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DAILY MARKETS

Official Receipts, 112 Cars, 3,018
Cattle; 180 Cars, 13,840 Hogs;
1 Car, 91 Sheep.

ANOTHER GOOD STEER RUN

Market Ruled Rather Slow, and
Tendency of Prices Was
Toward Weakness.

QUALITY OF FAIR AVERAGE

Snappy Trade in Cows and Heifers.

Prices Generally Steady. Spots
Strong—Best Feeders Steady, Light
Stockers Draggy and 10@15c Lower
—Hog Trade Opened Slow But
About Steady—Live Mutton Receipts
Small, Trade Nominally
Steady.

RECEIPTS FROM JANUARY 1, 1908.

The following table shows the receipts
from January 1, 1908, and receipts for
the corresponding time in 1907.

1908	1907	Dec. Inc.	
Cattle	110,324	117,216	6,892
Hogs	588,120	431,813	156,307
Sheep	100,561	189,285	28,724
Horses	5,220	7,830	2,610

LIVE STOCK IN SIGHT.

The following shows the estimated
receipts of cattle, hogs and sheep at the
five principal western markets:

Chicago	Cattle	Hogs	Sheep
19,000	35,000	15,000	
Kansas City	5,000	16,000	3,000
South Omaha	4,000	14,000	4,200
St. Joseph	5,000	13,800	100
East St. Louis	3,000	9,500	500

Totals 34,000 80,300 22,800
Yesterday 26,800 89,100 26,600
Week ago 35,400 106,800 24,900
Month ago 33,100 91,700 27,400
Year ago 40,500 60,300 37,200

RECEIPTS BY CARS.

The following shows the number of
cars of stock handled today by railroads
centering at the stock yards:

C. B. & Q., west	128
C. B. & Q., east <td>120</td>	120
C. R. I. & P. <td>15</td>	15
Great Western <td>12</td>	12
Missouri Pacific <td>7</td>	7
St. Joseph & Grand Island <td>12</td>	12
A. T. & S. F. <td>2</td>	2
Total <td>294</td>	294

CATTLE.

Steers in Fair Supply, Demand Rather
Slack, Prices Easier.

Local receipts of cattle are falling
off a little compared with last week
and the total volume of marketing,
as indicated by receipts at five points,
is not running quite up to the
standard of last week in number.
However, the demand was not brisk
today and opening bids were not as
good as on the previous day, but as
the forenoon advanced the buyers be-
came more free in their movements
and when trade got to going it was
on a steady to shade lower basis and
demand proved sufficient to absorb
the steers on offer in seasonable hour.
Offerings again ran quite liberally
to steers, but early arrivals did not
include any cattle as good as the top-
getters of yesterday. However, there
was a pretty good line of fair to good
medium to strong weight dressed beef
and shipping steers here that sold in
a range of \$5.30@5.85 and the prices
were close to steady. Lighter and
cheaper priced steers were also close
to steady sellers at prices ranging
largely from around \$4.75@5.25,
while common light killers went at
\$4.40@4.60 with inferior grades, ends
and small lots at \$4.00@4.40.

There is nothing new in sight to in-
dicate a big movement of cattle to
market and prices should be well
sustained on a steady level, if they
do not work a little higher. The
half-week total at five points is 28,000
short of number at same points for
the same time last year.

DRESSED BEEF AND SHIPPING STEERS

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
24	1352.5	65	1188.5
15	1345.5	95	1046.00
48	1406.5	90	1184.50
87	1315.5	65	1081.50
21	1261.5	50	1100.50
55	1385.5	90	1110.40
15 U D B	1256.5	45	1016.40
65	1300.5	45	1148.40
29	1350.5	45	1170.40
18	1354.5	40	1170.40
81	1120.5	30	1050.40
40	1156.5	25	1035.40
2	1105.5	25	1000.40
13	1307.5	20	1054.40
80	1148.5	20	1126.40
10	1187.5	20	1030.40
22	1199.5	18	1033.40

COWS, BULLS AND MIXED.

There is no slackening in the strong
demand that has prevailed for cows
and heifers for sometime past at this
point. Today there was a brisk in-
quiry for everything offered in this line
at fully steady prices, and buyers led-
ding to the scales were engaged at
an early hour. As usual the best call
was for the better grades, but buyers
did not hesitate to take on the plain
and inferior kinds at prices fully up
to recent transactions. The whole
market was full of snap and the sup-
ply was inadequate to meet the de-
mand. Receipts included a better
showing of useful dressed beef cows

HOGS.

Trade Opens About Steady But With
a Weak Undertone.

The market movement of hogs as
indicated by receipts from leading
centers is continuing of fairly liberal
volume, although running somewhat
short of last week. The local total
for the half week is 35,000 against
35,400 for the same time last week.
At five points the half-week total is
24,000 and is 36,000 less than last
week.

The increased volume of receipts at
river markets today and yesterday
have checked advancing prices and
buyers today were disposed to force
concessions. But with outside mar-
kets reported steady the selling inter-
est did not feel like accepting lower
prices and finally got a slow market
started at around steady prices com-
pared with the average of yesterday.
No large volume of business was done
during the forenoon and later in the
day the market ruled steady to weak,
although prices for the day do not
show any material change from yester-
day.

Hogs are continuing to come good
in quality and are showing some fall-
ing off in the proportion of light
weights.

Prices ranged from \$4.30@4.60,
with the bulk selling at \$4.40@4.55.
The bulk yesterday sold at \$4.40@
4.55, a week ago at \$4.25@4.35, a
month ago at \$4.20@4.35, a year ago
at \$4.62@4.70, two years ago at
\$4.10@4.20, three years ago at \$4.90
@5.00, four years ago at \$5.15@5.40.

PIG AND LIGHTS—1907 AND UNDER

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
78	191.5	4	124.5
83	199.5	4	124.5
85	195.5	4	124.5
89	196.5	4	124.5
91	181.5	4	124.5
85	181.5	4	124.5
81	187.5	4	124.5
68	188.5	4	124.5
82	189.5	4	124.5
78	189.5	4	124.5
48	445.5	4	69.231
80	281.5	4	69.231
65	305.5	4	69.231
118	345.5	4	69.231
68	271.5	4	69.231
60	272.5	4	69.231
70	254.5	4	69.231
75	263.5	4	69.231
74	259.5	4	69.231
64	252.5	4	69.231
62	278.5	4	69.231
66	231.5	4	69.231
70	229.5	4	69.231
69	208.5	4	69.231
62	228.5	4	69.231
60	205.5	4	69.231
89	249.5	4	69.231
80	312.5	4	69.231
68	228.5	4	69.231
72	287.5	4	69.231
68	264.5	4	69.231
81	232.5	4	69.231
75	259.5	4	69.231
77	243.5	4	69.231
68	271.5	4	69.231
141	250.5	4	69.231
74	259.5	4	69.231
63	228.5	4	69.231
69	247.5	4	69.231
40	239.5	4	69.231
167	218.5	4	69.231
80	220.5	4	69.231
77	226.5	4	69.231

