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Jealousy is the thistle in the garden of love.

Harry Hayward will remain in Minnesota till November at least.

The campaign for honest state and city government thrives on the curses of its enemies.

Queen Victoria is worth $175,000,000, and she is a widow. Respectfully referred to Mr. Depew.

The Sultan of Turkey, with the aid of his numerous wives, contrives to spend annually $30,000,000.

The man who blows in the gun to see if it is loaded has been succeeded by the man who rocks the boat.

The Japanese are working themselves up to the modest belief that one Jap can lick five Russians.

Banker Lewis of Ohio began life poor, but kept forging ahead until he was $400,000 ahead of the game.

Judging from some of the game he bags, we should say that Cupid must do most of his hunting blindfolded.

A female footpad has turned up in Kansas City. This may be the New Woman we have been looking for so long.

Russell Sage admits that his memory is failing. That may partially account for his failure to remember to be decent to Laidlaw.

Should Bismarck die, young William would come out and say to the Germans: "Weep not for Bismarck; you see I'm here."

The most horrible Cuban war stories continue to come from Florida. Before long they will be putting them up in Connecticut wrappers.

The Philadelphia Times wants to bet that, no matter what comes, the head of the New Woman will be found resting on a man's shoulder.

An old bachelor editor says "a baby is a howling success." He ought to have added, the fellow who never had one of his own at home is not.

An esteemed contemporary has discovered that there is a large demand for small coin. This belongs to the large band of "important if true" stories.

It is said so perfect is the construction of the bicycle wheel, that it will carry with safety a larger load in proportion to its weight than any other wheel made.

An Atchison man of 60, who has given so much to churches all his life that he is poor, will start out in the fall to win a few dollars back by becoming a boy preacher.

It would be a very unfair thing for Cuba to use the formidable means of retaliation on this country for its anti-filibuster position which she possesses in the imported cigar.

It is not surprising that Richard Croker should have the most flattering things to say about the British system of government. He came pretty near being a monarch himself.

The making of collections of posters is not a new idea. Balzac, forty years ago, wrote in "Scenes from Parisian Life": "You, who can drink no longer from the chalice called through all time 'the cup of pleasure,' take up the task of collecting something, no matter what. (People have ere now collected handbills), and you will recover your ingots of joy in small change. A hobby, a mania, is pleasure transformed into the shape of an idea."

Miss Remie Londonderry of Boston, the round-the-world bicyclist, who arrived at El Paso, Texas, last week says she has declined over one hundred and fifty offers of marriage since she started on her trip. During her journey she has saved $1,500. There are lots of men who are willing to marry any woman who has demonstrated that she could make a good living for them.

From Avon Park, Fla., comes an original idea for ending dull times. The editor of its weekly Idea, quoting the magical phrase of 1878, "The way to resume is to resume," asks his readers, and through them the whole country, to unite on a "Revival Day," say August 31, by which time let those with idle money decide into which of the many promising channels they shall "turn it loose." Let every dollar possible on this day be put into circulation; see how many debts can be paid; how many new enterprises started, and how much business consummated. The impetus thus given, he believes, will put an end to hard times.

Yes, blessed is the peacemaker. It is reported that Hon. John W. Foster is to receive a fee of a quarter of a million dollars for the aid he gave the Chinese government in settling terms of peace with Japan. So much for listening to the Chinese tael of woe.

One of the charges brought against the bloomer girl is the uncertainty with which she is viewed when she leaves her wheel. At a distance of 30 paces it cannot be discerned with any surety of being correct whether she is going or coming.

The Texas girl who persuaded her lover to let her hang him to prove his affection may not be a type of the new woman, but she has introduced new methods of courtship. This is certainly giving the woman a little too much rope, besides keeping the lover in painful suspense.

Some English and American women have started in China what they call a "Natural Feet Society." The Chinese suggest that these ladies return home and form a "Natural Waist Society." Score a big one for the Celestial.

Do you know who the premillennialists are? They are those who believe that Christ will come before the millennium and not during or after. They think that his coming is not afar off. These people of great faith are now arranging for a conference to be held in Pittsburg in October.

