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THE EXPERIENCES OF A REPORTER.

TAKEN DOWN AMONG THE MINERAL VEINS—INTRODUCED
TO THE NOBILITY OF UNDERGROUND LAND.

Grand Ball in the Stope of a
Fluor Spar Mine.

INTERESTING FACTS FOR MINERS.

The old man wants to see you, said the office boy. He wants to compliment me on one of my brilliant stories, I remarked, with an interrogation point tone.

"Don't you fool yourself," replied the boy, "he ain't in any glaucous mood this evening, he is using five em dashes in his talk and his talk is scandalous plain."

"Oh, its you, is it," said the old man as I entered the sanctum. "Young fellow, the whole county is alive with new mining developments, has been for the past six weeks, and I'm blessed if you have turned in enough copy to wad a gun. Get out and dust, young fellow; go and interview that Aphrodite or Etidorhpa, as that Cincinnati author calls her; go and interview somebody, anybody, or go to the—here a seven em dash was made."

The old man's statement would analyze about seventy per cent. truth, I thought to myself, for I had been having a pretty slick six weeks of it. The Marion athletic club had been having some heavy weight boxing matches and the new swimming tank in the basement was especially enjoyable during the warm evenings, while the little blonde in the vaudeville at the new Crittenden theater on South Thirty-eighth street was making eyes at me every time I entered the house; and then there were the broiled lobsters and the prime clam bakes in the cafe under the opera house, accompanied with a tankard of Bass' ale drawn from the wood imported direct from old London. Pretty tough, I thought, to give all this up and go and interview Etidorhpa. I wonder who the blazes she is, anyhow. "Etidorhpa is here," came in a clear, musical voice from the adjoining room. Well, that saves ear fare, anyhow, I thought, and taking out my card case I scribbled: "The PRESS would like some straight goods mining news, no faked up stuff either; don't tell us about an eight foot vein in a seven foot shaft, or try to stuff us with the story of raising forty tons of fluor spar daily from sinking a foot a day, on a prospect hole; don't worry the mining reporter by giving him guff, get down to bed rock and go slow, for I am no phonograph," and I opened my note book.

I was startled by the same clear tones. "Mortal, are you ready?"

Now, a newspaper reporter must always be ready, and while I was entirely in the dark as to what description of ready I was to be in, I very promptly and in my most gallant voice replied: "Madam, I am at your service." A wave of rosecolored light filled the room,

accompanied with the delicious fragrance of attar of roses, and the transformation from the plainly furnished apartments of a news paper office to the gorgeously decorated, brilliantly lighted palace of either one of the world's potentates, or of old Midas himself, was instantaneous.

Standing in the center of this royally appointed apartment was the loveliest creature in the shape of womanhood that the world ever beheld. All of the lights and shadows, the colors and tints that the brilliant sun imparts to the fruits and flowers of the sunny South, were reproduced in this Juno, this Hebe, this Venus, clothed in some diaphenous material of a metallic sheen, her very appearance inspired love, reverence and obedi-

"I am the soul of mineral, the spirit of the veins, I am the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end; I cause the mineral saturated waters that come through your land to give up the treasures that you mortals set such store by. At the raising of my right hand the rocks open, of my left they close. I am the supreme queen of the mineral kingdom; I command, they obey. Are you ready?"

Now this was the second time this question was asked me. Here I was entirely alone with a transcendently beautiful woman, who evidently had it in her power to change me, me a PRESS representative, into a mass of iron pyrites, or zinc blende, or a piece of coal, or any old thing that was mineral. How I did wish that Clem Nunn or John Blue or Congressman James would happen along and look in the window. I felt that I needed some good legal advice and that I needed it right quick. I would have been willing to pay half cash and half advertising for it. I felt shaky.

"Are you ready?" the voice repeated and I began to feel confused. I knew that early in the evening I had had a prescription put up by Dr. Orme in his private office, just across the alley from the drug store, and come to think of it there were two or three other prescriptions put up and introduced into my system; now was this the real thing or was it the aftermath of the prescriptions; could it be connected in any way with the Marion still house; no it was too loud to be still. I thought if I could only have one of Dudley Wallingford's men, one in particular that I remembered, if he was here and would use a little of his bawky horse profanity, the blue streak that such an explosion would cause would clear the atmosphere and perchance I would find it all a myth and I seated, as is my usual custom, by the side of the evening lamp, reading a bound copy of Godley's Ladies Book. The question was again hurled through the atmosphere; I say hurled advisedly; it wasn't thrown or pummeled about, it was just hurled.

I quickly, although tremblingly replied: "I have been ready some time, simply waiting for you."

"Tis well," she answered, "advance and embrace the spirit of carbonate, my youngest sister."

"Your Majesty," I replied, for being of English descent and conversant with court etiquette I said your majesty, "would your majesty deign to materialize the spirit of your youngest sister. She is goodly to look upon and I fain would embrace her were she but flesh and blood; but to embrace the cold, empty air, to embrace 80 per cent nitrogen mixed with 20 per cent oxygen, and that is our atmosphere, your majesty I am not built that way."

"Rash mortal," the queen replied, "forget your earthly habits eliminate your gross desires, spiritualize your body and by so doing you shall see and observe what no mortal since the days of king Solomon ever beheld; you shall witness the inception, the Alpha, the very beginning of the formation of the great mineral filled veins, when perchance in a few months shall make your pleasant southern city a very hotbed of toil and speculation and scheming and money making and avarice and strife, and of charity and good will; you shall see the waters depositing their treasures of lead, of zinc, of lime, of fluorine, the earth shall be open to you, the veins shall unfold and reveal their treasures, the mineral kingdom shall be at your beck and call."

Timidly I advanced with outstretched arms toward the charming picture produced by the Princess Carbonate, the youngest sister of the queen. Dressed in a costume of gray, of a color like to the ashes of roses, with ruchings of a slightly darker color placed in irregular and eccentric lines, with an occasional flash of yellow, and the loveliest laces, falling at interval around her neck and shoulders. The princess greeted me with the kindly air that so becomes the woman of the South, of which she seemed a representative.

The princess I admired much; her graciousness was only exceeded by her beautiful form and features; there was something about her, perhaps it was what the French term chic, that was irresistible. I ventured to ask her her christening name and she told me it was Calamine. Great Zinc, I thought, what a name to bestow upon an innocent child; however, I held my peace. I wondered if it was the same substance that Blue & Nunn had such quantities of down around George Rice's old place; perhaps there were other calamines, other carbonates. Pish the thought! there could be but one, my calamine, but I would wait and watch, I would be a Pinkerton, I would be another "We never sleep" and now "Looking Backward," as Edward Bellamy puts it, I am grieved that I did sleep, but I simply couldn't keep awake; but of that hereafter.

My love making seemed to be one sided, it was very similar to the Magnet making love to the Silver Bell in the opera of Patience. The magnet would attract all the needles and pins, all the nails and iron and steel in the hardware shop, but the silver bell was obdurate, so was Calamine.

A day of days dawned, the queen was to give a ball. Her Majesty's commands were set forth upon a card of Gypsum, sometimes spelled with a J. The invitation was as follows:

Her Imperial Majesty, the Queen of the Mineral Kingdom, commands that you present yourself at her Fluor Spar palace on the evening of the ninth day of the full moon.

DANCING.

The entire mineral kingdom was

in an ecstasy; it was the first grand ball given since the discovery of the Columbia mine, several hundred years before, and now it was noised about that in recognition of the reopening and working of the old mine this grand affair was to happen.

The court milliners and modists were besieged: everybody wanted a costume or a suit of brightly variegated fluor spar. Fluor spar in the meantime was scarce and daily becoming more so, the price was advancing with bounds and jumps—somebody had blundered in not looking forward, but a way was opened.

"Mortal," commenced the Princess, when interposing I said, "Your Highness, please drop the 'mortal' part of your address; in newspaper phraseology blue pencil mortal and interline darling; its simply an idea of mine, but in the mineral kingdom it sounds better, I am sure; anyhow it sets better and looks better and feels nicer."

"Enough," she replied, "would you see the forming of the carbonates of which I am the type; come with me."

That jarred me; that, too, after all the sweet talk I had made and I answered haughtily,

"Your Highness has but to lead the way, your vassal will follow." This in a sort of a high C tone that ordinarily would cause a fiddle string to break.

"It is but proper that I lead the way and unfold to you the treasures of Nature's great storehouse. It is I who hold the keys; it is I who direct the compounding of the waters and the direction of their elements, the lime and lime for the fluor spar veins, carbonic acid gas, lime and zinc for the calamine, lime and gas for the carbonate of lime; add to this lead for the carbonate of lead. Name your desire."

"Oh, great Princess, take me to the source, the beginning, the very birth of these mysteries."

"God alone is great," she reverently replied; "there is but One 'who Was and Is and Will Be,' 'One Father, Almighty Maker of Heaven and Earth,' I who am his servant will conduct you. Know, then, that deep in the bowels of the earth where the fire is never quenched great vapors of zinc and of lead are constantly being evolved and are continually passing through the plants and forests of ages gone by, through buried marshes and beds of peat, where the deadly carbonic acid gas is produced. Here the fumes of the zinc combine with the gas and up still higher the two meet your lime saturated waters, and these three, this trinity, flow over and through the veins precipitating little by little, here a scale, there a scale, until in ages, in eons of time the carbonate bed is made, be it lime, zinc or lead. Yesterday, today, tomorrow the work continues. Nature is ever repairing, ever producing, this year a scale the thickness of a lady's finger nail, next year the same and the same the next."

"Tell me, Princess, how many years did it take to deposit the thirty feet thickness of carbonate of zinc that is now being uncovered at Marion?"

"Oh, mortal, you are curious," and she smiled, "take your pencil and know that it would require sixty-four years for one inch of precipitation, 768 years for one foot of twelve inches, over twenty three thousand years, or more than two hundred and thirty centuries for nature to produce what you are all so anxious to tear out and deface in one moon."

"But there are other kinds of zinc; there is the jack or zinc blende."

And the volatilization of zinc is constantly going on in the earth's furnaces, and the heavy, pungent smoke of zinc has also an affinity for your sulphurous water and two parts of zinc unite with one part of sulphur and the zinc blende is deposited or precipitated in your veins prepared before all time for it."

"And is the galena or lead produced the same way?"

"Very much the same way; lead heated as the middle fires of the earth heat it, also volatilizes. You can observe that in a cupel furnace the heavy, thick smoke passing off. This smoke also passes through the carboniferous region and also through the sulphur waters. In one you have the carbonate of lead in the other, the galena consisting of one-eighth sulphur the balance lead. Nature never varies; galeur is always composed of the same units, so is zinc blende, so is fluor spar. Now, in the latter the water may be unduly impregnated with lime, the fluor spar is always the same, so many units of lime, so many of fluorine, the excess of lime will always be found by itself, as notice the blotches of calc spar on many pieces of fluor spar. Nature never changes, never varies."

"And are there many veins of these minerals in our country, Princess?"

Now I thought I would do the cunning act. I would find out all about it and get up a little syndicate of my own and just run things.

"There is more zinc in Crittenden than the entire world could use in two centuries," said the Princess "but you must earn it through the same old command that Jehovah gave Adam, by the sweat of

your brow."

Then I am out, I thought, for I don't believe I care very much for zinc anyhow.

The evening of the ball arrived. There were knights and ladies from the Hodge, the Yandell, the Holly and Memphis sent; regrettably the Mistress Ebbie Hodge representatives were in brown, the St. Lem contingent came gaily in automobiles, with outriders and guards, and made a brave appearance, the Columbia had many people, all dressed in orange, the Carbonates from the Rice, the John Hodge, Mexico, Valley, Lanes poured out people, Crider's folks were on time, and the great store at the John Hodge mine was illuminated by crystals until it resembled a huge diamond; the floor was 60 pieces sat up on the bench of spar twenty feet from the floor and each man had a room by placing the 60 m. deep, as the big vein is in the twenty feet wide. At the ball I met an infant, dressed in white, with slight pipings of pink, white, arrived at the door and he belonged to the Brights; they said he was too small and he took it good naturally and said that the next ball he would be there with a full grown and hope he may for he was quite nice lad.

And to my sorrow, when I went to ask the Princess Carbonate open with the grand march I stumbled over a box of old type and my head against the hand pin and there I was in the Press office, and there I had been all night, and how to account for I don't know, without it all opened as I have stated, and I don't know whether to sign the book or not.

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A WEEK'S RECORD

All the News of the Past Seven Days Condensed.

HOME AND FOREIGN ITEMS

News of the Industrial Field, Personal and Political Items, Happenings at Home and Abroad.

THE NEWS FROM ALL THE WORLD

DOMESTIC.