ODDS, ENDS AND WAGON HOGS.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
17	202.5	80.4	45
45	247.5	20.5	45
4	282.5	4.5	45
4	295.5	4.5	45
8	273.5	4.5	45
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YESTERDAY'S LATE SALES

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
93	197.5	4	124.5
77	198.5	4	124.5
84	195.5	4	124.5
94	198.5	4	124.5
95	197.5	4	124.5
78	175.5	4	124.5
87	182.5	4	124.5
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81	178.5	4	124.5
60	180.5	4	124.5
60	180.5	4	124.5

Mixed and Heavy.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
68	270.5	4	124.5
82	305.5	4	124.5
71	269.5	4	124.5
61	284.5	4	124.5
72	258.5	4	124.5
80	286.5	4	124.5
81	282.5	4	124.5
104	274.5	4	124.5
30	275.5	4	124.5
65	281.5	4	124.5
72	282.5	4	124.5
78	243.5	4	124.5
35	204.5	4	124.5
68	269.5	4	124.5
76	257.5	4	124.5
65	263.5	4	124.5
74	245.5	4	124.5
64	282.5	4	124.5
41	229.5	4	124.5

Packers' Hog Purchases.

Company	Purchases
Swift & Co.	6,000
Hammond Packing Co.	8,700
Nelson Morris & Co.	3,420
Total	18,120

Range of Prices.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
\$4.40@4.75	\$4.20@4.45	\$4.30@4.60	\$4.10@4.40	\$4.20@4.50	\$4.40@4.70

YEARLING AND CALVES.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
3	676.4	25	890.3
13	696.4	10	898.3
12	465.4	4	892.3
12	694.4	2	885.3
12	268.7	5	878.3
6	268.3	5	878.3

PINKING COWS AND STOCK RECEIPTS.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
1	585.3	50	650.3
15	591.3	50	615.3
1	694.3	4	785.3
8	456.3	1	610.3
3	670.3	2	730.3
2	620.3	6	828.3
1	680.3	4	785.3
5	430.3	1	570.3
1	640.3	10	705.3

PENDING BULLS AND STAGS.

No.	Av. Price	No.	Av. Price
1	980.3	50	850.3
1	980.3	50	850.3
1	1100.3	40	890.3

Packers' Cattle Purchases.

Company	Purchases
Hammond Packing Co.	910
Nelson Morris Packing Co.	600
Swift and Company	400
Total	1,910

Packers' Purchases Yesterday.

Company	Purchases
Swift & Co.	497
Hammond	619
Morris	448
Total	1,564

OTHER LIVE STOCK MARKETS

CHICAGO, Union Stock Yards, Ill., March 11.—The Live Stock World reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 19,000. Market dull, 10c lower than Monday; cows 10c higher; feeders weak.
Hogs—Receipts, 26,000. Market strong; top, \$4.70; bulk, \$4.55@4.65.
Sheep—Receipts, 15,000. Market 10c higher; top lambs \$7.25.

KANSAS CITY, Mo. March 11.—Special to The Journal: The Drivers Telegram reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 5,000. Market steady to 10c higher; top \$6.90; cows and heifers firm; top \$5.50; stockers strong; calves firm.
Hogs—Receipts, 16,000. Market averaged steady; top, \$4.65; bulk, \$4.35@4.50.
Sheep—Receipts, 3,000. Market steady, active; top lambs \$6.80.

SOUTH OMAHA, Neb. March 11.—Special to The Journal: The Drivers Telegram reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 4,000. Market strong to 10c higher; top \$5.90.
Hogs—Receipts, 14,000. Market 5c lower; top, \$4.45; bulk, \$4.35@4.40.
Sheep—Receipts, 4,200. Market strong to 10c higher.

EAST ST. LOUIS, National Stock Yards, Ill., March 11.—Special to The Journal: The National Live Stock Reporter reports:

Cattle—Receipts, 3,000, including 400 Texas. Market active, steady; natives \$6.00.
Hogs—Receipts, 9,500. Market steady; top, \$4.75; bulk, \$4.62@4.69.
Sheep—Receipts, 500. Market strong.

ST. JOSEPH CASH GRAIN MARKET

Today's cash values: Receipts, wheat, 3 cars; corn, 8 cars; oats, 0 car.

Wheat.

No.	Price	No.	Price
No. 2 red	99 1/2 @ 100 1/2	No. 3 red	96 @ 98
No. 4 red	94 @ 96	No. 2 hard	94 1/2 @ 96 1/2
No. 3 hard	92 1/2 @ 94 1/2	No. 4 hard	90 @ 92
Rejected soft	85 @ 94	No grade	80 @ 85
Rejected hard	85 @ 93	No grade	80 @ 85

Corn.

No.	Price	No.	Price
No. 2 white	59 1/2 @ 60	No. 3 white	59 1/2 @ 59 1/2
No. 4 white	58 @ 59	No. 2 corn	59 1/2 @ 60
No. 3 corn	59 @ 59 1/2	No. 4 corn	58 @ 59

Oats.

No.	Price	No.	Price
No. 2 white	50 @ 51	No. 3 white	49 @ 50
No. 4 white	46 @ 48	No. 2 oats	48 @ 49
No. 3 oats	45 @ 47	No. 4 oats	45 @ 47

The above cash quotations are based on actual sales each day and are furnished by T. P. Gordon, cash dealer in grain, mill feed and hay.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS.

The following Chicago board of trade quotations are furnished by T. P. Gordon, Board of Trade building, St. Joseph, Mo.

Options	Open	High	Low	Close	Close Yesterday
WHEAT	95 1/2	95 3/4	95 1/4	95 1/2	95 1/2
May	89 1/2	89 3/4	89 1/4	89 1/2	89 1/2
July	89 1/2	89 3/4	89 1/4	89 1/2	89 1/2

CORN.

Options	Open	High	Low	Close	Close Yesterday
May	65 1/2	65 3/4	65 1/4	65 1/2	65 1/2
July	62 1/2	62 3/4	62 1/4	62 1/2	62 1/2

OATS.

Options	Open	High	Low	Close	Close Yesterday
May	44 1/2	44 3/4	44 1/4	44 1/2	44 1/2
July	44 1/2	44 3/4	44 1/4	44 1/2	44 1/2

PORK.

Options	Open	High	Low	Close	Close Yesterday
May	12.07	12.15	12.07	12.12	12.07
July	12.07	12.15			

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AT THE THEATRES TONIGHT. Crystal—Advanced Vaudeville. Lyric—Renfrow's Stock Co.

BRIEF CITY NEWS.

R. M. Mahana, of the local bureau of animal industry, has returned from a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ward of Watheena, Kan., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Holland, 5435 King Hill avenue.

James and Robert Wilson, living south of the city, have left for Oehltree, Texas, where they have large farming interests.

W. T. Shackelford left yesterday for Forest City, Mo., to superintend the building of a residence on the farm of W. F. Davis.

Frank Ray, 4802 King Hill avenue, has left on a business trip through Southern Missouri.

Dr. Walter Cogswell, of the local bureau of animal industry, is confined to his home with the grip.

