drive in speechless agony, stuffing his handkerchief into been time I should have been annoyed his mouth and gurgling. I subsided on

the ground in silent convulsions. No wonder. Graham and Dagmore, undergraduates of All Souls, Oxbridge, breaking into the house of a highly respectable country squire to steal-ah,

I jumped up, seized the bundle, and released-a small toy terrier, with a blue ribbon round its neck and a gag stuffed into its mouth.

It was inexplicable, It was mysterious, it was the best thing we had been in for for months. With a simultaneous impulse we unbound the ruffians. They gazed at each other ruefully, then at us, and once more laughter rendered us all speechless.

"Come out of this," I whispered presently, "we shall have the household down on us."

We crept down the drive. I hardly dared breathe till we were outside the gates. "Now then," I said to Graham, "ex-

plain." "Oh, after you, sir," said Graham-

"after you!"

"Yes," echoed Dagmore, "what the dickens are you doing in this affair?" I told them. Having stood what we considered a legitimate amount of chaff, we put a stop to it, and bade

"The fact is," said Graham, "Dagmore is in love; it's Miss Dora Seaton." "Very interesting," I remarked, "but it hardly seemed to account for his stealing her dog."

"Oh!" said Graham, "I'm coming to get the nervous quiver out of my voice that. Dora walks on Lyncaster pier -"H-Hargreaves, d-do you think they daily after tea. So does the dog. So, for the fortnight we have been down here, have Dagmore and I. Dagmore was smitten with Dora at once, and we have tried every dodge we know to get "Half past ten," I stuttered, and re- an introduction. No go. Fair means failing, we tried foul."

I stared. "We are due at Oxbridge next week, you know. Dagmore is getting fran-

This was followed, sneaking along, and Dora is devoted to the dog. It occurred a picture cannot express .- Bacon.

finally into the thick shrubbery just to him how convenient it would be if where the drive swept round in front | the little beast would get itself lost or stolen, and we could find and restore it to her. As this did not seem likely to happen, we decided, as you see, to steal it ourselves. Tomorrow there will be a hue and cry all over Lyncaster-posters up, rewards offered, Dora in despair, Dagmore scouring the country for the dog-restoration-in-

"But," broke in Hargreaves, "how did you know where the dog was kept at night? And how dare you risk its barking and rousing the household?'

"Dagmore's landlady and the cook at Seaton hall exchange weekly tea and muffins. Which answers your first question."

"And the second?" Graham produced a small phial.

"Chemistry," he said pompously, chemistry is a most useful study. A few drops of this liquid on a lump of sugar sends a small dog to sleep for six | bilities of \$48,711,000, against \$71,246,hours on end. The dose takes effect | 783 last year. Nearly half of the June half an hour after administration. liabilities are due to one failure. The This afternoon Dora and the dog walked on the pler as usual. So did have no limit. Tin is stronger at 26 Dagmore and I. Dora engaged in amiable converse with an old fisherman, while the little dog ate a lump of sugar lying temptingly under one of the seats. On the road home ne probably day down and slumbered, and has slumbered ever since on the mat at his mistress' door-in my arms on the mestic, reveal a speculation scarcely landing-and awoke to find himself descending a ladder tied up in a blanket | mills are dong well in spite of the fall with a cloth stuffed into his mouth. in cotton. There," Graham finished. "That's the whole show."

of this tale. Mrs. Dora Dagmore says year." it is the best she knows.

STORIES OF THE DIAMOND.

Pleasant Place to Go Fishing and He

Went. There was a pitcher who once promised to be one of the best in the business who dropped out of fast company in a strange way, says the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. He was Darby, and when he disappeared he was pitching for Detroit. One morning the team was making a trip across Michigan. The day was hot and the cars dirty, and when, near midday, the train stopped at a pretty little town, Darby looked out at a cool creek flowing down into the woods and remarked:

"That would be a great place to fish on a day like this." One of the other players said: "Why

don't you get off and go fishing?" "Believe I will," replied Darby, as he sauntered out on the platform of the car. No one thought any more of the matter until the train was miles down the country. Then some one remarked that Darby was missing. He never rejoined the club, but turned up bushels last week." at home in the fall and has never been back in fast company since.

"The funniest decision I ever saw on a ball field," said George Becker of the Farms and Railways Under Water, Caus-Louisvilles, "was given down in a little country town in Indiana while I that had a grudge against a neighbor- Railroad traffic is suspended in south ing village. I went in to pitch and we Texas because of the numerous wash-

had the other club beaten to death. bases were full with two out and the state is above high-water mark and the batter hit a little grounder down to angry waters have destroyed thoume. I picked the ball up and tossed it sands of acres of cotton, corn and cane. underhand to first, twenty feet ahead | besides houses and cattle. of the runner, and started to the bench when the umpire called me back and that when the water went through the said: 'Not out.' I demanded to know town several negroes were drowned, why the man was not out and he replied:

ball to first and you pitched it underhand.'

"I laughed so hard that I came near letting the other club beat us out. I never disputed that man's decisions

James Ryan is an observing fellow. His latest discovery was made last rall. Jimmy was out walking in Washington and returned to the hotel out of breath and dragged half a dozen players down | corporated here Friday with to the capitol lawn to see a game of talization of \$25,000,000. Hall ball. Far over on the south side of is to be 7 per cent preferred the east esplanade is a statue of Chris- lative. The company has topher Columbus. The discoverer is leges of a trust. All the represented standing on a pedestal ufacturers and dealers i with one foot advanced, his right arm | are said to be in this en swung high above his head and in his right hand a globe. Jimmy dragged the ball players over to the statue and then, pointing across the lawn, showed the statute of George Washington. The father of his country stands facing the discoverer with hands outstretched. Ryan pointed out that Columbus is poising to pitch the ball and Wash- divisions of France and ington is in exact position to catch it.

A Frank Surgeon.

Dr. Colles, an eminent surgeon of Dublin, who died in 1843, was remarkable for his plain dealing with himself, In his fee book he had many such candid entries as the following: "For giving ineffectual advice for deafness, one guinea. For attempting to draw out the stump of a tooth, one guinea. For telling him that he was no more ill than I was, one guinea. For nothing that I know of except that he probably thought he did not pay me enough last time, one guinea.

Example.

"I wonder if it can be true that one can light a fire with ice?" said the maid with the spectacles. "If you hadn't forbidden me to mention the subject I might recur to the love I have for you," said the youth with the red owl tie and striped collar.-Indianapolis Journal.

That is the best part of beauty which

WEEKLY REVIEW OF TRADE

Dun's Report Shows a Large Falling Off in Failures.

OUTLOOK CONTINUES GOOD.

Demand for Raw Material Seems to Have No Limit-Strength of General Business Situation Remains Unabated -Grain Shipments.

New York, July 3.-R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: "Failures for the second quarter of 1899 have been 2,080 in number, against 3,055 last year, with liabilities of \$20,-259,000, against \$36,602,252 last year. For the first half of 1899 failures were 4,852, against 6,766 last year, with liademand for iron and steel seems to cents and copper at 18 cents for lake, but lead is dull with hope of an end to the Colorado strike. Boot and shoe shipments from the east exceed those in any other month of any year for four weeks. Wool sales, 36,179,900 pounds, of which 29,865,960 were doless obtrusive than in 1897. Cotton

"Failures for the week have been 181 in the United States, against 254 last Hargreaes and I do not think much | year, and 22 in Canada, against 15 last

Bradstreet's says: "Though seasonably quieter in many lines, the strength of the general business situation remains apparently unabated, and the half year closes with the commercial and financial community contemplating very satisfactory returns in the recent past and manifesting a tone of cheerful confidence regarding the outlook for the last half of 1899. The volume of business done the first half of 1899 will certainly rank higher than the best hitherto experienced, and the notable rise in prices which was such a feature of the last spring has done much to reconcile traders to the admittedly small margins of profits which modern business operations tend toward making permanent. Touching this matter it might be added that staple prices today are in a majority of instances well above quotations ruling for some years past, the general level, in fact,

being the highest since early in 1893. "Wheat (incluing flour) shipments for the week aggregate 3,263,998 bushels, against 3,746,718 bushels last week. Corn exports for the week aggregate 4,482,116 bushels, against 2,872,432

MANY DIE IN TEXAS FLOODS.

ing Losses of Millions. Houston, Texas, July 3 .- The rewas playing with the Chicago club. We markably heavy rains of the past four had an off day, and Billy Moran and I days in Texas have done damage which went down as a battery to some town will amount to millions of dollars. outs, and many bridges are gone. "Along in the seventh inning the Every stream in this section of the

At Calvert the rise was so sudden and five bodies have been recovered. It is rumored that many farmers, white "'The rules say you must throw the and colored, living in the Brazos bottoms have been drowned, but neit names nor reliable particulars are

obtainable. The loss in cotton alone will read \$1,000,000, while gnother million v not cover the loss to railroads

other property. To Deal in Writing Paper. Trenton, N. J., July 3 .- The can Writing Paper company

No Row in Newfe Paris, July 3.-A se has been issued stating alarming rumors in concerning the situation land are unfounded. It is no disagreement betw in Newfoundland waters between which are perfet

Ask Consuls for P London, July 3 .- The correspondent of the Da 'The Germans and Am Transvaal have appealed suls for marines to prote erty in the event of hos

Divorce Mecca Ab Fargo, N. D., July 3 .- N as a divorce Mecca is a past. Beginning this more residence will be neces

Great Britain's Treasur London, July 3 .- The turns to July 1, the en quarter of the financial increase in the total r 869,157.

Privilege to Free Paris, July 3 .- The ties adopted a res duly qualified women

COLORADO PARKS

Nature's Storehouses of Health in th Rocky Mountains.

The season of summer travel, with

its delights of recreation and new scenery, change of air and forgetfulness of business cares and duties, is again upon us, and the question most considered in cottage and spacious home is, "Where shall we spend our summer, vacation?" The answer is equally important to those of limited means and their more fortunate neighbors. Those who live in the central west naturally seek the higher altitudes, and the neighboring state of Colorado furnishes near and comparatively inexpensive and delightful resorts. The Union Pacific has expended vast sums of money in its efforts to provide health and comfort for its passengers to Colorado, and its lines reach the most desirable points, and traverse the immense parks wihch Nature has established in the mountains. To fully understand the Colorado parks they must be seen. No description can do them justice, and neither the skill of a Bierstadt or Moran could picture their pure atmosphere so like the breath from Paradise-nor reproduce their beauteous colors and forms. In the city a park is a huge square, with trees in checker-board primness, where the lakes have fish as tame as chickens; the animals are in cages, and are neither attractive nor natural. But how different in a mountain park! The range kindly parts to give it room and shields it in its great arms. There are grassy hills and dales where feed the noblest game, and trees which shelter birds of plumage and song. The lakes-some of them miles in length-are rippled by the coming and going of ducks and geese. The streams bear along, eager for the bait of the angler, the speckled loads of trout, most delicious as they brown over the evening's coals. There are no precise graveled walks, and no elaborate fountains, but the footfall is lost on the turf, and springs gush forth with sparkling tune to gladden the thirsty with a liquid such as never ran through the rusty pipes of a city. The altitude gives coolness without chill, and warmth without oppressive heat. "The Overland" is the name given to the Union Pacific Railroad and it has become a synonym for comfortable travel. The equipment of its trains is up to the standard required by modern tourists, and it makes the best time and traverses a scenic route which has made it famous.

No better advice may be offered to those who are weary of the heat and care of home than to apply to the nearest agent of the Union Pacific for tickets by its route to the coolness and pleasures of Colorado parks.

