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PINE CITY, MINNESOTA.

MEMORIAL DAY PROGRAM

Pine City Will Fittingly Observe the National Day of Mourning, and do Honor to Departed Heroes.

Memorial Day will be observed in Pine City this year in a befitting manner. The mayor has requested that all places of business be closed between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock on Saturday afternoon. Following is the program as given to us:

Meet at G. A. R. Hall at 1 o'clock sharp, and join in procession in the following order:

Band

Fire Department

A. O. U. W.

German Society

K. of P.

Bohemian Society

M. W. A.

Eagles

Degree of Honor

Pythian Sisters

Emily J. Stone Circle, L. G. A. R.

G. A. R.

School Children

Citizens on foot and in carriages

Marshal of the Day, D. Greeley

Commander, J. Y. Breckenridge

Before the processions starts for the cemetery, Comrade Jas. Nettens, with a detachment of school children, will march to the steamboat dock, and cast flowers on the waters in memory of departed naval heroes.

At the cemetery the usual exercises

will take place, the address being delivered by S. G. L. Roberts.

Sunday School Institute

The Sunday School institute held at the Presbyterian church the latter part of last week was an interesting and instructive one. Miss Grace Longfellow, of the State Sunday School Association, gave instructions in the primary and junior departments, and teachers training lessons. Visitors were present from Brookpark, Hinckley, Rush City, Rock Creek and Cornell. Rev. Parkinson gave a talk on "Sunday school subjects," and Key Hayes spoke on "How to Handle the Boy in Sunday School." Charles Whiting, a traveling salesman, talked on "The Teacher's Duty in the Sunday School," and A. W. Piper gave a blackboard talk which greatly interested the audience. A class of fourteen members was organized to teach for Sunday School work. A County Sunday School convention will be held some time in the fall.

Citizens' Staff Organized

The Citizens' Committee called to meet at the Pine City State Bank last Saturday evening, met at 8 o'clock, and the following officers were elected: President, J. Y. Breckenridge; secretary, Henry J. Rath; treasurer, D. Greeley. Eighteen of the citizens of this place joined the society, and any other citizen may become a member by signing the roll and paying \$1 a year. The object of the organization is to take charge of the Decoration Day ceremonies, and keep out the veterans of the G. A. R. on that day. In future the society will take charge of the various meetings and make all the preparations for the same.

The Pine County Fair Society this year will offer a special township premium of forty dollars to any township north of Snake River, making the best display of farm produce—grain, fruit, vegetables, etc., as follows: First, \$25.00; second, \$15.00.

PINE CITY WILL CELEBRATE

The Glorious Fourth to be Observed in Patriotic Manner—Biggest Celebration in Pine City's History

At the meeting of the Commercial Club Monday evening it was decided that Pine City would celebrate the Fourth of July in the grandest manner ever seen in the Northwest. The N. P. railway company has been asked to run an excursion train from Carlton on the north and North Branch on the south. A committee was appointed to take charge of the celebration, and to appoint sub-committees, and everything will be done to make the national holiday of 1908 long to be remembered in the history of Pine City.

The Executive committee consists of D. Greeley, F. E. Smith, Wm. A. Lambert, Dr. H. W. Froehlich and J. M. Collins.

The Executive committee has appointed the following sub-committees:

Com. on Soliciation—J. M. Collins, R. J. Hawley.

Music—I. H. Clappert.

Advertising—R. P. Allen.

Parade—H. J. Rath, D. A. Payne.

Speaker—D. Greeley.

Sports—J. M. Collins.

There is no reason why Pine City should not have a celebration which will eclipse all previous efforts, as we have the natural facilities, with our lake and river, with the fleet of gasoline launches and row boats, and commodious passenger steam-boat.

The matter has been taken up in time, and if each one will put his shoulder to the wheel and loosen up the purse strings, the celebration should be a hummer.

All that is needed is a sufficient amount of cash and a little hard work on the part of each and everyone, and we will have a celebration that will be an honor to the best town on the N. P. railroad between the twin cities and Duluth.

Memorial Sunday Service

The Memorial service held in the Presbyterian church last Sunday morning was not very well attended, on account of the inclemency of the weather. There were only four of the old soldiers present, and but few of the ladies of the Grand Army.

The address was delivered by Mrs. Matthews, who spoke in her usual pleasing manner. A special choir furnished the music.

The old veterans are dropping away one by one, and it will only be a few years at the most before they will all have answered the last call and fought their last battle.

Fire Laddies Meet

At a special meeting of the fire department held Tuesday evening it was decided that the fire laddies give the dance on the evening of the Fourth of July, and a committee consisting of Chief D. A. Payne as ex officio member, R. J. Hawley, H. Wilcox, W. P. Gately and R. J. Wiseman were appointed to take the complete charge of the arrangements and appoint all of the self-committes. The firemen's dances are now held every event the entire country around, and the boys are determined that the one to be given on the Fourth will eclipse all former dances.

For fun fresh meat and first-class sausage, call on the North Star Meat Co., Jelinek & Janda, proprietors.

THE BIGGEST EVER

Tuesday Was Monthly Fair Day, With the Largest Crowd Ever Assembled on a Like Occasion Present

Last Tuesday opened threatening rain, but about 11 o'clock the sun came out good and bright, and the promise for a good day was assured. The farmers commenced coming to town at an early hour, and by noon one of the largest crowds that had ever attended a monthly fair in Pine City was in town, and almost every one had pigs, cows or calves for sale.

A large number of small pigs were disposed of, as were also a few fresh cows and calves. There were also several horses for sale on the fair grounds, but we did not hear of the sale of any of them. In the afternoon the center of attraction was the sports, of which there were five events.

The first event was the running high jump, in which Alfred Decker, of Meadow Lawn, cleared the bar at 4 feet and 6 inches, for which he received a 49 pound sack of flour, and Lu. Larson, of the St. Croix road, received the second prize, which was \$1 worth of sugar, by clearing the bar at 4 feet lower.

The second event was the running broad jump, in which Earl Chaffee won a year's subscription to the Pine Pioneer by jumping 15 feet and 2 inches, and Alfred Decker, the second prize of a shirt, by clearing the ground at 14 feet and 10 inches.

The 16 pound shot put was the next event, in which Earl Chaffee put the shot 29 feet and 5 inches for which he will receive the Pine County Pioneer one year; and B. Scofield the second prize of a pair of shoes by heaving the shot 26 feet and 7 inches.

The running hop, skip and jump was won by Alfred Decker, who cleared 21 feet and 5 inches and received a bottle of "6088," and Earl Chaffee received a 6 time manure for a second prize, he covering 30 feet and 2 inches of ground.

The last event was the 100 yard dash, which upon the first trial resulted in a tie between Decker and Scofield in twelve seconds; after a short rest the two young gentlemen again ran and Decker won the first money and received a suit of underwear and Scofield the second money, a pair of gloves.

The special prize of \$300, offered by the Pine City Milling & Electric Co., for the largest load of grain was won by Alex. Pangrel, and the special prize of \$2.00, for the largest load of feed grinding was won by Mrs. Mrs. Frank Drimel.

The prize of \$5.00 to the farmer bringing the largest load of people to town was not competed for.

Pine City's monthly fair day of May 25 was a decided success, and was only the beginning, as the Commercial club intends to make each fair day better than the preceding one.

Baccalaureate Sermon.

The baccalaureate sermon was preached by Rev. Harrison Taylor in the Presbytarian church last Sunday evening, to the graduating class of Webster school, the class being composed of John Hunt, Dora Matthews, Delta Axzell and Elizabeth Dosey.