W. D. Hancock of Severance, Kan., is the guest of L. C. Lheureux, 111 Cliff street.

BENDIX PLEASES. Violinist Given Ovation by Big House Last Night.

Max Bendix was warmly greeted by an enthusiastic audience on his appearance at the Y. M. C. A. auditorium last night.

Mr. Bendix is one of our most widely known American violinists, his work being marked chiefly by his brilliant and vigorous technique.

His first number, "Concerto, in G Minor" by Max Bruch was, without doubt, the masterpiece of the evening, being a much more highly organized form and affording the performer more opportunities for a variety in quality and force of tone than the numbers which followed.

The majestic and serene beauty and tenderness, combined with the more sparkling and vivid passages have made this one of the best known of violin compositions, and perfect satisfaction was given in its rendition last night.

JORDANS SURPRISED. A very pleasant surprise was given Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Jordan, 506 East Missouri avenue, Monday evening, by members of Carnation camp No. 2615 R. N. of A., and the Ideal Rebekah Lodge No. 405, of which Mr. and Mrs. Jordan are both members.

The party was also in the nature of a farewell party, as Mr. and Mrs. Jordan left yesterday for Chillicothe, Mo., where they will make their future home. The two lodges presented the couple with a handsome parlor clock. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Wycoff, Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Getzell, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Wells, Mr. and Mrs. Stever, Mrs. Anna Hughes, Mrs. Mary Heiner, Mrs. Laura Stark, Miss Daisy Bernard, Miss Mary Hendra, Mrs. J. T. Hendra, Mrs. Elizabeth LaFavor, Mrs. Carrie Knapp, Mrs. Sarah Holland, Mrs. Charles Dawson, Mrs. Minnie Collier, Oval Strake, Mrs. Knapp, Minnie Holland, Ora Heiner, Anna Hugh and Edna Stratt.

MISCREANTS WRECK HOUSE. A real estate dealer in the South End yesterday was informed of the fact that a house which he owned on Alabama avenue, near the railroad crossing, had been demolished by miscreants. The building, unoccupied, was a two room frame, but now it is devoid of roof and weatherboarding. The police were notified and after working on the case several days, have located the guilty persons, and it is probable warrants will be issued today. They will be punished thoroughly, as this is not the first report of damage done to private property in this section of the suburb.

WYETHS ORGANIZE. The Wyeth baseball team, winners of the Saturday League pennant for 1907, has organized with Perry again as manager and Wheaton as captain. The personnel of the team will be largely the same as last year, as seven of the old men still remain with the house. Active practice will begin within a few days.

CRESTON PRIEST COMING.

Hibernians Arrange Program For St. Patrick's Day Celebration.

The address of the Rev. Father J. T. Noonan of Creston, Iowa, will be the principal feature of the exercises which are to be given at the Tootle theater March 17, St. Patrick's day, under the auspices of the Ancient Order of Hibernians. The Rev. Father Noonan is said to be a pleasant speaker and is well known in St. Joseph Catholic circles.

On account of its being St. Patrick's day, green will be the color used in the decorations of the theater, and all of the musical numbers will be Irish songs. The reception committee is composed of J. L. Mallon, J. B. G'Brien and Robert Dorsey. On the committee on arrangements are: W. T. Macdonald, T. McAssy, M. J. Kennedy, Charles O'Hara, M. J. Downey, C. L. Mallon, F. S. Waldron, Thomas Rock, John Marney, M. Martin, Thomas Rogers and John J. Downey.

One of the singers on the program is Richard Moore, a St. Joseph boy, whose rich tenor voice has won for him much success in church choirs of this city.

The program for the evening will be: Song—"The Meeting of the Waters" Miss Katie Doucher.

Song—"The Harp That Once Through Tara's Halls" Mr. Richard Moore.

Song—"O Come to Me, My Love" Mrs. Grace Shannon.

Song—"The Minstrel Boy" Miss Nellie Fishley.

Song—"Irish Selections" Mrs. Joseph A. Corby.

Recitation—"Mr. M. J. Downey" Selection of Irish Melodies, violin and piano Harold and Verdie Stout.

Song—"Tipperary" Mr. Ezra Harrison.

Song—"Kathleen Mavourneen" Mrs. Grace Kane.

Address—"The Rev. Father J. T. Noonan."

SHAFFER HOPEFUL.

Thinks Suburbanites Will Get Voting Chance.

Councilman Thomas Shaffer of the First ward, who has been pushing the ordinance for the voting of bonds to extend the main sewers, is hopeful that he will be the city comptroller who will record the bonds is issued.

"I am confident that the council will pass the ordinance I introduced Monday night," said Mr. Shaffer yesterday.

"The bill is similar to that which was passed by the council several weeks ago. The same provisions for each sewer applies in the new ordinance which I introduced. The election will be May 9, and I believe that the suburbanites will, if the city council will permit them, vote the issuance of the bonds," City Counselor W. B. Norris will be called on to give a legal opinion on the measure before it is acted on by the council. The question of the legality of including railway valuation in the assessed property list is a question which Counselor Norris will also be asked to pass on.

Shaffer has filed for nomination on the Republican ticket.

AT FESTAL BOARD

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to be an imperial state. The greatest thing next to being born in America I consider is to be a good Missourian," said the Rev. M. Loos.

"Missourian men have always been in the lead. The first governor of California was a Missourian; the first man to reach the Yukon country was a Missourian; the founders of Texas were Missourians and it is true that a man who is not satisfied with Missouri wouldn't be satisfied with heaven.

"I have no patience, gentlemen with that aristocracy that sells its womanhood to dukedoms, princedoms, etc. I have respect, gentlemen, for the woman of Missouri that will stay by the fireside and marry an American.

"All of the great things that have been accomplished in St. Joseph in the past is due to the good fellowship that exists."

L. H. Stubbs, in his characteristic manner, told several stories which were loudly applauded.

"I could in five words answer my toasts, but I was told to eliminate all references to politics," said Postmaster A. W. Brewster in responding to the toast, "What Will Make a Greater St. Joseph."

"St. Joseph is great. It is the greatest city of its size in the world today. It is great because of the wisdom and forethought of its founders; it is great on account of its location and it is great because of the hills and hollows. St. Joseph is proud of the great river on its border. It is the water of this river that has done more to dam back the waves of local option in spite of Folk, Clayton and the rest of the reformers."

"Suburban Clubs" was the subject of the toast responded to by the president of the North End Improvement club, Dr. O. G. Gleaves.

Dr. Gleaves outlined the politics of the suburban clubs, saying that the clubs which have been formed in the city have been organized for the purpose of upbuilding St. Joseph.

The Stock Yards quartet, which has attended all of the functions of the club, rendered a selection and were roundly applauded and would not answer this applause for a second song until cries of "song" rang through the room.

Fountain Pens Not New.

It is a popular fallacy that fountain pens are quite a modern invention. As a matter of fact, an old work of reference published in 1795 contains an illustration of a fountain pen, the appearance of which is very much like those sold at the present time.

The construction, however, was somewhat elaborate and clumsy, the pen consisting of various pieces of metal, which had to be screwed and unscrewed before the pen could be used.

