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WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, MCH. 18th, 1901

Chinese crookedness in diplomatic matters has been accentuated by the appeal of China to the other powers to assist it in refusing to put into effect the Manchurian treaty it has negotiated with Russia. This duplicity appears to have surprised our government, which naturally refused the assistance asked, but the diplomatic representatives of the other powers in Washington, merely smile and shrug their shoulders when asked their opinion. They were not surprised. On the contrary, they regard it as the usual thing in Chinese diplomacy. Whether cocky little Japan, which is the country most affected by the big Russian grab, will go to war if China ratifies the treaty, as now threatened is as yet an open question, but it will not be surprising if it does.

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This is the last week of Attorney General Griggs in the Cabinet, as his resignation has been accepted of take effect next Sunday. No other immediate changes are contemplated in the Cabinet.

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Uncle Sam is now sole owner to the whole Philippine Archipelago, the Spanish Minister having received a Treasury warrant for $100,000, to pay for "any and all islands" of that archipelago outside of the limits named in the Paris treaty. Before Secretary Hay handed the Spanish Minister the warrant for the cash, they exchanged copies of the treaty gorgeously gotten up, that of Spain being bound in red with the royal arms in gold, and that of the U. S. bound in blue, with the national coat of arms embossed thereon. This money was appropriated by Congress at the recent session.

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Congressmen who have been to Cuba since the adjournment, express the opinion that it will be some time before the Cubans accept our conditions for the withdrawal of American authority, but they will eventually do so. They also say that the longer it is the better it will please three fourths of the property holders and business men of Cuba.

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Representative Babcock, of Wisconsin, who is now in Washington, has received so many indorsements of his bill, introduced just before the late Congress adjourned, providing for the repeal of the tariff on manufactured steel and iron, as a curb on the steel trust, that he has decided to broaden the scope of the bill and make it also provide for the repeal of the tariff on tin plate and plate glass. Speaking of the bill, Mr. Babcock said. "I am not striking at the trusts alone. I go further and say that if any individual is enabled, through the high protective tariff to impose extortionate prices upon the people, he is just as much an object for congressional legislation as any trust. If my bill leads to a discussion of the whole tariff question, as it may do, I cannot see where harm will result. We ought not to set up the Dingley bill like a Chinese joss, as something to be worshipped and never altered. Conditions have changed very materially since that bill was enacted." Mr. Babcock is very earnest and when he said, as he does, that he will not allow his bill to be smothered in committee, he evidently means business. It will not be his fault if the bill fails to become a law.

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The Congressional Library has recently acquired sixteen old manuscript books, which contain historical data, to be found nowhere else, and which are consequently regarded as priceless. They relate to the public and private life of Robert Morris, the financier of the American revolution, and were all written by him. These volumes contain records of the U. S. Treasury department for the first three years of its existence, which are not included in the government archives.

'ROUND THE COUNTY.

By Pioneer Correspondents.

WILLOW RIVER.

Mr. James McGarry has returned to Stillwater, where he will resume his duties with the Atwood Lumber Company.

Mrs. Stewart, of Minneapolis, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. A. W. Davison. Mrs. Stewart is suffering from an attack of la grippe.

On the evening of the 22nd a fire destroyed a small house belonging to Ole Thompson and created considerable excitement in this usually quiet village. A large crowd gathered and did active work in saving what they could, but the building was a total loss, and without insurance. The hose cart was hauled to the scene of the fire and an effort made to make it effective, but without avail. The house was used only as a storage room and most of the contents were saved.

Mr. Arthur Anderson has gone to Emery, Wis., his former home.

H. A. Bolles' family have moved in from their ranch in Aitkin Co., where they have been holding down the claim for the past three years. They will now secure school advantages for the children.

The sledding was never better than at present. In the past two weeks about 18 inches of snow has fallen.

A baby girl came to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Grider the 21st.

Mrs. Arthur Richardson received information of the serious illness of her sister, living in Janesville, Minn., and has gone there to attend her.

We will pay cash for green wood—oak and maple. SMITH, The Hardware Man.

ELM CLIFF.

Quite a crowd of Pine Cityties drove down to the Foster residence at Rock Creek last Friday evening. The evening was spent in dancing and other amusements. Supper was served at the usual hour. Notwithstanding the bad weather they all enjoyed themselves immeusely until the "wee sma' hours of the morning.

Mrs. Gamble has young chicks out, they are for early market.

As no owner has called for the box of handkerchieves, I shall keep them for wedding presents for Pine City girl; so hurry up, girls, and get one.

MEADOW LAWN.

Rev. Parish held services Friday evening in the Meadow Lawn school house. Quite a number were present. We are all glad to have him make us a visit.

Elmer Smith has purchased a young horse.

Mr. Blanchard is now driving the mules which once belonged to A. Hathaway.

Irvin Holler took a four horse load of lumber to Pine City Saturday.

The snow which fell on Tuesday night was the worst of the season. It was drifted so that the roads were impassible the next morning. The teacher and some of the scholars were snow bound till eight o'clock at night, when a team came for them.

Bert Cummings came home from the woods, where he has been working for McGraw. The camp having broken up.

Bruce Hamlin left Meadow Lawn last Wednesday to spend the summer with his parents in Pine island.

On Monday, March 25th occurred the worst snow storm known so late in the spring for ten years. It was impossible to travel the roads on account of the snow and water.

The social dance given by Elmer Smith was well attended considering the weather and roads. All had a fine time dancing and twelve o'clock supper. They then returned to their homes.

Mrs. Smith has been on the sick list for the past two weeks with la grippe, but is able to be out again.

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PINE CITY, - - - MINN.

The late Lord Lilford, a memoir of whose life work has just been issued by his sister, owing to his physical infirmity, was never seen at Westminster, although he succeeded to the title as long ago as the year 1861. He spent the whole of his time, whenever he was able to get out of doors, in a bath chair, surrounded by his birds at Oundle hall.

Wonderful as was the record of the descendants of Queen Victoria, who at the time of her death had seventy-four surviving, at any rate, it falls short in point of numbers of that of one of her most illustrious subjects and oldest friends—the Duchess Dowager of Abercorn. This venerable lady, who will enter upon her 90th year on July 8, has 128 descendants living at the present time. Four of these are or will be dukes.

The concertina is to the Transvaal farmer what the bagpipe is to the Scotchman. The Boer agriculturist clings to his musical instrument day and night. It inspires men in the fields to ardent work, and its not over-melodious strains are constant in the household, while the housewife is preparing the dinner and the hungry men are waiting to tackle the frugal, but generous, load of edibles set forth for their maintenance.

An industrious calculator has been searching out some interesting facts concerning the new century. He points out that the twentieth century will contain 36,525 days, which lacks but one day of being exactly 5,218 weeks. The middle day of the century will be January 1, 1951. Fifteen out of the hundred years will begin on Wednesday, and the same number on Friday. Fourteen will begin on each of the other days of the week.

Lieut. C. A. L. Totten, the former Yale professor and prophet, believes that the new star constellation, Perseus, is the Star of Bethlehem. He said: "The new star was on the meridian at midnight when the great pyramid was built. That was when its meridian, which is that of the Pleiades, was the autumnal equinoctial colure, about 2170 B. C., and that constellation marked the dawn of the Peliadic cycle of some 25,827 years' duration."

The gay lights in Buckingham palace are telling Londoners every night that the English court has come back and that after the formal period of mourning for Victoria has passed by, such gaiety will come into the life of the great grey city as it has not known since the days of the Georges. To most of the nation the news comes as a source of congratulation. To the lower classes it brings tidings of amusement, and to the shop-keeping middle class, of profit.

According to a parliamentary return, the total capital paid up in England and Wales for tramways on June 30 last was almost $80,000,000, a gain of $10,000,000 over the previous year. The length of line open for public traffic was 933 miles, and the number of passengers carried was 817,000,000, as compared with 760,000,000 in the previous year. These figures seem very small beside the American totals, but the "boom" period has not yet reached England.

Another wealthy beggar was discovered in France on the death at Versailles, a few weeks back, of Marie Leret, a miserable-looking woman of 83, who for years had begged outside church doors and at railway stations. Fifteen thousand dollars in gold was found in a stocking secreted in a cupboard of the wretched hovel where she lived, together with securities to the value of $25,000, of which the dividend coupons had not been utilized for eighteen years.

A convict recently expired in a Milanese jail, leaving behind him a wonderful model of the famous Milan cathedral. Although the man had nothing to guide him beyond his memory, the model is said to be exact in every leading detail. The construction was carried out with the help of the rudest tools, supplied to the man by the warders, who took a great interest in the undertaking. The work occupied six years, and it is now the property of the governor of the prison.

Among the newest table appointments is an addition to the carving set in a pair of scissors with long silver handles, which are designed to sever the wings of a fowl. Another silver convenience is an asparagus lifter. This implement has a broad, flat surface, which is inserted under the portion of asparagus served to each person. A slight pressure of the thumb brings a top bar down gently upon the stalks, holding them firmly, so there is no danger of their slipping.

Every Saturday, for 20 years past, two old English women—Mrs. Carolina Amelia Irons and Miss Sarah Augusta Shrapnell—have conveyed meat on a push-truck from Oxford for their neighbors at Sutton Courtney, a journey of ten miles each way. They have just died within a day of each other, and they have been buried side by side. Their father, Lieut. James Shrapnell, who served under Nelson on the Victory, was a nephew of Lieut.-Gen. Henry Shrapnell, the inventor of the case-shot known by his name.

DEATH BY A CYCLONE

Terrible Storm Visits Birmingham, Ala., and Vicinity.

A GREAT MANY HOUSES DEMOLISHED.

Twenty-Five Persons Said to Have Been Killed—Large Number Injured—Damaging Storms in Other States.

Birmingham, Ala., March 26.—Shortly before ten o'clock Monday morning a fearful tornado, traveling in an easterly direction, swept over the southern part of this city. The number of killed is estimated at 25, of whom five are white. The destruction of property is placed at a quarter of a million dollars. Eighteen bodies had been recovered up to seven p. m., and scores of injured have been removed to the hospitals. Among the dead are Dr. G. C. Chapman, of the firm of Tally & Chapman, who conduct a private infirmary in this city, and the wife and infant child of Hon. Robert J. Lowe, chairman of the democratic state executive committee. Following is the list of identified dead and fatally injured:

The Victims.

Dead—Dr. G. C. Chapman, Mrs. Robert J. Lowe, infant child of Mrs. Lowe, J. Alexander, little daughter of B. B. Hudson; F. Myro (colored), collector of Union Mutual association, of Mobile; Carrie Hudson, Maggie Blevins, Carrie Henry, Lizzie Glen, cook for B. B. Hudson, unknown carpenter, struck by flying lumber.

Fatally Injured—Mrs. R. H. Thomas, Mrs. W. H. Thomas, Mrs. D. D. McLaughlin, Mrs. J. Ferguson, Mrs. Mylum, Carrie Ellis (colored).

The known injured number 34.

Path of the Storm.

The storm struck the city in the extreme southwestern corner, and plowed its way eastward, leaving a path 150 feet wide through the entire southern section, extending from Green Springs on the west to Avondale on the east, and continued its course until its fury was spent in the mountains beyond Irondale, a small town six miles east of the city.

The altitude of the cyclone was not more than 75 feet. The negro shanties and cottages in the lowlands in the path of the storm were the principal sufferers. The larger residences on the higher grounds suffered but slightly. The large trees on the hillside of the St. Vincent's hospital were torn up by the roots and large masses of stone were twisted out of the ground and broken and scattered all over the driveways of the entrance to the institution.

Bounded Like a Ball.

From Eighth to Tenth streets the tornado bounded like a rubber ball, and when it again descended it struck a two-story house occupied by Joseph Busenhellner and almost razed it to the ground. The 11-year-old daughter of John Krunsey was caught under the debris and severely injured. A house occupied by Taylor Hanson, near by, was unroofed and three small negro houses demolished. Onward the wind sped in its fury, demolishing trees and fences until it reached Eleventh street, where a house owned by John Hayes was leveled to the ground. Skimming close to the earth, the storm swept through a small pine grove, tearing the trees up by the roots and hurling them through the air like arrows.

Negro Settlement Wiped Out.

Beyond the grove the storm cloud swooped down upon a negro settlement, and the frail cabins were crushed like egg shells, not one being left in its pathway. Carrie Elma, a negro woman, was buried beneath the debris, but most of the negroes escaped with slight injuries, and after the storm had passed, gathered around the wreckage, apparently thankful that they had escaped with their lives. Eastward the storm swept, cutting its way through another strip of woods, striking the Second Presbyterian church, at the corner of Avenue H and Fifteenth street, demolishing the structure. The pews were piled on top of the debris, a small oak table, which was used in the rostrum, being deposited on the topmost point of the wreckage. East of the church, directly in the tornado's path, in another negro settlement, much havoc was wrought among the frail shacks, seven of which were swept away. A number of small houses were leveled between Sixteenth and Seventeenth streets. In the alley between Seventeenth and Eighteenth streets a small house, occupied by negroes, was completely demolished, and Greena Curry, a negro woman, was caught beneath the timber and sustained serious injuries. Three other houses were blown down near by.

Much Destruction.

The storm then struck the more thickly settled residence portion of the city, and its work of destruction increased. A cottage occupied by Fred Schaeffer, at 814 South Eighteenth street, and a small frame building a few doors north, occupied by L. H. Stewart, was badly damaged. Almost a clean sweep was made of the district lying between Eighteenth and Twentieth streets and Avenues H and I, two blocks. Here the scene is one of complete demolition. The frame cottages were reduced to flattened piles of debris; every tree, large or small, was either crushed down or uprooted, and there, with fallen telephone poles and their tangled wires, made a picture of destruction. A row of small cottages fronting east upon Nineteenth street, between Avenues H and I, were flattened out. The occupants had no warning and were unable to escape from their homes, and were rescued by workers after the storm. The house on the corner of Nineteenth and I, in this block, was occupied by W. M. Merritt, a member of the fire department, and his family, a wife and two small children. The Merritts were rescued with no more serious hurts than a few bruises. The second house was occupied by the family of Edward Mann. These were rescued, badly bruised. The third house was occupied by Roy McCullough and Charles R. Robinson and their families. These escaped serious injuries. The fourth house was occupied by Capt. N. D. Johnston and his daughter. They were caught in one corner of a room, the only part of the house left standing, and after the storm made their way out. The last house in the row was the property of D. McRae. Mr. McRae was caught beneath the wreck but escaped unhurt.

In Georgia.

