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### WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 12 99.— Senator Mason, of Illinois, once more brought himself into National prominence by offering a resolution to the Senate, providing for the extending of that body's sympathy to the Boers in their struggle with Great Britain. Mr. Mason with his customary adroitness in all matters political, has framed his resolution almost identical with that part of the Republican platform of 1896, which referred to the Cuban situation at that time, and in which the sympathy of the Republican party for the Cubans was manifested. In his present resolution, evidently, he hopes to convict the Republicans of inconsistency, since it is doubtful if the resolution will pass, and therefore the Illinois Senator sees for himself an opportunity to criticize his party colleagues. It is well known that the Administration Senators are averse to doing anything that will be construed by Great Britain as a criticism of her policy and, thus, the motive of Mr. Mason appears. He seeks to show the understanding existing between the United States and Great Britain, relative to all matters affecting the foreign policy of either government. Mr. Mason's little joke will serve to provide food for the critics of the President's foreign policy, and no doubt will be made the topic of some stirring debate.

Senator Chandler of New Hampshire was also in a jocular mood a day or two ago and introduced a bill providing for the substitution of collegesports for higher mathematics and languages at West Point and Annapolis. It is difficult to determine whether Mr. Chandler is frivolous or serious in presenting his measure, the purpose of which it is declared, is to stimulate the American youth for actual military service by suitable physical training. Instead of excessive mental education. For Mathematics and languages, a course in golf, bicycling, football and baseball are substituted, and there is a provision that the students of the military academies at Boston, New York, Philadelphia, Pittsburg, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis, Richmond, Atlanta, New Orleans, Omaha and San Francisco, shall have annual athletic contests, the railroads being required to carry the cadets free between the places of contests. By Mr. Chandler's request, the bill was referred to the Committee on Education.

How great a part tourists, the major part of whom are Americans, play in the prosperity of Switzerland, may be inferred from a recent letter of Consul Ridgely of Geneva, to the State Department, in which it is shown that since January 1, no less than 2,500,000 tourists have visited the Swiss country and each has left an average of \$15.44, or a total of \$38,500,000. The population of Switzerland is only 2,400,000, and thus it is not difficult to understand the significance of the figures. Additional force is given to the substantial prosperity of the country from this cause by the statement that the per capita wealth has advanced from one of the lowest figures in Europe to one of the richest, the figures being from \$14 to 29.45. Naturally hotelkeepers have been the largest beneficiaries, but necessarily all departments of industry have felt the influx of travelers.

The general impression in Washington is that Mr. Roberts has made a serious mistake in issuing his address to the public. He need had nothing to gain from a defense of himself, and when that defense is shown to be based upon patrician public abhorrence of Roberts and that which represents, it is of course greatly increased. Therefore, it is based on all sides that the charge at the Democratic members of the House, who refused to vote against the committee to investigate charges against him, was the weak utterance of a defeated man.

Certainly the path of the Mormon would-be member was arduous enough without his alienation of the members of the party to which he claims allegiance. Following closely upon his manifesto came the statement from the prominent people of Utah, in which it was shown that many of the statements in Roberts' appeal were false and that Roberts knew that he was not telling the truth when his appeal was issued. Meanwhile the committee of nine, appointed by Speaker Henderson, is holding sessions and a report is expected soon. That this report will be averse to Roberts is the general belief, and that the House will sustain the committee no one doubts. Many are protesting because Roberts was extended that courtesy of presenting his case on the floor of the House.

Consul Macrum, whose long silence at Pretoria, led to the appointment of Secretary of State Hay, as his successor, has at last communicated with the State Department and announced his departure from his post for the United States December 18th. Until the arrival of Mr. Hay about six weeks hence, the affairs of the consulate must be conducted by a young man, whom Mr. Macrum has selected and of whom the State Department knows nothing. In view of the placing of the affairs of the British subjects in the hands of the American consul and the obligation thus placed upon our gratitude, when remembrance of the inestimable services rendered this country by the brave Consul Ramsdell at Santiago last year, it would seem as though Macrum had committed a gross breach of propriety in practically deserting his post. Additional complications have arisen in view of the refusal of President Kruger to permit our consul to look after the interests of British subjects, although the State Department is of the opinion that the doing of Dutchman may be made to see things in a different light after the arrival of Mr. Hay.

### Annual Sale.

The ladies of the M. E. Church will hold their annual sale and supper at the Pioneer House hall, Tuesday evening, December 19th. Following is the bill of fare:

### MENU.

#### Meats.

Roast Pork,	Roast Beef,
Chicken Pie,	Vegetables,
Potatoes,	Turnips,
Beets,	Cucumbers,
Beans,	Brown Bread,
Mince,	Apple, Lemon, Pumpkin,
Coffee,	Tea,

25 Cents.

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CHRISTMAS PRESENTS,

For Those Who are Expecting something EXTRA This Year, You Will Agree With Him, When You Have Looked Over OUR STOCK That This is the Place to Get Them.

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Fine China, Toilet Sets, And Novelties of all Kinds.

We Have Some

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## PHARMACY.

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## Pine City Milling Co's

## High Grade Flour.

Guaranteed to Give Satisfaction.

## A Good Tonic



A pure Mineral Water containing no organic matter is better than all the combinations of drugs you could take. The Bethania, of Osceola, is the Best, because it is pure.

## New Store Opened.

We have Opened up our New Store in the Henry J. Rath Building on the east side of the St. P. & D. rail road track near the Pine City Roller Mills.

We have on hand New and Second Hand Goods that we are selling at Bargains.

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# THE HOUSE CONGRESS.

Work Being Done by Our Law-Makers at Fifty-Sixth Annual Session in Washington.

## DAILY SUMMARY OF THE PROCEEDINGS.

Resolution introduced in the Senate to change presidential and congressional terms to biennial years, was presented in the House and debate on the currency bill.

Washington, Dec. 8.—In the senate yesterday the president's message was read, after which an adjournment was taken upon the announcement of the death of Senator-elect Hayward, of Nebraska.

Washington, Dec. 7.—Several hundred bills and joint resolutions were introduced in the senate yesterday, the most important being to provide a form of government for the Hawaiian islands, the establishment of postal savings banks and a government telegraphic system, for the restriction of immigration, a joint resolution for a constitutional amendment for the regulation of marriage and divorce; for the free coinage of silver; to pension Mrs. Griddle, wife of the late Capt. Griddle, of the Olympia, at \$100 per month, and the financial bill.

Washington, Dec. 8.—Bills were introduced in the senate yesterday for the establishment of a government for Hawaii and to increase the pension of Gen. Palmer, of Illinois, to \$100 per month. Adjourned to Monday.

Washington, Dec. 12.—Senator Mason (Ill.) introduced a bill yesterday a resolution expressing the sympathy of the senate with the South African republics in their war with Great Britain. It was referred to the foreign committee. Resolutions also introduced to prohibit combinations between corporations to control interstate commerce, and for a constitutional amendment to make the president and congressional terms end and begin on the last Wednesday in April, instead of March 4. Bills were introduced for the coinage of the American dollar of silver and to prohibit the transportation of goods controlled by trusts.

Washington, Dec. 6.—In the house yesterday a bill was introduced to the appointment of a special committee to investigate the charges against Brigham H. Roberts, the Mormon representative-elect from Utah. The president's message was read and 361 bills were introduced, being 250 greater than the aggregate on any previous opening day.