Gold ore assaying \$300 to the ton has been discovered near Shelbyville, Ill.

The visible supply of grain in the United States on the 22d was: Wheat, 49,568,000 bushels; corn, 21,328,000 bushels; oats, 10,911,000 bushels; rye, 1,102,000 bushels; barley, 715,000 bushels.

Four men were drowned at Erie, Pa., by the upsetting of a boat.

Transactions in stocks in New York reached a new record total of 2,369,000 shares.

The wife and child of Samuel Alexander, a merchant, were burned to death in their home at Dallas, Tex.

A man whose identity is unknown was swept over Niagara Falls in a boat.

Four persons perished in a fire at St. Mary's, W. Va., caused by a gas explosion.

An express train on the Choctaw, Oklahoma & Gulf road was held up and robbed by masked men near the Arkansas border.

Part of Cincinnati was under water and five persons were drowned in the flooded district.

A fast mail train on the North-western made a spurt of nine miles in six minutes and passed so swiftly that those watching could not distinguish it.

The floods have subsided in the upper Ohio river after causing a loss of \$2,000,000 in the Pittsburgh section.

Gen. Wood, who arrived in New York from Cuba, declared the constitutional convention took no vote on the Platt amendment.

The people of Alabama voted to hold a convention in Montgomery on May 21 to draft a new state constitution.

The president and his military advisers have fixed 76,000 as the size of the army to be enlisted under the new law.

James Callahan, alleged to be implicated in the Cudahy abduction, has been placed on trial at Omaha.

The Ohio river at Cincinnati was five feet above the danger line and the loss will be heavy.

In a bicycle race at San Jose Cal., Burton Downing broke the world's one-half mile amateur record in :39 flat.

Lieut. Gillespie, who located Aguinaldo, has arrived at San Francisco.

Manufacturers of plows are forming a trust with a capital stock of \$50,000,000.

At Salem, Ore., the bank of Gilbert Bros. closed its doors with deposits of \$100,000.

Wyatt Mallory (colored) was hanged by a mob at Springfield, Tenn., for assaulting a white man.

Police Chief Kipley, of Chicago, resigned after being informed by the mayor that he would not be reappointed.

Bank clearings in New York on the 23d were \$546,937,153, or \$101,000,000 greater than the previous high record.

Robbers wrecked a train at Davenport, Tex., and Engineer Monahan and Fireman Hicks were killed and four passengers seriously injured.

The police at Peru, Ind., have broken up a gang of alleged counterfeiters.

Mrs. Carrie Nation, Mrs. Lucy White, Mrs. Julia Evans and Mrs. Lydia Muntz, charged with wrecking saloons at Wichita, Kan., went to jail rather than give bail.

The transport Kilpatrick, which recently sailed from San Francisco, was quarantined at Hawaii because of smallpox.

Several stock exchange seats in New York were sold for \$65,000 each, a new record price.

The New York legislature has adjourned sine die.

The secretary of war made public the names of 588 men selected for first and second lieutenants in the regular army organization bill.

The flood outlook in the middle Ohio valley is more serious and much alarm is felt at many points.

Andree Boyne de Lasar, son of a farmer at Dodge City, Kan., is said to be the rightful heir to the Serbian throne.

Fire destroyed 11 business houses at Danville, Va.

Abraham Lincoln's body was transferred to the tomb in the reconstructed monument at Springfield, Ill.

A jury acquitted a saloon keeper of violating the Sunday law because Chicago custom had killed the statute.

The commission from the Cuban constitutional convention arrived in Washington.

Two men were killed and 12 hurt in a Cincinnati Hamilton & Dayton wreck near Dayton, O.

Robbers blew open the safe of the bank at Ludlow, Ill., and secured \$3,000. James Callahan was identified in court at Omaha by Edward Cudahy as one of his abductors.

The Western league baseball season opened with victories for Indianapolis, Toledo and Dayton.

The Cuban delegates held conferences with the president and Secretary Root, who convinced them of the wisdom of the Cuban convention accepting the conditions imposed by congress.

Edwin H. Conger, United States minister to China, with his wife, daughter and niece, Miss Margaret Pierce, arrived in San Francisco.

The steamer Northwestern left Chicago with a cargo for Liverpool.

The largest beet sugar plant in the world is to be established in the Arkansas river valley in Colorado.

Big Charley, a savage elephant of the Wallace circus, killed its keeper, Henry Huffman, at Peru, Ind., and the animal was afterwards killed by poison.

The army reorganization provides for 38,520 infantry, 15,540 cavalry, 18,862 artillery and 1,248 engineers.

Mayor Leonard, of Waltham, Mass., issued an order to the police to stop public whist parties.

The Michigan house of representatives passed by unanimous vote a stringent anti-cigarette law.

Russell Sage, of New York, says the prices of nearly all stocks are too high, and that a big crash will come if the public does not use caution.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Dr. Horatio Guzman, for many years minister from Nicaragua to the United States, died in Washington, aged 50 years.

A. N. Martin, of Bluffton, Ind., former congressman from the Eleventh district, died in the hospital at the soldiers' home in Marion.

Ohio republicans will hold their state convention in Columbus June 25.

James M. Marvin, representative in the Thirty-eighth, Thirty-ninth and Fortieth congresses, died at Saratoga, N. Y., aged 92 years.

Gen. O. A. Miller, one of Indiana's famous heroes of the civil war, died at Lebanon, aged 74 years.

FOREIGN.

It has been figured that 186 Protestant missionaries and children were slain during the Boxer revolt in China.

A Swedish inventor has constructed a device to prevent outsiders listening to telephone conversation.

Parliament refused to permit the establishment of a Roman Catholic university in Ireland.

Five children were murdered and their father wounded by robbers near Chartres, France.

An American underwriting syndicate, headed by J. P. Morgan & Co., took \$50,000,000 of the new British loan.

Foreign officials in China have demanded the beheading of four leaders and the exile and degradation of 80 additional Boxers.

The indemnity to be paid by China has been fixed at \$300,000,000 in gold. Lord Kitchener reported the capture of 242 Boers.

The czar has signed a decree for the expulsion of Count Tolstol from Russia.

M. Louis Godard, the French aeronaut, will attempt to cross the Atlantic in a balloon carrying nine persons.

The Cunard steamer Saxonia sailed from Liverpool for Boston with 2,360 passengers, the largest number ever crossing the Atlantic in one vessel.

The British budget has aroused a storm of protests from interests which will have to bear increased taxation.

The Chinese privy council has been abolished and a new body substituted therefor called the general board of state affairs with Prince Ching as president. This is the first of the new reforms.

The Boers captured a cattle train near Stormberg.

The Chinese troops retreated from the Shan-Si district, thus avoiding a fight with French and German forces marching against them.

British forces routed the brutal emirs and freed thousands of slaves in northern Nigeria.

Representatives of the Afrikanerbund told Londoners that Britain's policy in Cape Colony would probably result in the empire's loss of entire South Africa.

American Paglist Smith died from the effects of his fight with Roberts in London.

A report was current in London that Boer emissaries in the United States were insinuating with deadly disease horses bought by Britain for use by troops in South Africa.

Gaetano Bresci, assassin of King Humbert of Italy, has been driven crazy by the brutality of his jailers.

Gen. Quentin Salas has surrendered, and reports from Manila say this is likely to end the revolt in the island of Panay.

Foreign envoys in Peking say the Chinese indemnity will reach \$325,000,000.

Commissary Sergeant John Weston has been sentenced to dishonorable discharge and two years in prison for complicity in commissary frauds at Manila.

The Russian government prohibited a public exhibition of Tolstol's picture in Moscow.

THE CUBANS IN NEW YORK.

The Cuban Delegation to Washington Shown the Sights of the Great Metropolis.

MISUNDERSTANDING CLEARED AWAY.

Gen. Portuondo Says the Cubans Were Suspicious of the Platt Amendment Because They Did Not Fully Understand It—Doubted the Motive Behind It.

New York, April 29.—"Even annexation might be acceptable to Cuba if it came after independence," said Dr. Rafael M. Portuondo, one of the members of the delegation from the Cuban national convention to Washington. "For fifty years she has longed and fought and bled for independence. That once attained she would agree to any fair demands the United States could make."

Gratified with the outcome of their mission, the delegation, which has been in conference with President McKinley and Secretary of War Root, have arrived in New York. In the party are Gen. Portuondo, Gen. P. Betancourt, Dr. Pedro Gonzalez Llorente, Dr. Diego Tamayo and Dr. Mendez Capote, the president of the convention.

Robert A. Smith, president of the American Mail Steamship Co., acted as host to the party, and under his chaperonage some idea of the parks and surroundings of the city was gathered by the visitors. After partaking of a Cuban breakfast, Sunday at noon with Mr. and Mrs. Ricardo Nargames, of No. 137 West Eighty-sixth street, the party was taken in four electric automobiles for a trip along Fifth avenue, through Central park and up to the Sacred Heart convent, in One Hundred and Thirty-third street. The visitors were entertained at dinner at Sherry's at night by Mr. Robert A. C. Smith, president of the American Mail Steamship Co.

The commissioners paid a visit to the stock and produce exchanges Monday and will sail for home on Wednesday on the Ward Line steamship Havana.

Gen. Portuondo was eloquent in his expressions of satisfaction with the result of the mission to Washington.

"There was a misunderstanding," he said, "and now, for us at least, it has all been cleared. The trouble was with the Platt amendment. Many of the Cubans suspected it. They did not know what it meant. They doubted the motive that lay behind it. Not that they thought it might be unfair to Cuba only, but to the United States."

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"Not less than ten months. There must be conventions and elections before the electoral council, which chooses a president, is selected. That will take time, and I think we shall feel satisfied if our government is set in motion by February 24 of next year. That, you know, is our Fourth of July, the anniversary of our rise against Spain."

Burlington Dividend.

Boston, April 29.—The directors of the Chicago Burlington & Quincy railroad declared a dividend of two per cent. per share for the four months ending July 1, payable June 15.

The Ohio Falling.

Cincinnati, April 29.—The Ohio river had fallen to 57 feet at 1 p. m., a total fall of 2.7 feet since Saturday afternoon. Its rate of fall will increase and by Tuesday morning half the obstruction to traffic and business will be removed.

To Be Made a Naval Port.

Berlin, April 29.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Cologne Gazette says it is announced from Tokio that the harbor of Matsunai, capital of the island of Yesso, opposite Vladivostok, is being transformed into a naval port.

Fatal Fire at Spremberg, Prussia.

Berlin, April 29.—Fire in Spremberg, Prussia, destroyed the cloth factories of Bergmann & Pretsch, H. Puchel and Stark & Mittel. Two persons perished in the flames. The loss is placed at several million marks.

Received By the Emperor.

Buda Pest, April 29.—Emperor Francis Joseph granted a farewell audience to Addison C. Harris, the retiring United minister to Austria-Hungary, and subsequently received the new minister, Robert S. McCormick, who presented his credentials.

Blown Up by Boers.

Cape Town, April 29.—A party of Boers blew up the railroad between Grannan and Belmont, Cape Colony, in three places, April 27, apparently with the intention of intercepting a train carrying Cecil Rhodes. The damage done was slight.

Liverpool Grain Imports.

Liverpool, April 29.—The imports of wheat into Liverpool last week were 70,000 quarters from Atlantic ports, 21,000 from Pacific ports and 68,000 from other ports. The imports of corn from Atlantic ports last week were 41,300 quarters.

Fire-Stricken Wisconsin Towns.

Berlin, Wis., April 29.—The business portion of Wautoma, the county seat of Waushara county, 20 miles west of here, has been totally destroyed by fire. Loss, \$100,000; insurance, \$50,000. Several persons are rendered homeless.

"Calls" Subject to Taxation.

Washington, April 29.—The United States supreme court decided in the case brought by ex-Congressman Stephen V. White, of Brooklyn, that a "call," as the word is used in the stock exchange, is an agreement to sell and, therefore, subject to taxation at the rate of two cents per \$100 under the war revenue law.

New Agricultural Building.

Washington, April 29.—Plans have been agreed upon for a new department of agriculture building, at Washington, to cost not exceeding \$2,000,000. It will be "U" shaped, of white marble, four stories high, with a 400-foot front, and two wings, each 100 feet long. The present building will be incorporated within the new structure.

River News.

Stations.	Change Rainfall Gauge 24 hours in 24 hrs
Pittsburgh	5.2
Cincinnati	12.7
St. Louis	15.4
St. Paul	6.2
Davenport	8.4
Memphis	30.0
Louisville	22.2
Cairo	42.4
New Orleans	13.4

— Fall. — Trace

THE MARKETS.

MONDAY, April 23.

Grain and Provisions.