Rome, Ga., March 26.—A rain and hailstorm here Monday morning blew in the fronts of several business houses and ruined their stocks. No fatalities have been reported. Six inches of rain fell in four hours, according to the weather observer. At Chambers, six miles from Rome, the gale blew down J. A. Rounsaville's home, and wrecked the cotton mill and three barns belonging to Rounsaville & Brothers. Many head of live stock were killed. It is feared much injury has been done to fruit trees. The rivers are rising rapidly. Thousands of feet of lumber are in danger of washing away and large forces of hands are at work moving it to places of safety.

Train Blown from Track.

Columbus, Ga., March 26.—A mixed train was blown off the Central of Georgia railroad tracks one mile east of Buena Vista, 37 miles from Columbus, late Monday afternoon by a tornado. The train consisted of an engine and tender, baggage car, two coaches and 12 freight cars, and was going 15 miles an hour when struck by the wind. The engine was lifted from the track, the tender was turned over, the baggage car, two coaches and three freight cars were thrown on their sides. The rest of the train, however, remained on the track. No one was killed.

In Wisconsin.

Milwaukee, March 26.—The heavy rain and thaw throughout Wisconsin for the past three days has caused high water in many places throughout the state, and several business firms have been compelled to suspend operation temporarily at least. Sheboygan, Oshkosh, Fond du Lac, Saukville and this city are having the worst experience.

The flood in the Menominee river valley is higher than for years past, and several of the factories are unable to operate. The Falk company have not been able to do any work in their foundry since Thursday, and cannot say now when they shall be. Piggsville, a Milwaukee suburb, is under water again, and the streets and yards of the town are inundated. The Milwaukee West side car shops are working, but a little more of a rise in the water will flood the shops. As it is a lake of water surrounds the shops on all sides. At Wauwatosa the river is threateningly high. Damage is not expected there, but at several points lower down some loss is feared. The river at Piggsville was 38 inches above high water mark Monday, and is still rising. At Black River Falls, Wis., the Black river is on a rampage. It rose about eight feet Monday and is still rising. The ice is going out, and damage to property will be heavy unless the waters recede. Fond du Lac reports an ice gorge formed at Twelfth street bridge, and it is feared that the bridge will be hoisted from its foundation. The river has overflowed its banks and is doing considerable damage along its course. Oshkosh, Wis., reports the lowlands all covered with water, and on the road between there and Neenah the interurban track in many places is a foot or two under water, causing some delay to the incoming cars, but not stopping traffic.

The village of Michicott, situated at the east Twin river, 12 miles north of Manitowoc, is completely at the mercy of the water of that river, owing to the breaking of the dam there Monday. The people of the village were prepared for the break. At one o'clock the top of the dam broke and the water, with a rush, tore several of the dwellings along the bank from their foundations and completely turned them around, causing much damage. The damage to three bridges will aggregate $8,000. The main street of the village on which was located the stores and hotels is completely flooded, the water being over five feet deep. All business is at a standstill.

In Michigan.

Kalamazoo, Mich., March 26.—A cyclone struck the town of Pavilion, a small village 25 miles southeast of Kalamazoo, which wrecked a number of houses, uprooting trees, tore down telegraph poles and did much other damage. One woman who was ill in one of the houses blown down is reported fatally hurt, and many others injured.

In Ohio.

Sandusky, O., March 26.—A severe windstorm passed over the western part of Erie county late Monday afternoon. The principal sufferer was the settlement of Mustasch, on the shore of Sandusky bay, where several roofs were blown from houses and trees were blown down. No one was injured so far as known. The storm did not touch Sandusky.

Off for Morocco.

Gibraltar, March 26.—The armored cruiser New York is ready to sail today for Mazagan, on the coast of Morocco, where she will remain until United States Consul General Gummere has secured an adjustment of the claims of the American government at the Moroccan capital.

JAPAN WILL FIGHT.

Cannot Brook Russia's Occupation of Manchuria.

DOES NOT FEAR RESULT OF A CLASH.

American Interests in Corea Imperilled by Removal of the Director General of Customs—A Protest Will Be Made.

London, March 26.—The Chinese minister, Sir Chih Chen Lo Feng Luh, called at the foreign office Monday and urged the British government to bring pressure to bear in order to prevent Russia from securing the necessary signatures of the Manchurian agreement. The foreign office is still in the dark as to whether the agreement will be signed or allowed to lapse when the time expires, March 26. The officials of the Japanese legation are inclined to believe Russia will succeed in getting the necessary signatures. The situation is still more complicated owing to the fact that there are two secret treaties, one of which is to be signed at St. Petersburg, dealing with Russia's military control of Manchuria, and another, to be signed at Peking, dealing with her civil powers. The Chinese appeals for support have failed to produce any direct remonstrances from Great Britain or apparently from any other power to St. Petersburg, for Russia persistently adhered to her contention that the secret agreements concern no one except herself and China. On this ground Great Britain's request for copies of the agreement was abruptly declined. It is explained at the foreign office here that it would be a dangerous breach of diplomatic procedure to endeavor to enter upon expostulations with Russia which would only be based upon information supplied by the Chinese. In other words the copies of secret treaties and alleged modifications of them recently given to the powers by the Chinese are worthless documents and will remain such until Russia herself chooses to communicate the text of the actual treaties and modifications.

Says Japan Will Fight.

In the absence of the Japanese minister in London, Baron Hayashi, Mr. Matsui, first secretary of the Japanese legation, who was interviewed Monday afternoon, made a comprehensive statement of the issues involved. He said:

"Russia's insistence, China's helplessness and the probable victory of Russian diplomacy will bring us to the brink of a dangerous situation in which none of the powers is so deeply concerned as Japan. Even if the secret treaties have been modified, as is alleged, the changes are so trifling as to make the documents thoroughly objectionable to Japan. Assuming that China signs the treaties, I suppose Great Britain, Germany and the United States will protest to Russia. But that is about as far as they will go and about as much as they will get. With Japan it is a matter of fighting. The question is whether we are to fight Russia now or to fight her later on. She has no right to Manchuria, and if she secures Manchuria she will be on the way to securing Corea. Our government, I believe, are seriously considering the crisis. Their eyes are wide open and they will not be driven to precipitate action by the jingoists of Japan, who are openly clamoring for immediate war. Yet, if they see that war is unavoidable they will not hesitate to strike. Japan has no reason to be afraid as to the result. Many reasons occur to the average Japanese mind in favor of forcing at the present moment a struggle which must come eventually. The chief reason against so doing is the fact that Japan is just beginning a new industrial era which would be temporarily killed should we endeavor by force of arms to prevent Russian encroachments. If we follow the lead of other powers and do not threaten hostilities, we realize that we must sit down tamely and see any other nation step in to make agreements similar to those which China seems on the verge of signing with Russia. This would mean the partition of the Chinese empire and the end of the 'open door.' If we opposed it we naturally think we would have the moral support of the United States, which has been the champion of these principles, and also of Great Britain and Germany."

Will Cause a Protest.

Washington, March 26.—The state department has received from Mr. Allen, our minister at Seoul, Corea, dispatches confirming the cable report of the removal of McLeavy Brown, the director general of Corean customs. As this action of the emperor, undertaken at the behest of Russia, goes far to wipe out the integrity of Corea, according to the estimate of the officials here, it will not be allowed to pass without a remonstrance on our part. For the officials are convinced that Russian domination of Corea would mean the extinguishment of American interests in that quarter, and these in recent years have become important.

The Indemnity Question.

Peking, March 26.—The special committee of ministers appointed to consider the question of China's ability to meet the indemnity claims is already well forward with the work of investigating the resources of the empire. Sir Robert Hart, director general of the imperial maritime customs, has been examined, as have also the managers of representative Chinese banks, many pawnbrokers and other Chinese financiers. The consular reports for a number of years back have been closely read. It now appears that from all sources the annual revenue aggregates about $65,000,000 gold, derived from the land tax, the grain tax, the likin, the customs, the opium tax and miscellaneous imports. The largest two items are the land tax, which brings in $14,000,000, and the foreign customs, which yields $12,000,000. In the opinion of all the foreigners who have participated in the examination, the land tax could be doubled and even tripled without much hardship, and the salt tax could be raised from $6,000,000 to $20,000,000. It is believed that the total increase could be made to amount to $150,000,000. If, then, the imperial expenses could be reduced to $45,000,000, there would be left available for the liquidation of the interest on loans and the indemnity fund the sum of $105,000,000. Making all allowances, it would be possible to pay the indemnity within 20 years.

Says Its Illusory.

London, March 26.—The Peking correspondent of the Daily Mail declares that the alleged modification of the Manchurian convention regarding Mongolia and Turkestan is "absolutely illusory."

Won't Extend the Time.

London, March 26.—"M. de Giers has emphatically declined," says Dr. Morrison, wiring to the Times from Peking Sunday, "to grant an extension of the period for signing and further amending the Manchurian convention, which the Chinese court implored. Li Hung Chang continues to urge the expediency of immediate compliance. His hands were strengthened by Count von Buelow's statement in the reichstag that the Anglo-German agreement does not apply to Manchuria.

Russia Has Not Withdrawn.

London, March 26.—Replying to Sir Ellis Ashmead-Bartlett (conservative), who asked in the house of commons Monday whether Russia had presented China with a modified agreement regarding Manchuria, and whether Russia had withdrawn from the so-called concert of Europe, the under foreign secretary, Lord Cranborne, said the government understood that the terms of the proposed agreement were still under discussion, but he was unable to make any positive statement on that subject. The Russian government, he added, had informed the government of Great Britain that Russia had no intention of withdrawing from cooperation with the other powers in China.

Questioned in regard to the Russian concession at Tientsin, Lord Cranborne said Li Hung Chang signed an agreement granting Russia a considerable tract of land, which the Russian military authorities had previously claimed by right of conquest. The British foreign office was not aware by what authority Li Hung Chang signed the concession, but the Chinese government had declared its validity, and therefore it must be reserved for future examination. Count Lamsdorff made a similar declaration on March 20.

Unable to Agree.

Peking, March 24.—The foreign ministers seem utterly unable to agree as to the best method of policing the legation quarter. The proposition most favored by the majority and most complained of by the minority is one providing that men of the regular armies shall be detailed for the service, under one officer connected with the allies.

United States Special Commissioner Rockhill is one who objects to this plan, is also the British minister, Sir Ernest Satow, who says that, though an international force is desirable, it would be better that the police detail should be composed of soldiers who are not liable to be called away when they are most useful. It is also undesirable, he thinks, that the commandant should be an officer actively connected with any army, while the intention to make each legation practically an armed camp is a great mistake and is liable to cause friction; and it would be better far to make a general international district.

Accidentally Killed His Daughter.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 26.—While testing the shooting qualities of an old revolver, Peter Williams, an aged colored preacher living on Prospect street, shot and instantly killed his 13-year-old daughter Bertie Monday afternoon. Williams is an itinerant colored minister, and is a member of the New Hope colored Baptist church. He is a simple, kindly old man, about 60 years of age. He shot into the side of a shed. The girl was inside, unknown to him and the bullet struck her in the breast.

Wanted for Wholesale Murder.

Louisville, Ky., March 26.—A special to the Evening Times from Pineville, Ky., says: J. C. Durham was arrested here Monday by detectives, who claim he is wanted in Santa Clara county, Cal., on the charge of murdering Mrs. R. P. McGliney, Hattie Durham, Minnie Schlesaley, Col. McGliney, James Wills and Robert Brisco on the night of May 26, 1896. A reward of $10,000 has been offered for the murderer's capture.

Fire in New Orleans.

New Orleans, March 26.—Fire just before six o'clock Monday evening gutted the store of B. Fellman & Co., in the heart of the retail dry goods district, causing a loss of $130,000 to this firm. The carpet house of Leopold Levy and the notion store of the Rosenberg company, on either side, each sustained about $20,000 water damage.

Act of Vandalism.

Berkeley Springs, W. Va., March 26.—The fine medicinal spring, set aside over a century ago for the use of the public by Lord Fairfax, was dynamited by unknown persons early Sunday morning. The controversy over the leasing of the spring to outsiders has caused ill feeling, and the work of the vandals is attributed to this.

Students Killed.

London, March 26.—At Iutschau, Corea, collisions have occurred between the people and missionary students, according to the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Daily Mail, and several students have been killed or wounded.

Big Cargo of Coffee.

Kingston, Jamaica, March 26.—The British steamer Tyne, at Port Limon, is loading 56,000 bags of coffee. This is the record shipment from Port Limon.

BLAST WAS DEADLY.

Gas Accumulates in a Pennsylvania Mine and Explodes.

CAUSES GREAT HAVOC AMONG MINERS

One Man Is Killed—Five Others Will Die of Their Injuries and Ten Are Badly Hurt—The Mine on Fire.

Connellsville, Pa., March 26.—The first and most fatal mine explosion to occur in the new Klondike region of Fayette county happened Monday. One man was killed instantly, five will die, and ten are burned and crushed so terribly that it is doubtful if they will recover. The body of the dead man is missing, the injured men have been brought to the Cottage state hospital, and as a result of the explosion the mine is on fire. The cause of the explosion was an accumulation of gas in the heading of the Gates mine, one of the new mines opened up this winter by the American Steel & Wire company, which has lately been merged into the United States Steel corporation.

The Gates plant is located just across the Monongahela river from Masontown. The fire boss of the new mine is Michael Callaghan, but recently appointed. He made his rounds early Monday morning as usual, and found no gas. At 8:50 o'clock a blast was prepared in a heading parallel to the main heading. A group of 16 miners had gathered in a cross entry about 600 feet from the bottom of the shaft and 50 feet from the face. The charge of powder was put into the blast as usual and touched off by Michael Goble, the "blaster." In the meantime a pocket of gas had accumulated at the face and gradually drifted out toward the heading. It is supposed that the slight fall or a sudden issue along the floor of the heading caused the presence of the gas. The same instant that the fuse was touched off there was a blinding flash which suddenly filled the entry in which the miners had taken refuge. The American miners who are able to tell anything of the accident say that there were really two explosions.

NO STRIKE LIKELY.

Operators Agree to the New Wage Scale Demanded by the United Mine Workers.

Pittsbrgh, Pa., March 26.—Patrick Dolan, district president of the United Mine Workers association, announced Monday that after a conference lasting more than three weeks, the operators conceded the demands made by the miners in the new wage scale, and a fair settlement for the Pittsburgh district has been effected. A disagreement seemed inevitable on Saturday, and a call was issued for a convention to be held Thursday next to consider the advisability of striking, but all the convention will have to do will be to ratify the scale as signed. The miners' officials will take up the Beaver and Irwin district scales this week.

Defalcation Nearly $200,000.

Washington, March 26.—Mr. Dawes, the comptroller of the currency, has received a report from the receiver in charge, on the condition of the failed First national bank of Niles, Mich. The report will not be made public at present, but it is stated that the indications are that the defalcation of the cashier will amount to about $195,000.