Washington, Dec. 7.—The house was not in session yesterday. The republican caucus unanimously approved the house financial bill and recommended its immediate consideration and passage.

Washington, Dec. 8.—In the house yesterday bills were introduced to permit national banks of the United States to establish branches in Cuba, Porto Rico, the Philippines and other foreign countries; for the construction of the Nicaragua canal, and for one cent letter postage. Announcement of the death of Representative Greene, of Nebraska, was followed by adjournment as a token of respect.

Washington, Dec. 9.—In the house yesterday it was decided to devote next week to discussion of the financial bill. Bills were introduced for a Pacific cable to Hawaii, Guam, the Philippines, Japan and China; to reestablish the alien and enemy property act; to promote commerce; granting additional homestead rights to soldiers and sailors of the Spanish-American war; for the raising of a regiment of volunteers of the United States. A committee on insular affairs was ordered. Adjourned to Monday.

Washington, Dec. 10.—In the house yesterday bills were introduced for postal savings banks; for a cable to the Philippines, the cost not to exceed \$9,500,000; and providing that the terms of states shall be given only to battleships and first-class cruisers. Debate on the currency bill was opened. Mr. Deffenbacher (Pa.) spoke in opposition, and Mr. De Armond (Mo.) in opposition.

Made a Free Man. Minneapolis, Minn., Dec. 12.—Louis F. Messing, the fugitive president of the famous Northwestern Hosiery Loan company of this city, who voluntarily returned from his hiding place in Mexico a few months ago after an absconded housewife, was made a free man by County Attorney Lewis A. Reed when introduced in all of the three institutions for amusement that have been hanging over his head for years.

Issue an Address. Washington, Dec. 8.—Brigham T. Roberts, who was not allowed to be sworn in as a representative in congress from Utah, issued an address to the people denying the right of the house to take the action it did.

Hanged. Park, Ky., Dec. 12.—Clarence Williams (known) was hanged in the jail here Monday morning. On Monday night Williams, who was arrested and killed James Tillman, a woman with whom he had conspired.

Breaks the Record. New York, Dec. 11.—Miller and Watson ran the one-day bicycle race in Madison square garden, the record being 52.24, breaking all previous records for six days by over 20 minutes.

Killed His Stepmother. Burlington, Ia., Dec. 19.—In a drunken fight over Weaver, Ia., Saturday night Charles Mayhew stabbed his stepmother, Mrs. Elizabeth White, in the neck. She died following him instantly. Mayhew was killed by a bullet in the chest.

## MINOR NEWS ITEMS.

For the Week Ending Dec. 12. Mrs. Mary Mehan died at Maple Park, Ill., aged 100 years. Mrs. Mary Jones, mother of 23 children, died at Chester, England.

A strong movement has been started in Phoenix to secure statehood for Arizona. Navigation closed on the great lakes after the most prosperous season for a decade.

Three small boys, sons of Constable Saunders, were burned to death at Regina, N. W. T. George W. Horton was hanged at Washington, D. C., for the murder of one Nicholson.

The office of the Pacific Express company in Cheyenne, Wyo., was robbed of \$20,000 by burglars. Maurice W. Meyers, the oldest legislator in the world, died in Cincinnati, aged 90 years.

Samuel Johnson (colored), aged 22, was hanged in the jail yard at Hagerstown, Md., for rape.

U. S. N. Davy, an oil-line congressman from the Fourteenth Illinois district, died at Kaneville, Ill.

Over ten inches of snow fell at La Crosse and in other portions of Wisconsin, causing all the railroads to stop. Sixty-one new naval vessels for the United States are under construction or in the hands of designers.

James P. Reed, the famous checker player in the world, died in Pittsburgh, Pa., aged 40 years.

A new building fell at Mishawaka, Ind., killing Charles Schmidt, the contractor, and Oscar Nicholas, a workman.

The cotton product of the United States last season was 11,159,205 bales, an increase of 291,248 bales over 1898.

Rev. Daniel Shepardson, D. D., founder of Shepardson college for women at Greenville, O., died at the age of 86 years.

The wages of 300,000 employes in New England in 1898 have been advanced by the increase amounting to \$10,000,000 a year.

The thirty-fourth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic will be held in Chicago August 25, 29, 30 and 31, 1900.

Charles P. Howell, chief engineer of the Maine when that vessel was blown up in Havana harbor, died at his home in New York city, aged 50 years.

The students of the University of Maine at Orono have voted to abolish all kinds of hazing and take no part in the same during their college course.

During the 11 months ended November 30 the total exports from the United States amounted to \$844,026,340, against \$906,300,235 for the same period in 1898.

Gov. James C. McLaughlin, in his annual report estimates the present population of the territory at 375,000, fully 90 per cent of whom are American born.

Rev. William Elliott, a Baptist clergyman who in 1845 established at Pellis, Ia., the first Baptist college in the United States, died in San Francisco, aged 80 years.

Commander E. P. Wood, United States navy, died of typhoid fever at his residence in Washington. He was killed in command of the gunboat Petrel at the battle of Manila.

**TAYLOR DECLARED ELECTED.** Certificate issued by Election Commissioners Makes Him Governor of Kentucky.

Frankfort, Ky., Dec. 11.—At 9:45 in the morning the election certificate of William S. Taylor was signed by the election commissioners and he was declared to be governor-elect of Kentucky. The official figures of the vote led by the secretary of state Finty are: Taylor, 193,714; Geibel, 101,231. Taylor's plurality, 92,483.

Contradicts a Report. Dec. 11.—The state department yesterday contradicted a report that the government of Denmark has offered the Danish West India islands to the United States.

Admission Denied. Springfield, Mass., Dec. 8.—William Collins and his wife and Bridget Carroll, a sister of Mrs. Collins, all died suddenly at about 11 a. m. this morning from heart failure.

Stokers Drowned. Altona, Pa., Dec. 11.—Lalsh and Clyde Hendricks, brothers, aged 19 and 13, and Arthur Schilling, aged 14, while working at the Mill Creek through the ice and were drowned.

Stokers Drowned. Stoughton, Minn., Dec. 12.—While skating on Cannon river, Mark Chubb, aged 16, and a high school student, broke through the ice and were drowned.

Barren Peninsula Head. London, Dec. 12.—Barren Peninsula (Greenland) (White) is dead. He was born July 12, 1810.

## ARE TRULY MODEST.

America's Great Men Reflect Credit Upon the Nation.

They Are Home-Lovers and Devoted to Family Life—Lessons to be Learned from Their Experiences and Successes.

(Special Washington Letter.) THIS is the story of an eventful day in the national capital; a story which ought to have been told long ago. It is a little story, but personal experience, and yet it may give the reader an insight into the way things are done, and an idea of what manner of men are those whose reputations we so highly prize.

On February 18, 1899, I received a telegram from the managing editor of a Philadelphia newspaper, saying: "I am coming to Washington to celebrate Washington's birthday, bringing with me a party of young ladies, and we would like to be introduced to Gen. Miles; also to the president, if possible."

I went to army headquarters, and showed the telegram to Gen. Miles, who said: "Tell your editor that I am not here in my office at noon, on February 22, and I will be glad to meet with him and his visiting friends. They must be prompt, however, as I have other engagements for that day, and cannot wait for them unless they are here on time."

