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One way to prevent seasickness is to remain on land.

Dewey left Port Said as soon as his ship was loaded. Enough Said.

The wicked mosquito is never satisfied until he lands behind the bars.

A musician ought to enjoy the company of the banjo he picks himself.

Money makes the mare go, but railway officials prefer to run trains on time.

A true friend speaks of your vices to your face and of your virtues behind your back.

The man who can honestly say he doesn't believe in luck has all the money he needs.

Now that the preliminaries in the Dreyfus case have gone beyond the haggling point they will soon get down to real business.

Tonc Reed has demonstrated that it is just as easy for a big man to drop out of sight as it is for a small man to leap into temporary prominence.

The St. Louis professor who suggests the name of Usona for this country has missed his calling. He should be writing advertisements for biscuit makers.

The Boston police are looking for a missing girl whose name is given in full as Mary. Possibly this is the Mary whom the lamb loved. Her surname was also withheld.

Spain is not yet barren of colonies. A glance at the map will show that she still possesses the penal settlements of Ceuta and Fernando Po and a piece of the Sahara desert as big as Texas. The Dons are probably holding these choice lots to await a rise in current prices.

Another burglar has been routed, horse, foot and artillery, by a Chicago woman whom he met as he was carrying away a bag of hard-earned plunder. The man must have been a stranger. Native burglars have long since learned that the Chicago woman in her wrath is more terrible than a ten-acre lot full of policemen.

American superiority in every art is becoming recognized the world around. A somewhat embarrassing indication of the high appreciation awarded American skill is given in a dispatch from Sweden, which states that Swedish banknotes are being extensively counterfeited and that "the excellence of the counterfeit seems to prove that the plates were made in America."

The people of other states will be curious to learn how Missouri gets on with her new statute against department stores. It classifies merchandise under 88 separate heads, and imposes a special tax upon every merchant who sells goods of more than one class. As the freedom of trade has hitherto been among the unenumerated rights of the citizen, the courts have yet to pass upon the question whether the legislature can restrict the freedom.

Such is the tendency to specialism in these days that Prof. Hadley, the president-elect of Yale, who is chiefly known as a political economist, would doubtless shrink from being examined in his father's Greek grammar. But after all, of what great use is the Greek language to Americans? What we want to know is the truth: What kind of national, state or local legislation will produce the greatest good to the greatest number? College endowments keep collegians away from a chance to get at the truth. Whether Hadley's ideas are wrong or right they will provoke discussion in a fertile field of reform.

The agricultural department has issued a bulletin treating of the probable success of the efforts of the department to establish the Smyrna fig industry in California. It appears that the fruiting of the Smyrna fig is dependent upon the introduction from the south of Europe and the establishment in California of a little insect which fertilizes the fig. Experimental introductions of the insect were theretofore begun, and some of them brought over in 1888 have succeeded in penetrating the closed flowers of the Capri figs growing at Fresno, making the first step of the experimental work a success. The bulletin adds: "Since the insect has maintained itself for an entire year there is reason to suppose that it will continue to breed, and that California in the near future will be able to place a fig upon the market which will possess the same superior flavor as that which has given the imported Smyrna figs their pre-eminent commercial rank."

Chicago has at last occupied the position London has occupied for so many years, the distinction of adding every year a good-sized city to its population. The best estimates of the directory experts show that during the past year the city has increased in population 136,000, making a total grand population of 2,019,000. Pausading the 2,000,000 mark and adding a city of, say, about the size of Indianapolis every year, Chicago will enter the new century with a prospect of leading all its records in the matter of phenomenal growth.

A man performed a heroic act, saving a child's life at the imminent risk of losing his own. Then while the populace thronged about him, to applaud and reward him, he turned pale and died in abject terror at sight of a policeman! The memory of some past misdemeanor, and the fear that it had been discovered and would be visited upon him, made a moral coward of a physical hero. Yet the incident none the less showed that even a guilty life may be capable of good and noble deeds.

# REMARKABLE EXPERIMENTS.

## How Various Human Emotions May Be Recorded by Delicate Mechanical Devices.

Parents, teachers and lovers of children generally will be greatly interested in the results of an experimental study of no less than twenty-two thousand school boys and school girls, white and colored, just completed by the United States Bureau of Education. It has been a monster undertaking, requiring several years, as is shown by the first detailed account of the work.

All of the youthful subjects if grouped together would equal in number the men in the ranks of our standing army at the outbreak of the last war. The object of the investigation was to discover the relationship between parentage, surroundings, nationality, stature, weight, size and shape of head and other conditions and the conduct, intellect and health of children at different ages. Almost all of the subjects were selected from the public schools of Washington, the transient population of which includes nearly all American and foreign types of childhood.

The case of each child was issued a blank calling for as many as 197 details, covering all facts and characteristics to be considered. All these data were collected by teachers in the various schools, under the direction of Dr. Arthur MacDonald, well known as an anthropologist, who personally examined cases demanding the use of instruments of precision.

Of such instruments, devised entirely for measurements of man, the Bureau has one of the most elaborate collections in existence. They automatically measure the relative acuteness of the senses, sensitiveness to pain and other stimuli, and the dimensions and motions of external parts of the body, besides keeping strict account of the changes in breathing and the distribution of the blood circulation under different conditions.

The extravagant theories of pseudoscientists of the spectacular schools of phrenology must be abandoned for conclusions reached by such thorough work as this. No attempt was made to study the bumps of the youthful heads, to be brighter than long-headed children, the length of the head being measured from front to back of the cranium.

It was concluded that in boys sensitiveness to pain decreases in the order of their birth, whether first born, second born, etc., but the reverse seemed to be the case with girls. Boys with light hair and eyes were found to be less sensitive than boys with dark hair and eyes, the same being true of girls. Bright boys and girls at the same time appear to be more sensitive than dull boys and girls. Dr. MacDonald is of the opinion that luxuries and refinement increase this sensitiveness in people in general.

Children of the non-laboring classes were found to be twice as sickly as those of the laboring classes. The highest percentage of laziness and of unreliness was found among boys designated as dull. Boys showed a higher laziness average than girls. The sons of laborers were found less unrelaxed than those of non-laboring classes. The reverse was the rule with girls. Convulsions were frequent in dull boys and those of non-laboring classes, but very rare in girls generally. That nervousness increases with the refinements of life is indicated by the highest average for this defect in the white children of non-laboring classes and the lowest average in colored children.

In estimating whether each head was broad, medium or long a simple formula was applied. The maximum width was always multiplied by 100 and divided by the maximum length. When the resulting number was 75 or less the subject was registered as long-headed, when between 75 and 80 he was medium and between 80 and 85 he was broad-headed.

Another interesting deduction is that the child with a large head is apt to be more intelligent than the one whose cranium is small. Diagrams made from the statistics show that as the circumference of the skull increases so does mental ability. Children of laborers were found to have smaller heads than those whose parents work with their brains rather

than with their bodies. Of all his measurements the anthropologist says he attaches most importance to those of the head. Defects of the cranium, says he, are probably more significant than those of other parts, and in general the nearer a bodily defect is to the brain the more important it is.

Can any relationship exist between a child's height or weight and his mental ability? was another question. The bright boys were found to excel the dull ones in standing height, sitting height and weight. A surprising discovery was that the children of the laboring classes, whose parents daily exercise their bodies, have a much smaller average for length of body and limb as well as for weight than those whose parents belong to the non-laboring classes and who gain their living mostly by mind work.

Another interesting conclusion arrived at is that a mixture of nationalities in the parents seems to result unfavorably to the mental development of the child. The result appears to be a reduction in the circumference of the head. Children of mixed national-

ities were also inferior in weight, on an average.

Colored and white children were compared. The percentage of long-headedness, appearing to indicate dulness when comparisons are made among children of the same race, was found to be twice as great among colored as among white boys, but this is believed to be due largely to the racial differences. Colored girls' heads seemed to be larger around than those of colored boys, the reverse of the rule with white children and to be shorter in stature although heavier in weight. The colored children were also found to be much the more acute in distinguishing temperatures.

The marks of "dull" and "bright" affixed by the teachers led to some further conclusions of great interest. Girls showed higher percentages of "average ability" than boys, but the boys showed the higher percentages in extremes. The boys were found to be more variable. Variability, the anthropologist says, must be regarded as an excellency. If an organism can vary itself it can adapt itself better to its surroundings. Children of the laboring classes were found to be inferior in their studies to those of the non-laboring classes.

An algometer was used upon the temples and palms of the hands to determine the least sensitivity of different children to pain or to disagreeable impressions caused by pressure. The instrument is a brass cylinder with a steel rod entering one end. The rod is attached inside to a spring with a scale and marker measuring the degrees of pressure in grammes. The object was to discover how much pressure could be borne before the least pain resulted. Girls were found to be much more sensitive than boys, and girls in the public schools showed less sensitiveness than those in the private schools.

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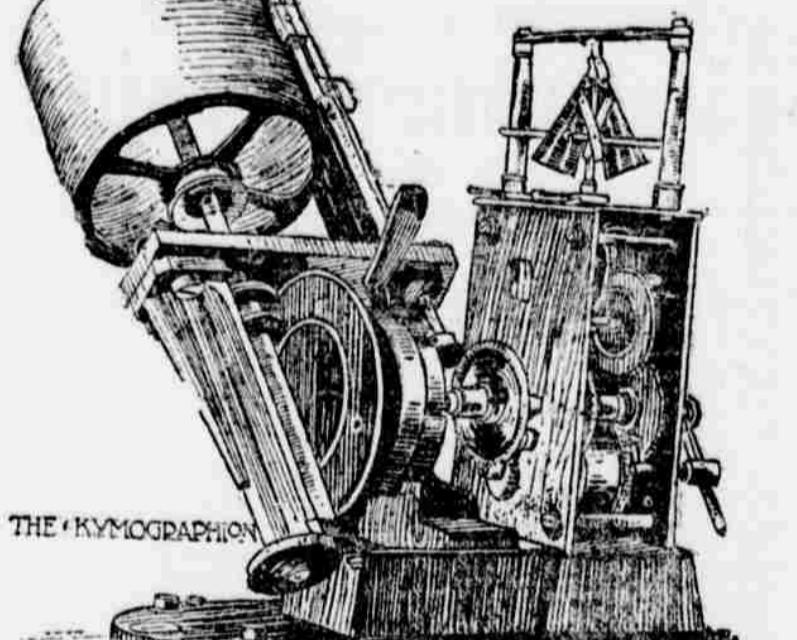
decide. Mr. Bean finally settled on Saturday as being the proper name, saying that the day was the last in the week, and that sailors worked only six days a week; therefore he held that the sailors would be satisfied to have the new mast dubbed "Saturday." But the wise old sailors, when told that the decision had been reached, squinted their weather eye and asked what the last stick on a seven-master would be called. Then Mr. Bean settled on "after-jiggermast" as the name. The new schooner will be a surprise when it is launched next year. With her deck clear several hundred people would have plenty of room to dance all the Fisher's hornpipes and Virginia reels ever invented, and a dozen double teams would have plenty of room to take a drive and not col-

**APPENDICITIS**  
And the Useless Vermiform Appendix from Which It Comes.

A great deal is heard nowadays about appendicitis. There is no doubt that very many persons are badly

affected by the disease.