The comptroller of the currency Monday decided to assess the stockholders of the bank 100 per cent. of their holdings.

Cathedral Burned.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 26.—St. Andrew's Roman Catholic cathedral was destroyed early Monday by fire, resulting from a stroke of lightning. The loss is $50,000, with only $20,000 insurance. The large pipe organ, valued at $10,000, was utterly ruined. The spire of the church was struck by lightning about 10:30 o'clock at night, but flames were not discovered until 2:15 in the morning, when they were beyond control of the firemen.

Huge Raft of Logs.

Portland, Ore., March 26.—The Evening Telegram says: The Robertson Raft company in the near future will build a mammoth raft, containing almost 10,000,000 feet of logs, which will be towed across the Pacific ocean to oriental points. The raft will be lashed together with more than 1,000 tons of chain of the best quality.

Rodenburg Provided For.

Washington, March 26.—The president has appointed ex-Representative W. A. Rodenburg, of Illinois, a member of the civil service committee, to succeed the late Mark S. Brewer, and E. I. Allen, of Auburn, N. Y., commissioner of patents to succeed Commissioner Duell, resigned.

Carnegie's Offer Declined.

Atchison, Kan., March 26.—This city will not accept the offer from Andrew Carnegie to give $50,000 for a library here. Mr. Carnegie's stipulation that the city raise $5,000 annually for the maintenance of the library is the cause.

Hon. Charles S. May Dead.

Kalamazoo, Mich., March 26.—Hon. Charles S. May, lieutenant governor of Michigan from 1863 to 1865, and an eminent member of the Michigan bar, died suddenly at his home, Island View, Gull lake, of heart failure, aged 71.

Charlotte Mary Yonge Dead.

London, March 26.—Charlotte Mary Yonge, the author, died Sunday in Winchester. She was born August 11, 1823.

LEGISLATIVE GOSSIP

Our Special Correspondent Tells of the Solons' Doings.

Bills are Being Rapidly Introduced and Sent on Their Way by the Committee of the Whole. But Few Have Become Laws.

St. Paul, March 20.—Each branch of the legislature is devoting its energies to passing its own bills, without giving much attention to the bills from the other house. This is really a wise move, as it gives each house a chance, during the latter days of the session, to actually make some laws by having its own decks cleared and taking up bills which have passed one branch. The present result is, however, that there are not many laws being absolutely enacted, but more than the usual number are in process.

The senate passed the house drainage bill, appropriating $50,000 for drainage of swamp lands.

Four bills were introduced in the senate yesterday, overhauling the health commissioners of the state and making more stringent provision against the spread of contagious diseases.

Per contra the senate killed the bill forbidding the intermarriage of feeble minded and offensively diseased persons.

Among the bills passed by the house were the two which appropriated some $1,200 for the expenses of the election contest from Le Sueur county. Another bill passed prohibits attorneys from advertising to secure divorce cases.

The governor has signed the bill appropriating $20,000 for the state exhibit at the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, and has appointed H. P. Hall of St. Paul, O. D. Kinney of Duluth and John Morton of Steele county as the three commissioners to have the matter in charge. He has also signed the bills providing for loans to farmers who suffered by storm or drougth to purchase seed grain.

The senate spent two or three hours considering the board of control bill, which has passed the house. They decided to bring the state university under the supervision of the board and adjournod with the rest of the bill in the air.

St. Paul, March 20.—The only bill presented in the house yesterday was a substitute for the meat inspection bill, which it was claimed would destroy the meat industry of the state.

The only bill of importance passed by the senate was one preventing easy divorce.

The senate was due to have an interesting session in the afternoon, but the death of Rev. W. W. Lewis, the senate chaplain, was announced, and the senate immediately adjourned.

The house was the storm center, over the bill increasing the gross earnings tax from 3 to 4 per cent. Representatives Jacobson and J. A. Peterson championed the bill, and Laybourn of Duluth opposed it. The debate was so protracted that an afternoon session was held, when, by a vote of 62 to 51, the house refused to send the bill to the committee of the whole. This virtually defeats the bill. An effort was then made to send the bill to the tax commission, but the speaker ruled that while the subject matter could be sent to the tax commission, the bill itself could not. It was then made a special order for today.

During the debate Mr. Jacobson alleged there had been bribery, and offered a resolution for an investigating committee, which was adopted.

The anti-cigaret bill was sent to the calendar, after a hard fight.

The resolution to adjourn April 5 was postponed until Saturday.

St. Paul, Minn. March 22—The house was still excited yesterday over the gross earnings bill and the charges of corruption made by Jacobson and Washburn. Representatives Mallory, Whitford, Wells, Johnson and Lee were appointed the investigating committee to smoke out the alleged corruption. In accordance with the preliminary vote Wednesday the subject matter of the gross earnings tax on railroads was refered to the tax commission by a vote of 60 to 51.

The bill itself was laid on the table and ordered printed with the amendments so that it is possible it may be heard from again.

The senate had a lively debate over the anti-trust bill but finally passed it with only 2 negative votes. This was the only important bill passed by the senate.

Chaplain Lewis, whose death was announced, practically sacrificed his life in order to discharge his public duties. His physicians forbid his leaving his home but he insisted on going to the senate and the physician threw up the case. It was quite appropriate therefore for the senate to pass a resolution giving his widow the remainder of the pay which would have been due him if he had lived throughout the session. A committee of six was appointed to attend the funeral. Rev. H. A. Chouinard, of St. Peter, who was a candidate for chaplain at the outset and defeated by Mr. Lewis, was elected chaplain for the remainder of the term.

The senate passed a resolution calling upon the oil inspector to report the names of his deputies and the districts each work in.

The usual buncombe game appeared in a bill offered to limit future sessions to 80 days.

St. Paul, March 23.—The senate passed the board of control bill yesterday by a vote of 40 to 16, with the amendment that the state university and other educational institutions shall be placed in charge of the new board. An effort will be made in the house to strike out this amendment.

Senator Chilton's marriage bill was resurrected and amended so that when parties wishing to marry can secure a health certificate from a physician showing that they are in sound mental condition the ceremony can proceed. In this form the bill passed. The bill reducing interest on state land contracts was also passed.

The corruption investigation in the house is exciting considerable interest, but it looks as if it would not amount to much. It is now alleged that all the talk about boodle was done as a matter of a joke, and the parties supposed to be implicated say they never were offered anything or heard of anything being offered.

The reapportionment bill, which was in the hands of a conference committee, has been finally agreed to, and has gone to the governor for his signature.

The house passed the bill allowing municipal employes to be garnisheed, by a large majority. Quite a number of bills were passed by the house, but they were only of local interest.

St. Paul, March 25.—After almost innumerable delays, the house at last reached a vote on the early adjournment question Saturday. The senate voted two or three weeks ago to adjourn on the 5th of April, but the house voted to make the date April 15. When the resolution reached the senate, that body refused to concur, and appointed a conference committee with a view of agreeing upon April 11th or 12th. The latter date was finally agreed upon. If the full session had been held the date of adjournment would have been April 25.

The oil inspection fight has finally terminated by the agreement of the conference committee to have the bill go into effect after the term of the present incumbent has expired, and now it is reported that the governor may veto the whole thing.

A bill was introduced in the senate appropriating $6,000 for the attorneys for the state in litigating the land grant of the Duluth & Iron Range railway.

The following are the new congressional districts as finally agreed upon:

First District — Dodge, Fillmore, Freeborn, Houston, Mower, Olmstead, Steele, Wabasha, Waseca, Winona. Population, 210,164.

Second—Blue Earth, Brown, Cottonwood, Faribault, Jackson, Martin, Murray, Nobles, Pipestone, Rock, Watonwan. Population, 175,174.

Third—Carver, Dakota, Goodhue, Le Sueur, McLeod, Nicollet, Rice, Scott, Sibley. Population, 183,100.

Fourth—Ramsey, Washington, Chisago. Population, 211,610.

Fifth—Hennepin. Population, 228,340.

Sixth — Benton, Cass, Crow Wing, Douglas, Hubbard, Meeker, Morrison, Sherburne, Stearns, Todd, Wadena, Wright. Population, 208,162.

Seventh — Big Stone, Chippewa, Grant, Kandiyohi, Lac qui Parle, Lincoln, Lyon, Pope, Redwood, Renville, Stevens, Swift, Traverse, Yellow Medicine. Population, 184,357.

Eighth — Aitkin, Anoka, Carlton, Cook, Isanti, Itasca, Kanabec, Lake, Mille Lacs, Pine, St. Louis. Population, 156,943.

Ninth—Becker, Beltrami, Clay, Kittson, Marshall, Norman, Otter Tail, Polk, Red Lake, Roseau, Wilkin. Population, 190,052.

St. Paul, March 26.—The legislature will adjourn at noon, Friday, April 12. The report of the conference made to the senate and house on Monday was agreed to by both branches of the legislature. Now the legislators know where they are at. April 1 will be the last day for introducing new bills. After that date any bill proposed must be accompanied by a message from the governor. April 11 is the last day on which bills may be passed. There are about 1,000 new measures in the hands of the two houses, so there is work in plenty on hand.

The house passed the resolution giving the bribery investigating committee power to send for persons and papers and compel the attendance of witnesses, also requiring the committee to report none but legal evidence. When this committee will meet is uncertain.

The senate bill extending the probation system to all juvenile delinquents under 21 years passed the house under suspension of the rules.

The house cleared up the calendar yesterday, passing several bills, none of them of importance.

The senate did but little work, played horse with general orders and did not touch the calendar. Senator Du Toit introduced a bill to make half of the senators elective every two years and provide for a constitutional amendment to give it effect.

The board of control bill was in the hands of the conference committee yesterday. The general expectation is that, when reported back by this committee, it will be in shape to pass.

The Dunn primary election bill, which has passed the house, is in the keeping of the senate committee on elections. The machine politicians are trying to load it up with amendments according to their desires, and how the bill will look when it comes out is a problem, that makes the probability of the passage of an acceptable bill look doubtful at this time.

Popularity of Name Washington.

Not counting the national capital there are 44 towns and cities bearing the name of Washington. No doubt more communities would have thus honored the memory of the father of his country but for the prohibition of the post office department of more than one post office of the same name in a state. There is in nearly every state a county called Washington. But the most popular use of the name has come to light in the pension bureau. In certain parts of the country a rushing business is being done by attorneys in applications for pensions on behalf of colored soldiers who served during the civil war. The attention of the bureau has been called to one regiment in which, according to the rolls, 23 colored George Washingtons served. A single company shows a membership of 13 George Washingtons by the applications filed.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

MINNESOTA NEWS.

Railroad Taxes.

Following is a complete statement of the amounts paid into the state treasury this year by the railroads operating in Minnesota. The taxes are on gross earnings for last year:

Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul	$234,151.23
Minnesota Transfer	391.53
Union Depot & Transfer Company of Stillwater	351.81
Duluth & Northern Minnesota Railway Company	1,273.68
Duluth, Red Wing & Southern Railroad Company	2,537.43
Red Lake Transportation Company	110.56
Brainerd & Northern Minnesota Railway Company	7,538.40
South St. Paul Belt Railroad, in St. Paul	175.53
Duluth & Iron Range Railroad Company	130,222.28
Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Omaha Railway Company	74,080.23
Duluth, Missabe & Northern Railway Company	69,485.45
Winona Bridge Railway Company	187.50
Split Rock & Northern Railway company	35.56
Chicago & North-Western Railway Company	77,053.32
Minneapolis Eastern Railway Company	2,027.41
Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie Railway Company	43,656.54
Railway Transfer Company	4,040.03
Burlington, Cedar Rapids & Northern Railway Company	7,409.59
Willmar & Sioux Falls Railway Company	21,138.71
Northern Pacific Railroad Company	228,606.90
Winona & Western Railway Company	5,771.95
Minneapolis & Western Railway Company	1,219.83
Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic	112.17
Minneapolis & St. Louis Railroad Company	69,050.25
Green Bay & Western Railroad Company	53.17
Dubuque & Sioux City Railroad Company	221.99
Eastern Railway Company of Minnesota	56,214.27
Albert Lea & Southern Railroad Company	28.29
Great Northern Railway Company	150,000.00
Wisconsin Central Railway Company	5,216.80
Duluth Transfer Railway Company	750.86
Total	$1,443,992.18

Big Premiums.

The premiums for the great "breed show" of Shorthorn cattle, to be conducted at the Minnesota state fair of 1901, are announced by officers of the American Shorthorn Breeders' association. The event will be a memorable one in every way and will give a new impetus to Shorthorn cattle breeding throughout Minnesota and the whole northwest. It will also make one of the important features at the next state fair, attracting live stock men, not only in Minnesota, but from the Dakotas, Montana, Nebraska, Iowa, Wisconsin and other states.

All entries for this competion must be made with B. O. Cowan, assistant secretary, Springfield, Ill., not later than Aug. 15. An auction sale of pure-bred Shorthorns will be held in connection with the exhibition.

Minnesota Wins.

Minnesota won in the oratorical contest with the University of Nebraska, gaining first and third places. Guy L. Caldwell was ranked first by the judges; W. E. Hannan of Nebraska, second; L. H. Johnston, third, and N. M. Graham, fourth. The judges were Dr. Charles M. Jordon and Rev. Marion D. Shutter of Minneapolis and Dr. Bridgeman, president of Hamline university. Dr. Frank McVey presided and introduced the speaker of the evening.

Condensed News.

When Mr. Davis, living near Stephen, awoke one morning his wife was missing. She was found in the well, dead.

Seven trains loaded with homeseekers went west from the Twin Cities recently.

A runaway horse in Minneapolis got stuck in a snow drift and was captured.

The wagon works of Gensman Bros., at Lewiston, were destroyed by fire.

In all probability the food and dairy interests will make another attempt to prevent the sale of butterine in large shipments, because of the decision of the United States supreme court a few days ago.

Representative Tawney has been notified that three rural free delivery routes will be established at Chatfield and one at Lanesboro, in Fillmore county, on May 1.

Miss Emma Thune, of Crookston, died while unconscious from the effects of ether administered to facilitate an operation to remove a swelling of the neck.

The coal stove in James Lally's residence at Moorhead exploded the other night and the fire department had to work hard to save the building.

The bell fell off the brick schoolhouse 15 miles northeast of Kasson, striking near a groop of children. One of the pieces struck William Kennedy's little daughter, breaking her arm and injured her on the back of her neck. The frame of the bell had become rotten.

M. Davis, a Minneapolis grocer was fined $25 for selling unlabelled baking powder.

Frank Donahue, was arrested in Minneapolis for attempting to steal a big motor from the railway company.