St. Louis — Flour — Patents, \$3.69; 2 1/2; other grades, \$3.69; 2 1/2; Wheat—No. 2 red, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 3, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 4, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 5, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 6, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 7, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 8, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 9, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 10, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 11, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 12, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 13, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 14, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 15, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 16, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 17, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 18, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 19, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 20, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 21, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 22, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 23, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 24, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 25, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 26, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 27, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 28, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 29, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 30, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 31, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 32, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 33, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 34, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 35, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 36, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 37, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 38, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 39, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 40, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 41, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 42, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 43, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 44, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 45, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 46, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 47, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 48, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 49, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 50, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 51, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 52, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 53, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 54, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 55, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 56, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 57, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 58, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 59, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 60, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 61, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 62, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 63, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 64, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 65, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 66, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 67, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 68, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 69, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 70, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 71, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 72, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 73, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 74, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 75, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 76, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 77, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 78, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 79, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 80, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 81, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 82, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 83, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 84, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 85, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 86, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 87, \$2.49; 2 1/2; No. 88, \$2.49; 2 1/2

CRIMINALS AND PAUPERS.

The United States Being Made the Dumping Ground for the Worst Class of Italians.

WELL-KNOWN BRIGANDS AMONG THEM.

Three Noted Outlaws Said to be Now in Kansas City, Where They Are Under Police Surveillance—Our Immigration Laws Set at Naught with Impunity.

New York, April 29.—The Herald says:

Italy is making of the United States a dumping ground for her criminals and paupers. This fact has been forcibly called to the attention of the local authorities by the arrival in this port of three Italian brigands whose depredations made them a scourge to the province in which they were reared. Despairing of being relieved in any other manner, the merchants upon whom they had preyed made up a liberal purse, with which the three were sent to America, arriving here, with money enough in their pockets to enable them to land unquestioned.

Are Under Surveillance. These three outlaws who encountered no obstacle to bar them from entering this country are now in Kansas City, Mo. Warning has been sent out by Police Commissioner Murphy to the Kansas City police officials who now have the Italians under strict police surveillance.

After their arrival in New York the brigands lived in a quiet manner, meanwhile maturing their plans for a career of crime in the west.

Not an Isolated Case. Commissioner Murphy found that this is no isolated case.

"Italian criminals," said the commissioner, "are pouring into New York on every ship that brings immigrants. Popular belief that our laws bar out criminals and paupers is a mistaken belief. It may be that the Italian government has no part in the scheme, but it is still true that the United States is being made the dumping ground, receiving the cast-offs from the Italian prisons and pauper houses."

DEPARTMENT STORE BURNED.

Costly Fire at Pittsburgh, Pa.—A Score of Families Homeless and One Life Lost.

Pittsburgh, Pa., April 29.—Fire at the corner of Carson and Seventeenth streets, south side, resulted in the loss of one life, a property loss estimated at \$225,000, consumed over a dozen buildings and rendered a score of families homeless. The flames were discovered in the basement of the four-story department stores of George E. Lorsch & Bro., and in a very short time the entire building was burning furiously. It was in ruins within 20 minutes. A panic ensued among the customers and employees, which resulted in what seemed at first a well-founded report that eight persons had perished. This was happily untrue after the fire had been controlled, the only fatality being the burning to death of Mrs. Kate Donley's two-and-a-half-year-old child. When the fire broke out Mrs. Donley and child were on the fourth floor of the Lorch building. In her haste to escape the mother fell on the stairway and was rendered unconscious. In the excitement the child was either forgotten or burned before aid could reach it.

THERE WAS NO LOSS OF LIFE.

The Fire at the Dorothy Coal and Coke Plant, at Latrobe, Pa., Still Burning Fiercely.

Latrobe, Pa., April 29.—The fire at the Dorothy coal and coke plant of the American Steel & Wire Co., which started Sunday night, is still burning. Supt. Rogers and Wm. Gill, who were overcome by smoke, have recovered, and no fatalities will result from the explosion. It is known now that all the miners escaped. A pipe line has been laid into the mouth of the blazing pit and the mine will be flooded. The loss to the plant will reach about \$10,000; covered by insurance.

CHINESE MADE GOOD DEFENSE.

The Germans Suffered Considerable Loss in Dislodging the Chinese From the Shan Si Passes.

Berlin, April 29.—Dispatches from Peking show that the Germans had a difficult task in carrying the passes leading into Shan Si province. The only approaches were steep mountain sides on the advancing Germans. Besides many old guns, 18 quick-firers were captured. The German losses were an officer and seven men killed, and four officers and 35 men wounded.

Gold for Germany. New York, April 29.—Kuhn, Loeb & Co. will ship \$250,000 in gold to Germany Tuesday. Heidelberg, Ickelheimer & Co. will ship \$1,500,000 to the same destination.

OTHERWISE UNNOTICED.

Senator Cockrell, of Missouri, advises the Cubans to accept the Platt amendments.

Several farmers near Mount Vernon, Ill., have been caught on the old lightning-rod swindle, and the swindlers have been arrested.

Two more oil wells of the gusher variety came in at Beaumont, Tex., Sunday.

Nearly the entire business portion of Florence, Tex., was destroyed by fire.

Six persons were injured by the derailling of a chair car near Pattonsburg, Mo., Sunday.

Woodmen of the World unveiled a monument at Fort Smith, Ark., to former officers of the order.

Five persons were brought to death in an incendiary fire at Houston, Tex. A negro man is suspected and is under arrest.

Fireman John Green, of St. Louis, carried two women and three children down a ladder from the third story of a burning tenement.

Highwaymen at Hot Springs, Ark., robbed an Omaha man, gagged and blindfolded him and threw him in front of a moving train. One leg was horribly crushed.

Dr. Charles H. Parkhurst, in his sermon in New York, Sunday, declared that indiscriminate negro suffrage was a legislative blunder.

Henry H. Hamilton, for years a prominent business man at Sycamore, Ill., died, Sunday, from paralysis, aged 47 years.

James Callahan was declared not guilty of any complicity in the kidnapping of Edward Cudaby, Jr., by the jury at Omaha.

Fire in the property owned by Miss Emma Oxley, at Centralia, Ill., occupied by J. H. Tucker, caused a loss of \$2,000.

Sentiment in the Illinois senate is overwhelmingly in favor of the full appropriation of \$350,000 asked for in the St. Louis World's fair bill.

The sealing steamer Kite, for whose safety some fear had been felt, reached St. Johns, N. F., Sunday, with 10,000 seals, almost a full load.

James Douglas Reid, known to telegraphers throughout the country as the "Father of the Telegraph," died at his residence in New York city. He had been ill for many weeks.

George Morrison, 16 years old, shot and killed two men and fatally wounded a third as the result of a quarrel near Waukegan, Ill.

Arbitration of all disputes and opposition to sympathetic strikes are the foundation principles of a new central labor body to be known as the Chicago Building Trades League.

Frederick Kinney disappeared while canvassing in Kansas several months ago. Recently his wagon and outfit were found in possession of Henry Freeman. Freeman is held under arrest.

The heroic rescuers at Aurora, Mo., on Sunday, reached the living tomb of the five miners who had been buried by the cave-in three days. Two were alive, one dead and the other two are missing.

Frederick Richter, a cabinetmaker, was shot three times and probably fatally wounded, at St. Louis, while ascending the stairs leading to his room in his boarding house.

John Carr, of Joplin, Mo., committed suicide at Butler, Mo., by cutting his throat with a pocket knife. Insanity is supposed to have been the cause. His body was sent to Joplin.

I. S. How, 23 years of age, was killed at East Prairie, Mo., by a southbound passenger train, his head being crushed. Letters were found on his person from relatives in Galatia, Ill.

EAST INDIA COMPETITION.

Immense Purchases of Bombay Cotton Being Made by the Japanese Cotton Spinners.

Tacoma, Wash., April 29.—The steamship Oopack brings news that the shipments of raw cotton from the United States to the orient will be greatly affected by immense purchases of Bombay cotton, just made by the Cotton Spinners' union, embracing the largest cotton manufacturers of Japan. Their agents have bought 250,000 bales to be shipped within the next few months. Of this quantity, the Nippon Yusen Kaisha will carry 100,000 bales at 12 rupees a ton. Many manufacturers intend to mix Bombay with American cotton, while others will use the former exclusively. It is laid down in Japan cheaper than American cotton.

TO HOUSE BOER PRISONERS.

The British Government Said to Have Leased Darrell's Island, in the Bermuda Group.

Hamilton, Bermuda, Thursday, April 25.—There is considerable excitement at present in Bermuda over the expected arrival of 1,700 Boer prisoners.

The British government has leased Darrell's island, one of the largest islands in the sound, and within a quarter of a mile of Warwickshire, for one year, with the option of relinquishing it on a month's notice. Tucker's island has also been inspected, but up to April 24 no definite settlement has been made in regard to it.

New Oil Field in Texas. Gainesville, Tex., April 29.—Oil has been struck at a depth of 100 feet of the farm of John I. Yostern, one mile north of Muenster, Tex., 15 miles west of Gainesville. It is black and thick, has a strong odor and burns like kerosene.

The Holland Submarine Boats as Naval Vessels

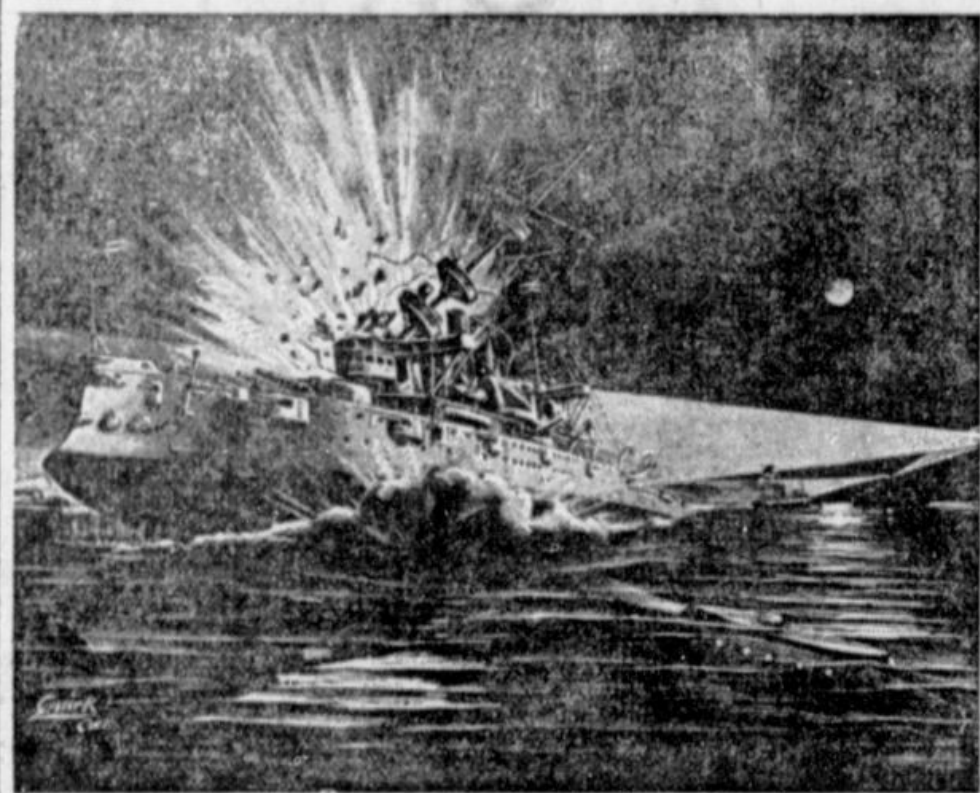
England Is Building Five of These Interesting and Destructive Little Terrors

GREAT BRITAIN has taken kindly to another Yankee invention, the "Holland" submarine boat, and five of them are now building for the English navy. Other European nations have spent millions in experimenting with various species of submarine boats, with practically no success. Each was desirous of perfecting a boat that would be their own, but England had no scruples along this line. She wanted the newest and best that was known in naval warfare, but she waited for others to do the expensive experimenting. After it had been done she looked over each of the boats produced by European inventors, and then took the "Holland" from this side of the Atlantic.

Under the heading of submarine boats, the English admiralty report says:

"Five of the type invented by Holland have been ordered, the first of which should be delivered next autumn. What the future value of these boats may be in naval warfare can only be a matter of conjecture. Experiments with these boats will assist the admiralty in assessing their true value. The question of their employment must be studied in all its developments, and their mechanism carefully watched in this country."