The other day, in Glasgow, public feeling was startled, not to say shocked, to see the chief mourner at a funeral mounted on a bicycle, the handle of which was wreathed in crape. Some people have strange ideas of congruity.

IN TWO PENINSULAS.

NEWS OF THE HAPPENINGS IN MICHIGAN.

Fire in Menominee Causes a $500,000 Loss—Babe Cremated in a Kitchen Stove at Owosso—Steamer Alva Sunk by a Whaleback at the "Soo."

Striking Miners Becoming Violent.

The striking miners at Ishpeming and Negaunee have retained the sympathies of many people because they had been quiet and orderly, but as the strike progresses and there seems to be less light ahead for the strikers they are becoming restless, and seem to imagine that any criticism of their actions can only come from an enemy, and they are very easy to offend. Fred Britton, who is known as one of the "squarest" newspaper correspondents in the state, was sent to Ishpeming by the Detroit News to write up the strike. The men did not take kindly to his presence, and about midnight a mob of 500 surrounded the telegraph office where he was at work and ordered him to depart. Britton refused until the chief of police advised him to do so. He took his time about it, however. He went to Champlain and afterward to Marquette.

Many of the strikers were armed with clubs and cobblestones, and had it not been for the urgent solicitation of Rev. Wm. Coad, chairman of the union, that the men refrained from violence, it is certain that an open struggle and a lynching might have resulted. The disgraceful action of the strikers is attributed to the frequent visits which many of them made to the saloons after being paid off. An attempt was started to mob a local editor, but the mob thought better of it on consideration. Great indignation is expressed at the act of the mob, which is regarded in the light of a lawless and cowardly conspiracy, and a precedent that the authorities cannot ignore.

LATER.—Britton returned to Ishpeming being assured by Gov. Rich of full protection. The city authorities and county officials also gave their word that he should not be again molested. The strike leaders told Britton that the trouble would not occur again.

The Buffalo group is talking seriously of starting up its steam shovels. Should they decide to adopt that policy, matters will be brought speedily to a crisis. A union is being organized on the Menominee range and the men at the Dunn mine at Crystal Falls are on strike for an increase with prospects of the trouble spreading in that district.

The action of the Franklin Copper Mining company, of Houghton, in raising the wages of all employes 10 per cent will probably be followed by several other mines and eventually by all the copper mines of the district.

$500,000 Conflagration at Menominee.

The most destructive fire which ever visited Menominee, started in the slab piles of Spies' lumber yard. The wind was blowing very hard and in 30 minutes the flames were beyond control and were threatening the entire city. The entire lumber yard of Spies, the Girard Lumber Co., and the Bay Shore Lumber Co. were burned. All the offices, barns and stables, oil houses, etc., were also consumed. The fire departments of Marinette and Peshtigo, Wis., came to give assistance. It is estimated that at least 16,000,000 feet of lumber burned, also hundreds of thousands of shingles and lath. The sight was a grand one and thousands of people watched the progress of the flames, filled with dread of possible danger to their homes. Seven dwellings of State & Jenkins' were totally burned and the Bay View house partially so. Clark's match factory stock is a complete loss. The total loss will reach $500,000. Four men were seriously injured. Chief Kratz of the fire department had his nose fractured but went back to the fire. He was carried out of a building insensible. But for the gallant work of the fire departments the city would probably have been swept away.

Two Balloonists Fatally Injured.

Two aeronauts were fatally injured in a balloon accident at Vandercook's Lake near Jackson. The balloon used was one of the largest of the hot air variety with double trapeze bars. It was successfully inflated and Ella Peake, a trapeze performer, took the upper bar, and Chas. Elliott the lower. At the moment the retaining ropes were cast off, a gust of wind caught the canvass and careened it to one side, and it took fire. It then shot into the air some distance. Then it collapsed and came crashing down. Miss Peake fell heavily, breaking both legs besides suffering internal injuries. Elliott struck on his shoulders and is badly crushed. His injuries are said to be fatal. The spectators quickly dragged the aeronauts from the burning balloon. Elliott has been in this business seven years. This is his first serious accident. Miss Peake is a niece of Prof. Hogan, who lost his life on Campbell's airship in the Atlantic ocean five years ago.