The wise husband should prepare his pocketbook for the spring openings. The free lunch attracts more men than the church festival.

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[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 69,884]

"I was a great sufferer from female weakness and had no strength. It was impossible for me to attend to my household duties. I had tried everything and many doctors, but found no

relief. "My sister advised me to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. which I did; before using all of one bottle I felt better. I kept on with it and to my great surprise I am cured. All who suffer from female complaints should give it a trial."-MRS. ROCK-WELL, 1209 S. DIVISION ST., GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.

From a Grateful Newark Woman. "When I wrote to you I was very sick, had not been well for two years. The doctors did not seem to help me, and one said I could not live three months. I had womb trouble, falling,

idney and bladder trouble.

-BY-FRANK M. JOHNSON.

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POTT'S BOILS OVER AGAIN.

Some men don't seem to know enough to quit when they are beaten. Here is Brother Potts of the Saranac Local. The LEDGER doubts if he will know when he is dead; he will probably insist that he is alive and keep right on kicking.

Here is his latest:

"It's funny how many mistakes a man will make when he gets started out wrong. Now there is Bro. Johnson of the Lowell Ledger who generally gets things about right, but having got a start in the wrong direction in the Nimerick matter, one would really think he was a sympathizer with thugs and was opposed to law and justice. Set yourself right, Bro. Johnson, and you will see that Nime erick deserved all he got and more too. And, by the way, will not the Ledger send an explanation. The story given for illustration was all right as told by the Ledger, but we couldn't see its point. There should have been a key to it. Possibly the intention was to furnish a solution in the invitation to "come and take something," which request though perhaps given in a friendly spirit is scandalors to the newspaper fraterfall when he once gets headed in the wrong direction."

Mr. Potts is bound to have the last word like the old woman who got into a dispute with her other half about whether a closeline had been cut with a knife or a pair of shears. She insisted on the latter and and as fast as he could say "knife" she would answer "shears." At last he shoved her head under water to stop her noise, but she th:ew a hand above water and with its first two fingers made the motion of a pair of shears.

Now, Brother Potts, if you can't see the point just put on a pair of Regular size 50c and \$1.00. Guaranteed or leather spectacles.

The idea of scandalizing an old vet with an invitation to "come and take something!"

the hopelessness of the struggle against overwhelming numbers. It is to be hoped that the administration will see the necessity of sending adequate reinforcements at once

SINCE the war in the Luzon must be fought out, it would seem a wise thing to have a new head for the war department. General Alger does not enjoy the confidence of the masses

either in or out of the army. THE village and township of Almont, Lapeer county, where the writer has spent the last two weeks, is one of the finest old towns in the state. The village which was first settled in the early thirties has about 800 inhabitants, most of whom are well-to-do. The roads are excellent, and the sidewalks now being built in place of decayed plank are of cement. There are many fine residences and the public buildings are of a high order, including a \$25,000 Congregational church and a \$13,000 union school building. a \$10,000 M. E. church and a \$4,000 town hall. The country about has been truly termed "the garden of Michigan." This is supposed to be a poor season for wheat, but my father's farms have one 20 acre field that will yield 25 bushels per acre and I have seen many as good. Yesterday I rode through a field where 100 tons of timothy were waiting for the mower. The waving heads came to the

tops of the buggy wheels. I have seen three peach orchards in this section, all of them in a flourishing sive, the ring service being used, little condition, and two of them bearing fair crops. Two of the three came from the Husted nursery and are giving great satisfaction. Fish seems to bite on Sunday in this locality as well as they do at Lowell. An old sport just informed me that he caught 14 black bass and a pickerel at Lakeville yesterday. Lakeville is Almont's most popular resort. A young mon was drowned there recently, the first accident of the kind in 50 years. made cheerful by Chinese lanterns. After Almont celebrates the "glorious the ceremony refreshments were served to Fourth," and they are going to read more than 175 guests. The presents were the Declaration of Independence and numerous and beautiful. A gramaphone, follow it up with a spread eagle oranity and is merely another instance of | tion about the beauties of the war in showing how far a good man may the Philippines. It reminds me of the small boy and his vulgar but ex-

Almont, July 3, 1899.

pressive question: "Don't that skin

A Narorw Escape. Thankful words written by Mrs. Ada E. Hart, of Groton, S. D. "Was taken with a bad cold which settled on my lungs; cough set in and finally terminated in Consumption. Four doctors gave me up, saying I could live but a short time. gave myself up to my Savior, determined if I could not stay with my friends on earth, I would meet my absent ones above. My husband was advised to get Dr. King's New Discovery for Consump-tion, Coughs and Colds. I gave it a trial took in all eight bottles. It has cured me, and thank God, I am saved and now a well and healthy woman." Trial bottles free at L. H. Hunt & Co.'s Drug Store.



price refunded.

vergennes.

S. B. Parker and wife of Lowell were Sunday callers of their brother, Wm H.

Geo, Krum and wife were recent giter

Friends in Grand Rapids. Baker and John Spire of Grand were guests of Bert Botzen Satur-

and Scott Fox spent Sunday at

Snett and Melville McPherson

teri allers at Leander Post's of family reunion at Wm. H and ay. Those present were his rs. Jane Rose, son and wife of son, Wm., and wife of Camp. ter, Mrs. Ed. Hoag, husband

m Frazier and wife. arker and Mrs. King and daugh-

nter, also Geo. Parker, Mrs. Eu-

and daughter of South Dakota,

for their home in Dakota Tues-BRIDGET.

Keene.

F. Lee of Potters' corners and ee of Vergenne- was the guest of . Wilkinson Wednesday.

ee, wife and daughter were Sunts of Mrs. Alfred Bowen. Bowen has been visiting her aunt

eans the past week. Bush of Ionia is the guest of his

rs. C. A. Lee. ren's day at the Keene church July nice program will be furnished and ng will be done to make it inter-

Word of Ada is visiting her aunt, Bertha Peterson of Saranac

tend the Ferris school.

ests of Maude Fashbaugh last

Mrs. George Golds and daughters were ecent guests Mrs. R. N. Sparks.

Frank Cave and wife have moved on the Jennie Holden farm for this summer.

Mrs. S. Owen, of Lakeview, better known as Hattie Pinkney, who has been in poor health for some time with heart trouble, died, June 26. Her funeral was held on the 27th at 2 p. m., Rev. Westbrook officiating. Burial at Pinkney cemetery.

Spain's Greatest Need.

Mr. R. P. Olivia, of Barcelona, Spain spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest Blood and Nerve Remedy, all pain soon left him. He says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney trouble, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim. vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50 cents. Sold by L. H. Hunt & Co., Druggists.

Cascade-East Paris.

Henry Wood left Saturday to visit his on, Fredrick, of Muskegon.

Mrs. Vrooman is very ill at this writing. Mrs. Chas. Clark who has been visiting friends at Muskegon has returned.

The barn dance at T. Flood's was well ettended. About 75 couple were present. The Mite society was entertained by Mrs. F. Sternback. The meeting was both pleasant and profitable.

Mrs. G. Bailey is seriously ill. Gilbert Bailey had the misfortune to break his arm Wednesday evening by fall-

ing from a horse. The beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Bailey was the scene of a very pretty wedding Wednesday evening, June 28, when Hester M. Owen was united in marriage to Frank M. Davis by Rev. Wm. Chapel. The ceremony was very impres-Marguerite Owen acting as ring bearer. The bridal party entered the room to the strains of Mendelsohn's wedding march played by Mrs. H. S. Fralick while Fraumeri was softly rendered during the cere mony. The bride was tastefully attired in white Swiss over blue and carried bride's roses. She was attended by her sister who wore white grenadine over pink and carried pink roses. The groom was attended by J. E. Slater. The rooms were beautifully decorated with ferns, myrtle, asparagus, roses and lithes while the lawn was operated by O. A. Ball, was a prominent departed at a late hour wishing the young couple every success in the path that lies

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. McCormick of Chicago who are on their wedding tour spent Thursday with Mrs. F. M. Davis.

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South Boston-Elmdale.

Mrs. Hutchin's of Lake Odessa visited at Rev. A. B. Johnson's last week. Alice Story visited friends in this vicinity last week.

Stella Palet of Lake Odessa is visiting Mable Johnson.

Verne Church has rented his place and vill move to Clarksville where he has bought the Clarksville Record. Mrs. Church will set up a millinery store there. Success to Mr. and Mrs. Church.

Quite a number from this vicinity attendd commencement exercises at Clarksville Thursday evening.

Miss Jessie Fletcher is visiting her par-

ents, Mr. and Mrs. Jude Fletcher. LEAH.

He Fooled the Surgeons.

All doctors told Renick Hamilton, of West Jefferson, O., after suffering 18 months from Rectal Fistula, he would die unless a costly operation was performed; but he cured himself with five boxes of Bucklen's Arnica Salve, the surest Pile cure on earth, and the best salve in the world. 25 cents a box. Sold by L. H. Hunt & Co., Druggists.

Town Line Tidings.

Mrs. J. Thibos visited friends in Lowell few days last week.

Mrs. Geo. Murray is on the sick list. Dee Webster has a new wheel.

Louis Batey spent last week with her sister, Mrs. Clara Frazier, of Alto.

Mrs. Cora Durgee and children of Grand Rapids are spending a few days with her aunt, Mrs. Orville Reynolds.

Cascade and Lowell township Sunday school convention held at Snow M. E. church, July 2, was a success in every way. The church was filled at an early hour, a large number of visitors from both town ships being present. A bountiful dinner was served in the grove near the church. Several families took their friends home to dinner with them. Miss Pearl Bates of Cascade and W. Hull of Lowell gave us some very fine music.

X-RAY.

McCords.

Ora, Lena and Lawrence Sterling of Hastings are spending their vacation with

their grandmother, Mrs. Simen Kiel. Mr. and Mrs. Mouter of Cleveland are guests of her brother S. Reuter and family Mr. and Mrs. Blanskma of Ada were

Sunday guests at B. Jellema's. started Saturday for Big | Miss Winnie Patterson is visiting friends in Okemos.

Vera Lewison of Grand Rapids is

ing relatives in this vicinity. M. Vanderlip of Alto took tea with hi sister, Mrs. Walter Clark, Thursday.

Mrs. James Delaney and Mrs. Bryant of Alto visited at Ed. Higby's Thursday. Lou Patterson has returned from Grand Rapids where he has been visiting his father, John Patterson.

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Alton

David Clawson of Orleans was here last week cutting hay.

Mrs. James Bookey of Cannonsburg was here Friday.

Mrs. Filo Lavender and two daughters of Oakfield dined with Mrs. H. Keech and took tea with Mrs. C. Porter last Friday. Wm. Andrews and wife of Bowne visited

relatives here Saturday and Sunday. E. Ring and wife were guests of Henry Skellenger and wife of Bartonville Thurs-

E. Ring was at Grattan Center on busi ness Saturday.

Guy Norton and wife attended a party at Grattan last week Tuesday.

Riley Jones of Grattan was here on busiess last week Wednesday. On account of the scarlet fever scare our

school closed Wednesday. There was no cause for it as it proved, not to be scarlet fever, too much bathing in Flat river was

Johnnie Dutchman had his shoulder dislocated Tuesday by a horse jerking him. Mrs. Geo. Fish and daughter of Belding were guests at Otis White's Thursday

Elder Mudge was here Sunday and will be here again the last Saturday and Sun day of this month and every one interested in the reorganization of the Christian church and all members are requested to be present. There will be a reunion and business meeting of the church Saturday afternoon. Accomodations will be provided for those from a distance.

