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BRIEF CITY NEWS.

Valley Council, No. 791, Knights and Ladies of Security, will give an ice cream social this evening in Gordon Park.

TRACKS MOVED BY RIVER.

Big Section on "Made Land" Jumps Four Inches Before Crowd. Several hundred persons who were standing on the river bank near the foot of Felix street were much alarmed yesterday afternoon to suddenly see a forty foot section of the tracks of the Union Terminal company quiver and move toward the river for a space of about four inches.

PHYSICIANS ARE PROMPT.

Please Health Board With Tuberculosis Reports. St. Joseph physicians have been very prompt in complying with the order of the board of health made last week that all cases of tuberculosis be reported to the board immediately after the disease is discovered and also that all deaths from this cause be reported in order that the houses may be fumigated.

ENTERTAIN PROVIDENCE CLUB.

The Providence club of uptown was entertained in the Calumet rooms last night by Frank Rock and Miss Katherine Dougher. Cards were played and refreshments served.

MARSHAL DIES OF WOUNDS.

C. E. Butler, city marshal of St. Joseph, who was shot by R. P. Duncan, a candidate for the Democratic nomination for prosecuting attorney of Gentry county, died early yesterday morning at Conception, Mo., while waiting for a train to convey him to St. Joseph to a hospital.

SEND THREE TO CONCLAVE.

R. H. Jordan, principal of the St. Joseph high school; F. C. E. Bartlett and Frank Boder, undergraduates at Yale university, were last night elected delegates from the St. Joseph alumni of the Phi Gamma Delta fraternity to the grand convocation at New York City, June 29 and 30 and July 1.

Swallowed Her Week's Wages.

A Dundee (Scottish) girl swallowed a week's wages recently. To safeguard her money, which consisted of one gold and two silver coins, she carried it in her mouth. The accident was caused by her laughing heartily at a joke.

WAR ON WEEDS.

Police Set Example by Cutting Station's Grass.

South St. Joseph's big crop of weeds has been announced by the police. Sergeant Weber will Monday morning start a crusade against the weeds and the patrolmen will be instructed to tell every property owner to cut them down.

Last year the South End presented a vast underbrush, the weeds growing to an enormous height and forming arches over the sidewalks, making walking unpleasant. They were, however, fine shelter for one who was caught in the rain. When the patrolmen last season told the property owners to cut the weeds, they were told to go to the police station and cut their own. The grounds of the station has this year been beautified. Grass has been sown and pretty flower beds have been placed in front. Sergeant Weber spent nearly all of yesterday afternoon cutting the grass.

BIGGEST ARMY DEPOT TO RISE.

Government Selects Site in Frisco and Will Spend \$2,000,000.

San Francisco.—It is announced that the federal authorities have taken definite steps to secure a site here for the biggest United States army depot in the country. The institution is to be located on part of the existing army reservation at Fort Mason and then run forth on land at present submerged.

This submerged land is owned by the Dore family of this city and Mrs. Herman Delrichs and her sister, Mrs. William K. Vanderbilt, Jr., of New York. The land is to be condemned in the United States circuit court. Assistant United States District Attorney Clark has planned a suit for that purpose.

Congress has appropriated \$1,500,000 to pay for the site and filling in the submerged section. Outside the price of the condemned land the depot with its many buildings and wharves is to cost \$2,000,000.

The site to be condemned lies between Laguna and Lewis streets and Van Ness avenue and now is a small, shallow arm of the bay, on which the headquarters of Gen. Funston looks.

It is also announced that Fort Barry is to be occupied at once by United States troops. Maj. George McK. Williamson, new constructing quartermaster at Fort Mason, has advised Gen. Funston that the quarters at Fort Barry are ready for occupancy.

RICH; WORKS IN SMELTER.

John of Daniel Guggenheim a Laborer in Mexican Plant.

Agus Calientes, Mex.—The many millions of dollars of wealth of Daniel Guggenheim of New York, head of the smelter trust, are not standing in the way of his son, Harry Guggenheim, in earning the practical side of the smelting business.