A Detroit Firm to Build Boats for Russia

The Detroit Dry-Dock Co. has just closed a contract with the Russian government for the construction of three mammoth car ferries to cross Lake Baikal, in the middle of Siberia, and thus connect the two ends of the great trans-Siberian railroad, which the Russian government is building to the Pacific ocean, and the primary purpose of which is to develop the great mineral and agricultural resources of that country. It is a contract that for magnitude has never been approached by this or any other company of lake shipbuilders, for the boats will cost at the least calculation $2,400,000. From the time that the achievement of the ice-crushing car-ferry St. Ignace was announced to the world the Russian government has had its eye on the device and the promoter of the scheme, Frank E. Kirby, of Detroit, was invited to visit Russia of figure on these boats with the above result.

Steamer Alva Sunk in a Collision.

The steamer Alva was run into by the whaleback barge 117, in tow of the E. M. Peck, below the dyke at the "Soo." Both vessels were ore laden. The whaleback took a sudden sheer when near the Alva, which caused the collision. Her nose struck the Alva three feet below the main deck making a ragged hole alongside the engine-room. The Alva filled rapidly and soon went to the bottom. No one was injured. The stem of the whaleback was badly damaged, and her forward hold filled with water, but she was kept afloat with pumps. Both vessels are fully insured.

The sensational reports sent out to the effect that the Beaver islands, near the straits of Mackinac, had been burned over by forest fires and that 100 people had perished was a hoax, pure and simple. There were small forest fires on the islands, but the loss is not over $200. No one was injured.

While the funeral services of Eugene Shuart, who hanged himself, were in progress at St. Joseph, the floor gave way and the mourners and corpse were precipitated into the cellar. Several women fainted, but aside from a few bruises no one was hurt. Everything was righted, and the services proceeded.

While builders were clearing away rubbish on the site of the new Cohen building at Alpena, they found a complete set of counterfeiters' tools for making silver dollars. This clears up a mystery in regard to a large number of counterfeit silver dollars which were in circulation there a few years ago.

Sensation at Owosso.

A horrible story has just been brought to light at Owosso in which a woman named Nellie Hayes is charged with cremating her new born babe. Mrs. Abram Truax at whose house the woman was stopping, being the informer. She says that the Hayes woman was taken sick at her house last May, when birth was given to a child which she deliberately threw into the cook stove and watched it burn. She gives as her reason for not divulging it sooner that her husband, who was father to the babe, threatened her life if she did so. An investigation is being made. The Hayes woman is now serving a term in the Detroit house of correction. She denies the crime.

Detroit U. P. Young People.

The Detroit Presbyterian convention of Our Young People's Christian Union was held in the United Presbyterian church, Port Huron. The program of papers, addresses and services was good. Officers elected: Rev. V. Kyle, of Southfield, Mich., president; W. J. Wilson, Jr., Detroit, first vice-president; Miss McDonald, second vice-president; Miss Sadie Hutton, of Detroit, recording secretary; Mary Miller, of Southfield, treasurer.

MICHIGAN HAPPENINGS.

Chas. Chatfield, aged 12, died at Bay City. Green apples.

The state prison at Jackson uses 6,000,000 gallons of water every day.

About 60 tannery employes went on a strike at Cheboygan for higher wages.

Lambert Van Alstine, aged 74, was fatally injured in a runaway at Alpena.

Mathias Vantyne, aged 76, committed suicide at Kalamazoo because of family troubles.

The grand lodge of the Sons of Herman gathered at Menominee with 200 delegates.

Oscar Westland was instantly killed at Narenta in attempting to board a train in full motion.

Fire destroyed the residence of Dr. David A. West at Lexington. Loss $4,000; insurance $3,000.

Branch county Patrons of Husbandry hold their annual picnic at Coldwater on August 27.

Two frame barns belonging to Cal Hosner, near Lawton, were burned to the ground. Loss $1,000.

Hay is so scarce at Hart that farmers use salted pea vines, procured at the canning factory, for fodder.