Mr. Taylor spoke in a very earnest and convincing manner, and gave the young people of the class something to think about. His remarks were well chosen, and it was too bad that the weather was so inclement, and that such a small audience heard the reverend gentleman.

The singing was congregational, excepting a solo by Miss Wing, a teacher in the schools at this place.

Notice.

To the Citizens of the Village of Pine City, Minn.

Pursuant to custom, I would request that all buildings be suspended between the hours of one and four o'clock p.m., in observance of Memorial Day, Saturday, May 30, 1908.

Julian Dooley,

President.

"THE CITY BEAUTIFUL!"

Students of the Pine City High School Give Their Views on "How to Make Pine City Most Attractive."

Below appears the first of a series of brief essays on an interesting subject, which will appear from time to time in these columns. The essays were written by pupils of the high school, and contain many useful suggestions that might profitably be put into immediate practice.

BY PHILLIP H. HAMIN.

Pine City has indeed a very pleasant situation. Nature has played the part in making it attractive by giving these beautiful lakes, and what is needed now to make it most attractive, is a few artificial improvements.

First of all, the citizens of Pine City must awaken to the responsibility which rests upon them, and must co-operate in the good work which lies before us. Several cities in the state have formed leagues for improving the condition of their streets, parks, vacant lots, etc. Such a league might be an advantage in our village.

Being the county seat, and in the most thickly populated part of the county, Pine City naturally affords some attractions; but if it is to be most attractive, we must, at least keep pace with our sister villages.

One great necessity is an auditorium or some place of public gathering. Such a building could be afforded, and would give a better chance for entertainments.

Our location is adapted to many paying industries, which should be established here, but we must not take up any particular project, but bring about an equal development of all our paying industries, so that if one enterprise should fail we would still have others.

Schools and churches have many attractions to some home-seekers; anything done to better them would add to the village's attractiveness.

The greatest essential, however, is good citizenship. No matter how large, how beautiful, or how attractive we cannot be most attractive unless we have that type of citizens which are "given to hospitality" of strangers, and in helping them to get homes.

JOHN W. HUNT.

In order to make a truly attractive village, whether as a pleasure resort, as a business center or as a residence place, the first essential is order. When we walk through the streets of a village and see old, tattered houses and untrimmed, ill-kept lawns, our first impression is that the citizens are equally disorderly and unattractive.

There is an air of ungroomedness about the place. It may be that, because of its surroundings, it is a flourishing business center. But there is a vast difference between attractiveness and the hustle of a busy village. In other words, a village may be judged by its general appearance. Therefore, if we want to make an attractive center for trade of Pine City, the first step would be to improve the order and neatness of the village as to give prospective business men a good impression of the people. This can be done only by making a big effort to keep every house, store or other building clean, orderly and well painted, and lawns clipped evenly and in regular intervals. Flower beds, although they may seem very unimportant to a town desirous of becoming a good business center, show very well the character of the people, and surely it is with men who have a keen sense of order and beauty that an enterprising business man would sooner associate himself.

Therefore, let us keep our houses and buildings looking well; our lawns and flowers in good condition, and our trees trimmed. Let us see that any useless buildings that do not enhance the beauty of the village, are removed and a great step will have been made toward making Pine City an attractive business center.

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This preparation is a combination of drugs having alterative, tonic, stimulant, and laxative action. It is carefully prepared from the purest drugs, and is sold at a reasonable price.

85c for a Large Bottle

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D. A. PAYNE, Manager.

Pine City, Minnesota.

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"When ye buy lumber, ef ye don't look out,

"Yell forget the quality an' jest erbout

"Give all yer mind to the money ye'll save.

"But I've alther found when ye 'gin to shave

"On the price, the boards ye git is full o' knots

"An' sap, an' rot. Now ain't it lots

"Better to keep your eye on the kind o' stuff

"Yer goin' to buy? An when these fellers try to

bluff

An' holler 'Cheap,' like they're goin' to bust,

Jest buy of the dealer in whom you c'n trust."

MIDLAND LUMBER & COAL COMPANY,

ED. O'GALLIES, Manager.

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CURRENCY BILL
AGREED UPON

A Great Bridge.
The last stone has been laid in the construction of a stone bridge which is destined to take rank as one of the greatest of its kind in the world. The bridge is over the Commercial river at Hartford. With its approach it took nearly three years to build and cost about \$2,000,000. It is composed of nine spans having a maximum length of 119 feet and a clear height of arch of 45 feet, and is 82 feet wide and has a total length of 1,162.5 feet. The famous London bridge, which has hitherto ranked first among stone bridges, is but 65 feet wide, 1,065 feet long and has five arches, with a longest span of 152 feet and a maximum rise of arch of 27.5 feet. The Connecticut bridge, says Cassier's Magazine, is not remarkable for its length or span, for there are several stone bridges with a span of more than 200 feet, but these are generally narrow one-span structures, as, for instance, the Cahill John Creek bridge, carrying the Washington aqueduct, which has a span of 220 feet and a width of but 20 feet. Neither is it the longest bridge, for there is the Congleton viaduct, in England, which has 41 arches and is 2,870 feet long and 25 feet wide. Although the Hartford bridge is one of the widest bridges, it is not any one feature that stamps it great, but a summary of size of arch, of length and breadth, combined with its perfection of structure and symmetry of outline, that makes plain the claim of superiority.

It was reported last week in the Current Events column that the United States consul in Harbin, Manchuria, had refused to recognize the president of that munificently corrupt city, on the ground that the president was appointed by Russia. His action has precipitated a discussion in the foreign offices of the world of the open-door question in China. According to the treaty of Portsmouth, both Russia and Japan agreed to evacuate Manchuria, leaving the province to the Chinese. The American consul is accredited to China, and refuses to recognize any other governmental authority. The Russians have not withdrawn, neither have the Japanese, and a new government for Harbin was lately arranged in such a way as to give to Russia the control. But the American consul, acting under instructions from home, insists that Russia has no more right than America or France or Germany to name municipal officers in Harbin. It is evident that the government in Washington expects both Japan and Russia to keep their word given at Portsmouth. If its obligation is exacted with sufficient emphasis, it is likely that the rights of China will be considerably advanced and the friendship between the Chinese and the Americans more firmly cemented.

An American play running in London has to be accompanied by a glossary in order to give the English audience the proper tip as to the meaning of many of the unfamiliar terms employed. This is so funny that it really adds to the humor of the performance. But the American dramatist can plead a distinguished precedent. Several of the carefully edited works of Shakespeare are furnished with a glossary. And doubtless if the English audiences would look the matter up they would find a large number of the slang terms in cluded in the Shakespearean vocabulary. That often happens when so-called "Americanisms" are traced to their source. The English critics have failed to "catch on" to the evolution of their own language, that's all.

Mr. Asquith, the new British premier, was a lucky "find" by Mr. Gladstone. He entered parliament in 1886. A single speech, which proved his power as a debater, led Mr. Gladstone, in 1892, to offer him the important post of home secretary, with the seat in the cabinet, although he had not previously held any office. He remained at the home office until the Rosebery government was defeated in 1895, was in the opposition ten years, and has been chancellor of the exchequer since December, 1905. He has therefore served but five years and three months in all as an officer of the crown. To have attained the chief place in the government by two steps, and in so short a time, is, at most, unprecedented.

Doubtless the next grand rush to Alaska will be caused by the report that some one has struck a gasoline well, for soon some other is likely to discover certain supplies of fuel along the route of the Paris railroad. Or was that all a bluff?