Young Guggenheim is working with a gang of peon Mexicans shoveling iron in the bins of the big smelter at his place. He receives the same wages as the Mexicans—one peso a day, which is equivalent to 50 cents in the money of the United States.

It is said that the young man took his position with his father's consent and that he is to work his way up through the several departments of the smelter. After finishing with the manual and mechanical sides of the business, he will enter the office and learn how the books and records are kept.

The American Smelting and Refining company, which is usually called the smelter trust, virtually controls the silver, gold and copper smelting business of the United States and Mexico. It is said that young Guggenheim is equipping himself so as to be able to succeed his father eventually at the head of the business.

He is 19 years old and is strong and healthy. He came down here in a private car and went to work the next day.

ACCIDENT REUNITES NEIGHBORS.

One Grasps Other's Hand and Pays Back Costs of Lawsuit.

Middletown, N. Y.—Ten years ago Theodore Woolsey and Samuel Sellen, farmers, had a quarrel over a line fence which resulted in a lawsuit. Sellen was beaten, had to pay costs and vowed he would never speak to Woolsey again. The men sold their farms soon after that and left the neighborhood. Neither had seen the other until the other day, when an accident sustained by Woolsey brought about a reconciliation.

Sellen was driving along the highway when he overtook a supposed stranger whose horse had fallen in the road. He stopped and assisted him in getting the animal on his feet. When Woolsey recognized him as the man with whom he had quarreled he grasped the hand of his old enemy and exclaimed: "God bless you, Samuel Sellen. Won't you forgive me for the wrong I did you years ago? You shall be reimbursed for all the old lawsuit cost you."

"Yes, I will forgive you," replied Sellen, wringing Woolsey's hand, "and you need not pay me either."

Woolsey insisted upon paying the money, however. The men now live in different parts of the state.

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SUIT HAS DRAGGED 122 YEARS.

Court Orders \$10,356 Held for Nine Creditors Paid to State.

Boston.—After dragging wearily through the courts of Massachusetts 122 years, a case that has attracted little attention, but has established a long-time record for litigation, which began in 1786, was given another chapter the other day.

This last action was taken by Judge Grant in the probate court, when he entered a final decree directing William W. Risk, public administrator in nine estates, to pay \$10,356 to the state treasurer. What will be done with this money, which was deposited in the Suffolk Savings bank in 1838 for the benefit of creditors, is problematical.

The estates of which Attorney Risk has been the administrator were those of Thomas Pink, Robert Hyde, Thomas Jackson, Nathan Hyde, Saul Sandbank, James Avery, Jonathan Collins, Jr., Stephen Cross and Jonathan Dean.

These men were creditors of the estate of Ellis Gray, a Boston merchant, who died in 1786, and whose estate was in process of administration for a period covering 50 years.

In 1838, while Gray's estate was still in the probate court, deposits were made by order of the judge in the Suffolk Savings bank for the benefit of those nine creditors, who could not be found, and whose heirs were not known. In the lapse of years from 1786 to 1838 all trace of the creditors had been lost and the deposits have accumulated to \$10,356.

HINDOOS FOR MEXICO.

Employing Agencies Intend Shipping Them Across Border.

Galveston, Tex.—An immigration inspector who has been touring Mexico in quest of undesirable aliens seeking admission to the United States estimates that there are at least 10,000 Hindoo coolies in the sister republic. Foreigners and Mexicans claiming to be American citizens are engineering the traffic in coolie laborers. It is charged that contracts have been made to ship several hundred of these little brown men to the northwestern states, where many of their countrymen are now employed, having been smuggled over the line from Canada. Many of the coolies are working in the fields in Mexico and at least 2,000 in the mines. They work even cheaper than the Mexican peons.

Three men who are charged with having sold several lots of the Hindoos to railroad contractors and mine owners in Mexico have been arrested and thrown in Mexican prisons. When the Mexican government got after the gang who are responsible for the invasion of coolies they declared these laborers were destined for the United States. To the American authorities they made affidavit that the coolies are destined for Canada, where, it is said, there are several large colonies.

