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SERENADERS SING

Songs of the Fatherland to Head of Democratic Ticket

IN HOTEL AT CITY OF HOBOKEN.

Five Thousand Germans Composed the Songsters-Nominee Answered Certain Campaign Charges.

New York, Oct. 28.—W. J. Bryan Friday concluded his campaign tour of the state of New Jersey. The day was a successful one in that the crowds which he addressed were both attentive and of fair size.

The tour was made over the Delaware and Lackawanna railroad and the towns at which speeches were made were Hoboken, Harrison, Orange, Summit, Morristown, Boonton, Paterson, Belleville, Newark (three) and Dover. In reality Mr. Bryan's Thursday work extended into Friday, for he did not retire that morning until about 2 o'clock. When he reached his hotel in Hoboken, after his carriage tour of the city, he found about 5000 German citizens awaiting his arrival. They tendered him a serenade and sang several of the songs of the Fatherland.

Mr. Bryan is highly gratified with the New Jersey campaign.

Mr. Bryan made the longest stop of the day at Dover. He referred to criticisms of himself to the effect that he made a charge for his campaign speeches, saying in part:

"According to the Republicans, they say that I am so avaricious that when I am a candidate for president I will not make a speech unless I am paid several hundred dollars. They also say that I am so ambitious that I would spend all I have to be president. It is hard to reconcile the two stories. If you are interested in knowing the facts, I can tell you that I have been able to make a living under a Democratic administration and under a Republican administration, and I think I shall be able to make a better living under a Republican administration than most of the Republicans who will be responsible for the administration, but I want to tell you that every dollar I have made in the last four years has been made out of the voluntary payment by people for what they bought and wanted."

Roosevelt's Reception.

New York, Oct. 28.—Gov. Roosevelt was given a tremendous ovation at Madison Square garden. Fireworks, brass bands and flags were in evidence, and thousands cheered him en route from the Grand Central station. About 50,000 persons took part in the parade, and a chorus of 5000 persons sang the "Star Spangled Banner." The governor paid his respects to Mr. Bryan in a long speech.

Will Protect Them.

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 28.—Adlai E. Stevenson was ovated here.

Mr. Stevenson was asked if the Democratic party, in the event of being successful, would end the war in the Philippines. He replied that it would bring the war to a conclusion, enabling the Filipinos to establish a stable government, fashioned by their hands, and he added that such a government would be protected by the United States against encroachment by any other power.

Thieves stole \$50 out of the treasury of the Zion Baptist church, colored, New York.

United States may favor arbitration in the Chinese matter.

Kruger is expected at Marseilles, France, Nov. 11.

Relief Fund Report.

Galveston, Tex., Oct. 28.—Following is a summary of the statement made by Mr. John Sealy, treasurer of the Galveston relief fund:

Contributions received to Oct. 25, inclusive	\$1,140,368
Disbursements—	
For labor	124,554
Supplies	65,509
Special donations placed as instructed by donors	2829
Drafts returned	715
Transportation of destitute	1585
Hospital	2800
Incidentals	206
Total expenses to date	\$198,201
Funds set aside—	
For repairing and building homes	310,000
Tools, etc.	10,000
School books	10,000
Total disbursed and set aside	528,210
Balance cash on hand	\$612,166

The committee has set aside an additional \$90,000 for the building fund, \$42,500 to pay remaining labor claims, ordered the distribution of \$300,000 to destitute food sufferers who lost homes or contents, and ordered the remaining funds held as a special reserve, not to be expended until after Jan. 1, 1901.

Rough Treatment.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 28.—Republican arguments were answered with bricks, paving blocks, tin cans, mallets, vegetables, chunks of bread and eggs Friday at Superior and Townsend streets. A "prosperity wagon" sent out for a "heart to heart" talk with the furniture factory employees was the center of a riot, in which 500 men participated.

Two of the speakers on the wagon were painfully injured, a colored quartette sent out was put to flight and the wagon was given rough treatment.

The injured: O. H. McConoughy, hit on the head with wooden mallet; W. R. Frost, elbow dislocated and back sprained.

About 1000 men attended the meeting. Trouble began a few minutes after the chairman had introduced the first speaker. Somebody threw a brick. A moment later somebody else threw a paving block and then it seemed that everybody in the crowd was throwing something.

The melee lasted for fully ten minutes, when a patrol wagon filled with policemen, arrived and scattered the belligerents.

During a storm at Sherman, Tex., Mrs. B. Alexander, an invalid, became excited and died.

The gold in the treasury Friday was \$451,477,404, the highest point ever reached since the foundation of the government. This is said to be the largest gold fund in the world.

Differ on Third Clause.

Washington, Oct. 28.—In diplomatic quarters there is felt to be some significance in the fact that France, Russia and Japan, as well as the United States, have not accepted the invitation to accept the principles of the Anglo-German alliance. It is understood that this non-action of the powers is not due to any concerted movement among them, although each appears to be haulting on the third clause.

Soon a Widow.

Kansas City, Mo., Oct. 28.—Gustav Hurstburg, a packing house employe, was married Thursday night to Miss Ida C. Aschneider, and Friday night he committed suicide. No letter or writing to explain why he killed himself were found. He was thrifty and industrious, and bore a good reputation.

CENSUS FIGURES.

Some Interesting Statistics Relative to Cities.

GREAT AND GIGANTIC GOTHAM.

With Her Three Million and a Half Population She Ranks With the World's Largest Cities.

Washington, Oct. 27.—The census bureau in a bulletin issued summarizes the returns of population of cities having 25,000 inhabitants or more in 1900, the individual census of each of these cities having been announced heretofore.

There are 159 of these, and the bulletin shows that the percentage of increase in their population from 1890 to 1900 was 32.5 as against 49.5 for the same cities in the previous decade. The absolute increase in population of these cities from 1890 to 1900 was 4,839,136 less than the absolute increase from 1880 to 1890, when it was 4,921,562. The 159 cities combined had a population in 1900 of 19,694,625 against 14,855,489 in 1890 and 9,933,927 in 1880.

In 1880 there were but twenty cities which contained more than 100,000 inhabitants, but in 1890 this number had increased to twenty-eight, and in 1900 to thirty-eight.

The combined population in 1900 of the nineteen cities of the first class is 11,795,809 against a population in 1890 of 8,879,105, representing an increase during the ten years of 2,196,704, or 32.8 per cent. The same cities showed an increase from 1890 to 1880 of 2,467,452, or 40.6 per cent.

The nineteen cities of the first class comprise New York, which with more than 3,000,000 inhabitants outside of the state by itself; two cities, Chicago and Philadelphia, each of which has a population in excess of a million; three cities, St. Louis, Boston and Baltimore, which have a population of half a million each; five cities, Cleveland, Buffalo, San Francisco, Cincinnati and Pittsburgh, which have a population of between 300,000 and 400,000 each, and eight cities, New Orleans, Detroit, Milwaukee, Washington, Newark, N. J., Jersey City, Louisville and Minneapolis, which have a population of between 200,000 and 300,000 each.

New York, under the act of consolidation which became effective January 1, 1898, has grown to be a city of very nearly 3,500,000 inhabitants in 1900.

In New Jersey.

Jersey City, N. J., Oct. 27.—The first day of Mr. Bryan's tour of New Jersey which closed here with six meetings Thursday, may be described as a mad rush. From the time he entered Washington park, opposite Philadelphia, until he closed his last meeting here, he had made fifteen speeches. The average of their duration was greater than usual. He spoke in succession at Washington park, Riverside, Burlington, Trenton (twice), Princeton junction, New Brunswick, Elizabeth, Marion and Jersey City (six times).

Immense Figs.

Corsicana, Tex., Oct. 27.—Dr. W. J. W. Kerr of this city Thursday morning showed to some parties a fig of the yellow variety, grown on his place in West Corsicana, that by actual measurement was over eight inches in circumference and perfect in shape and quality. The bush from which this specimen was taken, Dr. Kerr says is loaded with fruit, and he has gathered from it quite a number of figs that measured seven inches in circumference.

Striking mill hands at Valley Field, Canada, had a fight with militia. Fifteen men were injured and one killed.

Caused by a Negro.

Kosse, Tex., Oct. 27.—Mrs. Tyler, a widow, and her two little children were coming to town in a buggy, and when about three miles from town a black negro ordered her to halt, and inquired of her how far it was to town, coming in between the wheels of the buggy to talk to her. She became frightened and drove furiously hard toward town. A man coming on behind her took the negro in his buggy, and had not gone far before he met another man on horseback, who told him the negro had insulted the lady in the buggy. The negro jumped from the buggy and ran through a wire fence, the men being unarmed, did not follow him, but came to town as fast as they could and gave the alarm. A young man named Wes Alston, being on horseback, gave pursuit. He found the negro about a half a mile east of town and ordered him to halt. The negro opened fire on Alston, shooting him through the jaw and arm, breaking both. Alston was immediately brought to town, and twenty-five men started in pursuit with guns and dogs. The negro was caught at Denny Switch, three miles south of town. This all occurred in three hours.

Threats of lynching were heard on the streets. The deputy sheriff in charge became alarmed, and at dark, with several officers, unlocked the calaboose to take the negro to a freight train in waiting to Groesbeck. On opening the door the negro made a dash for liberty, knocking down the deputy sheriff and running at full speed. A dozen shots were fired and the negro was brought to the ground, his leg and arm being broken. Sheriff Gresham took him to Groesbeck.