Dr. Allen of New York urges every body to concentrate his efforts on making the municipal government thoroughly efficient. That idea, if carried out, is worth a lot of money to any city.

CONFERENCE'S CONSENT TO PLAN COMBINING VIRELAND AND ALDRICH MEASURES.

Everything Points to Speedy Action
Senate and House Expected to Pass the Bill and Adjourn for the Summer.

Washington, May 27.—A conference which concluded last night on currency legislation, Conference, which concluded all day, participated in by Senators Aldrich, Hale and Allison and Representatives Vreeland, Burton and Weeks resulted in the formation of a plan which contemplates the union of the Vreeland and Aldrich bill with the latter dominant.

The features of the Vreeland bill which permits banks in different sections of the country to organize clearing house associations and issue asset currency, is retained, but the limit of such currency is cut from \$750,000,000 to \$200,000,000. The issue of bond-backed currency, which is now limited to \$600,000,000, such currency to be based on state, municipal and county bonds and to be issued under authority of the secretary of the treasury.

This agreement will be submitted to the full conference committee of the Senate tomorrow morning and if agreed to there, it will go to the senate before noon.

The possibility of currency legislation depends upon the acceptance by houses of the compromise which has been practically dictated by the senate. If it is accepted the bill will be passed and adjournment follow at noon.

The senate leaders have evidently taken full advantage of the feeling which prevails in the house, that unless some emergency currency measure is passed it will be difficult to elect a Republican house this fall. In the conference which concluded last night the committee proposed firmly for the incorporation of the main feature of the Aldrich bill, and succeeded in making it dominate in the compromise measure.

FACCTIONS HAVE LINED UP.

North Dakota Primary Filings Are Completed.

Bismarck, N. D., May 27.—All entries for the political race at the primaries closed Monday through the state. The race in the Republican primaries is being contested for being even candidates for each office, one stalwart and one insurgent, except in the case of the attorney general and railroad commissioners, there being three candidates for the former and nine for the latter to fill three places. The Democrats have filed complete lists of candidates except for the office of state superintendent and judge of the supreme court.

500 AT HANGING.

Foreigners Given Object Lesson in the Punishment of Crime.

Pottsville, Pa., May 27.—In order that they may go among their countrymen and impress upon them the enormity of the crime of murder and the terrible punishment that the law of this country calls for in the case of such a crime, the sheriff of Schuylkill county, six months ago, the hanging took place in the yard of the Schuylkill county prison and about 500 persons were present.

LAUNCHED.

The Big Battleship Michigan Takes to the Waves.

Cambden, N. J., May 27.—The first-class battleship Michigan, which was launched from the yard of the New York Shipbuilding company on the Delaware river here, completed her trials at the Dreadnought class of warships of the English navy than any other big fighting vessel in the American navy. The new vessel is known as an "all big gun" battleship as it will carry eight 12-inch broadsides loading rides.

Flood Defense Convention.

Fort Worth, Texas, May 27.—Efforts to hold the state democratic convention here today proved futile, the members of the delegation from the delegations from reaching the meeting place.

The convention will be held when enough delegates arrive.

TWIN CITY MARKETS.

Minneapolis, May 26.—Wheat—No. 1 Northern, \$1.10; No. 2 Northern, \$1.65; Grade #1, \$1.07; Durum, 1 lb., 40¢; Oats—No. 3 white, 48¢; Corn—No. 3 white, 20¢; Corn—No. 3 yellow, 25¢; Corn—No. 3 white, 28¢; Flaxseed, 1 lb., 25¢; Butter—Creamery, extra, 36¢; Bread, 19¢; dairy, fancy, 19¢; flour, 17¢.

South St. Paul, May 26.

Cattle—Steers, \$6.00 and \$6.75 cwt.; cows, \$4.00 and \$4.50; hogs, \$2.50 and \$3.00; sheep—Muttons, \$6.75; lambs, \$6.75.

GIVE HIM A CHANCE TO RECOVER.



Mr. BUSINESS Condition—Say, Old Man, an Awful Headache is Just Leaving Me. Talk, If You Wish, But Not in Too Loud a Voice."

DIVORCE GIVEN
MRS. VANDERBILT

CUSTODY OF THE ONLY CHILD IS AWARDED TO THE PLAINTIFF.

No Mention of Alimony—Woman May Remarry During Lifetime of Defendant, But He May Not Take Another Wife She Lives.

New York, May 26.—Mrs. Vanderbilt was granted an interlocutory decree of divorce from Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt, ordered by Justice O'Gorman in the supreme court yesterday. The referee, who was appointed to take testimony and determine the findings in the suit instituted by Mrs. Vanderbilt.

Justice O'Gorman confirmed the report of the referee that Mr. Vanderbilt had been guilty of misconduct and directed that Mrs. Vanderbilt be granted a judgment of absolute divorce.

Mrs. Vanderbilt May Remarry. The divorce decree provides that Mrs. Vanderbilt may marry during the lifetime of Mr. Vanderbilt, but prevent him from remarrying after her lifetime.

The custody of William H. Vanderbilt, the only child of the marriage, was awarded to Mrs. Vanderbilt. No provision was made for alimony in the decree nor was the subject alluded to in the report of Referee McDowell.

The referee's report developed that Mrs. Vanderbilt had been secured from Mr. Vanderbilt's valet concerning the misconduct of his employer on a railroad train a year ago last October in Virginia.

MARRIED EIGHT YEARS AGO.

Mrs. Vanderbilt was Miss Elsie French, daughter of the late Francis Ormond French, president of the Manhattan Trust company and a member of the directorate of several railroads. She was married January 1900, to Mr. Vanderbilt, who had in his pocket upwards of \$65,000,000 from his father, the late Cornelius Vanderbilt.

The crisis in the domestic affairs of Alfred Gwynne Vanderbilt developed on April 1 last, when Mrs. Vanderbilt, who had been occupying a small bungalow within an hour after he had sailed for England. The couple, it was reported, had not been living together for several months and shortly before the institution of the suit Mrs. Vanderbilt, who had occupied the bungalow in New York, went to the home of her brother in Tuxedo, N. Y. Mr. Vanderbilt is now in England.

LIGHTNING KILLS A GOLFER.

Wealthy St. Louis Merchant Struck Down by a Bolt.

St. Louis, May 25.—W. H. Howard, wealthy commission merchant of this city, was struck down by a heavy electrical and rain storm which swept over St. Louis Sunday afternoon. Mr. Howard, who was a member of the Glen Echo Club here, had been playing golf and sought the shelter of a tree when it began to rain. The lightning ran down the tree, killing him instantly.

Denies Marrying Anna to Hell.

New York, May 26.—Justice of the Peace William Biedenbender of the Bronx, who has been mentioned in connection with reports that Prince de Scaen and Anna Gould were married in New Jersey, denied positively Monday that he performed the marriage.

Fatal Street Car Collision.

San Francisco, May 25.—Two crowded trolley cars collided on Sacramento street at the foot of a steep hill shortly after 10 o'clock, killing Henry, a traveling salesman, and injuring 20 other passengers, one fatally and several seriously.

TEXAS IS SWEEPED BY GREAT STORM

DAMAGE TO CROPS AND TREES IS THE WORST REPORTED IN YEARS.

Villages Are Inundated—Oklahoma Towns Flooded by Rains, Train Services Stopped and Natural Gas Supply Cut Off.

Austin, Tex., May 25.—A terrific wind and rain storm that at times developed into a tornado swept Texas from the Panhandle to the gulf early Sunday. The destruction to crops, trees and shrubbery was the greatest reported in years.

