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CITY AND COUNTY.

Interesting Items From Numerous Sources.

Zero weather this week.

Isaac Hudson was in Decatur yesterday.

Platt county has thirteen divorce cases on docket.

The prospects for an ice crop are more encouraging.

One of J. L. Thayer's children is very sick with pneumonia.

O. T. Atchinson, of Lovington, was in Sullivan yesterday.

Charles Patterson, of near Windsor, has moved to Sullivan.

Miss Gettie Meeker returned Monday from a visit in Decatur.

B. F. Rork transacted business in Arcola the first of the week.

It is reported that Mrs. H. M. Minor will soon return to Sullivan.

There are many inquiries for real estate in the vicinity of Sullivan.

Little Nettie Jenkins was very ill the first of the week with lung fever.

Z. T. Banks has engaged in the hotel business at Independence, Oregon.

Call and see the 5, 10, 25, 50, cent, and \$1.00 counters at the Variety Store.

Judge Phipps, of Mattoon, was transacting legal business in Sullivan Monday.

The ceiling at the Palace Store has received a fresh coat of whitening this week.

W. S. Harris contemplates moving to Tennessee where he has some business interests.

Mrs. J. T. Roney is visiting her mother and other relatives in Bethany this week.

Mrs. Samuel Steele, who resides about eight miles southwest of this city, is very ill of lung fever.

Miss Maggie Miller, of California, is visiting her uncle and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Davidson.

Teeth extracted and new ones made at E. M. Scott's dental rooms. East side, over Brosam Bros., 221.

William S. Harris has sold his residence in the west part of town to Tippecanoe Dugan, of Lovington.

Bus to any part of the city. Leave calls at the Eden house. I will attend all calls, day or night.—(J. F. Eden, if

Charles Hieronymus has established a flour and feed depot in the old orange room on the south side of the square.

Our local dealers report heavy receipts of corn in the past few days. The price paid is twenty-eight cents.

All pay locals, where time is not specified when put in, will be continued until ordered out, and charged for accordingly.

Ol Atchinson has severed his connections with the Lovington Record and Thomas Cairns will hereafter assume full control.

Dr. S. J. Hardin is prepared to treat cholera hogs on the plan of no cure no pay. He will pay market price for all that die. 491

W. I. Hagerman has disposed of his farm near this city to E. O. Dunscomb, of Lovington, who will occupy the premises after March 1st.

Dr. Trowbridge, dentist, over post-office. Best teeth for \$10 per set, fully warranted. Office open every day except Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Conigisky's sister arrived from Peoria Monday night, and will stay with her brother, who he is confined to his room nursing a broken limb.

Miss Carrie Shortess started yesterday for Eldorado, Kan., where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Brooks. She expects to be absent about two months.

George Brosam is expected home next week. He is much improved and writes that he can get about equal to a fox and has an appetite like a horse.

Samuel Wright, who several years ago moved from Todd's Point to Kentucky, has returned and will again settle in the vicinity of his former home.

The Wall Street News alleges that a man in Wichita hauled 800 loads of dirt in one month, and Marsh Murdoch published it as "800 transfers of real estate."

The Rev. Murphy, an evangelist from Decatur, is holding union meetings at the Armory hall this week. The attendance is large and much interest is manifested.

On Thursday, February 21, J. J. Wilsey will offer at public sale at his farm seven miles east of Sullivan, ten pairs of well matched mules and one pair of good work horses.

J. L. Thayer can fit you out in stoves and furniture. Give him a call when needing anything in his line. He also keeps a first class line of hardware and builders' material. 8-9

J. H. Dunscomb, of Sullivan, was in Mattoon recently looking at some choice pieces of property with a view to trading California property for Mattoon realty.—Mattoon Journal.

The baking powder sold by T. A. Hollenbeck is warranted full weight and guaranteed to give satisfaction, and with each can the purchaser gets four choice pieces of glassware. 8-9

J. L. Thayer has just received three car loads of furniture, consisting of

ery thing kept in a first class furniture store. Please call and examine prices. His prices are as low as any house in Central Illinois. 8-9

Mrs. Butz, of near Hampton Station, was brought to the city Tuesday and tried before Judge Henley, of Mattoon, on a charge of insanity. The proof was conclusive and she was ordered to be removed to an asylum.

Mrs. Louisa Wilders died Sunday morning, February 3, 1899, at 8:30 o'clock, of pneumonia after a brief illness of about five days. She was born in Springfield, Ohio, and was sixty years of age at her death. She was a sister to G. A. Boyce. The funeral took place on Monday at the M. E. church, of which she was a member.

Those who have attended the entertainments at the opera house this week have been amused and delighted with the impersonations presented by Lew and Lottie Waters and their supporters. Baby Grace is indeed a graceful baby and delighted the audience with her humorous recitations. Miss Stevens introduced some musical specialties which were novel and interesting.

Mr. Conigisky, proprietor of the Boston Store, fell Sunday evening and fractured one of the bones of the leg, at the ankle. Drs. Stearns and Johnson were called and adjusted the fragments and he is now doing well. The fracture is a serious one and it will be five or six weeks before he can be out again. Stiffness of the joint is likely to follow. Mr. Conigisky has our sympathy.

According to a decision handed down by Judge Nelson, of the United States district court of Massachusetts, a passenger on railroads can stop over at an intermediate station on a ticket good beyond that point, and when his ready to go the company must carry him to his destination on that ticket. The case was against the Erie road, which was mulcted in \$10,000 damages for ejecting a man at Olean, who had stopped over on a through ticket.

Many merchants think that their names are so well known that they do not need any advertising. They forget that every year brings into trade a new generation of dealers, and closes out a certain percentage of older ones. They also forget that it is for one to drop from the calendar of recollection unless the cobwebs in memory's chain are constantly brushed by keeping one's name before his friends, the public. The fact of letting the public know that you are still in trade brings many a grist to your mill that otherwise would probably stop somewhere else.

The lightning-rod industry, by means of which thousands of honest grangers have been swindled with neatness, regularity and dispatch, is rapidly dying out. There are only three factories today where there were ninety three a few years ago. The fraud practiced by unprincipled men has had the effect of prejudicing the public mind against the whole business. All this might have been prevented if farmers had patronized legitimate dealers, instead of running in their own counties, instead of running after false prophets with crooked contracts.

Government Officials more Honest than those in Private Life.

We have heard a good deal, in recent times, about the corruption of politics and the dishonesty of Government officials. Recent defalcations in New York, Pittsburgh and this city are a sufficient refutation of the common assumption that private business is conducted much more honestly than public. The entire history of the government would hardly furnish a parallel to these defalcations. The fact is, the Government takes the fewest possible risks in the management of its business. All its agents and officers are required to give bonds. Money are required to give bonds. They are required to report regularly, and their books and accounts are examined frequently and at unexpected times. If a Government officer is found short he is immediately called to account, and, if a defaulter, he and his bondsmen are prosecuted to the bitter end. The Government never compromises a felony, condones a fraud or lets up on a defaulter. It pursues a delinquent official and his bondsmen to the verge of the grave. This is right. It should be so in private and corporation affairs. This country is sorry in need of a higher standard of honesty.

The Palace Drug Store.

The Palace drug store in this city, has been under the supervision of the present proprietor a trifle over a year and yet it has succeeded in establishing an enviable reputation for handling pure goods, and dealing honestly and fairly with all. This house carries a full and complete line of drugs and druggists sundries. Prescriptions and recipes are carefully and accurately compounded, day or night. The proprietor, G. M. Strivers, is a registered pharmacist having passed a creditable examination before the state board of examiners. In addition to the drug trade this house will, the coming season, make a specialty of paints, oils, varnishes and brushes. These goods have already been purchased for spot cash and customers will be given the benefit of all such discounts. The proprietor improves this opportunity to thank his customers for past patronage and hopes by striving to meet their wants to merit a continuation of the same in the future.

Respectfully, G. M. STRIVERS, Proprietor, Palace drug store. 8-9

The Special Features

of The Youth's Companion for the coming year, include six serial stories, and 150 short stories, fully illustrated. Also tales of adventure, illustrated sketches of travel, Humorous Articles, Scientific and Historical Articles, Household Articles, 1,000 Anecdotes, timely Editorials on the leading questions of the day, and a whole page each week for the little ones. The Companion has no other place in the home he obtained by no other paper, and is read every week in nearly half a Million families. With its Double Holiday Number at Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's and Easter, its Weekly Illustrated Supplements, its fine paper

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Mexican War Veterans.

All surviving soldiers and marines who served in the war with Mexico are invited to attend the annual reunion of the Illinois State Association of Mexican War Veterans at Springfield, Ill., Thursday and Friday February 21, and 22. It is expected that Judge M. F. Tuley, of Chicago, who was an officer of the 5th Regiment, and the Hon. W. H. Snider, of Belleville, adjutant of the same regiment will be present. Hon. Leonard Sweet will address the meeting, and Col. P. T. Turner, of Highland Park, Ill., vice president of the association, and Col. Ferris Forman, president of the association, are also expected to be present. It is hoped that there will be a full attendance as matters of importance will come before the association.

Col. FERRIS FORMAN, President. Capt. JOHN W. HARTLEY, Sec. Association.

Compulsory Marriage.

To kill off the woman suffrage craze the ought to be a law making marriage compulsory. Men and women who remain single after the age of 30 years should be drafted into matrimony just as soldiers into the army. Government ought to say: "Here, Smith, you have drawn No. 135. Her name is Jones. Hunt her up and marry her." This would be hard on some of the men, but a man who refuses to choose a wife for himself ought to be sacrificed for the good of society. There is nothing so discouraging to a woman-suffrage woman as a house full of children.—Washington Post.

A Wonderful Machine.

The Scientific American reports an invention recently patented, which embodies a novel idea. It is a machine for paying weekly wages to employees. It apprehend the patentee will meet with no difficulties in disposing of these wonderful machines, as the old method of making weekly payments is a serious drain on the cash drawer. They certainly are destined to fill a long felt want. We have already ordered a half dozen as we do not wish to be without so valuable an article.

Teachers' Institute Postponed.

On account of the central examination, the teachers institute has been postponed, until Feb. 23. The meeting will be held at Sullivan. The morning session will open at 10:30; the afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Let us have a good attendance.

BY ORDER OF COM.

William Travis, a milkman of Detroit, is under arrest charged with shooting off his own hand so as to get his accident insurance, last September. He got about \$4,000.