Very soon thereafter a telegram was sent to Philadelphia saying: "The major general commanding directs that you shall report at army headquarters promptly at noon on February 22, with your escort."

Hastening then to the white house, I called upon the president who said: "Although no business will be transacted on Washington's birthday, and the government departments will all be closed, I shall be here attending to many matters of important business, and will be pleased to receive the visitors."

Ten minutes before 12 o'clock the Philadelphia party, a party of 11 young ladies, walked into the war department building, and were escorted to the office of the distinguished general, who greeted them very cordially. He told them a story of his last visit to Philadelphia, when, standing upon a balcony with several hundred ladies and gentlemen, Gen. Miles said to the admiral: "Scheley, if you were as young as Hobson, and would blame the way, we could go down there and have the pleasure of kissing a lot of pretty girls; but I guess you won't blame the way." The general said that Scheley replied: "No, I am not going to kiss the girls, but if you will blame the way, I will follow you."

The young ladies heartily enjoyed this informal manner of greeting, and laughed merrily at the general's story. As we were arising to depart one of the young ladies walked up to the general and said: "I have here some of your photographs, and would like to have your autograph upon it."

As Gen. Miles set down to write his name on the photograph, the girl said: "There is a girl who will blame the way for her companions." The general smiled as he wrote his name, and when he arose, he kissed the young lady, and then each of the girls came in for a kiss, which the general gave them in most hearty style.

We then called upon Admiral Schley, who received us very graciously; particularly because the Philadelphia people had only recently raised upwards of \$200 by popular subscription, and presented the admiral with a beautiful sword. I told the admiral that Gen. Miles had told us the story about blissing the way, and that he had kissed all of the girls. The admiral replied: "Miles shan't outdo me in that line; and I'll kiss the girls, too. Mrs. Schley came out of the dining-room while this was going on, and she laughed like a merry school-boy."

Then we went to the white house. But there was no kissing done there. My card was taken to the president by Capt. Jaffie, the veteran who has guarded the president's door ever since his appointment by President Lincoln, and he soon returned to usher us into the cabinet room. There Gen. McKim arose from the long table, came forward, took the hands of each one of the party, as they were introduced, and thanked them for coming all the way to Washington from Philadelphia on Washington's birthday to see the national capital, and to call upon the president. He said: "You reflect the spirit of all of our patriotic people when you turn your eyes upon the capital of the republic, and when you pay your respects to those who are temporarily charged with the duties of governmental affairs."

The visitor was then directed with congratulations by the men of the staff. They also had an opportunity to see the senate and house of representatives in session at the capitol building, and spent the afternoon in a tour of the congressional library, which is the most beautiful building in the world.

No one should speak or write concerning President McKinley, Gen. Miles and Admiral Schley without saying that they are magnificent types of American manhood; primarily because they are loyal and devoted husbands and lovers of their homes. President McKinley has an invalid wife, and for more than 20 years he has been affectionately her lover, her all, and her life. Mrs. McKinley, of Virginia, recently said to me: "I was McKimley's counsel when he had a contested election. I saw him daily for several months, and intimately knew to see the senate and house of representatives in session at the capitol building, and spent the afternoon in a tour of the congressional library, which is the most beautiful building in the world.

His every moment. I have seen him leave his wife at noon to go to the capitol, and I have seen him write love letters to her at three o'clock in the afternoon, and send them to her by special messengers. In order that she might know what he was doing, and that he kept her in his mind during all of his performance of public duties."

It has also been the good fortune of the writer of this letter to know of McKimley for almost 20 years, and to have witnessed many similar acts of devotion to his invalid wife. Whatever mistakes he may make, and whatever political ideas he may entertain, he is certainly a good Christian gentleman, a lover of wife and home, and one whom all many men may admire on that account.

Gen. Miles is also worthy of the honors which have come to him for his military career. He is a man who goes home to lunch or to supper with his wife, and then to attend any of the grand banquets which are bestowed upon him. His home life is beautiful, and his wife loves him for his admirable life and character. He is never away from home at night, unless accompanied by his wife, or unless public duties or public receptions require him to be without her.

Admiral Schley has always been a home body, and he loves no society as much as that of his family. He has returned from Cuba, when hundreds of letters were pouring in upon him from every section of the country, Admiral Schley's quiet life here in his retirement, but by his wife and all of the letters which came were opened and read by her. She smiled one day and said to the writer: "This experience would make an excellent subject for a novel. I am detaching answers to many of these letters."

One day recently, while writing an informal letter to a small check in the bank, I heard a voice near me saying: "Will you kindly cash this check and give an old man some money for it?" Looking up, I saw an old man standing by me, smiling as he handed a check to the paying teller, who said: "Why, admiral, you are not an old man yet."

Admiral Schley replied: "Well, on board ship the boys call me 'old man.' They always call the commanding officer the 'old man,' no matter what his age may be, and I am a member of the command of the New York. I heard some sailors swearing, and sent word to them they were violating the regulations, and were offending high heaven by the use of such language. The next morning, just as I awakened, I heard a sailor start a sentence with an oath, which another sailor, who I called the old man will hear you."

After the admiral received cash for his check, I told him that an old schoolmate of his had said to me that many years ago the admiral had said that many men lost fame and fortune by falling to take advantage of opportunities, and he replied: "That is true. During the civil war a young captain in the navy had a boat of the enemy, but he was not in time, and the opportunity was gone. I have often said that if I ever had an opportunity for distinction, I would take advantage of it, but the boat of the enemy of Santiago was beginning I mentally said to myself: 'Here is your opportunity; and I have not taken it.'"

After the admiral had said this, I said: "Any captain in the fleet could have done as well as I did on that occasion, but it was my opportunity to take advantage of it, and I did not."

It was my opportunity to take advantage of it, and I did not. I am not a man of great opportunities, but I am a man of many opportunities, and I have not taken them.

How true that is. Young men and women who read those words of the great admiral will do well to remember them, and be ready for the opportunity that will come.

It will be well also to remember that the man who has the most opportunities are those who love their homes, and who turn their backs upon the world's follies and wickedness.

Well qualified to run our household department? Oh, yes, indeed. Why, she has had no experience whatever,"—Chicago Post.

## MINNESOTA NEWS.

Ten Days of Fair. The Minnesota state fair of 1900 will run 10 days, beginning Wednesday of one week and continuing to Saturday of the next week.

This is the news that came through one of the early discussions at the meeting of the Minnesota State Horticultural Society. It all came about through a wordy war, started by E. H. S. Hart, Owatonna, who objected to the manner in which the state fair management had treated exhibitors. He said he had been with the fair at previous exhibitions, but the judges made rules to please themselves and make it easy for them, and as a result his exhibit was so distributed around in various classes that he was ashamed of it, and didn't exhibit again.

Mr. Durrst also objected to the management of the fair, and offered a prize of the fair was that offered for sweepstakes, where the exhibitors could gather here and there a few exhibitors from different people and exhibitors, while the real growers and producers were relegated to back seats.

At Duluth, Jacob Schneider attacked his wife, Mary Schneider, with a meat axe, at their home in an isolated portion of the city, and after chopping her horizontally, saturated the house with kerosene and set fire to it.

He perished in the flames, but his wife was saved by her daughter, who was sleeping in the upper part of the house, and was alarmed by the noise of the struggle. There were three other women in the house, and they ran to the rescue of the wife, but Schneider drove them out of the house with the cleaver.