**THE KYMOGRAPH**



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scared about it, and the number of persons who will not eat fruit containing seeds is very large—this notwithstanding the fact that medical opinion has agreed that not more than 6 per cent of the cases of appendicitis are due to the swallowing of seeds. The contents of the appendix usually consist of mucus. The appendix has abundant muscular ability to empty itself, and it has at its point of connection with the intestine a good fixed point for muscular action. But a very little swelling will so contract the tube as to prevent the escape of the concretions. It is the bacteria that do the business. They attack the affected appendix, the inflammation extends thence to the adjacent organs. Although now apparently useless, it is believed that the appendix once formed an important part of the alimentary tract. This was in the days when we needed a wisdom tooth for crushing palms and ferns and a large absorbing surface with which to extract their scanty nutriment. The wisdom tooth, with its insufficient calcification, perishes easily when attacked by bacteria, and the appendix shows the same want of resisting power. The veriform appendix was recognized in the sixteenth century. As compared with the size of the intestine

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## FOR WOMEN AND HOME

### ITEMS OF INTEREST FOR MAIDS AND MATRONS.

Some striking Pen and Pictures of Fashions for Women—Ideas of Bliss—The Woman Who Stoops—Be attractive.

**Love's Aspiration.**  
What shall I ask for thee,  
When, at the silent eve or golden  
morn  
I seek the Eternal Throne on bended knee  
And to the God of Love my soul is borne,  
Ascending through the angel-guarded  
air.  
On the swift wings of Prayer?

What shall I ask? the bliss  
Of earth's poor votaries? pleasures that  
must fade  
As dew from summer blossom? Oh! for  
this  
Thy fresh young spirit, dear one, was not  
made  
Pure and holy must its blessings be  
I ask not this for thee.

For thee, fair child, for thee,  
In thy fresh, budding girlhood, shall my  
prayer  
Go unanswered, that the witchery  
Of earthly tones alluring may not snare  
Thy heart from purer things; but God's  
own hand  
Lead to the better land.

Ever shall Love for thee  
Implore Heaven's best and holiest ben-  
ison,  
Its perfect peace—that peace which can  
not be  
The gift of Earth; for this when upward  
born  
My soul grows earnest, angel-like of  
flame  
May echo thy sweet name.

Ay, in their world of light  
Immortal voices catch a mother's prayer,  
And while I kneel, some waiting scrup-  
lous  
Swift on expanded wing, the boon may  
bear,  
And, soft as falling dewdrops, kindly  
Heaven's peace o'er thy young head.

Their Ideas of Bliss.

Evidently when the question of a wedding journey arises in an up-the-state town the first choice falls upon Philadelphia, and down the youthful pair come when every one else is wishing to leave the city behind him. In Fairmount Park one may see them driving about in carriages. One pair were having a disappointing time of it the other day. They had chosen an unpropitious hour for their drive, just when their charioteer was growing hungry. When the trip down one side of the park had been made he had stopped his horses by the entrance and was helping himself to ample slices of bread and butter. It was a difficult thing for the occupants of that carriage to look either romantic or interesting. They may have been hungry, too. Another pair were conspicuously anxious that no one should imagine they had not lived in Philadelphia all their years.

But though they may come to the city in the summer to see the sights, to go to the seaside, and eat roast clams, not because they like them, Washington is their Mecca all the rest of the year. In fact, they seem to consider Washington their own, a city set apart for bridal pairs, and hand-in-hand they wander through her public buildings and up and down her broad avenues. They are all interesting, but they cannot compare with the older men and women who had visited Washington on their wedding journey years before and who have just found time to go back again. And the city sees many such tourists. They are frankly happy and gay, and so pleased to recall how the city looked "when we were here before."

**The Woman Who Stoops.**

The woman who stoops is rare, thank goodness, but she does exist as an eyesore to beholders and a discomfit to herself. Yes, I am quite convinced that the stooping woman is quite uncomfortable and would remedy her defect if she knew how. Weakness of system is sometimes responsible for stooping shoulders, but carelessness is the great cause. Poring

### FRENCH BODICE FOR AFTERNOON WEAR.



Made of lettuce-green tucked chiffon, with bands of pruné velvet insertion between the tucks. The sleeves have no fullness whatever, and are very flaring over the hands. The clinging skirt is a green canvas, with stitched bands of white cloth headed by narrow black velvet ribbon.

### FRENCH TOILETTE.



In-fawn challic over rose taffeta, with in-lawn bowknots of black silk velveteen, which forms the stock and belt. The sleeves are covered with gathered

chiffon, which covers also the petticoat, of rose silk. Black straw hat with black plumes and tuile.

down to a drawing board, so that every part of it is quite secure. Select the colors to use, and where they are applied, and over every place that is to be painted lay a wash of undiluted veloutine. When it is dry make a wash of Chinese white and veloutine, pass that over parts already sized with the veloutine, and then paint the lace with bright colors in a set pattern. Metallic colors, such as gold, silver and bronze, can be applied in the same way to the lace. See that the colors are thoroughly absorbed into the lace, and remember the more broken and diversified the coloring the better the effect.

### BE ATTRACTIVE.

Something, although not strictly new, certainly worthy of notice, is painting upon lace for decorative and household purposes. The work is in imitation of old Cretan laces, which were made with colored threads, arranged as patterns upon a black or white ground. It is executed with water-colors, and can be used for sofa cushions and similar things, frills for old-looking portieres, to give them the air of antiquity, or for dainty bed or couch dressing. The colors are made fast by the use of a fixative, and though they will not stand washing they will not spoil from atmospheric causes. To paint: Use veloutine as a fixative; moist water-colors, with Chinese white of body colors, red sable brushes, and work upon lace of good designs. Stretch the lace and pin it

### FRILLS OF FASHION.

A novelty in wraps is a half coat of lace, rounded up the back and trimmed with ruffles of chiffon.

Gold pencil guards, enameled and set with precious stones, are useful additions to the chatelaine.

A collar buckle of gold is in the shape of two maple leaves, with small pearls set along the lines of the veins.

Scent bottles of cut glass, with tracings of silver, have covers of gold handsomely enameled and set with precious stones.

Pineapple bunting, a new pretty summer textile is like a sheer but strong grenade, in little open meshes, but of the texture of gauze.

Lorgnette chains with pearls set in intervals of two to three inches are greatly in demand. Others are mounted with emeralds and rubies.

A collar buckle of gold, in the shape of a fleur de lis, has the appearance of being cast. The centers are embossed and relieved by bright cutting.

Skirts of many of the thin gowns are tucked down several inches at the back, thereby giving the desired flat effect and some fullness at the same time.

Waists belted at the back, with open jacket fronts, are quite a feature of tailored gowns of summer cloth, white or colored plique, duck, Holland and English drill.

The articles comprising a toilet set for a lady are mounted in gold, the back of each article having a miniature in very bright colors on an emerald green background.

Black point d'esprit net continues to be in great use, both for making new toiletts and fancy waists and for freshening gowns and bodices of black satin, taffeta, faille, Indian silk and grenadine.

Charming dancing dresses for debutantes are made with plain bodices almost covered with lace-trimmed fuchis, the sleeves being nothing more than Louis XIV. bow knots of wide velvet ribbon.

Very fine open-meshed veiling is the favorite for summer wear. It has either large dots far apart or no dots at all, and in either case the veils are so thin that they will not serve to disguise a poor complexion.

The contrast afforded between laces, nets and light evening silks and tulles and black velvet ribbon and black chenille bands and special devices en applique are among the most artistic and becoming effects in French gowning.

### SCIENTIFIC TOPICS

#### CURRENT NOTES OF DISCOVERY AND INVENTION.

A Toy Sprinkler Made Out of An English Walnut, Two Hazel Nuts, Two Straws, a Cork and a Bottle—Portable Boat.

Electricity for All Uses.

Thomas A. Edison is building a model town on a mountain top.

It will be perhaps as remarkable as anything the inventor has ever done. It will be in the backwoods, yet as finely appointed, as far as modern conveniences are concerned, as the residential portions of the larger cities. In fact, it will be more advanced than many of these, for nothing that is not up to date will be allowed. Nothing so slow as gas, for instance, will be used in the houses. The village of Edison now occupies the site of the proposed town, but it is insignificant. The place is now only a group of shanties rising irregularly around the mouth of the great rift known as the Edison iron mine. This great hole which the steam shovels are eating into the top of Mount Musconetcong in Northern New Jersey yawns wider year by year and is expected to become in time the center of great industries. It may rival Niagara Falls as an industrial center. Edison, who found a great deal of finely divided iron ore in the rocks about, has devised a method for extracting this ore. To state it simply, he crushes the iron-laden rocks between great steam rollers and then drops the resulting powder past the faces of big electro-magnets. The iron ore clings to the magnets and is saved. The broken-up rock drops past the magnets and is carried away. Just now the iron dust is shipped to the smelting furnaces, but it is probable the ore will be used eventually in furnaces built near the mine. In the meantime the business has outrun the little nest of shanties which hang over the edge of the hole. Those workers who have been pioneers in opening the mine feel that the camping-out period of their existence is over. To begin with, fifty houses are being built on a hill top. With one exception the point of land is the highest in New Jersey. That exception is a great game preserve owned by a New York sporting club. Half-way down Mount Musconetcong, on the way to New York, lies Lake Hopatcong, lined with swell watering places. The village of Edison is already lighted by electricity, has telephone connection with the outside world, a schoolhouse and steam engines to carry freight. The new town will be lighted by electricity, supplied with electric bells, have an improved system of sanitation, which the steep mountain side will favor, and a water supply better than that of any large city. The houses are of the cottage form, with roomy porches.

### A Toy Sprinkler.

Here is a toy sprinkler that any bright boy or girl can make with the aid of a pocket knife and a gimlet; the necessary materials are an English walnut, two hazel nuts, two straws, a cork and a bottle.

Following is a description of how to make the sprinkler:

Remove by the aid of a small saw or a pocket knife about one-third of a walnut.

Then take out the kernel of the remaining larger part and make it nice and smooth inside with the knife.

Now you bore two holes in the sides of the shell, and insert a straw in each hole, the straws to be about two and one-half inches long.

Then take two hazel nuts and make two holes in each, the holes being in right angle with each other and reaching the center of the kernel.

Now put the straws coming out of the walnut in the top hole of the hazel nut, and in the side hole you introduce a short piece of straw.

Use beeswax or sealing wax for stopping all leaks. Now your sprinkler is ready for use, and all you have to do is to place the walnut in its pointed end on the cork of an empty bottle and pour water in the walnut basin.

The water will then



run through the straws, and thereby cause the little sprinkler to revolve quickly.

### CAUSES OF EARTHQUAKE.

The cause of earthquakes was the subject chosen by M. Stanislas Meunier for a recent lecture at the Paris Museum of Natural History. Starting from the received hypothesis that the earth is cooling, though slowly and without condensation, that it is formed by a liquid nucleus surrounded by a solid crust, and that contraction due to cooling causes cracking, fissures and large faults, the lecturer pointed out that these clefts and faults receive hydrated rocks which, through the action of gravity or successive giddings, approach the roof of the underground excavations, and at last fall to the bottom of these abysses, formed of hot and anhydrous rocks. On coming in contact with the burning mass at the bottom the local temperature of which is still further raised by the impact, the water of hydration contained in the blocks is instantaneously converted into steam, producing dynamic effects of great intensity. The enormous mass of steam thus formed at a very high temperature causes the weaker portion of the earth's crust to fall in, opening the craters of extinct volcanoes and giving them fresh activity, and drawing along the lateral or subjacent matters.