In numerous places houses were uprooted and small villages inundated by the terrific rainfall which, in the space of four hours, reached seven inches in many sections. Austin was in the path of the worst of the storm and for hours the streets were impassable. Electric light and telephone connections were disabled and many houses were unroofed.

Great Railstorms in Oklahoma.

Oklahoma City, May 25.—Not a railroad in Oklahoma is in operation as a result of the heavy rains and downbursts that have occurred in various parts of the state during the past three days. The last road to suspend operations was the Missouri, Kansas & Texas which was forced to quit on Sunday when the bridge on the main line was washed away.

To add to the disaster, much unpricing natural gas to the Indian Territory part of the state was carried away with the flood water and the supply of gas for Muskogee and several other cities in the southeast part of the state has been entirely cut off. Officials of the gas company say that the gas will not be restored until the gas supply again can be carried. As natural gas is used for light and heat, business will be suspended in a measure. Elevators have been forced to stop running and hotels and restaurants have practically been put out of business.

West Guthrie Flooded.

Guthrie, Okla., May 25.—The West Guthrie is inundated, with from seven to ten feet of water rushing through the streets. The Cottonwood river is 25 miles wide in places and is still rising. Not a train arrived in Guthrie Sunday.

Other Places Under Water.

Tulsa, Okla., May 25.—As a result of an unusual amount of downpour in Oklahoma for the past three days, the Arkansas river has risen 12 feet and is still rising. At six o'clock Sunday night the river had reached the highest point in 14 years. Parts of West Tulsa and Jenks, 14 miles south of here, are inundated and the inhabitants are moving from their homes.

The water has reached the surface of the wagon bridges across the Arkansas river at this place and all travel over the structure has been stopped. The river is full of debris, including wrecks of bridges, from tributary streams. The water is rising rapidly by the floods. It is impossible to estimate the damage done in the surrounding country as telephone and telegraph service is crippled. It is known, however, that in the lowlands crops are practically ruined and much live stock has been drowned. A considerable area has been inundated. So far no loss of human life has been reported.

The train service on the St. Louis & San Francisco and Midland Valley railroads is delayed by washouts. The Missouri, Kansas & Texas is not running trains south of Osage Junction on the Oklahoma City and Guthrie division.

PRIEST STABBED IN CHURCH.

Missouri Farmer, Severely Deranged, Wounds His Pastor.

Salisbury, Mo., May 25.—Rev. Father Joseph F. Lubley, aged 32 years, pastor of St. Joseph's Catholic church of Salisbury, was stabbed twice with a knife while performing his duties in church Sunday morning by Joseph Schettie, a prosperous farmer living near here and a member of the church, who is believed to have been insane.

The same scene was repeated in view of the fact that the priest had been attacked by the same man the previous evening. The injured man was taken to a nearby residence, where his wounds were attended to by physicians. His condition is critical.

AI Kitton Not Drowned.

St. Paul, Minn., May 26.—The report sent out from Cass Lake Saturday that Al Kitton, son of the late Comptroller of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Paul, had been drowned in the Mississippi river, turned out to be a case of mistaken identity due to similar names.

Martin Collins, St. Louis, is dead. St. Louis, May 25.—Martin Collins, aged 32 years, one of the oldest insurance men in St. Louis and prominently connected in Masonic circles of the city, died Monday at his home after a illness of five weeks from the grippe.

Thirty-Seven Treaties Ratified.

St. Joseph, Mo., May 25.—Fifty-three treaties and international agreements made by the United States have at this session placed its approval on 37 treaties—more in number if not in importance than had been ratified during the 20 years preceding.



MISS SOPHIA KITTESEN.

HEALTH VERY POOR—RESTORED BY PE-RU-NA.

Cataract Twenty-five Years—Had a Bad Cough.

Miss Sophia Kittlesen, Evanston, Illinois, U. S. A., writes:

"I have been troubled with catarrh for nearly twenty-five years and have undergone cures for it, but obtained very little help."

"Then my brother advised me to try Peruna and I did."

"My health was very poor at the time I began taking Peruna. My throat was very bad and I had a bad cough."

"Peruna has cured me. The chronic catarrh is removed and my health is very much improved."

"I recommend Peruna to all my friends who are troubled as I was."

"Young people should take Peruna tablets, rather than the syrup form. Such people can obtain Peruna tablets, which represent the medicinal ingredients of Peruna. Each tablet equals one average dose of Peruna."

Man-a-lin the Ideal Laxative.

Manufactured by Peruna Drug Manufacturing Company, Columbus, Ohio.

He Was Practical.

"Young man, you write a good deal of poetry to my daughter."

"Yes, sir."

"It takes a practical man to support a wife."

"Well, it's this way. I have to write her an occasional letter, and I'm so busy at the office that I just copy the poetry to fill in."

The explanation was satisfactory.

—Exchange.

An Indignant Editor.

Last Saturday evening after sewing two patches on our Sunday trousers and cleaning and pressing them we hung them up to dry. An hour later we found that they had been stolen. This will explain why we were not in our accustomed place in church on Sunday. The human being who will deliberately steal a pair of trousers from the editor of a weekly paper, and knowing that they are his only pair, for the sake of a few cents will shame us to mention. It seems to us as if civilization has been turned back half a century.—Hometown (Pa.) Banner,

The Young Idea.

"How many seed compartments are there in an apple?" he asked. No one answered. "And yet," continued the school inspector, "all of you eat many an apple in the course of a year and set fruit every day, probably. You must learn to notice the little things in nature."

The talk of the inspector impressed the children, and at recess they discussed it. A little girl, getting her companions' opinion, said:

"Now, children, you suppose I am Mr. Taylor. You've got to know more about common things. If you don't you'll all grow up to be fools. Now, tell me, Minnie," she continued, looking sternly at a plumpate, "how many feathers are there on a hen?"

DR. TALKS OF FOOD.

Pres. of Board of Health.

"What shall I eat?" is the daily inquiry the physician is met with. I do not hesitate to say that in my judgment a large percentage of disease is caused by poor selection of food, prepared by persons ignorant of the principles of health.

In a short time after I commenced to use the easily digestible, nutritious diet, my heart's action became steady and normal, the functions of the stomach were properly carried out and I again slept as soundly as well as in my younger days.

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Ever read the above letter? A new one appears from time to time. They are genuine, true, and full of human interest.

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For luncheon, afternoon tea or evening lunch nothing is finer. The next time you want a dainty cracker, try one of these.

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PINE CITY MERCANTILE COMPANY

News of the Week.

Chips Picked Up Around Town and Vicinity

Jupiter Pluvius is very much in evidence these days.

W. C. Warren, of the Hinckley Enterprise, was a county seat visitor fair day.

Wm. Kibbie, the copper man of Hinckley, was a county seat visitor Wednesday.

John Lindgren, the popular merchant of Gresley, was a county seat visitor Monday afternoons.

Ernest Dosey on Wednesday purchased the gasoline launch recently owned by Hugo Wickstrand.

Mr. H. C. Hooker and Mr. Seymour of Brookpark, dined with Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Minier last Tuesday.

Charles Nelson, of Brahma, was a Pine City visitor last Friday. The Pioneer acknowledges a pleasant call.

Miss Anna Dosey returned home Monday from Duquette, where she has been teaching for the past five months.

Mrs. F. L. Bordeaux, of Minneapolis, arrived on Monday night to spend the summer. She will return on August 10th.

The Willow River base ball team came down Sunday morning to meet the Pine City boys, but the game failed to materialize, on account of the rain.

President Dosey has issued a proclamation requesting that all business houses be closed between the hours of 1 and 4 o'clock p.m. on Memorial Day.