Schneider has borne a good reputation, but his home life has not been pleasant.

Money in Stock Skins. The boys in the vicinity of Minneapolis are making nice pocket money trapping skunks. Never before in fur history have their skins brought so much, and with dealers paying from 90 cents to \$1.25 for skins, according to the color, there is opportunity for making Christmas money. Last week one young man out near Minneapolis trapped seven large ones and had no trouble in selling the green skins.

Out in the country districts, on farms, they are setting traps every night, and all the dealers do not get nearly as many as they desire. The present cold snap will make the animals easy prey.

Fell from the Porch. Clarence Olson, seven years old, a patient of the St. Paul hospital in St. Paul, fell from a second story porch and fractured his skull. He died within an hour. Clarence is the son of Mrs. Annie Olson, who lives in Franklin avenue, Minneapolis.

Clarence, with other children, was in the hall on the second floor in the children's department of the hospital on December 20, 1899. While the nurse's attention was attracted in another direction he ran out on the porch and leaned over the railing to find some familiar in the company of children. He jumped over too far and pitched head first to the pavement, 12 feet below.

A Minnesota Boy. Lieutenant James C. Morrow, of the Fourth cavalry, who perpetrated the gigantic "bluff" on General Condon and his garrison of 800 insurgents at Bayreuth, Ky., is now captaining the town and receiving the surrender of the garrison with only fifty men at his back, is a Minnesota boy.

He was born and lived at Lake City, Minn., until he entered the university in Minneapolis, where he remained three years, receiving an appointment to West Point in 1893.

Will Investigate. Dairy Commissioner Bowler proposes to make a thorough examination of butter colorings. He has had a letter from the dairy commissioner of Ohio calling attention to the fact that some families in that state had been poisoned with a compound containing coal tar and other ingredients. Experiments with the coloring proved that four drops of it would kill a rat.

Shelving in the drug store of J. W. Cook, at Epistome, gave way, causing the shelving to fall, and to damage a large amount of Christmas goods.

The federal court at Winona, Chas. Norton was convicted of robbing the postoffice at Money Creek some weeks ago, and sentenced to four years in the penitentiary.

The new reservation school plant which has been in course of construction at White Earth, Minn., has been turned over to the government officials.

The city council of Winona has voted an appropriation of \$180 toward the purchase of a company of 1000.

It is expected this will result in the reorganization of the company, which will not hold drills for several months past.

A committee has been appointed by the Mayor of St. Paul to discuss the question of an ice pike.

A 7-year-old boy of St. McDonald, West Duluth, was probably fatally burned. He played with matches.

The first of the new formal dresses for the home country was collected from the estate of Mary Pardy. The amount was \$507.88.

While out hunting near South St. Paul, Gus Butt, accidentally shot William Crutler in the stomach, which injuries he died yesterday morning. Butt was out with a gun when Crutler suggested another shot at a fence post. Butt's had aimed at the fence post, but he had not resulted in Crutler's receiving the full share.

Well Qualified. "Is she qualified to run our household department? Oh, yes, indeed. Why, she has had no experience whatever,"—Chicago Post.

## PITH AND POINT.

Too many politicians are dead to rights.—Chicago Daily News.

A girl never refers to a man she doesn't like as "a mean thing."—N. Y. Press.

When the man fits the job and the job fits the man, it is a situation a benefit.—Chicago Dispatch.

"What is a fraction?" "A part of anything." "Give an example." "The sixteenth of June."—Melbourne Weekly Times.

Take notice at this season. Take lots of it. It is not only good for you, but it draws out the piano playing next door.—Arlington Globe.

The effort to try and look as though a job to you were really funny is one of the things that bring on gray hair and wrinkles prematurely.—Philadelphia Times.

"Brown"—"Now, that's the tale Jones poured into my ear yesterday?" Smith—"Well, it's evidently too thin." Brown—"How's that?" Smith—"I've looked out."—Down Topic.

Cheering—No. 2—"Does mamma often speak to me to you?" Prospective Stepdaughter—"Oh, yes; mamma said I suppose I'll have to marry the old fool to keep a home for the children."—Brisbane Review.

"Do you know, darling, what I should do if I had a rival?" "Fight for me, pet?" "No." "How?" "I would explain to him that there are lots of prettier girls in the world than you, and prove it, too, and—what's the matter?"—Pick-Me-Up.

Guskie (who has left his fiancée for a moment, fallen overboard and been dramatically rescued)—"Did you—aw—faint when you heard them yell: 'Man overboard!'" "No." "I would explain to him that there are lots of prettier girls in the world than you, and prove it, too, and—what's the matter?"—Pick-Me-Up.

Weights of American Coins. Some Valuable Information for Persons Who Have Handle Much Specie.

The weights of American coins are important things for anyone to know who has the handling of any great quantity of coin, for weight is one of the best ways to detect counterfeiters. It is very difficult for counterfeiters to get the weights of their spurious coins exactly in line with the legal weights of the genuine coins.

The weight of American coins now in circulation are as follows: Gold Coins.—The \$20 gold piece, or double eagle, weighs 516 grains; the \$10 gold piece, or eagle, weighs 258 grains; the \$5 gold piece, or half-eagle, weighs 129 grains; the \$3 gold piece (authorized February 21, 1853, and discontinued September 26, 1899) weighed 25.8 grains.

Silver Coins.—The silver dollar (authorized February 21, 1853, and discontinued September 26, 1899) weighed 480 grains; the \$2 gold piece, or quarter-eagle, weighed 64.5 grains, and the \$1 gold piece (authorized March 3, 1849, and discontinued September 26, 1899) weighed 25.8 grains.

Nickel Coins.—The silver dollar weighed originally 416 grains, and then it was reduced to its present weight of 412.5 grains. The dime (authorized February 12, 1873, and discontinued February 10, 1887) weighed 480 grains. The silver half-dollar weighed 192.0 grains, and the silver quarter-dollar weighed 96.0 grains.

The silver quarter-dollar weighed 96.45 grains; the "Columbian" silver quarter-dollar (authorized 26 grains; the silver 20-cent piece weighed 71.6 grains (authorized March 3, 1875, and discontinued May 2, 1878); the silver dime weighed 25.8 grains; the silver half-dime (authorized April 2, 1872; discontinued February 12, 1873) weighed 24.2 grains, then changed to 20.625 grains, and finally to 19.2 grains; and the silver three-cent piece (authorized March 3, 1851, and discontinued February 12, 1873) weighed first 12.5 grains, and then 11.52 grains.

Nickel Coins.—The 5-cent nickel piece (75 per cent copper and 25 per cent nickel) weighs 7.76 grains; the 3-cent nickel piece (authorized March 3, 1851, and discontinued September 26, 1899) weighed 30 grains (75 per cent copper and 25 per cent nickel); the 1-cent nickel piece (authorized February 21, 1853, and discontinued April 22, 1864) weighed 72 grains (88 per cent copper and 12 per cent nickel).