The strike throughout the coke region was a failure. Nearly all of the works started on Monday. A number of the strikers failed to get employment, as their services were no longer needed.

Work was resumed Monday at nearly all of the coal mines along the Monongahela river. By the starting up of the works nearly 5,000 men will be given employment. They resume work at the same rate as before the strike.

A congress of labor is to be held in Paris in the latter part of next August while the Paris Exposition is in full swing. Its object is to organize an international union and it will be attended by men who hold every shade of opinion from the red anarchist to the most conservative labor reformer.

An appeal has been received by the Iowa state board of health asking it to compel the stoppage of a religious revival meeting at Tam City, where scarlet fever is raging. It is thought that the meetings serve to spread the contagion.

William Frost, who was bitten by a mad dog at Palestine, Ill., six weeks ago, is suffering from hydrophobia. A mad-dog virus was applied to the wound a few hours after he was bitten and it was thought that all danger was past.

Rigorous weather prevails throughout the New England states, Ontario and Quebec. The thermometer Monday morning registered 10 to 40 degrees below zero.

The visible supply of wheat and corn is, respectively, 34,873,388 and 13,232,294 bushels. Since last report wheat decreased 721,306 bushels, while corn increased 65,655 bushels.

A Swede named Dalkin, at Butte, M. T., together with three companions, was blown through the window of a house in which he was trying to thaw out two sticks of dynamite by placing them on a stove. No one was killed, but all were severely injured.

Judge W. M. Merrick, of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, died Monday in Washington, aged 70 years. He was a member of the Credit Mobilier committee, and made the principal report.

A party of men crossed the straits on the ice from Bolt Island to Cheboygan Monday afternoon. This makes the crossing five weeks later than last year.

THE MURDER OF CLAYTON.

A Statement Made by the Two Brothers of the Dead Man.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 5.—Gen. Powell Clayton and Judge W. H. Clayton, brothers of John M. Clayton, who was assassinated on the night of Jan. 29, have made a statement of the facts. After narrating the organization of Stowers' military company at Morrilton, the county seat of Conway county, they say: "The deposition of the two Republican judges of election there and at Plummerville; the seizure of the ballot-box by armed and masked men; the death of the two judges by assault upon L. W. Benjamin, followed by the shooting of Wahl, a Republican supervisor, and the assassination of John M. Clayton, they say: "After the shooting of our brother, we were unable to remove his body until 3:30 p. m. of the next day, up to which time the sheriff of the county had not appeared, being, in the language of his deputy, engaged in the more important business of collecting taxes. For the crimes above enumerated no man has been arrested by state or county authorities, nor have the people nor the sheriff tried to do anything about the matter."

STATE AND NATIONAL.

Gathered From Various Quarters Regarding People and Events.

Texas has the largest school fund of any state in the union.

Mrs. Cleveland will receive \$120,000 as her share of the Folsom estate in Omaha.

All conjectures in regard to who will be members of the cabinet will be settled in a very few days.

Pontiac has a merchants' protective association. Any member trusting a person blacklisted is fined \$10.

Rice, of Perry county, wants the salaries of members placed at \$400 per annum, ten cent mileage and \$150 for stationary.

There is an epidemic of measles in Monticello, Ill., and all the schools are closed. Hundreds of cases are reported in the county.

The House of Representatives Monday passed the Senate bill increasing the pension of soldiers and sailors who have lost both hands to \$100 per month.

It is claimed that there will be 40,000 men—regulars and militia—in the column which President Harrison will review at the Washington centennial celebration in New York.

Thos. Kennally, a Rantoul boy, over-loaded an old musket to shoot at a mark and the rebound of the charge kicked the gun barrel through his face, producing a fatal wound.

Charlie Laux, one of the proprietors of the St. Nicholas at Decatur, says that if the citizens of that place will take stock to the amount of \$25,000 he will build a hotel to cost \$100,000.

Charles Prince, of Boston, says that twenty years ago a Harvard graduate didn't know the difference between a sloop, a cutter and a cat boat, and now it's the only thing he does know.

A negro boy near Camden S. C., lost a dollar that belonged to his mother. He felt so bad about it that he began crying bitterly, and did not stop for twenty-four hours and then died of exhaustion.

A country divine, who was opposed to the use of violins in church, having been overruled by his flock, commenced his services the Sunday following with: You may fiddle and sing the first three verses of the fortieth Psalm."

A Lewiston man has invented a machine to stop runaway horses which is operated from the drivers seat and claps blinders over the animals eyes. He thinks it will also make balky horses go. In which event his fortune is made.

A Nebraska editor thus politely addresses the villains who still pursue him: "Parties sending dynamite bombs to this office will please attach their names. Not necessarily for publication, but merely as a guarantee of good faith."

J. E. Muller, of Waterloo, Iowa, while treating a horse for poll evil some days ago got some of the virus in a scratch on one of his hands. The hand at once began to swell, and extended to his arm and side, and Friday he died from the poison.

The sheriff of Illinois at the recent convention held at Springfield revealed to make an effort to have the law repealed which prevents them from being their own successors, and appointed a committee of five to work on the members of the legislature.

Contest of the will of the late John Robinson, the wealthy showman, has been taken in Cincinnati by his brother, who makes the startling claim that he is the only rightful heir, besides alleging testamentary incapacity and undue influence by members of the family.

President Cleveland will practice law in New York City after March 4th. That is all right. It shows that there is no such question as "What shall we do with our ex-Presidents?" A man fit to be President should be fit and able to earn his living after he ceases to be President.

A letter was received Wednesday by the postmaster at La Porte, Ind., from Germany, inquiring for a man named George Zinn, who, the letter stated, had fallen heir to a half million dollars. Zinn was until recently an inmate of the La Porte poor-house, but his present whereabouts are not known.

The incurable insane in this state are in a bad condition. Nearly every poor house has them, and it goes without saying that poor houses and poor house employees are as a rule ill equipped for the care of this class of cases. The general assembly should provide an asylum for the incurable, rather than build more asylums for those whose cases will yield to treatment.

Secretary Beard, after four years experience as "Premier," has just found out that he had better give his news "straight" to the newspapers than to have them find it out in other ways, which causes them some times to fall into error. If he had known this fact four years ago, it would have saved him many unhappy hours in trying to keep press news away from the press.

There is a story out that Belva Lockwood spends the most of her time knitting. The story does not seem probable. Most of the time she is running for the presidency, and when not engaged in this exciting race she is out on the platform lecturing. The husband who would depend on Belva for socks and gloves of her own knitting would probably go barefooted and barehanded.

Jonas Gilbert, twenty-three years of age, of Seymour, Ind., is now confined in the county jail. Several weeks ago he stole eleven hogs of Capt. Jones, of Loxa, bringing them to this city in lots of four or five, and selling to Charles Dorsch and Jonathan Lee, after which he skipped about the country until one day last week when he landed in Mattoon and was promptly arrested by City Marshal Knight. At the preliminary examination he pleaded guilty and was placed under bond of \$800.00 to await action of the grand jury.—Charleston Courier.

Buried Under Bricks.

The Wind Works Terrible Havoc in Nebraska.

A FRIGHTFUL DISASTER IN OMAHA.

Half a Score of Persons Crushed by a Falling Wall and Several of Them Die Horrible Deaths—School House Wrecked in Hastings—Seven Victims Lose Their Lives, Some of Them Children.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 5.—Max Meyers' three-story building at Farnam and Eleventh streets, occupied by Darrow & Logan, Max Meyer & Co.'s branch store, and S. Seligman, was burned out about a fortnight ago. The roofless walls remained standing, and it was intended to repair them and add a fourth story. Yesterday the wind was blowing a gale, and at 2 o'clock in the afternoon it caught the east wall and blew down a portion of it on the buildings adjoining, with a tremendous crash.

The structure which caught the brunt of the wreck was Max Meyer's two-story brick, No. 1018 Farnam street. It was occupied on the first floor by F. Boyers' safe store, and on the second story by D. C. O'Brien's engraving and printing house. Adjoining on the east was an old story frame, occupied as a clothing store by E. Olsen.

There was no warning. A white puff of crumbling mortar, the rattling of a few bits of plaster, and the crash of the wall followed quick succession. When the cloud of dust blew away it revealed Dunbar's office on the east wall and the stock of Olsen's store were crushed to the ground. A shanty in the rear, occupied by Mrs. Hengen, was also wrecked.

A fire alarm was sent in and the force was called to the scene. The firemen with ropes soon pulled down the walls on the other side and gave access to those imprisoned. The street filled with curious people who did not realize that any one was hurt until they saw men and women crawling out of the debris and others, cut and limping, brought out by the firemen. The scenes then were heart-rending, and those who had friends in the wreck could hardly be kept back. Moans and tears were heard and seen as the bodies of the dead and wounded were brought out. The ruins were crowded with business men and men in all conditions of life, who worked earnestly when they found an opening to save the lives of the unfortunate.

When the rescuers first arrived at the scene the cries of Olsen were heard in the northeast corner of the ruins. The rescuers went to work to save the unfortunate man. Every cry from the dying man brought new hands to the work of rescue. It required too much time to greatly help the man, and when they reached him Olsen was dead. The body of Mike Martin, Dunbar's fireman, was taken out from the ruins in the vicinity of the boiler. The body was roasted and mutilated, and presented a shocking appearance. Miss Emma O'Brien, the stenographer for Dunbar, was found about 2:30, half an hour after the wreck, lying between the safe and the walls. One leg was broken, and she was severely bruised and had sustained a serious concussion of the brain. She will die. Tom Huston, of Dunbar's stereotyping department, was found lying up near the boiler. His body was horribly crushed, and he died about 3:30. When he was taken out from the ruins he was found with a broken leg and other injuries. Daniels, the driver for Hall's safe agency, was taken out badly bruised and injured internally, but will recover. Two girls employed by Dunbar fell from the second floor and were severely bruised. Mrs. Honga, who lived in the cottage in the rear of Olsen's store, was buried under her own roof, but was extricated after sustaining a broken rib. Charles Cesar, engraver, sustained a broken leg, just before the right knee.

The loss in property as far as can be ascertained is: Max Meyer's building, \$7,000; Boyers' safe agency, \$5,000; Dunbar's engraving establishment, \$8,000; Olsen's clothing house, \$5,000; Mrs. Hengen's personal effects, etc., \$1,000. As the fire insurance does not cover cyclones, the loss will fall on the parties whose business was destroyed.