Young Alston is badly hurt.

Wheeler to Speak.

Decatur, Ala., Oct. 27.—H. A. Skaggs, chairman of the eighth district Democratic committee, received a letter from Gen. Jo Wheeler, in which the latter makes a promise to speak at Gurley, Madison county, Hardsell, Morgan county; Leighton, Colbert county, and Huntsville, Madison county, for the Democratic nominee for congress, Judge William Richardson.

Gen. Wheeler at the same time enclosed a contribution for the campaign fund.

By implication the Wheeler letter denies that Gen. Wheeler stands with the Republican party as recently stated by Gov. Roosevelt.

Safe Robbed.

Terrell, Tex., Oct. 27.—The post-office at Poetry, eight miles north of here, was blown open Wednesday night by robbers and \$87 taken from it. Postmaster F. P. Yates was here Thursday, and stated that the store in which the safe was located had been broken into, that a hole had been drilled into the safe through the top and powder from a can already in the store had been poured into the safe. The safe was demolished.

For Country Ladies.

Greenville, Tex., Oct. 27.—The ladies have rented a room on North Stonewall street, which they will fit up as a reception room for the wives and daughters of farmers while they are waiting in town. It will be fitted up with chairs, toilet articles and will be used for the visitors in which to eat their lunches and rest.

Debs' Dire Prophecy.

Philadelphia, Pa., Oct. 27.—Eugene V. Debs, candidate for the presidency on the Social Democratic ticket, was the principal speaker at a mass meeting Thursday night under the auspices of the Social Democrats. He said in part:

"I want to tell you that whether McKinley or Bryan is elected, a panic greater than this country has ever known is coming."

Secretary Root will continue to use the military transports.

It is claimed a rice pool is to be formed.

QUINTETTE QUERY.

Question in Five Divisions is Propounded to Nebraskan

AT METROPOLIS OF DELAWARE,

Which He Takes Up Seriatim, and Says What Action He Would Pursue if Presented Officially.

Wilmington, Del., Oct. 26.—Mr. Bryan answered a question in five parts thus:

As a reply to the first question of acceptance, saying:

"I stated that if elected president I would immediately convene congress in extraordinary session and would ask congress to declare the nation's policy to be to establish a stable government in the Philippines, as we are now establishing a stable government in Cuba; to declare our purpose to give independence to the Filipinos as we have promised to give independence to the Cubans; to declare our purpose to give protection to the Filipinos as we have promised to give protection to the Cubans; and have for seventy-five years given protection to the republics of Central and South America."

On the second question he said:

"No one has attempted to fix the number of hours or weeks or months necessary, but I will say that I believe that we could establish a stable government in the Philippine islands in less time than the Republican party has established one in Cuba, and I think that I can promise you that our officials would not embezzle as Republican officials have embezzled Cuban money."

To the third question he answered that in his speech of acceptance it was proposed to give the Filipinos independence as soon as their stable government is established. He said: "The phrase 'And as soon' means 'immediately' in our language. I do not know what it means in Republican."

Answering the fourth question, he said:

"If the questioner had read my speech he would have seen that there was no limit on the protectorate and we believe that this nation can assert the doctrine that when this nation helps a republic to stand upon its feet, the ground whereon it stands is holy ground, and that no king shall ever set his foot on it."

On the fifth question, relative to paying the obligations of this government in silver or gold if elected president, he said:

"I want the Republicans who want that [question answered] to first find out what the law requires and then I want them to know that if elected president I will enforce that law just as I will enforce the law against trusts and put striped clothes on big thieves as well as little thieves. But if you ask me to construe a Republican law, I will reply that I shall not construe a law until it becomes my duty to enforce it."

Severe Hail Storm.

Colorado, Tex., Oct. 26.—Reports have reached here of a very severe hailstorm in Garza county, north of here. The grass on about thirty-six sections of land has been entirely destroyed in the Square and Compass Cattle company's pasture, and many antelope were killed. No cattle were on the range at the time, that portion of the pasture having been reserved for winter.

A freighter named Brown was caught in it and had one horse killed and another badly crippled, so much so as to render it permanently useless.

Heavy rain accompanied the hailstorm, and the large tank owned by C. C. Slaughter, adjoining the Square and Compass pasture, was entirely swept away.

Many Notables Present.

Washington, Oct. 26.—In the capital of the nation, where his life work had been accepted, there gathered Wednesday representatives of every government department and the representatives of many foreign powers to pay homage to John Sherman. The funeral services were held at the Sherman home, where the aged statesman had spent the greater part of the past seven years, and where a few weeks ago he had come with the full knowledge of his approaching end, to set his earthly affairs in order.

The massive black casket rested on a black-draped catafalque in the parlor. The air was heavy with the scent of roses, orchids and hot-house flowers that had come from all quarters as a final testimonial of affection and respect. President McKinley, who had left Washington the night after Mr. Sherman's death, was represented by Secretary Hay, who was one of the honorary pall-bearers.

From the white house conservatories there was sent a heavy wreath of white roses and orchids. The British legation is still closed, but Lord Pauncefote sent a heavy wreath of white roses.

It was a notable gathering that filled the hallway and parlors of the residence—the most representative, perhaps, at any funeral here since the burial of Gen. Lawton last spring.

The services were simple. They began at 1 p. m., and were conducted by Rev. Alexander Mackay Smith, pastor of St. John's Episcopal church, assisted by Rev. E. M. Paddock, assistant rector.

In accordance with Episcopal usage, there was no funeral address, and after a brief prayer the choir chanted the anthem, "Lord, let me know my end and the number of my days."

The remains were forwarded to Mansfield, O., for burial.

Piper Protests.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 26.—Wm. H. Piper on behalf of the Zion church sent a telegram to President McKinley and Gov. Nash of Ohio, protesting against the treatment of the representatives of the denomination at Mansfield, O., and appealing for protection.

Mr. Piper says in the telegram that these ministers have not broken a single statute of the state, and that the right to preach the gospel of Jesus Christ is vouchsafed them by the laws of Ohio and the constitution of the United States.

Roosevelt at Rochester.

Rome, N. Y., Oct. 26.—The Roosevelt train was greeted at Canastota by the largest crowd of the day.

At Rome a laugo crown gathered in the public square and the governor addressed them from the balcony, to which he was driven from the train. Two crowds of small boys followed his carriage, those on one side shouting "Hurrah for Bryan," while those on the other side tried to drown their cheers with cheers for McKinley.

Nineteen Speeches.

Wilmington, Del., Oct. 26.—Mr. Bryan made two speeches in this city Wednesday night, after having made seventeen other addresses during the day. Beginning at St. Michaels on the eastern shore of Maryland, he spoke at Easton, Preston, Murdock, Vienna, Salisbury, Berlin, all of which places are in Maryland, and at Frankfort, Georgetown, Milford, Harrison, Dover, Clayton, Middleton, Kirkwood and Newcastle in Delaware.

Bill Signed.

Frankfort, Ky., Oct. 26.—Gov. Beckham has approved the non-partisan election bill passed at the extra session of the legislature which adjourned Monday.

All American troops included in the order of evacuation have left Peking.

Austria-Hungary has assented to the Anglo-German alliance.

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To the Voters of Scurry County.

I have recently learned that my opponent, or his friends, are trying to leave the impression that I am out of the race for District Attorney, and in this behalf desire to say that it is not now nor has it ever been my intention to abandon the race, and respectfully ask the people to give no credence to any statements that are, or may be circulated with regard to my having abandoned the race. I am in the race to a finish, and heartily ask the support of the people of Scurry county.

Of course it will be impossible for me to visit all parts of the district, and your vote is asked and will be appreciated just as though I had made you a personal visit.

Yours Truly,
W. E. PONDER.

To the Voters of the 39th Judicial district.

I see by the card and circulars of Hon. W. E. Ponder of Fisher county that he is "a" candidate for the office of district attorney and he states, "that it is not now nor has it ever been my (his) intention to abandon the race;" that "there has been no district convention." In this connection we would respectfully say: Before I announced Mr. Ponder announced subject to the democratic party and when I announced for said office I did likewise. And on these announcements we both went before the different counties of the district. Mr. Ponder was instructed for from the counties of Fisher (his home) and Kent. I was instructed for by the counties of Haskell, Throckmorton, Stonewall and Scurry (my home) Hence I was the democratic nominee by the two-third rule. The district chairman resigned in August without calling a convention and in his stead another was not appointed till the 20th of October and he deemed it too late to call the convention because the tickets were either in the hands of the printer or would be printed before a convention could be held, and hence, notwithstanding my request to each of them to call a convention, there has been none yet called, and I hold and believe that legally and equitably I am the nominee of the democratic party.

Individually I do not think this a political office, but my opponent having made it one by announcement, I met that issue and now, feeling that I have met all my political obligations to the party to which I belong, I again most respectfully solicit the support of every voter of the district and promise them a faithful performance of the duties of such office if elected. Owing to the duties of the office requiring my time in the courts, I cannot call on you personally.

Respectfully,
A. C. WILMETH.

When A Child "Plays Hooky."