The big cruiser New York, the flagship of the North Atlantic squadron,



THE "HOLLAND" SUBMARINE BOAT IN ACTION. Possible Result in Practice with Cruiser "New York" in Narragansett Bay, August 30, 1900

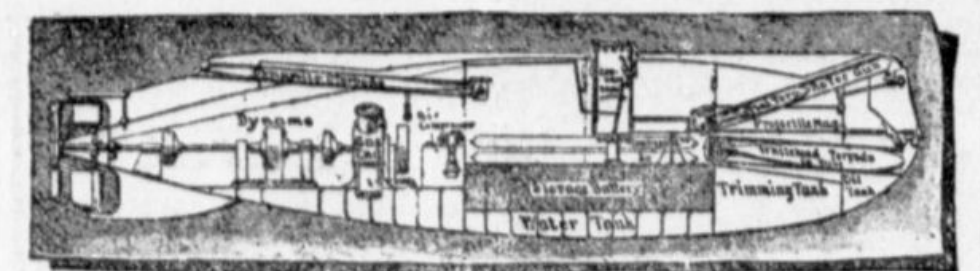
could have been sunk as she lay at anchor in the waters of Narragansett bay from a torpedo fired at her by the submarine boat Holland. Not only would the New York have suffered, but the tug Leyden would have gone to the bottom, too.

But it was all practice, a night attack, and it was most successful, proving that the New Holland boat is a most valuable part of the United States navy.

After dark the torpedo boats Morris and Rodgers and the Holland were sent outside the breakwater, soon to be followed by the Leyden, the last named taking up a position at the entrance of the harbor. As the others made the attack an attempt was to be made by the Leyden to pick them out with searchlights.

So far as the torpedo boats were concerned it was successful, they being found at will, but with the Holland it was a different matter, and after she had plunged under the water she was not seen again until she was found at her dock when the Leyden went in.

The crew of the Holland say that the deck of the wonderful craft was dry all the time they were under the water. The Holland approached near enough to the Leyden to fire a torpedo and then turned, crossed the bay and went within a short distance of the New York without detection.



LONGITUDINAL SECTION THROUGH THE "HOLLAND."

The boat was operated by a full naval crew in charge of Lieut. Caldwell. Naval officers are more than pleased with her performance.

The United States government has ordered five more of these boats, and when in commission the Shark, Adder, Moccasin, Porpoise and Grampus will form a coast defense of a most formidable type, and a new element in naval warfare will have been introduced which will radically change naval tactics. They were ordered through the Holland company and are now building at Nixon's yard at Elizabeth, N. J.

With the advent of the modern armored cruiser New York, perfected weapons can hurl hundreds of tons of steel projectiles into an incredibly small area in a wonderfully short time, but her destroyer has appeared.

Already, before the suicidal tor-

pedo boat has had half a fair trial in actual warfare, she bids fair to be superseded by the submarine. This quiet little turtle-back is exceedingly businesslike. Starting from an absolutely safe distance, and submerging herself in that cheapest and most effective armor salt water (a substance as superior to nickel steel for turning the point of a shell as that is to tissue paper) this little viper can, if necessary, clamp torpedoes to the battleship's keel as thickly as buttons on a soldier's blouse.

The Holland submarine torpedo boat, which is one of the most important additions to our navy, is a steel shell 54 feet long and pointed at the ends. She is 10½ feet wide.

Within the comparatively small space inside is stowed away 20 tons of machinery and fittings. This apparatus consists of a 50 horse power gasoline engine, which runs the propeller when the boat is on the surface of the water. The engine also charges the storage batteries with electricity. The electrical power is drawn upon to propel the boat below the water's surface when the gasoline engine could not be operated, as it would vitiate the air inside the vessel.

In the bow of the boat are her

A MOTHER'S AWFUL CRIME.

Attempted to Poison Two Children and Took a Fatal Dose Herself—One Child May Die.

St. Louis, April 29.—Just before midnight, in a jealous rage Mrs. Fannie Friedberg gave cocaine and morphine to her two children and took some of the poison herself. She died within a short time. Her little daughter, Alma, aged five, is in a critical condition, with but one chance in a hundred of living. The other daughter, Emma, aged seven, refused to take much of the poison, and suffered none from her mother's attempt to kill her.

Mrs. Friedberg, who was 32 years old, and the wife of Samuel Friedberg, a medical student, has been jealous of her husband, to whom she had been married about eight years. They had had frequent quarrels, and the wife accused her husband of paying attention to other women. Late Sunday evening she seized the little girl, Alma, for some ice cream. When she returned the mother mixed with the cream the morphine, cocaine and whisky, and gave portions to the two children and took some herself. The elder girl, after all had partaken of the cream, frightened at what her mother was doing, ran into the street screaming that her mother was killing her sister and herself. The neighbors ran in and found the woman on a bed dying, and the smaller girl suffering frightfully from the poison. Doctors were summoned, but could do nothing for the mother. The youngest girl they worked on for hours, but she was still in a critical condition at last accounts, with little chance of living. The mother died shortly after the arrival of the physicians.

The woman left two notes written in German. One for the police stated that her husband was to blame for all that she had done. She left instructions as to where to find \$80, which she had saved and hidden away, with which she wished to be buried. She also expressed a wish that her husband should marry and live happily with the woman he had preferred to her, and of whom she had been jealous. A note to her husband also expressed the same wish as to the other woman, but mentioned no name.

ISTHMIAN CANAL TREATY.

Admiral Dewey Approves the Proposed Provision Establishing the Neutrality of the Canal.

New York, April 29.—A special to the Herald from Washington says:

In agreeing to the proposed isthmiian canal treaty a provision establishing the neutrality of the projected waterway, Secretary Hay has taken action which meets with the full approval of Admiral Dewey and the majority of naval officers.

When told that the president would pledge the United States to observe the principle of neutrality in the convention under negotiation, the admiral ejaculated:

"Splendid! More than a year ago I said that the canal should be neutral. I am more convinced to-day of the necessity of such action. Erection of fortifications would make the canal one of the prime objectives of our enemies' operations in times of war. Besides their construction would entail enormous expense and necessitate constant expenditure to keep them manned and in proper condition. I see no necessity for them.

"The neutrality of the canal can be guaranteed by our fleet. The canal is to be a commercial waterway, and neutralization, therefore, will mean its preservation."

AN ENEMY TO FLAX GROWERS.

The Flax Plant in the Northwest Affected with a Persistent Fungus or Parasitic Growth.

St. Paul, Minn., April 29.—A special from Fargo, N. D., says:

Flax growers in the northwest have been alarmed over the diseased condition of the crop for a year or two, and as a result of investigations, Prof. H. L. Bolley, of the North Dakota Agricultural college, has discovered that the flax plant is afflicted with a fungus or parasitic growth, similar to smut on wheat. The worst feature is the positive proof that the fungus remains in the soil for years, and is known to have reappeared after the land had been cropped in wheat two years.

Investigations are now in progress to discover some method of treating the soil to eradicate the growth, or to treat the grain as wheat is treated for smut with formaldehyde.

Prof. Bolley is one of the best authorities in the west for the treatment of wheat for smut, and was the discoverer of scabs on potatoes and the methods of prevention.

President's Picture by Telegraph.

New York, April 29.—The Tribune prints a picture of President McKinley, sent by telegraph from Washington. A specially prepared copy was placed on a little machine at one end of a telegraph wire in the Tribune bureau at the national capital, Sunday night, and a reproduction was quickly effected by another at the other end in the home office, 239 miles away.

Shamrock II. Grounded.

Glasgow, April 29.—It transpires that Shamrock II. grounded on a mud bank near Dumbarton while proceeding seaward on Saturday. Her crew was transferred to a tug, and thus lightened, the yacht floated, after having been ashore three quarters of an hour. It is believed she is not injured.

NICHOLAS J. QUIRE.

OFF ON SCHEDULE TIME.

The President and Party Leave the National Capital and the Long Trip is Begun.

FRIENDS GAVE A HEARTY FAREWELL.

Mrs. McKinley Found the Drawing Room of the Car Olympia, Assigned to the President's Private Use, Beautifully Decorated with Roses and Other Flowers.

Washington, April 29.—The train which is to carry President and Mrs. McKinley and their party on their long excursion across the continent and back made its start precisely on schedule time, over the Southern road. Before nine o'clock many people had congregated about the station, and when the president and Mrs. McKinley arrived the building was thronged, and many persons were congregated on the outside.

President's Party Cheered.

There was a cheer as the president's immediate party drove up to the station, and a general demonstration of affectionate regard as the head of the nation and his wife made their way through the crowd to the train. Mrs. McKinley leaned upon the arm of Dr. Rixey, and both she and the president smiled in response to the greetings which met them at every step. They were accompanied to the train by numerous friends and by many persons distinguished in the affairs of the nation.

Personnel of the Party.

The party included Secretary Gage, Secretary Root, Senator Hanna, Justice McKenna, Gen. Miles, Gen. Corbin, Gen. Sternberg, Secretary White, of the American embassy in London; Commissioner of Pensions Evans, Comptroller Dawes, Gen. Bates, Assistant Postmaster General Shallenbarger, Congressman Livingston, and many ladies of the cabinet circle.

The President's Private Car.

Mrs. McKinley found the drawing room of the private coach which she and the president are to occupy beautifully decorated with roses and other flowers. She spoke gratefully of the thoughtful care of her friends, and seating herself beside a window, facing the crowd, continued to smile and bow to acquaintances until the train moved out. The president took his position on the rear platform of the Olympia beside Secretary Hitchcock, hat in hand, a brilliant carnation in his buttonhole and a smile upon his face.

Started Promptly on Time.

Just as the minute hand of the big clock in the station touched the 10:30 point the train started upon its 10,000-mile journey. The crowd cheered enthusiastically and waved a good-by. The demonstration was continued until the train left the environs of Washington, the crowd extending well to the city limits.

SURPRISED A BOER LAAGER.

Kitchener's Scouts, Under Gen. Grenfell, Surprised and Captured Van Rensburg's Laager.

London, April 29.—Lord Kitchener reports to the war office from Pretoria, under date of April 28, as follows: Kitchener's fighting scouts, under Grenfell, have surprised and captured Van Rensburg's laager at Klipdam, north of Pietersburg. Seven Boers were killed and 37 made prisoners. Eight thousand rounds of ammunition and all the wagons, carts, oxen, horses and mules were captured. Our only casualty was one wounded.

The other columns report 3 killed, 58 taken prisoners, 57 surrendered and 1 quick-firer captured.

Another dispatch from Lord Kitchener, dated Pretoria, April 29, says: "Gen. Blood has discovered, at Rosensdal, South African Republic government documents and a large number of bank notes."

"Byng has had a fight with Boers on the Basutoland border, south of Wepener, and killed five."

"Grenfell, in addition to the captures reported, got 35,500 rounds of small arms ammunition."

"At Lydenburg 20 Boers have surrendered."

AN ORATORICAL CONTEST.

The Contest of the Northern Oratorical League to be Held at Iowa City, Ia., on May 3.

Iowa City, Ia., April 29.—The contest of the Northern Oratorical League will be held here the evening of May 2. The contestants will be: Otto Brackett, University of Iowa; Bertrand G. Nelson, University of Chicago; Carroll L. Storey, University of Michigan; T. B. Schall, University of Minnesota; Hosse O. Enwall, Northwestern university; Clarence Merle Woodruff, Oberlin college; Miss Louise Loeb, University of Wisconsin. The judges will be Hon. Frank S. Monnett, Columbus, O.; President James H. Baker, University of Colorado; Hon. Alston W. Dana, Topeka, Kas.; President R. H. Jesse, University of Missouri; Prof. Edward B. Cushing, Yankton college, and Hon. Bartlett Tripp, Yankton, S. D.

Mrs. Nation's Brother Dead.

Wichita, Kas., April 29.—Mrs. Nation, Sunday, received a telegram that her brother, at Louisburg, Kas., was dead and she was permitted to go at once and without bond.

MORSE,
PICKENS
& PIERCE

THE NEW STORE!

MORSE,
PICKENS
& PIERCE

"Tis the merry month of May" and in this month there are many things that you will need in the DRY GOODS LINE. Are we prepared to fill your wants? Well, we think we are. Our stock is all new, no old stock or old styles, but we have the Newest and Best things to be found.

Come and See and be Convinced of our Values!

Spring Suits.

It sometimes that a man wants something extra in a suit of clothes. Our way of cash buying enables us to offer the best suits to be had in the county for the least money. They fit, hang and hold their shape like "tailor made." The patterns are all exclusive—different from anything shown in other houses. We take pleasure in showing these suits and want you to come and see them.

Shoes.

Our shoes fit well, wear well and if you buy them once you are sure to buy them all the time—for they will give you satisfaction.

Straw Hats are now Ready.
Nobby styles for men and boys.