MODERN DANIELS

By LLOYD FLOOD

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"Funny thing happened at a place near here, once. The circus wot passed just now reminded me of it."

I showed a proper amount of interest. A bicycle accident had stranded me at a little country station, miles from anywhere; and, to relieve the tedium of a two-hours' wait, I had entered into conversation with its solitary porter.

"It happened at Tiltot's Bar, five miles from here, afore the railway come," he went on. "In them days it was a quieter place nor what it is now; and when a circus lost its way and got into the village it was as good as a lord mayor's show for the folks there."

"One day a menagerie come into Tiltot's Bar and set up on the village green. But it done terrible bad, all along of there bein' nothin' but a fat woman, and monkeys, and a mermaid in the show. The monkeys done nothin' out of the common and the folks was suspicious of the mermaid which looked as if she wanted a wash—bad. As for the fat woman, there was a fatter nor her in the village already wot you hadn't got to pay anything to see. So after the first night the people kep' away."

"Judd—the owner of the show—was regular upset by the want of patronage. He'd got a lion and a tiger, but they'd had to be left behind at a place 20 mile off because of some trouble he's got into with the police. He'd come away in a hurry, in fact; and there seemed nothing for him to do now but to move on again. Well, he was just startin' to pack up when a chap, who was passin' through Tiltot's Bar, lookin' for work, sees Judd and asks him for a job."

"Job he blowed! I can't keep myself in this 'ole!" says Judd.

"But the man said he was that hungry he didn't mind wot the job was, and all of a sudden an idea come into Judd's head. He beckons the chap behind the tent where nobody can see them, and holdin' his hand before his mouth, mysterious-like, he says: "Anybody know you here?"

"Not a soul," says the chap.

"What's your name?" he asked next.

"William Morton," says the chap.

"Are you active? Can you jump about?"

"Try me," says William.

"Lungs in good order?"

"Whatever mean?"

"See here," says Judd, "could you do a roar like wot a lion does—when he's hungry?"

"With that William Morton lets out a howl as shook the trees. It was half-past 12, and everybody was at dinner, and them as heard that howl left off eatin'."

"That'll show you 'ow 'ungry I am," he says.

"Look here," says Judd, when he'd got over the start William gave him. "I've the very job you wants. Come along o' me."

"They goes into the tent, and after William had eat a fair-sized meat pie and half a loaf of bread, they 'as a talk; and then Judd dresses him up in skins wot had belonged to a lion which had died through seein' hisself in a lookin' glass."

"All you've got to do," says Judd, when he had sewed him up, 'is to prance about and 'owl constant as I've explained. It's ten bits a day, mind you!"

"That afternoon there was a big placard outside the tent settin' forth the arrival of a full-grown African forest lion, which would be on view at the evening's performance, and all the folk which had heard William's howl believed it. William played lion first-rate. He walked about the cage smellin' the sawdust, growlin' all the while except when he stopped to scratch hisself."

"Next day there was three performances, and after William was that tired he went straight off to sleep without undressin'. When he woke up he stretched hisself and yawned, and something at the other end of the cage gave a start as he done so. William stopped of a sudden and listened. It was too dark to see much, but he made out a figure in the corner.

"The sun must have rose rather quick, for, all of a sudden, he see the object as plain as could be, and he thought his last hour was come. It was a tiger! William had seen a tiger before, but never such a ugly one as this, nor yet so close. It had 'orrid green eyes wot never moved, and it was a settin' up in a way William had seen of as bein' the way tigers did before they jumped. He held his breath so long that he nearly burst; and when he did breathe it come through his teeth with a noise as made the tiger set up a inch or two higher. When the tiger moved William moved, too—not as he wanted to, but because he couldn't help hisself. So the two of 'em started creepin' round the cage, watchin' one another; and William's heart sunk that low it got pressin' on part where it didn't belong, and give him a pain like he'd never had before.

"They kep' on creepin' round like that for half-an-hour or so until William got himself into such a state that he didn't care wot happened next. The tiger must have had about enough of it, too, for he stopped that unawares that William had took a couple more steps than wot he intended, and was so close that he could smell him. Whether it was the smell or wot not,

somehow he lost his head, and before he knew it, he had handed the tiger one in the ribs as hard as he could. The tiger give a yell that turned William's blood cold, but instead of turnin' round and bittin' him, it jumped as far off as ever it could and took a tremblin' all over. William was took aback; it wasn't wot he expected. But he didn't stop to think; he shuts his eyes and goes for the tiger, punchin' and kickin' him and roarin' all the while as loud as he know how. The tiger done nothin'; only yelled, but as William was makin' such a noise hisself, he didn't notice, until stoppin' to take breath, he was knocked all of a heap by hearin' the tiger shout "Murder," and cryin' for help like a Christian.

"William thought he must be dreamin', but as the tiger kep' on shoutin' like wot a man does when the house is afire, or he's fell overboard, he see that it wasn't a real tiger, but a man dressed up in a skin same as he was himself. To make sure he calls out: "Hullo!"

The tiger stopped as if he was shot, and jumps round lookin' to see where the sound come from.

"Hullo!" says William again.

"Oh, my gracious!" cries the tiger all of a tremble.

"Wotcher mean by it all?" asks William, part angry and part out of breath.

"Mean—wot?" asks the tiger.

"Chasin' me about like this!"

"Chasin'—me? I ain't done much of the chasin'!"

"Well, 'oo are you, anyhow?"

"I dunno 'oo I am now," says the tiger. "Ost I was Henry Mead."

"How did you get in?"

"I didn't get in—I was shoved in."

"By Judd?"

"I desay. Chap as shoved me ten bits a day to pretend bein' a tiger. I shall want as much a night as well, after this! How much do you get?"

"Then they started comparin' notes."

"Wish I 'adn't come into the bloom-in' place," says Henry.

"Judd had another placard outside the tent that mornin', all about the Royal Bengal tiger wot had arrive in the night, and didn't 'it it off with the forest lion from Africa; and the show was fuller than ever. Wot with roarin' and performin', William and Henry Mead had no rest until near ten o'clock that night, when Judd closed the proceedin's by announcin' that another lion and tiger—bigger and savager than wot these was would arrive before mornin'. The fact was, he'd made so much money that he'd been able to send for the animals he'd left behind."

"Wot's he up to now?" wondered William. "The place is gettin' a regular Nor's Ark!"

"But they was both too hoarse to talk, and too tired to think; and directly after they'd helped one another out of their skins, and had their supper they lay down in the straw and sleep sound."

"It couldn't 'ave been much after midnight when Henry Mead, who was a light sleeper, heard somethin' wot woke him up quicker'n a electric shock. It was the sound of a animal sniffin' under the partition up against which he was lyin'.

He gave William a hard poke in the ribs. William, half awake, thought as he was goin' through last night all over again; and it took Henry a minute or two afore he could make him understand wot was the matter.

"Garn!" says William in a temper. "You've been dreamin'!"

"Ush! Listen!" whispers Henry.

"In the silence and the dark them two sat on the floor strainin' their ears. Presently the sniffin' began again, and a most awful scratchin' follows it."

"Wot is it?" whispered Henry.