Children sometimes pretend to be ill to escape going to school. Feigning illness to escape duty is called in the army malingering and is always punished when detected. A child who habitually complains of headache just before school time should be put on a sofa in a darkened room, not permitted to read or look at pictures, and have a hot-water bag placed at his feet. If the ailment is real this is the best treatment for the early stages; if it is feigned the silence and solitude soon become so irksome that the culprit is glad to do anything to escape from them. Other affected pains should be treated as if they were real, and it should be distinctly understood in the family that the child who is too ill to go to school, and learn his lessons, is too ill to be out of bed. If a child plays truant the lessons he loses should be made up at home in his play time, and the mother should take pains to see that this is done, so that he may find truancy unprofitable. He may be put to bed as soon as he returns home on the assumption that he must be ill, because nothing but illness should keep him from going to school.—November Ladies' Home Journal.

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W. A. Yates
Willford, Ark., writes: Have used Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine 10 years in my family. It has cured cases of Enlargement of Liver and Spleen, Bilious Fever, and cured my Wife of Nervous Headache. I find it far superior to "Zellin's Liver Regulator," also far ahead of "Black Draught."

Geo. W. Moody
San Antonio, Tex., writes: I am 70 years old past, and feel that my days have been lengthened by Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine, which cured me of Chronic Constipation of long standing. Have used it in my family 30 years for Biliousness, Sick Headaches, Kidney Troubles and Bowel Complaints. I took one dose of "Zellin's Liver Regulator," and some of the sticks in it lodged in my throat, causing me to vomit, and I took no more of it. I refer to any County Officer in Bandera County.

W. M. Simmons
Canton, Texas, writes: One Package Dr. M. A. Simmons' Liver Medicine cured me of Neuralgia and Palpitation of Heart. I tried Theford's Black Draught, and it did no good.

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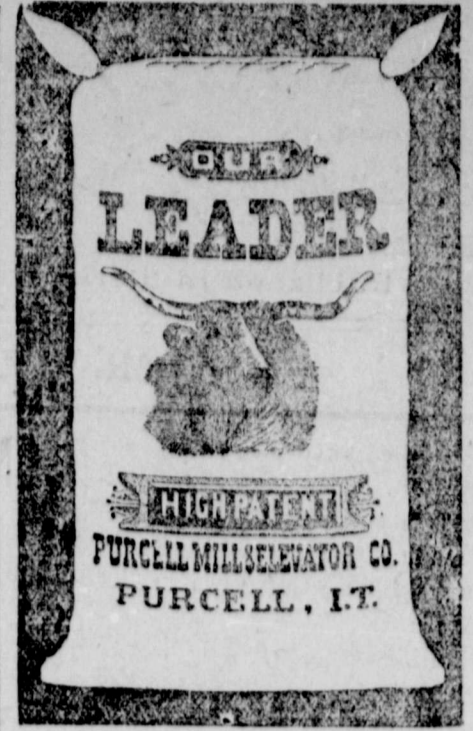
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BOUND FOR THE NORTH POLE.

Men often have talked of a one-man dash for the North Pole. There has just sailed from Hamburg a little vessel with a crew of six which will come nearer to this than has any Arctic expedition that ever started.

The boat is the little Matador, a common North sea fishing boat, with a register of forty-four tons. It depends wholly on sail power. Its owner and captain is Captain-Lieutenant von Bauendahl, and he intends to sail from Tromsøe within a few days with his crew of six men to begin his run for the North Pole.

His plan is to sail as far north as open water or channels through the ice

his monogram in one corner conclusively proved his ownership, and ever since he has been vainly trying to explain how it was that anyone so immaculate as he usually is should have possessed and tried to palm off so tattered a rag in place of a handkerchief.

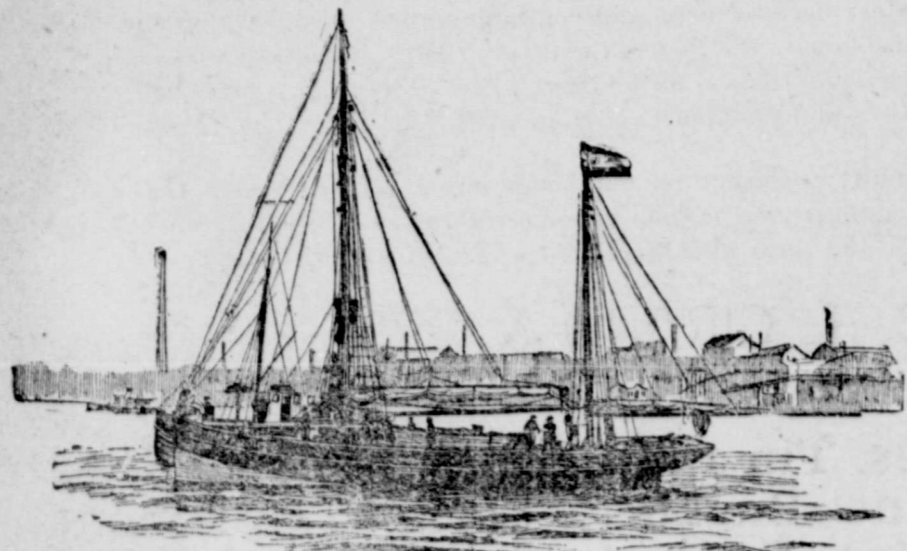
Love and War.

Last December, says a Chambersburg (Pa.) letter in the Baltimore Sun, Sadie Mae Kyle, a daughter of Justice of the Peace George S. Kyle of this place, wrote a letter to a soldier in Columbus, O. He enlisted to go to the Philippines, and Miss Kyle heard nothing from him. She has

Charles Russell (as he then was) said: "Gentlemen, I do not speak Scotch, but I vote Scotch." Tremendous applause followed, whereupon Sir Charles proceeded, "and I sometimes drink Scotch." With this his hold on the audience was secured. Although unrivaled in the art of cross-examination, on one occasion he was distinctly beaten by a witness. "What is your age?" he asked. "Is it my age you are asking?" replied the witness. "Yes, sir. Now, speak up and be exact." "And be exact! Well, of all the—" "The court does not desire to hear any comments of yours. Tell the court your age." "Well," said the man, "I celebrated my twelfth birthday last week." "Don't trifle with the court, and remember you are on oath." "It's quite true. I was born on Feb. 29, in leap year, and my birthday only comes once in four years."—London News.

Stealing a Steam Whistle.

A gentleman who has a steam mill in Waldo, Mass., purchased a large steam whistle, which he carried home and placed on his mill. A number of boys conceived the idea of stealing this whistle—"just for a lark," they said. The owner, hearing of their plan, remained in his mill all night. Sixty pounds of steam was kept up. About midnight the boys put in an appearance and climbed upon the roof of the building. Just as one applied a wrench to the whistle, Mr. Sanborn



will permit him to do. As soon as he meets a solid ice barrier he proposes to abandon the craft and force his way ahead with sleds. If he finds pack ice so thick that he cannot enter the water in the Arctic circle he intends to leave his craft at the Seven Islands and press north in small boats.

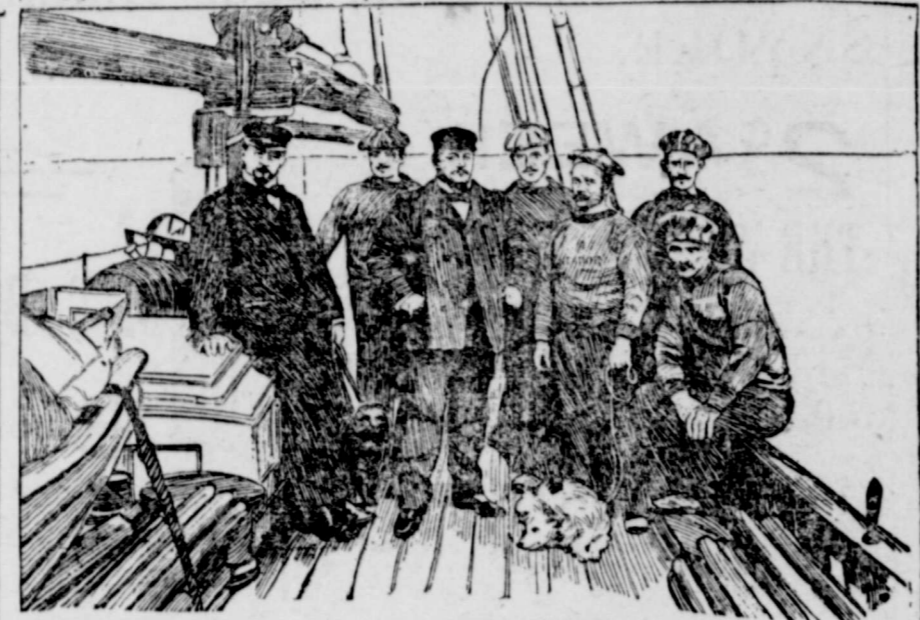
His plans for his return are to be guided by circumstances. He expects to take either the Franz Josef Land or the Greenland route, according to weather and ice conditions.

Despite the small size of his vessel he carries enough provisions and fuel for three years. All his cargo is packed in water-tight boxes, which are so constructed that they can be used either as rafts or boats at any moment. They have runners on the bottom, so that each box is a sled also.

Captain von Bauendahl has spent his entire fortune in preparation for the trip. He is 45 years old and has passed seventeen years at sea. He and his crew are enthusiastic and expressed themselves as confident that they would return with the secret of the pole in their possession. The departure of the little craft from Hamburg was made the occasion of a tremendous farewell manifestation.

Joe on Lieut. Gov. Woodruff.