Mrs. W. J. White, of Mt. Morris, attempted suicide but was discovered by her husband in time to save her life.

Boyd & Gray's new threshing machine burned at Kalamazoo. A spark from a traction engine caused the fire.

The offices of the Daily News, the Times-Sentinel and the Democrat were burned at Manistee with a loss of $5,000, fully insured.

The residence of R. A. Snyder was burned at Chelsea together with its contents. The fire caught from a gasoline stove. Loss $2,500.

Fred Simpson and Horace Elliott, of Devil's Lake, and J. McCool, Addison, were arrested charged with selling liquor without a license.

Louis Sandler, of Grand Rapids, loaned $1,000 to two horsemen, taking several diamonds as security. The diamonds proved to be paste.

Fred Simpson, Hod Elliott and Jack McCule were arrested at Manitou Beach near Hudson, for selling intoxicating liquors without a license.

An East Marinette grocery man, Erick Starrin, on account of family troubles, committed suicide by swallowing a dose of "rough-on-rats."

A Buffalo dispatch says Chas. T. Baker, of Jackson, Mich., disappeared, taking $4,000 belonging to Mrs. Baker. They were only recently married.

The C. & G. T. railway pumping house and engine burned at Vicksburg. The fire department arrived too late to save the building. Loss $3,000.

Mayor Starkweather, of West Superior, Wis., was impeached by the common council on a charge of extorting money from firemen and policemen.

Alpena county has received $54,000, a part of the purchase price of their county road bonds, and work on the new roads system will begin at once.

Arthur Mulholland, merchant at Ashton, tried to suicide with morphine. His groans brought help and his life was saved. This was his third attempt.

Mrs. Eliza O'Brien, aged 70, jumped from the Third street bridge into the river at Bay City. Jerry Tunick, of Saginaw, jumped in and pulled her out.

Emma Barley, aged 3 years, was run over by an electric car at Menominee, and both legs and arms were cut off and head crushed, death resulting.

Mabel Nye, a six-year-old Hudson girl, fell headlong from a haymow 23 feet and struck on the front of her head. She suffered concussion of the brain.

The Sylvan Beach resort, at Whitehall, has been purchased by Grand Rapids parties for $10,000. They will build a $4,000 hotel and improve the grounds.

Minnie Abbott, aged 20, near Williamston, shot herself near the heart with a 32 caliber ball, which passed nearly through the body. No cause known.

Bert Jackson, aged 18, borrowed 150 bushels of oats from a farmer near Owosso when the farmer was away. Bert sold the oats, pocketed the cash and skipped.

Emancipation day was celebrated in splendid style by the colored people of the state. Battle Creek, Jackson, Grand Rapids and Saginaw were the principal points.

The Millie Mining Co., at Iron Mountain, has announced a raise of wages of employes of from 10 to 25 per cent. Ore is being hustled from this range at a rapid rate.

Wellington R. Grace, a well-to-do farmer, near Belleville, attempted suicide by taking a teaspoonful of paris green. Prompt medical aid saved his life. Family trouble.

W. C. Clark, publisher, of the West Bay City Independent, has fallen heir to $50,000 by the death of his uncle in Scotland. He will establish a daily paper in West Bay City.

The Fabcock Lumber Co., of Manistee, cut wages 22 cents per day in its shingle mill. All the men struck. The company says they will get the timber sawed at Stronach.

The dead body of George Henwood was found under the rear platform of Brechenser's grocery at Dowagiac. He had committed suicide by taking carbolic acid. No cause known.

Port Austin boys stretched a wire across the street, throwing and seriously injuring two women. Geo. McKay, Roy McDonald and Alfred Brown may be sent to reform school.

The Graham & Morton Transportation Co. will build a new $250,000 steamer to take the place of the lost Chicora on the route between Chicago, Benton Harbor and St. Joseph.

George Harmon, of Cheboygan, was found dead in jail where he was confined for drunkenness. He had lived on whisky for years and the sudden stopping of supplies killed him.

While bathing in Flint river near Otter Lake John Crawford was seized with cramps. Herbert Smith jumped to the rescue and was drowned, but Crawford was helped out. Mrs. Smith saw her husband drown and is insane.