Old-fashioned Copper Coins.—The old-fashioned copper cent (authorized April 17, 1823) weighed first 364 grains; it was then changed to 208 grains, then to 168 grains, and its coinage was discontinued February 12, 1873. The copper 2-cent piece (authorized April 22, 1864, and discontinued February 12, 1873) weighed 96 grains (95 per cent copper and 5 per cent zinc); the present copper cent was authorized April 22, 1864, and weighs 48 grains, of which 95 per cent is copper and 5 per cent zinc and silver. The copper half-cent (authorized April 2, 1870, and discontinued February 12, 1873) weighed originally 48 grains; then it was changed, first to 37 grains and finally to 31 grains.—Burlington Globe.

Treat Poisoner. "Yes," said the scientific passenger, "it is well established fact that darcinoid has been shown to be more violent than than their blood-suckers."

"Are you sure of that, mister?" asked the cook, lifting him across the aisle. "There is no doubt about it, my dear sir," said the S. D., "I have you a personal interest in the matter."

"Well, yes," replied the cook indignantly, "I have a right to say that if my wife bleached her hair, and if what you say is true I know it now."—Chicago Evening News.

She—You know of experience. "Yes," said the scientific passenger, "it is well established fact that darcinoid has been shown to be more violent than than their blood-suckers."

"I could afford to let her wear enough, but I'm afraid I couldn't stand the expense of the new dress and think that would have to go with it."—Chicago Journal.



# PINE COUNTY PIONEER

TERMS: \$1.50 A YEAR IN ADVANCE

PINE CITY, MINN., DEC. 13, 1900

## CHIPS AND SHAVINGS.

Good chips picked up around town and shavings clipped from our business.

- On
- New Years
- Day at noon
- We are away
- A Bran New
- Wheeler & Wilson
- Sewing Machine
- Do your Holiday
- Trading with us
- Breckenridge's Pharmacy
- Go to Madden's for your cat meal.

- Lou Klue went to Duluth Sunday for a few days.

- Step in and see those reefs at Vaughan's.

- Miss Amber Rice is visiting in Minneapolis.

- Notice the "Hub" advertisement this week.

- Geo. White has returned from a month's visit with relatives in Iowa.

- Box of fine cigars—Breckenridge.

- Don't forget to call at Carlson's when at Rush City.

- Miss Alice Brandes returned Sunday from a weeks sojourn in the saintly city.

- Have you seen that line of men's sweaters at Vaughan's?

- George Vanhoven came up from Rush City Sunday afternoon, returning on the morning train.

- Christmas cards and booklets—Breckenridge.

- Miss Theresa Erickson returned Saturday from Minneapolis, where she has been visiting friends.

- Enterprising people advertise in the PIONEER. Try it.

Farm wanted—Send full particulars, price etc., at once. A. H. Russel, Akron, O.

- M. P. Vaughan of North Branch spent Sunday in town, the guest of his brother J. D.

- People having cattle or hogs to sell, can always get the full market value from me. J. J. MADON.

- Jewelry and silver novelties, right prices—Breckenridge.

- J. D. Vaughan our popular fatherly merchant spent the latter part of last week in St. Paul, buying new goods.

- Remember when in need of job, that the Pioneer competes with the cities.

- Saturday's rain storm caused the river and lake to open up in a number of places but at present they are frozen over again.

- Have you seen those vestes for children at Vaughan's?

- You always get good floor at Madden's.

- This Henderson has his large house completed and will be prepared to furnish any number of owners with ice next summer.

- The steam engine, 50-hp.—Breckenridge.

- Money to patent good ideas may be secured by our aid. Address THE PATENT AGENCY, Baltimore, Md.

- Keep your boys warm with one of those fine sweaters at Vaughan's.

- Holiday goods, Wines, Liquors etc., at wholesale prices at J. HETZELER'S.

- To have dolls for I cent—Breckenridge.

- To Schlesinger departed for Little Falls Saturday in response to a telegram announcing the illness of his father.

- For sale—A good farm of 257 acres, about one mile of this village. A snug or some one—Enquire at this office for particulars.

- The Budget has been removed from its quarters on the north side of the river where it will continue to build for the doughty Jadan and the good of the community.

- Positively the finest line of men's & boy's clothing between the four cities at Vaughan's.

- Miss Georgia Battick is advertising a clearing out sale on millinery and fancy articles, to conclude in Jan. 1st.

- Fire hats and candles—Breckenridge.

- The doctor of Boies budget is warning that the Sixth congress will not shall not be an Adams or Elder—St. Paul Dispatch.

—The best assortment of mens show and rubbers ever brought to this place, at Vaughan's.

—Mrs. Thos. Henderson is very low on Sunday it was thought she was dying, but at the last report she was somewhat improved.

—J. D. Vaughan has a fine line of childrens goods on hand. Give him a call before making your purchases for the little ones.

—Good watch for \$1.00, warranted—Breckenridge.

—In another column we publish an "Ad" from the Burlington North, in which they offer to send a map of the United States, printed in four colors, mounted on a roller, for the small sum of 15 cents. Read the "ad," and act accordingly.

—We are very sorry to state that Robert Wilcox's little son is very ill with membranous croup, and for several days his life was in danger, but he is slowly recovering.

—Christmas candles and holders—Breckenridge.

—Beginning Monday I will have a clearing out sale of every thing in my store, which will continue until January 1st. Special prices on ribbons and trimmed hats. Call and see me, GEORGIA BATTICK, Pine City, Minn.

—You should see the real Shells in the Drug Store window. Pretty, and quite a curiosity in this region, make nice ornaments and cost is small.

—G. A. Carlson, of Rush City, has the largest and finest stock of Clothing, Dress Goods, Ladies' and Gent's Furnishings, Carpets, Rugs, and in fact everything that comes in a first-class dry goods store, which he is selling at great bargains. Do not go to the cities to buy before you look over his stock and get prices.

—We are informed that our sister town on the south, Rush City, has about fifteen cases of diphtheria, but they are all in a light form but one proving fatal, Miss Gertrude, the eldest daughter of Mrs. G. E. Farrell, of the Rushmore, who died on Tuesday December 5th.

—Don't forget that Hon. R. C. Saunders will lecture on "Eulstaff" Dec. 15th. Come and hear a good lecture and help the Reading Club, as their object is to open a public reading room.

—The Ladies of the M. E. church will hold their annual Holiday sale of fancy articles on Tuesday afternoon and evening, December 19th, at Pioneer House Hall. Five o'clock dinner will also be served from 5:00 until 9:00 p. m.

—Christmas tree ornaments—Breckenridge.

—For Baitenberg lace, embroidered card envelopes, and dollies, sofa and pin cushions, photo frames, table covers, children hoods and booties; machine needles, notions, silk wools, linens, cottons etc., for all kinds of hand work call on SEASAN SHEARER.

—P. A. Tomcheck, the proprietor of the Pine City Bazaar, opened the doors of his store, in the Miller block, to the public on Monday. Look at his "ad" in this issue and note prices. Mr. Tomcheck has engaged the services of the Misses Alice Brandes and Maud Coombs as clerks.

—Sleep warm and comfortable during the long cold winter, in one of those fine night shirts at J. D. Vaughan's.

—Come in and look over our line of ladies' and misses wool underwear and hosiery, at Vaughan's.

—The play "The Merry Cobbler," being rehearsed by a number of our young people to be given in the near future is progressing finely. Each one taking part have their parts nearly committed, and in a short time our citizens will have a chance to hear a first-class entertainment given by home talent.

—Come down and see what bargains we offer in our sale beginning Monday. B. H. HARRIS, Rush City, Minn.