"Dunno," says William under his breath. "But I don't like it. Got a match?"

"Here's one," said Henry. "You strike it, and I'll look through a crack in the boards."

"While he done it, William creeps very careful to the partition and looks through a crack. What he sees give him an awful turn. Less'n six inches from him was a lion—a real one! And alongside the lion was a tiger—like-wise real!"

"See anythin'?" Henry asks.

"I've 'ad enough of this," whispers William, holdin' on to Henry's arm. "To-morrow Judd'll put 'em in with us—there ain't no other cage."

"Put wot in?" asks Henry, all of a shake.

"Lions and tigers—live 'uns!"

"Wot—loose?"

"They will be—if we ain't out o' this—quick!"

"I ain't a goltin' to wait for my money, I'm goin' now!" says William, as one of the animals give a low growl.

"Very cautious, with Henry close behind him, he feels his way to the door and begins unbolting it, and when it was open they both drops silently to the ground."

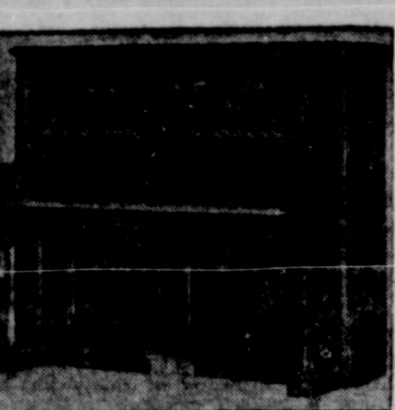
"Better nor beer was the smell o' fresh air to them two. Wild animals was done with! Performin' in cages, jumpin' through 'oops, and bein' 'it the 'orrid smell of the skins and the sawdust was things of the past. They was free! But they didn't stop to think about it. They just legged out of Tiltot's Bar as fast as their feet could take 'em, and never stopped until daylight broke."

The porter's tone was strangely convincing as he finished. I couldn't help wonderin' where he had heard the story; and I asked him.

"I didn't hear it from nobody," he answered.

"Make it up?" I asked.

"Not much!" said he, shortly. Then, after a pause, "My name's William Morton!"



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TO HARNESS STREAM.

St. Joe River in Idaho to Develop Power for Railroad.

Spokane, Wash., March 11.—Preliminary surveys and plans will be laid before A. J. Earling, president, and the board of directors of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway company at Chicago, in a few days, by C. B. Pride of Spokane, hydraulic engineer of the company's electrical department, to develop more than 100,000 horse power by building a series of dams to harness thirty-five miles of the St. Joe river in northern Idaho, east of Spokane. The minimum flow of the river at the points indicated is 1,600 cubic feet a second, which, if it were converted into motive power, would drive 500 Mogul locomotives, pulling 100 miles of trains, or 20,000 loaded cars. The cost of developing this power and the auxiliary plants is placed at from \$7,500,000 to \$8,000,000 and will require three years in construction. It is to be used in hauling freight across the Bitter Root mountain and in operating trains through tunnels between the divide and Rock Lake, Wash., where the survey shows fourteen horses, ranging from 4,500 feet to 50 feet, a total of 10,000 feet, in 150 miles of line. The cost of the Pacific extension of the main line is estimated at \$5,000 a mile, making it the most expensive transcontinental road in the country.

BUTTERMEN TO MEET.

Two Thousand Expected at St. Paul Convention.

St. Paul, Minn., March 11.—Two thousand buttermakers and creamery men from all parts of the United States and Canada will meet in national convention in St. Paul, March 11, 12 and 13. Governor Johnson will open the convention and many prominent Minnesotans will be in attendance. The principal event of the convention will be the contest for the association banner, which is virtually the certification of the national organization of supremacy in the manufacture of butter. Minnesota has for a number of years carried off the national honors and will make a strong fight for the banner this year, backed by 1,000 Minnesota buttermakers who will be present with exhibits at the convention. During the three days of the convention a wide variety of subjects will be discussed, all of which relate to technical matters affecting the manufacture of butter.

Attraction of Chess Problems.

The mere player who has never experienced the magnetic attraction of problems cannot fully realize the feeling of joy and satisfaction from solving some masterpiece. There can be no doubt that solving problems, especially from diagrams, is an intellectual amusement, and that the study of problems tends to accuracy of analysis, quickens the perception, and strengthens the chess faculties generally, and may occasionally impart some of those sparkling ideas which are so sadly needed in ordinary play. —The Strand Magazine.

Making a Pig of Himself.

"A modest appearing man."

"Yes, but he's always making a pig of himself."

"You surprise me."

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TO DAM THE ARKANSAS. Plans for Increasing the Efficiency of the Irrigating Systems. Garden City, Kan., March 10.—Two new propositions which will look to the furnishing of a large supply of irrigation water for two of the large canals which water this district have been determined upon and will be constructed in the Arkansas river for the purpose of increasing the height of the river at the headgates of the Garden City ditch, the South Side ditch and the Great Eastern ditch.

Cold in the Northwest. St. Paul, Mar. 9.—Extremely cold weather prevailed throughout the northwest Saturday night and Sunday, the warmest place in this region being St. Paul, where the temperature was four degrees below zero at eight o'clock Sunday morning. Throughout North Dakota at that hour the temperature ranged from four below to 26 below. The crest of the cold wave extended from South Dakota to Winnetonka.

Saw Vesuvius by Torchlight. Naples, Mar. 10.—A party of 150 American tourists made an ascent of Mount Vesuvius Sunday night by torchlight. One of the male tourists, accompanied by three young women, explored one of the new great fissures now in eruption. Up to the present time this particular section of the volcano had not been visited by even the guides.

BIRDS SHOW EMOTION

A SCIENTIST SAYS SPARROWS' FACES MIRROR THEIR FEELING.

Clinton G. Abbott Proves Assertion by Photographs—Mother Cat Bird Expresses Her Fear of Stuffed Owl.

Philadelphia.—I'm no nature faker, but I am convinced that such emotions as anticipation, satisfaction, satisfaction, surprise and attention not only live in the breasts of the feathered tribe but that the outward expression of these emotions is mirrored in the tiny faces of the birds.

This declaration by Clinton G. Abbott, a well-known scientist of New York, caused a stir among members of the twenty-fifth annual congress of American ornithologists at the Academy of Natural Sciences the other day.

With this declaration as the keynote of one of the most notable addresses ever delivered on the subject, Dr. Abbott flashed upon the scene a photograph showing two small sparrows with the mother bird upon the limb of a tree.

"While I was at Long Island I arranged, early one morning, my camera so that it would face a limb of a tree in which I knew the sparrows shown in this picture made their home," said Dr. Abbott. "I attached a long string to the press bulb, and then, with this in hand, hid myself in some distant shrubbery. The two younger birds appeared and shortly after the mother, pluming her wings as if for flight. A moment afterward she flew into the woods and I got a photograph of the little ones awaiting her return. Their bills were open, as you see them in the picture, and there is no one who will not agree with me that anticipation is clearly evident in the posture and in their bills and tiny faces."

There was an outburst of applause after the audience had taken in the details of the picture.