EGG BEARS LOVE ROMANCE.

Carries Woman's Name on Shell Ten Years; Then Man Finds It.

Joplin, Mo.—An interstate romance, hatched of an egg shipped from Joplin to Winsted, Conn., is disclosed in a dispatch announcing that Emil Lauritzen of Winsted had observed the address of Miss Louise Adecock of Joplin on an egg from a case he was unpacking; that through this incident a correspondence had begun, and later had terminated in a marriage engagement and preparations for a trip to Joplin.

There are no Adecocks living in Joplin. No one named Louise Adecock has been employed in Joplin commission houses, and the only tangible clue that might throw light on the Connecticut egg story comes through the police department. Capt. Tom Lawson recalls that a woman named Louise Adecock ran a huckster wagon in the region round about Joplin about ten years ago.

The presumption here is that Louise Adecock wrote her name and address on a dominick egg which was destined for cold storage, and that the ancient egg has just reached Winsted after ten years.

DOG AND ALLIGATOR FRIENDS.

Odd Pair Eat and Sleep Together and Dog Guards Huge Reptile.

Memphis, Tenn.—Jim, an alligator, and Towser, a dog, the property of C. C. Merz, have formed a friendship which is one of the most remarkable in animal life. They even sleep together under the platform where their master has his work bench.

The alligator, which is now six feet long, has been the property of Mr. Merz ever since it was a baby, 17 years ago. It is a pet and travels all over the house.

He stops eating about the first of December and fasts until June. During this period he remains in a sluggish condition. His usual diet during his "eating period" consists of raw beef, varied with an occasional rat.

In the summer he is active and has established a reputation as a pigeon catcher. When an unwary pigeon lights near Jim in the back yard there is a quick snap and the pigeon is gone.

Ship Has a "Diablo Deck."

London.—"Diablo deck" was the new name given to the top deck of the Celtic on its recent homeward voyage. Sticks and spoons now form part of the games equipment of the White Star ships.

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FOUND A HAVEN OF REFUGE.

Idea That Came to Man Who Didn't Want to Expose Himself.

It came near to being a great embarrassment, even though he was only a man.

Men aren't supposed to mind such things; but his garter was slipping down, and for two reasons he wasn't anxious to make public exhibition of himself in fixing it up, says the New York Sun. First of all, he had a more than usually lean calf, and secondly, he was one of the short underwear brigade.

But something had to be done, and quickly, if he didn't want to risk having some one step on the trailing garter—if he didn't do it himself—and so either break it or give him a fall.

Then came the great idea. It took quick work, because just the right moment had to be seized.

He entered one of the less frequented—for lack of a better phrase—office buildings, which had a turnstile door. In between the leaves he stooped down, out of vulgar sight, and in a trice or less had his garter fixed. He figured that any one coming after would delay about pushing the door just long enough to save him.

Then he kept right on around and so into the street, satisfied in every way.

Tarpon Nearly Eight Feet Long.

The world's record for a tarpon catch was broken here yesterday on the Panuco river by the courtesy of Wilton, who has been here for the season with her husband, Sir Frederick Johnson, in their yacht Zenaida. The fish is seven feet ten inches long and 48 1/2 inches in girth. The former record, not well authenticated, was held by the American consul at Trinidad, being seven feet four inches in length.—Tampico Correspondence of Mexican Herald.

McKinley's Singing.

"Governor McKinley was not a musician," said Opha Moore, who was a member of his office staff when he was governor of Ohio, "but he had a smooth, soft voice of musical quality and he was fond of the simpler hymns. Often when we were working quietly here in the office a low, sweet humming of a familiar tune—generally a Methodist hymn—would come floating out from the governor's private office, and it was good to hear."—Columbus Dispatch.

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WEDNESDAY'S BUSINESS

CATTLE.

Good Outlet for Fat Steers at Steady Prices—New Season Top.

A new season top; in fact, new top since the fall of 1907, was put on the cattle market at this point today. Receipts were not as large as were expected for a middle day of the week, although there were more cattle moving than last week.