—FOR SALE—I have for sale a farm consisting of 160 acres four miles east of Rock Creek. The farm is divided 40 acres on the north side of the road being all cleared but about 10 acres with good log buildings. The 120 acres on the south side is unimproved. Enquire at this office or write to, Nick Baum, Rock Creek, Minn.

—In Boston of Mora is here in the interests of the Modern Brotherhood of America, he has just organized lodges at Mora and Sandstone.

—The "Hub" the new Rush City clothing store, is right in line with new goods and right prices.

—The heating plant in the Court House has been completed and was started up Wednesday morning. The work of painting and papering the offices is fast nearing completion and when finished Pine County, will have one of the finest and most convenient Court houses in the state.

—W. H. Ellis, of Mankato, was in town Tuesday, and while here purchased 120 acres of land in section 27-30-22. Mr. Ellis will move his family here in a short time and make Pine County his future home.

—A Bergman had quite a narrow escape from drowning last Monday. While crossing Ekrogama lake he skated into an ice hole, and had not his young son seen him go down and gone to his assistance, he must certainly have drowned.

—We neglected to mention in last weeks issue, the death of Mrs. John Saumers, which occurred at her home in the town of Royaltown on Tuesday the fifth day of December. The funeral was held from St. Mary's Church on Thursday, with interment in Calvary cemetery. The remains were followed to their last resting place by a large concourse of friends and neighbors of the deceased.

—Everybody invited and welcome at—Breckenridge's.

—Miss Bertha Trask and Miss Kate Hartsock, representing Hyde's Correspondence School for Teachers, spent the past week among the teachers in this vicinity. The plan of instruction is to give an eight month's correspondence course the object being to assist the teachers in raising their grade under the new law. The ladies succeeded in contracting with most of the teachers in this vicinity.

—Rev. Thos. L. Rabstineck, will leave in a short time for Pisek, N. D., whither he has been called by Bishop Shanley. Rev. Rabstineck, formerly labored under Bishop Shanley but for the past five years had the local parish and those at Hinckley and Beroun. He has labored faithfully and leaves his charge in a flourishing condition.

—Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Hough and grand-children, Ross and Lee Armstrong, who have made their home in this place for the past five years, departed on Tuesday morning for Parkers, Iowa, where A. J. Armstrong is stationed, he having gone back to read again. Since coming here Mr. and Mrs. Hough have made many warm friends, who are sorry to see them leave, but hope that prosperity will attend them no matter where they may go.

—G. A. Carlson, the Rush City clothing merchant, is offering some nice bargains in clothing and gent's furnishing goods, give him a call when in Rush City.

—Mike Hawley has leased from the railroad company, the ball grounds for the coming season and is starting in early to procure good men for his team next summer. Hinckley has always led the ball teams in this neck of the woods and this move is just a continuation of the efforts of Manager Hawley to lead and let others follow.—Hinckley Enterprise.

Good news! Bro. Folsom, we are pleased to know that Pine City will have a fast team to go against next year. But then, Hinckley always did have the fastest team in—Hinckley.

Notes!

A Christmas Entertainment and Basket Supper will be given Dec. 22nd, for the benefit of the school library in the East side school, Dist. No. 9.

Everybody cordially invited.

LOIS HAMLEN, Teacher.

Christmas and New Years Excursions, St. Paul & Duluth Railroad.

Cheap Holiday Excursion Tickets will be on sale by the St. Paul & Duluth Railroad December 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, and January 1, good returning on or before January 2, at one fare and a third for the round trip. See Agent Paul & Duluth Agents for details, or address C. E. Stone, General Passenger Agent, St. Paul Minn.

By Alice Paul Pioneer Bookshop.

# PINE CITY BAZAAR

## PAUL A. TOMCHECK, Proprietor.

Is Now Open to the Community With a Thought for Your Comfort, a Consideration for Your Cash, With Quality of Goods, That Attract and Prices That Sell. This Sale Will Last for One Week Only, Beginning With the Issue of This Paper.

"Our entrenchments are good goods, our ammunition is low prices."



### Toys

"Value is the True Test of Cheapness,"  
Grand Assortment of all Kinds of Toys as per SANTA CLAUS Bargain List.

5 Cent Toys for	81 cents
10 Cent Toys for	8 cents
15 Cent Toys for	111 cents
20 Cent Toys for	171 cents
25 Cent Toys for	211 cents
35 Cent Toys for	271 cents
50 Cent Toys for	421 cents
75 Cent Toys for	591 cents

### China Ware.

"Pateless Fancies."

A. B. C. mugs each	4 cents
Beautiful decorated cups & saucers only	8 cents
Mustache cups & saucers very pretty	211 cents
Childs A. B. C. plates, cheap each	41 cents
Pretty 6 inch china plates each	71 cents
4 piece glass ware set bargain	101 cents

### Candies and Nuts.

"The best is what we offer."

Crimp mixed candy best quality at	91 cents
Best quality stick candy	91 cents
High grade creams at	22 cents
High grade chocolates at	22 cents
Cherry drops	19 cents
Peppermint drops	17 cents
Wines warranted each to be sound	15 cents
Filberts fresh and new	14 cents
Brazil nuts extra good	12 cents
Peanuts fresh roasted	8 cents

Special prices given to large orders for Xmas. TREE ORNAMENTS.

### Soaps.

"We prove our words by our goods."

Clothes pins per dozen	1 cent
Best Kirks laundry soap 10 bars for	25 cents
Kirks white castle soap per bar	21 cents
Tar soap per bar	41 cents
Olive soap per bar	41 cents
Rose soap per bar	41 cents
Chinese rose soap per bar	41 cents

### Tinware.

"Every day needs at every day prices."

10 quart pails a bargain	10 cents
12 quart pail a bargain	14 cents
14 quart pail a bargain	19 cents
3 quart coffee pot	10 cents
4 quart coffee pot	19 cents
Tin cups	14 cents
Wash dishes	5 cents
Stew pans	91 cents
Spiders	7 cents
1 quart pails	10 cents

### NOTIONS.

"The four conquerors of the world are, fashion, love, death and low-prices."

Hone or shell hair pins crimped or plain, cheap at 2 for 5 cents our price 6 pair for 10 cents. side-combs per pair 5 cents, finishing braid per package 34 cents, ladies handkerchiefs the kind you pay other stores 10 and 15 cents for our price 41 cents, mens large handkerchiefs good quality a bargain 4 cents, mens wool mufflers each 211 cents, Hamp books and eyes per paper 21 cents brass pins per paper 1 cent, genuine pearl buttons per doz. 41 cents, 12 doz agate buttons at 71 cents, 1 inch elastic per yd. 41 cents, 1 inch elastic per yd. 41 cents, fine combs each 31 cents.

### DOLLS.

China Head Dolls 9 inches tall each	41 cents
China Head Dolls 12 inches tall each	9 cents
10th Dolls Black Heads 10 inches tall only	12 cents
5th Body Sleeping Dolls 13 inches tall beautiful hair each	23 cents
A splendid sleeping 4th body Bisk head Doll natural hair 15, a bargain, each	57 cents

Large assortment of dressed dolls, Boy dolls, Eskimo dolls, etc., at Prices below Competition.

### Celluloid Goods.

"Right Because Made So."