Last winter in Albany a magician gave an entertainment. Prominent among those seated near the stage was Timothy L. Woodruff, lieutenant governor of New York. In one of his feats of legerdemain the magician required the use of a pocket handkerchief, and appealed to the audience to supply the needed article. Into his pocket the lieutenant governor thrust his hand, and when it came out again it was clutching the handkerchief, neatly folded and evidently fresh from the laundry. Smilingly Timothy L. as smilingly received it, while the audience, recognizing the leader, broke into applause. The prestidigitator took what "Chuck" Connors would term "the wipe" by one corner and shook it out, and as he did so Woodruff's face grew as long as it had previously been round. That wretched handkerchief was as full of holes as one of the legion compounds at Pekin. At first the lieutenant governor swore that a substitution had been made, but



just received a letter from Frank F. Geyer, a member of Company G, 28th regiment, United States Infantry, who is at his home in Reading, Pa., recovering from wounds received in battle near Manila. In the letter was a fragment of the missive sent by Miss Kyle to the Columbus soldier. Geyer states that the letter was taken from the pocket of a dead Filipino soldier who had been killed by the Americans. Accompanying the letter was a small American flag, stained with blood. It is presumed that the soldier was either captured or killed, and that the Filipino, who was afterward killed, rifled his pocket and found the young woman's letter, which in turn was recovered by Geyer and sent by him to Miss Kyle.

A Chief Justice's Jest.

One day, a legal correspondent writes, before the late lord chief justice took sick, he was sitting in court, when another barrister, leaning across the benches during the hearing of a trial for bigamy, whispered, "Russell, what's the extreme penalty for bigamy?" "Two mothers-in-law," instantly replied Russell. On one occasion Lord Russell went to help the Liberals in a certain campaign. He began his speech of set purpose with some very badly pronounced Scotch. After the confusion caused by his apparent blunder had subsided, Sir

opened the throttle wide and there went up into the stillness of the night such a screech as was never before heard in Waldo. People jumped from their beds in a fright and wondered what was up. The boys tumbled off the roof of that mill as though shot, and departed as rapidly as their legs could carry them, while Mr. Sanborn fired a gun after them to hasten their retreat. The whistle is still on the mill.

About Slate Pencils.

Slate pencils were formerly all cut from slate just as it is dug from the earth. Pencils so made were objected to on account of the grit which they contained. To overcome this difficulty a scientific man devised an ingenious process by which the slate is ground to a very fine powder, all grit and foreign substances removed, and the powder bolted through silk much in the same manner as flour is bolted. The powder is then made into a dough and this dough is subjected to a heavy hydraulic pressure, which presses the pencils out in the required shape and diameter, but in lengths of about three feet. While yet soft the pencils are cut into the desired lengths and set out to dry in the open air. After they are thoroughly dry the pencils are placed in steam baking kilns, where they receive the proper temper.

TRIOLETS OF DISCRETION.

She drew her little hand away
And, putting, warned me "not to tease."
Was it in truth, or just in play,
She drew her little hand away,
That rare and radiant summer day,
When we sat side by side at ease?
She drew her little hand away,
And, putting, warned me not to tease.

He drew his little hand away
And scanned it with inquiring eyes;
Remarking, "It takes five to stay."
He drew his little hand away
And left me guessing how to play,
The while I stared in awed surprise.
He drew his little hand away,
And scanned it with inquiring eyes.

"Two bluffs, were those," perhaps you'll say;
I didn't clearly see my way.
"Two bluffs, were those," perhaps you'll say;
But if they weren't—I must betray.
A shrinking from the "marble fall."
"Two bluffs, were those," perhaps you'll say;
I thought so, too, but didn't "call."
—John Pengrave.
Chicago, July 2, 1900.

At the Wedding Breakfast.

BY BERTHA BOGUE.

(Copyrighted, 1900, Daily Story Pub. Co.)
Marion Evans had known Elizabeth Stanton but slightly at school and had moreover considered her most unattractive. On meeting her in the city where she had come for a few days' shopping, she was most surprised to find her looking positively pretty. The cause she learned at once: Elizabeth was happy, and happiness, Marion had read, is a great beautifier. Elizabeth was to be married in a few days and she did hope that Marion would be in town long enough to go to her wedding. Wouldn't she come to the breakfast? Only a few intimate friends and relatives? As Marion thanked her she smiled inwardly at the absurdity of even considering the invitation. Hadn't she always been bored by receptions and teas? Truly a wedding breakfast was somewhat different, but when everyone would be a perfect stranger what possible pleasure could there be in it? "Another present," she thought. "If many more of my friends become so rash, I shall soon be a bankrupt."

Two days later when she had donned one of her new gowns, for which she had come to the city and was receiving the congratulations of her mother and sister in regard to its becoming qualities, a longing to display it overcame her, so she decided to keep it on and go to the wedding. When her cab reached the church door, streams of people were pouring out. "Very well then," thought Marion, "there is the breakfast, I am not too late for that," and her cab straightway proceeded to the house.

For the first time in her life she felt a trifle shy as she mingled with so many strangers in the dressing-room, where the ladies were removing wraps, and exclaiming in most intimate tones, "Didn't the bride look sweet?" "How well she carried herself!" "I can't imagine why Jessie Jones was the maid of honor." "Elizabeth and Eleanor have always been much more intimate." "But," explained an eager whisperer from a remote corner of the room, "he was once devoted to Eleanor and she, it seems, loved him not." "Oh! that explains it," exclaimed the others with a sigh of relief. "Hush, here comes Eleanor's mother!"

Marion went downstairs with the first arrivals, greeted the long line which composed the wedding party, and was wondering what was to become of her among so many strangers, when one of the bridesmaids introduced her to a young man, Marion, quick in forming likes and dislikes, decided at once that she liked him. He was broad-shouldered, erect, of medium height, with dark hair and deep gray eyes, which looked as if they could enjoy the humorous as well as appreciate the sad side of life. It was not long before they had established a bond of sympathy from the fact that they were both strangers in the city, and they also discovered many mutual acquaintances at Yale, where the young man had graduated a few years before.

They went out into the dining-room together, and in the course of the conversation, Marion learned that the young man had been born in India, his family lived in Connecticut, and he at present was located in a small town in Iowa, the home of the groom. All this was told with many interesting anecdotes, not to mention expressive glances, for Marion was a pretty girl, interested her greatly. She wished to know more about the young man. She even hoped that she might meet him again, somewhere, somehow. "And if you were born in India, your family live in the east, what are you doing in a small town in Iowa?" she queried.

"I will give you three guesses," he said, looking down at her gratified that she should want to talk about him.

"I am not a good guesser," exclaimed Marion.

"Well, try anyway."

"Oh—I guess you run a gambling house," she said irreverently.

"No."

"Well, perhaps you keep a boot-black establishment. I am sure that people in Iowa are most careful about keeping their shoes shined. I noticed the groom particularly as he came down the aisle. His shoes had a most beautiful finish."

"You were at the ceremony then? I rather imagined from your remarks that you were not."

"Why from my remarks?" questioned Marion. "I didn't know that I had mentioned the church or the wedding. Anyway you haven't told me whether you do keep Iowa's shoes well polished."

"No, I haven't that honor," he said smiling at her quizzically.

"Well, here is my last guess—perhaps you're a minister."

"Perhaps I am; what then?"

"Oh, but I know that you are not."

"I am though."

"Yes, of course, but please don't guy me, and tell me what you really do in that small town."

"Do? I do just what most ministers do. I look after my parishioners and I—"

"If you can't stop fooling," interrupted the girl, "we will talk of other things."

"If you are as fond of golf as you claim to be," said the young man abruptly, changing the subject, "and ever pass through my present abiding place, I can show you the finest links on which you have ever played."

"I suppose when you are not preaching you play golf?" interrogated the young woman sarcastically.

"That is just about it, at least I take it for recreation and—"

"Who is that distinguished looking old man?" interrupted Marion.

"That," said her friend, with a faint suspicion of a smile, "Oh, that is Mr. Miller, minister of one of the largest Unitarian churches in the city."

"Is there any man in this assemblage who isn't a minister?"

"Why yes, none of the other men present save Mr. Miller and myself. I assisted him in the ceremony this morning. You said that you were at the church I believe."

"No, I wasn't," answered Marion, becoming somewhat convinced, and speaking somewhat defiantly. "I arrived at the church too late, so I came directly here." She was about to question him further when shouts of "good-bye" resounded, and rice was thrown to speed the newly wedded couple. In the rush, Marion took pains



"Decided at once that she liked him."

to separate herself from her companion. She must find out if he were quizzing her. She applied to the bridesmaid who had introduced her as the quickest solution of the problem, and was informed that he was the young clergyman who had assisted at the ceremony, being a close friend of the groom. "And I accused him of running a gambling house," thought Marion desperately. "Shall I apologize? No, it was just as much his fault as mine. He didn't look nor talk like a minister. How could I know? I do like his looks, I wonder what he thinks of me." And with a shudder at her boldness, which now almost amounted to a sacrilege in her eyes, she hastily bade the bridal party adieu.

When she came down with her wraps on, she saw the young man gazing at her with a smile. "Why did you run away from me?" he queried.

"Because I consider that I have said unheard of things to a minister. It wasn't fair of you not to let me know in the beginning."

"But I supposed that you did know. You see I was conceited enough to think that everyone at the church saw me as well as the bride. I didn't know that you were not at the church. You remembered the groom's shoes so perfectly."