(Mrs. Jas. H. Wandel had the misfortune to fall from a table Thursday afternoon, fracturing her right arm in two places.) At present she is doing as well as could be expected.

Glyde Allen and wife, who have been visiting at the home of Mrs. Allen's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kunz, for the past two weeks, returned to their home at Proctor on the moon train last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Poole, of North Branch, came up Saturday night and spent Sunday with Mr. Poole's parents at their home on the east shore of Cross lake. They returned home Monday morning.

Ferdinand Furstenberg, an old-time resident of this place, but now of Duluth, came down on Tuesday, to spend a couple of weeks visiting friends. Mr. Furstenberg is looking well, and says he must be getting young again.

Louis Steinatz, who has been taking mud baths at the Jordan Sanitarium for the past month, returned home on Saturday, feeling very much improved, and looking fine. He says the Sanitarium is a great place for anyone who is suffering with rheumatism.

Last Saturday was heard for the first time this season the welcome blast of the whistle of the steamer "Fritz," which cleared for Lake Pokegama on her initial trip. Capt. Fritzen has just completed the installation of a new and powerful boiler on the boat, and is now better prepared than ever to attend to the wants of the traveling public.

Arlie Boyle, a brother of our popular village treasurer, has been spending the past two weeks with his brother and family in this place. Mr. Boyle is an engineer on the N.P. at Jamestown, N. D., but had just been released from the hospital at Brainerd when he arrived here, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis. He departed for the scene of his labors Wednesday.

Miss Kate Brackett, who is working in the register of deeds office at Roila, N. D., returned to her home in this place the fore part of the week to spend a part of her two weeks vacation. She was accompanied by her two cousins, Miss Cogland and Miss Ca Tourse. Before returning to her labors in N. D., she will accompany Mrs. Cogland to Milwaukee, Wis., where the latter goes to consult a specialist in regard to her eyesight.

Don't fail to attend the Base Ball Boys' dance to be given tonight in Steki's hall. The boys deserve the support of the citizens, and now is the time to show that you appreciate their efforts to give Pine City what it has always had—the best base ball team in the northeastern part of the state. If you have not already purchased a ticket do so, even if you do not intend to take in the dance.

Dry stove wood—All kinds for sale by the Pine City Ice and Fuel Co.

A. M. Challen, of Rock Creek, was in town Tuesday and took in the fair in the forenoon.

The band boys have been practice nearly every evening this week, getting ready for Memorial Day.

The Misses Lulu and Etta Shaw, of Sandstone, spent Sunday with their uncle, A. E. Blanchard, and family.

F. W. Jauhane, of St. Cloud, and F. A. Carnel, of Cannon Falls, were Pine City visitors the fore part of the week.

H. C. Hooker, of Brookpark, purchases the Jersey bull which J. J. Wittner offered for sale at the fair Tuesday.

Jas. McGrath, of Stillwater, came up on Tuesday to be here when his loading works and mill started up Wednesday morning.

[Two new launches were added to the Snake river fleet the latter part of last week—one for John Juner, the other for L. Stummie, of Pokemana Lake.]

Mrs. A. E. Blanchard received the sad news yesterday afternoon that her oldest brother, who lives in western Minnesota, was dying. See details on the night train.

The first of the McGrath saw logs arrived at the railroad bridge Sunday night, and Monday a crew, with the tow boat "Dirty Bess," were shoving them past the bridge.

Batiste Andring and wife, who resided in the southern part of the state arrived in this place Wednesday to spend a week or so with Mrs. Andring's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kunz.

The Pine City and Brahma baseball teams will cross bats on the diamond next Sunday afternoon. The game will be called at 2:15. Brahma has a good ball team and a hot game may be expected.

[John Lambert departed yesterday for Duluth, where he goes to take a try out as fielder for the team of the Zenith city in the Northern base ball league.] John is a good all around ball player and should make good in fast company. Here's luck to you, John.

[School closes to day for the summer, and the commencement exercises will be held in the assembly room in Webster school tomorrow evening, at which time four young ladies and one young gentleman, Mrs. Elizabeth Dosey, Dora Matthews, Delta Axtell, Agnes Stooch and Mr. John Hunt, will graduate.]

Hotel Agnes, under the management of A. G. Dodds and wife, is having a good run of trade, and the traveling public are finding out that Pine City has the best hotel in the northeastern part of the state. Their Sunday dinners are a special feature that a great many of our citizens, as well as commercial travelers, are taking advantage of.

(The McGrath loading works and the Pine City Lumber company's saw mill started up on Wednesday morning with full crews.) The load succeeded in loading 13 cars and would have loaded as many as they have in any one day if they had been able to get the cars, and the mill ran as smoothly and sawed as much timber as it would if they had been running for a month.

John C. Metcalf, of North Carolina, a brother-in-law of Prof. R. H. Blenkinsop, our popular Superintendent of Schools, is here visiting R. H. and family, and looking over Pine City real estate with the intention of purchasing if he can find anything that suits him. He has been out with I. H. Claggett, and we are informed that he thinks very favorably of this country.

Dr. J. A. Healy, of Wheaton, arrived on Tuesday, and will spend the summer at Pokegama lake. The doctor is suffering from tuberculosis and is going to spend the summer at the lake in the hope of regaining his health. He intended to stay at the Taylor Sanatorium, but that institution is now crowded to overflowing, and the doctor will have a shack built on the Stummie land and go over to the sanatorium for the treatments. As soon as the shack is completed the doctor's wife will come up to live with him.

Popular Specials.

WANTED— Girl for general house work—Wages \$10 per month. Apply at this office, to G. C. E. Cannon.

For Sale—I have for sale my farm of 80 acres, 21 miles northeast of Pine City. Good frame house for barn, and necessary out buildings. Will sell stock, horses and farm machinery. Apply at this office, to G. C. E. Cannon.

DRYING PROJECT to get out and gasoline engine supplies. Just received, 2 barrels of dry batteries, fresh stock and best on the market.

FOR SALE—House, 28x32, 8 rooms, pantry, basement, furnace and chimney. Located in the southeastern part of town, number of fruit trees just beginning to bear and smaller fruits in garden. Will sell for less than cash value.

Will take reasonable terms for cash, or apply to Rev. J. J. Parish, Pine City.

LAUNDRY—John Juner is again sending laundry to the Peirces Company, of Duluth. Laundry is sent on Tuesday. Mr. Juner sent to this company for advice, and they gave the best information.

NOTICE—My bed and board with out just cause or provocation, on Oct. 21st, 1897. I hereby forbid any woman to sleep in my room on my account.

I will pay all bills of her contracting after this date.

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Anyone having a gasoline engine, launch or machinery of any kind that needs repairs should call on E. W. Stoddard, who is maintaining shop on the bank of the river, back of J. W. Axtell's planing mill.

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THE BOX OF TRICKS

By OWEN OLIVER

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It is not easy for me to tell, Harry, and my brother's wife is not easy to be told, either. She looks like a grown-up baby, and she is so innocent and surprised when I point out her mistakes that I generally end by fancying myself the offending party. Bob chuckles over the whole thing at the back of tricks."

There are limits, however, to my amiability, and finally—I don't feel sure—to my sister-in-law's artfulness. When I found the old man who had taken me into his boat in his yacht under some false pretense, I resolved that all my wives would not save her from my severe displeasure when I caught her at home.

She clung not by attaching herself to other guests until we had passed the lighthouse. Then the yacht became very lively, and the other guests disappeared in rapid succession except a tall, good-looking young man in prison clothes. She had Bob by the arm, and rubbed her out on deck; and old Bob rubbed his hands gleefully.