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Cannonsburg.

Apple trees are in blossom again. Children's day was held at the M. E. church Sunday evening and the exercises Miss Kate Lacy is visiting at Mr. Wileys.

Warren Wheeler and Ray Howard went o Grand Rapids Saturday. Dan Keech and wife attended the funer-

al of his uncle at Rockford. Pearl Ward of Grattan was at Mr. Her-

rington's Wednesday. Will Herrington and wife attended the funeral of her sister's child Friday.

Warren Waite, wife and two sons and Mrs. Carrie VanOrmun visited at Ge-Salsbury's of Lakeview, part of last week-The Bostwick lake C. E. society held a

picnic at Silver Lake the 4th of July. Mrs. Armstrong of Vergennes visited her daughter, Mrs. Rhoda Haines, last

Thomas Haffee of Courtland has just re

ceived a fortune of \$60,000 from an uncle in New York. DAISY.

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Strange Language.

Little Emerson-What a very strange child my little cousin from New York

Mother-Do you think so? "He uses such eccentric language. He says Hully gee! when he means: I am overcome with astonishment and admiration."-N. Y. Journal.

The Colonel's Interpretation.

"Very few people," remarked the punctilious young woman, "know how to shake hands properly."

"That's very true," answered Col. Stillwell; "but how is one going to know what hands to shake until after the draw?"-Washington Star.

The Savage Bachelor. The Very Young Man-They say that a woman who has eyebrows that meet across the nose is deceitful. Do you be-

The Savage Bachelor-A woman, you say? Certainly.-Indianapolis Journal. At the Asylum. Female Attendant (sympathetically)

creature actually prefers comfort to Visitor-Goodness! And won't she

-That was a very sad case. The poor

ever recover her reason?-Puck. Pretty Small.

Teacher-What is the smallest state?" Little Francis-The state of a person's feelings when your ma tries to have you go free by tellin' the conductor that you ain't six years old yit .-Chicago Evening News.

Those Girls. She-What do you think he gave me for a birthday present? A portrait of myself.

Her-What an insult.-Indianapolis Yournal.

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on the fence and jeered at him.

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harshly. "Listen again."

face of the doomed man.

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she exclaimed.

ened to kiss me.'

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friend.

"Well."

didn't do it."

Then they all heard it.

It was the mournful creak of an un-

A look of resignation rested on the

"Now I'm ready to die," he said.

She Felt Insulted.

"I never was so insulted in my life!"

"What did he do?" asked her dearest

"We were all alone, and he threat-

"Well, we were all alone, and he

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"Oh-h-h!"-Chicago Post.

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Now he must die.

They all listened.

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SYNOPSIS.

Chapter 1.-Tom Scott, a New England farmhand, decides to go to Klondike to search for gold. In Boston he rescues a Mr. Avery from footpads, and, as his new asks Tom to accompany him, and the invi-tation is accepted. They take passage on the Seabird, a sailing vessel bound for

'Frisco.

Chapter II.—They board the vessel and a new mate, Obed Rider, whom the captain had just secured, proves to be an old enemy of Tom's, who had accused his father of deserting the ship of which he was captain and taking with him several thousand dollars of the owner's gold. Tom's father had not been home since the accusation had been made, but Tom then a sation had been made, but Tom, then a boy, did not believe it, and attempted to whip Rider. In the fight he broke the mate's nose. When the mate finds Tom aboard the vessel he vows to be avenged for the broken nose.

Chapter III.—During the passage Mr. Avery is knocked overboard accidentally and Tom again saves his life by jumping into the ocean after him. The man is injured internally and about to die. He calls Tom to him and wills him all his money, \$5,000, and also his share in a rich gold re-gion which his partners have discovered and where he was going to join them. He gives Tom a letter from one of them which gives direction for finding the territory, the possession of which and Avery's will will serve as an identification when he

Chapter IV.—Rider nears the man's conversation with Tom and determines to get the papers and the gold which they entitle the holder to. In San Francisco Tom is waylaid and robbed by Rider of the paper and what money he had with him, but the majority of his cash was on board the Seabird. Tom is found by the second mate of the Seabird, Green, who has left the sea to search for gold, and taken to his lodgings. Rider escapes and starts for Dyea.

father, who has been in the gold fields and is returning home with a fortune. He asks for his son and his brother, and is told that both are dead, saying that Tom died in 'Frisco and was buried by the captain of the Seabird. After giving Rider gold enough to help him reach the gold fields, Tom's father starts for 'Frisco to find the sea captain, and from him learns that his son is not dead, but had started for the

gold fields ten days before.

Chapter VI.—Green believes Rider has stolen Tom's paper and money, and they try to find him.

after reaching Skaguay, but no one seemed to mention the Dalton trail, a fact which both Tom and his friend marked with satisfaction.

been a serious stumbling block but for | day is the first of May. Then we must the advice of the storekeepers, who, Inquire about Rider. We may find out however, were not only very honest, if he has been here and when he left. but very well posted as to the require- You know we may be wrong about him, ments of a miner. Tom's knowledge of horses came in very handily, and he soon found six good animals which promised to serve his purpose. To get was the sleepy rejoinder, as Green these and the other purchases on board knocked the ashes out of his pipe and the steamer in time kept both men very | curled up in his blanket. "Mark my busy, but it was safely accomplished words, you'll find I am right." at last, and they saw Victoria fade away astern as the stout steamer made | been so sound had they known that her way up the inland channel two days later.

The voyage of nearly 1,000 miles was made without accident, but our friends were anything but comfortable. The steamer was packed with miners and the hold was tall of horses, the latter being cramped for space owing to the great number shipped. They required great care, but although many died on the trip, Tom succeeded in preserving those he had bought, as they were vastly superior to most of their companions.

An hour or two was spent at Juneau, where the steamer stopped, but the rain was falling in a steady drizzle, which made the steamer's deck preferable to sightseeing. In fact, for the previous two days she seemed to have entered a land of perpetual fog and

At the entrance of the Lynn ganal the captain was obliged to anchor on actook advantage of the delay to arrange for the landing of their goods, for the transportation company took no reat the rail. This was soon done, and a vote of thanks passed the captain for his courtesy on the voyage. Then some one started a song, and all joined with a will till the air rang with the unusual noise.

Suddenly the fog lifted from the frowning hills, the anchor was weighed and the argonauts saw a number of vessels ahead of them, while just beyond was a faint streak of white sparkling in the fitful sunshine across a little valley at the edge of a bay on the right hand, with the steep hills rising on either side, their tops lost in the canopy of clouds.

Beyond the line of white were green trees, and far away stretched a level valley, winding among the hills and growing blue and faint in the distance. "That is Skaguay bay," said the captein to the eager questioners, "and you can see the White pass way off there in the distance."

A shout went up at the welcome news, and then as the steamer moved slowly into the little bay the white streak resolved itself into tents stretched across a level plain for a space of half a mile and fronting the ing him to be utterly unscrupulous, water.

As the anchor chain went rattling through the hawse pipes the steamer was surrounded by a fleet of rowboats and Siwash canoes, trying to pick up passengers. On the beach could be seen the large scows used for unloading the ter from the old miner's partner, also horses, and the passengers were eager to go ashore. This could not be done, however, until the captain came back | face as he went on and sneered: with the customs officer.

several hundred yards before you was at it biasted young dropping off into deep water. At low this is all bare, so steamers are continued:

Tom and Green were to continue four miles further to Dyea, but as they found it impossible to secure a scow to tow their horses and outfit to that port, they were forced to leave them on the steamer until she finished her

freight at Skaguay. When the customs officer had made his visit the two friends went ashore in a rowboat and took their first glimpse

trip after unloading the bulk of her

of a typical mining town. What a scene it was! Crowds of men rowing in boats to the beach, then clambering out and carrying their goods above the reach of the tide and piling them in little heaps on the ground. Horses tethered singly and in groups. Tents of every size and kind, and men cooking over sheet iron stoves set outside. Piles of goods were on every hand, and men could be seen loading horses and starting off toward a sort of lane in the direction of a small grove of cottonwoods, beyond which

was the trail to the famous White pass. Rough frame buildings were going up on every hand as fast as man could handle the material, all of which were to be turned into stores when completed. "Outfits bought and sold" was a familiar sign, and the stars and stripes floating over a tent announced the presence of a United States court commissioner.

It required two days to unload the freight here, and then the Islander proceeded to Dyea, where, without accident, Tom and his friends succeeded in landing their outfit and setting up their tent.

When everything was done it was dark, and to Tom's delight the second mate proved an excellent hand to cook. They made a hearty meal, lit their pipes and then Tom said:

"To-morrow we must see if we can find the man Avery's letter told about -the one who was coming here after supplies this spring. It said he would The purchase of an outfit would have be here some time in April or May. Toafter all. It's possible."

"I wish I was as sure of being rich as I am that he is ahead of us somewhere."

Perhaps their sleep would not have Obed Rider was at that very moment sitting in a tent not more than 100 feet away in earnest conversation with a rough-looking miner.

CHAPTER VII. RIDER GETS A SHOCK. "And you expect me to believe all this

yarn?" "I tell you it's all straight. There's the letter. It's a chance that comes only once in a lifetime. I give you the chance because you have lent a hand while I was used up. It will make us

both rich men." With their foreheads nearly touching. Obed Rider and a stranger were conversing in low tones in the former's tent. They were not a handsome pair. The seaman's weather-stained, brutal counterance was a fitting mate for its companion, where the deep-set, colorless eyes, protruding cheek bones and shapeless mouth, together with a vulpine chin and fiendish eyebrows, descending to the nose in sharp arches,

were nature's warning to his fellows. Obed Rider's hurts had proved more serious than he had at first imagined. The broken ribs pained him whenever he moved, and he was almost helpless. This man, who was known as Hank Bowers, was a desperate character who had lost his last ounce at the gaming table. He attached himself to the mate with a view to robbing him at the first opportunity, but the latter, find-



Rider was in earnest conversation with a rough-

had decided to enlist his services in his own schemes.

On the very night Tom landed at Dyea he was making the offer. He first informed his new friend that his name was Avery, then showed the letthe will drawn up on shipboard.

The other laughed insolently in his "Come off! Do yer take me for a

The beach at Skaguay is low, and fool? If you was digging gold in '49 Rider shrank before his look, and he

ced to lie outside and try to unload "See here, now, old man. Give us a high tide. straight deal. Them papers ain't none

of yourn. You've pinched 'em somewhar. Of course, that's your business, an' yer ain't obliged ter split on yerself. I ain't a man ter stick at triffes, but t don't go in with yer blind. Now, in the fust place, what's yer right name?"

Having obtained this information, he continued: "All right. Now, the next thing is

how did yer git them papers?" Rider dared not refuse to tell, but he

"I took them from a young fellow in Frisco."

"Oh, you did! Now we are coming down to biz. He give 'em up fer the askin'. I dare say?'

"No," growled Rider, "I knocked him over and took 'em." "Good! And did yer make a clean job

of it? Did yer kill him?" "I don't know. He was alive the next morning."

"Know who hit him?" "No."

"Then you're all right, and I'll join yer. But, see here, Rider, if that is your name, there's one more to this than yer think. You say there is one man up to the place now besides the one that was to come in after grub in the spring. Now, why can't we run across this chap on his way, and-well, he must be taken care of. Then we can go to the place where the gold is and look after your other friend. We shall have the whole shootin' match to ourselves then. What's to prevent us stakin' out claims and layin' round loose, then sellin' out for big money when the rush comes? It's wuth a million apiece to us, man!"

"But what about these men?" whispered Rider. 'Bah! Yer chicken! They'll never be missed!"