"Later," Dr. Abbott continued, "I got a picture of the birds after the feeding. The mother had returned with food for one in her bill. On the face of the unfed one was an expression of disappointment."

This picture was flashed on the screen.

"There," he continued, "you can see the little one still crying for food. The mother left again and returned with food for the other. In another picture I have the two satisfied youngsters on the limb and the mother as satisfied on the nest."

This picture was shown, and in the pause there was another enthusiastic demonstration from the audience.

"All the emotions I specified," said Dr. Abbott, "are shown on the faces of the birds. I placed a stuffed owl in a tree near the nest of a catbird, and then waited until morning to see the expression on the bird's face at the sight of the stranger. In the morning the catbird came out, looked quizzically at the owl, completely surprised at the presence of a possible enemy. He then made all kinds of noise with his wings and mouth to scare the owl away. After each effort at scaring there was a look of attention on the face of the catbird. And that look is photographed before you."

"Next day," Dr. Abbott continued, "I took the owl away, then I discovered that the catbird had two young ones in a nest. They were permitted to come out on the limb of the tree, and I got in another picture the look of self-satisfaction upon that bird's face."

EARTH GULPS DOWN TRACK.

Eight-Hundred-Foot Section of Erie Railroad Swallowed.

Oil City, Pa.—A seemingly bottomless pit has been discovered between Lottsville and Columbus, Warren county, on the new cut-off of the Erie railroad low grade. It was not discovered until 800 feet of railroad track had been swallowed up in a night.

Superintendent John Braff, who has charge of the work along the Erie system, says it beats anything in his long experience as a railroad.

Strangely enough, this great sinkhole is not visible to the eye, and until the railroad was built across it the earth was apparently as solid as could be desired. Mr. Braff said he believed that at one time the section was covered by a lake. In the course of time, it is thought, a crust of six or seven feet formed on top of this lake; but below that for a great distance seems to be nothing but mud and water and the trunks of great trees.

The engineers will persevere in attempting to lay a track across this hidden swamp.

Makes Weather to Order.

Akron, O.—Pointing to spring flowers blooming in a field behind his laboratory as proof that he can produce any variety of weather he desires, John C. Bedient, an electrical genius of this city, is about to apply for a patent and to form a company to manufacture an apparatus, the model of which he is concealing in his workshop.

He says electricity is the basis of his machine and that it will produce warm weather, with imitation sunshine, rain, and the growth of flowers, plants, and grains, and snow or ice, if applied near still or running water. He stands guard each night, relieved by his wife and son, to prevent slipping of his possession.

SNOW PLOW IN THE ROCKIES



The problem of keeping open the trails across the mountains for winter travelers is one of the most perplexing with which railroads have to contend. Monster plows are used and pushed by powerful locomotives; they often literally burrow paths through the huge drifts that block traffic. The accompanying photograph shows a snow plow and locomotives ready to fight the snow.

MANY ALIENS LEAVING

FEAR OF HARD WINTER DRIVES FOREIGNERS HOME.

Immigration Official Says Men Out of Work Can Live More Cheaply in Europe Than in the United States.

Washington.—Analysis of the causes of the recent marked exodus of aliens from the United States is contained in an interview given by T. V. Powderly, chief of the division of immigration. Mr. Powderly, who was formerly a prominent labor leader, is the official who is trying to divert immigration to those parts of the United States where it will do most good, and on this account he has given careful study to the economic tendencies of the foreigners who come to the United States at the rate of 1,000,000 annually.

"Several causes combine to bring about the eastward march of the aliens now leaving us," he said. "Every year great numbers of aliens return to their homes for the winter. The railroads, principally in the north, east and west, lay off men engaged in outdoor work and following this others are thrown out of employment."

"These men find it desirable to return to their old homes for the winter; they have the opportunity to visit their friends and relatives and can live much cheaper there during the winter than here, for food and lodging are cheaper and the climate is not so severe."

"In other years the exodus began the latter part of October and continued up to Christmas, but this year the rush was accentuated by the financial flurry. And right here I pause to remark that those who imagine that our aliens do not read are somewhat in error, for those who cannot read have others to read to them, and they keep a sharp eye on the trend of events in this country, so that when the papers announced under scare headlines that things were going wrong, these men, not trained to analyze the statements, took alarm, and quite a number more went away than would have gone in other years."

"Another cause is to be found in the fact that every four years preceding the presidential election there is a tendency eastward on the part of the aliens. They hear so much said about the uncertainty of the presidential year that they prefer to take no chances and go home for that year."

"There is still another cause for the return of Italians to their native land. The railroads of Italy are owned by the government. Up to this year they were managed by private corporations to whom they were leased by the government. It was found that they were not paying. The rolling stock was not kept in order and the maintenance of the schedules was not deemed important. A consequence of all this was that traffic fell off, no one traveled unless he had to and the railroad service became demoralized."

"Now the government has taken the railroads out of the hands of these corporations and is engaged in the work of reconstructing the entire railroad system of the country. It is estimated that about \$100,000,000 will be expended in the kingdom in bringing the railways up to a proper standard of efficiency, and Italy is calling her sons who have learned how to make good railroads in this country back to their old homes."

"So you see that no alarm need be felt because of the ebb in the tide. There is more work to do in this country than ever before. There is a necessity for more men and women to do it, and the first months of next year will see a return of aliens, who will be able to find remunerative employment in this country."

Ban on Lawyer Who Smokes.

Pottsville, Pa.—Friends of L. L. Frank, a lawyer, who has been refused admission to the county bar by the examining committee, declared that the principal reason given for refusing him is that he is addicted to tobacco. The court has granted a rule requiring the committee to state its reasons. Frank is a graduate of Dickinson Law school and has been admitted to practice before the state supreme court.

A WONDERFUL SPRING

HEALING POWERS CLAIMED FOR CALIFORNIA WATER.

Pool is Located in Indian Reservation in Mountain Valley and Has Long Been Known to Mission Tribe of Red Men.

Los Angeles, Cal.—Down in the California desert, 150 miles from Los Angeles and around the spur of a mountain, is a little valley owned by a canny Scotchman, Dr. Murray. The doctor has brought the water from the mountains near by and has created an "oasis in the desert." He has about ten acres in oranges and alfalfa, and nothing could be more pleasant to the eye, after ranging over a sandy waste, than this charming valley.

An Indian reservation adjoins the doctor's ranch, and from them he leases for \$100 per annum a rare spring. The pool formed by this spring is about as large as a good sized room and is covered by a rude shack. The uniform temperature of the water is 100 degrees, and it is said to have many healing properties.

When a person first enters this pool his feet strike a soft, sandy bottom, and he is apparently in water about 18 inches deep. All at once a ripple goes over the surface, much as if a stone had been thrown in, and near him he notices the sand has opened, disclosing a hole as large as the circumference of the body, but how deep one is afraid to think.

But the doctor calls there is no danger and he takes his life in his hands and plunges in. Down he goes up to his neck, and, fearing a quicksand, he calls out to the doctor, but he, smiling imperturbably, bids him keep quiet and wait results.