"She colored slightly." "Did you ever hear the story?" he continued, "of the mother with five sons all of whom she wished to be ministers? Four of them obeyed her wishes, but the fifth informed her that he could not comply with her request. 'Why not,' asked the irate parent. 'Because I am not good enough.' Answered the son. 'Then be a Unitarian minister,' ordered the mother. Now,

Miss Evans, I am a Unitarian minister, so won't you please forgive me and let me see you to your carriage?"

She bowed assent and looked at him.

"I like that story and your way of helping me out of my difficulty," she said. "It really makes me feel less guilty, though why I don't know."

"But I don't want you to feel less guilty, in fact I hope you realize that you have committed such an unpardonable sin, that it ought to be discussed by us at length."

"That is impossible unless we could find time tomorrow afternoon," said the girl archly. "I leave the next night, you know."

"Well then, if I may I will call tomorrow afternoon and discuss your sins with you."

"I shall be more than glad to do penance," she said as she drew a card from a dainty case and handed it to him.

Their eyes met. "Until tomorrow then," he answered. She looked back as her cab drove off. He was still standing there. "I wonder"—she caught herself saying aloud, "but I'll see him tomorrow."

THE SLAVE-TRADE.

Inhuman Manner in Which Slaves Were

Carried in the Old Ships.

In the larger ships the space between the top of the cargo and the under side of the deck was sometimes as much as five feet. To devote all that space to air was, in the mind of the thrifty slaver, sheer waste. So he built a shelf or gallery six feet wide all the way around the ship's hold, between the deck and the slave floor that was laid on top of the cargo. On this shelf was placed another layer of slaves, thus increasing the number carried by nearly 50 per cent. The crowding in the big ships, having two decks regularly, was still worse, for a slave-deck was built clear across between these two, and the galleries or shelves were built both under and above the slave-deck. There were ships where four layers of slaves were placed thus between permanent decks that were only eight feet apart, and there are records of cases where smaller ships—ships having but three feet or so of space between cargo and deck—were fitted with galleries, so that the slaves stretched on their backs had but a foot or less of air-space between their faces and the deck or the next layer above them. To increase the number carried, when stretched out on deck or shelf, the slaves were sometimes placed on their sides, breast to back—"spoon fashion," as the slavers call it—and this made room for a considerable per cent extra. However, in the eighteenth century the usual practice was to place them on their backs, and to allow about two and a half feet of air space above the face of the slave, and in this way cargoes of over three hundred were carried.—From "The Slave Trade in America," by John S. Spears, in the September Scribner's.

Red-Hot Initiation.

It is no matter of fact riding-the-goat ceremony with which an Irishman is converted into an Orangeman, according to the experience of Mr. James Warke of Limavady, County Kerry. Warke, a farm servant, summoned his employer and three other men for assaulting him. Warke says the defendants told him they would make him an Orangeman, and that they tied his legs together, put a cloth over his eyes and branded him with red-hot tongs. This was his initiation. Two days later there was a further ceremony, in the course of which the defendants stripped him naked, fastened his feet together with one rope, suspended him from a beam with another rope passed round his waist and then swung him backwards and forwards, while they stung him with nettles and pricked him with pins, a process which was continued till he fainted. The defendants escaped with fines of \$10 each and costs.

Royal Wedding Gifts.

Queen Victoria's presents to Princess Maria of Hanover, who was married recently to Prince William of Baden, includes a magnificent silver tea service, some crown Derby china, an Indian shawl and a collection of photographs in a valuable case. The prince of Wales sent a butterfly in diamonds, and the duke of York and his sisters gave their cousin a large silver basket and four small ones. Princess Marie is said to have received nearly 1,000 presents, including a superb set of jewels from the Emperor Francis Joseph, and a valuable plate from the emperor and empress of Russia.

Man Never... Without Beer.

Nineteen Centuries Before Christ the Making of Beer Was Taught...

When the Romans first invaded Germany they found that the beverage of the people was a liquor produced from barley. But that was at a time comparatively modern. From the earliest times in every clime man has had resort to some stimulating and exhilarating beverages prepared by fermenting the juices and extracts from fruits, grain or plants. It is said that Osiris as early as 1960 B. C. taught the process of extracting the juice from barley and fermenting it, while the Greeks learned how to brew and ferment from the Egyptians, who, 300 B. C., had established a number of manufactories at Pelusium on the Nile. Xenophon, 400 B. C., refers to a fermented drink from barley, and it is alluded to by Aristotle, Strabo and others under the name of *zythos*. Pliny mentions a kind of beer called "cerevisia," and Euenemes in A. D. 296 says that Britain produced such an abundance of corn that it was sufficient to supply not only bread, but a liquid comparable with wine. In the seventh century beer had become so general a beverage in England that Ina, king of Wessex, levied a tax to be paid in ale, and early in the fifteenth century a brewer's company was formed in London. Up to the sixteenth century English beer was very poor, only flavored with broom, bay berries and ivy berries, but in 1543 the cultivation of the hop plant was begun in England, and from that time a great change was made in the quality of the beer manufactured. In 1610 the first brewery was established at Burton-on-Trent, and by the end of the seventeenth century beer had become the national drink.

RIVER HORSE RACING ON THE SPREE



Berlin, which calls itself the Athens on the Spree, has curious ways of enjoying itself on that famous, although muddy, river. The picture shows one of the most curious of those curious ways. The Berliners call it a "river-horse race." Citizens of substance and dignity do not hesitate to enter the contest, which draws great crowds to the river's brink. The river horses are barrels with carved horses' necks

and heads on them, and the contestants find their steeds sadly fractious and unwieldy, with propensities for throwing their riders that are not surpassed by the most bucking of bucking bronchos. They love to roll over in the water, and so unhorse their daring riders, and he is an excellent and fortunate jockey, indeed, that does not get more swimming than is found in ordinary horse races. But if the

riding is hard, one point in its favor is that no turf scandals smirch the sport. There is no case on record of a jockey having "pulled" his steed, and "ringers" are equally unknown. The starter has a wet time of it, but to make up for that he knows that none of the horses that has entered has been drugged. No poolrooms do any business with the river-horse races.

LOCAL NOTES.

Sow wheat; seed at Pruitt's.

Dr. A. G. Person's office is at Dodson & Wasson's.

On Thursday of last week Jeff Justice sold to Bud Lynn, of Garza county, 30 fat beef steers at \$30 around.

The Snyder Bank, established 1890. General banking business.

Collar pads, 4 books, and reversibles, at Wellborn's 30 cents.

A marriage license was issued on Thursday of last week to Mr. George Cochran and Miss Parks, of this county.

Cotton Pickers Knee Pads at Wellborn's. St.

Buggy tops complete at Wellborn's.

W. W. Nelson and family have moved to town for the benefit of our school and are occupying the Girard cottage.

Red Russian seed wheat 60 cts. per bushel; Pruitt Bros. or Neal Douglass.

A choice line of reading matter, stationery and novelties can be found at Nichols' Book Store.

Joe Reddell says that while his new house, in West Snyder, is not completed he has moved into it and is now "at home."

Navajo blankets at Wellborn's 60 cents a pound. 9 20 St.

While settling with others please do not forget your best friends, DODSON & WASSON.

G. W. Brown is moving into his residence, recently vacated by Joe Reddell, in order that his children may be closer to school.

Get your seed wheat from Neal Douglass or Tom Pruitt; price 60 cents per bushel.

Bring your hides and furs to Thomas Lockwood, north side of square, who pays the highest price for them.

W. T. Maury has torn away the ware room on the south of his store building, thus adding much light to his establishment.

All persons indebted to the old firm of The Big Cash Store are requested to settle with L. D. Grantham.

B. L. Cooper of Colorado makes a specialty of fine watch repairing. Work guaranteed and prices reasonable.

E. K. Smith's 8-year old boy, Albert, is doing well at school. He says every time his class is called he scores a head-mark. Albert is the class.

Doss Bros., of Colorado, wholesale druggists, will give you the very lowest prices on anything in their line and solicit your patronage.

Nelson & Nation sent 100 bales of cotton to Colorado yesterday and I. H. Nelson is in that city today, superintending the shipment thereof.

Dodson & Wasson have just opened up a new lot of furniture and have more that has never been unwrapped. Call and they will give you good deals.

A. R. Polnac of Wheat was a pleasant caller at this office Monday and in future will read this great moral and tolerably religious journal.

All parties knowing themselves indebted to us will kindly settle by Nov. 1. We have a large note to pay them and must have money. STRAYHORN BROS.

There will be some very busy men in Snyder next Tuesday but more than half of them will be ready to "go fishing" Wednesday.

Our county candidates have been very busy this week seeing "the dear people" and attending public speakings at various voting boxes.

The reason Will Davis, foreman at the Light office, wears such a pleasant smile nowadays is the arrival of a girl baby at his house on last Tuesday night.

I now have full charge of the Jeff Byrd Barber Shop. I thank the public for their past patronage and would be pleased for a continuance of the same. MATTHEW LOONEY.

T. F. Baker is in Colorado and will be home Friday or Saturday. He will begin the construction of the local telephone exchange as soon as the material arrives.

Charles Deadwiley, who was stabbed some three weeks ago and has been under treatment of the doctors at the Sanitarium, was taken to his home in the country Monday.

WILSON & GRANTHAM North side square—P. O. SNYDER, TEXAS. Dealers In Staple - and - Fancy - Groceries. Freshest and Purest Groceries always on hand. Free Delivery. Highest price paid for country produce.