"You mean to murder them?"

"See here," said Bowers, "don't you be a fool. This thing has got to be managed right, an' it's lucky yer took me in. You'd spoiled the whole racket. I'd like ter see yer work it alone.

Rider's heart failed him for an instant, but a pull at the whisky bottle revived his courage, and for another hour the two conspirators continued to plot against the lives and wealth of their fellows.

They had decided to start at once on their villainous errand, and the following morning they were astir before daylight. They wished to avoid observation as much as possible, and but few people saw them as they loaded their

Bowers was attending to this, when Obed Rider, who had been bringing the goods to him, remembered that he had left some articles to dry on a small bush not far away, and hurried after them.

By this time it was broad daylight, and fires were being started in the stoves here and there. He was passing close behind one of these when suddenly his heart seemed to leap into his throat, for a voice he could not mistake sounded clearly:

"Hello. Green! You're upearly! My! Ain't I sleepy!"

It was Tom Scott's voice, and the mate stopped as though he had been shot. Glancing furtively over his shoulder he saw the second mate in the act of kindling a fire.

Even as the guilty man looked his shipmate turned suddenly toward him and started toward the entrance of the tent, while Rider turned his head away, but could not lift his feet from the spot. "Hold on!" said Green.

Rider dared not look up. He had been taken so completely by surprise that he could do nothing but stand still. Each second he expected to feel Green's hand on his shoulder, and he was too confused to think of any plausible story.

"Do they suspect me?" This was the one thought that flashed through his brain as he waited.

"Hold on!" repeated Green, thrusting his head into the tent. "Take it easy till I get the fire going. Doesn't need but one of us."

With a gasp of relief the mate slouched his hat over his eyes and hurried away from the spot as though a ghost were pursuing him. He did not stop until he had joined Bowers, who at once noticed his disordered appearance, and exclaimed:

"What's up, pard? You look like yer was scared ter death."

"He's here! I saw them just now-"What's that? Saw who?"

"Scott! And Green is with him!" "And who the devil is Scott and Green? Can't yer talk plain an' not stan' thar splutterin' like yer was goin' ter flop? What's the row, that's what I want ter know?"

By this time the mate had found his

tongue, and he said, hurriedly: "Scott is the young chap I got the papers from, and the other was second mate of the vessel with me. We must get out of this quick!"

"Right ye are. They must hev come over from Skaguay on the boat yesterday. 'Twouldn't do fer them ter see yer roun' here. They'd be on ter yer racket. Chuck them clothes on that hoss, an' let's light out. We've got ter git a big start on 'em, anyhow. 'Tain't likely they'll start to-day."

"I don't see how they got here," said Rider, as they started off through the tents, leading their horses. "I took every cent he had, and I don't believe the second mate had much."

"Wall, they're here," replied his companion, philosophically, "an' of course they're bound for that mine. He's raised the stuff somehow. We've got

ter git thar first." Half an hour later they had left Pyramid harbor behind them, and were riding along the trail as fast as they could urge the pack horses, while Tom and Green were discussing their rude breakfast, in blissful ignorance of how narrowly they had missed the man who they fully believed to have already reached the writer of the lost letter.

Although they were eager to be off at once, it was impossible to start till the y recovered from the ser horses had t voyage. The were too valuable to take

any chances with and one of them was belt, but by this time he was surroundslightly lame from a fall in his cramped quarters on the ste mer. To replace an animal was also impossible, for fabulous prices were being offered for any- hands and his weapons removed. At if it falls to cure constipation, h

Then again, it was necessary to make a careful search about the camp to see him!" completely sobered him, and he if the man Tarbox, mentioned in the now looked fearfully about him at the letter, had arrived yet. If they could find him all would be plain satting, and | side. he could pilot them back. There was also a chance that the dead miner's

brother might be even then on the spot. But they found it a difficult task to get any information. The population of the camp was changing daily. No one paused longer than was absolutely necessary, and each was too busy with his own affairs to take notice of

Besides this, they were obliged to avoid giving many details which might perhaps have helped them, and at the close of the second day Tom said, as they sat in front of their tent, smok-

"It's no use, Green. We might as well be off and trust to luck. We can't ask what we want to know without arousing suspicion and we'd better give it up. The horses seem to be in pretty good shape now and I move we start off in the morning."

Before his friend had time to reply woman's voice sounded clear and dis tinct through the darkness: "Help! Help!"

The two men sprang to their feets Tom was a little in advance as they dashed off in the direction of the cries and was first to arrive at a little opening, where a red-shirted figure was holding a struggling form in his arms. As he was nearly within striking distance the female managed to free herself, but instead of running away she | dealt the man a resounding slap on the cheek and panted:

"You big brute! You-you-" What she would have added was lost, for the ruffian, maddened by the sting ing blow, raised his hand to strike her He was too late, however, for just as his fist was raised Tom dealt him a straight right-hander that stretched him on the ground at full length.

He made an effort and scrambled to his feet, but it was apparent that he Saranac. Monday. Aug. 7. was half dazed by the blow and the Lake Odessa, Wedne day, Aug. 9. liquor he had been drinking. He attempted to draw a revolver from his blo d a special discases. CHARLES THE COMMERCIAL SECTION OF THE PARTY AND

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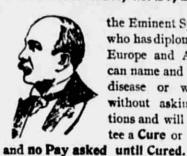
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Assumed Name of a Rogue to His Sorrow. It the story of Anson Castor, of Flint, is true, his son, Fred Castor, an innocent man, is serving a sentence of four years in Ionia prison, and the guilty party is free. Frank Logan was sent from Kalamazoo last November to Ionia prison on a sentence of four years for burglary. A few days ago Anson Castor was told by a man who had just completed a sentence at Ionia that his son Fred was serving time at that prison. The son told his broken-'hearted father his story as follows: He had been tramping it some and had assumed the name of Frank Logan to hide his identity. While at Kalamazoo he was arrested and charged with burglary. It seems that some time ago there was a fellow about Kalamazoo by the name assumed by this young man who bore a very bad record, and this fellow being about the same age and build was mistaken for the other party. He was convicted on the evidence of one Wm. Cavanaugh, who was a partner in the crime, and who said that Frank Logan was the other party.

Freak of an Insane Man.

Martin Schultz, a farmer living about four miles northwest of Brighton, became violently insane recently and set fire to his large hay and grain barns which together with his horse barn and a shed, were burned to the ground. Mr. Schultz has had spells during which his mind seemed to be deranged, but had never displayed any violence. He made two attempts to burn his house before he set fire to the barns. After the barns had been destroyed he went and laid on the railroad tracks. An officer and a large number of citizens from Brighton had a desperate struggle with Schultz. He was armed with a knife and declared he would take his own life before he would surrender. He was finally overpowered and taken to the county jail.

Rounded Up After Six Years.

an aged man, and his son, about 60 decided that hereafter the factory will years of age, residing alone on their not be union in so far that union men farm about four miles from Paw Paw, only be employed. "The firm will were robbed of about \$800 in money that they, being suspicious of banks, had deposited for safe keeping in an old trunk kept in their residence. Suspicion was directed to one Mary Neal, a domestic in their employ, but sufficient evidence to warrant her arrest was not found until recently, when the crime was almost barred by the statute of limitation, it was learned that she was living at Kalamazoo. Officers at once arrested her, and one Daniel Cobbledick as an accomplice. At their trial, realizing that both would be convicted, each plead guilty.

Supervisors Should Assess Telephone Cos. There seems to be a general ignoras to the shape in which the laws ig telephone and telegraph comes were left by the last legislature. rney-General Oren has advised all tioners that telephone property ald be assessed locally by township ervisors and other assessing officers ccount of the fact that the new passed just before the close of the slature was not enacted in time for assessment this year. Telegraph

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Another Murder in Detro

Bert Newman, who was shot on the 25th by Henry Kent died at the hospital from the effects of his injuries on the day following the tragedy. Newman was a divorced man and made his home with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Kent in Detroit. A short time before the fatal shot was fired Newman and his assassin were conversing in a pleasant manner, Newman lying on a sofa and Kent sitting near him. Newman dropped asleep, but was shortly aroused by a stinging feeling in his side, and, looking up saw Kent standing over him pointing a smoking revolver at him. He sprang to his feet, seized the revolver and pounded Kent into almost insensibility before he realized how seriously he himself was injured. This accomplished, he left the house and boarded a car for the hospital to have his wound dressed. Here it was learned that the bullet had entered the left side just below the heart, and that chances for his recovery was doubtful. The patient lingered for about 20 hours when he died in much agony. The shooting was the result of Kent's jealousy of Newman towards his wife.

Fortune Teller's Preditions Came True. Several years ago Jacob J. Wilcox, then a wealthy and prominent farmer of Danby township, Ionia county, had his fortune told by a gypsie, and the substance of it was about as follows: She told him of his circumstance; told him he would soon move from the farm; said he would engage in other business and lose about all he had, and lastly, that he would go thousands of miles from the place where he lost his money and would there gain so much wealth that his first possessions would be nothing as compared to it. All of the predictions came true and Wilcox left for parts unknown. Nothing had been heard of him until last week a letter was received from him by a friend at his former home stating he was in Alaska, where he has been for more than a year. While his letter does not say he has dug any gold, he will, if the remainder of the fortune teller's story comes true.

600 Men Walked Out.

Pingree & Smith's big shoe factory on Jefferson avenue, Detroit, was shut down on the 29th and 600 persons were thrown out of employment. The firm, which is composed of Gov. Hazen S. Pingree, Frank C. Pingree and J. B. Howarth, has terminated its agreement made with the Boot and Shoe Nearly six years ago N L. Surdam, Makers' union, June 12, 1896, and has by any man or set of men." Those are express the firm's position in the mat-

Were Diamonds Around His Ankles.

Special Treasury Agent Charles E. Lewis, of Niagara Falls, N. Y. made a rich haul in Detroit on the 28th. when he landed Louis Busch, who is charged with being a past master in the art of diamond smuggling. When arrested by Lewis at the Brush street depot, Busch had on his person, wrapped around his ankles, diamonds amounting in value to over \$20,000. The capture of Busch is the culmination of years of work on the part of the special treasury agents of the Niagara Falls district, who have been trying to stop the diamond smuggling business between Canada and the United States.

Murder and Suicide at Muskegon.

Mayor James Balbirnie, of Muskegon, was shot to death by a disappointed officeseeker named J. W. Tayor at noon on the 29th. Immediately af-ter first the fatal shot the assassin turned prevolver upon himself, and also took a dest of carbolic acid, dying in about an hour. Layer had held the position of city director of the poor for a number of years, and displayed a great deal of bitternes when Mayor Balbirnie refused to appoint him last spring. He had evidently brooded over the matter, and had determined to kill the mayor and then commit sui-

Married Because She Loved Him. John W. Jones, aged 76, and Miss Jessie Cressor, aged 18, both of Kalamazoo, were quietly married at Constantine on the 26th. The groom is well-to-do and the bride is pretty and piquant. While the groom's estated is estimated to be worth fully \$500,000 and was willed to the young bride before marriage, she asserts that it was not her lover's money that induced her to marry him, but simply because she loved him. The young lady was never known to tell a falsehood.

Alice Lonsdale Convicted. "Dr." Alice G. Lonsdale, of Detroit, has been convicted of performing an operation which resulted in the death of Cora Ethel Hetherington. She will demand a new trial. If the case comes up again and Mrs. Londsdale takes the stand, the police have certain evidence which they will spring on the defense. It is the record of the female doctor in Minneapolis, where her name was mixed up with the story of a mysterious fire, and in Omaha, where she was penly charged with malpractice.