Trinket boxes	81 cents
Handkerchief boxes	15 cents
Needle boxes	15 cents
Shell boxes	31 cents
Shell boxes	91 cents
Shell boxes	23 cents

### Stationery.

"Try us with the ACID OF COMPETITION, WE Can stand the TEST."

25 Envelopes for	2 cents
100 Tablets at	1 cent
100 Tablets at	2 cents
100 Tablets at	3 cents
100 Tablets at	5 cents
1 Gross boxes writing paper & envelopes	5 cents
1 Gross boxes writing paper & envelopes	9 cents
A bargain only per box	9 cents
1 Gross boxes writing paper & envelopes highest quality per box	211 cents

### School Supplies.

"The only thing that you find cheap at the PINE CITY BAZAAR is the price."

500 pencils 2 for	1 cent
500 pencil and ink erasers each	1 cent
500 Wood slate pencils 8 for	5 cents
100 School companions filled with useful articles each	41 cents

### Cutlery.

"If in doubt about the value of an article call at the Pine City Bazaar and get posted."

Heavy table spoons per dozen	121 cents
Heavy tea spoons per dozen	71 cents
Silver plated table spoons per set	18 cents
Silver plated tea spoons per set	18 cents
Good quality butter knives the knife that cuts	9 cents
Choicest steel knives a fork per set	391 cents

# Pine City Bazaar.



# THE STORY TELLER

## A POET'S BREAKFAST.

MISS BRONSON signaled the coachman to stop.  
"Miss Marie," said her governess, severely, "what is your intention?"  
"A harmless intention, mademoiselle. I want to walk over the bridge."  
"Walk over the bridge, Miss Marie? But is it customary?"  
"It appears to be customary for some folks to do so, judging from the procession we see, here, mademoiselle. Now, don't forbid me. Only fancy, I have ridden over this bridge all the days of my life—every time I have come down from home. And never once have I set foot upon its planks. Come, get out, mademoiselle! Let us play that we are going to work and have little tin pupils on our arms. It will be great fun."  
"I am quite sure your mamma would not like it, Miss Marie."  
"Mamma? Well, to tell the truth, mademoiselle, though perhaps I do not wish to do so, my dear mamma used to walk over this bridge every day in her girlhood. She was not very rich. She had a great deal more fun than I have, I think."  
"Miss Baron shook her head disapprovingly, but had no choice but to leave the carriage where it stood, and get out, mademoiselle. Let us play that we are going to work and have little tin pupils on our arms. It will be great fun."  
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"No one laughs at the troubadours."  
"Thank you. Are you to be my great patron?"  
"The great patrons always had rich fat, old husbands who bored them, so I shall be your patron. I will rather be your friend."  
"Then I may send you the verses that I wrote to you once."  
"I can't think what else you would do with them, I suppose no one would publish them."  
"Oh?"  
"Forgive me. I like to tease, you know."  
"What are we to do now that breakfast is over?"  
"Nothing. I see that mademoiselle has settled our account. That was thoughtful of her."  
"I swear I did not!"  
"I am not so poor I cannot pay for breakfast for my friends."  
"I'll wager you are!"  
"I see you are so poor you will not even find stamps to send me those verses by the ten o'clock mail!"  
"You will lose!"  
"I shall be miserable if I gain!"  
"Miss Marie, what are you saying? I cannot follow you," complained the poor French lady, adjusting her glasses with a trembling hand.  
"Do not try to follow me, mademoiselle, except to the carriage. How painful Thomas looks! I like his expression, do not you, Mr. Ames? Now, remember you have had one meal, and you are not to take another till seven. If you are more you might forget how to write, and that would be terrible. Shall I see you at seven at our house at dinner? Mamma will telephone you an invitation if you will only tell me where you can be reached."  
"I will write a number on a card."  
"It is a public telephone. I shall be there at one."  
"Good-by!"  
"What a beautiful breakfast it has been. Good-by!"  
"Mademoiselle, is it not fascinating to eat red hot?"  
"Miss Marie, you are incorrigible!"  
"No, no, dear mademoiselle—not incorrigible, only happy. Let us hasten through with our errands, so I can go home and tell mamma. She will enjoy it. She loved bohemia herself when she was young."  
"But this was not bohemia."  
"No? Call it the suburbs of bohemia, then. But it is the nearest I have ever been to it!"—Chicago Tribune.



"I AM GOING TO BREAKFAST WITH YOU."

**TRIPS OF THE BOLOBOLINS.**  
It is said that the bobolinks which frequent the shores of Lake Winipeg, Canada, during the breeding season, and which go to Cuba and Porto Rico each winter, twice every year traverse a distance exceeding 2,000 miles, or about 1,000 miles north of the circumference of the earth.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**WHERE IT HITS HIM.**  
"Woary there is a feller says in the papers that when a man's got a chronic complaint an' there ain't no help for him, the doctors ought to assist him in getting away into the suburbs."  
"Wonder if the blame folk includes chronic laziness?"—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**SOUTH AFRICAN STATES.**  
These Names Are Distinctive and All Have Meaning and Fine Appropriateness.

Persons who are not familiar with the Dutch language sometimes wonder at the angular names by which localities are known in South Africa, and have a meaning and fine appropriateness which will be at once recognized after a little explanation. "The Cape" signifies the point of Africa, Cape of Good Hope or Cape Town. The ancient Dutch settlers gave it the name of Kaapstad. The Cape of Good Hope is a rocky point, or point of land, there is a lighthouse built at the extreme end of it, but it is seldom visited. Cape Town being quite a distance from the cape, Cape Colony has an area larger than that of France.

Next to this colony is another British possession, Natal. This was first explored by the Vasco da Gama and, being named in honor of the ancient house of the Stadholders in the Netherlands, the name of Orange-Nassau. In fact, the royal house of Orange, is white and orange, and in all public ceremonies the president wears an orange scarf. England conquered this republic in 1843, but a few years later she restored its independence, having the Crimean war on her hands at the time.

Christmas day across the Vaal River" was first called the Dutch Republic, but this was changed to the South African Republic. The latter is the language of the frontier, called Bechuanaland, is a British protectorate. The word border is Dutch and is applied to the rural land proprietor in the Cape Town. The latter will hear of English boers or of Dutch farmers, according to the language used. Both have the same meaning. In Dutch the soldiers, called boers of cattle, kornbrenners, raisers of grain, wijnboers, vinticulturists, etc. The origin of the word is rather curious. In 1842 a ship's captain of the Dutch East India company, Jan van Riebeeck, disembarked at Cape Town with some sailors, soldiers and workmen and a gardener. He was told that there was to be found a station where the company's vessels would be able to obtain fresh vegetables, eggs and milk and to keep the crews from getting sick. The gardener's wife was given the care of the cows of the company and was called "boerinn,"—the peasant. The others, the soldiers, sailors, etc., received small grants of land and planted maize, wheat, cabbages, tobacco, tulips and other vegetation. The first boers or peasants came. Afterward, increasing in numbers and establishing themselves in cities, they became known distinctively as the Boer people.—N. Y. Sun.