The local total shows an increase of 2,300 compared with the first half of last week, and at five markets the three day total of 93,000 is 26,000 larger than for the same time last week.

The local supply included a liberal proportion of steers, but demand was good and there was no waiting to get into action on the part of buyers.

Beef men had a place for all useful offerings and had cattle moving seaward at an early hour of the forenoon. Offerings included several lots of fully finished steers that found quick outlet on a basis of full steady prices.

While every day has been bringing a higher level for well finished corn cattle, it should not be overlooked that green washy cattle are not working up and the spread in prices is rapidly becoming wider.

A widening in the range of prices between drylot and grass offerings is a feature in the trade in butcher stuff. Good corn fed cows and heifers were again in request and everything in this line was snapped up.

Bull values tended lower. Grass hogs were marked down a dime and even some of the butcher grades displayed a little weakness.

Early trade in calves was fairly active at steady prices, but a little weakness developed toward the close and some sales were 25c off.

For weighty steers but killers were active bidders for anything carrying enough flesh to go into beef channels and feeder buyers were not able to secure anything of consequence.

Table with columns: STOCKERS AND FEEDERS, YEARLINGS AND CALVES, FEEDING COWS AND STOCK HEIFERS, HOGS.

Opening Was Shady to Nickel Lower, Finish Slightly Stronger.

The week is not bringing out a liberal run of hogs. Locally the supply is about the same as last week, but in the total at five points the half week shows a shrinkage of 25,000 compared with last week.

The market was reported as opening lower in Chicago, and local buyers went out to fill orders on a correspondingly lower basis.

No change is noted in quality of hogs coming, weights are lighter than they were some time ago, and still there is quite large proportion of well-finished strong weights.

Prices ranged from \$5.10@5.35, with the bulk selling at \$5.20@5.30. The bulk yesterday sold at \$5.22@5.30, a week ago at \$5.27@5.40, a month ago at \$5.35@5.50, a year ago at \$5.95@6.05, two years ago at \$6.25@6.32, three years ago at \$6.20@6.32, four years ago at \$4.80@4.90.

Some unevenness was again manifest in the cow and heifer trade today. Desirable drylot offerings and best grades of grassers sold freely and the tendency was higher, while the under-classes did not sell materially better.

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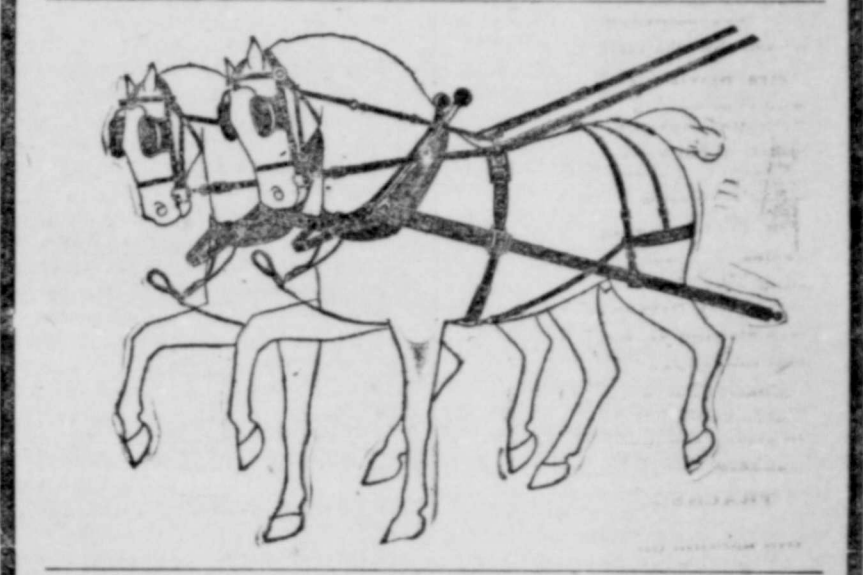
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AGAIN SEEKS PEARLS

WOMAN REOPENS LITIGATION FOR \$400,000 NECKLACE.

Seized by Uncle Sam Ten Years Ago in Dispute Over Duty—Famous Case Followed by Experts Here and Abroad.