> Not a Victim of Foul Play. esley Arnold, a farmer living in ter township, Eaton county, was dead in his barn on the 26th. supper Arnold left the house to ne work at the barn. Not reat the usual hour his wife search for him and found his y. It was at first suspected had been a victim of foul play, oroner's jury decided it was

STATE GOSSIP.

Lansing Masons will build a new temple to cost \$20,000.

A rural free mail delivery will be started for the territory about Ypsilanti shortly.

cently a small cannon burst, injuring three bystanders.

Owosso's water supply is inadequate and the city may purchase Gute's Hill park which contains large springs.

Montmorency county's poor farm will be in operation by August 1. It is located three miles west of Atlanta.

Carleton & Cole, of Port Huron, dealers in machinery supplies, have closed their doors. Liabilities, \$4,500. A fence factory will be established at Port Huron if citizens of that city

Just south of Chesaning there is a barn which was built 42 years ago. Every timber in the structure is black walnut.

will subscribe for a portion of the

The board of health at Flint ansidewalks.

John W. Baumgarten, of New Balti-12 pounds per head.

All of the mason tenders at Bay City are on strike for an increase of wages to \$1.75 per day. Work on all the new factories is at a standstill. Bears are so numerous in the imme-

liate vicinity of Marquette that women and children are afraid to go into the outskirts of the city alone. James Meyers, a Thetford township

brute, Genesee county, pleaded guilty in the circuit court to debauching his 12-year-old daughter. He broke down in court. At the close of the fiscal year, June

055.88 in the state treasury. This is \$185,843.27 more than the balance one year ago. Alpena is to have two new manufacturing institutions before winter comes around again. One is a big roller pro-

30th, there was a balance of \$1,402,-

cess flouring mill and the other a veneer works. Diphtheria has become epidemic at and one death from the disease has

thus far been reported. Charles Wilson and Johnnie Premo. aged 8 and 10, respectively, of Flint, were watching a fire at Hurley's soap works and were struck by falling debris, breaking their necks.

The body of Orian C. Temple, son of iness way and will not be dictated to a farmer living near Ionia, was found place recently between Lord Salisbury on the D., G. R. & W. tracks literally and Ambassador Choate have been sigthe words used by Frank Pingree to cut to pieces on the 25th. It is thought nally disappointing in results. At mohe was a victim of foul play.

Bay City wheelmen have been given every street in the city that is not paved or planked. The mayor and nearly every alderman rides wheels.

Dairy and Food Commissioner Grosvenor is collecting statistics concerning the cheese and butter factories of Michigan, in order that he may be able to respond to the frequent requests for this information.

The building of the new power house at New Baltimore for the electric railroad which is to run through from Detroit to Port Huron has been begun. The plant will be one of the finest of the kind in the country.

A large warehouse of the Alpena Excelsior Co., at Alpena, was destroyed by fire recently, together with several carloads of the finished product contained in it. The loss was \$2,500, partially covered by insurance.

The First Baptist church of Allegan, was damaged \$4,000 by fire on the 25th. The blaze was caused by defective wiring. It was discovered by the pastor just after he had dismissed the congregation. Fully insured.

Secretary Hanshue, of the Michigan State Millers' association, says that farners cannot spend their me to bet-advantage during the next fortnight than by going through their thoroughly.

Senator Burrows is negotiating for the purchase of a residence in the It is said he has offered \$20,000 for a house which suits him.

On one acre of ground Frank Clark, well-known farmer of Vernon, raised this season four tons of good timothy hay, and is willing to make an affidato that effect; and on one of his five-acre lots cut on an average of three tons of good hay to the acre.

Geo. Cooper, an old resident of White Pigeon, committed suicide on the 27th by taking a dose of poison. Domestic troubles are said to have caused him to end his life. This was his third attempt at self-destruction within the past 12 years, and it proved a winner.

Rockland is experiencing a genuine boom." The houses are full and many people are living and doing business in tents. There are three times as many professional people and tradesmen there as the place can support. The mines are rich, but the town itself is being overdone, and a reaction is

sure to follow. Richard Floyd Nicholl, a former Marquette county miner, was arrested May 15 at Johannesburg, South Africa, and placed in jail in Pretoria on a charge of high treason against the Transvaal government. Nicholl is seeking to establish his American citi-

Bay City capitalists have taken leases begin about July 1.

NEWSY GENERALITIES

ITEMS GATHERED FROM ALL DIRECTIONS.

During a charivari at Oak Hill re- Great Britain, Germany and Russia Have Agreed Upon a Plan to Divide China and Will Doubtless Carry it Into Effect-Nine Lives Lost in Lake Erie.

> Powers Agree to Divide China. There is little doubt that a secret

treaty has been made by Great Britain, Germany and Russia concerning their several "spheres of influence" in China, and that the partition of the crumbling old empire among the European nations will now go on without frietion. It is suspected that France is also a party to the convention, although it is not positively known. At any rate, the Frenchmen are to take their share of the spoils, and Italy and Belgium are to come in for smaller slices. Russia has already occupied the province of Manchuria, and has nounces that signs will be posted on 7,000 soldiers there. Germany has business streets forbidding spitting on 3,000 soldiers in the province of Shan-Tung, and, has recently demanded the appointment of a German as adviser to more, this year sheared 300 pounds of the native governor general of that wool from 25 yearlings, an average of province. That is a long step in the direction of permanent occupation, and means that Emperor William intends to to assume executive control over that portion of China without further ceremony.

Italian Deputies Engage in a Fight. In the Italian chamber of deputies on June 30th the socialists and extreme leftists recommenced their obstructive tactics and created an immense uproar. The president of the house combated the efforts of the structionists and finally the deputies left their seats, crowded on the floor and there was such an uproar that the sitting was suspended. When it was resumed similar tactics were carried on by extreme leftists, who crowded the floor. The tumult was deafening and eventually a free fight ensued and the sitting was again suspended. At a later session of the chamber, despite the entreaties of the president, who begged the deputies to be calm and proceed to a vote the uproar was redoubled, mem-Cassidy's Corners, a little hamlet near bers flocking to the floor in front of Niles A half dozen cases now exist the president's chair and finally upsetting the ballot boxes.

That Alaska Boundary Trouble.

The negotiations in London looking to the arrangement of a modus vivendi fixing the Alaskan boundary have again nearly reached a crisis. The several conferences that have taken ments it appeared that a basis of understanding having, as it was thought, the right to ride on the sidewalks of been reached, the details could be easily arranged, but it now turns out that these very details cannot be agreed upon without the sacrifice of the interests of many American miners, mainly those who were driven out of the Atlin district by the severe and discriminating laws enacted by the legislature of British Columbia, and this the state department is determined not to sanction.

50,000 Men on a Strike.

The last day of the scale year of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin workers ended at midnight on June 30. While definite figures cannot be given as to how many men is idle, it is known that more than 50,000 of them will be forced to quit work temporarily at least. Secretary John Williams of the Amalgamated association, however, gave it as him opining that a settlement would be reached in the near future. There is no animosity and both sides seem to be in favor of coming to an agreement.

Peace Reigns in the Samoan Islands. Peace and quiet now reign in Samoa. in marked contrast to the warlike scenes of two months ago. The arrival

of the auxiliary cruiser Badger on May 13, with the international commission wheat fields and cutting out the rye on board, caused a distinct change in affairs. The office of president of Apia, which cost \$5,000 a year to maintain and has caused much friction, is swellest part of Washington in which to be done away with, and the municito live and entertain while congress is pality governed by a council and in session during the next six years. mayor. Other changes in the government of the islands has been made.

Nine Lives Lost in Lake Erie.

In a heavy northeast gale on the night of the 28th the steamer Margaret Olwill, laden with stone from Kelly's island to Cleveland, foundered in Lake Erie off Lorain and nine persons were drowned. Four members of the crew have been picked up by passing steamers and taken into port. The cargo of stone shifted while the vessel was in the trough of the sea and she sank instantly.

20 Men Wounded in a Mine Riot.

It is reported that a number of colored miners from Pana, Ill., who went to Williamson county coal fields recently were fired upon when they attempted to enter the mines at Fredonia. When nearing the mines they were met with a fusilade of shots, resulting in the killing of two persons and the wounding of 20 men.

A girl 14 years old, hailing from Kalkaska, was arrested at Boyne Falls recently for masquerading in men's clothing. She was sent back to her parents. It appears that she had a quarrel at home, and decided to earn juvenile offenders of the Negro race. her own living. She said that she came to the conclusion that it would out.

CROP REPORT.

Heavy Rains Have Retarded Work in the Upper Peninsula.

The U. S. weather crop bulletin issued by Director Schneider, says that generally weather conditions have been very favorable for crop growth and farm work. In the extreme northern counties and portions of the upper peninsula heavy rains have retarded cultivation of corn and potatoes, while in the southern counties a quite general lack of rain has dried pastures and meadows, and oats are beginning to show the want of moisture. In the principal wheat counties wheat has begun to ripen very fast; the complaints of rust are now more general, while the Hessian fly continues to do considerable damage. Corn, Oats, rye and potatoes have made good progress. Corn is clean and healthy and much of it has received its second cultivation. Rye is heading and promises a good crop. Sugar beets have made good progress and the early seeding is nearly all thinned and cultivated; in the most northerly counties seeding is nearing completion. Early potatoes are ripening and being dug in the southern counties and are an excellent crop; late potatoes are coming up nicely. Bean planting is nearing completion. Clover having has been quite generally commenced and much of the crop secured; having will be quite general this week; the yield from new meadows is good, while that from old meadows is poor. Summer fallow plowing has begun. Showers are now necessary for the best growth of oats, corn and pastures in the southern courties.

Struck it Rich in Alaska.

The latest advices from the newly discovered gold fields at Cape Nome, Alaska, are contained in a letter from Maj. E. S. Ingraham, of Seattle, who writes under date of Feb. 22, 1899. Maj. Ingraham is the leader of a party of 14 men fitted out by Prince Luigi, of Italy, and local business men. He went first to Kotzebu sound, but finding nothing there crossed overland to Cape Nome with a portion of the party, enduring great hardships. Part of the time the men had but two pancakes a day. On Sept 25, six men went to work to test their claims, some on Snow creek and the rest on Anvil creek. The best pan was obtained on Snow creek and amounted to \$8.52. The aggregate of four days' work was \$4 less than \$1,800. The gold was of good quality and sold at St. Michaels without assay for \$16.85 per ounce.

Two Bodies From Plague Ship Found.

the plague ship Nippon Maru were and towed to a point off shore by fishermen, who were afraid to touch the bodies more than was necessary to attach a rope to them for towing purposes. The coroner was notified and the bodies taken to the morgue, where every precaution is being taken to prevent any spread of the disease, should the men have carried any germs with them into the bay.

Spanish Prisoners to Receive Pay.

Gen. Jaramillos, who is settling Spain's military affairs in Havana, received a message from the minister of war at Madrid, announcing that the pay of all soldiers who are in the hands of the insurgents will be continued during their captivity. The families of many of these officers and soldiers are in Manila without means of support and this will alleviate their sufferings somewhat.

Bad Storm in Nebraska.

The worst storm ever experienced in the vicinity of Omaha, Neb., swept over the town on the 25th. In two hours five inches of water fell, streets were flooded, all telegraph and telephone wires and poles prostrated and communication cut off. Several railroad bridges were carried away and a number of buildings damaged, but fortunately no lives were lost.