### TRUE TO HIS PRINCIPLES.

The exhausted traveler, fainting and half dead from thirst, and all unused to the climate of the tropics, lay gasping. They brought him a cocoanut.

"It spoils the whole object of the festivity," said the irate colonel,

pointing at the offending "r."

"But I don't mind that half so much as the fact that what has knocked us out is a letdown that has no legitimate existence, by gad, sah, in the English language!"

True to His Principles.

The exhausted traveler, fainting and half dead from thirst, and all unused to the climate of the tropics, lay gasping.

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"We will crack this," they said. "The contents will revive you."

"What is inside?" he asked. "Milk."

"I won't touch it!" he said, hoarsely. "I'm a vegetarian."

The Inevitable.

"So the whole thing ends in both of us being obliged to give up the throne," said the Samoan king.

"Yes," answered the other. "It's the old story of competition being crushed out by combines."

If you're not in the syndicate there's only one thing to do,

and that's abdicate."

Britain uses 72,000 tons of paper yearly in postal cards.

### SHE GAVE THE NEWS.

#### MME. CABANAL KNEW BOMBARDMENT WAS GOING ON.

Had a Well Organized Staff—Nine Handbooks in the Spirit World to Supply Her with Information—Who Can Explain How These Things Happen.

In the cafe of the hotel the conversation at one of the tables turned upon the newly awakened interest all over the country in physical phenomena, caused by the appointment of several committees composed of well known scientists, to study and report upon these matters, says the New York Telegraph. Said one plain-spoken old philosopher, as he replaced his glass upon the table, emitting the sound of cracked ice and the odor of mint: "That's all rot. People allow altogether too much weight to the indoctrination of these fake spiritualists by college professors and other students—men whose severe scientific training has blunted their good, sound horse sense." "You're right," added a well known boozie; "these highly educated people are often the easiest marks for the 'con men.' We all remember Harry Joe's easy 'touch' of Oscar Wilde and Prof. Ley's hearty endorsement of the Keely motor."

One of the party, who had for many years been a special correspondent for one of the New York dailies, was asked if he had ever had any strange experiences with the occult during his travels. He smiled—with the others—and said: "Until Prof. Hyslop of Columbia College told the other day of the startling communications he recently received from the spirit world through Mrs. Piper, the Boston medium, using her as a long-distance telephone and her fingers as the transmitter and receiver, I was at a loss to understand some remarkable phenomena that came under my observation in Anam, several years ago, when following the French army during its war with the Black Flags of Tonkin. In Haiphong, the chief port of Tonkin, was a small hotel, kept by a French woman—Mme. Cabanal—who had lived there ever since the French occupation, ten or twelve years previously, and it was she who seemed to be possessed of powers somewhat akin to those claimed for this great Boston medium. Two days after the commissaire-general, the civil governor of the French possessions in Anam, had left Haiphong with the entire French fleet, to make what he called 'demonstration' along the coast, telling the newspaper correspondents that he would neither bombard any city nor any other city, he clinched the last joint of her index finger, and clinched all right on the nail side. With it so fixed she was taken over to police headquarters. The button was fastened as if it were never to come off. An ambulance was sent for, but the surgeon knew of no way to get it off. He took her over to St. Vincent's hospital. The surgeons at the hospital cut the button out. It had been clinched into the flesh, and it was necessary to put the girl under ether to perform the operation.

### SEWED A BUTTON

#### Her Finger with a Machine That Clinched It to the Flesh.

New York Sun: Rosie Pierre, 16 years old, of 341 Madison street, met with a singular accident in Joseph Klein & Co.'s tailor shop, at 626 Broadway, yesterday. She was putting buttons on trousers, using for that purpose a machine that stamps them on and clinches them on the other side. She got her hand into the machinery. It did not stop. It went right on. The next button was sunk deep into flesh of the last joint of her index finger, and clinched all right on the nail side. With it so fixed she was taken over to police headquarters. The button was fastened as if it were never to come off. An ambulance was sent for, but the surgeon knew of no way to get it off. He took her over to St. Vincent's hospital. The surgeons at the hospital cut the button out. It had been clinched into the flesh, and it was necessary to put the girl under ether to perform the operation.

### ARISTOCRATS IN TRADE.

The duke of Northumberland, the heir of all the Percys, with a direct descent from one of William I's favorites, has a reputation for excellent butter, says Tit-Bits, and the ducal brand is in great demand within a radius of many miles from Lyon House, Brentford.

The most noble marquis of Ripon has an ideal dairy at his seat, Studley Royal; and its products, yellow butter and delicious cream, are sold in two dairy shops, one in Leeds and the other at Ripon.

Another marquis still better known in the world of trade is Lord Londonbridge, whose coal is as unimpeachable as his family escutcheon. Time was when the earl of Hardwick, as Viscount Royston, was a cigar merchant. He has now transferred his energies to Capel Court and is half stock broker and half newspaper owner.

The earl of Harrington supplements his income from 13,000 acres by the profits of a green grocery shop at Charing Cross, to which the fruits and vegetables grown at his Derby seat, Elvaston Castle, find their way.

The seventeenth earl of Caithness has been literally nursed as a farmer, and is proud of his American ranch, covering over twenty square miles, the fruit of his years of hard work, than of his earl's coronet.

The last earl of Seafield was a baronet and small farmer in New Zealand, and his successor, the young earl of today, is also engaged in industrial pursuits at Oamaru.

The late Viscountess Hampden, when he was released from the exacting post of speaker of the house of commons, turned his attention to milk and butter, and his Glynde dairy was noted for its excellence.

Lord Rayleigh, the great scientist and brother-in-law to Mr. A. J. Balfour, takes as much interest in milk as in argon and the doings of the Royal society.

Hotel Keeper Does All His Own Work.

Vinalhaven, Me., has a hotel proprietor who does all his carpenter work, paints his house, drives his boat to the ferry, or will take passengers to North Haven, nine miles distant. He does all his cooking and chamberwork, and one morning recently got up in the morning and got breakfast for his two boarders and family of five, and then did his weekly clothes washing, having it on the line to dry before many of the people in the town were up. At 9 o'clock he went down town and bought articles for dinner, and while these were cooking the landlord amused himself by scrubbing the floor of the hotel office.

### No Disturbance.

## FORCES ENLARGED

Troops Sent to the Pacific Coast Depot of British Army and Navy.

## GARRISON HAS LEFT ENGLAND.

The First Squad of Soldiers to Arrive Will Consist of Three Hundred and Twenty Officers and Men.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 7.—A special from Victoria, B. C., says:

The imperial government and the Dominion authorities have decided to increase both the regular military and militia forces on this station, the Pacific coast depot of the British army and navy. Coming at a time when the relations between Canada and the United States are acknowledged by Premier Laurier to be rather strained over the Alaskan boundary question, it looks as if Britons and Canadians were determined to assert their claims to this portion of Alaska demanded by Canada by force of arms, if necessary.

Be this as it may, the garrison is to be at once greatly increased. The barracks on MacAuley Point, where the big forts are situated, which, with their long enough disappearing guns, command the entrance to the straits of San Juan de Fuca will soon be the home of more than treble the number of engineers, marine artillery, sappers and other unit service men than are now quartered there.

Some of the garrison has left England and others will come out in big squads within the next few months via Halifax and the Canadian Pacific railway. The first squad of troops to come will number 320 officers and men, and the present accommodation being too small to house them, much larger barracks will be at once erected. The cost of the new military post, half of which is to be borne by the Dominion government and half by the British authorities, will be \$25,000, or about \$125,000. It is also said the naval forces will be increased by the addition of a depot ship, the Temeraire, which will be sent out from Chatham in September. The warship, with the new admiral, is due from England two weeks hence.

### Hillit Distillery Raided.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 7.—United States revenue officers Saturday night raided two illicit distilleries operated within three miles of Chickamauga park. Both establishments did a land office business last year in selling whisky to soldiers at Chickamauga park and had defied arrest; the soldiers aiding the moonshiners in keeping the officers off the track. Both stills were in active operations when raised.

The first distillery raided was conducted by Moses Long, who peddles chicken between his home and Chattanooga. The still was of copper, 100 gallons of beer and thirty gallons of low wine were found and destroyed. The second still was about a mile away and operated by G. W. Lanham. It was about the same size of the other and about the same amount of beer and wine was found and destroyed. Lanham escaped.

The first bale of new cotton of Navarro county has been received at Coriscana.

### Dewey at Naples.

Naples, Aug. 7.—Lewis M. Iddings, secretary of the United States embassy, and Mrs. Iddings, who arrived here Saturday for the purpose of welcoming Admiral Dewey, gave a banquet yesterday evening at the Hotel Royal. The room was richly decorated with flowers and hung with American and Italian flags.

The eighteen guests included Lieut. Gen. G. Boglio of the twentieth (Savore) military division; Vice Admiral Gonzales, commander in chief of the Naples maritime department; the prefect of police of Naples, Capt. Benjamin P. Lamberton and four officers of the Olympia; R. C. Parsons, secretary of the embassy; H. Decastello, United States consul general at Rome; A. H. Byington, United States consul at Naples; Charles M. Caughey, United States consul at Messina, and Dr. Hassler.

Mr. Iddings toasted King Humbert, President McKinley and Admiral Dewey. There were no set speeches.

### Arrived from Cuba.

New York, Aug. 7.—The United States transport Buford, Capt. Matens, arrived in quarantine yesterday from Cienfuegos and Havana. Among those on board were Maj. I. C. Brown, W. R. Graham and E. Wood, Lieut. Fitzhugh Lee, Jr., and nineteen other passengers. There were also sixty discharged soldiers, fifty-one employees, twenty-nine indigent American citizens, eight soldiers on furlough, fifty-one soldiers and six discharged soldiers en route from Matanzas to New York.

### Receiving Fine Cattle.

Carlsbad, N. M., Aug. 7.—The introduction of fine Hereford bulls from the eastern states into the valley continues with surprising regularity. During the past month six cars of Hereford bulls have been brought in from Kansas and Missouri. A carload passed here Friday night from the former state, consigned to McElroy Bros. at Pecos. They were the finest load of white-faced cattle that has come into the valley this season.

## GEN. JUAN JIMINEZ

Says the People of San Domingo Want Him to Be President.

## 1000 MEN WAITING FOR HIM.

Desires to Be on Friendly Terms With the United States Government and Expects American Sympathy.

Havana, Aug. 5.—Gen. Juan Jiminez, when his attention was called yesterday to a cable summary of an alleged declaration made by him here recently and published in the United States to the effect that he was about to proceed to the United States to organize an expedition against the existing government of San Domingo, replied that he had not made the statement attributed to him. He went on to say that it was quite unnecessary for him to proclaim himself hostile to the present government as it could not possibly last beyond the 15th of this month.

"I did hear," he continued, "that Heureux was sending men to Cuba to kill me but I knew nothing whatever regarding the plot to kill me. I had no connection and have no connection with Roman Caceres, who did the shooting."

"I do not believe that the United States will interfere with my government in San Domingo, which will be a government peaceful and helpful to all, for the United States did not interfere with the government of Heureux, who robbed and murdered for fourteen years."