Cleveland, O.—Mrs. William B. Leeds, who was Miss Nonnie Worthington, a Cleveland belle, is again making an attempt to recover the \$400,000 pearl necklace seized by the government ten years ago.

Once more jewelers here and abroad will follow with renewed eagerness the course of the hard-fought controversy.

Was that handful of marvelous stones—the finest single collection in the country—a necklace at the moment it reached American soil?

Or was it a bag of loose, unmatched jewels?

In other words, must M. Citroen, the French dealer who brought the pearls to the United States, pay a duty of ten per cent. or of sixty?

"Ten per cent. more would be robbery. I carried them here unstrung. Loose stones are dutiable at only ten per cent." That is the attitude of Bernard Citroen.

"These were matched pearls, intended for a necklace. They were a necklace in Paris and became a neck lace soon after arriving in New York. As such not a penny less than 60 per cent." That is the attitude of the government.

"Ten per cent. or 60, either or both—throw the stones away—anything to end this wretched litigation." That is the attitude of the exasperated wife of the railroad magnate.

Into the hands of Secretary Shaw from those of the customs inspector, out of the hands of Secretary Shaw into the federal courts to aid the luckless pearls have traveled. Traveled by proxy, of course, for most of the time they themselves have been locked in the vault of a safe deposit company.

Again and again Mrs. Leeds has been called upon to make affidavit, to assert, to deny, until, thoroughly wearied, she repents of having admitted the pearls in the first place, or at least of having expressed a desire to own them.

Her husband, however, instructed M. Citroen to engage one of the best-known experts on tariff law in the country and to fight the case to a finish.

The latest contention of the government is that the price paid by Mrs. Leeds included the expected duty at the rate of 60 per cent., and that M. Citroen took the chance of saving all except ten per cent of this.

It was upon Mrs. Leeds that the government relied to prove that the pearls were really a necklace. On a number of occasions she wore the necklace while she was in Paris, she admitted. The pearls being loose when they arrived in New York, the complainant declared it to be immaterial whether they had been a necklace in Paris or again became one after reaching Newport.

There were 37 pearls in the necklace, said Mrs. Leeds, and she has added six since the original string was bought. The combined weight of the 37 was 885 grains, an average of 26.62 grains. The central pearl weighs 53 grains, and the first pair 83 1/4. Succeeding pairs are graduated, each being within two or three grains of those preceding.

SHUN A "HOODOOED" HOUSE. Workmen Refuse to Enter Dwelling Bearing Numbers 13 and 23.

Des Moines, Ia.—Because the house of Samuel W. Baker, secretary of the park board, happens to bear the unlucky number combination of 13 and 23, in East Ninth street, two linemen for a telephone company struck and refused to enter the home to make changes on the house telephone. Both men were former ball players and refused to accept the numbers so unlucky as 13 and 23.

The men sat on the porch an hour and fought it out between themselves. Neither would make the first move to enter the house. As a last resort the men called Mrs. Baker to assure themselves that it was the Baker house. When informed that it was the men refused to enter, and later less superstitious men arrived and completed the changes.

"It was the first time I ever thought about the number combination," said Mr. Baker. "I have raised my family there and have four boys who are making a success in life. So far the house number has been no hoodoo for me."

WILD CAT SPOILS SIESTA. Guests Are Quick to Forget the Comforts of a Spring Day.

Pittstown, Pa.—Guests at the French Creek hotel in Chester county, who were sunning themselves on the porch, made a bee line indoors when a strange animal with an ominous cry bounded upon a rock only a short distance away.

Squire William J. Wells, Harvey McFarland, and other villagers who responded to the alarm formed a posse and tried to capture the animal, which proved to be a wild cat, the first seen in that section for years.

The wild cat eluded its pursuers, who fired several shots after it, and took refuge under a big bowlder near the iron ore mines. They tried to smoke it out, but without success.

OCCUPATION JUST SUITED HIM.

Man with Grouch Had Chance to Laugh at Others' Misfortunes.