An Aged Man Killed His Wife. Benjamin Lang, aged 84 of Boston, killed his wife, Clara Lang, with an axe, on the 27th. The aged murderer has for a long time been despondent and it is thought he committed the deed while in a fit of mental aberra-

\$300,000 Fire at Toledo. Fire entirely destroyed the Michigan

tion. Lang was arrested.

Central freight house, partially destroved the Cincinnati, Hamilton & Dayton freight warehouse and burned 100 loaded cars, at Toledo on the 26th. The aggregate loss amounted to over \$300,000 and is only partially covered by insurance.

TELEGRAPHIC BITS.

France's senate by a vote of 187 to 25 approved the declaration of the government, and her new cabinet will now doubtless be sustained.

After an unsuccessful strike for 17 days' duration, the freight handlers of Buffalo returned to work on the 28th. About 2,400 men were involved in the strike and their loss of wages amounts to fully \$50,000.

The Chinese government contemplates the construction of the ancient Chinese wall that separates China proper from Chinese Tartary. Several foreign and two American syndicates are after the contract. Collis P. Huntington, of New York,

has bought a tract of land of 1,350 acres in Hanover county, Va., where at his expense a well equipped building with latest modern improvements is to be erected for the confinement of

A terrific storm visited Morgantown, W. Va., on the night of the 29th and of land near Atlanta and will explore be easier to do so in the guise of a dozens of houses were unroofed. The for coal, iron and gas. There are sev- man, and she donned male attire. So wind blew like a hurricane. A raineral places in a large swamp two miles successfully did she play the part that fall of several inches accompanied the ease.

Clair County Pioneer society

members by death during the members by death duri were made impassable.

WAR NOTES,

Secretary Alger, Adjutant-General Corbin and Col. Bird, assistant quarterman general in charge of transportation, had a consultation with the President on the 28th, relative to the question of reinforcements for Gen. Otis. A definite decision was reached to continue recruiting men at each of the 70 recruiting stations in the U. S. The enlistments are to be for the regular army, and recruits are to be organized into regiments or assigned to regiments already formed after enlistment. The term of enlistment is for three years, and present indication are that 10,000 men will be wanted.

For the first time since the Filipino nut has been found so hard to crack, this government's program has been announced under something like official authority. The plan is to have 35,000 men in Manila by the middle of August, and from that date onward to send 1,000 soldiers a week until the Philippines are pacified. This will give upwards of 40,000 men by Oct. 1, and leaves the total to be sent entirely in the hands of circumstances. That is, every week the Filipinos hold out will see another 1,000 American soldiers in line against them.

Capt. Clarke, Capt. Watson, Lieut. Ball and 200 sick or wounded from the 20th Kansas regiment, have been sent home. Only 450 men are still doing duty. They are on the firing line. The other members of the regiment are relieved from duty on account of sickness. The Kansas regiment's normal strength is about 1,200 men. With 200 sick and on the way home and 450 on the firing line, 550 are left among those 'unfit for duty."

Gen. Otis has ordered the opening to trade of many important ports that have been closed since the outbreak. These include San Fernado, coast of Luzon, Apari, Curiamoa and all ports in the islands of Samar and Leyte. Gunboats will protect the shipping in some ports, but elsewhere shippers must risk confiscation by the insurgents, who exact heavy tribute of all ships they permit to sail.

Owing to the murders, robberies and depredations in the vicinity of Guanajay, the peasants are sending their families into Havana. The mayor, having decided it would be impossible to reach the culprits through the ordinary processes of law, issued an order for the arrest on suspicion of all disreputable characters.

Fourteen new cases of yellow fever were officially reported at Santiago on the 28th. This raises the total number of cases to 50, of which 12 have The bodies of two Japanese sailor of proven fatal. Maj. Carr, the surgeon in charge, reports that there are no further cases under suspicion and that the general health of the troops is

> Advices received from Gen. Otis on the 26th says it is now too wet to do much fighting and that 12 per cent of the army is laid up. He says the rebels are scattered and that their largest force only numbers 4,000.

> The Havana customs receipts from Jan. 1 to June 23, inclusive, amounted to \$4,938,015,43.

BASE BALL.

Below we publish the number of games of ball played by the Western and National Leagues, giving the number of games won and lost, together with the percentage of each club to date, Friday, June 30th:

WESTERN LEAGUE STANDING. Games Played. Won. Lost. Cent. Minneapolis 57 33 24 24 26 27 28 31 33 Indianapolis..... 56 32 Columbus..... 55 Detroit..... 56 St. Paul..... 55 Milwaukee...... 59 .475 Kansas City...... 58 23 NATIONAL LEAGUE STANDING.

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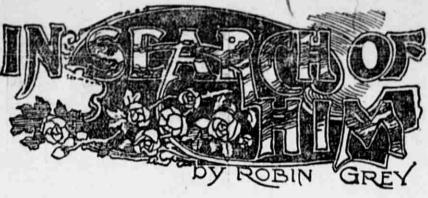
THE MARKETS. LIVE STOCK. New York— Cattle Sheep Lambs Hog Best Grades...\$175-5-60 \$5-40 \$8-10 \$13 Lower grades...\$23@4-50 3-50 6-50 4-2 Chicago-Best grades....5 05@5 60 Lower grades..3 65 65 00 Detroit-Best grades....4 2 34 51 Lower grades...2 2 375 Buffalo-Best grades 4 50 74 90 Cleveland-Best grades 4 5075 00 Lower grades .3 75@1 25 Cincinnati-Best grades....4 50 35 35 4 40 Lower grades...3 .0 34 25 3 50 Pittsburg— Best grades....5 25 75 45 Lower grades...2 50 75 45 GRAIN, ETC.

Wheat. Corn. Corn, Oats. No. 2 mix No. 2 white New York 82782% 41@11 31 3114 Chicago 76@76% 31031% 21@21% *Detroit 79 : 79% 8)@35% 802230M Toledo 77 . 7714 25 4 5 25 92 14 Cincinnati 73@73 36 43614 28 7.28 Cleveland 7577514 37 437 32 432 Pittsburg 81 @81% 37@371/4 32@3214 36@3634 80 1.80% 31 7 3114 *Detroit—Hay, No.1 timothy, \$1100 per ton Potatoes, 35c per bu. Live Poultry, spring-chickens, 9c per lb; fowls, 8 1/4c; turkeys, 90-ducks, 9c. Eggs, strictly fresh, 13c per doz-Butter, best dairy, 13c per lb; creamery, 17c.

Word received from Andree, the arctic explorer, on June 24th, has led his friends to believe he is dead.

Recruits numbering 1,248 for the regiments already in the Philippines. left San Francisco for Manila on the 26th. In addition to this were a number of company officers and assistant. surgeous.

Fire, caused by a spark from a locomotive, totally destroyed may Loss, \$25,000.



CHAPTER IV .- (Continued.) She paused, and a bright flush covered her fair face.

"As far as I can calculate, I must be twenty years old," she said; "I have decided that it is time to act. My life is all before me. Am I to let it be spoiled by this dreadful bond? I will find the creature calling himself a child-and basely desert her! If necessary, I will spend years in search of him!" She was silent for a few moments-tears were on her long eyelashes, her face was scarlet with emotion. "Will you help me?" she asked then, with bewitching sweetness.

Mr. Martineau looked down at herthey had both risen.

"What fate would you consider bad enough for the delinquent-if we find him?" he asked.

be free!" sighed Marguerite.

"I would give a great deal to be able breath. "If you will put the case into

my hands, I will see what I can do." A brief dialogue on the technical points of the case followed, in which he pledged himself to search for the will; then, with shy thanks, she held out a | him." hand in leave taking.

"I shall be eternally grateful to you," she said.

"One day I'll remind you of that promise," was his reply.

CHAPTER V.

Marguerite's small figure attracted but little notice as she threaded her way through the city with the air of a girl well used to London. She took her seat in the train at Broad street station, and was carried-through Mildmay Park and Dalston-on to a poverty-stricken part of East London.

Together they walked along the dir-

ty, hot, close streets, "Well, Marguerite, what luck?" he said. "You see I condescend to ask, though you did insist on going off by yourself in such an independent manner?

"I gave you my reasons for doing so, Bernard," she answered, with a man, who was guilty of such unheard- sigh. Her spirits were low; she was of cruelty as to marry a girl-a mere tired out. "There is not much to tell. Mr. Leroy was out; I saw his partner. Mr. Martineau. He is going to search for the will, and let me see it. I told him the whole story. He seemed to be greatly interested."

"Did he give you any sort of opinion?"

"I fancy he thought the whole thing rather hopeless at present. We have so little to go upon, you see! My ignorance of the names is so dreadful, and there seems to be no way of find-"Ah, I should not care so much what | ing the place where my uncle lived. became of him, provided I could but There was nothing destinctive about the scenery-just commonplace hedges and lanes. It would be of no use to to set you free," he said, with a long advertise for Cathie; Mr. Martineau thinks she would not answer. My uncle would take care of that."

"If he still ives," said Bernard-"which I trust he does, that I may have the pleasure of horsewhipping

"Oh, Bernard!"

"Yes; and as for that other fellow, if he comes within reach of me, let him beware. Marguerite, didn't Martineau agree that this so-called marriage of yours was a mockery-a thing to be set at naught?"

"He said he thought it could be set aside," answered Marguerite, blushing, "on the ground that I was of unsound mind at the time; but to do that we want witnesses, and a certificate of the marriage, and all that."

"Ah, yes!" said Bernard, thoughtful-That marriage register is the

Alighting from a second-class com- thing. I have been thinking over one Lady Mildred Ames on his bed-room mantelpiece? And very pretty she is, too. I should be jealous." your clutches. ly, regretfully, she felt that she was dragging down this man who loved her. Oh, to tear away the veil which hid the past! Oh, this bitter grinding want of money, which stared her in

the face at every turn! They were very silent as they entered the old dark house with Dr. Stelling's name on a brass plate fixed to the door. It was a plain looking London house, but as cosy and cheery within as loving hands could make it. It boasted a garden behind, the door leading to which was just now open, and the tendrils of Mrs. Stelling's beleved and tenderly nursed Virginia creeper swayed to and fro in the gently stirring breeze.

(To be continued.)

A FRENCH JOKE.

Parisian Journalist Asked to Bogus Re-

hearsal of Parliamentary Bell. An interesting hoax has been perpetrated by a prominent Parisian journal at the expense of its contemporaries, says the London Standard As recorded some days since, M. Deschanel, in the course of one of his noisy sittings of last session, broke the historic bell placed on his desk to call the deputies to order. The journal in question announced that there was to be an interesting rehearsal today, when with the ushers to imitate the noisy deputies, a trial of a number of new bells would be made with a view of his own fault." selecting a successor to M. Fichet's gift, which had done duty since 1850. The result was that a crowd of Parisian journalists were early in attendance at the Palais Bourbon, with a view of ascertaining the hour at which this interesting ceremony was to take place. Courteous ushers, who, no doubt, from their long experience, would make model deputies, were there, as usual, to greet them; but nothing was known of the trial, and the journalist responsible for the original paragraph has the satisfaction of knowing that he deranged at least fifty of his confreres, caused much amusement at the chamber, and afforded a subject for gossip in the evening at the clubs. M. Deschanel, the president of the chamber, is still in this country; but on his return eight new bells, which have been cast, will be submitted to him, and the chosen three will be further embellished with the initials "R. F." One of these bells will be placed in the chamber, one kept for reserve, and the other sent to Verseilles for the use of future congresses. It seems that when M. Deschanel broke the bell belonging to the chamber, that from the congress hall at Versallies, also of historical association, for it has assisted at each of the seven prosidential elec-

tions, was requisitioned, only, however,

to almost immediately share at the

vigorous hand of the president of the

chamber a fate similar to that of the

confrere it had been called in to re-

place, and which it has now also gone

of Reinforcements.