Three prisoners escaped from the county jail at Hastings by cutting a hole through the roof on the west side and lowering themselves to the ground by a rope made from quilts.

Fire broke out in Lester & Lehrkes' saloon at Stewart and the building and contents were completely destroyed. Mr Lester lived on the second floor and the whole family came near perishing.

The threatened strike of the Minneapolis painters has been averted by a compromise settlement.

Harvey Potts, while sitting in a saloon in Minneapolis, fell from his chair and died.

An unknown man was found dead on the railroad tracks near Rochester. The body was almost covered by snow.

The Great Northern railroad will spend $100,000 enlarging its shops in St. Paul.

Capitalists are considering the proposition of building a short line railway from Minneapolis to Winnipeg.

FEAR THE BOERS.

Great Alarm at Queenstown, Cape Colony, at Report That the Enemy Is Near.

Queenstown, Cape Colony, March 26.—The town guard here has been called out owing to reports that a force of Boers is near the town. Business has been shut down in order to allow the employes to man the trenches and forts day and night. The Boers, who are said to be 20 miles off, are alleged to have crossed the railroad near Drummond.

London, March 26.—The colonial secretary, Mr. Chamberlain, when asked in the house of commons Monday if it was possible to change the offer of peace terms to the Boers, said the negotiations were closed and there was no intention of reopening them.

London, March 26—The war office has received the following dispatch from Lord Kitchener:

"Pretoria, March 25.—Babington's force, including Shekleton's column, attacked Delarey, 1,500 strong, southwest of Ventersdorp, and having defeated him followed him up rapidly with the result that the Boer rear guard was driven in and their convoy, including the guns captured at Vaal's bank. Our troops displayed great gallantry and dash. They captured two 15-pounder guns, one pompom, six Maxims, 220 rounds of big ammunition, 15,000 rounds of small ammunition, 160 rifles, 53 wagons and 24 carts, besides taking 140 prisoners. Our losses were slight. Many Boers were killed or wounded."

Cape Town, March 26.—It is said the Boers lost very heavily in attacking the garrison at Lichtenburg last week. Upwards of 70 burghers are reported to have been shot at one spot among the wire entanglements.

London, March 26.—The official casualty list issued Monday evening indicates a renewal of active operations since the failure of the negotiations between Lord Kitchener and Gen. Botha. At Hartebeestefontein, March 22 and 23, two officers were killed and three wounded, and four men killed and 20 wounded. There also seems to have been heavy fighting at a place near Gredgedacht March 18 and near Ventersburg March 16. Ventersdorp, the scene of the defeat of Delarey, is about 25 miles northeast from Hartebeestefontein. It is possible, therefore, that the advices as to fighting at these points really refer to the same engagement.

The Pretoria correspondent of the Standard says that it is obvious that some months must pass before Boer resistance can be crushed.

The Amsterdam correspondent of the Daily Express says he understands that Mr. Kruger has advised Acting President Schalkburger to formulate peace terms.

Henry L. Hertz Made Collector.

Washington, March 26.—Henry L. Hertz has been appointed collector of internal revenue for the First district of Illinois.

THE MARKETS

Grain, Provisions, Etc.

Chicago, March 25.

WHEAT—Unsettled. May, 75¾@76⅝c.

FLOUR—Moderate demand and steady. Winter patents, $3.75@3.95; spring patents (special brands), $4.25@4.30; other brands, $2.60@2.80; bakers' $2.25@2.60; rye, $2.85@2.95.

CORN—Higher. Cash, 40½@40⅝c; May, 41¾@42c; July, 42@42¼c; September, 42⅝@42¾c.

RYE—Quiet and little doing. No. 2, on the regular market, 50¾@51c, and No. 3, 47@48c; choice lots by sample bring a premium. May delivery, 50¾@51¼c.

BARLEY—Little for sale and market firm. Screenings, 30@36c; low grade to common barley, 40@45c; fair to good, 48@55c, and choice, 56@57c.

MESS PORK—Trading rather active and prices higher. Quotations, $15.60@15.65 for regular, with old at $1.25@1.50 discount; $15.30@15.75 for May, and $14.80@15.17½ for July.

POTATOES—Market weak and prices lower. Burbanks and Peerless, 35@38c; Rurals, 30@35c; Hebrons and Kings, 35@38c.

EGGS—Ruling steady. At mark, new cases included, fresh laid, 12@12¼c; at mark, cases returned, 11¾c.

BUTTER—Market quiet. Creameries, extra, 20½c per pound; firsts, 18@19c; seconds, 15@16c; dairies, 14@19c.

LIVE POULTRY—Quiet and steady. Turkeys, 5@7½c per pound; chickens, 9½c; ducks, 10c; geese, $4.00@7.00 per dozen.

New York, March 25.

FLOUR—Held at old prices, with demand generally 5@10c lower and indifferent at any price.

WHEAT—Spot easy; No. 2 red, 81¾c; options closed easy at ¼@¾c net decline; May, 80 5-16@80⅝c, closed 80⅝c; July, 80⅝@80⅝c, closed 80⅝c. September, 79⅜@79⅝c, closed 79⅝c.

CORN—Spot strong; No. 2, 49c; options closed firm at ⅛@⅜c net advance; March closed 49c; May, 47¾@47⅝c, closed 47⅝c; July, 46⅝@47¼c, closed 47¼c; September, 47⅜@47⅝c, closed 47⅝c.

OATS—Spot dull; No. 2, 30½c; No. 3, 30c; No. 2 white, 32¾@33c; No. 3 white, 32c; track mixed western, 30@31½c; track white, 32@36c; options quiet but firmer with wheat.

BUTTER—Firm. Fresh creamery, 16@22c; factory, 9@14½c.

CHEESE—Firm. Fancy large, colored and white, 11@11¼c; fancy small colored, 12½c; fancy small white, 12@12¼c.

EGGS—Firm. Western, at mark, 13¼c; southern, at mark, 12½@13c.

Live Stock.

Chicago, March 25.

HOGS—Choice to fancy strong-weight shipping, $5.97½@6.05; poor to good heavy packing, $5.80@5.90; fair to choice heavy mixed, $5.85@5.97½; selected butcher weights, $5.92½@6.00; poor to fancy light mixed, $5.50@5.82½; selected lights, $5.80@5.82½; fair to choice, $5.40@5.70.

CATTLE—Choice to prime steers, $5.85@6.05; good to prime beeves, $5.25@5.80; fair to good shipping steers, $4.55@5.30; plain grades, $4.25@4.50; common to rough, $3.90@4.20; fair to fancy feeders, $3.50@4.65; plain to good stockers, $2.50@3.60; bulls, poor to fancy, $2.25@4.25; stock calves, common to fancy, $2.75@4.75; fat and fed Texas steers, $3.90@4.70; light Texas cows, bulls and grass steers, $2.60@3.65; fat western steers, $4.00@5.45.

South Omaha, Neb., March 25.

CATTLE—Market slow, steady. Native beef steers, $4.00@5.40; western steers, $3.70@4.60; Texas steers, $3.50@4.60; cows and heifers, $3.25@4.40; canners, $1.75@3.00; stockers and feeders, $3.25@4.75; calves, $3.00@7.00; bulls, stags, etc., $2.50@4.25.

HOGS—Five cents lower. Heavy, $5.75@5.80; mixed, $5.75@5.77½; light, $5.70@5.75; pigs, $5.00@5.40; bulk of sales, $5.75@5.77½c.

SHEEP—Steady. Yearlings, $4.00@5.00; wethers, $4.25@4.60; ewes, $3.75@4.25; common and stock sheep, $3.75@3.80; lambs, $4.50@5.25.

Nervous Prostration.

A Noted Boston Woman Describes its Symptoms and Terrors.—Two Severe Cases Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

ADELE WILLIAMSON.

"I am so nervous! no one ever suffered as I do! There isn't a well inch in my body. I honestly believe my lungs are diseased, my chest pains me so, but I have no cough. I am so weak at my stomach, and have indigestion terribly, and palpitation of the heart; am losing flesh; and this headache and backache nearly kills me, and yesterday I had hysterics.

"There is a weight in the lower part of my bowels, bearing down all the time, with pains in my groins and thighs—I can't sleep, walk, or sit, and blue—oh goodness! I am simply the most miserable of women."

This is a most vivid description of a woman suffering with nervous prostration, caused by inflammation or some other diseased condition of the womb.

No woman should allow herself to reach such a perfection of misery when there is no need of it. Read about Miss Williamson's case and how she was cured.

Two Bad Cases of Nervous Prostration Cured.

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM;—I was suffering such tortures from nervous prostration that life was a burden. I could not sleep at all, and was too weak to walk across the floor. My heart was affected so that often I could not lie down at all without almost suffocating. I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and it worked like magic. I feel that your medicine has been of inestimable benefit to me."

MISS ADELE WILLIAMSON,
196 N. Boulevard, Atlanta, Ga.

"I had nervous prostration terribly, caused by female weakness. I suffered everything; was unable to eat, sleep, or work. After a while I was induced to try Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I really began to improve on taking the first bottle. I continued to take the medicine, and am now better in every way, and feel like a different person. I am simply a well woman."

MRS. DELLA KEISER,
Marienville, Pa.

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PINE COUNTY PIONEER.

ED. C. GOTTRY, Editor and Prop.

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PINE CITY, MINN., MCH. 29 1901.

Cheese Industry

A kindred industry to the creamery is that of cheese making. We have sixty cheese factories in this state, but during the past two years they have suffered heavily from the unjust competition of the immense quantities of skim milk cheese shipped in from Chicago. In the interests of pure food, and good health, as well as for the just protection to the producers of cream cheese in this state, there is a law against the sale of this spurious, doctored, skim milk product in Minnesota. The present commission is looking after this matter closely, and Commissioner McConnell has just seized an immense quantity of this stuff exposed for sale in the Twin Cities.

ARE you a Buffalo? Well if you are this office desires your assistance in restoring its foreman and his devil to their normal and sane condition. Nothing but eleven cents now pays a subscription on the Courier. All above that goes to swell the Buffalo fund. All office work is done left handed and nothing seems right. The buffalo antics of our force have driven the office cat away, swallowed up our surplus cash, and almost exhausted the editorial patience. As a fraternal society it must be a winner. Their initiation disperses your dignity, stands you on your head, hoists you into the atmosphere, gives you the grip and in a brotherly fashion appriates all you have over eleven cents. Some irate citizen ought to carrienationize Billy Swadling or Hank Weed or whatever individual became inoculated with the disease and brought it to town.—Pine County Courier.

Yes, and if it were not imposing upon the tax payers of the state, we would suggest an appropriation for another hospital for the insane, around these "diggins," in which to incarcerate a few of these frisky "Buffalos."

IT is refreshing to note the active work of the game and fish commission under the direction of Executive Agent Fullerton. Mr. Fullerton's captures and arrests are of almost daily occurrence and a recital of those achievements would largely be a repetition of what he is doing week after week. He has within the past few days succeeded in ferreting out a cause for so many violations of the game laws. A Minneapolis comission firm has been writing to its shippers, telling how to ship partridges in a manner calculated to evade the watchfulness of the officials.

THE newly appointed tax commission met Tuesday and organized for their work, Hon. G. S. Ives being chosen president and ex-Attorney General Childs secretary. They will outline their plans of procedure and it is a safe proposition that their work will be carefully done and the state will reap a lasting benefit therefrom. The creation of this commission was recmmended by Governor VanSant in his inaugural address and it is interesting to note even now that most of the Democratic press throughout the state indorses the wisdom of his judgment in this matter.

MINNESOTA ranges high among the states not only in the matter of educational institutions, but also because of the magnificent dowry in the form of permanent funds they enjoy. During the past few weeks State Treasurer Block, as authorized by law, has made investments of moneys in the permanent school of over $100,000 in interest bearing bonds.

FROM Washington comes the very pleasing information that the surplus in the treasury is accumulating at the rate of over a quarter of a million dollars a day. We may now expect to hear a howl of protest from the free trade shouters, who invariably prefer a deficit to a surplus. As it is, the surplus will be utilized to take up some of the bonds issued by a previous Democratic administration.

—See that you get the original DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve when you ask for it. The genuine is a certain cure for piles, sores and skin diseases. J. Y. Breckenridge.

LEGAL NOTICES.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } District Court, First Judicial District.
County of Pine. }

Mary A. Brennan, Julia B. Fitzpatrick, Thomas M. Brennan, Mary E. Brennan, Lawrence F. Brennan by his guardian ad litem, Mary A. Brennan, Edward K. Brennan, by his guardian ad litem Mary A. Brennan. Plaintiffs.

vs.

James Miller, John Stewart and John Doe, whose true name is unknown to these plaintiffs, copartners in business under the firm name and style of John Stewart & Co., also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest, in real estate described in the complaint herein. Defendants.

SUMMONS.

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO THE ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plantiffs in the action above entitled, which said complaint is on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of said Pine county, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber at his office No. 312 New York Life Building, in the city of St. Paul, state of Minnesota, within twenty days after the date of the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the date of such service; and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs will apply to the court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

Dated February 20th, 1901.

THOMAS C. FITZPATRICK, Attorney for Plaintiff, No. 312 N. Y. Life Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } District Court, First Judicial District.
County of Pine. }

Mary A. Brennan, Julia B. Fitzpatrick, Thomas M. Brennan, Mary E. Brennan, Lawrence F. Brennan, by his guardian ad litem, Mary A. Brennan, and Edward K. Brennan by his guardian ad litem Mary A. Brennan, Plaintiffs.

vs.

James Miller, John Stewart and John Doe, whose true name is unknown to these plaintiffs, co-partners in business under the firm name and style of John Stewart & Co., also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right title, estate, lien or interest, in the real estate described in the complaint herein, Defendants.

LIS PENDENS

Notice is hereby given of the pendency of the above entitled action brought by Mary A. Brennan, Julia B. Fitzpatrick, Thomas M. Brennan, Mary E. Brennan, Lawrence F. Brennan, by his guardian ad litem, Mary A. Brennan, and Edward K. Brennan by his guardian ad litem Mary A. Brennan, plaintiffs, against James Miller, John Stewart and John Doe, whose true name is unknown to these plantiffs, co-partners in business under the firm name and style of John Stewart & Co., also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest, in the real estate described in the complaint herein, defendant in the District Court of the First Judicial District, in the State of Minnesota, in and for the county of Pine, that the object of said action is to determine any adverse claims, estate, lien or interest, claimed by said defendants or each or any of them in said action, in and to the following described land situated in the county of Pine and State of Minnesota. The southwest quarter of the northeast quarter (s-w¼ of n-e¼) of section ten (10) Township forty-one (41) Range twenty-one (21), and to quiet title of the plaintiffs therein and for the relief demanded in the complaint of said plaintiffs, which is on file in the office of the Clerk of said Court.