George Kidd has purchased the building on the west side known as the Nation building and the band boys will erect their stage in it and give a musical concert probably next Tuesday night.

The "Honest John Truss" is fitted to the person, before leaving the office, and guaranteed to hold your rapture, and give satisfaction. DODSON & WASSON.

Boreas swept down on this country Tuesday night and caused many to think of stoves and the coal man. The drop in the temperature was more than 20 degrees.

When in Colorado go to Fred and Sam Laskey's, in the Lasker block, for your meals and short orders. Everything first class. Ice cream, soft drinks and cigars in connection.

Will Dunn and Miss Bessie White were married at the residence of the bride's parents, near Dunn, on Wednesday evening, Oct. 24, Rev. J. J. F. Lockhart officiating.

Dr. Helmkamp, who is here from Alton, Ill., for the benefit of his health, is improving rapidly and is spending part of this week in the country. He is contemplating locating at Clairmont to practice his profession.

Walter Adamson, who came up from Colorado Saturday to help us with our rush of job work, returned to Colorado yesterday having been offered a permanent position on The West Texas Stockman.

Our meat market, conducted by Mr. C. Johnson, would be a credit to any town in Texas. He keeps a fresh supply of excellent beef and an ample quantity. This is not a paid local, but what we deem a deserved compliment.

The band boys have received three new pieces of music this week and are putting in good time practicing them. They will soon have a large lot of selections and will be one of the best bands in this section if they keep up the present interest.

Mr. W. T. Mallin, the baritone virtuoso of Colorado, was here last Thursday and Friday and was an appreciated visitor at the band room on Thursday night. He presented the band with a beautiful piece of music, for which a vote of thanks was extended.

Notice.

Forty pigs for sale. Come, come! J. B. AKERS.

Buggy Whips.

Rawhide from end to end 50cts at Wellborn's 4t

Look Out!

We are selling a high grade Kentucky Whiskey, full quarts, bottled by ourselves, for \$1.00 per bottle.

A. R. EARNST, "Are Light Saloon." Colorado, Texas.

Look Out For Bargains.

Wellborn & Son has bought the largest stock of saddles, ladies, gents and boys. Also harness and harness hardware and many new goods have been ordered to our stock. Call and look, no trouble to show goods. Mr. Willie Wellborn will take pride in waiting on you.

Take a dollar bill and fold it several times each way. Then unfold it and you will find it increases. Keep the increase and send the original bill to the printer who put you onto the scheme. Then take a silver dollar and drop it on the counter and notice the ring it makes. Send the ring to your best girl and the dollar to the printer and he will write you a nice marriage notice or obituary as the case may be and send you the paper for three months.—Big Springs Daily Venture.

Read The Coming West and be happy.

Can You Aid.

"Whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do with thy might." What a world of thought and beauty is expressed in those few words. There plainly is a command for us to labor and not to be idle. The hand is seeking to obey the order of the soul or mind of the being acting. Not only is it seeking, but it is seeking diligently, earnestly, perseveringly. Using eyes and ears, hand and feet, touch and taste, in short all the wondrous faculties of the soul, sense, imagination, reason, will, till it findeth that sought for.

When found these same powers are all called upon to carry the work to completion. It must not be slighted, it must not be half done and turned over to another. Satisfaction comes only when we labor with all our might.

The quotation above is one of our school mottoes. And parents, as teachers, we are striving daily to train your boy, your girl to do as I have indicated one must do to succeed? Do you want your boy or girl to make rapid progress? If so help us. See that your children study at night. Don't be satisfied with thinking that they do, but look after it personally. Do not, for their own good, permit them to attend parties and social gatherings during the school week. They invariably bring poor lessons when they go. This puts them behind. This makes more work for the teacher. This retards the class. They are supposed to have all they can do with their best efforts. If they have, how can they spend 3 or 4 hours socially and still come to school, and do with their might what their hands find to do? I make no war on the social circle. But I do condemn in school boys and girls this habit of wasting time or permitting pleasures to interfere with school duties. Remember there is a time for everything, and at the proper time I could heartily sanction the meeting of the young in pleasant converse and feel that it was wholesome. Parents, I urge you, look carefully to this matter. It is important. Help us that we may help yours.

Respectfully, B. W. Hudgins.

Be On The Lookout.

New harness goods will be in soon. Harness and oak sole leather, at Wellborn's 4t.

TREASURY DEPARTMENT,

Office of Comptroller of the Currency.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 19, 1900.

WHEREAS, by satisfactory evidence presented to the undersigned, it has been made to appear that "The First National Bank of Snyder," in the Town of Snyder, in the County of Scurry, and State of Texas, has complied with all the provisions of the statutes of the United States, required to be complied with before an association shall be authorized to commence the business of Banking;

NOW THEREFORE I, Thomas P. Kane, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency, do hereby certify that "The First National Bank of Snyder," in the Town of Snyder, in the County of Scurry, and state of Texas, is authorized to commence the business of Banking as provided in Section Fifty one hundred and sixty nine of the Revised Statutes of the United States.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF witness my hand and seal of office this nineteenth day of Sept., 1900.

[L. S.] T. P. KANE, Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

No. 5580.

We Need Money.

All parties due us either by note or account are requested to call and settle at once. E T. PRUITT.

WANTED—active man of good character to deliver and collect in Texas for old established manufacturing wholesale house. \$800 a year sure pay. Honestly more than experience required. Our references, any bank in any city. Enclose self-addressed stamped envelope. Manufacturers, Third Floor 384 Dearborn St., Chicago.

HENRY & AUCUTT

The Only One Price Spot Cash House in Snyder.

Remember we lead in low prices and we have but one price marked in plain figures and your 10-year-old child gets same prices you do. We do a legitimate, straight forward business with all alike. We don't charge one man, because he don't know the value of goods, \$3 for a hat and then charge next customer, because he is better posted on prices, \$2 for same article. Through our Mr. A. S. Henry, who represents one of the largest and richest Dry Goods Firms in the South, we get special prices and many bargains others cannot possibly get and we always give our customers advantage of our close purchases.

We are now offering a large line of sample shoes, hats, suspenders, neckwear and other items at wholesale prices. Our Mr. Henry is half owner in a large dry goods store in Middle Texas, which puts him in position to buy in a large way on many articles and divide same between the two houses and we are surprised ourselves at the bargains he secures for our Snyder house; he verifies the maxim that goods well bought are half sold.

It is an accepted fact throughout the community that Henry & Aucutt have, since their short existence, saved this community at least 25 per cent on their dry goods. We ask your trade on basis of low and uniform prices. Don't consider us personally, but look at our goods and prices and when you do this we are satisfied—we offer no individual no special inducements to trade with us, but offer special inducements to everybody to buy from us.

JUST LOOK! JUST LOOK!!

Prints, 30 Yards for \$1. Bleached Domestic 4x4 5 cts. a yd. Cotton Checks 40 yds, \$1. Brown Domestic 4x4 5 cts. Oil Grain Plow Shoes 88 cts. Men's Under shirts 50 cts. (Compare it with regular \$1.50 Shoes.) (Compare it with others for 65 to 75 cts.)

In short we are here to stay and we expect to gain a large trade on the basis of saving our people money on their entire line of Dry Goods. Some of our competitors will cut prices on some things to try to prove to you we are not the Cheapest House, but we are The Only Low Priced, One Priced, Cash Price House in this Section and we claim your trade only on basis of saving you money

COME AND SEE US.

HENRY & AUCUTT.

F. M. BURNS.

BROOKS BELL.

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DRY GOODS, GROCERIES AND HARDWARE.

We carry the Largest and Best Selected Stock in each of these lines to be found in West Texas occupying two large buildings. We buy our goods in the leading markets of the east for spot cash in large quantities, and this enables us to offer the very best inducements to the trade. This season our stock is more complete than usual, and we are offering rare bargains in every line.

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SNYDER, TEXAS.

Almost the entire family of W. H. Wellborn have been sick recently, but are now convalescing.

The annual conference of the Methodist Church South will convene at Georgetown on Nov. 13.

Charlie Trimble and wife are the proud parents of a baby boy who came to gladden their hearts on last Tuesday night.

The Woodmen of the World here will have a banquet for the members and their families on Thanksgiving night.

While here last week looking after business matters A. S. Henry bought Dr. A. C. Leslie's large buggy team, which he will use on the road.

Prof F. H. Bowron, our efficient band teacher, is prepared to give instructions on the banjo, guitar, mandolin and violin, at your home. Watch for his ad next week.

I have several copies of "The Texas Glide" waltz, for piano. This is one of the best easy waltzes in print and is just out; the composer sending the copies direct from the press. I will sell what I have of 25 cents a copy to introduce it. FRANK H. BOWRON.

When You Spend Your Hard Earned Money

You should get Good goods for it. To get the worth of your money you buy goods that have a reputation, such as Cowboy Pants, California Suits, Busby's double welt Buck Gloves, Beaver Hats, Desnoyer Shoes and Boots, Union League Shirts, Knoxall and California Duck Pants. A. D. Dodson is agent for all these goods above mentioned, that have a world-wide reputation for being durable, neat and pleasant to wear, and worth every cent you give for them. There is as much difference in goods as people, and you prefer your associates to be first-class and up-to-date, then

GO TO A. D. DODSON

And get goods that are bought right and sold to you at Honest Prices. A. D. Dodson pays cash for his goods and the volume of business he does makes it easier for him to sell for less margin than those who do less business.