A SCHOOL BUILDING WRECKED.

Seven Persons Receive Fatal Injuries at Hastings, Neb.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 5.—A heavy gale prevailed all over Nebraska yesterday, starting at 2 o'clock in the morning at Alliance, and reaching Lincoln at about 9 o'clock a. m. Considerable damage was done in the western part of the state, buildings being unroofed and trees blown down. At Arapahoe a number of small buildings were blown down, but no one injured. At Hastings the Central school was almost totally wrecked, four persons being severely injured that recovery is impossible, besides a large number slightly injured. One of the pupils in the Hastings school building was killed outright, one other injured so that he will probably die, and the teacher, Miss Aldrich, fatally injured. The storm was widespread, but reports so far received confine the serious damage to the places mentioned. Lincoln escaped with a few cornices blown away and a few outbuildings overturned. The storm was also an electrical disturbance, many watches in this city stopping at about 9 o'clock in the morning.

HOSPITAL BOILERS EXPLODE.

Two Linnaites Killed and Two Wounded, with Both Engineers.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 6.—At 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon two boilers in the engine-room of the state hospital for the insane exploded, completely wrecking the engine-house, killing two patients and injuring two others. The two engineers, one of the latter was in all probability dead. The engine-room is separate from the large main building in which the patients are confined, the main building being uninjured except broken glass from the concussion. The explosion completely destroyed the five boilers and the dynamo for furnishing electric light, leaving the building without light, heat, or the means of preparing food. The loss will probably be \$30,000.

Collision in the English Channel.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—News has just been received of the collision of the steamer Neroid and the ship Killoch. Both vessels have sunk and twenty-four persons are reported to be drowned. The collision occurred Monday morning in the English channel off Dundee's light.

Harvester Works Go Under.

WINONA, Minn., Feb. 5.—The harvester works, through W. J. Whipple, assigned yesterday. Assets, \$135,000; liabilities, \$135,000, of which about \$100,000 is due local creditors.

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 31.—A debate took place in the senate yesterday on the proposition to submit to the people a prohibition amendment to the constitution. Sheets bore the burden of the advocacy and Shutt spoke in opposition. Sheets proposed an amendment providing for the reimbursement of damages sustained by reason of the adoption of the amendment, if adopted, but the matter was postponed until Feb. 13. Bills were introduced: Appropriating \$48,000 for additional cottages at the Soldiers' home at Quincy; laying heavy penalties on the sale of adulterated food; to require "new" butter to be new in fact, and not colored and reworked.

The house passed the appropriation to pay the incidental expenses of the legislature, after a long debate, and concurred in the senate amendments to the appropriation for the payment of the employees of the assembly. The amendments cut the amount from \$100,000 to \$85,000. Merritt's resolution for an investigation into the state charitable institutions was sent to the appropriate committee. Bills were introduced: Giving city councils the right to levy a license on all wheeled vehicles; making hotels liable for damages when guests are suffocated by gas; to prohibit Pinkerton guards; prohibiting discrimination by telephone and telephone companies between their patrons; making corporations liable for all injury happening to their employees.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 1.—Illinois legislators were conferring all yesterday over the proposed Chicago drainage bill. The members who live on the line of the watercourse are to be utilized to carry Chicago's sewage off are a little afraid that it will be outside their constituents, but Mayor Koch of Chicago, who was here working for the scheme, seems to think that what won't kill a Chicago dude ought not to injure a brawny yeoman. The anti-Pinkerton bill was introduced. It is iron-clad against permitting the use of any detective force in a city or county employed as a deputy sheriff. A bill was introduced to make a uniform liquor license of \$500 per year. The Black Hawk war pension bill was referred. Bills were introduced in the house prohibiting the erection of buildings for more than their value; abolishing the state board of health, and several others of no special interest. A resolution on giving the use of the chamber last evening for a temperance lecture by Mrs. Gougar failed.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 2.—The most important measure introduced in the state senate yesterday was the Chicago drainage bill, which proposes to permit Chicago to empty her sewers into the Desplaines and Illinois rivers and thence into the Mississippi. It was accompanied by a report in which the bill is recommended as one that will solve the Chicago drainage problem without injuring the people along the line of the waterway proposed. Briefly the bill provides that the channel shall be, in clay cutting, 14 feet deep, and of a capacity of 300,000 cubic feet per minute, and, in rock cutting, 18 feet deep and of a capacity of 600,000 feet per minute. When the district drained has a population of 1,500,000 the channel is to be enlarged to a capacity of 30,000 cubic feet for every 100,000 population; and the district drained shall pay the entire expense of the work. It was referred to the waterways committee. The savings here will be reported favorably, and a bill introduced prohibiting the giving away or selling to minors "flashy" newspapers, devoted to illustrating vice and crime. The drainage bill was also introduced in the house and referred to the committee of the whole. Bills were introduced: Providing that a lien or mortgage may be deducted the amount of same when listing for taxation; appropriating \$145,000 for the state militia. The senate adjourned to Monday and the house to to-day.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 4.—The attempt to hold a session of the house Saturday was a decided failure, and of the 133 members but forty-six were on hand, and that not being a quorum little business was done, and judgment was taken to Tuesday. A resolution providing for the printing of 600 copies of the drainage bill and report was agreed to.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 5.—There were fifteen Republicans and two Democrats in the chamber when the senate was called to order, yesterday afternoon. Bills were introduced requiring the face of insurance policies to be printed in the English language; money in cities and towns shall go into the common fund; and that members of the assembly shall be paid \$6 per day for the first 100 days of the session, after that \$2 per day, and shall forfeit a day's pay for every day absent without leave. The people on the Mississippi river are objecting to the Chicago drainage bill.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 6.—The senate put in a good portion of yesterday debating a measure for the government of Cook county. A perfect shower of petitions went into the petition box, for local option, against the pharmacy law, and asking repeal of the game law. Another bill for uniform school books provided by the state was introduced; also bills to appropriate \$50,000 for a monument to Gen. Logan in Jackson park, Chicago; one and one-half cents rental fee of the telephone. In the house, after a fight by its opponents and several roll-calls on motions to refer, etc., the bill regulating the charges of stock yards was advanced to second reading. The bill authorizing the records received from liquor licenses to be used for school purposes in cities and towns was ordered to third reading and then passed. Notice of a motion to reconsider was given.

The Phonograph and Telephone.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5.—A trial of the phonograph in connection with the long-distance telephone was made Monday night between the operating room of the American Telephone and Telegraph company in this city, and the Franklin institute in Philadelphia. An audience of several hundred persons assembled at the latter place, was entertained by concert solo and songs rendered by Professor Hoth and Miss Edith Stewart, of St. Patrick's cathedral. The entertainment was entirely successful, some of the cornetist's airs being distinctly repeated back from a phonograph in Philadelphia to the New York end of the circuit.

Remnant of the Cliff-Dwellers.

ALBUQUERQUE, N. M., Feb. 5.—A

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EDITORIAL ETCHINGS.

WHAT'S the matter with James G.

Blaine, anyhow? He's all right.

PRESIDENT CLEVELAND would do a

graceful retiring act by signing a bill

giving Mrs. General Sheridan an annual

pension of \$3,500, which will pass

the present Congress without doubt.

A FRESH Democratic newspaper in

St. Louis (the Republic) has renewed

the declaration of war against Con-

gressman Randall. It says that every

Democratic measure drawn hereafter

should be so drawn that it will be

Democratic without regard to whether

Randall likes it or not, and adds: "We

wish Mr. Randall to transfer all his

influence, all his following and himself

with it, to the Republican party and

keep it there." Now Mr. Randall

would be made very welcome in the

Republican party. He is one of the

honest Democrats of whom their party

is unworthy. The Republic further

says of him: "He attempted to block

the party's progress and he was trampled

on." That paper appears to have

as curious a notion of who was "trampled

on" at the last election as the fellow

did hold his antagonist down, inserting

his nose between his antagonist's teeth

for that purpose.

No Queens or Kings.

That creature around whom has been

woven such exaggerations of romance—the

gypsy queen—is but another creation of the

imagination. Despite all assertion to the

contrary, despite the fact that an imposing

funeral was accorded a dead Romany woman

—Matilda Stanley—at Dayton, O., some

years ago and supposed by outsiders to be

"queen of the gypsies," no American gypsy

acknowledges any such authority, either

titular or in reality. The prevalent idea

held by outsiders that any among them is

entitled to royal prerogative is a matter with

them for ridicule and laughter. Prominent

among Romany characteristics is the desire

to mislead those not of their race in regard

to their methods of existence. They possess a

keen enjoyment in the absurdities of others,

particularly if these absurdities are errors

about themselves. With them an interment

is a momentous event. It calls for all the

ceremonious pomp their means permit. It is

their opportunity for expression of devotion

to a loved one gone—lost in the infinite space

of eternity. But queens and kings of gypsies

have none. In this country they do not even

acknowledge leaders, for the old Romany

character is indissoluble. Each family

looks out for its own interests to its own

advantage.—Chicago Herald.

Cornmeal Waffles.

Put a pint of boiling water into a saucepan

and stir into it sufficient dry cornmeal to

make two-thirds of a cup to make a mush.

Lift the cornmeal in your left hand; allow it to

pass slowly between the fingers into the water,

while you stir quickly with the right hand.

Let the mush cook slowly for twenty minutes;

then add two ounces of butter, and a dessert

spoonful of salt, and stand aside to cool.

When cold, separate the eggs, add the yolks

to the mush; then add a pint of buttermilk,

milk or sour cream. Now stir in gradually

sufficient flour, about one pint, to make a

thin batter. Dissolve a half teaspoonful

of bicarbonate of soda in a tablespoonful

of boiling water, and add it to the batter.

Stir in quickly the well beaten whites of the eggs,

and they are ready to bake.—Table Talk.

Feeding by the Moon.

The entire fire department of Americus,

Ga., was called out one evening to extinguish

the moon. It was just 6 o'clock in the evening,

when the usually pale luna came up be-

hind a bank of dark clouds and assumed an

unwonted rosy tinge. An enthusiastic fire-

man saw her glowing reflection on the side of

a house, yelled "fire," and out came the de-

partment and multitudes of excited citizens

ready to battle with the flames. On seeing

the situation the boys concluded their lead-

er was too short to get their "hooks" in.—

Pittsburg Post.

Removing Tattoo Marks.