And you will further take notice that no personal claim is made against you or any of you in said action.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1901.

THOMAS C. FITZPATRICK, Attorney for Plaintiffs, No. 312 New York Life Bldg., St. Paul, Minn.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } District Court, First Judicial District.
County of Pine. }

Mary A. Brennan, Julia B. Fitzpatrick, Thomas M. Brennan, Mary E. Brennan, Lawrence F. Brennan by his guardian ad litem, Mary A. Brennan, and Edward K. Brennan by his guardian ad litem Mary A. Brennan. Plaintiffs,

vs

James Miller, John Stewart, O. P. Whitcomb, and Mary R. Sewall, also all other persons or parties unknown claiming any right, title, estate, lien or interest, in the real estate described in the complaint herein. Defendants.

SUMMONS.

THE STATE OF MINNESOTA TO ABOVE NAMED DEFENDANTS:

You are hereby summoned and required to answer the complaint of the plaintiffs in the action above entitled, which said complaint is on file in the office of the Clerk of the District Court of said Pine County, and to serve a copy of your answer to said complaint on the subscriber at his office 312 New York Life Building, in the City of St. Paul, State of Minnesota, within twenty days after the date of the service of this summons upon you, exclusive of the date of such service, and if you fail to answer the said complaint within the time aforesaid, the plaintiffs will apply to the Court for the relief demanded in said complaint.

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The east half of northeast quarter (E½ of NE¼) of section ten (10) township fourty-one (41) range twenty-one (21), and to quiet the title of the plaintiffs therein and for the relief demanded in the complaint of said plaintiffs, which is on file in the office of the Clerk of said Court.

And you will further take notice that no personal claim is made against you or any of you in said action.

Dated this 20th day of February, 1901.

THOMAS C. FITZPATRICK, Attorney for plaintiffs, No. 312 New York Life Bldg, St. Paul, Minnesota.

Order to Hear Petition for License to Sell Land of Minor.

STATE OF MINNESOTA, } ss
County of Pine. }

In Probate Court, Special Term, March 27, 1901.

In the matter of the Guardianship of Ernest W. Cox and George H. Cox Minors.

On reading and filing the petition of J. Y. Breckenridge, Guardian of said Minors, representing, among other things, that the said Wards are seized of certain real estate in the Village of Pine City, in the County of Pine, and State of Minnesota, and that for the benefit of said Wards the same should be sold, and praying for license to sell the same and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court, from said petition, that for the benefit of said Wards said real estate should be sold.

It is ordered, That all persons interested in said estate, appear before this Court, on Monday the 22nd day of April, A. D. 1901, at 10 o'clock a. m., at the Court House in the Office of the Judge of Probate, in said County, then and there to show cause, (if any there be,) why license should not be granted for the sale of said real estate, according to the prayer of said petition.

And It Is Further Ordered, That this order shall be published once in each week for three successive weeks prior to said day of hearing, in the Pine County Pioneer a weekly newspaper printed and published at Pine City in said County.

Dated at Pine City, the 27th day of March, A. D., 1901.

By the Court:
E. VEENHOVEN,
[SEAL.] Judge of Probate.

Articles of Association of Friesland Creamery Company.

We, the undersigned, whose names are hereunto subscribed, a majority of whom are residents of the County of Pine and state of Minnesota, hereby associate ourselves as a manufacturing corporation under the laws of the state of Minnesota, and to that end do hereby adopt the following

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, VIZ:

ARTICLE I.

The name of said corporation shall be "Friesland Creamery Company," and its business shall be the manufacture of butter by the establishment, maintainment and operation of one or more creameries and skimming stations, and for that purpose to acquire, hold, sell, convey and encumber any and all property, real, personal and mixed, incident to the business of carrying on and maintaining a creamery, but no other; the principal place where the business of said corporation shall be transacted, shall be on the platted townsite of Friesland, in the town of Dell Grove, in the county of Pine and state of Minnesota.

ARTICLE II.

The time of the commencement of said corporation shall be the 20th day of March, A. D. 1901, and the period of its continuance shall be twenty years.

ARTICLE III.

The amount of the capital stock of said corporation shall be Three Thousand Dollars ($3,000.); the same shall be paid in, in cash, in installments as follows: not less than twenty per cent (20 per cent) on or before the 15th day of April, A. D. 1901, and the balance of such stock as is not paid for in full on or before the date aforesaid shall be divided into twenty equal installments, the first payable on or before July 1st, 1901, and one on or before the first day of each month there after until all are paid, including interest at the rate of 10 per cent per annum on each installment from said 15th day of April, A. D. 1901.

ARTICLE IV.

The highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which said corporation shall at any time be subject, is the sum of Two Thousand Dollars ($2,000.)

ARTICLE V.

The names and places of residence of the persons forming such association for incorporation, are as follows:

John A. Johnson, who resides at Friesland, Minnesota; W. G. Davidson, who resides at Friesland, Minnesota; G. A. Schroeder, who resides at Friesland, Minnesota; Peter Straatsma, who resides at Friesland, Minnesota; Elbert Kok, who resides at Friesland, Minnesota.

ARTICLE VI.

The names of the first Board of Directors are as follows: John A. Johnson, W. G. Davidson, G. A. Schroeder, Peter Straatsma, Eibert Kok. The government of the corporation and the management of its affairs shall be vested in a board of five directors, who shall be elected at the annual meeting of said corporation, which shall be held on the second Wednesday in March of each year, beginning with the year 1902, and meanwhile such government and management shall be vested in the above named Board of Directors. Said first named Board and their successors shall elect from their own number a President and Vice President, and shall elect a Secretary and a Treasurer, and they may elect or appoint such other officers and agents as they see fit. All of said officers and agents shall act under the direction of said Board, and the officers so elected and the Board shall hold office during the term for which they are respectively elected, unless their offices are sooner vacated by death, resignation or removal, and until their successors respectively have been elected.

ARTICLE VII.

The number of the shares of the capital stock of said corporation shall be One Hundred Twenty (120) and the amount of each share shall be Twentyfive Dollars ($25.)

In testimony whereof we have hereunto set our hands and seals this 15th day of March, A. D. 1901.

W. G. DAVIDSON. (Seal)
EIBERT KOK. (Seal)
PETER STRAASMA (Seal)
JOHN A. JOHNSON. (Seal)
G. A. SCHROEDER. (Seal)

In presence of
J. J. FOLSOM.
DAN DONAHUE.
THEODORE F. KOCH.

State of Minnesota, County of Pine—ss.

Be it known that on this 15th day of March, 1901, before me personally came the above named incorporators, to me known to be the persons described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and each duly acknowledged the same to be his free act and deed.

[Notarial Seal.] J. J. FOLSOM,
Notary Public, Pine County Minnesota.
[Ten cent revenue stamp.]

Order For Hearing Proof of Foreign Will.

State of Minnesota, } ss
County of Pine. }

In Probate Court, Special Term March 18, 1901.

In the Matter of the Estate of John Hyland, Deceased.

Whereas, certain writings purporting to be duly authenticated copies of the last will and testament of John Hyland, late of town of North Danville, Livingston county, State of New York, deceased, and the probate thereof in the surrogate court of Livingston Co., New York on the 16th day of April, 1900, have been delivered to this court.

And Whereas, Edward Tracy Scovill and Fred W. Noyes of Danville, Livingston county, State of New York have filed herewith their petition, representing among other things that said John Hyland lately died in said county of Livingston, testate, possessed of certain real estate, situated in said county of Pine on which the said will may operate, and that said petitioners are the executors named in said last will and testament and praying that the said instrument may be admitted to probate, and that letters testamentary be to Edward Tracy Scovill and Fred W. Noyes issued thereon:

It is ordered, that the proofs of said instrument, and the said petition, be heard before this court, at the Probate office in said county, on Monday, the 15th day of April, A. D. 1901, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, when all persons interested may appear for or contest the probate of said instrument.

And it is Further Ordered, that notice of said hearing be given to all persons interested in said estate by forthwith publishing this order once in each week for three successive weeks in the Pine County Pioneer a weekly newspaper printed and published in said County.

Dated at Pine City the 18th day of March, 1901. By the Court.

E. VEENHOVEN,
[SEAL] 15-18 Judge of Probate.

Ladies.

Dr. LeDuc's From Paris. Three packages are positively warranted to cure the most GENUINE FRENCH stubborn cases of **Female Regulator,** monthly stoppages, irregularities, obstructions and suppressions brought on from whatever cause. One package usually relieves, or send free medicine until relieved. $2 a package, or 3 for $5. "Fail line of rubber goods; name what you want." THE KIRK DRUG COMPANY, Elgin, Ill.

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KILLED BY A LOG.

George Williams loosel his Life by being struck by a log at Movntain Iron

On Saturday afternoon last the sad news reached this village by wire from Momntain Iorn, a small town four miles from Virginia City, announcing that George Williams, son of S. E. Williams had been killed but no particulars was given, Robt Hoffman, uncle of the deceased, took the train on Sunday to bring the remains home, which arrived on Tuesdays limited.

The news was a sad blow to this whole village as well as the parents, for one of our best young men had been taken from our midst to meet his God, George was born in this village nineteen years ago the twenty-ninth of last September and had grown to manhood here where everybody loved and admired him, he was a hard working boy and was sober and of a good pleasant disposition and was an exmaple for the rising generation.

The funeral was held from the M. E., church at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon, Rev. A. Taylor preaching the funeral sermon and the mourners were accompanied to Birchwood cementry by a large number of citizsu and schoolmates of the deceased to pay their last respects. Part of the patl bearers were members of the Samaritans lodeg in whith order he held a policy for $2,000.

The particulars of the accident as told us by Henry Glasow and Carl Johnson who are at work for the same company as George did as follows: For the past five months he had been employed by the Northern Lumber Company, as brakeman on the loging railroad ft Eountain Iron, at about 11:45 Saturday morning he made a coupling and stepd tou to signal the engineer when a top log that had not been properly loaded fell striking him on the left shoulder and as he fall agrin striking him on the right hip, fracturing four ribs and otherwise injuring him, his companion brakeman come to his asistance and a sleigh procured and he was driven for the station a distance of nearly three miles, but death came to his relief while on the road at about 1:15 the only thing he said after the accident wos "I tried to get out of the way but could not, take me to headquarters" on arriving at the station the undertaker at Virginia City was sent for who took the remains and prepared them for shipment, and was all ready when Mr. Hoffman. Henry Glasow and Carl Johnson also accompanied the remains home.

The PIONEER joins with the many friends of the bereaved in sympathy.

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Round-up of the Week

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A beautiful line of Underskirts and Shirt Waists at the Big Store.

School closes on Friday of this week for a week's vacation.

Buy your Furniture and Carpets at the Big Store.

Buy your Men's and Boys' clothing at the Big Store.

Mrs. Wilson, of Stillwater, will deliver an illustrated lecture, the last one of the course given by the Woman's Reading Club, sometime in the near future.

For sale—The steamboat, Florence B. Inquire of Douglas Greeley.

This week has been a busy one at the Big Store on account of their grand spring opening, farmers coming from all parts of this county, Chisago and Kanabec to do their trading.

Rice, the fresh young man from Red Wing, Minn., who was deported from Manila, P. I. for insubordination to his superior officer is going to Washington to lay his case before the president. What satisfaction will the "fresh" young man get? He has been taught a good lesson, and the officials will undoubtedly let well enough alone.

Village election on Tuesday, and we hope that a good council will be elected to take charge of that important duty. We are not in favor of any one in particular, but we would like to see a good council that will work for the best interests of the village, and give us the best they can for the means given them to run the offices of the village.

Word was received here on Monday stating that Fred McKusick was very sick with fever at Minneapolis, where he is attending the state "U." J. F. Stone went down on Monday to attend at his bedside.

Our streets are at the present time in fine shape, only a couple of walks that the water does not cover completely. On Monday the drays had to go to the school house and draw the pupils over the lake that surrounds it.

The musical at the Big Store on Saturday evening was well attended by a large number from town and the surrounding country, notwithstanding the bad weather. The entertainment was a good one and the songs by Miss Nellie Madden, Miss Anna Cotton and Miss Bessie Lambert were all well rendered, as were also the recitations by Miss Lydia Payne and Miss Kate Hart. J. F. Stone read a letter from Wm. O'Brien, stating that it was impossible for him to attend, owing to unavoidable circumstances. A telegram from Chas. Elmquist was also read, stating that it was impossible also for him to be present. The Mercantile Company had their large department store in gala day attire and the display of spring and summer goods was visible on every hand.

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Thomas Henderson, of Beroun, who was called to Luverne last fall by the serious illness of his wife, returned to his home the latter part of last week, he having buried his wife the first of February.

—Buy your Flour at the Big Store.

A Card.

We take this means of thanking our many kind friends for their aid and sympathy during the sad bereavement which took from our home our beloved son George.

S. C. Williams and family.

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Mrs. Wm. Pries and son Edward were on the sick list the first of the week.

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—Harry Willard, who departed from here about ten months ago for Sioux Falls, being about half dead with consumption. When he left here he could not walk over half a block without sitting down to rest, and every one expected to hear of his death. He returned on Thursday weighing 179 pounds and looking fine.

Personal.

People coming, going and gone.

Amos Gamble, of Sandstone, was a Pine City visitor Friday.

—Mrs. Laura Sloan and daughter Rebecka are visiting in Rochester and vicinity this week.

Miss Flora Kerr arrived in this village on Tuesday, from her home at Cambridge.

Jessie Wescott arrived on Tuesday to spend a few days visiting with her sister, Mrs. G. J. Albrecht.

Mrs. Uppert, of Atkins, is visiting with her daughter, Mrs. Lones, having arrived here the first of the week.

Mike Hady and family, left Wednesday, for Willow River. Mr. Hady expects to work for the Atwood Lumber Comyany.

Mrs. Amelia Nason accompanied her brother, Oscar Brandes, to St. Paul on Monday to receive medical treatment, returning on Tuesday.

Carl Johnson, who is at work where Geo. Williams was killed, accompanied the remains home and will remain for a few days visiting his parents.

Andrew Anderson, of Hinckley, was in the village on Tuesday of this week. Andrew had the misfortune to lose his house and contents by fire on Monday of last week.

—Mrs. T. L. Peck, who has been spending the past three months in this place, visiting with her mother, Mrs. L. Sloan and family, departed for hes home at Missoula, Mont., the first of the week.

LIST OF PATENTS

Granted to Minnesota inventors this week, reported by C. A. Snow & Co., Patent Attorneys Washington, D. C.