"The box of tricks is going to catch it this time," he observed.

"She's going to catch it a second time," I stated, and turning to Lucy in a view to securing the next informs.

I discovered the two ladies strolling in the lee of the smoking room. They were evidently in their admiration that they did not notice me.

"It's abominable," the tall young lady protested. "Perfectly atrocious."

My sister-in-law looked at her with similitude.

"It's a little rough," she said, catching at the handrail, and shaking her pretty head at the great green waves that greeted us at the harbor mouth. "Oh-h-h!" She threw her hood over her head to fend off a spray of spray.

"I'll tell you, ma'am, the tall young lady, balancing herself like a sailor! You know perfectly well that I don't mind the weather."

"I think it do!" my naughty sister-in-law confessed. "I—*the* ship gave a lurch, and I fell down. She made a dash for the hatchway and disappeared, white-faced, but smiling and unrepentant."

"Serves her right," the tall young lady muttered; but her tone was less unfriendly than her words; and she landed, unwillingly, when she turned and saw me.

"She will not be able to introduce us for a little while," I observed. "So perhaps you will allow me? I have the misfortune to be her brother-in-law. I do not remember that I had ever introduced myself to a lady before; but I find that I had a good excuse in the circumstances—and the lady."

"Oh!" she said, "but surely you are not Prof. Lorimer?" I am not old for a professor, and look younger than my age."

"Unless I have lost my memory?" I declared. "I gather that my bad little relative has kidnapped you, too?"

The young lady smiled, slowly.

"I did not know that I had a companion in misfortune," she said. "But of course it is a consolation. I think we have been associated before. In a way. We had a long controversy in the Academic Record. I am Margaret Fane."

I stared at her like a boor in my surprise. She was very unlike my idea of a lady who had written a treatise on comic sections; and still more unlike my notion of an advocate of women's rights in female suffrage; the subjects upon which our controversy had taken place.

"You scarcely look the character," I confessed.

"How like a man!" she cried. "A woman who is not his humble slave must be a monster of course; and wear *deodiv* frocks, and short hair, and squat bodies, and such a tiny foot in a ridiculous, pointed French shoe, defiantly. The yacht rolled heavily just then, and her balance suffered. Fortunately I caught her and deposited her on the seat. She watched me struggling not to laugh at her."

"That is like a man, too," she admitted. "He doesn't accomplish much outside the fallen. I concede that, at least his physical superiority. But mental—now you are twice Lucy's size; and yet you have let her kidnap you; and you even smacked her!"

"I'm not sure that I won't," I said, "when she's well enough to be shaken. She told me that she and she were going for a walk, then stopped and asked me to come and finish her book in peace on board. The anchor up when I put my foot on deck; and I found that she had a regular party, principally women."

"That's exactly my case," said Miss Fane. "Only it seemed to me that they were principally men! She knows that I'm a fool."

"And she knows that I object to women. At least I don't exactly object to them; they are an admirable, if illogical sex. What I really object to is Lucy's intention to marry me to one of them."

"Old Bob grinned when he saw us. 'She does, really!' he said. 'She's going to get her wish, I suppose.' Fane inquired. 'I haven't the least idea,' said Lucy, laughing merrily."

"That's exactly my case, professor. She wants to marry me to some one.



Now I Am Only a Poor Weak Woman.

wiping them. She looked still more charming without them.

"We shall quarrel violently, of course," she stated, "but—if you really mean it. We understand each other, of course."

"Of course," I agreed. "Decidedly."

"And she really does deserve to be taken in."

"Exactly," I said. "Precisely."

"It will annoy her so much because yes—I really think we might, before we get married—get into a position to make her understand how utterly impossible it is for me to contemplate mar—such an absurd thought—in the present state of affairs. She thinks that a woman is made only to be married. It is absurd!"

"utterly!" I agreed. "She thinks that a woman is made only to be married."

"Just as she thinks that men are used to make houses understand the position, but it's no use."

"And," said Miss Fane, impressively, "I believe, I positively believe, she's always extolling you to the skies. I'm almost sure that we are the snarls which she has laid for each other."

Miss Fane laughed, ironically.

"She argued about the coming congo, the civic disabilities of women, the five value of masculine reason and feminine instinct and many other points, and it was not long before we discovered that our seeming differences were not so great after all. Before many days she had promised to pre-side over home."

We were sitting hand in hand watching the sea grow smooth, and the red sun drop below the horizon, a white little face peeped between my shoulders; and my sister-in-law's coaxing voice whispered in our ears.

"God bless you and make you very, very happy," she said. "I wonder if you know how much I wish it, draw!"

"I wonder if you know what a good woman you are, Lucy!" I said.

"Come here. We couldn't bear anybody else; but we shall love to have you with us, dear!"

Old Bob grinned when he saw us. "So you're scared again?" he remarked. "So you box of tricks!"

Use of Snake Venom Increasing. The use of snake venom is increasing in the practice of medicine, and its price is soaring upward rapidly.

HORTICULTURE

FRUIT AND VEGETABLES



POTATO SCAB.

Some Suggestions for the Treatment of the Disease.

The potato scab is a skin disease, and develops from a germ. A picture of scabby seed is shown. There will be no scab on the crop unless these germs are either in the soil when the crop is planted or in the seed. These germs are easily destroyed upon two things. We should avoid planting in soil where the germs are found. If this is impossible we should bury the soil so that the germs will not be able to get to the surface to set in. Sulphur acts to destroy the germs. Some potato growers in places where scab is bad put sulphur in the hill or drill. When potato plants are used the sulphur is mixed with the seed and dropped into the seed into the furrow. It helps deter the scab and prevents the seed pieces from rotting, especially in a damp season. The scab germs develop best in moist soil. Wood ashes and lime manure are all substances which usually cause trouble when the soil is known to be well supplied with the germs. When a green crop is plowed under the soil is sown more or less, and this condition is best for scabby seed. We have known farms

where a five-year rotation is followed to show some curious results. One field would show far more scab than another, and some seasons seem to favor the growth of scab. Other farms potatoes follow corn, and we think there is less scab when crimson clover is seeded in the corn and plowed under in spring. This seems to show that the theory about a sour soil is correct.

There are three methods of treating the seed—dusting with sulphur, soaking with some chemical to destroy the germs, and fumigation. The dusting is easiest, but not always effective. We cut the seed into peach baskets and scatter them over the sulphur and the seed as it is put in. The basket is shaken down at intervals. As it stands the sulphur which falls through can be saved. For soaking for malin is now generally used. This liquid chemical, also called formaldehyde, can be bought at drug stores. The tub must contain about one pint to 30 gallons of water. It can be put into a barrel with a tight lid, keeping the top of the tub above the water line and the sides of the barrel above the water line. The tub is then covered with flat band of narrow satin ribbon, with a silk or satin cushion or simply with a row of embroidery or feather stitching. Inside, about 12 inches from each end, are stitched bands of wire about three inches apart, through which are run the handle and end of the parasol, fastened firmly in place.

When the parasols are all laid in their respective slits, with handle and sticks alternating, the piece remaining at each end of the case is folded over the four sticks of the parasols, and the cage closed. Then tied together with ribbon strings. This same cage may be made up in chintz or even in linen, so that it may be washed readily. A small amount of orris and heliotrope powder should be permitted on midday's foot in the way of a stocking.