Over 6,000 peach trees were destroyed by forest fires near Alpena.

Fire broke out in McFarland's store at Central Lake and in 30 minutes the entire block was in flames. Seven firms were burned out with a loss of $15,000 and very little insurance.

The amount of cash in the hands of the state treasurer at the close of business July 31, was $220,832.99. The receipts for July were $292,184.24, and the disbursements were $361,969.04.

Lou Wheaton, a 'bus driver, while driving near Jackson with a load of people, fell from his seat to the ground and broke his jaw as well as severing his right ear. He fell asleep on his seat.

Hermann G. E. Schroder, a young German soldier, aged 25, who has been on a two years' furlough from the German army, committed suicide in a closet in the rear of his father's home at Detroit.

St. Clair claims to have the man who originated the idea of floating the American flag over the schoolhouses, in the person of Josiah Smith, aged 79. He raised a flag over St. Clair's schoolhouse in 1887.

The Manistique railway dock and warehouse at Grand Marias burned to the ground. The boat Saginaw Valley having just unloaded the warehouse was packed full of merchandise. The loss was $11,000, no insurance.

The miners at the Republic mine at Ishpeming have been given an increase of 15 per cent and the surface men 25 per cent. President Reese sent the men a letter congratulating them on their good judgment in not striking.

Clayton is all torn up over the arrest of the village marshal, two village councilmen and two prominent and respected villagers, because, it is alleged, they became too boisterous in celebrating the marriage of a fellow townsman.

Gov. Rich has issued an official announcement that the Michigan Home for Feeble Minded and Epileptic is ready for the accommodation of the afflicted. All communications should be directed to Dr. W. A. Polglase, superintendent, Lapeer, Mich.

Michigan grand lodge D. O. H., a German fraternal benefit society met at Lansing. Officers elected: President, Chas. Hoppe, Lansing; vice-president, Chas. Vogel, Lansing; secretary, Gustav Zindler, Detroit; treasurer, Eugene Oesterland, Ann Arbor.

The monthly report of State Salt Inspector Hill shows the salt inspection during July as follows: Manistee county, 145,793 barrels; Bay, 66,477; Mason, 55,618; St. Clair, 48,017; Saginaw, 44,508; Iosco, 14,651; Huron, 5,252; Midland, 977, total, 401,318 barrels.

Mrs. A. Johnson and Mrs. P. A. Nelson went boating at Whitehall and while changing seats they both fell overboard. The former had an 18-months-old babe in her arms, which was drowned. Mr. Johnson happened to be near and rescued both women.

A new and dangerous enemy of the apple has been discovered in orchards about Kalamazoo. It consists of a grub, which hatches upon the outside of the fruit and gnaws inward. Late apples are the most affected. Specimens have been sent to the Agricultural college.

Fires are raging to the northwest of Prescott. Two lumber camps, two large barns and several head of stock belonging to N. & E. Mills on their branch of the Detroit & Mackinaw railroad. About two miles of ties were burned and the rails warped so badly as to prevent traffic. Loss, $15,000.

An abstract of the reports of state banks, made to Commissioner Sherwood, showing condition at the close of business July 11, is gratifying. The total of resources of the 167 banks is $81,760,522.46, with liabilities of $64,395,284.51. The increase in savings deposits since last report, May 27, is $1,111,847.65.

The first annual convention of the Fifth District Michigan Sunday School association was held on the grounds of the Methodist Interstate Campmeeting association at Crystal Springs. A large number of teachers and Sunday school workers were in attendance from all parts of Van Buren, Cass and Berrien counties.

George Stortz' barn burned at Port Huron and a large iron acid cylinder exploded with terrific force, throwing pieces several hundred feet. One piece was blown through the house of Jacob Denler, and Mrs. John Hayes had a narrow escape from being killed. The explosion was heard all over the city. Loss $2,000.

A peculiar and tedious method of ending life was that adopted by Mrs. Jennie Garfield, of New Haven township, 15 miles northeast of Owosso, who, after several unsuccessful attempts at suicide, decided five weeks ago to quit eating and positively refused all nourishment from that time until her death. Family trouble.