It Is Estimated That Nearly a Month pines-Lack of Transports.

ring with Secretary Alger and Adjt. organized at present to reinforce Gen. Philippines, under the direction of Gen. Otis. This, however, is perhaps merely

as soon as these are ready for service. The nine regiments which are to be organized immediately will consist of twelve companies of 112 men each. In addition to these, there will be thirtyfour non-commissioned staff and band officers, making a grand regimental total of 1,378 men. Thus the whole number of men to be recruited for these regiments will be 12,402. It is estimated that with enlarged facilities for recruiting by establishing twice as many stations as are now in existence it will require nearly a month to fully organize and equip the nine regiments

for which provision is boing made. viscount, Lord Umfreville's son-the The matter of transporting the regiments to the Philippines after they are once organized seems to be the most perplexing question. Major Long, chief quartermaster at San Francisco, telegraphed Col. Bird that it was absocouldn't afford to be mixed up with a lutely impossible to charter any more lot of men who live expensively, and vessels for the government. The department has no vessels on hand at San Francisco now and will have none there for some time to come. In the strong-minded; I'm so proud of you- Presidio of San Francisco, awaiting excitement in the city Friday. Over but, do you know"-slyly-"I'm half transportation to the Philippines, is 600 negroes have left the city within the Nineteenth United States infantry, the past forty-eight hours, going to recently returned from P rto Rico, and Alabama, Virginia, Kansas, Indian about 2,500 recruits-a total of about Territory and Iowa. Almost all the 4,000 men. It will require about four white non-union miners have also deordinary vessels to accommodate this parted. Perhaps a dozen foreign neforce.

frank, pleasant laugh. "No, no, Queen | San Francisco with volunteers from charged, and no further trouble is an-Marguerite, you have me too firmly in the Philippines will naturally be ticipated. prepared a statement showing that in been embarked at San Francisco. Including the load carried by the transport Pennsylvania Friday, consisting enlisted men and fifty-nine officers.

Porter for Cuban Governor.

lishes a dispatch from Washington which says: "It is practically assured that Gen. Brooke will be sent to the Philippines command, with an increased army, and that he will be succeeded here by a civil governor of Cuba, who will probably be Robert P.

ment has reached government headquarters if it is contemplated; but the dispatch has caused considerable com-

Cabinet Member's Statement. Washington, July 3.+One of the members of the cabinet, speaking in connection with the campaign in the Philippines, said: "The president has given Gen. Otis to understand that he is to have all the men necessary in the conduct of the operations against the insurgents. Gen. Otis has been told this in so many words, the president having said to him in effect that if he (Otis) did not have enough men it was

has received from Lieut.-Col. Friederich at Manila a cablegram stating that the effective strength of the Thirteenth regiment, Minnesota volunteers, was now 940. Of the total membership 150 men were sick, but not seriously. There is no definite information about its return.

To Replace the Paris. Glasgow, July 3.—It is reported here that an order has been placed with Clydebank builders for the construction of a ship to take the place of the wrecked American line steamship Paris, and that another ship of similar dimensions has been ordered by the company from Cramps' yards.

Ontario Government Upheld.

Ottawa, Ont., July 3.—The house of commons divided on the question of mismanagement in the Yukon country Friday. The amendment of Sir Charles Hibbert Tupper censuring the government was defeated by 32 for to 82 against, a majority of 50 for the government.

Many Desert the Khalifa.

Will Ask McKinley to Speak. Columbus, Ohio, July 3 .- According to information which has leaked out to come to Ohio some time during the of the Western Association gubernatorial campaign and make a closed Friday. Lee O. speech or two for Judge Nash.

"He That ! OF THE NATION. End of the Fiscal Year Reveals a Flat-Does the Bu tering Showing. Washington, July 3 .- Friday ended

the governmental fiscal year. Accord-

ing to the treasury figures, which are

subject to revision, the receipts have

been \$514,116,911 and the expenditures

\$604,644,972, thus making the deficit

\$90,528,061, or about \$20,000,000 less

than the early estimates of Secretary

Gage. The receipts from customs were

\$205,919,116 and from internal revenue

This is an increase over last year of

\$55,840,358 in customs, and of \$103,-

293,051 in internal revenue, or legiti-

mate increase in receipts of \$159,133,-

409. The miscellaneous receipts, how-

ever, are \$47,864,106 less than last year,

as the bulk of the Pacific railroad pay-

The expenditures are \$161,256,093

larger than the year before, or just

about the amount of the increase in

customs and internal revenues, thus

accounting for the increase of \$50,000,-

000 in round numbers in the deficit.

This increase in the deficit, therefore,

is less than a third of the increased ex-

penditures growing directly out of the

war, and the treasury statement is

The war budget for the year was

\$229,014,606 for the army and \$64,734,-

159 for the navy, or a total of \$293.

744,766. Although the war began in

April, 1898, the heavy expenses for the

army did not begin to appear on the

treasury books until the present fiscal

year began July 1, so there is an in-

Taking the fiscal year ending June

30, 1897, as a peace basis, the expenses

of the army and navy were only \$83,-

511,814, so that at the same rate the

The pensions still being paid on ac-

have footed the bill for the difficulty

Negro Miners Leave Pana.

Pana, Ill., July 3.-Beyond the de-

parture of the negroes there was little

groes remain in the city, but they will

No State League in Indiana.

Anderson, Ind., July 3.—The decision

of the supreme court in refusing to

grant the Indianapolis Sunday base-

ball case a rehearing has dealt a death

blow to the proposed Indiana league.

Anti-Trust War in Arkansas.

means to get rid of trusts."

Ask for a Receiver.

New York, July 3 -A bill in eq

filed in Pittsburg, Pa., by Stone &

ter, representing John G. Fors

fourteen others, asks for the a

ment of a receiver for the

National Building and

tion, capitaliation of

its chief office in New

charges the association

for the last six years

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Reject Fusig

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liance men and

crease in the budget of \$142,955,107.

wonderfully encouraging.

war up to date.

with Spain day by day.

\$271,773,869.

ments came in then.

All the quorld admires "staying On this quality success depends. The blood is the best friend the heart has. Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best friend the blood ever had; cleanses it of everything, gives perfect health and strength.



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The appointment of W. C. Hayes as Locomotive Superintendent of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad will be followed by a distinct change in the plan of over-seeing locomotives in service. The positions of "Supervisors of engines and trains" have been abolished and traveling engineers substituted, who will report to the new official at extraordinary war expenses of the last Mt. Clare, Baltimore. The road has been divided into the following subtwo years have been \$277,510,797, which divisions and a traveling engineer apmay be taken as the actual cost of the pointed for each: Philadelphia to Washington; Baltimore to Brunswick; Brunswick to Cumberland; Cumbercount of the war of the rebellion would land to Grafton; Grafton to Benwood and Parkersburg; Pittsburg to Cumberland and Wheeling; Wheeling to Sandusky and branches; Chicago to Akron. The plan is expected to produce economical results with an improved service.

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A man frequently outwits himself in

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The son of his father is often a poker chip off the old block. It is hard to tire the man whom



"WELL, MARGUERIT E, WHAT LUCK?"

tall young man who had hurried along | darlinghe platform to meet her. . Bernard! Did you come to meet

"Of course. I'm not going to have you running about this pastoral district by yourself. But you are late-I've long as this terrible barrier is between watched three city trains in with which he drew the small hand within no love-making. Think-that what his arm, and they left the station together.

"It is good of you to wait so long for me, dear boy," she said, gratefully.

Bernard Stelling looked somehow out of place in East London. He was a tall, aristocratic looking young man of five and twenty or thereabouts. His features were good, his eyes large and bright, and he was justly proud of his long chestnut mustache. He was a brave young fellow, too, for he had me, Bernard-let us leave this doleful been born in the midst of poverty, and talk-tell me what you have been had never lost heart. His father and mother were of the rare quixotic few riage register." who live, not for themselves, but to mitigate the sorrows of those around been putting two and two together, and them. Possessed of talents, which an idea occurs to me. The governor would have made his fortune in a found you at Paddington-you recolfashionable west-end district,Dr. Stell- lect that the place you came from was ing still chose to live and work in by the sea. Now, the seaside places one of the most unsavory quarters of to which one goes by the Great Westthe east end, sometimes getting paid ern are chiefly in Devonshire and for his labors, but more frequently not | Cornwall. Some of the places there and indulging whenever he could get are so much out of the world that it the chance in such an extravagantly, is quite possible the inhabitants don't generous proceeding as the adopting of Marguerite had been. His own thinking of offering a reward such as small private fortune he had devoted almost entirely to the education of his serting it in all the Devonshire and on and daughter, Bernard and Mary, | Cornwall local papers." ne former of whom had just obtained mastership in a public school, havng passed very creditably through the | tineau never suggested that!"

partment, she at once encountered a or two things with regard to that, my

"Bernard, you are not to say that." "Marguerite, this is all folly on your part." "It is not so," she said, with almost

a sob. "I am right-I know I am. So you and me, Bernard, there shall be it would be for me afterwards if-

"You are thred out, my dearest, and you take the worst view. We shall come out of this affair all right," he returned reassuringly. The strong pressure of his arm comforted her.

"If I could only remember what I did!" she said, wiping away one or two tears. "It is so dreadful to think that I may have done almost anything when I was out of my mind! But tell thinking of with regard to that mar-

"Well," replied the young man, "I've see a London paper. I have been would really be a temptation and in-

"How clever of you, Bernard!" she said; then, wonderingly-"Mr. Mar-

"Mr. Martineau hasn't such a stake It was perhaps to be regretted on to play as I have," answered Bernard, to join in the parliamentary museum. more than one ground that the impe- dropping his persuasive voice to a anious Berned had fallen in love lower key. "But, to continue—the For several years the Church Exth the penniless Marguerite; yet, place to which they took you to marry tension Society of the Methodist Epison as they had been together, it you would probably be an out-of-the-copal church has furnished aid for the gubernatorial campaign and make a erection of two churches a dey.

tract notice. Ah, how I wish I were a rich man for your sake, Marguerite! I WILL CEND WINE RECIMENTS.

would search every register in the

would find the name of the man who

"Dear!" She looked at him with grateful, eloquent eyes. "But perhaps

he married me under a false name?"

"Of course he might have done so,"

he assented, with a sigh. "If, how-

ever, as I can't help supposing, he

married you to obtain money,he would

be rather careful to have everything

strictly en regle, and would probably

use his own name. Ah, Marguerite,

if my old godmother would only take

it into her head to die and leave me

rain gold, it would not set me free!"

conviction. "You should be free if

only I had the money-free to tell me

pon't say words you will one day

"Marguerite, you insult me by your

"It is for your sake, Bernard, my

Ah, that's better!" he asserted, with

"How warm it is today!" she said,

"Warm!" exclaimed the young man,

impatiently. "It's burning hot here

in London. I've had such a tempting

"Laurie? Oh, yes, I remember; the

man who was with you at Oriel? So

"Yes, to Clarisdale, their place in

"Won't run to it, my sweet. I

"Oh, Bernard, why can't you go?"

with whom money is no object, so I've

"Oh, you dear Bernard! You are

"Ah, who used to have a photo of

"You jealous?" He laughed his

She suppressed a faint sigh. Vague-

"Have you. From 1 hom?"

a radiant smile, as she suddenly stop-

ped, crimson and laughing.

trying to speak calmly.

invitation, Madge."