Presently he feels a soft impact upon the soles of his feet, and slowly but irresistibly he feels himself being forced to the surface. Within the space of three minutes he is again standing in 18 inches of water, and the hole has disappeared, only to appear a few feet further on. He hastens to it, plunges in, and again he sinks to his neck as before. Only one hole is formed at a time, and between the closing of one and the appearing of another there is an interval of about five minutes.

In this wonderful bath one does not require any brush or soap, but when he comes out his skin is smooth and spotless, here and there appearing upon his body minute scales of silica. After dashing a bucket of cold water over himself he feels wonderfully invigorated and refreshed. People come hundreds of miles to bathe in this healing water, and if the doctor could only move this spring to Los Angeles he could make his fortune in a few years. The Indians (the Mission tribe) attach great value to the water and use the overflow of the pool for bathing and drinking purposes.

COULD BARK LIKE A DOG.

Poet Rostand, Dupe for a Time, Becomes Shrewd Detective.

Paris.—M. Edmond Rostand, the poet and dramatist, took a villa near Bayonne recently and was kept awake every night by a dog which barked the moon and roared all the other dogs within earshot. A man named Fallout, said he could stop the barking, and actually succeeded in doing so.

A week later, however, the barking started again, and M. Rostand recognized the dismal tones of the leader of the chorus. He summoned Fallout and questioned him as to his alleged power over the animals. Fallout was flattered, and discoursed at large.

"And can you bark like a dog?" asked M. Rostand, in innocent admiration. Fallout demonstrated. "Ah, I recognize that bark," said M. Rostand, "don't let me hear it again at night." Fallout departed crestfallen, and no dog has barked beneath M. Rostand's windows since.

TO ABOLISH THE LOCKSTEP.

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New York.—Blackwell's Island penitentiary, where minor offenders of New York city's laws serve their sentences, will know the striped suit and the lockstep no more.

John V. Cogey, commissioner of correction, announced the other day that he has decided to put an end to stripes and lockstep in the penitentiary, as he believed that they did much to kill any smoldering spark of decency that may remain in the prisoner when he is brought to the city prison. Commissioner Cogey said:

"I find that most of the progressive penal institutions throughout the country have abolished the stripes and the lockstep. I agree thoroughly with the argument in favor of this action, that it saves the prisoner from humiliation which he never can forget.

Buy Tickets of Admittance.

New York.—Selling tickets of admittance to the United States is the latest swindle worked on ignorant foreigners coming to America.

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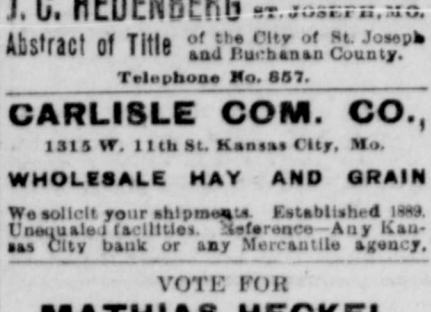
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AVERTS GUN DISASTER

BRAVE OFFICER LOSES FINGER BUT SAVES BATTLESHIP.

Lieutenant Cronan Sees Explosion Is Imminent and Thrusts Hand Into Breech of Cannon to Prevent Accident.

New York.—The lives of a score of men might have been sacrificed in a second Georgia catastrophe and the superb flagship, Connecticut, might have been partially wrecked during the recent target practice off Cape Cod but for the bravery of Lieut. William Pigott Cronan.

One day when all the four eight-inch guns were in action, Lieut. Cronan was in command of the starboard after turret. A shot had just been fired at the distant target and a number of powder bags had been hoisted up through the floor from the magazine.

At that moment Lieut. Cronan noticed that the last bag of explosive that had been put in play must have been torn, for he saw many grains of the dangerous stuff glistening between the steel threads of the breechlock.

The breech closed, badly mangling his hand and cleanly cutting off the first finger, which fell into the grooves and caused the closing mechanism to clog.

FORBID HOUSES OF WOOD.

New York Authorities Extend Strict Fire Regulations to Suburb.

New York.—A plan to stop building of wooden houses in the suburbs, the only sections of Greater New York where such building is now permitted, has been approved by the building code revision commission.

The commission's recommendation must be passed upon by the board of aldermen, and a hard fight is promised when the board is ready for action.

Fire Chief Croker is the author of the plan, and he is backed up by the board of fire underwriters. Croker impressed upon the commission that they were fixing fire lines not only for the present, but for at least ten years to come.

LETS WIFE GO FOR \$500,000.

Englishman Reported to Have Secured Sum from 'Frisco Millionaire.

Sioux Falls, S. D.—Powers Gouroud, widely known as "Chapple," a prominent Englishman, is the latest recipient of a South Dakota divorce.

He has just been granted a divorce from Gertrude Crocker-Gouroud, daughter of William H. Crocker, the millionaire of San Francisco.

An apparently well-founded rumor which is in circulation among the local divorce colony has it that the young Englishman, in consideration for withdrawing from the Crocker family, received the sum of \$500,000.

Hard to Please.

"You say you don't like your daughter's sweetheart?" "No; he talks through his nose."

Not Willing for the Loan. She—Will you please lend me your attention? He—Not if you want to borrow trouble, my dear.

THE ORIGIN OF PROFANITY.

Linguistically It Is Primarily Due to a Desire for Emphasis.

One proposition there is which needs to be stated emphatically at this point, writes Prof. Thomas R. Lounsbury, in Harper's. Words and phrases which are amply sufficient for the understanding are often altogether inadequate for the expression of the feelings.

To a very great extent the practice of swearing is a specialty characteristic of a rude and imperfect civilization. With the advance of culture profanity declines. It declines not so much because men become peculiarly sensitive to its viciousness, but they do to its ineffectiveness.

The breach closed, badly mangling his hand and cleanly cutting off the first finger, which fell into the grooves and caused the closing mechanism to clog. The sailor at the breech of the gun fainted when he saw the act. The calling together of a board of inquiry at the New York navy yard brought the heroic action to light.

Honors for the Fat Man.

Theodosia Garrison, who has written enough poems to girdle the globe, is called by her friends, "the Christmas poetess," because nearly every magazine in New York publishes something of hers in its Christmas number.

Mrs. Garrison is a surprise to persons who, having read her poems, meet her the first time. In verse she expresses emotion, sentiment, picturesque imagination, and has a thrilling, vibrant touch that stirs to tears. In real life she twangs a merry lyre, and seems naught but the embodiment of wild, rollicking Irish wit and humor.

"On a recent voyage to Bermuda, 'Dossie,' as she is called, had her first taste of seasickness. She met it with incredulity and remonstrance at first, but finally succumbed and fled to her stateroom.

"Can I do anything for you?" asked the matron.

"Oh, yes," gasped Dossie, "bring me some poison, quick!"

After a time she struggled out on deck, to find the ship tossing horribly, in a "reefy" storm. Telling her friends of it afterward, she said: "I hunted up the captain and asked him what he thought about it. He said: 'If we have good luck the boat may hold together a few hours longer.' Then I went and took my seat by the fattest man I saw among the passengers, because I thought if we went down he would be the most likely to float and I could hang on to him."