Gen. Jiminez admits that he has often been in the United States incognito, but says he has not had interviews with official persons. He considers that there is no need of promoting expeditions to land in San Domingo, as there already are 1000 men waiting for him a force which he deems sufficient for his purposes.

Referring to the future relations of San Domingo with the United States, he expressed a desire to be on friendly terms with Washington and said he believed he could count on American sympathy.

Gomez referred to as esteemed by all classes of Dominicans but not sought for as president. The people of San Domingo, he declared, are impetuous and are urging him to come to them at once, but for a time he preferred delay as "each day is worth a battle won."

### The Italian Lynching.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Count Vinchi, the Italian, charged, called at the state department yesterday to compare notes with Acting Secretary Adeco respecting the inquiry into the killing of the five Italians at Tallulah, La. The governor has stated that the jury of the parish in which Tallulah is situated will meet next week, and it is expected that the killing will be taken up by that body immediately if the district attorney finds the report prepared by the sheriff sufficient to make out a prima facie case against the perpetrators of the killing.

Count Vinchi has not yet received the report of Marquis Domino, who was sent to Louisiana to make a personal inquiry into the lynchings, though the marquis has sent a brief dispatch saying he has completed his inquiry at Vicksburg, near the scene of the lynching, and has secured convincing proofs that the five victims were Italian citizens.

### Saved from a Mob.

Atlanta, Ga., Aug. 5.—It became known yesterday that Gov. Candler of this state made a personal trip to Newnan, town sixty miles south of this city to save the life of the negro assassin, John Mullens, charged with an assault upon Mrs. Cook, near Senoia, Ga., Wednesday. Gov. Candler left the executive mansion at 4 o'clock Thursday morning, boarding the first train that arrived and was at the public jail on Coweta county an hour after daybreak. He took command of the Newnan guards, a company of the state militia, which had been guarding the jail during the night from a mob, and directed the sheriff to take his prisoner at once to Atlanta for safe keeping. The greatest excitement prevailed in the town during the night and Sheriff Brown fearing an attack from the mob telephoned Gov. Candler several times for instructions. The mob was successfully avoided and the prisoner lodged in Fulton county jail at Atlanta.

### Situation at Vera Cruz.

New York, Aug. 5.—United States Consul Wm. W. Canada, who is stationed at Vera Cruz, Mexico, arrived here yesterday on the Ward line steamer Vigilancia. Mr. Canada said at the time of his departure yellow fever was abating at Vera Cruz. There had been seventy-eight deaths from this cause in the last week of June and only seventy-eight deaths in the last week in July. Every precaution is taken to prevent the spread of the disease.

### Dewey Celebration.

New York, Aug. 5.—The Dewey reception committee has received a telegram from Adj't Gen. Henry of the state of Mississippi asking if the number of troops from outside states invited to take part in the land parade is limited. Secretary Foster replied that city would entertain all soldiers that came. Offers from patriotic societies asking for places in the land parade have been received and accepted.

A Sad Accident.

Bridgeport, Conn., Aug. 7.—Nearly forty persons were killed by an accident on the Stratford extension of the Shelton Street Railway company, at 4 o'clock yesterday afternoon, when a loaded trolley car went off the trestle over Peck's mill pond at Oronoque, about six miles north of Bridgeport, and sank in the flats forty feet below. Thus far thirty-six people are known to be dead, and several more injured.

The identified are as follows: James Hotchkiss, Bridgeport, engineer fire department; Henry C. Cogswell, Bridgeport, employee of New York, New Haven and Hartford road, member of board of education; Orlando B. Wells, shoemaker; Selectman Elias E. Bradbury and wife Milford; William Osborn, Stratford; Daniel Gavin, Ansonia; Conductor John Carroll, Bridgeport; S. B. Banks, Shelton; Mrs. McDonald, Bridgeport; Winton Lanthier, Motor- man, Bridgeport Traction company; Bessie Toomey, Bridgeport; Mrs. J. H. Rugg, Stratford; Mrs. Frank Blew and two children, boy aged 3 and girl aged 5, Stratford; William McCullough, Stratford; Mrs. Arthur Holmes, Bridgeport; Thomas McNally, identity unknown as positive, Bridgeport; Peter Ring, Bridgeport; Pat McDermott, Bridgeport; Frank Kraft, Bridgeport; Mrs. Patrick Brennan, Bridgeport; Alfred Pitt, Bridgeport; William Cotter, identification not positive, Bridgeport; Irving Foruse, Bridgeport; Mrs. William H. Harvey, Bridgeport; John Galvin, 22, Ansonia.

Among the seriously injured at the Bridgeport hospital are: Margaret Brennan, scalp wound; Mrs. Sydney A. Pitt, Bridgeport, right leg fractured twice; Margaret Farrell right leg amputated above knee will probably die; George Hamilton scalp wound, injury to leg; Frank Kratt, Bridgeport, injuries about head and back; Arthur Holmes, Bridgeport, contusion about the body, left leg crushed; Fred Hillerius, scalp wound, bruised about the body; Matthew Olvins, scalp wound, cut and bruised generally; William Kelly, Bridgeport, sprained arm; Daniel Rugg, aged 5, arm broken; Charles Felany, New York stock broker, injured internally; Margaret Ferrell, New York.

Only two persons are known to have escaped unharmed.

It is believed that there were forty-three passengers on the car, but the indicator was removed by a conductor of Uncle Calope, or C. H. Smith, as at present it is impossible to state accurately the number aboard.

The scene of the accident is midway between Shelton and Bridgeport. The car was northbound, running toward Shelton. It was in charge of Conductor George Carroll, of Bridgeport, who was among the killed, and Motorman Hamilton of Bridgeport, who escaped by jumping.

### Constable Shot.

London, Ky., Aug. 7.—News has just been received here from a remote part of Leslie county of the killing of a constable by his prisoner. Last Thursday Jim Beltzer went to the head of Middlefork and placed under arrest a man named Howard, from Harlan county. The two proceeded some distance when Beltzer stopped and entered a house leaving Howard outside. As Beltzer was returning and stepped in the doorway Howard drew a 45 Colt, fired and shot him through the head, causing instant death. Howard made his escape and up to Saturday had not been apprehended.

The bubonic plague has made its re-appearance at Calcutta.

### Coal Combine.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 7.—Whitney and Stephenson, who have been financing the big river coal combine which is to be known as the Monongahela River Consolidated Coal and Coke company, have completed the allotment of stock according to the subscriptions received. The stock was oversubscribed by \$1,250,000. The first payment of stockholders on par preferred stock is payable at the Union Trust company's offices, this city, on Aug. 1. The remaining 90 per cent is payable on Sept. 21. All properties will be finally transferred on Oct. 21. Securities of the new company will be \$10,000,000 preferred stock, on which 7 per cent will be paid; \$20,000,000 common stock and \$10,000,000 fifty-year gold bonds bearing 6 per cent interest. After the first payment on subscriptions has been made officers will be elected, when it is considered certain that John B. Finley will be chosen president.

### Mrs. Pickens III.

Augusta, Ga., Aug. 7.—Mrs. L. H. Pickens, relic of South Carolina's war governor and at one time minister to Russia, is lying critically ill at her home at Edgewood, near Edgefield, S. C. She is suffering from paralysis. Mrs. Pickens has been prominently identified with Mount Vernon, the home of Washington, since it has been under the fostering care of American womanhood. She is one of the most noted women in the history of the south.

### Fatally Shot.

London, Ky., Aug. 7.—Saturday night at East Bernstadt, this county, Clyde Thompson, aged 18, son of Deputy United States Marshal George Thompson, was leaning against a telegraph pole. A young man named Holt came along and told Thompson to stand aside, as he wanted to shoot at the pole. This he refused to do. Again Holt told him, and again Thompson refused. Then Holt drew a 45 Colt and fired at the pole, of course hitting Thompson, who is fatally wounded.

### Did Much Damage.

River Junction, Fla., Aug. 5.—The most disastrous cyclone that ever visited this section of Florida completely annihilated Carrabelle, McIntyre and Lanark Inn, south of here Thursday. At Carrabelle only nine houses remain of the once beautiful and prosperous town. Communications from the mayor state that 200 families are without homes or shelter and many are completely destitute.

At McIntyre only two mill boilers mark the site of the town. Lanark Inn, the famous summer resort, was blown into the gulf.

The Carrabelle, Tallahassee and Georgia railroad is washed away for a distance of thirty miles. A passenger train was blown from the track more than 100 yards. Many passengers were injured, but their names are unobtainable. Mary Williams, colored, was killed at Carrabelle. Numerous others had legs and arms broken. Daniel Neel of Apalachicola had his back broken and is not expected to recover.

No fatalities are reported from McIntyre and Lanark.

Fifteen ships lying in anchor at Dog Island cove and upper anchorage are now high and dry on St. George's and Dog island. Twelve were loaded with lumber and ready for sea. Nothing remains to them but a mass of wreckage. When the Italian bark Corinna struck she split in half in front stem to stern. The names of the ships blown on the island, and which are total wrecks, are as follows:

Norwegian bark Ranaval, Edwardian, master; Vale, Andersen, master; Jafar, Tygensen, master; Hynd, Madsen, master; Elizabeth, Pedersen, master. Russian bark Latara, Krantzman, master. American schooners Benjamin C. Cromwell, McLean, master; Mary E. Morse, Demarest, master; Grace Andrews, Brown, master; Warren Adams, Gibbons, master; James A. Garfield, Cottingham, master; bark Vidette, Waldron, master. Italian bark Cortesia, fishing smack, Albert Haley.

Three pilot boats and steamers Olla and Capitolia and forty boats under twenty tons were lost. Six lumber lighters, loaded, are gone. Not one of the entire fleet can be saved. Five unidentified bodies were recovered yesterday, supposed to be sailors.

Tug boats have gone from here to the scene of the wreckage and all possible aid is being given.

Fifty destitute sailors were brought here yesterday and are being cared for. A mass meeting of citizens was held here last night and all possible aid will be given the Carrabelle destitute. One million dollars will not cover the loss. The insurance is small.

### Ryan on "Pending Problems."

Ludington, Mich., Aug. 5.—Six thousand people were on the Epworth assembly grounds yesterday when Col. W. J. Bryan delivered his address on "Pending Problems." His first propositions argued related to the religious and moral principles underlying his political philosophy, equal taxation, the money question, anti-trust and anti-imperialism arguments following later Col. Bryan left by steamer for Milwaukee.

A boat which was being used to convey sailors to a warship at Budapest was capsized and five of the men were drowned.

Vice President Hobart will visit President McKinley at Lake Champlain.

The French ambassador, M. Cambon, has left for Europe on a four months' visit.

### Stoned Cars.

Cleveland, Ohio, Aug. 5.—In addition to the attempt to blow up a Jennings avenue car on the south side Thursday night, reports received at police headquarters show that the cars were stoned in various parts of the city, although so far as learned, no one was injured.

On Pearl street, near Myers avenue, a shower of heavy stones fell upon a Brooklyn car No. 38, smashing the windows and otherwise damaging the car. The conductor promptly drew his revolver and fired five shots in the direction from which the stones were thrown.

Charles C. Trieste, a barber, was the first man to be placed under arrest for taking part in the boycott. The warrant, which charged violation of the statutory rights law, was sworn out by Patrolman Isaac, who alleges that the barber refused to shave him because he had ridden on Big Consolidated cars. The case was continued to Aug. 7. Trieste is out on bail.