**THE BOER AND HIS RIFLE.**  
There Are Differences Between One Weapon Used Now and Twenty Years Ago.

In the year of 1870 the Boers displayed deadly accuracy with the rifle, but their weapon then was very different from the arm used recently at Dundee. The rifle of 1870 was built on the lines of the British Martini. It was a hammerless rifle of about 400 grains weight, with a 50-grain half-powder charge and a 20-grain bullet. The caliber was .45, with a bullet weighing from 40 to 50 grains. The rifle was of the type known as a brass-rail cartridge case. The rifle was sighted up to 2,000 yards. Besides the usual stationary sight it had a revolving sight, the barrel being raised and being used as an ordinary front sight, and by a single motion, it was changed into a pinhead sight, covered with a ring (a) fixed from being knocked off. On an occasion where particular fire shooting was demanded this front globe was further covered with a South African globe, which is perfectly. The usual standing rear, or fixed, sight was on the barrel, while on the gun's grip was a turn-down elevating device of 1,000 yards. The peep and globes were never used under 700 or 800 yards.

Very much interested in the Boer rifle and their weapons, said Archibald Forbes, who was with Sir Evelyn Wood's column in South Africa in 1878-79. "I have seen many of these rifles, and they are not only better than other game from the saddle, but apparently caring to get nearer to their quarry than our own rifles. They understand the currents of air, their effect upon the drift of a bullet, and can judge distance as accurately as it could be measured by a plumb line. They are a far more accurate far as they can discern his insignia of rank. Sir George W. Colley, the commander in South Africa, was killed at the battle of the Modder River on the 28th of May, 1878. We lost terribly in officers at the battle mentioned, and also at Laing's Nek and Koppies Drift. From the deadly accuracy of the Boer rifle I can not say the Boer weapon that did such execution the other day is the sporting model of the Maunlicher, a German arm, which is the most powerful weapon of its caliber and weight in the world. The military Maunlicher is used in the armies of Austria, Holland, Greece, Brazil, etc. It is a sporting rifle of the Maunlicher type, but known as the Haenel model. It is a beautifully finished arm, weighing about eight pounds, and costing \$75. The Maunlicher sporting rifle is known as the Haenel model. It is a beautifully finished arm, weighing about eight pounds, and costing \$75. The Maunlicher sporting rifle is known as the Haenel model. It is a beautifully finished arm, weighing about eight pounds, and costing \$75.

**IMPROVED ROTATION.**  
New Applications of a Principle the Value of Which Has Been Known for a Long Time.

It was doubtless early in man's experience in farming that he learned that some rotation of crops, rather than growing the same consecutively on the land where it had previously been grown, was necessary. It is known that some rotation of crops has been known for a long time. It is known that some rotation of crops has been known for a long time. It is known that some rotation of crops has been known for a long time.

**RELIABLE POST DRIVER.**  
A Home-made Contrivance That Is Easily Operated by a Man, Woman, Child, or Boy.

By the aid of a homemade post driving machine, as illustrated, posts can be driven nearly as fast as a team can walk on light soils, and each post, even on a heavy soil, will be driven in a few minutes. The only difficulty will be in driving on a rock. The two side pieces (a) are 4 1/2 inches by 10 feet, cross pieces (b) are 3 inches by 10 feet, and are mortised into a 2 1/2 inch diameter. The frame is made of 2 1/2 inch diameter. The frame is made of 2 1/2 inch diameter. The frame is made of 2 1/2 inch diameter.

**HOMEMADE POST DRIVER.**  
hammer passes through pulley at end and through block at c to Windlass (d).

For my wagon, pieces h are each 1 1/2 inches wide and 2 1/2 inches fastened to a and c, leaving space for hammer to work in. Wagon wheels are shown at i. The two centerpieces (j) j the runners of hammer (k) to end of e, being braced, as shown, with four pieces. A strip of 1 1/2 inch and 10 feet long is fastened on the inner face of j, leaving 1 inch on each side of the runner. A corresponding groove is made in each side of hammer (k) shown more clearly in the small figure, which is 1/2 inch wide and 1 inch deep, and slides up and down on j. j. About 30 feet of small rope for hoisting the hammer (k) is attached to the pulley (l) and to the trip hook on hammer and by simply pulling on it the hammer may be dropped at any desired height. Fifty pounds weight of iron, for example, two blocks of hammer, under ordinary conditions, will drive a post. A team, one man and a boy can operate it.—Peter R. Miller, in Farm and Home.

**THE OXEYE DAISY.**  
Although It Has Some Value for Home Feeding, Yet Its Extirpation Is Advisable.

The oxeye daisy is not nearly so difficult to exterminate as many believe. If it is cut while in blossom its extermination will be assured, and as it requires about two weeks from the time it first blooms until its seed is sufficiently matured to germinate, there is abundant time for cutting it. If the hay is to be made, this weedy growth in the estimation of the average farmer, is that when it is in the hay field it injures the quality of the hay. If the hay is to be made, it would injure the market value of hay. But for home feeding the oxeye daisy seed is about as valuable as timothy. It contains about 10 per cent more protein, nearly the same per cent of fat, not quite four per cent less of nitrogen free extract, and only four per cent more of fiber. It is so palatable to the horse as to be prepared to eat, but in one way or another, usually by cutting and mixing with ground stuff, almost any quantity can be made palatable. It would pay, of course, to take some trouble in feeding a product that we were forced to have, and which is as chemically valuable as the best of hay, and would be to be. But good farming demands that we rid the farm of it as soon as possible. Weeds, however they may be, are not preferred by the horse. These are some cases of the same extent sheep. Every ton of oxeye daisy removes from the soil 25 pounds of potash, very nearly nine pounds of phosphoric acid, 22 pounds of nitrogen, and 10 pounds of lime, which is too much fertility to give up to a weed.—Agricultural Epitomist.

**Fertilizing Grass Land.**  
As an experiment one-half of a grass field that appeared to be failing was given a dressing of 100 pounds of nitrate of soda and boneblack, 100 pounds each, and potash, 50 pounds, to the acre. The other half was not fertilized. At the close of the first season the fertilized field produced nearly half a ton to the acre more than the unfertilized plot, and in the second year, without any further attention, it produced nearly as well. The result, however, demands that we rid the farm of it as soon as possible. Weeds, however they may be, are not preferred by the horse. These are some cases of the same extent sheep. Every ton of oxeye daisy removes from the soil 25 pounds of potash, very nearly nine pounds of phosphoric acid, 22 pounds of nitrogen, and 10 pounds of lime, which is too much fertility to give up to a weed.—Agricultural Epitomist.

**How One Successful Farmer Has Robbed This Work of Many Disagreeable Features.**  
Every farmer who plans to do a large season's work cannot overlook the importance of having his year's supply of fuel on hand and ready for use not later than the first of May. It is not a very hard task, for in many localities where timber is scarce coal is largely used for heating and oil for cooking purposes. During the past ten years a number of different kinds of trees have been dying, and the farmer who one ten or more acres of hardwood timber finds that the dead trees accumulate spite of the fact that the quantity of fuel is larger each year as the quantity deteriorates. Some farmers were and sold off the varieties that were apt to decay and avoided a loss from this source. Others, however, were not so fortunate. They were unable to get the diseased trees for fuel before they became worthless. Here is where we see a mistake. And this is where we see so many old dead trees in the woods. These are some cases of the same extent sheep. Every ton of oxeye daisy removes from the soil 25 pounds of potash, very nearly nine pounds of phosphoric acid, 22 pounds of nitrogen, and 10 pounds of lime, which is too much fertility to give up to a weed.—Agricultural Epitomist.

**How to Split Stove Wood.**  
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