H. A. Anderson, Minneapolis, Sewing Machine. D. Barton, Minneapolis, Cultivator. E. F. Kingston, Hastings, Windmill and pump coupling. J. Schulte, Albany, band cutter for Threshing Machines. A. Swanson, Red Wing, Securable Garment Pin. H. A. Turner, Minneapolis, Car for Stock or other freight. O. H. Uvaas, Lamberton, Wrench. C. C. Webster, Minneapolis, Strip metal finishing machine. J. Wee, Oak Park, Manure distributing machine.

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RECALLED BY THE MINUTE GUN

Sitting within the twilight gloom
Whose gray webs drape my darkening room,
I hear afar a cannon boom;

A minute-gun beyond the bar,
Where white-maned waves and chaos are,
With clouds above and not a star.

And on that sound floats back to me
Another night far out at sea,
With grim Death facing you and me.

The wrack of low-flung leaden clouds,
The wail of wild winds through the shrouds,
And frightened folk in shivering crowds.

When every wave our vessel heeled,
And every timber racked and reeled
As near and drear deep thunder pealed.

The life-boats splintered one by one,
The last hope from them gulfed and gone,
Death's white-maned coursers charging on.

I see your dear lips move in prayer,
Like silvered seaweed seems your hair,
Never your face more fond nor fair.

And then the close clasp of your arms
Which tightened with new-born alarms,
When Death could not abate your charms.

Then hours afloat upon a spar
Where white-faced corpses floating are,
Amid the breakers on the bar.

All limned again on storm clouds dun
Which quenched the gladness of the sun,
Awakened by that minute gun.

But through the darkness of the place
Shines forth the fondness of your face,
Your loving eyes and matchless grace.

And, safe mid storm and lightning's brand,
While peril broods o'er sea and land,
Warm touch of loving lips and hand.
—I Edgar Jones.

An Example in Addition.

BY MARIA WEED.

(Reprinted from the Ladies' World by special permission.)

It was Sabbath night and Lisher and me was seated by the fire-place in the sittin'-room. Neither of us spoke, for we was thinkin' that jest 26 years ago we was married; that another anniversary was hurryin' on to join those already counted; that life's clock was strikin' another hour for us.

We've had our share of the "ups and downs" of this world, but our love has been of the sort to stand "wear and tear," so I don't mind sayin' that we've had to do with considerable of the latter.

I believe in submission when it ain't carried too far by either party.

Overrulin' is injurious, and those who are indulged in it never know when they have become tyrannical or headstrong, so of course the yieldin' soul don't git credit for givin' in.

Lisher's manliness was what I first admired in him. Folks called him "set and stubborn, but generous and awful kind-hearted." He was tall and the strongest of them all, when it come to wrestlin' and sich like. So it has always been a real comfort to depend on him for support, and he hain't never failed to care for my smallest need.

Any woman of sense will learn by experience that continual objectin' weakens her influence in the home. Lisher often says that he thinks the world of my advice, but it's because of my agreein' with him so much. It wouldn't be worth nuthin' if I didn't. When I have to differ with him I jest come right out with my idees and accept as my pay for the privilege such titles as "know-nothin'" and "poor weak woman!"

But I am divergin', and this Sunday night our hearts was tender and warmed by the sweet memories of that far away weddin'. As clearly as though days, not years, had come between, we recalled every sayin' and doin' of that occasion, the greatest day in our lives. Suddenly Lisher interrupted me with:

"Marthy, I've been thinkin' that I'd change the house a little—build on that 'lean-to' you've wanted so long, and a new kitchen."

"Oh, Lisher!" was all I could say.

"You'd like it, wouldn't you?"

"Like it? Why, I can't tell you how happy I am. It's so good of you!"

"Nonsense, you deserve it, for you've been a faithful wife to me, Marthy."

"When shall you begin?" I asked.

"Right away. I never wait when once I decide upon a thing."

So that's how we came to build, and from that time I never knew a moment's rest.

The furniture was packed in the front room, but the dust from the tearin' away of the old kitchen found a place to lodge everywhere; even the bureau drawers in the upstairs spare chamber did not protect my best linen. Indeed, nothin' escaped a coatin' of powdered lime.

The confusion, tumult and general disorder irritated Lisher. It was hard to keep him good-natured. The builders would start the work and then leave it for days to "hold on to another job." Rain delayed the masons, and really it seemed at last as though we would be thankful for anythin', almost wishin' we'd left well enough alone.

To add to our misery, Lisher's sister Mandy wrote us that she would visit us on her return from a missionary meetin' where she was to represent their town society as a delegate. The reduced railroad fare made this trip possible to her, so we could not write and ask her to wait a bit. I don't mean to give you the idee that they hain't always "room and to spare" in our home for his folks, but there comes times when it's handier than others to accommodate them.

I was frettin' over this very thing and my mind was on the point of "flyin'," when who should call me but Lisher, in the new buildin'.

"Marthy!"

"Yes!"

"Come here quick and decide where you want that pantry put. I think this is the best place for it," he continued as I appeared.

"There?"

"Why not?" frowning.

"It's too near the chimney, and I'd have to squeeze between the table and the stove to get to it. Why can't it be put over in that corner?"

"They's goin' to be a window there."

"And I don't want one there."

"I'm buildin' this house," he added, hotly.

"I'm livin' in it and doin' the work. If I had supposed that you would have arranged it in this way, I would have kept the old one. I want the window in the south for plants."

"It's goin' to be where I decide," were the last words I heard as I left the place and returned to my work.

Later, I heard his step in the dinin'-room and turned my back to the door, pretendin' to be busy, but it was really to hide my tear-stained eyes.

"That's all the thanks I get for tryin' to please you and spendin' my hard-earned money to make you happy," he began.

I said nothin'.

"It seems as though you grew harder to please each day."

The angry blood rushed to my cheeks as I replied:

"You asked my opinion about the pantry, though why you did I can't tell, since you won't allow me to plan or help in any way."

"I have no time for complaints," he muttered and walked away.

For days the hammerin' kept up, and the wheezy sound of the carpenter's saw broke the stillness of the place, but I did not once look into the new part.

Lisher would direct the men in commandin' tones to excite my curiosity, but though I longed to know what was goin' on in there, I stayed in the main buildin'.

Once he asked me which I liked best for finishin' kitchen—ceilin' or plaster? But I only said:

"What does it matter which I like? Suit yourself, as you are buildin' this house. When I thought it was for me, I took an interest in it, but since I am only to live in it like a servant might, I'll do my best to work without pay."

"A penny saved is a penny earned," he quoted kinder like he wanted to be generous.

"That's all right," says I, "still I hain't never heard of any man's estimatin' his wife's salary at the end of the year by this means; whatever it is, it goes into his pocket, without creditin' her with a cent of it."

"By cat! Marthy Maria, how you talk! It's awful hard on a man when he's done it all for you."

"All for me?" I sneered. "Why, Lisher Whitby, you don't know what you're sayin'. In the beginnin', I'll allow, you were thinkin' of my comfort in plannin' this addition; but since then you haven't let an idee except your own creep into it. If I submit and say it's all right, you'll never know how unjust and selfish you've been. There's just one thing I didn't promise at the altar, and that is, not to have an opinion. I won't give it up even for you. I am willin' to hear your arguments and be persuaded, when they are better than mine, but if I am to be a partner in this home I've got to have 'my say.'" Then I left him to ponder upon the subject.

I was just wretched. If I must submit, I would try to endure defeat and be patient. Meanwhile, that kitchen was nearly finished.

On all subjects except this one Lisher and me was perfectly docile and natural, but it was actually dangerous to our peace to even mention buildin'.

Next week but one Mandy was comin' and I made up my mind to get rid of this bitterness of heart and take possession of the new part. I could squeeze between the stove and the table if necessary, and I would not let the cupboard be a constant reminder of my menial or "no account" position in my own home.

If I had been firmer in maintainin' my smaller rights, in our early married life, it would have been easier for Lisher to give up now; but, somehow, I've always hated fusses.

Some folks say that God never made a useless thing. Perhaps when I see Him "face to face," He'll tell me why He gave me such a great mother heart and left me with empty arms through life, with nothin' to pet and spoil but Lisher.

Even in my darkest, lonesomest hour, no one could have made me believe that my husband was indifferent to me. True, men are apt to call a woman's objectin' frettin' (a word which is like a nettle to a nervous temperament).

It's a riddle as old as the sun, and one that hain't never been answered, why we are the most impatient with those we love best?

So I cheered up and sang about my work, and I could tell by Lisher's voice that he was tryin' to seem kind and thoughtful.

He even wanted me to have hired help for a spell to give me a chance to rest after settlin'.

"You're as likely a lookin' woman for your age as there is in these parts," he said to me at the supper-table, "and I don't want Mandy to think that I'm not careful of you."

We was to move in the next mornin', and he hadn't asked me to look at the new part. I had lost, but not without a desperate struggle. Once convinced that my will, my opinions and preferences were never to be considered, I could give up hopin' and train my shoulders (even if they was weak and tremblin') to carry the load. My proud spirit must bend to Lisher's, for I could not live without him.

After the chores were done he went to town, sayin' that he'd be back in an hour or two. He waved his hand to me as he drove through the big gate and I closed it after him.

The house seemed cheerless and the windows sort of stared at me as I walked up the lane, so I didn't go in, but sat on the side steps until the moon came up—it rose early at that time.

Soon the porch and the orchard was all bathed in its soft, comfortin', silvery light. It quieted the soul-ache within me—this heavenly peacefulness of nature.

I walked through the garden and stood under the protectin' arms of a great oak. Sinkin' down at its base, I leaned my weary head against the trunk. Its strength rested me. It would live grandly and tranquilly, unmoved by the tumult and strife about it. It would shelter under its hospitable branches many a tired, heartsick traveler, in the years to come, as it was now supportin' me. Through storm and sunshine it would endure, long after I and my sorrows had been forgotten.

Then I thought of the future and my new position in the world—for my self-respect must be sacrificed, indeed had been. I could not cry out against fate, neither could I plead with my husband. He would not, perhaps could not, understand the situation.

"Marthy," said a low voice at my side, while two stout arms raised me to my feet, "I've been a selfish, tyrannical brute!"

While I had longed for this moment, I could not bear to hear him revile himself.

"Don't!" I cried, placin' my hand over his mouth.

"I must," said the dear soul. "What you said about me tryin' to deprive you of your rights of opinion was true, although I never saw it that way before. You shall say what you like, whenever you want to, and I'll listen to it and respect your wishes. Come, dear."

When we came to the house, the new part was all lighted and he gently drew me through the door. To my surprise, everything was as I had planned. A south window, with shelves for flowers; the cupboard between that and the table, while a brand new kitchen stove stood where I had expected to have put the old one.

"I never could have stood it if I hadn't meant to surprise you," Lisher confessed, as he smiled down upon me. "This addition was begun as a sort of thank offerin', Marthy, because you had been spared to me, and it has fulfilled two missions. You haven't thought that I didn't care for you, have you?"

"Not once, dear," I was glad to answer, "and while I should have lost somethin' which you would be sorry to miss in your wife, I should still have loved you. Our experience has been one of sufferin' to us both, dear, but we will be the better for it, and remember it as—"

"An example in addition," he added, with a smile.

SEVEN STARS IN THE SKY.

Queer Superstitions of Savages Regarding the Moon and the Pleiades.

In ancient Egypt the body of Osiris was always sealed up in the ark during the month of November, because the people believed that the seven stars were seven brothers, sailing their ships across the sky and carrying with them the souls of the dead. The people of ancient Gaul also had a superstition, believing that the angels and the souls of great men held a celestial festival on that particular night in November, when both the full moon and the seven stars were on the meridian at the same time. The Hottentots of South Africa and the Abipones of South America each claim that the seven stars are their deceased fathers and grandfathers. Oakes says: "Certain tribes in both Africa and South America hold that the seven stars is (are) their father (fathers) and welcome their return with festivities and much rejoicing. The ancient Mexicans always sacrificed a human being and kindled a sacred fire (made of seven fire-brands) on his back when the stars and the moon were on a certain meridian together. The Peruvians also had seven stars ceremonies, but without sacrifice, at about the same time the Mexicans were carrying on their paganistic rites. The ancient Druids believed the seven stars to be boats which carried souls to the judgment seat of the "God of the dead."

Lord Bute and Cardiff.

The enormous wealth of the late marquis of Bute was the inspiration of his father's enterprise. He, the father, had the courage to mortgage deeply the family estates in order to complete the building of large docks at a little town called Cardiff. People were tempted to call the docks Bute's folly. But they became Bute's fortune. They made Cardiff one of the richest and largest ports in the world, and they brought to the Bute family a revenue that princes might envy. Cardiff is grateful, and was proud to have Lord Bute as mayor in 1891—the first of a long line of mayoral peers all over the country.—Chicago Times-Herald.

Compass.

Larry—Phwas it a great military counthrae, Dinny?

Denny—Oi shud say so. Aven th' wells out thor wor drilled.—Chicago Daily News.

AN INHERITANCE IN WESTERN CANADA.

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In the Great Saskatchewan Valley, and the Fertile Plains of Assiniboia.

To the Editor.

Dear Sir: The past three or four years have demonstrated to a large number of Americans the value of the grain-growing and ranching lands of western Canada. Tens of thousands have taken advantage of the offer made by the Canadian government as well as of the exceedingly low prices asked for lands by the railway, colonization and other companies. The experience of those who have been settled there for some little time is of a highly gratifying character. So much so that the Canadian government, who has control of the immigration into western Canada, has decided to open up some new districts this year in the well-known Saskatchewan valley, and also in the fertile plains of Assiniboia. These districts are probably the most productive in the entire west and in close touch to largely settled communities, as well as being situated on some of the most important lines of railway. They are within easy reach of markets, schools, churches and other social advantages. In some of these districts lands may be homesteaded as well as purchased outright at very low prices. Now as to what can be done on these lands. The evidence of the settlers in the neighborhood of the lands now about to be opened for settlement (some of them being located in one of the best Indian reservations) goes to show that the very best results have followed even most indifferent methods. Cases are given where farmers having gone there with most limited means, barely enough to erect a small house and break up a little land, have in three or four years' time become prosperous, all debts paid and money in the bank. The soil in the districts mentioned, Assiniboia and Saskatchewan, is a rich black loam, 15 inches to three feet deep. As a settler says: "It appears like the accumulation of decayed vegetation and ashes for centuries (the subsoil is a stiff putty clay)." On this soil it is possible to raise from 40 to 50 bushels of wheat to the acre; oats, 75 to 100 bushels, all of which bring good prices at the local market. For mixed farming these new districts are probably among the best in western Canada. Stock fatten easily on the wild grasses. Hay is plentiful, and prices splendid. Another settler writing to a friend in Iowa says: "The climate is all that could be desired, plenty of rainfall in summer, with no hot, dry winds. On the 28th of September I saw prairie flowers in full bloom, sweet corn, potato and tomato vines that had not been touched a particle with frost, and the winters are milder than those in the state from which I came. After the holidays the winter sets in clear and cold, with plenty of snow for good sleighing; no high winds or blizzards are known. Horses live out all winter and pick their own living, while cattle live all winter in open sheds and around the hay ricks. Wheat, oats and barley are the principal grain crops. Potatoes and all other roots and vegetables do well, the yield being enormous as compared to those in the states. Wild fruits, such as strawberries, raspberries, cranberries, gooseberries and all varieties of currants yield in abundance. As a reader of your valuable paper for a number of years, I feel that I should inform you of the progress and advancement being made in Canada within the past few years and the inducements and advantages that will follow settlement in western Canada. Those who desire information can do as I did, and apply to any agent of the Canadian government, whose name, I see, appears in advertisements appearing elsewhere in the columns of your paper, and when writing ask particularly about the Saskatchewan Valley or Assiniboia Districts. Yours truly,

"OLD READER."