Williamsburg narrowly escaped destruction. Forest fires had been raging for several days and the blaze communicated to the outskirts of the village and threatened the entire place. The men fought the fire day and night. The depot was ablaze several times but prompt work saved it and the town. Much timber was destroyed.

Geo. Letter, the Ypsilanti saloonist who was arrested for selling liquor at the fair grounds and who was released because the complaint was faulty, has caused the arrest of Rev. E. W. Ryan, of the M. E. church, for false imprisonment. Rev. Ryan said he was not ashamed to be arrested for such a cause as the reform for which he was working and announced that he would continue his fight.

While D. J. Moreland, a blacksmith, was driving at Saginaw, his horse became frightened and ran away, throwing Moreland on the M. C. track directly in front of a train, which ran over him, severing both legs and mangling him fearfully. He died in two hours. A later dispatch says that foul play is suspected, as two men were seen riding with Moreland just before the accident and a sum of money was missing when he was found.

The case of Henry Brassil against the "Soo" railway for damages resulting from injuries received through being thrown from a moving train, which has been twice tried in Schoolcraft county and as often sent back for retrial by the supreme court, and finally removed to Delta county upon a change of venue, was for the third time decided in Brassil's favor. The amount of damage awarded him was $5,053. The case will be again appealed.

Somebody sent an infernal machine to D. W. H. Moreland, water board commissioner at Detroit, and general agent of the Northern Steamship Co. The package bore a suspicious appearance, and Mr. Moreland hesitated to open it. John Thackerbury, driver of a grocery wagon, volunteer to open the package for Mr. Moreland. He was allowed to do so, and the machine exploded with a loud noise, burning Thackerbury severely and setting his clothing on fire. No clue to the perpetrators, and no reason can be assigned.

Emmett Divers, colored, was arrested at Hannibal, Mo., and taken to St. Louis to prevent lynching. Divers confessed to assaulting a handsome young woman, aged 18, and but recently married. Because she had resisted he cut her throat eight times.

Three colored men have arrived at Philadelphia from Liberia. They say that the 100 Negroes who went as colonists to Liberia last March were simply dumped there by the promoters of the scheme without any means of subsistence. A number were killed exposure and stravation while others lived upon snakes, etc.

HERE AND THERE.

VARIETY OF NEWS ITEMS FROM VARIOUS PLACES.

Chinese Murder a Number of Missionaries, Outrage the Women and Burn the Homes—Serious Race Riot at Spring Valley, Ill.

Chinese Massacre 10 Missionaries.

A Shanghai dispatch says that the mission and sanitarium at Wha Sang, near Ku Cheng, province of Fokein, has been attacked, and ten British subjects killed. Rev. Mr. Stewart, wife and child, were burned in their house. The Misses Yellow and Marshall, two sisters named Saunders, two sisters named Gordon and Steelie Newcombe, were murdered. Miss Codrington was seriously wounded about the head, and the Stewards' eldest child had a kneecap badly injured, while the youngest had an eye gouged out. Rev. Mr. Phillips, with two Americans, Dr. Gregory and Miss Hartford, were both wounded, but arrived safely at Fu Chau Fu. The prefect of Cheng Fu, who was on the inquiry commission, is seriously implicated in the outrages. The news of the massacre was suppressed for three days by the Chinese officials. J. Courtney Hixon, the American consul at Fu Chau, with several volunteers, went to the scene in a steam launch and brought back the wounded. "Their experiences," he says, "were terrible, and death was the least part of the sufferings of the butchered women."

A Washington special says that later advices show that no Americans were injured. All those killed were British subjects, the women being attached to Zenana, Church of England, mission.

Fanatical Chinese Mob Missionaries.

Another anti-Christian riot has occurred at Ping Yang, a China inland mission station, 33 miles south of Wenchow. The affair had a strange origin. During the Dragon festival two boats ran a race. A Taoist priest told the defeated crew that Christians had gouged the eyes out of their idol. A band of roughs warned a prominent native Christian that if the boat was again defeated his house would be destroyed. The boat again failed to secure first place, and the razing of Christian houses commenced. For a week the work went on in a leisurely kind of fashion until 20 buildings were in ruins and ashes.