Dress Goods

We believe we have the Greatest Line of Dress Goods ever shown in Marion.

We have engaged the services of Mrs. Cavandar, an experienced dressmaker, as saleslady. She is versed on the styles and fashions for ladies, and you are sure to find the latest styles and patterns at our store.

CARPETS and MATTINGS.

PRETTIEST RUGS YOU EVER SAW.

Carnahan Building,
MARION, KY.

MORSE, PICKENS & PIERCE.

The Press.

R. C. WALKER, Publisher.
WALTER WALKER, Manager.

ONE YEAR ONE DOLLAR

We already have a commercial club, will soon have electric lights, an ice plant and Bob Taylor. We'll put on long dresses.

And next week the Democrats will begin to show up in the work of getting their armor on for the November "shindy."

Morganfield, April 29.—Mrs. Laura Bell, the widow of Senator Bell, of Union county has announced as a candidate for Enrolling clerk of the Senate. Her husband was very prominent in the councils of the Democratic party.

We go to press too early to report the result of the conference between the Salem and Marion committees. We are convinced, however, that the mayor of Salem did not have to call the attention of the mayor of Marion to the famous remark made by the governor of North Carolina to the governor of South Carolina.

We are a little prone to boast of the variety of our county's products, yet while this is a fine fruit section we send north for our apples; while the Irish potato, one of the most popular items in the menu of every well regulated household, grows finely here, we have to import the tuber for winter and early spring use; the cabbage, though of Dutch progenitors, is at home in our soil and occupies a front seat on our tables, but to get the succulent leaf we must pay the freight, besides giving our northern neighbors a good price to raise it; hay grows to perfection on our hillsides and in our valleys, but there are few years it is not hauled in by the railroad. Our farmers should look to their laurels, or the mining industries will get the ascendancy.

The annual school festivities are at hand, and serve to emphasize the fact that Marion never made a more profitable investment than when she laid out her shakels for the graded public school. The school has filled all our vacant houses and it has built new ones; it has improved the moral atmosphere of the community; it has given our young people higher aspirations and will augment the pleasures of life for them when they are old; it has furnished a common ground upon which the citizenship meets, lays aside differences and cultivates that adhesiveness so necessary in the building up of a town.

Here's to the commencement days. May they always come on schedule time, bringing the lovely flowers of May, the still higher type of God's handiwork, the bright, cheery, cheerful faces of the girls and boys, that we may catch a glimpse of the youth that has been, and faded, and dream of the youth that is to be, and will not fade.

B. M. A.

An Enthusiastic Gathering of Marion's Business Men.

On Thursday evening of last week an enthusiastic meeting fairly representing the business men of Marion was held at the court house for the purpose of organizing an association for the development and promotion of the mining, agricultural and mercantile interests of Marion and Crittenden county. Mr. J. W. Blue was called to the chair. He stated the object of the meeting and briefly pointed out the work it could and should accomplish. Those interested sufficiently to pledge an earnest effort to obtain the object sought were asked to enroll their names. Twenty-six were enrolled, and after many pertinent suggestions officers were elected as follows: J. W. Blue, president; Dr. T. A. Fraser, vice president; R. C. Walker, Secretary; P. S. Maxwell, treasurer. A committee on organization was appointed and directed to report April 30.

Messrs. J. W. Blue, T. H. Cochran, J. P. Pierce, P. S. Maxwell and S. Gugenheim were appointed as a committee to confer with a like committee from the Salem commercial club in reference to the proposed railroad from the I. C. to Salem. The meeting adjourned to convene April 30, to complete the organization.

On Tuesday evening the committee on organization reported, and the report was unanimously adopted. The main features of the report were:

Name of the organization—Business Men's Association. Any citizen of the town or county eligible to membership. Membership fee \$5.00.

Officers to be elected annually, second Tuesday in April. Time of meeting first Monday evening of each month.

Six standing committees are provided for, and they were appointed as follows:

Advertising, Publicity and Promotion—D. C. Roberts, T. H. Cochran, C. S. Nunn.

Good Roads—R. C. Walker, Jno W. Wilson, C. J. Pierce.

Merchants and Manufacturers—S. Gugenheim, Tom Clifton, D. E. Kevil.

Finance—T. J. Yandell, E. J. Hayward, M. E. Fohs.

Brief addresses were made by Col. A. N. Clark, of Chicago, J. W. Blue and J. P. Pierce.

The first regular meeting of the club will be held next Monday night, and every citizen of the town, and especially the business men, are earnestly requested to be present, as matters of importance will be discussed.

The conference committee reported that a meeting with the Salem committee had been arranged for Wednesday, May 1, and that it proposed to give the Salem people a hearty welcome to the city.

THE REPUBLICANS

Meet in Convention Saturday to Make Nominations.

Saturday is the day appointed for the Republican county committee to convene in Marion and make the party's nominations for the various county offices. The fifty-five men constituting the committee have had plenty to do the past few weeks listening to the score or more aspirants and doubtless they will welcome the rest that will come when they have completed their Saturday's task.

The candidates and their friends and the committeemen and their advisers will all be here Saturday, and there will be plenty of politics on tap. The leading candidates in the fight, as they are now lined up and as we have been able to gather their names, are as follows:

County Judge—W. D. Haynes, Aaron Towery, the present county surveyor, and Geo. H. Williams, who has served as magistrate.

County Attorney—There are only two entries in this race—Carl Henderson and John D. Gregory. County Clerk—John G. Asher, of Shady Grove, and C. Ed. Weldon, of Tolu. This is said to be a pretty race, with chances about equal.

Sheriff—Much interest and plenty of life has been instilled into this contest. Mr. John T. Flanks, who has served the county as sheriff; Julian Ainsworth, the present deputy, and J. W. Lamb, a popular young teacher, are coming down the home stretch about neck and neck, if reports be correct.

Assessor—Jesse McCaslin, an old assessor, Anthony Davidson, who has been the assistant for two years, and Geo. W. Belt, a popular young farmer of Flatlick, are said to be keeping pretty close company as they near the wire.

Jailer—John Gilbert, Albert Travis, Newton Thomas, A. J. Chittenden and L. H. Fritts are facing castle de Hard and riding with spurs.

School Superintendent—John B. Travis has no fight for the nomination; he is moving leisurely along, keeping his eyes skinned for the appearance of any probable Democratic opponent. The chances are that he is wondering whether it will be a woman or not.

Coroner—Nobody seems to be hankering for an opportunity to hold an inquest or two; the nomination for this office usually goes a begging for awhile, but some blushing youth will finally be prevailed upon to accept the toga.

It will probably be 10 o'clock when the chairman calls for order, and then a couple of hours will be devoted to hearing the speeches. In the afternoon the committee will go into executive session.

Marriage Licenses.

William Henry Adamson to Fannie Thomas Adamson, April 20th.

W. M. Agent to Rhoda E. Chittenden, April 24th.

Officers of Election.

The following are the officers selected to hold the Democratic primary May 11, from 7 a. m. to 4 p. m.:

Marion—R. E. Fowler, W. G. Carnahan, judges; L. W. Cruce, clerk.

Frances—C. S. Jackson, J. R. Stephenson, judges; W. O. Wickler, clerk.

Dycusburg—Henry Bennett, Henry Owen, judges; Owen Boaz, clerk.

Union—Fred Clement, G. B. Taylor, judges; Jim Carter, clerk.

Sheridan—Chas. Donaky, Felix G. Cox, judges; John T. Foley, clerk.

Tolu—Luther Hardesty, Foster Threlkeld, judges; W. T. Crawford, clerk.

Ford's Ferry—T. N. Bracey, G. C. Wathen, judges; R. L. Flanary, clerk.

Bells Mines—W. C. Hamilton, E. L. Nunn, judges; Jeff Asher, clerk.

Rosebud—J. S. Newcom, Ben Thurman, judges; W. F. Summer-ville, clerk.

Piney—Tom McConnell, Hugh McKee, judges; Ed. Lean, clerk.

Shady Grove—Marion Ford, Albert McConnell, judges; Fred Casner, clerk.

P. S. Maxwell, Ch'n Dem. Co. Com. C. S. Nunn, Sec'y.

ANNOUNCEMENTS.

FOR REPRESENTATIVE.

We are authorized to announce M. F. FOGUE

as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative of Crittenden and Livingston counties in the next general assembly, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce

A. J. BENNETT,

a candidate to represent Crittenden and Livingston counties in the next General Assembly of Kentucky, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce

J. A. GRAVES

a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative of Crittenden and Livingston counties in the next General Assembly, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce

P. C. STEPHENS

a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative of Crittenden and Livingston counties, subject to the action of the Democratic primary.

We are authorized to announce

R. W. WOOD

a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Representative of Crittenden and Livingston counties in the next General Assembly, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR SHERIFF.

We are authorized to announce JNO. T. FRANKS,

a candidate for the nomination for Sheriff of Crittenden County, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR JAILER.

We are authorized to announce E. L. DOLES

as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Jailer of Crittenden county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

The King of the Platform!



EX-GOV. BOB TAYLOR,

OF TENNESSEE.

In his famous and most popular Lecture

"Sentiment"

—AT—

Marion Opera House

MARION, KY.

Monday Night, May 13.

Tickets Will be Sold This Week

at the low price of 80 cents General Admission and 85 cents for Reserved Seats. After May 4th the prices will be 50 cents children under 15 years, 75 cents General Admission, \$1.00 for Reserved Seats.

Buy Your Tickets Early

and thereby save money and have choice of seats. Tickets on sale at Woods & Fowlers Dry Goods Store.

We are authorized to announce

GEORGE D. KEMP

as a candidate for the Democratic nomination for Jailer of Crittenden county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce

SAMUEL STONE

a candidate for Jailer of Crittenden county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR ASSESSOR.

We are authorized to announce

D. G. BETTIS

a candidate for assessor of Crittenden county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

We are authorized to announce

J. P. SAMUELS

a candidate for Assessor of Crittenden county, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

YANDELL - GUGENHEIM COMPANY.

It is Time
To discard
Your Winter
Clothing.

Something Worth Knowing.

It is Time
To look around
For your
Spring Clothes.

It is worth knowing where to buy. We are showing the strongest line of Clothing, Dry Goods, Shoes, Hats and all kinds of Ladies and Gents Wear ever shown in Marion before.

Our Aim

Is to please you.

Come in, Take a Look and You Will Buy From Us!

SHOES.

The nicest assortment of Mens and Ladies Shoes we have ever shown. All the new toes, in all qualities, are here for your inspection, and the prices are not met by competition in this market. Call and examine the nicest stock in the city.

**Our Shoes will suit you.
Our Prices will please you.**

Dress Goods.

This Department is one worth your attention.

**All the New Styles and
Shadings for Spring are Here**

We are prepared to supply your wants.

We Do

**Give you
the most
goods
for the
money.**

CLOTHING.

You want the correct suit in fit, style and value. Our Clothing has these three requisites over all others sold in this market. Call and see the new garment we have for you.



YANDELL-GUGENHEIM CO.

We Urge You Not to Buy

Until you know what we can do for you. We are confident we can save you money in every line, and we courteously invite all to call and examine our stock.

The Press.

C. WALKER, Publisher
ALTER WALKER, Manager.

TERMINES: Not exceeding 10 lines
will be published free of charge. All
over 10 lines at 5 cents per line.
SOLUTIONS OF RESPECT: \$1.00

The ice man is abroad in the
city.

Senator Debow is in Louisville
this week.

Mr. J. N. Boston was in Evans-
ville Monday.

Mr. F. Haynes is recuperating at
Haynes Springs.

Haynes soda fountain began
business Tuesday.

Dr. J. S. Buckner, of Fredonia,
is in town Saturday.

Judge Clifton, of Dycusburg,
is in town this week.

Ice cream served at all hours at
Haynes' soda fountain.

Deputy Warden Olive of Eddy-
ville, was in town last week.

Window shades, all sizes and
colors, at Boston & Walker's.

Save money by purchasing your
seats for the Taylor lecture this
week.

Haynes' fountain is the place
for all kinds of delicious summer
drinks.

Miss Duke Hayden, of Salem,
entertained friends here the first part
of the week.

Miss Allie Butler, of Living-
ston county, is the guest of friends
in this city.

Mrs. McChesney and Miss Su-
zy Boyd, of Salem, were in this
city last week.

Mrs. J. H. Orme, Miss Kitty
Gray, and Ernest Carnahan are
visiting friends in St. Louis.

Levi Cook, our popular jeweler,
has been enjoying a severe case of
croup for the past few days.

Just received, a car load of ice.
See me before making a contract
for the season. J. W. Givens.

Good bicycle for \$14.75 cash.
Haynes & Taylor.