Dr. Variot, of Paris, is reported to have

discovered a method by which to remove

tattoo marks from the human skin. It has

been extensively tested and with most en-

couraging results. His modus operandi is to

prick the marks or spots with needles until

the blood flows and then to inject tannin,

and finally to cauterize with nitrate of silver.

The wounds caused by the pricking become

black for a time, then turn red, and after a

month or so the parts which have been

treated are almost indistinguishable from the

adjacent flesh.

Little Drops of Water.

When Chaplain McCabe was in Kansas

last year on a tour endeavoring to raise

\$1,000,000 for missions a little boy heard his

apostle, and thinking of the large sum he

was to raise, determined to help him. The first

chance he had early in the week he gathered

a basketful of chestnuts, which he sold for 5

cents. He sent this to Mr. McCabe, with the

note: "If you want any more let me know."

—Christian Inquirer.

A Gourd Centenarian.

While searching through his father's effects

ticket agent Moffet, of Knoxville, Tenn.,

found a gourd over one hundred years old.

It contained many old papers, among them

a note from Davy Crockett, payable to Wil-

liam Moffet, for \$1 bill and 50 cents for a

barrel of whiskey and a keg of cider.—Brook-

lyn Eagle.

Byron wrote the "Bride of Abydos" in four

days and the "Corsair" in ten, though as a

general thing he was not a very rapid writer,

often rewriting and making many erasures.

It is said that in Loomister, England,

there are growing together an oak and an

ash which appear to have only one common

trunk for four feet and then divide.

GOSSIP.

An Essay Read before the High School

by a member of the Senior

class, January 27, 1889.

Gossip, one of the greatest sins of the

day, and probably the one which is

doing the most harm, is also one which

often gets unconsciously the support

of many of our best and most conscien-

tious people. The great evil of these

criticisms and discussions of people is

manifested in the too many bad results

which generally follow. For instance,

dearly slander is only a little step at

the beginning. Churches are split in

pieces and often neighbors are made

bitter enemies for life by it. It is said

that gossip, in some places, rages like

a pest and that in many people it de-

generates in a chronic disease. The

disease seems to be both epidemic and

THE NEWS IN BRIEF.

For luring young girls from their homes

under pretense of employing them as

servants, and attempting to accomplish their

ruin in Fairmount park, Philadelphia, Patrick

Bradley was sentenced to 29 years and 8 months

solitary confinement in the penitentiary,

Wednesday.

A dispatch received at the navy depart-

ment at Washington City Wednesday from Phil-

adelphia, announced the death of Passed As-

sistant Surgeon W. G. G. Wilson. He

was found dead Wednesday morning in

his bed, on board the receiving ship St. Louis

at the League Island Navy yard.

Senator Quay, accompanied by his son

Richard, left Washington City for Florida

Wednesday afternoon, to remain until the

end of February. The senator asked the

United Press to announce that he would op-

pose the appointment to office of any man

who applied to him for assistance prior to

March 4.

Samuel M. Felton, the man who, as pres-

ident of the Philadelphia Wilmington &

Baltimore railway, made the arrangements

by which President Lincoln was enabled to

pass through Baltimore in 1861 without being

murdered, died Thursday night at Philadel-

phia, aged 79 years.

Four negro murderers were hung Friday:

Charles Blackman for killing Stonewall

Franklin, while on parole, Ga.; John Yan-

ney for killing Bob Oliver, colored, at Yan-

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 24.—A resolution

was introduced in the senate yesterday

providing for the submission to the people of a

prohibitory amendment to the constitution.

A bill was introduced to prevent the cleaning

out of a man's house by the foreclosing of a

chattel mortgage, requiring regular foreclo-

sure proceedings; also a bill requiring labor

disputes to be settled by arbitration; also

providing that in case of employees for wages

due them, the judgment shall include dam-

ages not to exceed 10 per cent. of the

wages and a reasonable attorney's fee; also

providing that the state advertise

for bids to furnish text-books for the schools,

and no other books to be used than those

decided upon. In the house Haines requested

permission to read a memorial from the

and received Democratic applause when he

read for Palmer. Bills to regulate the price

of illuminating gas, to regulate the weighing

of coal by mine operators, to require licenses

to be granted female physicians, to regulate

stock yard charges, to prohibit "proxy

marriages, were introduced, together with a

large number of bills. The senate adjourned

at 10 o'clock.

Both houses met in joint session and con-

firmed the nomination of Senator Cullom to

re-election.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 25.—A caucus

of Republicans of the house yesterday

morning decided to refer the adjournment



For "run-down," debilitated and overworked

women, Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription

is the best of all restorative tonics. It is a

specific for those Chronic Weaknesses and

Diseases peculiar to Women; a powerful, gen-

eral as well as uterine, tonic and nervine, it

restores vitality and strength to the whole

system. It promptly cures weakness of stomach, nau-

sea, indigestion, bloating, weak back, nervous

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FRENCH SATTEENS

of our own importations, at least 20 per

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ORSETS, HOSIERY AND GLOVES

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chandise.

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AGENTS BUTTERICK'S PATTERNS.

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Correspondents are requested to write proper names and full addresses on their cards and mail your items so as to reach this office on Wednesday.

COUNTY CORRESPONDENCE.

Well, how's this for winter? Mumps are prevalent in Marrowbone township.

BETHANY.

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The citizens of Arthur expect to organize a Building and Loan association, in the near future. It will have access to every new enterprise that will bring property to our industrial district.

Persons having the desire for public renown and being peculiarly vain, they have to be a Guitau or a Garfield to obtain it.

Born, January 30th to Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Dashiell, a girl.

H. Luttrell, of Bruce, visited his uncle, W. R. Luttrell, last week.

J. C. Lake and John Leggart, of Decatur, were in town Saturday.

Mr. Ross, of Parks county, Ind., visited his sister, Mrs. Isaac Smith, last week.

Charles Bartholomew has bought a half interest in the life shop of H. Ferguson.

Dr. J. G. Gibbons, who lives six miles east of town, had his house burned Monday about noon.

The Rev. H. R. Crockett was quite sick several days of last week.

The Rev. Prather, of Sullivan, was in town last Saturday afternoon.

James Prothro who went to perambulate these parts and who used to Indiana some time since has returned to old Louisville.

Dr. Perry, of Hampton, is holding a series of meetings at the present time.

Dr. Trumbull, the dentist will be at James Berry's next week, Friday, Feb. 7, 10 a. m.

Dr. McLaughlin, who has been visiting Dr. Nicholson and family here for the past few weeks, returned to his home in West Virginia, last Tuesday.

The Grand Army Post held an all day session last Saturday at their headquarters, and at the same time a fine dinner was served.

The amount of grain brought to this city is simply enormous. The cars which will average over 200 feet in length, already full and more in construction, and besides shells are being run in.

Married, at the residence of the bride's parents east of this city last Tuesday, February 5th, by Rev. Father McGowan, John Weinholt to Miss Lucie Weinholt.

The W. G. T. U. have leased a lot in the village for five years, and are making arrangements to build a tabernacle on the lot.

OUR NATIONAL LAW-MAKERS. What They Are Doing for the Country's Good—Bills Passed, Etc.

WASHINGTON CITY, Feb. 1.—The credentials of the new senator from Delaware, Higgins, were filed in the senate yesterday and the house amendments to the bill to increase the pension for loss of both hands were concurred in.

THE GREAT CLOSING SALE STILL GOES ON AT THE PALACE.

WE continue our CUT PRICES through this entire month on DRESS GOODS, CLOAKS, SEAWLS, HOSIERY, FLANNELS, BLANKETS, UNDERWEAR, AND THE WHOLE LINE OF STAPLE AND FANCY DRY GOODS.

WE are determined to REDUCE THIS STOCK to the lowest possible point before Spring Goods are bought, and to do this will sell them above goods AT COST!

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THE STREET-CAR STRIKE OFF. Gotham Car Lines May Run Again—A Homicide at the Wind-up.

New York, Feb. 6.—The street-car tie-up in this city was declared off last night by the Knights of Labor local assembly.

New York, Feb. 6.—A large crowd of strikers and their sympathizers attacked a car of the Forty-second street line at the boulevard and Sixty-second street.

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HOUSEHOLD HINTS. Do not try to keep your house warm by getting a new mortgage on it.

THE MARKETS. Chicago. Following were the quotations on the board of trade to-day: Wheat—No. 2 March, opened and closed, 85 1/2c.

NEW YORK, Feb. 5. Wheat—Easter No. 1 red state, 1.08c; No. 2 do, 95c; No. 3 red winter, 85c.

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CITY AND COUNTY.

Interesting Items From Numerous Sources.

Zero weather this week.

Isaac Hudson was in Decatur yesterday.

Platt county has thirteen divorce cases on docket.

The prospects for an ice crop are more encouraging.

One of J. L. Thayer's children is very sick with pneumonia.

O. T. Atchinson, of Lovington, was in Sullivan yesterday.

Charles Patterson, of near Windsor, has moved to Sullivan.

Miss George Meeker returned Monday from a visit in Decatur.

B. F. Rork transacted business in Arcola the first of the week.

It is reported that Mrs. H. M. Minor will soon return to Sullivan.

There are many inquiries for real estate in the vicinity of Sullivan.

Little Nettie Jenkins was very ill the first of the week with lung fever.

Z. T. Banks has engaged in the hotel business at Independence, Oregon.

Call and see the 5, 10, 25, 50, cent, and \$1.00 counters at the Variety Store.

Judge Phipps, of Mattoon, was transacting legal business in Sullivan Monday.

The ceiling at the Palace Store has received a fresh coat of whitening this week.

W. S. Harris contemplates moving to Tennessee where he has some business interests.

Mrs. J. T. Roney is visiting her mother and other relatives in Bethany this week.

Mrs. Samuel Steele, who resides about eight miles southwest of this city, is very ill of lung fever.

Miss Maggie Miller, of California, is visiting her uncle and family, Mr. and Mrs. James Davidson.

Teeth extracted and new ones made at E. M. Scott's dental rooms. East side, over Brosam Bros. 22d.

William S. Harris has sold his residence in the west part of town to Tippecanoe Dugan, of Lovington.

Bus to any part of the city. Leave calls at the E. H. house. I will attend all calls, day or night.—J. F. EDEN, Jr.

Charles Hieronymus has established a flour and feed depot in the old grange room on the south side of the square.