Stuff Dreams Are Made Of.

Some of our common dreams seem to be directly traceable. Slipping down the blankets is followed by dreams of Arctic relief exhibitions or falling into snowdrifts. A gas-distended stomach, pushing up the diaphragm and compressing the lungs, produces dreams of "something sitting on your chest," or dramatic struggles against other forms of suffocation.

The common single dream—that of falling, falling from a great height— to wake with a gasp of relief just as you are about to be dashed to pieces, is probably due to the general muscular relaxation and falling of the head, arms and limbs which accompanies settling down to sleep.

A sleep, a change of position of a sixteenth of an inch, is enough to suggest the idea of falling to the brain. It "does the rest," and provides out of its swarming storehouse of images the precipitous flights of stairs, giddy mastheads and other scenic effects. If the impression is not vivid enough to wake you "strike bottom" with a delicious sensation of restful warmth and repose, just such as your tired body is getting from its "downy couch"—American Magazine.

Old Saw Proved.

"Most of the old maxims still hold good," observed the random conversationalist.

"Yes," agreed the man who had just returned from an international exposition. "For instance, a world's fair exchange is no robbery. It's worse."

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FUTURE SEA FIGHTS

ENGAGEMENTS WILL BE FOUGHT AT EXTREME RANGE.

Immense Ships and Heavy Armament, in the Opinion of Naval Authorities, Will Be Built by All Nations.

Of the character of future battles between war fleets the Scientific American says: "The running fight which followed the sortie of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, and the decisive battle of Tsushima straits, crystallized into fact many theories of the design and maneuvering of warships; and settled, probably, for many years to come, the vexed questions of the size of ship, the type of gun and the best formation in which to fight a naval action.

"Future engagements will be fought at an extreme range, the extent of which will be limited only by the ability of the fire-control officer to see the fall of the shots. The determination of the range at which an engagement shall be fought will lie with the fleet which possesses the greatest speed. It is to-day the almost unanimous opinion of naval officers that one big ship is more effective than two smaller ships of half her size.

"If of two such fleets, one were made up of four 20,000-ton battle ships, each carrying eight 12-inch guns, the whole line would be about 2,100 yards in length; and if the other fleet consisted of eight 10,000-ton ships each mounting four 12-inch guns, or over three miles. The fleet of larger ships would probably have sufficient advantage in speed for the admiral to maintain his four vessels abreast of the first four of the enemy's line; and in this case, an eight-gun ship would be opposed to a four-gun ship, with the inevitable result that the four smaller ships would be silenced.

"The fleet of larger vessels would then slacken speed and drop back, taking the ships of the enemy in turn and smothering them with a superior gun fire. At the opening of such an engagement the fifth and sixth in line of the four-gun ships would be able to direct a diagonal fire upon the last of the eight-gun ships, but the range would be so great that it could not prove to be very effectual.

"Unquestionably the victory in future engagements will lie with the fleet which is able to concentrate the largest number of heavy guns within the shortest line of battle. Hence, the raison d'etre of the big ship and hence the certainty that the navies of the world have been forced into a contest of size, the end of which no one can foretell."

Uses for Austrian Recruits.

Like the famous John Gilpin, the heir to the throne has a frugal mind and, it has been maliciously whispered, sees great chances to exercise this virtue at the expense of the poor recruits.

Scores of these who come from the country are drafted off to the archducal estates and do their military service there, much of it consisting in gamekeepers' duties in the archduke's pheasant preserves. The recruits are also used when improvements in the parks and grounds are being made. According to one story squads of them are marched about and made to do duty as dummy trees while the heir to the throne stands at a distance and experiments as to where a clump of trees would look best.

The soldiers, being merely human, object all the more because there are no extra rations for this kind of duty. They have generally to shift for themselves and their miserable pay only procures them food far poorer than that which they would get in barracks, although that is not very sumptuous.

Rothsay Wedding Dowry.

There are only three applicants this year for the Rothsay wedding dowry, for which the late marquis of Bute left a sum of £1,000, the interest of which is to be given annually by the magistrates of the town to some deserving bride.

It may be that Scottish lassies shrink from the ordeal of having the first 11 John's Gospel read to them by the magistrate, which is one of the conditions.

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\$1,100 a Day for a Villa.

Newport, R. I.—Mrs. Ogden Goellet, it is stated here, has been offered \$1,000,000 for a five years' lease of Ochre Court, the splendid summer residence she owns here. As no one who can pay such a rent would occupy Ochre Court more than half the year, say from May to October inclusive, \$1,000,000 rent for five years would be at the rate of \$33,333 a month of actual tenancy, or about \$1,100 a day.

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FINDS \$9,500; RETURNS IT.

Man "Broke" Picks Up Roll on Street.

New York.—If Diogenes had been an earth wanderer about Sheepshead Bay the other night in search of an honest man his search would have ended successfully had the rays of his lantern rested on Stanley French. The latter, a resident of the village by the sea, found \$9,500 in a train which was traveling from the Belmont park track. Fifteen hours later he returned the money to its owner, Henry McDaniel, a trainer of race horses. The horseman gave French a reward of \$1,000.

French was "broke." He had not won a bet for nearly two weeks—he is a betting commissioner at times for a Brooklyn politician—and the prospect of a hard winter was staring him in the face. He could have kept the money without fear of detection, too, for his wife was the only one who knew he had found it.

According to French's story, he went to Belmont park just one dollar "strong," as he put it. After paying his fare from his home to the track and buying a program, there remained on his person only a few small coins. With the philosophy of his kind, he left the track without laying a bet, and boarded a car bound for home. The car had not traveled far when French had occasion to rub his leg, which had fallen asleep. Reaching down, the first thing that met his eye was a roll of bills. Picking up the roll and without counting the contents, he pouched it.

Arriving home he showed his wife the wad.

"What do you intend to do with it?" she asked.

"Return it," French replied.

A canvass of his sporting cronies next morning easily yielded the information as to who had dropped the money.

GIRLS KEPT IN WOODS BY BEAR.

Two Young Women Are Scared by Animal and Lose Their Way.

Lock Haven, Pa.—Two young ladies, one from this city and the other from Williamsport, spent a night of terror in the Clinton county mountains in the vicinity of Hyner. The ladies were in search of game, became frightened by an ugly bear, lost their bearings and were not found until Sunday morning by the searchers who scoured the mountains all night with flaming fagots of pitch pine.

G. A. Simpson, of Williamsport, is the superintendent of the Hyner Railroad company, which is operating in that vicinity. His daughter, Miss Muriel, accompanied by Miss Levina Emerick, of this city, started on a hunting expedition, intending to return to camp before dark. In their explorations they encountered a fierce black bear who thoroughly frightened the girls, who made a hasty retreat and in doing so lost their way and were compelled to spend the night in the dreary mountains.

They were afraid to lie down or even stop to rest and continued walking, and traveled across three mountains and were far from their starting point when found by a searching party. They were assisted to the railroad by their rescuers, placed on board the train and taken back to camp.

GIRL KISSES JUDGE'S FEET.

Receiving Light Sentence for Serious Offense, Prisoner Is Overcome.

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