Miss Anna Worley of this coun-
ty, left Monday for Lexington,
where she will take a course in tel-
egraphy.

Seats for the Taylor lecture are
now on sale at Woods & Fowler's.
Get your ticket while the prices
are low.

Paint for your house, buggy or
wagon, varnish and stains all col-
ors for your furniture, at Boston
& Walker's.

Get your seats for Taylor lec-
ture while they are cheap.

Messrs Everett Butler and Zed
Bennett, of Smithland, attended
the alumnal banquet.

Uncle John McKinley, one of
the pioneer residents of the Glad-
stone neighborhood, has been very
ill for several weeks.

Jones Hammonds, of Union
county attended the Alumnal and
is spending the week with his many
friends in this city.

Fifty head of thoroughbred
cattle will be sold at public auc-
tion at Pierce's livery stable in
this city Saturday, May 11.

FOR RENT—A nice cottage of
three rooms, close to town.
E. E. Thurman.

Mr. Waddell, a tobacco commis-
sion merchant of Liverpool, Eng-
land, has been here looking over
the purchases of a number of our
tobacco men.

You can get choice seats for the
Taylor lecture by securing your
tickets this week. The prices are
60 cents and 85 cents. After Sat-
urday the prices will be 75 cents
and \$1.

School was not in session yes-
terday. The different grades went
on pleasure excursions. The high
school pupils spent the day on
Piney creek. The eighth grade
pupils visited the Hodge cave.

On the 25th John Wallace, charged
with assaulting a woman, was
given a preliminary hearing before
Squire Todd at Shady Grove. He
was held over in \$1,000 bond to
answer at the June term of court.

The third quarterly meeting for
the Marion charge, Methodist
church, will be held at Hills Char-
pel May 18-19.
J. W. Crowe, P. C.

Mr. W. W. Stewart, one of the
oldest and wealthiest citizens of
Livingston county, died at his
home in Smithland Friday. His
demise was very sudden and was
supposed to have been the result
of heart failure. Mr. Stewart was
85 years old.

"Bob Taylor is more than a ge-
nius in his way, and today stands
alone as the great portrayer, upon
the lecture platform, of the beau-
ties of nature and delineator of
the humbler characters. His is a
heart of melody and a tongue of
gold.

We learn that a number of the
good people of Sturgis and Sulli-
van have made arrangements to
charter a special car to bring them
to the Taylor lecture, and that the
car will be loaded down to the
guards with passengers when it
arrives here. After the lecture
their car will be attached to the
midnight freight and they will
thus return home. Everything
indicates that an overflowing house
will greet this Prince of the Plat-
form.

CRITTENDEN SPRINGS.

Will Open June 6, Under Excel-
lent Management.

Crittenden county's famous
summer resort will be ready for
visitors June 6th. The hotel and
grounds will be under the manage-
ment of a company known as The
Crittenden Springs Hotel Compa-
ny, composed of Mr. Sam Gugen-
heim, of this city, Mr. L. B. Bailey
of St. Louis, and Messrs. Ward
and Moreland, of Metropolis, Ill.
The hotel is to be remodeled and
otherwise improved. Every de-
partment will be up to date. A
fine St. Louis orchestra has been
secured for the entire season. The
managers propose to make this the
most successful season in the his-
tory of the Crittenden Springs.

A CARD.

To my Friends in Crittenden and
Adjoining Counties:

Having sold my interest in the
Pierce, Yandell, Gugenheim Co.
to Mr. Gugenheim, I take this me-
thod of informing you that I am
now in the Morse, Pickens &
Pierce Co., with an entirely new
stock, bought for cash and for sale
as cheap or cheaper than any
house in the city. Come and see
us, and if goods, prices and fair
dealing will influence you, we will
have your trade.

Very truly yours,
J. P. PIERCE.

A. F. Griffith, of Henderson, is
in the city.

There will be a warm time in the
old town Saturday.

Dr. R. J. Morris, the dentist of
this city, will be in Salem Monday
and Tuesday of next week.

Soda water, coca cola, grape ko-
la, wine of coes, ice cream and all
the phosphates at Haynes' foun-
tain.

Hereford, Pole Angus and Gal-
loway cattle will be sold at public
auction at Pierce's livery stable,
Saturday, May 11.

In the examination for common
school diplomas, held here last
week, thirtyseven of thirty-nine
that entered the examination were
successful.

A good farm horse for sale cheap.
Cash or on time.

Geo. M. Crider,
Marion, Ky.

Dr. R. J. Morris, resident den-
tist of this place, will be in Salem
Monday and Tuesday, May 6 and
7. People in that neighborhood
desiring reliable dental work will
do well to call on him.

FOR SALE.—A house of five
rooms, in East Marion.
O. H. Paris.

THE ALUMNAL.

An Enjoyable Evening Spent by
the Graduates.

Monday evening the school hall
was thronged with happy young
people, gathered to enjoy the an-
nual alumnal of Marion school.
The room was tastefully decorated
with the colors of the several clas-
ses. A spirit of happiness and
pleasure prevailed; everything was
attractive, everybody was joyous,
every countenance was bright with
smiles and glowed with supreme
enjoyment.

Prof Hawks, of Baltimore, had
been engaged to entertain the au-
dience. His beautiful lecture was
the feature of the evening. For
one hour "the Laughing Philoso-
pher" spoke on the theme of "Sun-
shine and Shadows," keeping the
audience in an uproar of laughter
and at the same time gave them
something instructive, wholesome,
beneficial. One minute the young
people would be heartily laughing
at his witty sayings, the next min-
ute they would be silently, thought-
fully listening to the sweet voiced
professor as he related a pathetic
incident. Mr. Hawks is certainly
a gifted entertainer and a true
apostle of sunshine. To brighten
the life of his fellow man and fill
his soul with sunshine seems to be
the mission of the Laughing Philo-
sopher.

Refreshments were served at the
conclusion of the lecture, and for
some time the girls and boys greet-
ed each other and chatted pleas-
antly. Other interesting addresses
were then heard. Mr. B. F. Jacobs
made an instructive talk on "Ide-
als," while Lester Terry followed
with a humorous discourse on
"Reals." Miss Rosa Schwab told
of "The School in the Former
Century." "Class Ingredients" was
the subject of a laughable talk
made by Miss Estelle Walker.
Miss Sallie Woods spoke in a
beautiful and responsive manner
on the theme, "Do We Choose the
Better Part?" Several impromptu
addresses were made, and just be-
fore midnight the happy company
of over one hundred graduates dis-
banded. The meeting was one that
will long be remembered by those
who had the pleasure of partici-
pating.

Orme & Clifton's beautiful soda
fountain began its work of refre-
shing the hot and thirsty public
yesterday. The facilities for fur-
nishing delicious drinks are even
better than they were last year.
The highest and purest quality of
cream will be served to the pat-
rons. All the delightful cooling
beverages known are to be had at
this popular and attractive refresh-
ment center. A costly ice shaver
is a new addition to the fountain.
No expense has or will be spared in
beautifying the pretty place, and
Messrs. Orme & Clifton's patrons
will certainly be elegantly served.

New Goods!

Low Prices!

J. W. Pritchett,

Gladstone, Ky.,

Is just in receipt of a large Stock of Spring
and Summer Goods, consisting of

Dry Goods, Clothing, Shoes

Glassware, Tinware, Queensware

And a General Assortment of FAMILY GROCERIES.

**His Goods are the Best
His Prices the Lowest.**

Highest Price for Eggs and Poultry.

A FRIGHTFUL FALL.

**A Young Man Hurl'd Fifty Feet
Through the Air.**

On Saturday evening last a very
distressing accident occurred near
Gladstone, in Bells Mines pre-
cinct, which may result in death
to the unfortunate victim. Sat-
urday morning a party was made up
to spend the day fishing in the
waters of Pigeon Roost creek,
among whom was young Elvis
Pritchett, a lad of some 17 years
and a son of Mr. Tom Pritchett.
Some time during the afternoon
young Pritchett and another man
were standing on the outer edge
of a dangerous spur of the bluff,
which overlooks a chasm full fifty
feet to the bottom. Incautiously
young Pritchett made a backward
step in order to reach a bird's nest
and instantly plunged over the
brink of the precipice into space.
The plunge was made headfore-
most, but in passing through the
branches of a large sugar tree that
grew underneath, the body was
turned and he struck on his side,
alighting on an old rotten log,
which doubtless saved him from in-
stant death. The unfortunate lad
was carried to his father's home, a
short distance south of Gladstone,
and a hand car was immediately
manned and sent to Blackford for
Dr. White. A careful examination
by that physician disclosed the
fact that his side was mashed al-
most to a jelly, that five ribs were
broken, and there are possibly in-
ternal injuries yet to develop. Al-
though doing all for the sufferer
that experience and medical skill
can suggest, Dr. White was non-
committal Sunday as to the chan-
ces of recovery.

White lead and pure linseed oil,
mixed paints all colors, furniture
paints, varnishes, stains, etc., for
furniture and inside painting of
all kinds at

Boston & Walker's

For Sale.

Three business houses in Tolu:
1 large storeroom and warehouse;
A good business house now occu-
pied as a drug store.
A business house 20x40 feet.
All are in good condition and
occupied. Will sell together or
separate, and at a price that will
pay handsomely on the invest-
ment.

Barnett & Threlkeld,
Tolu, Ky.

WANTED.—Cauvassers on a
straight salary of \$35, or \$50 per
month to begin. Payment of sal-
ary not conditional on success.
General agents wanted at \$55 per
month and expenses. Address me
at my home office.

W. F. Russell, Gen'l Agt.,
Crayneville, Ky.

I have a cottage house with four
rooms and hall, in desirable loca-
tion of the town for sale. Large
lot and good improvements.

J. W. Blue, Jr.

Marion Bank,

Established 1887.

Capital paid up.....\$20,000
Surplus.....5,000

We offer to depositors and patrons
every facility which their balances, busi-
ness and responsibility warrant.
J. W. BLUE, Pres.
T. J. YANDELL, Cashier.

THE ROMAN PONTIFF.

Looks Forward to Living to the Close of 1903.

Wants to Round Out a Quarter of a Century of His Pontificate and Half a Century of His Cardinalate.

(Special Correspondence.)

POPE LEO XIII., according to a cable message recently received from Rome, has expressed to his intimates the conviction that he would live until late in the year 1903, when, on December 19, he proposes to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of his elevation to the cardinalate in a manner befitting so rare and distinguished an event. From time to time the newspapers spread the report that the venerable pontiff is at death's door, but from a church dignitary who has seen him several times within the past decade it is learned that he seems to be about as robust now as he was ten years ago.

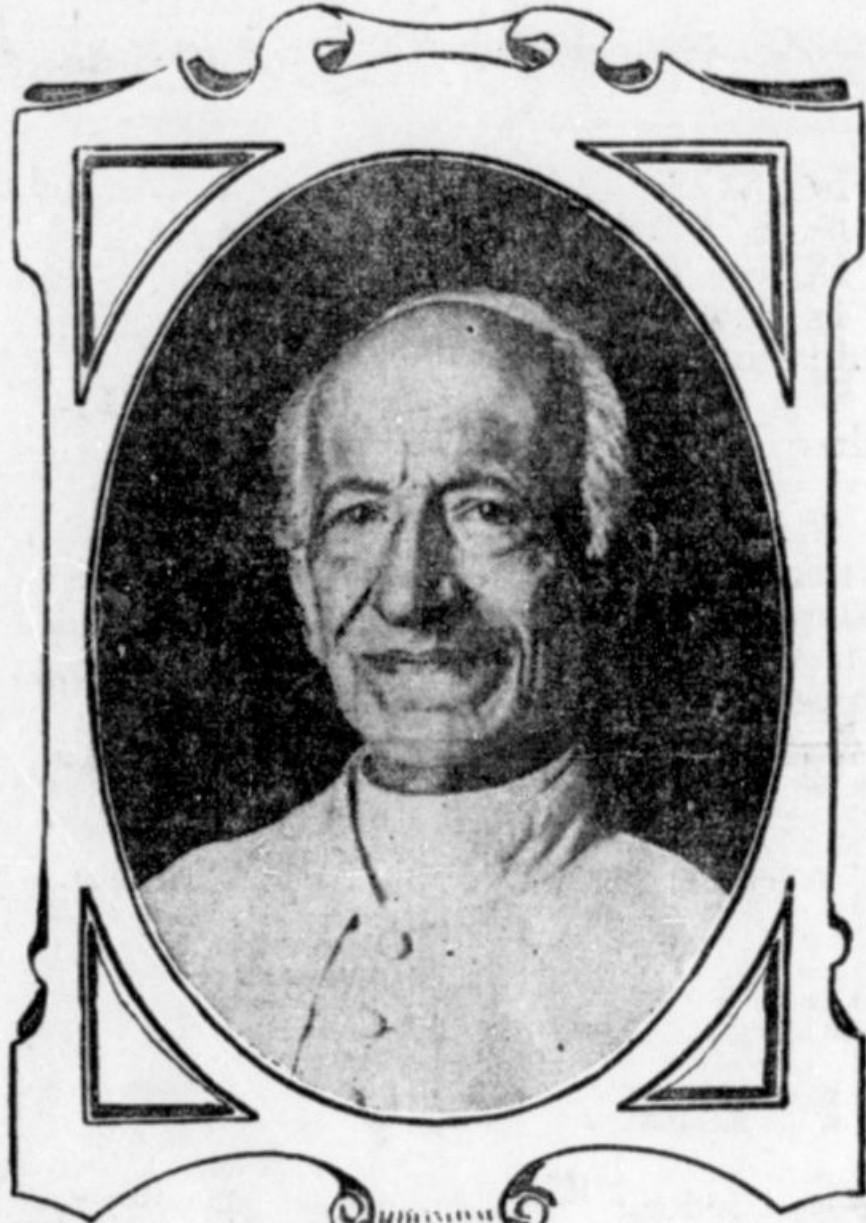
Pope Leo is one of the most remarkable—if not the most remarkable—men of our age. His character is a rare combination of firmness and gentleness, and with these virtues is combined a brilliant mind, whose grand thoughts have challenged the admiration of thinking men of every creed. Contemporary critics have dealt gently with the aged ruler of the church. They have, almost without exception, given him praise for honesty of purpose and sincerity of intent; the most notable exception being Marie Corelli, who, in "The Master Christian," draws a picture of his holiness which depicts him as an old, old man governed by senile prejudice and the advice of self-seeking sycophants. Miss Corelli's delineation of Leo's character is ridiculed by churchmen, who assert that the pope is ruler of church in fact as well as name, and that personal con-