Our local dealers report heavy receipts of corn in the past few days. The price paid is twenty-eight cents.

All pay locals, where time is not specified, when put in, will be continued until ordered out, and charged for accordingly. If

O. Atchinson has severed his connections with the Lovington Record and Thomas Cairns will hereafter assume full control.

Dr. S. J. Hardin is prepared to treat cholera hogs on the plan of no cure no pay. He will pay market price for all that die. 49t.

W. L. Hagerman has disposed of his farm near this city to E. O. Duncanson, of Lovington, who will occupy the premises after March 1st.

Dr. Trowbridge, dentist, over post-office. Best teeth for \$10 per set, fully warranted. Offices open every day except Thursday and Friday.

Mr. Conigisky's sister arrived from Peoria Monday night, and will stay with her brother, while he is confined to his room nursing a broken limb.

Miss Carrie Shortess started yesterday for Eldorado, Kan., where she will visit her sister, Mrs. Brooks. She expects to be absent about two months.

George Brosam is expected home next week. He is much improved and writes that he can get about equal to a fox and has an appetite like a horse.

Samuel Wright, who several years ago moved from Todd's Point to Kentucky, has returned and will again settle in the vicinity of his former home.

The Wall Street News alleges that a man in Wichita had 800 loads of dirt in one month, and Marsh Murdock published it as "800 transfers of real estate."

The Rev. Murphy, an evangelist from Decatur, is holding union meetings at the Armory hall this week. The attendance is large and much interest is manifested.

On Thursday, February 21, J. J. Wiley will offer at public sale at his farm seven miles east of Sullivan, ten pairs of well-matched mules and one pair of good work-horses.

J. L. Thayer can fit you out in stoves and furniture. Give him a call when needing anything in his line. He also keeps a first class line of hardware and builders' material. 8-9

J. H. Duncanson, of Sullivan, was in Mattoon recently looking at some choice pieces of property with a view to trading California property for Mattoon realty.—Mattoon Journal.

The baking powder sold by T. A. Mollenbeck is warranted full weight and guaranteed to give satisfaction; and with each can the purchaser gets four choice pieces of glassware. 8-9

J. L. Thayer has just received three car loads of furniture, consisting of

ery thing kept in a first class furniture store. Please call and examine prices. His prices are as low as any house in Central Illinois. 8-9

Mrs. Butz, of near Hampton Station, was brought to the city Tuesday and tried before Judge Henley, of Mattoon, on a charge of insanity. The proof was conclusive and she was ordered to be removed to an asylum.

Mrs. Louisa Wilders died Sunday morning, February 3, 1889, at 8:30 o'clock, of pneumonia after a brief illness of about five days. She was born in Springfield, Ohio, and was sixty years of age at her death. She was a sister of G. A. Boyce. The funeral took place on Monday at the M. E. church, of which she was a member.

Those who have attended the entertainments at the opera house this week have been amused and delighted with the impersonations presented by Lew and Lottie Waters and their supporters. Baby Grace is indeed a graceful baby and delighted the audience with her humorous recitations. Miss Stevens introduced some musical specialties which were novel and interesting.

Mr. Conigisky, proprietor of the Boston Store, fell Sunday evening and fractured one of the bones of the leg, at the ankle. Drs. Steadman and Johnson were called and adjusted the fragments and he is now doing well. The fracture is a serious one and it will be five or six weeks before he can get out again. Stiffness of the joint is likely to follow. Mr. Conigisky has our sympathy.

According to a decision handed down by Judge Nelson, of the United States district court of Massachusetts, a passenger on railroads can stop over at an intermediate station on a ticket good beyond that point, and when he is ready to go the company must carry him to his destination on that ticket. The case was against the Erie road, which was mulcted in \$10,000 damages for ejecting a man at Olean, who had stopped over on a through ticket.

Many merchants think that their names are so well known that they do not need any advertising. They forget that every year brings into trade a new generation of dealers, and closes out a certain per centage of older ones. They also forget how easily it is for one to drop from the calendar of recollection unless the cobwebs in memory's chain are constantly brushed by keeping one's name before his friends, the public. The fact of listing in the public knowledge that you are still in trade brings many a grist to your mill that otherwise would probably stop somewhere else.

The lightning-rod industry, by means of which thousands of honest grangers have been swindled with needless, regrettably and dispatched, is rapidly dying out. There are only three factories to-day where there were ninety three a few years ago. The fraud practiced by unprincipled men has had the effect of prejudicing the public mind against the whole business. All this might have been prevented if farmers had patronized legitimate dealers doing business in their own counties, instead of running after false prophets with crooked contracts.

Government Officials more Honest than those in Private Life.

We have heard a good deal, in recent times, about the corruption of politics and the dishonesty of Government officials. Recent defalcations in New York, Pittsburgh and this city are a sufficient refutation of the common assumption that private business is conducted much more honestly than public. The entire history of the government would hardly furnish a parallel to these defalcations. The fact is, the Government takes the fewest possible risks in the management of its business. All its agents and officers who receive, disburse or handle money are required to give bonds. They are required to report regularly, and their books and accounts are examined frequently and at unexpected times. If a Government officer is found short he is immediately called to account, and, if a defaulter, he and his bondsmen are prosecuted to the bitter end. The Government never compromises a felony, condones a fraud or lets up on a defaulter. It pursues a delinquent until his bondsmen are the verge of the grave. This is right. It should be so in private and corporation affairs. This country is sadly in need of a higher standard of honesty.

The Palace Drug Store.

The Palace drug store in this city, has been under the supervision of the present proprietor a trifle over a year and got it has succeeded in establishing an enviable reputation for handling pure goods, and dealing honestly and fairly with all. This house carries a full and complete line of drugs and druggists sundries. Prescriptions and receipts are carefully and accurately compounded, day or night. The proprietor, G. M. Stivers, is a registered pharmacist having passed a creditable examination before the state board of examiners. In addition to the drug trade this house will, the coming season, make a specialty of paints, oils, varnishes and brushes. These goods have already been purchased for spot cash and customers will be given the benefit of all such discounts. The proprietor improves this opportunity to thank his customers for past patronage and hopes by striving to meet their wants to merit a continuation of the same in the future.

Respectfully G. M. STIVERS, Proprietor Palace drug store. 8-9

The Special Features

of The Youth's Companion for the coming year, include six serial stories, and 150 short stories, fully illustrated. Also tales of adventure, illustrated sketches of travel, Humorous Articles, Scientific and Historical Articles, Household Articles, 1,000 Anecdotes, timely Editorials on the leading questions of the day, and a whole page each week for the little ones. The Companion has won a place in the home life obtained by no other paper, and is read every week in nearly half a Million families. With its Double Holiday Number at Thanksgiving, Christmas, New Year's and Easter, its Weekly Illustrated Supplements, its fine paper

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Mexican War Veterans.

All surviving soldiers and marines who served in the war with Mexico are invited to attend the annual reunion of the Illinois State Association of Mexican War Veterans at Springfield, Ill., Thursday and Friday February 21, and 22. It is expected that Judge M. F. Tuhey, of Chicago, who was an officer of the 6th Regiment, and the Hon. W. H. Snider, of Belleville, adjutant of the same regiment will be present. Hon. Leonard Sweet will address the meeting, and Col. P. T. Turnley, of Highland Park, Ill., vice president of the association, and Col. Ferris Forman, president of the association, are also expected to be present. It is hoped that there will be a full attendance as matters of importance will come before the association.

Col. FERRIS FORMAN, President. Capt. JOHN W. HARTLEY, Sec. Association.

Compulsory Marriage.

To kill off the woman suffrage craze there ought to be a law making marriage compulsory. Men and women who remain single after the age of 30 years should be drafted into matrimony just as soldiers into the army. Government ought to say: "Here, Smith, you have drawn No. 135. Her name is Jones. Hunt her up and marry her." This would be hard on some of the men, but a man who refuses to choose a wife for himself ought to be sacrificed for the good of society. There is nothing so discouraging to a woman-suffrage woman as a house full of children.—Washington Post.

A Wonderful Machine.

The Scientific American reports an invention recently patented, which embodies a novel idea. It is a machine for paying weekly wages to employees. We apprehend the patentee will meet with no difficulties in disposing of these wonderful machines, as the old method of making weekly payments is a serious drain on the cash drawer. They certainly are destined to fill a long felt want. We have already ordered a half dozen as we do not wish to be without so valuable an article.

Teachers' Institute Postponed.

On account of the central examination, the teachers' institute has been postponed until Feb. 23. The meeting will be held at Sullivan. The morning session will open at 10:30; the afternoon, at 1 o'clock. Let us have a good attendance.

BY ORDER OF COM.

William Travis, a milkman of Detroit, is under arrest charged with shooting off his own hand so as to get his accident insurance, last September. He got about \$4,000.

The strike throughout the coke region was a failure. Nearly all of the workers started Monday. A number of the strikers failed to get employment, as their services were no longer needed.

Work was resumed Monday at nearly all of the coal mines along the Monongahela river. By the starting up of the works nearly 5,000 men will be given employment. They resume work at 3 cents a bushel—the same rate in effect before the shut-down.

A congress of labor is to be held in Paris in the latter part of next August while the Paris Exposition is in progress. Its object is to organize an international union and it will be attended by men who hold every shade of opinion from the red Anarchist to the most conservative labor reformer.

An appeal has been received by the Iowa state board of health asking it to compel the stoppage of a religious revival meeting in that city, where scarlet fever is raging. It is thought that the meetings serve to spread the contagion.

William Frost, who was bitten by a mad dog at Palatine, Ill., six weeks ago, is dying of hydrophobia. A mad-stone was applied to the wound a few hours after he was bitten and it was thought that all danger was past.

Rigorous weather prevails throughout the New England states, Ontario and Quebec. The thermometer Monday morning registered 10 to 40 degrees below zero.

The visible supply of wheat and corn is, respectively, 34,873,388 and 13,333,294 bushels. Since last report wheat decreased 721,396 bushels, while corn increased 65,655 bushels.

A Swede named Dalin, at Butte, M. T., together with three companions, was blown through the window of a house in which he was trying to thaw out two sticks of dynamite by placing them on a stove. No one was killed, but all were severely injured.

Judge W. M. Merrick, of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, died Monday in Washington, aged 70 years. He was a member of the Credit Mobilier committee, and made the principal report.

A party of men crossed the straits on the ice from Bois Blanc island to Cheboygan Monday afternoon. This makes the crossing five weeks later than last year.