The Crusade Spreading.

"The Kansas crusade is spreading."

"No!"

"Yes; we have an old hen sitting on one egg and trying to hatch it."—Ohio State Journal.

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I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—John F. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

After talking with a nagging woman it is a great relief to take a roll in a bed of stinging nettles.—Ram's Horn.

Happiness cannot be bought, but one of the great hindrances to its attainment can be removed by Adams' Pepsin Tutti Frutti.

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His Name.

The teacher of the Sabbath school class approached one little fellow who was present for the first time, and inquired his name, for the purpose of placing it on the roll. "Well," said the youngster, "they call me Jimmie for short, but my maiden name is James."—Christian Register.

Bows and Beans.

Certain of the Spartan women, it is recorded, hesitated. "If we cut off our hair and give it to the soldiers to string their bows with, how are we to get along?" they protested. "Why we can string our beans with false hair!" exclaimed the others warmly.—Detroit Journal.

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The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials.

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Her Respect.

The Judge—Your husband is entitled to a little respect, madam.

The Wife—Well, that's what he gets.—Detroit Free Press.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S HAIR.

Its Profusion, at Her Age, Had Always Been a Wonder.

Over 80 years old, Queen Victoria yet had luxuriant hair, which for years was a marvel. The court physician, following Prof. Unna's discovery, treated her Majesty's scalp with a germ destroying preparation which he always kept secret. It is now known, however, that the remedy for dandruff, the germ destroying element, is embodied in Newbro's Herpicide, the only hair preparation on the market that does destroy the dandruff germ. Without dandruff, hair will grow profusely, and falling hair will be stopped. "Destroy the cause, you remove the effect."

New Legal Term.

A Georgia colonel had a man arrested for "looking mean" at him. The man was fined five dollars for rubbering with intent to scare.—Minneapolis Times.

Speltz, the Richest Food Out.

The articles in the John A. Salzer Seed Company's catalog, La Crosse, Wis., on Speltz, Bismarck Hog Food Pea, Billion Dollar Grass, Victoria Rape and Bromus Inemus are worth $500.00 of any wide-awake farmer's money, particularly the one on Speltz is remarkably interesting on account of the wonderful richness of this productive, prolific hay and grain food. Every farmer should get Salzer's catalog and read about Speltz. [K.]

Punishment.

Friend—I heard a story about a wicked man who played golf on Sunday—

Golfer—And what happened to him?

"He foozled."—Puck.

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Gobbled the Cash.—Reporter—"I am told that your trusted cashier has left the bank?" Bank President—"Did he? Thank heavens, we have the building to start with again!"—Ohio State Journal.

There Is a Class of People

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15 cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

It was a Boston girl who described her faithless lover's mouth as "stretching across the wide desolation of his face, the sepulcher of the distiller's output and the geyser of falsehood."—Kansas City Star.

Cheap Rates to California.

February 12th and each Tuesday thereafter, until and including April 30th, Special Low Rate Colonist Tickets will be sold via the Southern Pacific's Company's "Ogden" and "Sunset" Routes to all points in California. The rate will be: From Chicago $30.00, from St. Louis, Memphis and New Orleans $27.50, from Omaha, Kansas City, etc., $25.00. Corresponding low rates from all other points east and north.

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Passing of Yellowstone Park.

It is said that the geysers which have made this park famous, are gradually declining. This brings to mind the fact that decline is the law of the world. Health is the most precious possession in the world, and too great care cannot be given to it. In the spring you should renew your strength, revitalize your blood and nerves with the best of all medicines, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. It also cures stomach disorders. Try it.

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GENERALITIES OF INTEREST.

Athletic sports are taking strong hold in the European universities.

Austria and Mexico have resumed intercourse for the first time since the execution of Emperor Maximilian.

When a crew sets out for the north pole the cost is no small matter. The item of food supply for the Baldwin expedition will amount to $50,000 or $60,000.

In Russia the sunflower is cultivated as a staple crop. The sunflower seeds are an article of diet, being eaten either raw or roasted. The oil is also used liberally in cooking, being practically equal to olive oil.

Mr. John Owen, who six years ago was a mill hand at Oldham, has been made a fellow of Pembroke college, Oxford. He studied at Balliol college, taking his bachelor's degree with first-class honors in history two years ago.

NEARLY GONE.

Mrs. Julia A. Mallahan, of Owosso, Mich., Has a Very Narrow Escape —The Doctor Had Little Hope.

Owosso, Mich., March 25 (Special). —Elite Rebekah Lodge, No. 2, I. O. O. F., of this town, came very nearly losing their esteemed and capable Secretary, Mrs. Julia A. Mallahan. Mrs. Mallahan caught a severe cold last winter, and like many others, failed to recognize the dangerous possibilities until it had settled in her kidneys, and left her with very severe bearing down pains and almost constant back-ache. It almost carried her off. Mrs. Mallahan tells the story this way:—

"I caught a cold last winter, which I neglected until it settled in my kidneys, causing severe bearing down pains and almost constant back-ache. My health had previously been so good, that I paid little attention to these symptoms, until the disease had gone so far, that my doctor entertained but a slight hope of my recovery.

Fortunately, one of our Lodge Members mentioned Dodd's Kidney Pills. Her description of the cures they had effected sounded like a fairy tale, but I sent for a box, deciding to give them a trial. I soon found that she had but half told the story of what they could do. I bless the day I first tried them, and have nothing but the highest praise for them."

Many very valuable lives have been saved by the timely use of Dodd's Kidney Pills, and not a few of these have been in Owosso and other neighboring Michigan towns. There seems to be no case of kidney trouble or back-ache that Dodd's Kidney Pills will not cure.

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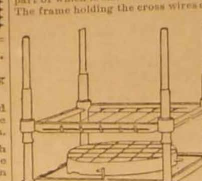
BUTTER IN BRICKS.

A Machine That Aims at the Rapid Production of Attractive One or Two Pound Blocks.

Grocers and other retailers of butter buy a good deal of that commodity by the tub, and sell it in small quantities. In order to save time when several customers are waiting, it would be an advantage to have the stuff cut up in advance into one or two pound bricks. Anticipating a rush, many grocers put sugar and tea up in ready made parcels. But each lot is carefully weighed out by itself. An ingenious western inventor has thought of a way to cut a tub of butter up into blocks on the wholesale plan.

For this work a machine is used, a part of which is shown in the drawing. The frame holding the cross wires can



BUTTER CUTTING DEVICE.

be slipped up and down and entirely removed from the uprights. This is done at the beginning of the operations. A tub of butter is turned out on the criss cross wooden block, pains being taken to keep it square and even. Then on one of the corner posts is temporarily hinged a vertical frame, containing three horizontal wires tightly stretched one above the other. By swinging this frame sideways slowly and steadily the wires will cut the mass of butter into four layers. The uppermost is very thin, and don't count. The others are of uniform thickness. The first cut is now detached from the machine, and the other frame fitted on over the four posts. This is forced downward steadily until the wires have cut to the bottom, and then raised again. By turning the wooden block a quarter way round, and repeating the cutting operation, the butter will be reduced to blocks of the desired shape. It is claimed that the wires can be adjusted so as to vary the weight from half a pound to two pounds. A gauge shows how to set them. The imperfect bricks may be packed in a mold furnished with the machines, which, when full, is overturned on the board and two cuts are made with the frame to produce 16 more bricks. How far the well known difference in the density of butter would offset the weight of the bricks is a nice question.—N. Y. Tribune.

Butter Exports to England.

Great Britain continues to be by far the most attractive market for the surplus dairy products of the United States. That country has more than doubled its imports of butter within 12 years, as to both quantity and value. It now buys annually about 182,000 tons of butter, at a cost of more than $80,000,000. Every year the United Kingdom requires 10,000 tons of butter more than the year before to meet the steadily increasing demand. This is evidently the market for whatever butter the United States has to spare, always provided that it is good enough in quality to satisfy the British cousins.—National Rural.

Calves Raised on Skimmilk.

We know that we can raise as good calves upon skimmilk as upon the whole milk, for we have done it. We have taken the calf from the cow when a day old and fed her milk for a week or ten days, and then began to mix skimmilk with the new milk until three weeks old it was using all skimmilk, in which was put a little cornmeal porridge or gruel, taking care to always have it of the same temperature as the new milk, and then beginning at about four weeks old, or even earlier, to put a little clover rowen, or the best fine hay where the calf could nibble at it. Some calves will do this much sooner than others.—Cincinnati Commercial.

Proper Method of Milking.

The quantity of milk given often depends on the milker and his methods as well as on the cow. The teat should be taken in the whole hand and the milk squeezed out with as little gliding of the hand down the teat as possible. "Streak milking," or drawing the thumb and forefinger down the teat, is very objectionable. It is disagreeable to the cow and irritates the skin. A slow, steady squeeze, which takes all the milk out of the teat, is much better than a succession of quick jerks, which often allow a little milk to slip by the fingers and return.—Farm Journal.

The Height of Absurdity.

Some of the defenders of the oleomargarine interests in Washington are now asserting that butter is being colored yellow to imitate oleomargarine, and that butter was never so colored till the pseudo butter was put on the market. The claim only shows how absurdly some men can talk. The coloring of butter dates back generations—how many we do not know. Certain it is that our grandmothers used to do the coloring with carrot juice.—Farmers' Review.

SYSTEM IN DAIRYING.

The Man Who Doesn't Know Just What His Cows Are Doing Is at a Great Disadvantage.

Every business industry that pays must have system in it, and none need system more than the dairy industry. Following the pursuit successfully one must know what his cows are doing, whether they are kept at a loss or profit. A dairyman gives his record-keeping methods in the Country Gentleman, which we quote, referring to his Jersey herd of 157 cows. He says the plan is to bring the herd up to 300 pounds of butter per year for each cow, and weeding out all that do not reach this standard. He says: "My plan is to test the cows the last week of the first month in the quarter. I added two tests together and divided it by two to get the average for the quarter; this gives the butter fat, which is entered in a column for that purpose. Then in the last column I add 20 per cent. to the butter fat to get the pounds of butter each cow produces in the quarter; this gives me the pounds of milk, butter fat and butter for the quarter according to the calculation made.

"I have a herd ledger, with two pages for each cow. The left hand page shows name of cow, herd number (if registered, register number), the date of birth of cow, dam and sire, date of dropping calf. If the calf is to be raised, its herd number, name, sex and the sire, if registered, are added; if sold, to whom sold and when; if vealed, so record it. On the right hand page is recorded the average test, milk yield, butter fat and butter for each quarter. Adding the four quarters together gives the production for the year. From that we estimate the value of the cow, whether she is profitable to keep in the dairy. Of course a heifer with her first calf has much for consideration—her size, age when she drops her calf, and the general points for a good cow—to decide whether to give her another year's trial or not.

"I have another book in which I keep all the dates of service, with names of sire and when due to drop the calf. This I report to the man in charge of the barn two or three months in advance, so that he can be on the lookout and properly provide for the cow in a box stall."

TESTING DAIRY COWS.

Even When Done But Two or Three Times a Year It Gives a Fair Basis to Work Upon.

With the average dairyman there are two reasons why he does not test his cows. First, it is too much trouble; second, it costs too much, or at least this is the way they generally look at the matter. I do not think it a difficult matter to convince a man of ordinary intelligence that it is neither very much trouble nor an expensive job.

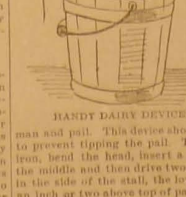
To get a good average test from a dairy or from a single cow, a sample should be taken from each milking for five to seven days. It is necessary to take only a small amount of milk from each mess, and care should be taken to have the milk thoroughly mixed before taking the sample. This sample should be kept sweet, either by use of ice or a little preservative of some kind. The trouble of taking this sample would probably occupy about one minute of your valuable time morning and evening. Of course, the work of testing takes a little more time, but for the average farmer it is not necessary to take samples and test very often. Twice or three times a year will give a fair basis to work on. Of course a monthly test would be more accurate and reliable.

To get at the matter correctly, the milk from each cow should be weighed and the amount marked on a large slate. This can be handily and quickly done by having the scales placed in some convenient spot in the barn or stable. Each cow's permanent record for the year may be kept in a book. Some men might say that this is too much work and takes up too much time, but in the dairies belonging to these men will be found cows that are eating up all they make, and nearly all the profits of the rest of the herd also. Testing outfits that will answer every purpose can be purchased for $3, but should you not want to invest in a tester, weigh the milk carefully and at the end of two months take a sample and have a test made.—V. M. Couch, in Ohio Farmer.

TIPPING THE PAIL.

Simple Little Device Which Prevents Unruly Calves from Indulging in a Vicious Habit.

When feeding the calf he is often so eager to push his nose around in the pail that he tips it over, and a strong calf will sometimes bunt over both



HANDY DAIRY DEVICE.

man and pail. This device shows how to prevent tipping the pail. Take an iron, bend the head, insert a plug in the middle and then drive two staples in the side of the stall, the lower one an inch or two above top of pail. The iron can be raised or lowered to put in or remove the feed pail.—E. L. Hill, in Farm and Home.

THOUSANDS OF FAIR WOMEN HERALD PRAISES FOR PERUNA.

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Peruna is the woman's friend everywhere. It is safe to say that no woman ever used Peruna for any catarrhal derangement but what it became indispensable in her household.

Letters from Women.

Every day we receive letters from women like the following. Women who have tried doctors and failed; women who have tried Peruna and were cured.

Miss Katie Klein, 6125 Bartmer avenue, St. Louis, Mo., writes:

"Peruna has done me more good for catarrh than the best doctors could. I had catarrh so bad, but after taking Peruna it is entirely gone, and I feel like a different person."