### Interesting Conference.

Pittsburg, Pa., Aug. 5.—Interesting departmental conferences yesterday occupied the attention of the delegates to the Young People's Christian Union convention during the forenoon session of the second day of the convention. Five conferences relating to the work of as many departments were held in various churches in the Oakland, Bellfield and Shadyside districts, beginning at 9:45 a. m.

### Demand Full Reparation.

Port au Prince, Haiti, Aug. 5.—The affair of the recent violation of the American legation here by police, who were seeking to arrest M. Duvalier, the newspaper man, has not been definitely settled.

It is understood that the American minister, Mr. W. F. Powell, will demand full reparation for the outrage.

During a dance at Wellsville, O., the floor gave way and a number of persons were injured.

## OATH OF OFFICE

Administered to Mr. Elihu Root at Washington.

## AN IMPRESSIVE CEREMONY.

Judge Cole of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia officiated—Exchange of Courtesies.

Washington, Aug. 2.—Mr. Elihu Root took the oath of office as secretary of war at 10:45 o'clock yesterday. The ceremony occurred in the presence of Secretaries Gage and Hitchcock, Assistant Secretary Melkilejohn, and a number of army officers in uniform, and other employees and officials. The oath was administered by Judge Cole of the supreme court of the District of Columbia.

Secretary Alger arrived at the war department at 10:10 o'clock, accompanied by Mr. Root, for whom he had called in his carriage. They went immediately to the secretary's private office, where Secretaries Gage and Hitchcock were soon joined by Adj't Gen. Corbin and Maj. Hoskins, the latter being the military secretary of Secretary Alger. A moment later Assistant Secretary Melkilejohn and Judge Cole entered the room and the judge was formally presented to the new secretary.

At 6:10 last night Surgeon Wadsworth telephoned the existence of three new cases in the home, and one death. Whether this covers the day or the preceding twenty-four hours the surgeon general is unable to determine. This seems to make a total of forty cases and eight deaths, a mortality rate of 20 per cent. Last year the rate was 4 per cent.

The officials say they believe the situation is improving. They base the belief on the fact that so far the fever has been confined to the original district, and has not spread. A rigid house to house canvass is being made in all the territory in the neighborhood of the home.

The fever is confidentially reported to be of the most virulent type. In this city two men were recently at the home, and are held under surveillance. It is not thought they have the disease, but the health officers, under Gen. Wyman's instructions, will detain them until the period of incubation has passed.

### Improvement in the South.

Baltimore, Aug

# FEVER SITUATION.

Officials Encouraged Over Present Conditions.

EXCITEMENT IS SUBSIDING.

Hampton Normal and Agricultural Institute Has Put on a Strict Quarantine Against the Soldiers' Home.

Newport News, Va., Aug. 4.—The yellow fever situation at the Soldiers' home near Hampton is summed up in the following words of Maj. Thompson:

"We feel very much encouraged over the present conditions."

The statement is made upon authority of Dr. Waddington that a man named Geo. H. Stevens is ill with fever at Phoebe. There are some suspicious symptoms, though the house in which he is confined is closed and guarded. Everybody is calm and no fear is felt that the fever will appear in Hampton. In a statement before the Hampton Business Men's association Dr. White said that as soon as he could confine the disease to the home he could see no reason why the commercial restrictions on Hampton and Phoebe should not be removed.

The Soldiers' home is fully a mile from Hampton and is separated by two creeks. The Hampton normal and agricultural institute adjoins the grounds of the home, but the former institution has thrown out a quarantine line and has prevented the infection from spreading to the school.

There is some talk here of quarantining against Norfolk, the health authorities here realizing that city is more exposed than Newport News. Still such a quarantining is not apparently necessary and would look like the result of petty commercial rivalry.

## Beef in Belgium.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Official letters received here from the representatives of the United States in Germany bring many details concerning the recent action in that country looking to the exclusion of beef slaughtered in Belgium from the home German markets, and leave little room for doubt that this is done for the purpose of preventing the indirect introduction of the American product. The letters state that proclamations have been issued by the authorities of the Prussian provinces of Aachen, Dusseldorf, Osnabrück, Lüneburg, Schleswig, Danzig and Gumbinie, and also in the grand duchy of Oldenburg and Mecklenburg and the ministry of Alsace-Lorraine against the admission of beef slaughtered in Belgium. These subdivisions of territory cover the entire Belgium frontier of Germany, and render it impracticable to introduce any Belgian beef into the empire. While the central government of Germany takes no official action in the premises, it is pointed out that the course of the subordinate governments is inspired from Berlin and some of the proclamations set forth that the action is taken at the instance of the imperial chancellor. Others proclaim that the reason for the step is the fear of introducing Texas fever through the American beef slaughtered in Belgium. The exclusion orders went into effect on the 15th of July.

## The Baker Trial.

Barbourville, Ky., Aug. 4.—In the Baker trial the prosecution concluded its testimony by introducing four witnesses. James Robinson, who was working at Baker's house when the killing occurred, testified that soon after the shots were fired Tom and Jim came home greatly excited. Just before the shooting he said Tom went down the road in the direction from whence the shots came, with a gun. Robinson testified in the examining trial that Tom and Jim were both at home when the shots were fired. Now he claims that he was forced by the Bakers to swear to a lie, as they threatened to kill him.

Fuller Barrett has testified twice before that Tom and Jim were at home when Wilson Howard was killed. Yesterday he swore that he, in company with Jim, Tom and Wiley Baker, were together in the road when Howard came up; that Tom fired and Burch Storr fell dead and Bat Howard was wounded. He said the Bakers had forced him to swear falsely.

## Llegation Violation.

Washington, Aug. 4.—Acting Secretary of State Ade has received a cablegram from Minister Powell at Port-au-Prince, Haiti, confirming the newspaper reports of the violation of his legation by police officers who were making an arrest. The minister added that the person who was arrested (de Vivier) is a citizen of Haiti and he seeks to know what disposition shall be made of him upon his return to the legation.

## Gov. Roosevelt.

Ocean Grove, N. J., Aug. 4.—Gov. Roosevelt of New York was the guest of honor at the Ocean Grove summer normal school last night, when he delivered an address upon "Practical Politics and Decent Politics" before an audience of 10,000 people. Crowds met Gov. Roosevelt at the New Jersey station on his journey from New York, cheering him heartily. At Ocean Grove he was met by a great crowd, and 100 cyclists escorted him to his stopping place.

## Soldiers Well Received.

San Francisco, Cal., Aug. 4.—At 9 o'clock yesterday morning the Pennsylvania troops disembarked from the transport Senator and went into camp preparatory to being mustered out. The reception accorded the soldiers from the Keystone state was similar to that given the Oregon, Nebraska and Utah boys, who had preceded them home. Thousands upon thousands of people lined the streets through which the boys were to pass. The usual medley of steaks whistles, cannon and fireworks accompanied them, all through the business section of the city.

Three heavy batteries, one light battery and the regimental band of the third artillery came first in the parade, followed by the Nebraska regiment, and then came the Pennsylvanians led by Lieut. Col. Barnett. Col. Barnett's sword, draped in crepe out of respect to the memory of Col. Hawkins, commander of the regiment, who died at sea en route home, caused a hush to fall on the multitudes.

The Pennsylvanians present even a better appearance from a health standpoint than did the Nebraska boys and those from Utah, but they ascribe this to the tonic effects of the sea air on the voyage, and to the fact that they were off the fighting line for some time before departure from the islands.

The soldiers accepted the attention showered upon them modestly. The expressions of gratification which their sunburned faces bore, and an occasional cheer, were the only signs they permitted themselves to show that they appreciated the demonstrations of a grateful people. They could not dissipate the discipline of a year's service without heavily upon them.

The battleflag of the Pennsylvanians, torn, shot-riddled and almost a wreck of its former beauty, excited general veneration. As soon as the color-bearer came into sight a cheer, mightier if possible than any which had been given the boys, rang out from the throng.

The ambulances of the Pennsylvania brought up the rear of the regiment, bearing the sick and wounded. Following the Pennsylvanians came battery C of the third artillery, from the Presidio.

The parade was reviewed by Gen. Shafter, and in the review stand with him was the committee of Pennsylvanians who had come to extend a welcome to their returned heroes. As the troops passed the reviewing stand, they could not suppress a cheer, and it was returned by those in the stand.

On arrival at the Presidio the work of going into camp was taken up with a vim, and early in the afternoon the boys were comfortably quartered. Here they will remain for several weeks, until they are mustered out, when they will be taken to their Pennsylvania homes in a body.

## Hung by a Mob.

Blailey, Ga., Aug. 4.—Louis Henderson, a negro who has been in the employ of J. W. Bowman, a planter, in this county, for four years past, Wednesday attempted to commit an assault on the 6-year-old daughter of Mr. Bowman. He was captured by a band of lynchers. The mob was quiet and orderly, and before the town knew what was going on the negro was hanging from a limb in the outskirts of the town.

The exports of lumber and products of wood from southern ports during the fiscal year ending June 30 are beyond anything in the history of the traffic.

## Caused a Sensation.

Birmingham, Ala., Aug. 4.—A sensation was created at last night's session of the African Methodist Episcopal church presiding elders' council of Georgia and Alabama when the committee on the state of the country reported a resolution recommending that a committee be appointed to set before the United States congress the deplorable condition of the negro population in several of the southern states, and petition congress for an appropriation of \$100,000,000 to start a line of steamships between the United States and Africa in order to enable all negroes who may desire to do so to emigrate to Africa.

Bishop Turner of Atlanta, who presided, explained that he did not desire the government to carry emigrants free to Africa, but to take them direct at reasonable cost. He said that European immigrants are landed in this country at from \$10 to \$15 each.

## Charged With Theft.

New Orleans, La., Aug. 4.—Wm. A. Cox, a well dressed Chicagoan, was arrested yesterday after he had disembarked from the steamer Whitney just arrived from Havana. The arrest was made on the strength of a cable from Havana authorities, who say that Cox is wanted by the chief of police of Belen, Cuba, for the theft of \$1500. No further particulars are contained in the dispatches.

## A Record Breaker.

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 4.—Maj. Taylor rode a mile, paced by a steam motor, at the Garfield track last night in the phenomenal time of 1:22 2-5, thereby beating the world's record by 5 3-5 seconds and the three-quarters in 59 2-5 seconds. Taylor's performance is the more remarkable in that it was not aided by wind shields or any other device, being simply a straightaway paced race.

## Parsons' Brigade Reunion.

Waxahachie, Tex., Aug. 3.—The first day of Parsons' brigade entertainment opened yesterday morning and found Waxahachie fully ready to yield the hospitality of the city to the old war veterans. A rainbow of colors greeted one's eyes in every direction about the business center. United States flags waved with those of Texas and Confederacy. Gay music could be heard now and then on old Confederate yell told of the marshalling of the approaching time of pleasure. It was 10 o'clock when the Waxahachie Silver Light band marched around the square and boarded the cars for Gibson's park. By the time the band reached the grounds the seats were all filled.

On arriving the visitors found an ideal camp, though there were no tents. The terrific heat of the sun and the creek close by in evaporation tended to lower the temperature. Water wagons furnished an abundance of fresh water, while vendors of all kinds kept up interest with the flying-jinney and soda-water men. The band played "Dixie" and wild shouts were heard on every hand. Nobody attempted to offer an excuse for the exalted position of the thermometer, but all tried to find seats and prepare for the speaking.