THE MURDER OF CLAYTON.

A Statement Made by the Two Brothers of the Dead Man.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Feb. 5.—Gen. Powell Clayton and Judge W. H. H. Clayton, brothers of John M. Clayton, who was assassinated on the night of Jan. 20, have made a statement of the facts. After narrating the organization of Stowers' military company at Morrilton, the county seat of Conway county, the deposition of the two Republican judges of election there and at Plumerville; the seizure of the ballot-box by armed and masked men; the deadly assault upon L. W. Benjamin, followed by the shooting of W. H. Clayton, a Republican super. JOHN M. CLAYTON, visor, and the assassination of John M. Clayton, they say: "After the shooting of our brother, we were unable to remove his body until 3:30 p. m. of the next day, up to which time the sheriff of the county had not appeared, being, in the language of his deputy, engaged in the more important business of collecting taxes. For the crimes above enumerated no man has been arrested by state or county authorities, nor have the people nor the sheriff tried to do anything about the matter."

STATE AND NATIONAL.

Gathered From Various Quarters Regarding People and Events.

Texas has the largest school fund of any state in the union.

Mrs. Cleveland will receive \$120,000 as her share of the Folsom estate in Omaha.

All conjectures in regard to who will be members of the cabinet will be settled in a very few days.

Pontiac has a merchants' protective association. Any member trusting a person blacklisted is fined \$10.

Rice, of Perry county, wants the salaries of members placed at \$400 per annum, ten cent mileage and \$150 for stationary.

There is an epidemic of measles in Monticello, Ill., and all the schools are closed. Hundreds of cases are reported in the country.

The House of Representatives Monday passed the Senate bill increasing the pension of soldiers and sailors who have lost both hands to \$100 per month.

It is claimed that there will be 40,000 men—regulars and militia—in the column which President Harrison will view at the Washington centennial celebration in New York.

Thos. Kennally, a Rantoul boy, overloaded an old musket to shoot at a mark and the rebound of the charge kicked the gun barrel through his face, producing a fatal wound.

Charlie Laux, one of the proprietors of the St. Nicholas at Decatur, says that if the citizens of that place will take stock to the amount of \$25,000 he will build a hotel to cost \$100,000.

Charles Prince, of Boston, says that twenty years ago a Harvard graduate didn't know the difference between a sloop, a cutter and a cat boat, and now it's the only thing he does know.

A negro boy near Camden S. C., lost a dollar that belonged to his mother. He felt so bad about it that he began crying bitterly, and did not stop for twenty-four hours and then died of exhaustion.

A country divine, who was opposed to the use of viols in church, having been overruled by his flock, commenced his services the Sunday following with: You may fiddle and sing the first three verses of the fortieth Psalm."

A Lewiston man has invented a machine to stop runaway horses which is operated from the drivers seat and claps blinders over the animals eyes. He thinks it will also make balky horses go. In which event his fortune is made.

A Nebraska editor thus politely addresses the villains who still pursue him: "Parties sending dynamite bombs to this office will please attach their names. Not necessarily for publication, but merely as a guarantee of good faith."

J. E. Muller, of Waterloo, Iowa, while treating a horse for poll evil some days ago got some of the virus in a scratch on one of his hands. The hand at once began to swell, and extended to his arm and side, and Friday he died from the poison.

The sheriff of Illinois at the recent convention held at Springfield resolved to make an effort to have the law repealed which prevents them from being their own successors, and appointed a committee of five to work on the members of the legislature.

Contest of the will of the late John Robinson, the wealthy showman, has been begun in Cincinnati by his brother, who makes the startling claim that he is the only rightful heir, besides alleging testamentary incapacity and undue influence by members of the family.

President Cleveland will practice law in New York City after March 4th. That is all right. It shows that there is no such question as "What shall we do with our ex-presidents?" A man fit to be an ex-president should be fit and able to earn his living after he ceases to become President.

A letter was received Wednesday by the postmaster at La Porte, Ind., from Germany, inquiring for a man named George Zinn, who, the letter stated, had fallen heir to a half million dollars. Zinn was until recently an inmate of the La Porte poor-house, but his present whereabouts are not known.

The inenrable insane in this state are in a bad condition. Nearly every poor house has them, and it goes without saying that poor houses and poor house employees are as a rule ill equipped for the care of this class of cases. The general assembly should provide an asylum for the incurable, rather than build more asylums for those whose cases will yield to treatment.

Secretary Bryant, after four years experience as "Premier," has just found out that he had better give his news "straight!" to the newspapers than to have them find it out in other ways, which causes them some times to fall into error. If he had known this fact four years ago, it would have saved him many unhappy hours in trying to keep press news away from the press.

There is a story out that Belva Lockwood spends the most of her time knitting. The story does not seem probable. Most of the time she is running for the presidency, and when not engaged in this exciting race she is out on the platform lecturing. The husband who would depend on Belva for socks and gloves of her own knitting would probably go barefooted and barehanded.

Jonas Gilbert, twenty-three years of age, of Seymour, Ind., is now confined in the county jail. Several weeks ago he stole eleven hogs of Capt. Jones, of Loxa, bringing them to this city in lots of three, five and three, and selling to Charley Dorsch and Jonathan Lee, after which he skipped about the country until one day last week when he landed in Mattoon and was promptly arrested by City Marshal Knight. At the preliminary examination he plead guilty and was placed under bond of \$800.00 to await action of the grand jury.—Charleston Courier.

Buried Under Bricks.

The Wind Works Terrible Havoc in Nebraska.

A FRIGHTFUL DISASTER IN OMAHA.

Half a Score of Persons Crushed by a Falling Wall and Several of Them Die Horrible Deaths—School House Wrecked in Hastings—Seven Victims Lose Their Lives, Some of Them Children.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb. 5.—Max Meyer's three-story building at Farnam and Eleventh streets, occupied by Darrow & Logan, Max Meyer & Co.'s branch store, and S. Seligman, was burned out about a fortnight ago. The roofless walls remained standing, and it was intended to repair them and add a fourth story. Yesterday the wind was blowing a gale, and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon it caught the east wall and blew down a portion of it on the buildings adjoining, with a tremendous crash.

The structure which caught the brunt of the wreck was Max Meyer's two-story brick, No. 1013 Farnam street. It was occupied on the main floor by F. Boyer's safe store, and on the second story by D. G. Dunbar's engraving and printing house. Adjoining on the east was an old one-story frame, occupied as a clothing store by E. Olsen.

There was no warning. A white puff of crumbling mortar, the rattling of a few bits of plaster, and the crash of the wall followed in quick succession. When the cloud of dust blew away it revealed Dunbar's office crushed flat. The roof, walls and stock of Olsen's store were crushed to the ground. A shanty in the rear, occupied by Mrs. Hengen, was also wrecked.

A fire alarm was sent in and the force was called to the scene. The firemen with ropes sought to pull down the walls on the other side and give access to the prisoners. The street filled with curious people who did not realize that any one was hurt until they saw men and women crawling out of the debris and others, cut and limping, brought out by the firemen. The scenes then were heart-rending, and those who had friends in the wreck took heart to hunt for them. Moans and tears were heard and seen as the bodies of the dead and wounded were brought out. The ruins were crowded with business men and men in all conditions of life, who worked earnestly when they found an opening to save the lives of the unfortunates.

When the rescuers first arrived at the scene the cries of Olsen were heard at the northern corner of the ruins. The rescuers went to work to save the unfortunate man. Every cry from the dying man brought new hands to the work of rescue. It required too much time, and gradually the cries subsided. When they reached him Olsen was dead. The body of Miss Martin, Dunbar's bookkeeper, was taken from the ruins in the vicinity of the boiler. The body was roasted and mutilated, and presented a shocking appearance. Miss Emma Oliver, the stenographer for Dunbar, was found about 2:30, half an hour after the wreck, lying between the safe and the walls. She was badly hurt, but she was severely bruised and had sustained a serious concussion of the brain. She will die. Tom Huston, of Dunbar's stereotyping department, was found lying near the boiler. His body was horribly burned from head to foot, and his screams could be heard for blocks. He will probably die. John Jackson, aged 17 years, was rescued from the wreckage and taken to the hospital. Daniels, the driver for Hall's safe company, was taken out badly bruised and injured internally, but will recover. Two girls employed by Dunbar fell from the second floor and were severely bruised. Mrs. Hengen, who lived in the cottage in the rear of Olsen's store, was killed by the fall of her roof, but was extricated after sustaining a broken leg. Charles Cesar, engraver, sustained a broken leg just below the right knee.

A list of the killed is as follows so far as known: Mike Martin, fireman at Dunbar's; P. Boyer, agent for Hall's Safe and Lock company; E. Olsen, clothing; Lombard, bookkeeper; Ralph Mitchell, agent Equitable Insurance company. It is expected that other bodies will be brought to light.

The loss in property as far as can be ascertained is: Max Meyer's building, \$7,000; Boyer's safe agency, \$5,000; Dunbar's engraving establishment, \$3,000; Olsen's clothing house, \$5,000; Mrs. Hengen's personal effects, etc., \$1,000. As the fire insurance does not cover cyclones, the loss will fall on the parties whose business was destroyed.

A SCHOOL BUILDING WRECKED.

Seven Persons Receive Fatal Injuries at Hastings, Neb.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 5.—A heavy gale prevailed all over Nebraska yesterday, starting at 2 o'clock in the morning at Alliance, and reaching Lincoln at about 9 o'clock a. m. Considerable damage was done in the western part of the state, buildings being unroofed and trees blown down. At Arapahoe a number of small buildings were blown down, but no one injured. At Hastings the Central school was almost totally wrecked, four persons being so severely injured that recovery is impossible, besides a large number slightly injured. One of the pupils in the Central school building was killed outright, one other injured so that he will probably die, and the teacher, Miss Aldrich, fatally injured. The storm was widespread, but reports so far received confine the serious damage to the places mentioned. Lincoln escaped with a few buildings blown away and a few outbuildings overturned. The storm was also an electrical disturbance, many watches in this city stopping at about 9 o'clock in the morning.

HOSPITAL BOILERS EXPLODE.

Two Lunatics Killed and Two Wounded, with Both Engineers.