The Millinery Goods, Dress Goods, Ladies and Gents Furnishings are all complete and ready for your inspection.

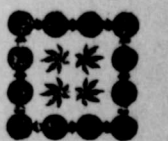
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REPLY TO FRANCE.

Substance of What Has Been Sent that Government.

UNCLE SAM IS IN FULL ACCORD

With that European Republic in Endeavoring to Bring About Peace in the Flowery Kingdom.

Washington, Oct. 24.—The state department made public the correspondence which has taken place between itself and the French government since the original French note respecting China, which laid down the terms suggested by France as a basis of negotiations for a settlement.

The substance of the United States reply is as follows:

The Secretary of State to the French Charge d'Affairs: (Sent to M. Thiebaut Oct. 19, 1900). (Memorandum in response to the memorandum in regard to the basis and conduct of negotiations for a settlement of pending questions between powers and China, delivered to the secretary of state by the French charge d'affairs, Oct. 17, 1900).

The government of the United States is grateful to learn that all the interested powers have adhered to the essential principles of the French note of October 14, and trusts that such reservations as they have suggested will, like those mentioned in the reply of the United States, prove no embarrassment to the progress of the negotiations, in the course of which they can be frankly discussed with a view to a common agreement.

Holding, as it does, in accord with the French government, that the essential thing now is to prove to the Chinese government that the powers are ready to meet in the path of peaceful negotiations and they are united in their repeatedly declared decision to respect the integrity of China and the independence of its government, while equally united in the resolve to obtain rightful satisfaction for the great wrongs they have suffered, this government had instructed its minister in Peking to concur in presenting the Chinese plenipotentiaries the points upon which we are agreed as the initial step toward negotiations and toward the re-establishment of the effect, power and authority of the imperial government. The government of the United States believes that the happy influence upon the determination of the Chinese emperor and of his government which the government of the French republic anticipates as the result of this step, would be still further induced if the powers were to include as part of their initial declaration a collective manifestation of their determination to preserve the territorial integrity and the administrative entirety of China, and to secure for the Chinese nation and for themselves the benefits of open and equal commercial intercourse between the Chinese empire and the world at large.

Sayers at Washington.

Washington, Oct. 24.—Governor Sayers is here working hard to expedite payment of claims of the business men of Texas against the United States government for furnishing supplies to the volunteers during the Spanish-American war. The governor met with much encouragement, and was assured by treasury officials that every facility will be afforded to expedite the auditing and payment of these claims.

Shortly after the election Gov. Sayers will send Adj. Gen. Scurry to Washington with the claims, and he will go over them with officials of the treasury department, taking note of every claim designated as valid and which the government will pay, and report to the governor. The governor will then pay immediately such claims out of the state fund provided by law.

Nearly All Raised.

San Angelo, Tex., Oct. 14.—San Angelo is getting up some of her old-time enthusiasm on the railroad question. Additional subscriptions to the amount of \$8000 were secured here for the bonus to the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railroad, which runs the total to \$74,000, or within \$1000 of the required amount. It may safely be said that the new road is an assured fact.

Killed Seven.

Lodi, Tex., Oct. 24.—At 7.30 Sunday morning a cyclone struck this place, killing seven people outright and perhaps fatally wounding three. The names of the dead are Lenora Glenn, her sister, Lulu Grigsby; Nellie McIntosh, Charley McIntosh, William McIntosh, Annie Grigsby and May Grigsby. The names of those fatally injured are George Glenn, Tobe Enuggs and John Henry Grigsby. All of them are colored. They lived together in a small house on Mrs. E. I. Joyner's farm. The wind struck it from the southwest and twisted it into kindling wood. So far as known no other house was destroyed nor was any one else seriously hurt. The wind blew the roof off D. W. Joyner's house and his baby was slightly hurt.

A phenomenon of the storm which has excited much curiosity is that a well on the place where the negroes were killed had the water taken from it by the wind. The well is twenty-five feet deep, and before the storm it had five feet of water in it. Since then there has been no water in the well. The bucket which hung in it was found 400 feet from the well.

In West Virginia.

Hinton, W. Va., Oct. 24.—The line of the Chesapeake and Ohio railway traversing the picturesque valleys of the Big Kanawha and the New rivers was the scene of Mr. Bryan's campaign Monday. Speeches were made at Huntington, Hurricane, St. Albans, Charleston, Brownstown, Westbank, Montgomery, Sewell, Thurmond and Hinton. The size of the audiences varied, but all of them were large in proportion to populations of towns and surrounding country.

Tribute to the Dead.

Chicago, Ill., Oct. 24.—Regarding the death of ex-Secretary John Sherman, Senator James K. Jones, chairman of the Democratic national committee, said:

"For years I regarded Mr. Sherman as the wisest Republican in public life. He was a man of great sagacity and foresight, and he impressed his personality as much upon the government for the last forty years as any other man who has been before the public."

Will Stamp Chicago.

Chicago, Oct. 24.—It is announced at county Democratic headquarters that two and possibly three days of next week will be spent by Bryan in Chicago, Thursday, Friday and possibly Saturday, of next week are the days designated and it is expected that Bryan will make several speeches each day.

May Soon End.

Hazleton, Pa., Oct. 14.—President Mitchell, in an interview Monday night, practically admitted that the anthracite coal miners' strike would end as soon as the operators posted a notice guaranteeing the payment of a 10 per cent advance in wages until April 1.

Hail from three to four feet deep fell in Scurry county, Texas.

Fifteen bodies were recovered at Galveston on the 22d.

The Russian press makes light of the Anglo-German alliance.

Jim Conner, colored, was killed by a train at Houston, Tex.

The United States will soon make response to Germany's peace proposals concerning China.

Secured Large Sum.

Marlin, Tex., Oct. 24.—The safe of Leuschner & Strauss was blown open at Perry and over \$1000 in cash taken. Perry is a small place on the Houston and Texas Central railway, about eight miles from here. The firm of Leuschner & Strauss is about the largest mercantile concern in the place. No arrests have as yet been made. The work was done in a bold manner.

Went Over.

Orange, Tex., Oct. 24.—The case of Alfred Bellar and others, charged with conspiracy to murder, was called in district court Monday, being set for trial that day, but did not go to trial and was reset for Nov. 8.

So many of the empires are required to attend court in this case as witnesses and jurors that every saw mill in Orange was idle Monday on this account.

LARGE IS AMOUNT

Note Teller of a New York Bank is Alleged

TO HAVE ILLEGALLY SECURED.

The Amount of the Defalcation, Experts Assert, Will be Seven Hundred Thousand Dollars.

New York, Oct. 25.—The note teller of the First National bank of this city is a fugitive and a defaulter to the extent of \$700,000.

The bank issued the following:

"The note teller, who has been in the employ of the First National bank for many years, is a defaulter for a large amount. His operations have continued for a considerable period and have been skillfully concealed a manipulation of his balance books. The discovery was made by one of the bank's employees a few days after the completion of an examination of the bank by the United States examiners. During the continuance of his speculations periodical examinations have been made by several distinct corps of examiners, representing the controllers department, with expert accountants, and the bank has also had frequent independent examinations, neither of which have developed any irregularities. The aggregate of the false entries, amounting to \$700,000, has been charged off on the books of the bank, out of the reserve fund, without diminishing the surplus and profits of the bank, as reported in the last published statement. It is expected that the shortage will be reduced by a substantial sum, of which there is fair prospect of recovery."

The teller had been with the bank for twenty years and was one of the most trusted men in the institution. His stealings extended over a long period, but no suspicion of the truth was known until ten days ago, when he sent word that he was ill at his home. After he had been away for a day or two the bank put experts at work and some irregularities were found. As the experts delved deeper and deeper into the teller's books, the extent of the robbery began to dawn on the officers, until they were overwhelmed to find that it had reached the enormous sum of \$700,000. Whether that sum is all they took is not yet known.

Never Said It.

Trenton, N. J., Oct. 25.—The Trenton True American quotes former President Cleveland as saying: "I am not aware of having made any statement that would justify the assertion that I am going to support Mr. McKinley."

Mr. Cleveland declined to make any statement regarding his position and the words quoted were made in response to a suggestion of the reporter that a recent letter of his reiterating his financial views of 1895 was being construed as meaning he intended to support Mr. McKinley in the present campaign.

A Kentucky Feud.

Lexington, Ky., Oct. 25.—Another feud has been opened at Manchester, the seat of Clay county. The war is between the Davidsons, backed by deputies under Sheriff Beverly White, and the Philpots, backed by the Bakkers and Maggs. Last night, in front of White's store, a dispute arose and the factions lined up. They sought refuge behind houses and trees, shooting promiscuously. David Davidson, the father of Felix Davidson, who was killed some weeks ago, fell with bullets through his chest, shoulder and legs. Jim Stamps was shot through the left arm and Morton Stubbs received a bullet in his left hip. Several others received slight injuries.

People of Juarez, Mex., are left destitute by the devastation of a waterspout.

Bailey Will Attend.

El Paso, Tex., Oct. 25.—M. W. Stanton, president of the Bryan club is in receipt of a letter from Joe W. Bailey, Democratic nominee for the United States senate from Texas, stating that he will be in El Paso to take part in the ratification of Bryan's election about the 10. Mr. Bailey does not state that there is any probability of the ratification not being pulled off.

Appeal for Aid.

Fort Worth, Tex., Oct. 25.—The following is part of an appeal for Democratic aid sent out by County Attorney James W. Swayne of this city:

"To the Democratic office-holders of the Democratic party in Texas: A great battle is now being fought in doubtful states between the Democracy and the Republicans.