The programme was opened by Hon. F. Cox of Hillsboro, who stated the object of the meeting and called the association to order. He was followed by Rev. Fountain Pitts Ray, who delivered an excellent prayer, in which he thanked God for the preservation of the old soldiers. Yancey D. Kemble, city attorney, was then introduced to the audience. He took the place of Mayor H. E. Pickett on the programme, and welcomed the guests on behalf of the city. Mr. Kemble spoke of the mayor's timidity and his own cheek in undertaking such a heavy task. His speech was greatly enjoyed. He referred to the industries of the city and intimated that a cotton factory was about assured. He showed why it was better for the town and country people to work in harmony for the upbuilding of home industries. He spoke in glowing terms of the old veterans and of Henry W. Grady of Atlanta. He said the latter had done a noble work in showing the north the worth of the south. He remembered in eulogy the Spanish-American volunteers; also Hobson, Dewey, Schley and Joe Wheeler. The close was loudly applauded.

Capt. W. A. Boyce of Boyce was next introduced, and spoke interestingly in behalf of Camp Winnie Davis, U. C. V., No. 108, and on several occasions was interrupted by applause. He called for the survivors of Pickett's charge at Gettysburg, and several veterans arose. Adjutant Rhodus was called on to speak, and complied by saying a few encouraging words, thanking the people in behalf of Parsons' brigade for their generous hospitality.

All the old veterans have been given homes in the city. A big barbecue will be given on the grounds at 1 o'clock to-day.

## Railroad Extension.

Texarkana, Tex., July 3.—The Arkansas and Choctaw railroad is advancing towards the proportion of a regular thoroughfare very rapidly. From a log road of twelve or fifteen miles, it now carries a length of sixty-one miles, and the track has been put across Red river and now extends a distance of twenty miles into the Indian Territory. Work is kept up continually, and the survey will soon be finished to Coffeyville, Kan.

Two colored boys were drowned near Bellville.

## Severe Wind Storm.

Commerce, Tex., Aug. 5.—Thursday afternoon about 4 o'clock the people of Commerce were startled by a roaring noise above the city. There was a small cloud, and everybody thought it would be a sprinkle and paid but little attention to it. But the rain began to come down in torrents and the wind began to blow in circles. It soon reached the "scary point."

The front end of two business houses and theawnings on the northwest corner of the square were blown down. A long row of watermelon wagons were scattered about, teams ran away and the people were hunting a safe place.

In the northeastern part of the city several small houses were damaged.

The negro church was badly damaged.

West of town large trees were twisted in two and thrown about every way. Peach trees were blown down in several orchards.

## Dublin Reunions.

Dublin, Tex., Aug. 5.—Dublin has had the fortune of entertaining the Erath and Comanche reunion on previous occasions, but at no other time has she made herself more highly appreciated by the visiting people. She has furnished amusement and pleasure, both day and night, for three days. Every one met seems happy and glad that he came. Stephenville will have the grand opportunity next year of showing how well it can entertain, which fact insures a success for the coming year.

The crowd has been variously estimated, but one may feel safe in saying that the second day found fully 10,000 people here. The amusements were so diversified and scattered over so many acres of land, unless one should observe closely he would not fully appreciate the enormous crowd present.

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## Old Settlers' Reunion.

Dublin, Tex., Aug. 7.—The second day of the old settler's reunion has been one full of interest to all who were fortunate enough to be able to attend. In point of attendance the two days are thought to have been about the same. Large crowds, and orderly they were, and the old settlers go away with hearts full of thanks to the good people of this place for their unbounded hospitality.

The programme yesterday was rendered without one failure to respond upon the part of those named thereon.

This has been an exception to many of the reunions—some were on beds of sickness, some were absent because of some other things over which they had no control, and these things have always tended to mar somewhat the pleasure of the occasions. The perfection of this meeting in this respect has been the subject of comment, and all are happy that it is so.

At the conclusion of the exercises, the remainder of the evening was given to the Woodmen of the World, the members of which organization were very much in evidence. Sovereigns W. A. Frazer of Dallas and J. D. Alexander of Garland delivered speeches, while Col. A. S. Clark of this place and Master Frank Myers of Ennis electrified all present with beautiful vocal solos. Little Frank is a genius, and the audience encored him again and again.

Hutchins has maintained her enviable record, and good things and to spare have been the order of the day.

## Engines Collide.

Denison, Tex., Aug. 4.—As Missouri, Kansas and Texas flyer No. 16, from the south via Fort Worth, was pulling into Denison yesterday morning, it collided with switch engine No. 141 at the railroad crossing on Barrett avenue. No. 16 was about ten minutes late, and the yard crew were doing some switching on the main track just where it curves to the north, and neither of the engineers were aware of the close proximity of the other until it was too late to avoid coming together. When the engineers and firemen saw that a collision was unavoidable, they reversed and jumped.

The town had been deserted by the hundreds of witnesses and visitors, and less than fifty people were in the courtroom when the sheriff announced to the court that the jury had reached a verdict.

Jim Nite sat alone and was seemingly indifferent when the foreman of the jury was reading the verdict.

A moment later Nite, in charge of Sheriff Stead and two deputies, returned to the jail.

At the jail he was met by his aged father, who has been here ever since the trial was begun. His sister was also there.

His attorneys will ask for new trial on the grounds of absence of material witnesses.

## Election Ordered.

Slipur Springs, Tex., Aug. 7.—The city council in special session Friday night ordered an election for the 29th inst. to supply a vacancy in Ward No. 2, caused by the resignation of Alderman K. T. Denton; also passed upon a petition asking for an election, and a levy of 25 cents for special school purposes. If this proposition carries it will give the city a ten months' school, and the election is ordered for the 29th.

## Drunk Poisoned Milk.

Gatesville, Tex., Aug. 5.—Mr. John T. Post and his little son, Kirby, were seriously poisoned Thursday evening from drinking buttermilk. Their condition was critical for a time, but they are both up and out of danger. How the milk became poisoned is a mystery but the theory is that it was caused by the cow eating bitter weed.

None of the other members of the family were affected.

## Colored Odd Fellows.

Sherman, Tex., Aug. 5.—The district grand lodge of the jurisdiction of Texas opened in regular session at 9 a. m. yesterday with District Grand Master Bell in the chair. The usual routine business was dispatched.

Waco was chosen as the next place of meeting then followed the obligation of the grand officers.

resolution thanking the citizens of the following as the committee on transportation: H. C. Bell, Denton; D. Abner, Jr., Seguin; C. M. Ferguson, San Antonio.

H. E. Ferguson of Seguin was appointed grand marshal. The report of the committee on finance showed a balance in favor of the district grand lodge.

After several reports were made a Sherman for courtesies and the railroads for reduced rates.

The grand lodge then called off to make the parade, which took place at 11:30 through the principal streets, and to the fair grounds, where the installation of the grand officers took place.

## Boller Explosion.

Corsicana, Tex., Aug. 5.—At an early hour yesterday morning a boller at the Watts well, No. 3, north of the city, exploded, throwing down the well derrick and playing havoc generally. Mr. W. M. Tatman, one of the owners of the well, Engineer Metcalfe and two other men were seated on the derrick at the time the explosion occurred, but all escaped injury except Metcalfe, who received a cut in his leg from a flying missile, and one of the other men, who received a slight scalp wound.

## Produced Lockjaw.

Yoakum, Tex., Aug. 7.—About two weeks ago Vernon Ward, a lad of this city, accidentally shot his hand with a pistol that was supposed to have been loaded with blank cartridges. The wound was dressed at the time and since then it was supposed to be healing. Yesterday a sudden change occurred in the wound of the young Ward, which is now very bad, and the life of the boy is in imminent danger.

Thanking you and the committee very much for the interest that is being taken in this matter, I am very sincerely, JOSEPH D. SAYERS,

Governor.

## Want a Cotton Factory.

Bonham, Tex., Aug. 4.—A public meeting is called for to-night at the court house to hear the report of the committee that has been arranging the plans for the erection of a cotton factory in this city. A committee of business men from this city recently visited the Dallas cotton mill and secured some valuable information concerning the cotton mill. There is much interest among the citizens concerning the subject.

## Town Improvement.

Tioga, Tex., Aug. 7.—A large two-story hotel is nearing completion and a brick structure consisting of two large store rooms has been finished. The mineral wells make the town a summer resort for health and pleasure seekers from Denison, Gainesville, McKinney, Van Alstyne, Dallas, Sherman, Longview, Lake Perry, George Bar, T. A. Blair, Richard H. Harrison, Robert H. Rogers, M. B. Davis and several others.

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# DICK RODNEY;

## Or, The Adventures of An Eton Boy...

BY JAMES GRANT.

CHAPTER XX.—(Continued.)

We took us so suddenly by surprise, that, although we had been waiting and watching for him since dawn, his resolute aspect and the arms he wielded controlled us all, and we stared at each other with irresolution in our purpose and in our faces. No man, apparently, cared to set us as our leader.

"Presto!" roared the Cuban: "obey and keep quiet, or, demonio! as there are so many, I have a great mind to shoot one-half, that I may control the rest. Cast loose those top-sails, and up with the royals again—set the flying-gib and main trysail—quick, perros, or I'll make shark's meat of some more of you!"

The crew seemed to lack either resolution or the power of combination, and no man appeared anxious to incur the sure penalty of instant death by acting in opposition to his permanent orders in setting an example to the rest. So, suddenly and silently the sail trimmers stood by the tacks and braces; the wheel revolved in the unwilling hands of Ned Carlton, who was compelled to obey, for the cold muzzle of a six-barreled revolver, capped and cocked, was held close to his left temple.

The head of the Eugenie payed off in obedience to her helm, the yards swung round and were braced sharp up; and with the starboard tacks on board, in three minutes we were steering as due westward as her head would lie for the coast of South America.

The alteration of our course furnished the crew with a new source of speculation. It was evidently the intention of Antonio, if he could reach the coast of Seguro, or that of Bahia, to escape with all his valuables and his vengeance; and to this end, if ships passed without succoring or overhauling us, and if we did not destroy him, he might certainly destroy us, by scuttling the brig, or setting her on fire.

The noon passed over without an "observation," for there was no one to work it, to estimate the latitude or longitude, to keep a reckoning, or take note of our variation and leeway; and let us should signal any passing ship, "Antonio, who was a most thoughtful comandante, threw every color overboard, thus saving the crew from deck again board. He did not come on deck again for some time, as he had plenty of spirits and provisions below, and the tell-tale compass in the skylight afforded him constant information as to whether the brig was steered in the direction he wished.

He was constantly drinking, but never became so intoxicated as to be unwary.

And so the fated brig glided over the hot sea, under the blazing sun. The albatrosses came round us again, with tripping feet, flapping wings and open bills; but no one molested them now—we had other things to think of; and as I sat on the anchor stock in the weather bow, watching them floating in the water, or skimming over it with their vast wings outspread, I thought of the "Ancient Mariner," and all that he had suffered for killing "the bird of good omen."

I felt a strange dread creeping over me while these verses seemed on my tongue—they were so descriptive of the atmosphere and of the situation:

"All in a hot and copper sky,  
The bloody sun at noon,  
Right up above the mast did stand,  
No bigger than the moon."