LINCOLN, Neb., Feb. 6.—At 8 o'clock yesterday afternoon two boilers in the engine room of the state hospital for the insane exploded, completely wrecking the engine-house, killing two patients and injuring two others and the two engineers. One of the latter will all probably die. The explosion occurred separate from the large main building in which the patients are confined, the main building being uninjured except broken glass from the concussion. The explosion completely destroyed the five boilers and the dynamo for furnishing electric light, leaving the building without light, heat, or the means of preparing food. The loss will probably be \$20,000.

Collision in the English Channel.

LONDON, Feb. 4.—News has just been received of the collision of the steamer Neroid and the ship Kilchoon. Both vessels have sunk and twenty-four persons are reported to be drowned. The collision occurred Monday morning in the English channel off Dunce's light.

Harvester Works Go Under.

WINONA, Minn., Feb. 5.—The harvester works, through W. J. Whipple, assigned yesterday. Assets, \$128,000; liabilities, \$128,000, of which about \$100,000 is due local creditors.

ILLINOIS LEGISLATURE.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Jan. 31.—A debate took place in the senate yesterday on the proposition to submit to the people a prohibitory amendment to the constitution. Sheets bore the burden of the advocacy and Shutt spoke in opposition. Seiter moved an amendment providing for the reimbursement of damages sustained by reason of the adoption of the amendment, if adopted, but this matter was postponed until Feb. 13. Bills were introduced: Appropriating \$48,000 for additional cottages at the Soldiers' home at Quincy; laying heavy penalties on the sale of adulterated food; to require "new" butter to be new in fact, and not colored and re-worked.

The house passed the appropriation to pay the incidental expenses of the legislature, after a long debate, and concurred in the senate amendments to the appropriation for the payment of the employees of the assembly. The amendments cut the amount from \$100,000 to \$65,000. Merritt's resolution for an investigation into the state charitable institutions was sent to the appropriate committee. Bills were introduced: Giving city councils the right to levy a license on all wheelbarrow hives; making hotels liable for damages when guests are suffocated by gas; to prohibit Pinkerton guards; prohibiting discrimination by telegraph and telephone companies between their patrons; making corporations liable for all injury happening to their employees.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 1.—Illinois legislators were conferring all yesterday over the proposed Chicago drainage bill. The members who live on the line of the watercourses are to be utilized to carry Chicago's sewage into a little artificial that it will be sudden death to their constituents, but Mayor Roche, of Chicago, who was here waiting for the scheme, seems to think that what won't kill a Chicago dude ought not to injure a brawny yeoman. The anti-Pinkerton bill was introduced in the senate. It is iron-clad against permitting the use of any detective in city or county employ as a deputy sheriff. A bill was introduced to make a uniform city license of \$500 per year. The Black Hawk pension bill was referred. Bills were introduced in the house prohibiting insurance of buildings for more than their value; abolishing the state board of health, and several others of no special interest, but resolving on giving the use of the chamber last evening for a temperance lecture by Mrs. Gougar failed.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 2.—The most important measure introduced in the state senate yesterday was the Chicago drainage bill, which proposes to permit Chicago to empty her sewers into the Desplaines and Illinois rivers and thence into the Mississippi. It was accompanied by a report in which the bill is recommended as one that will solve the Chicago drainage problem without injuring the people along the line of the water channel. Briefly the bill provides that the channel shall be, in clay cutting, 14 feet deep, and of a capacity of 300,000 cubic feet of water per minute, and, in rock cutting, 18 feet deep and of a capacity of 600,000 feet per minute. When the district drained has a population of 500,000 the channel is to be enlarged to a capacity of 20,000 cubic feet for every 100,000 population; and the district drained shall pay the entire expense of all the work. It was referred to the waterways committee. The savings bank bill was reported favorably, and a bill introduced prohibiting the giving of salaries to minors "flashy" newspapers, devoted to illustrating vice and crime. The drainage bill was also introduced in the house and referred to committee of the whole. Bills were introduced: Providing that the owner of land encumbered with a lien or mortgage may deduct the amount of same from the channel tax; appropriating \$145,000 for the state militia. The senate adjourned to Monday and the house to to-day.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 4.—The attempt to hold a session of the house Saturday was a decided failure, and of the 153 members but forty-six were on hand, and that not being a quorum little business was done; adjournment was taken to Tuesday. A resolution providing for the printing of 600 copies of the drainage bill and report was agreed to.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 5.—There were fifteen Republicans and two Democrats in the chamber when the senate was called to order, yesterday afternoon. Bills were introduced requiring the face of insurance policies to be paid losers by fire, that liquor license money in cities and towns shall go into the county treasury; and that members of the assembly shall be paid \$5 per day for the first 100 days of the session, after that \$2 per day, and shall forfeit a day's pay for every day absent without leave. The people on the Mississippi river are objecting to the Chicago drainage bill.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 6.—The senate put in a good portion of yesterday debating a measure for the government of Cook county. A perfect shower of petitions went into the petition box, for local option, against the pharmacy law, and asking repeal of the game law. Another bill for uniform school books provided by the state was introduced; also bills to appropriate \$50,000 for a monument to Gen. James Jackson, and a bill to regulate the rental of the telephone. In the house, after a strong fight by its opponents and several roll-calls on motions to refer, etc., the bill regulating the charges of stock yards was advanced to second reading. The bill authorizing the state board of health to issue licenses for school purposes in cities and towns was ordered to third reading and then it was found that it was so worded that the funds could be appropriated to sectarian schools. Notice of a motion to reconsider was given.

The Phonograph and Telephone.

New York, Feb. 5.—A trial of the phonograph in connection with the long-distance telephone

PHUN AND PHYSIC.

A Few Points Worth Reading by Every-body.

Sooner or later a potato is bound to get its eyes peeled.

If you want a thoroughly reliable, time-tried remedy for coughs, colds, bronchitis, throat or lung trouble, go to S. D. Patterson's drug store and get Dr. Bigelow's Cough Cure; 50c, safe, and pleasant for children.

Young Mother—"Horrors, Jane, the baby is trying to swallow a pin." Nurse—"It's all right, mum—it's a safety pin."

Don't cheat an editor out of a year's subscription or any other sum. You can save enough to pay his bills by using Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic when you have any blood, stomach, or liver trouble. You will probably save paying the doctor \$10. 50c, at S. D. Patterson's.

Save for the goose. Ho—"I am going out, dear, to see a friend." She—"Well, I'll go with you. I'm thirsty, too."

Keep your blood pure and you will not have rheumatism. As a blood purifier and alterative, Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic stands above all other remedies. It is gentle yet thorough in its action; pleasant and efficacious. A few doses will prove its value. Price 50c, at S. D. Patterson's.

To him that hath shall be given. The pet dog has four legs, and the mistress devotes two more to the carriage of his body.

Take all the sarsaparillas, alterative, bitters, and other preparations for blood, and you will find nothing that will satisfy you like Dr. Jones' Red Clover Tonic. Because it cures and is prompt, safe, reliable and pleasant to take. Fifty cents for bottles holding nearly a pint. Sold by S. D. Patterson.

It is hard to say it, but the American eagle seems to be a mercenary bird. We never see him backing Miss Liberty unless there is a good deposit of hard money between them.

The best on earth can truly be said of Griggs' Glycerine Salve, which is a sure, safe and speedy cure for cuts, bruises, scalds, burns, wounds, and all other sores. Will positively cure piles, tetter, and all skin eruptions. Try this wonder-healer. Satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Only 25c. Sold by S. D. Patterson.

Myra.—We do not know who was the originator of the saying, "Let well enough alone," but it certainly was not any fashionable physician. Maybe it was some papa or husband who was tired of paying the f. p. bills.

When baby was sick she gave her Castoria. When she was a child, she cried for Castoria. When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria. When she had children she gave them Castoria.

All fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No fits after first day's use. Marvellous cures. Treatise and \$2.00 trial bottle free to fit cases. Send to Dr. Kline, 931 Arch St. Philadelphia, Pa.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve. The best salve in the world for cuts, bruises, sores, rheums, salt rheum, fever sores, chapped hands, chilblains, corns and all skin eruptions, and positively cures piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by S. D. Patterson, Sullivan, and J. H. Vadhak, Bethany.

Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment is the only sure cure for Blind, Bleeding or Itching Piles ever discovered. It never fails to cure old chronic cases of long standing. Judge Coons, Maysville, Ky., says: "Dr. Williams' Indian Pile Ointment cured me after years of suffering." Judge Coffinbury, Cleveland, Ohio, says: "I have ever tried it. I am one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial, Dr. King's New Discovery ever after holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough, cold or any throat, lungs or chest trouble, secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed every time, or money refunded. Trial bottles free at S. D. Patterson's drugstore. 6

The New Discovery. You have heard your friends and neighbors talking about it. You may yourself be one of the many who from personal experience know how good a thing it is. If you have ever tried it, you are one of its staunch friends, because the wonderful thing about it is, that when once given a trial, Dr. King's New Discovery ever after holds a place in the house. If you have never used it and should be afflicted with a cough, cold or any throat, lungs or chest trouble, secure a bottle at once and give it a fair trial. It is guaranteed every time, or money refunded. Trial bottles free at S. D. Patterson's drugstore. 6

Electric Bitters. This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise. A purer medicine does not exist and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the liver and kidneys, and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all malarial fevers. For cure of headache, constipation and indigestion try Electric Bitters. Entire satisfaction guaranteed or money refunded. Price 50 cents and \$1.00 per bottle at S. D. Patterson's drug store. 6

Christmas Literature. Book Publisher—My dear, you must come down to the office and see the stacks of holiday book covers we've been getting out. Such magnificent works of art—some of your best workmen in the country employed on them for months.

He Was Surprised. "I bought a lovely marmosham pipe for my husband," said a young wife to her mother. "I picked it up on the bargain counter of a dry goods house, and all it cost was 33 cents. Won't he be surprised?"

Mothers, sisters, why do you let your patient, hopeless suffering, those pined, melancholy faces that sadden home and cause anxiety to loved ones, while so potent and harmless a remedy as Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription can be obtained of your druggists? It is a panacea for all "female complaints," of marvellous efficacy and health-giving qualities. The debilitated, and suffering from those excruciating periodical pains, "dragging-down" feelings, backache and kindred female disorders, should use this certain remedy at once, and be restored to the blessings of health, for home's sake. Of druggists.