Fumigation is now used by some large growers, says the Rural New Yorker. At first experiments were made with smoke but they were used for fumigating houses, but this did not succeed. Now the gas from formaldehyde is used with success. Instead of soaking the seed in a solution of this chemical it is turned into a gas and held in a close room with the solution cleaner. Farmers have different methods of doing this work. The principle is to keep the seed in long enough to kill the scab germs without hurting the sprouts.

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The tub is given one rapid tilt to entirely wet the potassium permanganate with the formalin and then the door was quickly and tightly closed from without. The aluminum foil placed over the cage to exclude gas while the treatment was in progress indicated that the room was practically air-tight.

The door remained closed for 24 hours and when opened the gas was still so strong that it was impossible to work in the room for from 20 to 30 minutes. In fact, three weeks after the first application of fumigation it was discovered that the seed could be detected in the room.

The seed of formaldehyde could be detected in the room. The seed in the entire 20 acres was treated in this way, care being taken to place the treated seed in barrels which had never been used for potatoes before. This is to avoid contamination it is taking to the field after treatment.

HOME-MADE Prizes for CARD PARTIES

ERIHPAS IT is the desire of every hostess that her prize will be kept, and not passed on from winner to winner, that has brought about a return to the similar gifts that will be put into use by the hostess. There are some who consider this loss of the momentous sacrifice of giving away the prize just won. A pretty well case, for example, will be placed in the drawer of the dressing table at once, and to go out of it will be removed when worn out.

Even a handsome brocade wadbag is almost sure to be pressed into immediate service in place of the one, which has grown shabby and worn out, and the new one restored to normal condition by the time it is needed again.

A bonnet case, a pretty valise, a small silk pouch, a small hat ornamented with a pink bowknot with ribbon trimmings of the same period as the hoop skirt. A long shoulder case is a most attractive gift for the lady. About the same size as the valise, a small fluted ruffles of taffeta sit about two inches in width. The bag is hung in the ordinary way with a ribbon drawing string. A china or wooden head ornamented with a pink bowknot and a small silk pouch are then purchased, and the head ornamented with a pink bowknot with ribbon trimmings of the same period as the hoop skirt. A long shoulder case is a most attractive gift for the lady. A bonnet case, a pretty valise, a small hat ornamented with a pink bowknot with ribbon trimmings of the same period as the hoop skirt.

For any one fond of sewing and embroidery, to make one's own prizes is more a pleasure than a task, and while there may be small time at the height of the season to give to such embroidery, there will surely be some spare moments from time to time to be turned to good account. The summer is, of course, the great time for this sort of work, and many girls and women commence now to gather together such remnants of silk, brocade, and lace for this purpose. Another artifice, sense, as that by the time the hot weather arrives, enforcing inertia from active sports and exercise, they will have on hand sufficient materials to make up enough attractive bridge prizes for the entire winter that is to follow.

A parasol case or roll is an attractive, as well as a most useful, novelty. Not only will it prove of service in traveling, as well as on other occasions as a silk or satin case to keep the parasol from becoming soiled or faded, and the costly gold or shell handle from being marred will be found an excellent service.

A strip of material a half by a half yard in width and a length will be ample for a single case, but a larger size would be better, and sufficiently large to contain three or more parasols. The piece of brocade, flowered silk or satin is lined with one thickness of cotton wadding and faced with a light silk or the color of one's own complexion and the edges are bordered with flat band of narrow satin ribbon, with a silk or satin cushion or simply with a row of embroidery or feather stitching. The ends about 12 inches from each end, are stitched bands of wire about three inches apart, through which are run the handle and end of the parasol, fastened firmly in place.

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Caret-colored cloth suits have been imported with hats which repeat the same shade.

Taffeta parasols, trimmed with dainty bands of straw, will be seen at the seaside resorts.

Hats still set low about the head, are big in the crown and are jammed down about the ears.

Cotton hats made of a foulard dress is a little jacket lined with the same foulard of the dress.

Nothing more gross than a cowbib is permitted on midday's foot in the way of a stocking.

The Soft Answer. Senator George A. Netherland of Washington said in an interview to a reporter that he was well known for his frankness and frank methods.

"These people who always keep calm and quiet are not to be trusted. Those that never bring their tempests to a quiet, whose storm always subsides under a benign smile, is apt to be a hypocrite."

"An old South Carolina doctor once said to me with a chuckle: 'Don't you know we Southerners don't yell and querel with no man's wife? A soft answer an old wise beat. Hit's com-moured an' ferthermor', sonny, hit makes 'em maddan's anything else yo' could say!'"

Deafness Cannot Be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the disease directly, and those who consider this an argument against operations, they are bound to be disappointed, as the present list of the *Rosemont Clinic*, Washington, D. C., shows:

"Homeopathic Physician, Dr. J. J. Farquhar, San Fran. Calif.—Dr. W. H. T. Parker, St. Louis, Mo.—Dr. A. S. Jones, New Haven, Conn.—Dr. W. W. H. H. Miller, Boston, Mass.—Dr. H. C. Thompson, Lynn, Mass.—Dr. M. J. Williams, Philadelphia, Pa.—Dr. W. E. Palmer, Providence, R. I.—Dr. L. C. Hubbard, Toledo, Ohio—Dr. C. L. Dyer, Louisville, Ky.—Dr. G. A. Netherland, Washington, D. C.—Dr. R. D. McCallum, Atlanta, Ga.—Dr. J. W. C. Morris, Birmingham, Ala.—Dr. H. R. Williams, San Francisco, Calif.—Dr. J. G. Ladd, St. Paul, Minn.—Dr. H. W. Morris, New York City, etc."

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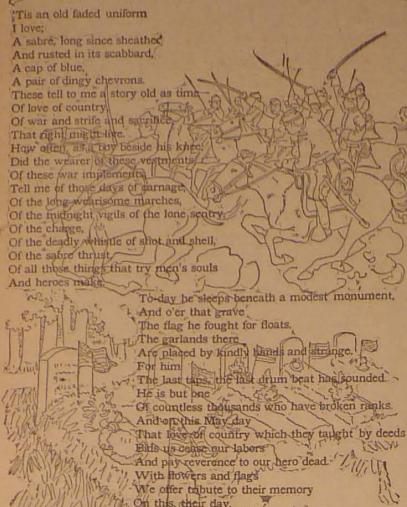
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SOLDIER FATHERS



"Tis an old faded uniform
I wear;
A sabre long since sheathed,
And rusted in its scabbard,
A cap of blue,
A pair of dingy chevrons.
These tell to me a story old as time—
Of love of country,
Of war and strife and sacrifice,
That right might win.
How often, as I lay beside my kinsmen,
Did the wearer of these vestments
Of these war implements
Tell me of those days of carnage,
Of the long wondrous marches,
Of the midnight vigils of the lone sentry
Of the charge,
Of the deadly whizbangs of shot and shell,
Of the same thunders,
Of all these things that try men's souls
And heroes make.

To-day he sleeps beneath a modest monument,
And o'er that grave
The flag is fought for floats.
The garlands there
Are placed by kindly hands and fragrance.
The last trumpet's drum beat has sounded,
He is but here
Of countless thousands who have broken ranks.
And on this May day
That flag of country which they taught by deeds
Efts us o'er our labors
And pay reverence to our hero dead.
With flowers and flags
We offer tribute to their memory
On this their day.

We are a mighty nation; mighty in war and mighty in peace! Sure
as the world knows strength, and it is our patriotism, our love of country,
that makes us strong.

For the love of country that possesses us we are indebted to our soldier
fathers, to the tales of warfare we have listened to at their knees! The boy
who has heard with staring eyes and bated breath the story of the charge,
of the hand-to-hand encounter, has inhaled patriotism with every sentence.
These tales have made of him a man, a citizen, a patriot! They have
attuned his spirit to the beat of the drum and the blare of the bugle!