ments prelate and referendary of the signature, March 16, 1837, his priesthood being confirmed in the chapel of the vicariate December 23, 1837. At this time, although but 27 years of age, he was admitted to be one of the first scholars of Rome.

Pope Gregory speedily recognized the young priest's executive ability by making him apostolic delegate at Benevento, Perugia and Spoleto, in each of which places his administration was marked by great energy and strong common sense. In the first place he suppressed brigandage, which had been the cause of endless disorder, and thereby won the everlasting gratitude of the law-abiding portion of the community.

Designing him for the diplomatic service, for which his great talents and aristocratic bearing preeminently fitted him, Gregory made him, on January 17, 1843, titular archbishop of Damietta, in order that he might be qualified for the office of nuncio to Belgium. He remained three years at Brussels, discharging the duties pertaining to his delicate post with great tact and to the highest satisfaction of his master who then, in 1846, just a few months before his own death, bestowed on him the see of Perugia.

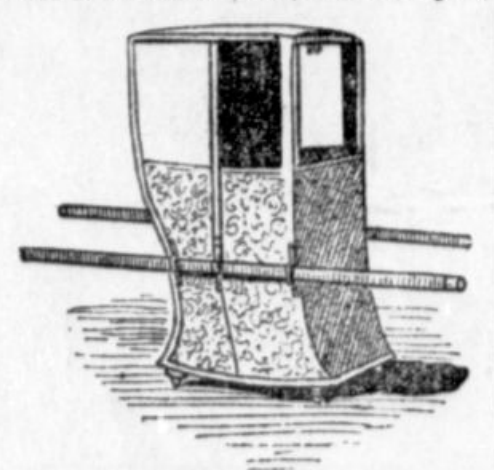
Pope's talents made a strong impression upon the success of Gregory, Pius IX., and at the consistory held December 19, 1853, he was, at the age of 43, created a cardinal. Twenty-four years later, in which interval he had rendered the most faithful services to the church, he was selected to fill the most responsible position of cardinal camerlengo of the Roman hierarchy. He was then a man of 67, yet he did not hesitate when thus summoned to assume the weighty obligations resting upon the pope's chief executive officer. Five months later Pius IX. was gathered to his fathers, and the new camerlengo was compelled to assume all the temporal duties of the papal office. Pius died February 7, 1878, and 21 days later Peci succeeded him under the name of Leo XIII. Sixty-two ear-



HIS HOLINESS, POPE LEO XIII.

considerations never enter into his decisions; and until the talented woman novelist furnishes more proof than mere assertion the world will be inclined to accept the estimate of the pope's associates rather than hers.

The biography of the head of the Roman Catholic church demonstrates that genuine merit, combined with an understanding of the value and power of organization, is the keystone of success in the ecclesiastical as well as the business world. Vincenzo Gioacchino Peci, the son of Count Ludovico Peci and his wife, Anna Prosperi,



THE POPE'S SEDAN CHAIR.

was born March 2, 1810, at Carpineto, in the Papal States. At the age of eight he was placed in the Jesuit college of Viterbo, where he remained six years and distinguished himself for ability and propriety of conduct. His mother dying at the end of this time, in 1824, his father took him to Rome, and in November of that year placed him in the celebrated Roman college. Here his great talents and earnest application were strongly impressed upon his instructors, who were delighted when, at the age of 18, he took the first prize in physico-chemistry. Following this, he took a complete course in philosophy, receiving the laurea in 1831. He then entered the college of Noble Ecclesiastics and learned canon and civil law in the schools of the Roman university. After becoming a doctor of laws, he was appointed by Pope Gregory XVI. a do-

minals were in attendance upon this notable conclave, yet so universally were the merits of Peci recognized, and so general was the demand that he become head of the church, that not a single vote was cast against him.

In the matter of dress, the venerable pontiff is punctilious, his wardrobe being one of great magnificence. For ordinary wear he has a white robe, made in winter of fine cloth, in summer of moire silk. When he goes into the garden he throws over this a long mantle of red cloth, which has a border of gold embroidery. When dressed for private ceremonies he wears a surplice made of costly lace, and a red pelerine, of cloth in winter and of satin in summer. For great festivals he first puts on the "falda," a wide seamless coat of white satin, around which is tied a broad striped sash of gold, red and white. Above this is a beautiful garment covered with jewels, and last comes a mantle of gold-embroidered velvet. On his feet the pope always wears red velvet shoes. In addition to his episcopal ring, the pope is fond of wearing other costly rings, often composed of single stones of great beauty. He seldom dons the pontifical tiara, which is a threefold golden crown, lined with red, green and blue velvet, and covered with priceless jewels. For great ceremonies his costume is so heavy that it is impossible for him, at his great age, to stand or walk, and he is carried in a chair. When he visits the Vatican garden he is carried thither in a sedan chair of an old-fashioned pattern.

Like almost every other human being the pope has a hobby—the writing of poetry. Most of his verses are written in Latin, and eminent critics have pronounced them among the finest specimens of modern poetry. Few of his productions are given to the public, however; and only one volume of his poems has been printed since his accession to the papacy.

The large picture which graces this article is taken directly from the latest photograph of his holiness, and comes from the studio of Cane Conyugi at Rome.

G. W. WEIPPERT.

SIBERIAN GOLD PLUNDERERS.

Ill-kept Mining on an Extensive Scale in Eldorado East of the Ural Mountains.

The illicit extraction and robbery of gold in Siberia has long been one of the greatest difficulties with which the Russian officials and mining authorities east of the Urals have had to contend. News lately reached here, says a St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Times, of a particularly striking instance of the way in which the rich gold deposits along the river system beyond Lake Baikal have been plundered by whole colonies of adventurers and vagrants of every description. Some time ago a number of these men discovered a fresh Eldorado of unusual richness on the Koro-lon, a small stream running into the Vitim, a tributary of the Lena, where private "claims" had already been marked out, but not yet occupied. A justice of the peace from Chita, with seven cossacks, and other attendants, repaired to the spot and found a very large, well-organized, and prosperous free community of gold seekers, with a row of no less than 89 tents and shanties.

They had all the necessary tools and appliances for working the precious metal, and also large stores of provisions, which had been brought thither partly on rafts and partly by reindeer across the mountains, and which were being sold at enormously high prices. Most of the miners camped at once on the appearance of the authorities, about 300 of them remaining behind. These were induced to depart only after 25 of their number had been put under arrest, but a few days later, when the justice had left, they returned in greater force and defied the cossack guards to interfere. Another expedition, with more cossacks, had to be sent, and an attempt was then made to confiscate all their goods and provisions, but as they pleaded the danger of starving to death in the Taiga, and promised to disappear if allowed to take everything with them, they were all let off scot free, and determined to admit of any harsher treatment at the hands of the small force sent against them. The auriferous deposits in this district are described by the government engineers as extraordinarily rich, yielding sometimes as much as half a pound weight of gold to the ton and a half of soil; and it is calculated that nearly a ton and a half of gold was carried away in about two months and disposed of at Verkhnai, Udinsk, and Petrosk.

DOGS MAKE GOOD SCOUTS.

An American Officer Says They Should Be Attached to Every Corps in the Army.

Capt. M. F. Steele, of the Sixth cavalry, after an experience of the conditions of warfare in the Philippines, strongly urges that dogs be attached to the army. Capt. Steele claims, in the Army and Navy Journal, that dogs are the only scouts that can secure a small detachment against ambush on the trails through these tropical jungles. "The bush is so dense that flankers are out of the question, and the trails are so crooked and over such rough terrain that the point, at 100 to 200 yards, is out of sight of the main party. The insurgents lying in ambush usually, or often, let the point pass and open with a volley upon the wagons and main party of the escort. They open from apparently impenetrable jungle and at a range of 100 or 200 yards. They fire one or two volleys, then usually run away. Sometimes never a man of them can be seen, and our men have simply to fire into the jungle and trust to luck."

He urges that the animals, pointers by preference, or hounds, would need little training. Their instinct for hunting and sniffing in every hole and corner would be sufficient to justify their use. This officer possesses a dog named Done, and he asserts that up to date no detachment with which it has been out has fallen into an ambush. "He went with us last winter on Gen. Schwan's long southern campaign and lived for more than a month on scraps of hard bread and bacon. He covered six times as much ground every day as any man of the column and, as he was always chasing Filipino chickens and is the friend of every soldier in my battalion, I suspect some of them had been ordered to the contrary. Done, however, says he doesn't want to go on any more 'hikes' like that last one. He says we got up too early in the morning and lay down too late at night for his health and that a month is too long for any good dog to live on scraps of bacon and hard bread. He doesn't volunteer any more if the preparations indicate that the detachment is going to be out many days. But for ordinary escort duty between stations he is ready to go with any detachment. And it is on escort duty that dogs can be of best use. Of course, if a party is going out for the purpose of trying to surprise the insurgents the dogs should be tied up and left behind."

"The Marriage Knot" Is Not a Myth. How few of those that talk of the "marriage knot" realize that the knot was ever anything more than a mere figure of speech. Among the Babylonians, tying the knot was part of the marriage ceremony. There the priest took a thread of the garment of the bride and another from that of the bridegroom, and tied them into a knot, which he gave to the bride, thus symbolizing the binding nature of the union which now existed between herself and her husband.—N. Y. Herald.

Limited Environment.

When a girl complains that her environment is limited it means that it includes only the parlor, and that she leaves the kitchen and rest of the house to her mother.—Atchison Globe.

SPRING CATARRH MAKES PEOPLE WEAK AND NERVOUS.



MISS ANNA BRYAN, OF WASHINGTON, D. C.

Miss Anna Bryan, a favorite cousin of William Jennings Bryan, is well known socially in Washington, D. C., where she has a host of friends. Miss Bryan recently studied music at Fairmount Seminary, of Washington, D. C. In a recent letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio, she says:

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A NEW GERMAN MOVE.

Germany has recently appointed its first salaried consul to Central America.

The trade between Germany and Central America annually amounts to from \$7,140,000 to \$11,000,000.

German farms and plantations occupy more than 742,000 acres, on which are planted 20,000,000 coffee trees.

The Germans in Central America occupy a prominent position, both in a business and a social way. They are owners or managers of extensive commercial and agricultural enterprises, of important railroads and electrical plants. They are excellent physicians and teachers, and, in fact, are foremost in every profession, trade and occupation.

Those who are familiar with the thoroughness of German methods generally, with the wonderful progress this nation has been making during the past dozen years in almost every field of human activity, and know how alert it is to extend its trade into every quarter of the globe, need not be told that the recent reorganization of the German consular service in Central America is a step of no mean importance.

It has been officially stated by the German government that there are invested in Central America, in real estate, industrial enterprises and banking business, \$59,500,000; and the large German business houses which are quite numerous in Nicaragua, Guatemala and Costa Rica not only transact all the business between Germany and Central America, but also control most of the trade between the latter and England and Canada.