Saying Marbles in England. Marbles, which once boasted as many games as there are days in the year, are now fallen upon evil times. Knuckling down is clean forgotten—if the art continues it is called by another name; the alloy for which their bag may be filled, of the rank and file; there are no longer sold the finer varieties in stone and glass or in colored and streaky marble, nor do boys, like sportsmen, yearn for a full bag; nor do they study any longer the intricacies, the possibilities and the subtleties by which their bag may be filled. The game is now only played by little boys—their bag is small; their game is simple, and whenever they can raise a penny the marbles become a vehicle for gambling. —Saturday Review.

\$500 Reward. For many years the manufacturers of Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy have offered, in good faith, a standing reward of \$500 for a case of chronic nasal catarrh which they can not cure. No matter how bad the disease has become, or of how many years standing, it yields, in due time, to their skill. This famous remedy is sold by druggists at 50 cents.



Between the Horns.

Mrs. Amer (calling on Aunt Dinah)—'Yo' ain't lookin' well pashin' well mornin', Aunt Dinah. Aunt Dinah (with a sigh)—'No, 'veed I isn't. I doan know what 's gwine to do wid dat black headed girl of mine; she drives me distracted. Mrs. Amer.—'Why doan yo' hiah a white girl? Aunt Dinah.—'Well, I doan know; 'Rastus favors a white girl, but I allus foun' 'em so shiffless dar's no libin' wiv 'em.—New York Sun.

Some Foolish People. Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicine. They often say, "Oh, it'll wear away," but in most cases it wears them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 50 cents and \$1. Trial size free. At all druggists. 2

A FANCY LIAR FROM TEXAS. The Biggest Yarn He Ever Told Happened to Be the Frozen Truth. A party of men were talking in the Palace hotel court last evening about liars they had known. Mr. More, of Pasadena, said he knew the most picturesque liar on the Pacific slope. "His name is Martin, Wobly Jay Martin," said Mr. More, "and works on my ranch. He'd lie about the size of a half dollar, and there never were any black crows where he came from."

"Where's that?" said Senator Fair, who had a reputation of his own to sustain. "Texas, and that's where Martin had most of his astounding adventures. He has told one story of a seance with a Texan steer until I think he has forgotten that it is a lie. He says he was working in a packing house at Bryan, and had charge of the cattle that came to the killing house. One day, according to the weird romancer, a steer fell down about a hundred yards from the house, and seemed to be too badly injured to move another step. Martin grabbed an ax and went out to kill the animal. When he was ten feet from the steer it jumped up, made a rush for the boss liar of the boundless west and looked him. One long horn went through his clothing, grazed his back and passed under his collar at the back of his neck. Martin says he had a new suit of silk and that he was carried 300 yards on the steer's head, shouting for the people to get out of his way and brandishing the ax. "The crazy steer bolted in among the other cattle, stamped the herd and belloved in a way that nobody but this dandy liar ever heard of. He then, the oxkins gave way and Martin, the monumental liar, came to the ground, but he swung his ax as he fell and killed the steer with one blow. He wasn't hurt a bit, and when the boys ran up to him calmly said: 'You bet I ain't no slouch. Now, that man is the best all round liar I ever knew. Show a better and I'll treat.' "Did he mention the name of the man for whom he worked at Bryan?" asked one of the party. "Yes, he did. He always gives names, places and dates as straight as a string. Let me see. The man's name was Alexander, I think."

"Well, gentlemen," said Mr. G. W. Alexander, the one who had asked the question, "I'm the man for whom Martin was working, and he tells the affair exactly as it happened. I remember it, very well, and if ever a man escaped certain death in this world, Martin did that day."

"I'll do as I agreed," said Mr. More. "Come in, gentlemen, and have some wine with me."—San Francisco Special to New York Sun.



An Aztec Fragment.

More than fifty years ago; None have yet come home to me. But we sailing to and fro, I have seen them in my sleep, Plunging through the shoreless deep, With fattered sails and battered hulls. While around them swarmed the gulls, Flying low, flying low.

I have wondered why they stayed From me, sailing round the world, And I said, "I'm half afraid That their sails will never be furled." Great the treasures that they hold, Silks and plumes and bars of gold, While the spices that they bear, Fill with fragrance all the air. As they sail, as they sail.

So I never quite despair, Nor let hope or courage fail, And some day, when we are afloat, I shall then buy all I need, Prints to look at, books to read, Games to play, and works of art, Everything—except a heart, That is lost, that is lost!

Once, when I was pure and young, Higher, too, than I am now, Ere a cloud was o'er me flung Or a wrinkle creased my brow, There was one whose heart was mine; But she is something now divine, And, though some say ships from sea, They can bring no heart to me, Eternally, eternally.

"Barry Gray" (Robert Barry Coffin).

A MUTUAL AGREEMENT. Which, However, Comes to an Untimely End. "Lobelia, my love, another long and delightful evening is before us, and if you will kindly open that package of 'Lone Jack' and put the smoking set within reach I shall be obliged."

"Do you chew gum, Lobelia?" he said. "I never suspected it." "I confess I do sometimes, Billiger."

"I'll do it, my love!" he exclaimed. His brow aflame with a lofty and noble resolve, Billiger wrapped his smoking set, with pipe, tobacco, and all, in a paper, and threw the package to the remotest depths of a dark and gloomy attic on the topmost floor, while Lobelia, standing on all her wads of gum from their various hiding places, rolled them into a compact bundle and threw them into the attic likewise.

"With these slight sacrifices, Lobelia," said Billiger, tenderly, "wo propitiate the good angels of domestic bliss and banish forever the demon of discord from our hearthstone."

Forty-eight hours had passed—forty-eight short, happy hours. Night had come again. Billiger was in that attic. He had sneaked into it and was fumbling around noiselessly for something. In the dark his hand came in contact with a shoe and he grasped it. It had a foot in it.

There was a faint scream. "Mrs. McSwat, is that you?" "What are you doing here, madam?" "Sir, I am looking for my gum. What are you doing here?" "Madam, I am hunting for my pipe."—Chicago Tribune.

The New Third Reader. "And here is a man who seems to be in a towering rage. Have his liberties been threatened?" "Alas they have, and he says he will die in the last ditch."

THE YOUNG PEOPLE. A Small Boy Who Followed Instructions Too Liberally. A 12-year-old boy living on the west side recently secured a position with the Western Union Telegraph Company as a messenger. He was assigned to duty at a west side branch office, and being unusually bright, is learning very fast. One of the first things he learned was of the importance of "death" messages and the promptness with which they were always to be handled.

One morning a message was handed him for delivery, and on the lower left hand corner he read the initials "D. H." "What does 'D. H.' mean?" he inquired of one of the older messengers. "That means dead head," replied the older messenger. "Off went the boy on a dead run, and he kept it up for nearly two miles to deliver what he construed to be a 'death' message.—Chicago Mail.

Bess Strikes Out for Herself. Little Bess seems to be prejudiced against the comparative "morsels" she prefers being a syllable. "Oh, let's not ride," she exclaimed one day, as her father stopped the farm wagon for the children to jump in. "Let's hang on behind; that'll be funnier." (More fun) A lady once asked her, "Bess, will you go to mother be at home to-night?" The little girl knew that though she would be at home, she would prefer to see children on the following evening. "Yes'm, she'll be at home to-night, but to-morrow she'll be at home!"—Troy Times.

What She Thought of Short Hair. Dot was a bright-eyed, flaxen haired little country girl, and not accustomed to seeing the now prevailing style of short hair as worn by the gentlemen, so when her big sister's lover, fresh from the tonsorial artist, came out for a visit, his closely clipped hair attracted the little one's attention. Finally her thoughtful little face lighted up as if she had satisfied herself of a difficult problem, and she remarked: "Oh better do that to town and get the pin feathers tooked out."—Chicago Herald.

Joe's Red Letter Day. Little Joe was next door to me, and a queer chap, about 8 years old. The other morning my door bell rang, and as I was in the front hall, I opened the door. There stood Joe, his eyes blazing and out of breath, and before I could think twice he yelled: "I've got my flannel drawers on!" I told him I was glad to hear it, and inquired after his health, so much kindness that he promised to call again.—Chicago Herald.

Family Reorganization Advised. Jolu Cahill and his 5-year-old boy hardly speak as they pass by. It came to pass a few days ago that the youngster got into some mischief that called for a severe reprimand and slight corporal punishment. Mr. Cahill administered both, but as he was about to leave the room he heard the boy say to his mother: "Mamma, I think it's about time you got me a stepfather."—Bridgeport Farmer.

A New Version. A few days ago a 4½-year-old Webfoot was teaching his 2-year-old brother the stirring poem about the blackbird pie, so familiar to most English speaking people, but instead of saying, "Wasn't that a dainty dish to set before the king?" he petrified his pa with the modern innovation, "And wasn't that a dainty dish to set before his nists?"—Portland (Ore.) Welcome.

Unusually High. Little Flora, 3 years old, lives in the country, where pigs are numerous, and are in the habit of rubbing or scratching themselves against the fence, or anything convenient. Flora saw one indulging in this way, when she said, "Oh, mamma, there is another pig sharpening himself!"—Youth's Companion.

Gen. Upshaw's Title. Gen. Upshaw's title shines with a luster reflected only on those who have the honor to be on the staff of the governor of Tennessee. The general is a stickler for his title. Once when a local reporter was hunting some news about Indian affairs as he passed along the corridors of the interior department he briefly inquired of the messenger at one of the doors: "Upshaw in?"

"Gen. Upshaw is busy with his mail, and can be seen only on important business. Have you a yard, sah?" "Oh, that's all right," remarked the reporter, as he went into the room. "Phil" Thompson and a number of other politicians were there, and the "general" seemed to be busy listening to their stories rather than in attending to his mail.

There was a dead silence for a few moments. Then "Phil" Thompson pointed to a pair of boots standing on the desk. There seemed to be an individual attached to them. Slowly the boots came down from the desk, a stream of tobacco was shot into a spittoon and the owner of the boots said with a severity that meant a great deal: "Mr. Upshaw is not in."

The reporter looked inquiringly at "Phil" Thompson. "The Presence attached to the boots said with dignity: "Gen. Upshaw is in; what do you want of me?"—Chicago Herald.

A Bond of Union. Mrs. Parvenue—I'm awfully sorry to learn that dear Mrs. Hautman is so very ill. Blunt Friend—Why, you haven't even a bowing acquaintance with her. Mrs. Parvenue—No, not exactly; but we've had the same milkman for years, you know.—Harper's Bazar.

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