"It isn't everybody that gets a place in life that's just suited to him," said Mr. Hobart, thoughtfully, "but I declare it seems as if Jed Loring had landed in the very spot he'd choose above every other."

"I didn't suppose anything would ever suit Jed," remarked Mrs. Hobart, "a man that always thought everybody was better off than he, and never appeared to enjoy anything except other folks' misfortunes. Where in the world is he?"

"While I was visiting Henry's folks," said Mr. Hobart, "they took me across the ferry to the island one day. I thought the face of the man that worked the gates looked kind of familiar, and he gazed at me real searchingly as Henry and I stood there."

"Aren't you Jim Hobart that used to live in Bushby?" he asked me at last.

"I am, and still do," says I, "and it's just come to me who you are. You're Jed Loring."

"He nodded that I was right. "Got a job that suits you here, I guess," I said, for he's grown stouter and looks considerable cheerfuller than he used to when he was here in Bushby."

"Yes, I have," says he, real hearty "Why, this ferryboat runs back and forth every half-hour all day long, and there's hardly a trip but what somebody misses it, and gets as mad as fury!"—Youth's Companion.

NOT DEPENDENT ON HIS PEN.

Stage Driver Glad Literary Man Had Anchor to Windward.

The solemn-faced man who drove the stage between Willowby and Greenfield never lost an opportunity to display his knowledge to a new passenger, nor had he ever been known to suppress his opinion on any subject no matter what it might be. "They tell me you're the man that wrote the story that's running now in one of the big magazines. I forget which 'tis," he said one day to a cheery passenger who had been endeavoring to ask a few questions himself.

"I believe I am," admitted the gentleman.

"I've never turned my hand to writing," said the stage driver, flicking his horses in meditative mood. "No, sir, I've been too much took up with other things, but read everything, most."

"I was having a little talk with Bill Sears about you yesterday. We'd both been reading your last book before this new one. Now, do you rely entirely on what you write for a living?"

"Not entirely," said the author, with due humility. "That's what I thought when I finished the book," and the stage driver looked kindly at the man who wrote the letters. "I'm real glad for ye that you've other means," he said, benevolently. "Got 'em well invested, I expect, too. I told Bill Sears that was most likely the case."—Youth's Companion.

Appearances Deceitful.

It was high noon when he entered the crowded restaurant. He stood fully six feet three inches in height, was built in proportion, and must have weighed at least 250 pounds. As he strode down between the rows of tables he looked as if he could eat up the house. He took a seat beside a diminutive, fussy little man with a bald head and chop whiskers, who was bravely and successfully polishing off a sirloin steak with onions. The little fellow, with his napkin tightly wedged under his chin and his mouth full of dinner, looked up in wonder at his gigantic side partner, and then down at the frail cane-bottomed chair, which creaked and groaned piteously under its immense weight. But the big fellow took no notice of the little one. When the waitress approached him he gave his order in businesslike fashion.

"Bring me," said he in a falsetto voice, "a cup of weak tea and a couple of doughnuts."

Aroused Her Ire.

"Female suffrage is bound to come," exclaimed the wandering agitator in the small hamlet. "How would you like to sit on the jury, madam?" The eyes of the old lady in the pink sunbonnet blazed, and, pointing to the little courthouse, she snapped through her teeth:

"How would I like to sit on a jury, mister? Well, I'd just like to sit all over that jury yander. What do you think they did? Awarded me two cents damages after the blamed steam cars jumped off the track, upset my barn, killed two cows, stumped a mule, cut the cat's tail off and woke up the hired man. Sit on that jury? Well, I jest wish to goodness I could, mister."

More Advice.

"Ought a man in politics to be communicative or silent?" asked the young man who is learning the statesmanship business.

"Well," answered Senator Sorghum, "he should not go to an extreme either way. The man who wants to tell all he knows becomes a bore and the man who seems afraid to tell anything he knows becomes an object of suspicion."

Doesn't Take Warning.

"Does your son profit by your example? Does he imitate your successes and avoid your mistakes?" "No. He wants to get married,"—Philadelphia Inquirer.