"I closed my lids, and kept them close,  
And the balls like pulses beat,  
For the sea and sky, and the sea and sky.  
Lay like a load on my weary eye,  
And the dead were at my feet."

CHAPTER XXI.

I Confront the Cuban.

From the wild thoughts and fancies which the horrors of that early morning, our strange situation, and my own rather active imagination, were suggesting, I was roused by Ned Carlton, who, on being relieved from the wheel, came forward to the bows, where most of the crew were seated on the windlass, or were lounging against the bitts, speculating on what might turn up next.

In an excited and impressive manner, he reported that he had heard, from time to time, the sound of moans, as from some one in great pain in the cabin; that he believed that either the captain or mate yet survived; and if we could get down by any means we might be in time to save one or the other. If he was bleeding to death, the victim could not last long—a little time, and we should be too late!

This information increased our anxiety, and greatly excited us.

Remembering the manner in which Antonio first came on board—the mystery of his being alone in the blood-stained boat—his dreams—the disappearance of Roberts—the occurrences of the morning—and though last not least, the rough treatment to which the crew had subjected him on the night we passed the line—none were very willing to enter the cabin where this savage Cuban, flushed with brandy, bloodshed and ferocity, sat with loaded pistols in his hands. But all felt that something must be done; that, while a doubt remained, it should be solved, and a life so important to us saved, even though others be risked for it.

I volunteered to become the envoy of the crew.

"No, no, Master Rodney," said Tattned Tom: "this will never do! What, do you think we will let you venture into that murderer's den while so many able-bodied fellows hang astern?"

"But I know his language, which none of you do."

"He speaks the Queen's English now as well as any of us," said Carlton: "and if I had only a pistol or a musket to give me but one chance for my life, I would have made it speak to

and one of their female friends had appended to it; and thus I discovered another black link in the life of Antonio.

I dared not appear to recognize it when his strong brown hairy hand, the bloody spots on which made me shudder, held it toward me, lest he might shoot me down, but summoned Billy Wilkins, the cabin boy, by desiring the man at the wheel "to pass word forward for him and another apprentice."

The boys came, but not without great fear and reluctance; and while Antonio proceeded leisurely to make another cigar, keeping his ears open for every sound, and his black eyes fixed keenly on us the while, we entered the little stateroom of Marc Hislop and beheld a sight which filled us with the deepest commiseration and dismay.

There is some sense and truth in that," muttered several of the crew.

"'Till go—it is settled," said I, Xan, to solve the mystery of the groans, while feeling a glow of triumph at the applause I should gain for the risk I ran, which assuredly was not a small one.

"It is a shame for us lubberly fellows to stand by here and see that lad risk his life," said Probert, one of the crew; "and if so be that creole picaroon I should gain for the risk I ran, which assuredly was not a small one."

"If he does," exclaimed Tom Lamourne through his firmly set teeth, while striking his clenched right hand on the hard palm of the left right, "may I never see England again if we don't attack him at stem and stern at once!"

"I'll drop down the skylight, with as many as will follow me, while you, Ned, will dash down the companionway with the rest, and then at him with hatchet, handsaw and capstan-bar. He can't kill us all, shipmates,

Shuddering, and in haste, we lifted him from the bed, muffed him in a blanket and conveyed him, passive as a child in our hands, from the cabin.

As we passed out, for a moment it seemed as if the ruffianly Spaniard

repeated of his temporary clemency; for when he saw the pale, bloody and insensible form of the poor fellow trailed past, he made an ominous stride toward us, and threateningly clutched the haft of the Albacete knife in his sash. Then waving his hand, almost contemptuously, he said:

"Basta—go—go—it matters little now, either to him or to me. Demonio! I always strike deep."

Alarm and pity endowed us with unusual strength, and we bore the speechless victim of Antonio up the steep stair to the deck, where our crew, with muttered oaths of vengeance, and expressions of commiseration, bore him into the forepart of the vessel. There a bed was made for him on deck; for coolness, an awning was rigged over it, and we had his wounds examined.

We found a deep stab in the neck, most dangerously near the jugular vein; a second in the breast, a third between the bones of the right forearm and a fourth in the left thigh; all had evidently been dealt through the bedclothes, and with a savage energy of purpose.

(To be continued.)

### "SCRAPS."

It is said that fully 100,000 persons in London work all night.

About eight million tons of coal are annually consumed in London.

It is considered a heinous offense to ride a bicycle anywhere near the city of Constantinople.

Two hundred thousand families, it has been calculated, are living in London on about £1 a week.

Women are employed at railway points and crossings in Italy, because they do not get intoxicated.

It is believed that a diet of cornbread makes bigger men, physically, than bread made of wheat flour.

The highest inhabited spot in the world is the custom house at Ancoramarca, Peru, 16,000 feet above sea level.

Gold-plated plumbing will be used in some of the new private residences now being built in New York.

Mexico is now in the height of commercial prosperity, and her foreign trade is rapidly increasing in volume.

Thirty-three years ago the first postal-card was made in Vienna at the suggestion of Prof. Herrmann of the Technical Institute.

Long engagements are rather expensive affairs in Russia. The bridegroom-elect is expected to send his hand to the wedding ring.

Kaiser Wilhelm distributed 2,487 orders throughout Germany on New Year's Day. Last year the number was 2,008, and the year before, 1,916.

Grimbsy—So you are going to make a pianist of your son? Has he an ear for music? Flimby—I don't know anything about his ear; but see what a head of hair he's got—Boston Transcript.

Bergen, Norway, is going to facilitate the entrance of vessels into the harbor in stormy weather by placing tanks of oil on the breakwater and spreading the oil on the water by means of small pipes.

Newton's law of gravitation will have to be modified. M. Mairain, in the Journal de Physique, asserts that careful measurements show that the intensity of gravitation in islands is greater than on continents—New York Sun.

A housekeeping school is about to be opened by a clever woman at New York, who will teach a thorough course of housekeeping, embracing all branches, and fit its graduates to become the graceful and accomplished mistresses of households.

"I want to ask one more question," said little Frank, as he was being put to bed. "Well," acquiesced the tired mamma. "When holes come in stockings, what becomes of the piece of stocking that was there before the hole came?"—London Tit-Bits.

"You need not believe," writes a Kansas boy in Manila, "that we fellows are all going to marry over here."

"True; but not a man shall enter here, and leave alive. The shipboys may assist you; but I will shoot the whole crew down like dogs if they venture to approach me; so I give you five minutes to carry the contrabassoon to the forecastle bunks, or to pitch him overboard, whichever you please, though the last would please me."

"Five minutes?"

"Yes, Eve by this watch," he added, pulling out of his fob a gold repeater, which, even in the excitement of the moment, I recognized to be mine, the same which my mother gave me when I first left home for Eton, and of which I had been robbed at Tenteriffe. There was no doubt the little rings and charms which my sisters, Dot, Sybil

### FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

#### SOME GOOD STORIES FOR OUR JUNIOR READERS.

How Pompey Telegraphed—The Boys of Today—Kindergarten Knowledge—Carrying Out Instructions—A Smart Boy.

#### Little Children.

"Of such is the kingdom of heaven." And yet we check and chide The airy angels as they float about us, With rules of so-called wisdom, till they grow.

The same tame slaves to custom and the world, And day by day the fresh frank soul that looked Out of those winsome eyes, and smiling played.

With the wild roses of that changing cheek,

And modulated all those earnest tones, And danced in those light foot-falls to a tune.

Heart-beard by them, inaudible to us, Folded closer its pure wings, wherein the world.

They caught in heaven already pale and pine,

And shrinks amazed and scared back To see our game.

And so the evn grows. The graceful flower May have its own sweet way in bud and bloom,

May drink, and dare with upturned gaze the light,

Nestie 'neath the guardian leaf, or wave,

Its fragrant bells with blushing grace the fragile spray.

In bushy loveliness. The wild wood-bird May come at will his wings, and soar or sing;

The mountain brook may wind where'er it would,

Or, singing drowsily in forest haunts, Dream of the floating cloud, the waving flower.

And murmur to itself sweet lulling words

broken tones so like the faltering speech of early childhood; but our human flowers,

Our soul-birds, caged and pining—they may sing,

And grow, not as their own but our caprice.

Suggests, and so the blossom and the lay

Are but half bloom and music at the best.

And half chance some brave and buoyant souls.

More bold or less forgetful of the lessons God taught them first, disdain the rule—the bar—

And grow, only beautiful, rebellious rise,

Or, hardly hard, half started from itself.

Frowns the bright wanderer down, or turns away,

And leaves her lonely in her upward path. Thank God! to such his smile is not denied.

#### How Pompey Telegraphed.

Hattie and her mamma were on their way to visit grandma, who lived over one hundred miles from their home. They had taken a train early in the evening, and would have reached grandma's long before bedtime if it had not been for one thing—they had to change cars at a little station in the country and wait a whole hour before their train came.

Before the hour was over, Hattie grew very tired and sleepy. She had tried each bench in the station, but had found each one equally hard; she had unpacked and packed over again the little valise which mama had given her for her very own just the day before they started, and she had looked through the little window into the office where a young man sat making a funny, ticking noise on a little instrument.

"I guess it's a play piano," she said to mamma in a whisper, as she did not want more ado. History is proof that deeds and actions bring their fruits. Take, for instance, the patriots who fought and achieved the results of the American revolution. It required more than one generation to complete the work, for it is not complete. But the great satisfaction was that the second generation had the honesty and integrity of their heroic forefathers to build on, which manifested that they builded for the future. We are also the victims of certain wrongs which are the products of small beginnings. Today everything is judged according to the letter, and our posterity can judge our actions better than our fellow men of today. I have already wondered with what favor the coming generations will look on the great peace commission which is being held at The Hague. Let us build for the future, whither the world is drifting, and encourage the boys in their great undertaking.

WILLIAM E. POET.

clared a 5-year-old boy, after he had been given permission to speak.

"Who?" he was asked.

"Dewey," came the reply.

A protesting hand went up and waved entreatingly.

"Don't you think that's right?"

"No; Dewey don't own it all," she said, almost indignantly. "I guess Sampson owns half of it."

"Well, Dewey's the biggest man in the world, all the same," declared the little boy, looking at the girl with defiance. "They ain't nobody any bigger'n Dewey."

The girl was silenced for a minute, but not beaten.

"I don't care if Dewey is the biggest man in the world. I know who the next biggest is. Mr. Murphy, he's the next biggest."

Mr. Murphy is the policeman on the beat.

### DAIRY AND POULTRY.

#### INTERESTING CHAPTERS FOR OUR RURAL READERS.

How Successful Farmers Operate This Department of the Farm—A Few Hints as to the Care of Live Stock and Poultry.

#### Dairy Notes.

The state of Michigan is taking vigorous steps to prevent further adulteration of milk and cream, and the dairy and food commissioner has sent out a warning that all transgressors of the law will be dealt with vigorously. It is reported that the state analyst's records show a great increase of the use of chemical preservatives. The state has, through its officers, been warning the violators for the last two years, but seemingly without effect. Already the officers of the state have prosecuted a number of persons, among them some hotel-keepers, for violations.