Miss Anna Prescott's Letter.

Miss Anna Prescott, in a letter from 216 South Seventh street, Minneapolis, Minn., writes:

"I am sincerely grateful for the relief I have found from the use of Peruna. I was completely used up last fall, my appetite had failed and I felt weak and tired all the time. My druggist advised me to try Peruna and the relief I experienced after taking one bottle was truly wonderful.

"I continued its use for five weeks, and am glad to say that my complete restoration to health was a happy surprise to myself as well as to my friends."—Anna Prescott.

A constant drain of nervous vitality depleting the whole nervous system causes the mucous membrane surfaces to suffer accordingly. This is the condition called systemic catarrh. It very nearly resembles, and there is really no practical difference, between this condition and the condition known as neurasthenia, or nervous prostration.

Peruna will be found to effect an immediate and lasting cure in all cases of systemic catarrh. It acts quickly and beneficially on the diseased mucous membranes, and with healthy mucous membranes the catarrh can no longer exist.

Peruna a True Friend to Women.

Mrs. F. J. Lynch, writes the following from 324 S. Division street, Grand Rapids, Mich.:

The Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O.:

Gentlemen—"I earnestly recommend Peruna to any suffering woman, as it cures quickly. Last year I had a most persistent cough which nothing seemed to cure. Two bottles of Peruna did more for me than all the doctors seemed to do. In a couple of weeks I found myself in excellent health, and have been enjoying it ever since. Hence I look on Peruna as a true friend to women."—Mrs. F. J. Lynch.

Peruna is equally efficacious in curing catarrh of the throat as in curing systemic catarrh or catarrh of the stomach. Catarrh is essentially the same wherever located. Peruna cures catarrh.

Peruna Makes You Feel Like a New Person.

Miss Mary Coats, a popular young woman of Appleton, Wis., and president of the Appleton Young Ladies' Club, also speaks in glowing terms of Peruna. A letter recently received from her by The Peruna Medicine Company, of Columbus, Ohio, reads as follows:

"I am glad to call the attention of my friends to Peruna. 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 valuable and efficacious."—Miss Marie Coats.

Diseased nerves are traceable directly to poor digestion, and poor digestion is directly traceable to catarrh. With the slightest catarrh of the stomach no one can have good digestion.

Very few of the many women who have catarrh of the stomach suspect what their real trouble is. They know they belch after meals, have sour stomach, a sensation of weight or heaviness, a fullness, irregular appetite, drowsiness, gnawing, empty sensations, occasional pain—they all know this; but they do not know that their trouble is catarrh of the stomach. If they did they would take Peruna.

Peruna cures catarrh wherever located. As soon as Peruna removes catarrh from the stomach the digestion becomes good, appetite regular, nerves strong, and trouble vanishes. Peruna strengthens weak nerves, not by temporarily stimulating them, but by removing the cause of weak nerves —poor digestion. This is the only cure that lasts. Remove the cause: Nature will do the rest. Peruna removes the cause.

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.

UNDER THE SNOW.

Ghastly Truths Revealed on the Disappearance of Winter's White Mantle.

Deadly dangers lurk in the ground left bare by the departing snow. All Winter long there have been accumulating deadly disease germs.

These have been protected and kept alive by the covering of snow and now, with the first warm days, these death-bringing microbes are awakened by the rays of the sun, and as the ground dries they are carried to all corners of the community in the dust that is blown everywhere by the Spring winds.

The human body at this time is particularly susceptible to these germs, especially the germs of fevers. The system has been depleted by the foregoing Winter. The blood is sluggish and filled with impurities. The nerves have not recovered from the tension they have been under for the past months. The stomach, the bowels, the kidneys, the liver are all at their worst.

It is therefore, not strange that these germs of disease find fertile ground in which to thrive, flourish and develop into deadly ills.

Spring is the time of year when one should fear an attack of fever, especially when the system is depleted, one should dread any severe illness. The vitality is at a low ebb. There is less power of resistance to throw off disease, and it is on this account that fatalities are so much greater during the Spring months than at any other time of the year.

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ROOSEVELT IS TREED

Gray Wolves Prove Too Much for the Intrepid Hunter.

His Eager Scent for Big Game Leads Him Into a Predicament That Is Both Thrilling and Ridiculous.

According to a messenger who came in to Meeker, Col., a day or two ago, Col. Roosevelt's chair was vacant the other night when the hunters at the Keystone ranch gathered for supper. No anxiety was felt at first, as he had told the others when he left the cabin for a solitary stroll just before dusk not to wait for him in case he was not back by supper time. But at nine o'clock Col. Roosevelt had not returned and his friends became alarmed. At ten o'clock they were convinced that he was the victim of some accident and men and dogs started to find him.

It seems that in the gathering darkness Col. Roosevelt saw the shaggy form of a gray wolf outlined against the sky on a ridge fully 300 yards away. It was too dark for accurate aim, but the bullet from his rifle wounded the beast and sent him limping and yelling over the brow of the hill. Col. Roosevelt followed on the run. He found the tracks of the animal, showing that its leg had been broken. A light snow had fallen the night before and the blood-stained footprints were easily traced.

The hunter was already far from home and in the excitement of the chase had lost his direction. However, he had no thought of danger until he noticed that the yelping of the wounded wolf was answered by others. These gray wolves are twice as large as coyotes and dangerous when in numbers. Col. Roosevelt kept away from the thickets and brought down several of the brutes when they came too near. Finally it became too dark for anything but haphazard shooting, and, as the country seemed alive with wolves, Col. Roosevelt climbed a tree. In doing so he lost his cartridge belt. There the party found him after he had been a prisoner for four hours. Under the tree were a half-dozen wolves that he had killed with his revolvers. The others were soon scattered by the dogs.

STEPS ARE CRUMBLING.

Cheap Material Used in Those Leading to the Capitol Building at Washington.

Considerable criticism is heard about the cheap material used in constructing the stone stairways at the western approach to the capitol building at Washington. Although this work has been completed only a comparatively short time it rapidly is falling into decay and there are many unsightly spots on the landings at the west front of the building.

Not only is the stone which was used of an extremely perishable nature, many thin layers having peeled off, leaving unsightly holes about an inch deep and several feet in diameter, but the mortar used has disappeared entirely in several places and some of the steps are quite loose and working out of position. Is soon will be necessary to do some of the work over again and take out many of the large blocks of stone and replace them with new ones.

It is not known who is responsible for the condition of affairs, but it cannot be denied the work is of the cheapest character and not at all in keeping with the magnificent structure to which these stairways lead.

USES SAIL ON DRY LAND.

High Wind Enables a Chicago Boy to Navigate South Park in Queer Style.

The driveways of South park, in Chicago, were sailed the other day by Garner Hubbell, a small boy, who took ingenious advantage of the gale of south wind which blew all day long. Master Hubbell is 12 years old, the son of I. C. Hubbell, who lives at 5733 Monroe avenue. The lad rigged up a triangular sail and fastened it to a mast erected on his small express wagon. At first he tried a small sail, counting on the wind to make up for what he lacked in canvas. But in the afternoon he made a sail about ten feet high. By means of this he could navigate the sidewalks on the avenues, riding north and steering his sail wagon with ropes attached to the forward axle tree. It was necessary for him to haul his wagon when going south, but that was like walking up hill for a slide, though easier, and the navigator did not mind it.

MARRIED IN SHEEP WAGON.

Wyoming Couple Seek to Evade the Usually Conventional Wedding.

A new style of marriage ceremony was inaugurated at Casper, Wyo., the other day, when Ross Lambert, a sheep man, and Miss Lovisa Morrison were wedded in a sheep wagon. The ceremony was performed at midnight, and was witnessed by the bride's mother and a few friends. Rev. Mr. Gillespie performed the ceremony, after which the couple set out for Lost Cabin, traveling in the wagon.

It was not because the couple could not afford a stylish wedding that the marriage was celebrated in a sheep wagon, for Mr. Lambert is well to do, but because the young couple wanted something romantic in the way of a wedding.

Perils of Old Age.

It must be quite unhealthful to live over 100 years, thinks the Chicago Record, judging from the way persons above that age are dying off.

TRADE-MARKS IN GERMANY.

American Consulate at Berlin Shows Wherein the Law May Work to Disadvantage of Foreigners.

Some months ago the state department received a report from the American consulate general at Berlin, Germany, calling the attention of American exporters of manufactured goods to the complications which were apt to arise through registration and usurpation of their trade-marks in Germany by unauthorized persons or firms. The report having been published and copied in Germany, was attacked by a leading Berlin newspaper on the incorrectly assumed ground that the report had stated that Americans were unduly discriminated against the trade-mark statute.

Consul General Mason now furnishes the department with a supplementary report explaining that his former statements sought to point out the consequent danger which American or any other manufacturers, alien or native, might incur by selling in Germany goods designated by a trade-mark not legally registered in that country. This danger would apply more particularly to foreigners who might naturally be ignorant of the ease with which any trade-mark, not already protected in Germany, might be registered and thereby usurped by an unauthorized person under the provisions of the German law. As has been stated, the sole essential condition required to register a trade-mark in Germany is the fact of its not having been previously registered in the empire.

DOG RESCUES A HORSE.

Chews Halter in Two and Leads the Animal from a Burning Building.

Bruno, a St. Bernard dog belonging to Joseph Baldwin, of Race street, Bloomfield, N. J., is regarded as a hero by the citizens of that place. The other night there was a fire in the Baldwin stables. The dog gave the alarm by barking and by scratching at the door of its master's home. There were two valuable horses in the stables. The dog was friendly with them, and was almost beside himself with excitement until Baldwin broke open the stable door. He managed to release one horse and lead it out into the yard, and, going back to get its mate, he was astonished to see the dog with the dangling end of a halter rope in its mouth, leading the second horse out through the flames and smoke. Investigation showed that the dog had chewed the rope and released the horse.

Making Figures Interesting.

The census shows that the United States has 162,115 mules. Their ears, says the Chicago Tribune, if placed end to end, would reach from—but the census experts never condescend to make their figures interesting.

YEARS WITHOUT A DAY OFF.

Long and Faithful Service of a Fireman on the Burlington System.

Fireman Charles Bellamy, who fires the engine that pulls the fast mail from Burlington to Creston, Ia., is a remarkable character. He has worked for the Burlington road for 16 years, and in that time has not lost a trip or received an injury. Before he entered the service of the company, at Galesburg in 1885, he was employed on a farm for three years, working every day. This gives him a continuous service of 19 years without the loss of a day by sickness or from other causes. He has, since his services as a fireman began, made 616,840 miles and burned 32,501 tons of coal. His run is one of the hardest on the system, and the tenacity with which he clings to his engine is remarkable. Old railroad men say they cannot recall another instance like it.

ONLY QUEEN WEARS WHITE.

This Is the Color Chosen by Wilhelmina Until the Date of Her Marriage.

According to established custom in Holland, Queen Wilhelmina is wearing only white from the date of her betrothal to that of her marriage.

Court etiquette decrees that no other lady may appear at any function dressed in white at the same time, and as many ladies were ignorant of this sumptuary law, at a recent reception they were compelled to return to their homes and add some touch of color to their toilets before being admitted to the presence of their youthful sovereign.

The superb brocade manufactured for the royal wedding dress cost about $36 a yard. The Dutch residents in England are sending as a wedding present to the queen of Holland a handsome silver dinner service, designed by Sir L. Alma-Tadema.

Education in the United States.

There are 244,527 schoolhouses, dormitories and other buildings in the United States devoted to education, and they are valued at $524,689,255. There are 415,660 teachers—131,793 men and 283,867 women. In 1899 the people of the United States spent $197,281,603 to educate their children, which is $2.67 per capita of population and $3.20 per capita of children of the school age.

Cheerful Confidence Here.

There is a marked contrast between the outlook in English and American trade, says the New York Sun. In the one case there is nothing but gloomy apprehension, while in the other there is cheerful confidence.

Landlords in Holland.

In Holland no landlord has the power of raising the rent or of evicting a tenant.

Fair Day.

Despite the bad weather and almost impossible roads a good crowd was in attendance.

Tuesday was fair day and our village was fairly well filled with farmers from the surrounding country; also from Brook Park, Beroun and Rock Creek, and had the roads been passable this town would have seen a larger attendance than at any other fair day ever held here. Quite a large amount of stock came in, Johnson & Matson purchasing a car of cattle and sheep to ship to the outside market. The merchants report a fairly good day, and are confident that had the weather been favorable, they would have had all they could attend to, and especially those who advertised special bargains for that day. If you want the business you must advertise and the day is not far distant when it will be proven to the merchants that the key to success is the free use of printer's ink, as some of our merchants are now doing. Do not let them do it all and bring the people to town, and then expect to reap your share of the patronage, for the trade goes where the bargains are offered, and if you want to be "in it" do your share toward inducing outsiders to come here, and if they get in the habit of coming on fair days, they will come all the time. Next fair day will be a hummer. Watch for the bargains offered, and profit thereby. The roads will be in good shape by that time, April 30th, and if you want to buy anything or have anything be sure and come in on that day, for there will be anything you want, from a horse to a little pig, and the bargains for that day will surprise you.

To The Farmers.

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Coming Sunday, March 31st, a class of five will be confirmed. The service will begin at 10 o'clock, a. m. Services will also be held on Good Friday, April 5th, at 7:30 p. m. Easter Sunday, April 7th, appropriate services will again be held in the morning at 10 o'clock. Holy Communion will then be celebrated, the preparatory service beginning at 9.30, a. m.

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There is no need of this town being under water as it is at the present time where there is natural drainage, as it is here, and had the money spent in the past three or four years been spent as it should have been, there would be drainage for every street. But as it is, the middle of the streets are the lowest, and when they get full of water it runs over onto the walks. There is but one block of good street in this place, and that is in front of Jas. Hurley's and Wm. Rice's residences and there it is so that there only has to be a shower to cause the water to flow over the walk. If our village council do not think that they can afford to grade all the streets this summer and do it right, only fix as many as your means will allow, and keep right on every year until the whole village is graded and drained as it should be. If this village owned a good grader as most of our neighboring towns do, they could put every street in good shape for little expense and keep them after they had them, and the money spent each year would buy the grader and do the grading.

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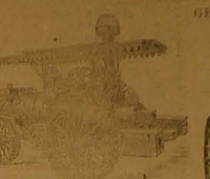

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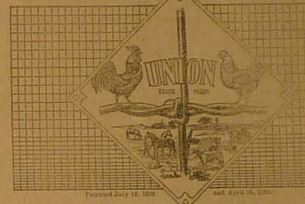

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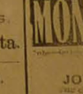

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