PICKED A DEAD ONE

RETRIBUTION THAT OVERTOOK UNTRUTHFUL WASHINGTONIAN.

Explanation Intended to Deceive Trusting Wife Recalled on His Head—And It Cost Him All His Winnings.

Not many moons ago a poker game was pulled off in one of the clubs of Washington which caused a prominent merchant to wander home in the wee small hours. Nor is that all. Excuses were in order to mollify wife, and of course—but listen.

At half-past one o'clock on the morning of that same the young merchant had acquired a pile of red, white and blue chips which to see over he was compelled to stand up. They represented about \$200 velvet.

He knew that in the cause of domestic tranquility he should be going home, but when he suggested that the same be called off a then member of the house of representatives dropped a verbal pearl to the effect that "if you've got cold feet, put 'em right up here in my bosom an' warm 'em."

There was no drawing out for the merchant, and so about 5:30 the next morning he found his pile had grown to double its size and he cashed in about \$700 to the good.

After he had gone to the Turkish bath, which brought his chromometer around to noon time, he sauntered home, to be met by his wife, who, to say the least, was some peevish.

But the merchant beat her to it. "Wait!" he commanded, "before you say anything, I had to go to Baltimore late yesterday afternoon. Man who bought a \$1,500 bill of goods paid for it with a check which was returned marked 'no good.' I couldn't stand to lose it, and so I hopped the first train to Baltimore, got a lawyer, and this morning the man settled up all right."

"Now, before I rest any I'll take you downtown and buy you something with the gain on that bill."

Now the merchant's wife was a Baltimore girl before her marriage, and naturally inquired what lawyer her husband retained.

"Why, I employed old Judge Emory," the merchant replied, nothing daunted, and he heard his wife call after him as he went upstairs: "I'm glad you did. He's an old friend of the family."

Ten minutes later the merchant's self-satisfaction at having gotten by so well in a town he knew as well as the palm of his hand, he rushed into his room flourishing a Baltimore paper.

"Whom did you say you employed?" she cried.

"I told you plainly Judge Emory," the man answered.

"Liar!" the wife stormed. "Here's his business notice."

"Think of it, boys," the merchant said, in recounting his troubles that night at the club. "Thousands of lawyers in Baltimore—and I had to pick a dead one!"

Cats in Government Employ.

"Among the many expenditures of the United States government each year there is one that is far more peculiar than that of any other country in the world," said an employe of the postoffice department the other day. "But few people are aware of the fact that Uncle Sam annually appropriates, through the postoffice department, a small sum of money for the support of an army of cats in a number of his postoffices throughout the country. The money is used to buy food for the felines, though this seems somewhat of a reflection upon their ability to catch rats and mice, for which purpose they are kept in the postoffices. At times much trouble is caused by the rodents gnawing the mail pouches and opening mail addressed to another person, regardless of the penitentiary penalty usually imposed upon human beings for such an act. It has been found that the cats cannot live entirely on rat dainties, and milk and meat must be supplied them at intervals. The average cost of the cat food at a postoffice where they are kept is about \$18 per year. Uncle Sam has detachments of his cat army stationed at the postoffices at Little Rock, Ark.; Los Angeles, Cal.; New Haven, Conn.; Minneapolis, Minn.; Binghamton, N. Y.; New York, N. Y.; Portland, Ore., and Norfolk, Va."

Lives Up to Turkish Customs.

After keeping Chekib Bey in America for five years, a minister plenipotentiary in name only, the august but procrastinating sultan of Turkey, has sent Mehmed Ali Bey to represent him in Washington. Chekib Bey is a widower. Mme. Mehmed Ali Bey is therefore only the second high-class Turkish woman to come to this country as a diplomatic hostess. The first Mme. Ali Ferrough Bey, was a bride and it was in deference to this fact that the sultan permitted her to establish a precedent for her countrywomen. It was with the understanding, however, that under no circumstances was she to go into society with her face uncovered, and thus neglect one of the cardinal virtues of her native land. This promise prevented her from dining at the White House and participating in other affairs of the diplomatic corps where gentlemen were to be present. It did not, however, prevent her accepting invitations to ladies' meetings or luncheons, which she did whenever the opportunity offered. On one occasion, at least, she left it, for her would be hostess had carefully excluded all male relatives and friends from the house and then for the luncheon admitted waiters of the masculine gender.