It is now possible to test chemically renovated butter and determine its character. It has been supposed previously that the constituents being the same in both fresh and renovated butter, would act the same when chemically analyzed. But it appears that butter, in deteriorating, undergoes a chemical change that the renovating process is not able to reverse. The fat of renovated butter has a more or less crystalline structure, while the fat of pure fresh butter is devoid of any such appearance. If pure butter be examined microscopically with polarized light and a seelene plate, the field will be uniformly colored in any position of the analyzer, while renovated butter will show a mottled, many-colored field. Without a seelene plate and without the analyzer in proper position pure butter shows a dark field of almost uniform appearance. Renovated butter, under similar conditions, gives suggestions, and so the blossom and the lay are but half bloom and music at the best. And some chance some brave and buoyant souls.

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### LOCAL DOTS.

—Phone No. 16 for Dr. Mahaffey.

—Go to S. L. Robertson's for fresh groceries.

—Mr. J. L. Jones is off on a business trip.

—W. H. Parsons has a good farm for rent.

—Miss Laura Garren is visiting in Seymour this week.

—Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Mason went to Albany Wednesday.

—Fresh turnip seed in bulk at McLemore's drug store.

—Mr. S. W. Scott paid a visit to Seymour this week.

—Mr. M. H. Gossett returned from Louisiana this week.

—Mr. W. B. Anthony is having some improvements made at his place.

—If you have cash to spend S. L. Robertson will always give you FULL VALUE for it.

—There is a new girl baby at Mr. T. S. Wrights, born Wednesday night.

—Mr. G. J. Miller has the FREE PRESS thanks for some choice cante-loupes.

—Miss Mary Tandy has been spending the week visiting friends in Seymour.

—Mr. M. H. Rike went to Graham Wednesday to bring his mother and sister home.

—Miss Buna Wilbourn is spending the week with the family of Judge T. D. Isbell in Knox county.

—Carry all hides and furs you have for sale to W. W. Fields & Bro., they will pay you the highest market price for them.

—Mr. Dock Brown left us this week, but we failed to learn his point of destination.

—A large party of the Haskell young people attended the meeting out at the Vernon school house last Sunday evening.

—If you want to get the most goods for the least money, take your cash around to R. H. McKee & Co's.

—Dr. J. E. Lindsey went to Albany Wednesday to bring his daughter, Miss Minnie, home.

—Miss Eva Coker who spent the past week with friends in town, went out home Wednesday.

—Mrs. G. W. Hazlewood has some relatives visiting her whose names, etc. we failed to learn.

—Mr. Eugene Mayfield, one of Stonewall's prominent cattlemen, was doing business in our city yesterday.

10 lbs. of good coffee for \$1.00 at T. G. Carney's—many other things too numerous to mention in type at equally low prices—come and see!

—Rev. H. G. Bedford of Benjamin arrived yesterday and commenced a meeting at the Christian church last night, which will be continued into next week.

—Mr. Major Smith and wife and little girl returned Wednesday. Mr. S. found the kind of sheep he was looking for on the way and abandoned the trip to California.

—Remember that S. L. Robertson is the only place in town where you will find a fresh stock of new and seasonable summer goods.

—Mr. Tom Russell left yesterday for Hammond, O. T., where he will take charge of a store for his uncle Tom is one of our most reliable and worthy young men and we wish him success.

—The announcement of Mr. McLemore's sale of his drug business will be a surprise to many, and no doubt many will regret his retirement from the business as proprietor, for he had the public confidence to a large degree. All will be pleased, however, to know that he is to remain with us for more than a year and by that time may conclude not to leave us.

—I am opening this week another very large consignment of boots and shoes especially suited to the wants of all classes and sexes of our people. When you want shoes or boots it will be to your interest to call on S. L. ROBERTSON.

—Fresh turnip seed in bulk at McLemore's drug store.

—Mr. M. S. Pierson left Wednesday to look after his mercantile interests at Emory.

—Misses Lillie Dixon and Pearl Reeder, who spent the past week visiting friends in town, went home Sunday.

—I am now opening up the largest stock of men's boys' and children's hats and caps that I have ever had in my store at Haskell. If you need a hat call on S. L. Robertson.

—The Haskell market is being supplied with an abundance of home grown tomatoes and white head cabbage of fine size and quality.

—Mr. Pink Keister was down from his King county ranch seeing his Haskell friends and laying in a supply of groceries, etc.

—New arrivals: A nice line of new and seasonable dry goods, shoes, etc., is being opened up at S. L. Robertson's just in time for the FREE PRESS to make the announcement this week.

—Mrs. Skaggs, representing the Patton Seminary and Conservatory of Music, Oak Cliff, Texas, was here this week, the guest of Mrs. B. L. Frost.

—Mr. J. L. Clark and family who went from this county to Oklahoma territory last year, moved back to Haskell county this week.

—Mr. M. A. Clifton has our best bow in acknowledgement of a fine watermelon presented us Wednesday.

—Mr. J. B. Clark brought in this week a lot of as fine tomatoes as we ever saw, as a contribution to the exhibit. Some of them were five inches in diameter.

—BE GOOD TO YOURSELF

and good to your friends. When you treat a friend to whiskey, give him the best. HARPER Whiskey is the beverage for your friends and for you. Sold by Keister & Hazelwood, Haskell, Texas.

—Mr. J. W. Collins and family, Mr. L. W. Roberts and family and Mr. J. A. Couch went out to Monday Thursday to attend the big picnic, tournament, gander-pulling, etc., in celebration of the big crops.

—Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Lemmon were presented with a fine boy on last Saturday night.

—Mr. L. thinks he is a fine fellow. We saw him a day or two ago bringing in his Shetland pony for him to ride.

—Tailor made Suits, Pants and Overcoats, guaranteed to fit. My new book of fall and winter samples shows the best quality and styles of goods at lowest prices I have ever been able to quote. If you want something good and a perfect fit you should call and place your order with me before the choicest patterns are sold.

S. L. ROBERTSON.

—Mr. S. I. Robertson laid aside the cares of business this week and went to Mineral Wells to drink the healing waters and recuperate. We hope to see him return in a few weeks fresh and vigorous.

—About twenty couples of our young society people were pleasantly entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Tandy on Thursday night. Such refreshments as ice cream, sherbet, cakes, etc. were served. Participants report having spent a most enjoyable evening.

—18,000 pounds of flour now in stock and to arrive in a few days. This flour will be sold as long as any of it remains at \$2.05 per 100 lbs. for Seymour, Albany or Weatherford high patent and \$1.95 per 100 lbs. for Drifted Snow, Violet, etc. \$1.75 per 100 lbs. for third grades, regardless of any raise or fluctuation in the market. This is at T. G. Carney's, of course.

—Misses Minnie Jones and Allie Wright and Mr. Ed Couch, who attended the teachers summer normal school at Haskell, have each been awarded four year first grade teacher's certificates by the State board of education. These are the only ones reported so far. The work of the normal was close and thorough and it is believed that many others will be equally successful before the State board.

—The FREE PRESS is pleased to acknowledge season tickets and cordial invitations to attend the West Texas Fair and Round-up at Abilene, Oct. 25 to 28 inclusive and also the Hardeman County Fair at Quanah, Aug. 29 to Sept. 1st inclusive. Both of these fairs have provided liberal premium lists and numerous side attractions and there is no doubt that they will be the best exhibitions and entertainments of the kind ever held in West Texas.

—I am opening this week another very large consignment of boots and shoes especially suited to the wants of all classes and sexes of our people. When you want shoes or boots it will be to your interest to call on S. L. ROBERTSON.

—Mr. Mart Hoover of Chetops, Kan., arrived here this week and is looking after his horse interest in this county. Mr. Hoover was one of the pioneer ranchmen in Throckmorton county on the Clear Fork near the line of this county and has many friends in this section who are glad to see him on his occasional visits.

—Mr. Burwell Cox is now the happy man. A 10 pound boy came to his house Saturday night. It is his first born. But we needn't have told you all this, for if you have seen him on the street and observed that happy smile spreading over his countenance and noticed that frequent glance sideways to see if any one is looking at him, you already know it has happened.

—The Haskell market is being supplied with an abundance of home grown tomatoes and white head cabbage of fine size and quality.

—Mr. Pink Keister was down from his King county ranch seeing his Haskell friends and laying in a supply of groceries, etc.

—A fishing party consisting of Capt. W. W. Fields, Judge P. D. Sanders and wife, Mr. Green, Mr. Jim Fields and Misses Dulia and Eva Fields and Eddie Taylor went down on the Clear Fork Friday last week to spend a week in camp fishing and hunting. At this writing they have not returned so we can not report results.

They got in Thursday night and report that they caught lots of fish, found a bee tree and had heaps of a time.

—Mr. Cass Cotton of the northwest part of the county and Miss Mary Keller, daughter of Mr. J. H. Keller of the same neighborhood were married Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. Z. M. Marcy. Report has it that they stole a march on the old folks, who objected to their daughter marrying. It seems that the young folks went to a protracted meeting in the neighborhood and from church to Mr. Marcy's, where the preacher also shortly showed up and tied the knot for them.

The FREE PRESS wishes them joy, all the same.

—Last Saturday we met Mr. J. M. Sherman, one of our prosperous sheepmen and farmers, on the west side of the square when the following conversations took place:

He.—Say, Judge do you like caneloupes?

We.—Well, yes, occasionally, and some of the little Pooleys are quite fond of them.

He.—Well I'll drive by your office and leave two or three for them.

We.—All right, thanks!

An hour later we returned to the office and found a pile of caneloupes containing just 17 by actual count. Don't you know that we and the little Pooleys feasted!

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—Mr. R. J. Foston was in town Tuesday and gave us a sample of a new and unique kind of corn that he is raising this year. He says it is called Calico or Squaw corn. It grows or stools out like wheat or oats, several stalks spring up from one seed. The sample we have has six stalks from the stool on which are eight ears of corn. The center or main stalk has three ears on it, three of the stalks have one ear each and one of them has two ears while one has only a shoot that failed to mature. The ears are from seven to eleven inches in length, well filled.

The grains are large and flat, but perfectly smooth and oval on top, and in color blue and white, the blue preponderating. The grains are not speckled, each one being solid blue or white.

A Week at Prayer.

A revival meeting will begin at the Baptist church Sunday, Aug. 20. As God is real and sin is real Haskell really needs a revival. It has been arranged to hold a series of Prayer-meetings for six nights previous to Aug. 20th.

PROGRAM.

Monday, Aug. 14th, at Presbyterian church, subject—The Lord's Part in Revival.

Tuesday, Aug. 15, at Presbyterian church, Subject—The Part of Preachers and Other Church Officers in a Revival.

Wednesday, Aug. 16, at Methodist church, Subject—Parents' Part in a Revival.

Thursday, Aug. 17, at Methodist church, Subject—Business Men's Part in a Revival.

Friday, Aug. 18, at Baptist church, Subject—Young People's Part in a Revival.

Saturday, Aug. 19, at Baptist church, Subject—The Part that unconverted People have in a Revival.

These services will begin at 8 p.m. Everybody is urged to come. Let us cry to God for an outpouring of His spirit and the revival of His work.

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Song—Select Reading—Miss Laura Garren.

Duet—Duet—Misses Mary Rice and Rob Lindsey.

Select Reading—Dr. Tomlinson.

#### JUNIOR.

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Lesson—Romans 14:17.

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American side is presented by Mr.

William H. Lewis, of Washington

State, who bases his argument en-

tirely on the facts as set forth in the

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