How many, many of these stories have been told to me, but as I look
back upon them now, and count them over and over again, of one
type seem the most pleasing. They are not the stories of death, of shot
and shell, and brave thrusts, they are more like stories of peace.

It was a bright All day and well into the night the battle had
waged. When the stream of the rebels ceased and the long battle lines
laid down upon their arms, the sentries in blue and gray kept touch
Tired eyes made effort to pierce the darkness, ears were strained for the
least suspicious sound. From out of the blackness of the night there came
a voice,

"Yank, have you any water? I'm almost dead for a drink."

"Plenty, Johnny. Come over and get it."

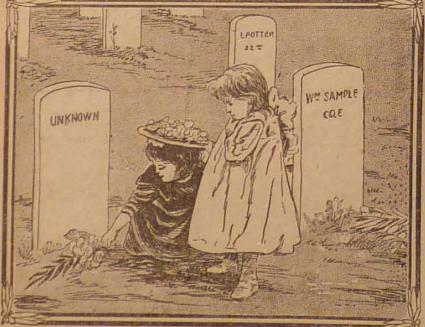
Both were battling for the right, as they saw the right. Both were true
to their cause, seeking every advantage. Both were men, true-hearted chivalrous men. There was no fear of treachery on either side as they advanced
into the darkness to meet and drink from the same canteen.

Such has always been the type of the American soldier. He goes to
battle not as a paid murderer, but as a patriot. He is magnanimous, chivalrous—a man. He fights not for vengeance, but for a cause. He fights fair,
as fair as war can be made. He has taught the whole world a new
definition of the word "soldier."

—WRIGHT A. PATTERSON.

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UNKNOWN BUT NOT FORGOTTEN



The First Volunteer

THE first volunteer for the civil war was Dr. Charles F. Rand of Washington, D. C. A certificate in the capitol attests to the patriotic services of this tender of his services. This certificate is signed by the mayor and two prominent citizens of Batavia, N. Y., and also by the county clerk and the sheriff of Genesee county, stating that in less than ten minutes after the call to arms by President Lincoln, April 15, 1861, for 75,000 men the name of Charles F. Rand was enrolled as a soldier.

Among the war records at Washington there is none of an earlier enrollment than that of Dr. Rand and the honor has therefore been given him without consent.

Not only did Dr. Rand stand the first volunteer for the civil war, but he was also the first soldier to win the congressional medal of honor for distinguished gallantry in action.

This event occurred at Blackburn;

Ford, Va., in less than three months after his enrollment. His command was ordered to retreat, and every man obeyed save Dr. Rand. He remained but 18 years of age. The rest of his battalion of 500 men was swept in disorder from the field, but Rand held his ground, despite the fact that the field was plowed by shot and shell all about him. The enemy finally abandoned their efforts to fire at the boy standing bravely alone and firing at them as coolly as if he had been born at his back. Rand then crept across the field and a deep ravine and joined the command of Gen. A. H. Burnside.

The congressional medal of honor

was not instituted until a year later

and the first one struck off was pre-

sented to Rand for his distinguished

gallantry at that memorable day at Blackburn's Ford.

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MEMORIAL DAY

Not Entirely One of Mourning

MEMORIAL DAY should not be regarded as a day of mourning, sympathy, or grief. In connection with the ceremonial exercises—all save the draping of flags—should be celebrated.

The annual celebration of the famous, the same as the history of the country, of the union is a day of rejoicing, but the day was never meant for a time set apart for lamentation.

The nation pays a tribute of flow-

ers, of song and words of praise and admiration, of a glorious death and victory, and in a spirit of thanksgiving and exultation that the holiday should be celebrated. It has been a mistake to cover the day with crepe.

Certainly there must be sad hearts on this day, but if Memorial Day is observed in the spirit of rejoicing, there will be brought to the widow and the fatherless consolation and strength.

Comfort and wholesome thought are suggested by the tribute of a whole community, those who pledged their lives for the land and their love in its time of need.

Let us not put on mourning garments and make a gloomy day out of the beautiful festival of honoring the glorious dead.

If you want to get the soil insulation for the day, go early in the morning to any of the "God's acres" which are around the dwellings of the living. There, in the dewy quiet, where there is no sound but the songs of birds and the whisper of the wind, you will be soon upon the graves where loving hands have set the little flags which tell that a soldier sleeps his last sleep below.

Then, as in the morning freshness withers under the sun, you see the form of the dead and the spirit of the living bending over the places where their loved ones rest, and you will be reminded that love entitles death. The comfort of God comes to those who set flowers over long-made graves.

You will, at least, hear the sound of music, and will be among the arrival of the veterans and their wives, and their duty of the day.

The old men march to a central place and with bowed heads listen to a prayer and then sing a hymn. The voice of one, perhaps, rises in an oration upon the heroes of patriotism. Then the little voices of the children come in, and wail over every soldier's grave, laying flowers upon the grass so lately sprung from the sleep of winter.

Yes, your eyes will be full of tears, but they will not be the tears which burn, nor those which are filled with grief, but those tears of universal sympathy which make us all feel the bonds of human brotherhood. Renovating tears, that relieve the heart and make it seem less of an enigma.

All day long loving hands bring flowers as offerings to the memory of the unselfish brave, on and on through the decorated graves, pausing now and then while a stroller reads a tribute graven upon some stone, or notes the offering of blossoms on some otherwise unmarked mound.

And when evening falls the level rays of the sun lie like a benediction upon the places where the love of humanity has helped up the steps of May, in tribute to the sons and the martyrs of freedom.

The 30th of May is a day of glorious, inspiring remembrance, one when, if tears are shed, they are only tears which sanctify, without burdening the heart.

THE WAR-TIME PHOTOGRAPH.



"My goodness, gran'pa, were you ever as young as this?"

"That was taken the day we marched away 15 years ago. That boy was a recruit then. The men used to laugh at me and my big drum, they called me the baby of the regiment."

"They used to laugh at you now, do they, gran'pa?"

"Not many of them poor fellows."

"Why, my goodness, I never thought as this boy, but I see, I have to look older because I'm a grandpa, you know. I just do it to keep up appearance!"

Memorial Day.

The best day of this memorial observance is Sunday. We must make up our minds to take the people to whom we are and bring this memorial institution to them, instead of stubbornly insisting upon rounding them up to the institution. And when we do adopt such a broad-gauged plan of expediency we shall find that patriotism and sentimental regard for noble sacrifices and Sunday all go well together, and the people themselves know it and feel it.—St. Albans Messenger.

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Don't Poison Baby.

FORTY YEARS AGO almost every mother thought her child must have paregoric or laudanum to make it sleep. These drugs will produce sleep, and A FEW DROPS TOO MANY will produce the SLEEP FROM WHICH THERE IS NO WAKING. Many are the children who have been killed or whose health has been ruined for life by paregoric, laudanum and morphine, each of which is a narcotic product of opium. Druggists are prohibited from selling either of the narcotics named to children at all, or to anybody without labelling them "poison." The definition of "narcotic" is: "A medicine which relieves pain and produces sleep, but which in poisonous doses produces stupor, coma, convulsions and death." The taste and smell of medicines containing opium are disguised, and sold under the names of "Drops," "Cordials," "Soothing Syrups" etc. You should not permit any medicine to be given to your children without you or your physician know of what it is composed. CASTORIA DOES NOT CONTAIN NARCOTICS, if it bears the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

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