In Guatemala the Germans control almost one-half the entire coffee and sugar crops. It is in this state that Germany, too, takes foremost place in the foreign trade, and one would naturally expect that the first German consulate would open its headquarters in Guatemala; but Nicaragua was preferred, as the future canal across the isthmus makes that section of Central America most important to all the great powers in the world.

In talking speak your thought and then keep still until you've thought again.

No Innovations for Him.

"Please, sir," said the honest office boy, "may I get off this afternoon?" "Why?" asked Mr. Oldskule, knowing that a ball game was scheduled; "is your grandmother dead?" "Oh, no, sir," replied the boy. "I want to go to the baseball game." "No, indeed!" snorted Mr. Oldskule. "You stay right here in the office. I want it understood that the traditions of our fathers must and shall be respected so long as I am in charge here."—Baltimore American.

The Prose and the Poetry. The young bride who reads with a proud thrill "she swept up the aisle on her father's arm" never thinks of the after days when she will sweep up the kitchen and dining-room floors and not get even a mention in the society columns.—Kansas City Editor.

Josh's Conjecture. Aunt Betsy—Josh, how is it the weather man here can only tell what it's going to do for 24 hours, while the weather man in Washington can tell for 48 hours, or even a week?

Uncle Josh—I guess the Washington chap has more sensitive corns.—Philadelphia Record.

Cause for Thankfulness. Tommy—What yer so sore about? Jimmy—Aw, it's pooty tough on a feller ter have ter wear his big brother's pants. "Go on!" Yer oughter be glad yer big brother ain't a sister an' wore bloomers.—Philadelphia Record.

A Slim Menu. "I presume you are always filled with the divine afflatus," said the admiring friend to the dreamy poet. "Yes," answered the dreamy poet; "yes, and that's about all, as a general thing."—Baltimore American.

She Had Told the Truth. Sue—You said you were going to marry an artist, and now you're engaged to a dentist. Flo—Well, isn't he an artist? He draws from real life!—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Mrs. Peak—"Oh, dear, I'm so tired! I've been hunting all day." Mrs. Greene—"Why, you're not going to move, are you?" Mrs. Peak—"Mercy, no! Mrs. Preys and I have only been around seeing how folks who moved out left their houses."—Boston Transcript.

Bobby—"He made faces at me, teacher." Willie—"I only tried to show him how he might improve his own face, teacher; I just gave him a few samples; that was all."—Boston Transcript.

We face a great many of our troubles bravely, because the real fact is that we are so situated that we can't run away.—Atchison Globe.

If you would be happy you must learn to live a day at a time.—Chicago Daily News.

The greatest liar is he who talks most of himself.—Chicago Daily News.

Thousands of Fair Women Are Never Without Peruna The National Catarrh Remedy.

Miss Marie Coats, President of the Appleton Young Ladies' Club, writes the following concerning Peruna: Appleton, Wis. The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.

"I find Peruna an excellent spring and summer medicine and am glad to call the attention of my friends to it. When that languid, tired feeling comes over you, and your food no longer tastes good, and small annoyances irritate you, Peruna will make you feel like another person inside of a week. I have now used it for three seasons and find it very reliable and efficacious."—Marie Coats.

Mrs. Al. Wetzel, 21 South 17th street, Terre Haute, Ind., writes: "Peruna is the greatest medicine on earth. I feel well and that tired feeling is all gone. When I began to take your medicine I could not smell nor hear a church bell ring. Now I can smell and hear. When I began your treatment my head was terrible, all sorts of buzzing, chirping and loud noises. Three months ago I dragged around like a snail; now I can walk as briskly as ever. I am going to go and see the doctor that said I was not long for this world, and tell him that Peruna cured me."—Mrs. Al. Wetzel.

If all the tired women and all the nervous women, and all the women that needed a tonic would read and heed the words of these three fair ladies who have spoken right to the point, how many invalids would be prevented and how many wretched lives be made happy. Peruna restores health in a normal way. Peruna puts right all the mucous membranes of the body, and in this way restores the functions of every organ. If it is the stomach that is out of order, and the digestion impaired, Peruna quickly makes things right by restoring the mucous membrane of the stomach. If the nerves tingle, if the brain is tired, if the strength is flagging and the circulation of blood weakened by flabby mucous membranes of the digestive organs, Peruna reaches the spot at once by giving to these membranes the vitality and activity which belongs to them. The pelvic organs are also lined with mucous membrane which in the female sex is especially liable to derangements. Peruna is an absolute specific in these cases. The women everywhere are praising it. No other remedy has ever received such unqualified praise from such a multitude of women.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna, write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis. Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.

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There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proved catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

Discouraging. He—It is my aim in life to do something that will make my name eternally remembered. She—Is it? You are a pretty poor show—are you not?—Somerville Journal.

Career and Character of Abraham Lincoln. An address by Joseph Choate, Ambassador to Great Britain, on the career and character of Abraham Lincoln—his early life—his early struggles with the world—his character as developed in the last years of his life and his administration, which placed his name so high on the world's roll of honor and fame, has been published by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul Railway and may be had by sending six (6) cents in postage to F. A. Miller, General Passenger Agent, Chicago, Ill.

When a man and his wife are fond of each other and get along well, their children are very apt to marry well. Watch them. The families in which the children make fatal mistakes in marrying have a wretched foundation.—Atchison Globe.

The less you are talked about the less you are abused.—Chicago Daily News.

FACTS FOR VISITORS.

How Reunion Visitors Can Secure Accommodations.

THE SONS OF VETERANS

Both Organizations Receive Formal Invitations to Attend the Eleventh Reunion at Memphis—How Reunion Mail Should Be Addressed.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., April 29.—Probably the most important question on the lips of all those who will attend the Confederate Reunion to be held in this city next month, is that of how to secure accommodation during the three days' official gathering of the ex-Confederate Veterans. The work of the information committee, in conjunction with the carefully prepared plans of the committee on hotels and accommodations, is now in such state as to be able to furnish a complete answer to this vital question.

Preparations for the accommodation of about 70,000 people during this Reunion visit have already been completed, but there is still ample and comfortable room in waiting for thousands more. The information committee, consisting of 400 members, is ready to furnish accommodations for any and all who wish to write to them on that subject. Upon inquiry this committee will mail a blank to those interested, this blank being provided with spaces which, when filled out by the applicant, will show clearly how many people desire rooms, what price they wish to pay for the same, whether there will be ladies in the party or not, and how long the visitors question intend to stay in Memphis. Letters of inquiry should be addressed to Chairman of the Assignment Committee, 12 Cotton Exchange Building, Memphis, Tenn.

Every stranger, veteran and visitor will be met at the depot here as soon as they step off the train. Each depot will be reached by a squad of ten members of the committee. The visitors should apply at once to any of these committees for accommodations, providing they have not already been assigned quarters prior to coming to the city. A ticket, to which is attached a duplicate stub which is retained by the committee, will be handed to the visitor. On this ticket will be written the name of the Reunion visitor, the name and street address to which the ticket provides assignment of accommodation, and the price per day that the guest is willing to pay.

Passing through the depot to the complete directions regarding the location and how to reach it, of the address of their tickets. This information must be obtained by inquiry from the members of the information committee, who will be prominently located throughout the city, along the streets and at all hotels, and who will all wear badges which will be recognized at a glance.

The stubs of the tickets thus handed out will be sent to the head bureau of information committee, and the list thereon written will be entered in the quick index book, together with the address to which the party bearing that name has been assigned. In this manner an inquiry at the head bureau of information by persons desiring to locate their friends can be immediately answered. Naturally those who secure their accommodations independent of the information committee will not have their names thus entered, and for this reason and for purpose of avoiding confusion it is highly commendable that all intending visitors should obtain their accommodations through the information committee. Those who have already secured quarters independent of the committee are earnestly requested to have their names to the chairman of the assignment committee immediately, so that they can be found during their visit to the Reunion.

Sons of Veterans.

With the close of all the preliminary arrangements for the coming Confederate Reunion, important orders have been issued from the headquarters of the United Confederate Veterans at Orleans, formally inviting the members to rally in Memphis on May 28, 29, 30, 1901, the date set apart for the eighth annual meeting of the old members of the Southern States. This includes "all Confederate organizations and Confederate soldiers and members of all arms, grades and departments, Daughters of the Confederacy Sons of Veterans."

The Sons of Confederate Veterans also received their first special order, and in general their work for the year is pregnant with interest and activity. They have located their headquarters. They, together with the sponsors, maids of honor and members of the Confederacy, will be prominent in the grand balls, reception and social functions in general. The coming occasion furnishes their annual reunion and will be the most event in their history. The first order No. 1 follows:

ORDER NO. 1. THE DEPARTMENT ARMY TENNESSEE, THE SONS OF CONFEDERATE VETERANS, MEMPHIS, TENN., April 15, 1901.

Order No. 1. The department commanders, the members of the staffs, all camp officers and all members of camps in this department, are requested to use extra efforts to secure the formation of camps in this department, and to have these camps well represented at the Reunion to be held in Memphis, Tenn., May 28, 29 and 30.

Announcement is hereby made of the departure of Miss Margaret Turley, of Memphis, Tenn., to represent this department at the Sixth Annual Reunion, to be held in Memphis, May 28, 29 and 30. She will be respected and obeyed as a woman, and she is hereby empowered to assist her in the discharge of her duties.

The world turns aside to let any man pass who knows whether he is going.—David Starr Jordan.

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THE FORTUNE TELLER.

Consulting This Personage Is a Bit of Americanized Italian Superstition.

Volumes have been written about the educated foreigner's impressions of America, and not infrequently a writer of more or less prominence feels called upon to interpret the vague bewilderment of the newly arrived peasant. But in spite of the multiplication of books the curious attitude of the ignorant immigrant toward what are to Americans the commonplace of life is little realized, and it is amazing and amusing when discovered, says the New York Tribune.

The other day there came into a large uptown market a little Italian woman, with shawl wrapped closely around an anxious face. She looked about timidly until some one asked her what she wanted. "Da fortune teller," was the eager reply.

"Fortune teller? Why, there's no fortune teller here."

"Oh, yas, yas," she repeated. She was desperately in earnest; so much so that the man good naturedly said: "Well, I'll go try to find out where she is for you."

"No she! No she!" was the hurried interruption, and held up a penny. "Drop-a da cent," she explained.

"Gee whiz!" cried the man to an interested friend; "she means the weighing machine!"

He pointed out to the anxious soul one of those machines which tell your weight and your fortune and render a musical selection, all for one cent. The old woman took her stand, dropped her penny, and seized eagerly upon the little card which dropped out, hurrying away to some friend, who would interpret for her the mystic words.

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Volumes have been written about the educated foreigner's impressions of America, and not infrequently a writer of more or less prominence feels called upon to interpret the vague bewilderment of the newly arrived peasant. But in spite of the multiplication of books the curious attitude of the ignorant immigrant toward what are to Americans the commonplace of life is little realized, and it is amazing and amusing when discovered, says the New York Tribune.

The other day there came into a large uptown market a little Italian woman, with shawl wrapped closely around an anxious face. She looked about timidly until some one asked her what she wanted. "Da fortune teller," was the eager reply.

"Fortune teller? Why, there's no fortune teller here."

"Oh, yas, yas," she repeated. She was desperately in earnest; so much so that the man good naturedly said: "Well, I'll go try to find out where she is for you."

"No she! No she!" was the hurried interruption, and held up a penny. "Drop-a da cent," she explained.

"Gee whiz!" cried the man to an interested friend; "she means the weighing machine!"

He pointed out to the anxious soul one of those machines which tell your weight and your fortune and render a musical selection, all for one cent. The old woman took her stand, dropped her penny, and seized eagerly upon the little card which dropped out, hurrying away to some friend, who would interpret for her the mystic words.

"Queer old lady!" gasped the market man. "Wonder if she's going to be successful in speculation or 'marry a blond gentleman.'"

Mental Dyspepsia. Envy is the dyspepsia of the mind. —Chicago Daily News.

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The largest inclosure for deer is said to be the Royal park in Copenhagen, 4,300 acres.

Railways, automobiles and bicycles are safer conveyances than vehicles drawn by horses, according to statistics just issued by the French government.

The Austro-Hungarian census just completed shows the total population to be 47,000,000 an increase since 1890 of nine per cent. The population of Buda-Pesth has increased 45 per cent.

The Swedish mile is the longest mile in the world. A traveler in Sweden when told that he is only about a mile from a desired point would better hire a horse, for the distance he will have to walk if he chose in his ignorance to adopt that mode of travel is exactly 11,700 yards.



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