COMPLETE TRIUMPH OF DAISY.

Dread Alternative Compelled the Surrender of Parents.

When Daisy was 15, she called her father and mother into her dressing room.

"Dear papa and mamma," she said. "It is time that we came to an understanding. Hereafter I desire to select all of my own clothes without any suggestions."

Naturally papa laughed at this. Mamma was disconcerted silent.

"And," continued Daisy, "I will receive my callers alone."

"I hope," said papa, now growing sober, "that this is all, Daisy dear. You know we have been very fond of you. Indeed, I may say that I am worn out over the struggle to keep you going."

"Too bad about you, papa," said Daisy. "But, no. It's not all. I must go to the matinee at least once a week. Then I shall, of course, go next term to a finishing school. I will let you know the name as soon as I decide. These are the essentials. There is also the matter of my coming out, but that can be arranged later. I merely wish now to give you due notice that I must no longer be hampered."

"Suppose," said Daisy's father, "that we refuse to consider your modest request. What then?"

Daisy smiled. She was fully aware of his power.

"Then," she repeated, "I shall take pleasure in telling everybody what goes on at home every day."

Realizing that they were up against it, both parents joyfully gave in.—Harper's Weekly.

PATRIOTS MUST BE MARKSMEN.

It's Easy to Boast, But Hard to Fight a Real Enemy.

As soon as troops come within 2,500 yards of the enemy to-day they are broken up into squads of eight, over 12 yards apart. At 1,200 yards the line is composed of individual men about two yards apart, and so the approach is made, each man being supposed to take careful aim and pump accurate lead into individual enemies. Every man in the modern army is, or rather is assumed to be, the captain of his own soul.

The untrained citizen, who complacently waits for the president's call to arms before he shows his military mettle, is like the traditional gentleman, who, on being asked if he could play the violin, answered that he didn't know, as he had never tried.

An expert rifleman to-day, says Rupert Hughes in Broadway Magazine, showing the making of American soldiers, is able to plant a bullet in a man a thousand yards distant, at every shot. He might lie in a hand-made trench and destroy a hundred unskilled marksmen before they could reach him. I have seen recruits who had shot for an hour with both eyes open and wondered why they never got on the target. A patriot who doesn't know enough to close one eye and align the two sights and to take the proper elevation and windage is only a windbag when he spouts his jingoism. He is like the reformer who does not know what a primary is or where it happens.

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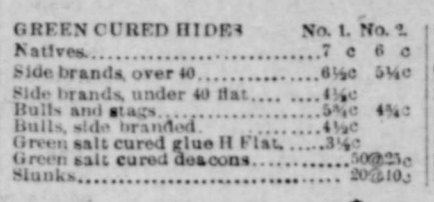
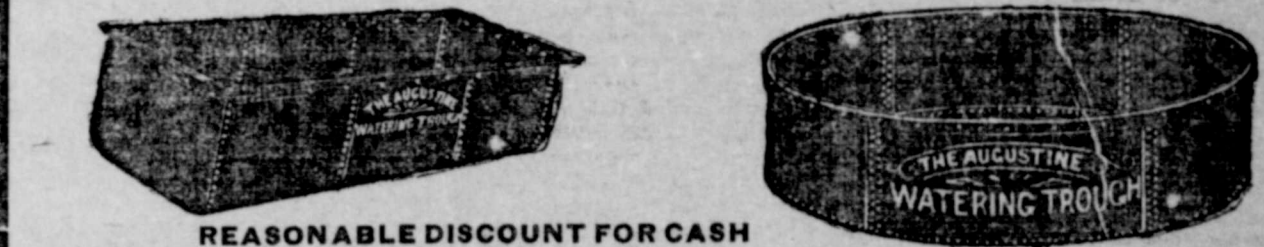


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