"From Laurie."

he has invited you?"

Huntingdonshire."

glad you're not going."

"Why?"

"Bernard, Bernard, don't!"

"Ah, Bernard, if the sky were to

"Yes, it would," he affirmed, with

so wronged you!"

she suggested.

all her fortune."

you loved me."

wish unsaid.'

distrust."

own dar-

"Don't what?"

kingdom at my own expense, but I President Decides the Question

OVER TWELVE THOUSAND MEN.

Will Be Required to Collect the Force Which Gen. Otis Needs in the Philip-

Washington, July 3 .- After confer-Gen. Corbin, as well as the other members of the cabinet Friday, President McKinley finally decided upon the number of regiments that would be Otis. An order being prepared at the war department provides for the organization of nine regiments, exclusive of three which are being formed in the the first installment. It is possible that as many more will be organized

The first four steamers to arrive at leave. The extra police have been dispressed into service. Gen. Corbin has the last week nearly 3,500 men have of two companies of the Twenty-fifth infantry and twenty-five recruits, there have been transported this week 3,444

Havana, July 3.-La Lucha pub-Porter.

No intimation of any such arrangein September to assist in devising some

Sick List Is Large.

St. Paul, Minn., July 1.-Gov. Lind

Cairo, July 3.-Twenty emirs, with 1.000 men and 2,000 women and children of the khalifa's and one other tribe, have submitted to the government. They have been sent to settle in the districts of Kadaref and Sennar.

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known citizens rested Friday, ing to lynch Th charged with his stepchildren hanged by the down and finall

Thief Is Ly Victoria, B. C from Dawson bri lynching at Cap whose name is in gold dust fro was arrested l to whom he The committee

Omaha's Show Omaha, Neb., July the greater America first colonial exhibiti were thrown open J rate ceremonles for

End of Wr Warsaw, Ind., July field, Ind., was elected r

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HOME NEWS.

Call at Behl's city bakery for baked good and lunches.

Mr. and Mrs. Orton Hill have retorned from a three weeks trip Chrough Ceveland and other cities.

Mrs. S. S. Miles and daughter of Grand Capids spent the Fourth with M. Wiles and wife and Miss Laverna will remain for a few days. Geo. Esslegg made a call there the same

The sillage council has passed an rance forbidding the further building of board sidewalks within village limits. Several serious injuries have resulted from the present defective system of board sidewalks. The vil age has had to settle for damages to injured parties.

Fay View and Ludington Camp Meeting One Fare Excursion

Rates. C. & W. M. and D. G. R. & W. agents will sell tickets as follows: BAY VIEW.

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HORSE MEAT PATTIES.

after Swindling His Patrons for Eight Years a Paris Provision Merchant Is Caught.

Perdon, a provision merchant of Faris, has been justly sent to prison | look as much as thou pleasest at the for eight months on a charge of selling horse pattles, says the Paris correspendent of the London Telegraph. There was no doubt in the least about his swilt, and he can never be held up on his contemporaries or to posterity as the victim of a judicial error. The borderenu in his case was a small jar r pot, which was produced in court. It was marked outside with the mysterious letters "M. H.," and the magic words pare de foie gras which generally appeal to epicures.

This alleged pot of goose liver was simply horseflesh, and, as an official analyst remarked in court, it was bad that. Perdon also sold pots or jars alleged patties of duck, pheasant, hare and lark, but they were all same foundation. He bought old in the knackers' yards, boiled esh, mixed it with a little pork ced it with nutmeg, ginger and pepper, poured some enu de vie over it, ar to the duly labeled pot etters "M. H." were o to mean honorable g brought to bay in

SEEDS THAT NEED

Curious and Interesting Fac Certain Trees to Catto Ja and Australia.

A California pine tree whose seed cones can only be opened by fine great heat has been attracting considerable attention at Kew Gardens, London. It seems, however, that this tree, pinus muricata, is not alone in its salamander-like requirements, for a former Australian living in London

writes as follows to the London Mail: "The wattle tree of Australia (acacia decurrens) also possesses the same peculiarity and its seeds will only germinate when subjected to great heat. Soaking the seeds of this tree in boiling water or roasting them in a frying pan for some hours has been tried and found successful, but all other methods have failed. After the seed has fallen from the tree it will often lie dormant in the ground for years, but immediately a 'bush' fire comes along and reduces all the parent trees to ashes (as is often the case in Australia), the seed germinates and a perfect forest of young trees will spring up within 12 months. Even on ground where there has not been a wattle tree growing within living memory, these trees have been noticed to grow up after a bush fire. The wattle tree being very susceptible to fire, is easily killed, and if the same means that caused its destruction did not induce it to grow again it would very soon be eradicated."

The teak is said to be another tree whose seeds can only be sprouted by intense heat.

MASTER SCULPTURE.

The Author of It Was Unknown for Many Years Until Accidentally Traced.

In the cathedral of Nantes, France, there is a monument to Francis II. of Bretagne and his wife Margaret, which is considered one of the masterpieces of French sculpture, says Harper's Bazar. It is over 300 years old and until 20 years ago no one knew to whom to ascribe it. Then, by chance, an old stone slab was discovered in the same cathedral, bearing the following in-

"I, Michel Colomb, was a poor forsaken boy, whose only home was the highroad, where alone God and our Bretagne saints watched over me: I often forgot to eat and drink while looking at the stonecutters who made the beautiful stone crosses for the holy place in the diocese of Leon; and I myself carved small images with a wretched knife, when worthy priests took compassion upon me, fed me and said to me: 'Work, thou little one, and carved belfry and at the beautiful work of the guild (the stonecutters and sculptors); look at all this, love the good God, the mild Saviour, and the blessed Virgin Mary; then thy name shall be honored in the diocese of Leon and in the beautiful Bretagne.' This I did for a long while, that I might become a good workman, and then our Duchess Anne gave me an order to cut a monument to our gracious Duke Francis II. and the Duchess Margaret."

FUNSTON ON THE FILIPINOS.

What Independence Menns in the Minds of the Followers of Aguinaldo.

Col. Funston, whose fighting in the Philippines has made him famous, wrote a letter home to the Topeka (Kan.) Capital, before the outbreak of hostilities. In it he said some things which ought to cool down the participants in the Chicago meeting which attacked the president. For instance:

"I am afraid that some people at Some will lie awake nights worrying ant the ethics of this war, thinking t our enemy is fighting for the right self-government, etc. The word inprodence, which these people roll their tongues so glibly, is to them and sot much more.

eans simply with them license and if they got conuld raise a fine crop of it. t they have a certain numated leaders - educated it the same way a par-

rule, an illiterate, e, who are waging yranny, but against ind decency. Their ie outbreak was rogance and ego-llen up by the fact too much of them hope that Uncle chastening rod and lay it on unie reservation and Injuns."

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FISHING OFF A MAN-OF-WAR. One Particularly Exciting Catch

Which Raised a Row Among the Jackles.

The followers of Izaak Walton on board a man-of-war are wont to ply the gentle art (with a line alone) from over the ship's side during the evening. A sublicutenant, who was not particularly liked by his junior messmates, was one day so engaged, when a midshipman, seeing the line depending from the "chains" above, reached out of one of the main deck ports and gave it a couple of violent tugs, in imitation of a fish biting. Up the line was hauled with alacrity, but of course with no result. Once again the "sub" essayed to catch this big fish that had given him so heavy a bite, says Cornhill Magazine.

This time the middy's plan was more elaborate, for getting a companion to keep the necessary strain upon the upper portion, he hauled up the lower part of the fishing line and attached to the hooks an old shoe, an empty bottle, a holy stone and a sardine tin. Having carefully lowered these to the full extent of the line, he gave it a more powerful pull than ever, and the expectant fisherman above hauled in as fast as he could, hand over hand. But his language when he discovered the nature of his "catch" is too much to ask even an unfortunate compositor to set up in

Divorces in England.

In 1861 the population of England and Wales was about 20,000,000. In that year 258 divorce suits were entered. Ten years later there were 410 suits among 23,000,000 population. In 1881 there were 618 out of 26,000,000, and last year there were 822 out of 31,000,000. The majority of petitions are filed by the husband and plead the best of all causes. In England in 1897 only nine suits arose during the first year after marriage, but this number trebled the second year, and has progressed steadily ever since.

Peculiarity of Buddhists.

A custom peculiar to Buddhists is that of wandering about the country with hammer and chisel and carving holy symbols upon rocks by the way-

MEATS FOR OCEAN SHIPS.

Ten Tony of Beef and Two o Chickens Besides Sixteen Hundred Birds, --

Away down in the bottom of the ship the chief steward has a market of his owh, one which he has stocked and from which he draws, thus serving in the double capacity of merchant and customer, writes Helen C. Candee, describing "Housekeeping on an Ocean Steamship" in Ladics' Home Journal. Here is an enormous refrigerator, and is presided over by a steward who is responsible for every pound of meat within it. Before the ship slips from the dock this room is stocked, for a full The Twice a Week Petroit Free ship, with 20,000 pounds of beef, 2,000 pounds of yeal and 3,000 pounds of mutton. From hooks along the walls and ceiling of another refrigerator hang bunches of birds, very much as dried corn and peppers hang from the rafters BOTH FOUR MONTHS FOR ONLY 35c. of old farmhouses. As many chickens as can be tied together are hung until 4,000 pounds are stowed away. Ducks are not as popular as chickens, therefore 700 pounds only are providedabout 100 pounds' allowance for each day. Turkeys are liked, and 1,000 kindness by calling their attention pounds must be provided for the de- to it. mands of the cook. Pigeons, squabs and other small birds, these are reckoned in pieces, and it is calculated that the family which floats across the ocean will devour 1,600 birds.

Never Heard of Kipling.

During Kipling's illness Henry James was one night riding home in a cab from his club in London. The news had just come that the crisis was past and the great writer on the road to recovery. As he stepped out on the sidewalk Mr. James handed the paper he had bought to the cabman. "Kipling's all right," he said. The cabman took the paper and leaned down with a puzzled look on his face. "I don't seem to know the name o' the 'oss," he said.

No Sunstroke in Arisona.

No matter how hot it is on the deserts of Arizona and southern California and sometimes the thermometer goes up to 110 and 120 in the shade yeu never hear of a sunstroke.

Taken at His Word.

An instructor was drilling a company of English colunteer recruits, who did not pay much attention to his orders. He noticed one man in particular, who was passing sly remarks about him. The instructor held ouf for some time, but at last could stand it no longer and said to the man sareastically: "You seem to know all about the drill, my lad. Suppose you come and take my place." The man came out of the ranks and, facing the company, gave the order: "Company. 'tention!" Then, after a pause: "Right turn! Dismiss!" Leaving the astonished instructor, who was too amazed to speak, the company raced back to the canteen, delighted at having escaped an hour's tedious drill.

Gold Production.

A close race is that in gold production in the United States, Australia and South Africa. Last year the United States lost the first place, but may be expected to regain it. The figures for 1898 were: South Africa, \$80,000,000; Australia, \$67,792,000, and the United States, \$65,782,667. Australia, like this country, is getting more gold from lowgrade ores, and gold is also obtained by dredging machinery from the ooze at the bottom of streams. Australian gold coins originally had a greenish tint, but the silver that caused it is now extracted by a chemical process.

Ammunition for Old Iron. A cargo of shells, originally intended for the use of Spanish guns in the war with the United States, recently arrived at Glasgow, Scotland. The charges had been extracted from theh and needy Spain took advantage of the recent rise in the price of metal to get hold of an honest penny by selling them for old iron. The shells are of

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