The latter have all the money at their disposal they need. The protected industries of the country and the trusts feel that McKinley's administration has been and will be beneficial to them. As a consequence they give lavishly of their money they have squeezed from the people.

The Democrats now appeal to the patriotic Americans who believe in liberty, who believe in equal rights to all and special privileges to none, who believe in the constitution, the Declaration of Independence and the flag.

The committee at Chicago needs money to pay the actual expenses of the campaign. It needs money to pay the expenses of the speakers. It needs it at once.

I, therefore, as one of the office-holders of Tarrant county, feeling that the Democratic party has helped me personally and politically as it has helped every other Democratic office-holder in Texas—as it has helped every nominee for office in Texas—I appeal to every Democratic office-holder in this state to now come and help the Democracy of the nation.

We can in two days' time send to Chairman James K. Jones \$5000 and in a week much more if each of us will give \$10.

I, therefore, ask each county attorney in Texas to see the officers of their county and the nominees of the party who will be elected on Nov. 6 and have them send to the national executive committee \$10 each.

Any of us can give \$10. We ought to do so. We must do so.

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By His Own People.

Vicksburg, Miss., Oct. 25.—Glossier Barnes, colored, was lynched by a mob of his own people in the northern part of this county Monday night. In a drunken fury last Saturday night he murdered his wife, stabbed and badly wounded a negro who interfered, and engaged in a rifle duel with a white man who attempted to arrest him. Monday he was caught by a posse after a desperate fight, in which he was shot through the thigh and later lynched.

Imposing Rites.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 24.—With imposing rites the meeting of the American missionary council of the Protestant Episcopal church of the entire United States was formally opened. Tuesday morning at Christ Church cathedral by celebration of the holy communion. In the procession which followed the crucifer to the chancel were twenty-one bishops, while more than 100 clergymen attended.

First Thus Honored.

San Antonio, Tex., Oct. 25.—Mr. Edwin Chamberlain has returned home from Richmond, Va., where he went as a delegate to the National Bankers' association. Mr. Chamberlain visited New York for several days on his return trip and heard Gov. Sayers' address to the chamber of commerce and to the Merchants' association of that city.

When it was suggested that the chamber of commerce was not in the habit of inviting governors of states to appear before it, Mr. Chamberlain answered that he was informed this was the first time in the history of that organization that a governor or other state official had had such honor conferred upon him.

Marshal Clinton of Abilene, Tex., was seriously stabbed by a tramp.

Chicago's registration, including Cicero, is 402,833.

Mitchell's Statement.

Pottsville, Pa., Oct. 25.—At the miners' meeting Tuesday President Mitchell's statement was as follows: "I believe it will be but a few days when the operators will consent to post notices agreeing to pay the 10 per cent increase in wages until April 1. I believe that if you stand together the rest of this week, by Monday at the latest you can return to work with every point won that you struck for."

A Logical Sequence.

Frank H. Hill, who was for a long time the editor of the London Daily News, is well known for his sharp and subtle criticism, says a London correspondent. Among his acquaintances there was a young journalist who had made a mark by his clever literary essays, but who was also noted for his curious lack of scholarly culture. Hill once said to a man: "Do you know that our friend," whom he named, "is a great Greek scholar?" The man replied that he had never heard anything of the kind attributed to him, nor from his long knowledge of him had he the least suspicion that his culture took any such form. "Well, it is certain," said Hill, "that he was for many years at one of the universities; it is also certain that no one has ever been through the university without learning something, and as it is absolutely certain that he knows nothing else, it is clear that he must have devoted his time there to the study of Greek."

Married After Forty-four Years.

David R. Hosterman, of Springfield, O., and Miss Mary Herpst, of Oil City, Pa., have just been married. Forty-four years ago Miss Herpst was a girl, living at Shippenville, Pa., and Mr. Hosterman was a school teacher. The young couple became engaged. There was a quarrel, and they separated. He married, but death a few years ago left him a widower. Last spring Mr. Hosterman wrote to Postmaster McKim inquiring about the Herpst family. The latter was turned over to Miss Herpst, who replied, and the old attachment was renewed.

Martinetti's Latest Marital Deal.

People who saw Actress Carrie Radcliffe in the audience at the New York theater the other night wondered at the generous applause she bestowed on Ignacio Martinetti every time that comedian appeared. In view of the fact that they were married secretly last Monday, Miss Radcliffe's enthusiasm is excusable. This is Martinetti's third matrimonial venture. Prior to Miss Radcliffe, Flo Irwin—sister of May—was Mrs. Martinetti. Before Flo Irwin—but, as a cynical correspondent puts it, that's too far back.

The Modern Croesius.

Rumor has it that no man who ever lived amassed millions so rapidly as Mr. Alfred Beit, who is reputed to be the wealthiest man in the world, with a fortune of \$200,000,000, and an income sufficient to make ten new millionaires every year. The whole of this colossal fortune has been made within a quarter of a century. Mr. Beit, who owes his millions to Kimberley and Johannesburg, is a man of 46.

Should be Self-Supporting.

Senator Dewey was asked the other day regarding the education of the rich. He replied that all young men should be so taught as to be able to earn their own living. "There never was a Vanderbilt," he said, "who could not, if left without a cent, earn his own living. And they have all been the better for it."

Must Economize in Rubber Bands.

An order has been issued to the postmasters throughout the country to observe the strictest economy with rubber bands and to reuse old bands as much as possible and to save all pieces of string for future use. The famine in India and the war in the Philippines have advanced the price of both of the articles.

Diplomat Macdonald's Army Training.

Sir Claude Macdonald, the new British minister to Japan, and, during the trouble in Peking, the English representative there, became a soldier at the age of 20 and was in almost continuous active service for twenty-five years. He has been in the diplomatic service only three years.

A Gold-plated Lot.

The highest price ever paid for residence property in the city of New York, and perhaps in the country, was given recently by Harley T. Proctor, an opulent soap man of Cincinnati—\$600,000 for a lot 100 feet front by 125 feet deep at the corner of Fifth avenue and Fifty-second street.

Their Gloves.

In the apparel of royal personages in bygone centuries gloves played no unimportant part. Mention is made in "A Roll of purchases for the Tournament of Windsor Park in the Reign of Edward I." of half a dozen pairs of double gloves, costing \$17.50, and six pairs of buckskin gloves for the king at \$15. In 1474 6d was paid for the gloves of a queen of Scotland, and in 1498 \$1 was considered enough to pay for a dozen pairs of leather gloves for the king.

As time wore on, however, the moderate outlay of the fifteenth century gave place to an immoderate expenditure upon this art of dress. The gloves worn by the unfortunate Mary Queen of Scots were of the gauntlet shape, and even those for ordinary occasions were exquisitely embroidered in silver, colored silks and seed pearls. Those that Queen Elizabeth favored most were of delicate white kid, richly adorned with pearls and precious stones on the backs of the hands.

In the "Book of the Royal Wardrobe of Scotland" (1579), a hawk-glove is described among other items "set with twelve rubies, seven garnets, fifty-two great pearls and the rest set over with small pearls." But the wardrobe accounts of Princes Henry, eldest son of James I, for the year 1607 gave a still more definite idea of the extravagance of royalty with regard to these coverings of the hands. No less than thirty-one pairs are mentioned, all of costly materials, richly wrought with gold and silver threads, trimmed with lace and fringed and daintily perfumed. This was certainly no mean allowance for a boy prince who was fated to die five years later, at the early age of 16.

The Bliss of Ignorance.

Among the good stories in circulation about the late Joseph Harris, the well known master of the city of London school, is one in connection with Lord Mayor Owden. That worthy gentleman was not a Greek scholar, and the Greek oration or speech day in Christ's hospital, to which on a memorable occasion, he listened, was not intelligible to him, save one word. That word was "Owden"—so pronounced—and Mr. Harris used to tell his friends privately how, each time it occurred in the Greek oration, Sir Thomas, fondly supposing that compliment was being paid to himself, rose and solemnly bowed.

Catskins Cured Him.

Henry Markle, of Goshen, Ind., was taken ill and a physician diagnosed his trouble as inflammation of the bowels. The patient grew worse and his brother declared that warm catskins applied freely to the suffering man's stomach would relieve him. Shotguns were brought into play by the neighbors, a number of cats were killed and the hides were used as suggested. The sick man is now well, and as many Goshenites believe he was cured by the skins, cats would be wise to emigrate from the neighborhood.

Highest Flagpole on Earth.

Colonel Frank S. Hastings, a retired merchant of San Francisco, is preparing to erect in Golden Gate park there the highest flagpole in the world. The giant pole will be 350 feet high, and from it will wave an American flag 100 feet long, with stars three feet across. Colonel Hastings, who is a veteran of the civil war, is prepared to expend \$1,000 in the completion of this project.

Has Lowest Water Rate.

Robert Hoe, the manufacturer of printing presses, has had a medal designed to commemorate the 500th anniversary of the birth of Gutenberg, the inventor of printing, who was born at Mainz in 1400.

A Big Beat.

"Women beat the world!" said the unmarried man, reading of some new exploit in the suffrage line. "And men beat the carpet!" added the married man, bitterly.

His First Ocean Trip.

"I tell you, this makes a man appreciate the Broadway cable cars." "How?" "In the cars you can hang on to a strap."—Brooklyn Life.