Several Negroes Fatally Injured.

Spring Valley, Ill., the mining town which was the scene of so much lawlessness during the miners' strike last year, has again come into notoriety. At the end of the strike last year a large number of Negroes were employed in the places of the strikers. Recently the Negroes have been committing depredations upon the whites, who are mostly Italians, and a few nights ago Barney Role, white, was shot by five Negroes and robbed of $100. When the whites heard of this they demanded that every colored man be discharged, but this being refused about 500 whites made a raid upon the "colored location." The mob ransacked the houses, breaking furniture and committing other depredations. Several dozen were caught and treated to most violent kicks, stones were hurled at them and shots fired. The boarding house for colored men was then attacked. All the inmates fled for their lives. Six men and two women were fatally injured. It is not likely that the colored men will return.

A Desperate Fight with Robbers.

Two men made a bold attempt to rob the safe of the Bartholemew Brewing Co. at Cleveland. One engaged the bookkeeper while the other slipped into a rear office and was working at the safe when discovered. An alarm was raised and both of the thieves started down the street and a crowd after them yelling "stop thief!" A policeman caught one who pulled a revolver and broke away with a pair of handcuffs dangling to one wrist. The fellow ran a short distance and turned and fired several shots. The officer returned the fire but nobody was hurt. The thief then dashed into a building and up to the fourth floor where he was cornered. The fellow was desperate and knocked down several men and threw three out of a window. Luckily all alighted on a roof one story below. A policeman arrived and laid the fellow low with a blow of his fist. The handcuffs were snapped into place and the prisoner taken to the station. The other thief escaped in the excitement.

An Anarchist Blown up by His Own Bomb.

During the fetes in the mining district of Aniche, France, to celebrate the jubilee of M. Vuillemin, manager of the Aniche Colliery Co., an anarchist named Decoux in the crowd fired five revolver shots at M. Vuillemin. Three of them took effect. Directly afterwards a tremendous explosion was heard and Decoux's body was hurled several yards, while ten of the bystanders were thrown to the floor, injured by the explosion. Decoux had been carring a bomb beneath his coat which was prematurely exploded. Decoux was disemboweled and terribly mutilated. He was dismissed from the colliery after a strike in 1893.

Church Struck by Lightning.

The Methodist church of Quakerstown, Pa., was struck by lightning and 20 persons were prostrated. Sexton Bauman had his coat torn from his back and one of his shoes was stripped as by a knife. Minnie France was in her pew when the bolt tore through the floor. Both shoes were torn from her feet, the crown of her hat was wrenched away and her watch chain was melted into liquid. James Hoff was prostrated in his pew, and most of his clothing was torn from his body. No one was killed. After the excitement had subsided it was found that the 600-pound bell in the cupola was hanging almost by a thread, while fully 400 persons were directly under it.

Bloomers Disrupt a Family.

Mrs. John Quill and her husband quarreled at Eaton, O., over the question whether or not their daughter should wear bloomers. The Quills are old people, wealthy, and have a large family of grown-up children. Quill is 73 years old and very feeble, but he advocated bloomers. They quarreled viciously, and finally Mrs. Quill attempted to pull out her husband's whiskers. Not succeeding, she cut them off. The fight was so bitter that both the old people are under a physician's care, and it is feared Mrs. Quill will become insane.

Four Killed in a Wreck.

A freight train on the P., Ft. W. & C. railroad broke in two on a heavy grade near Canton, O. The rear end crashed into the first section and 10 cars were wrecked. A dozen tramps were riding in a furniture car, which was smashed to splinters. The trainmen were horrified to see arms and legs of human beings sticking from all parts of the wreckage. Four tramps were taken out dead and six were badly injured.

James O'Brien, aged 70, a hermit living in the wilds of Mount Logan, O., was found in an unconscious state near his yard with his head beaten to a jelly and his body showing the marks of many kicks. He regained consciousness long enough to accuse Jim Seamour of the assault for robbery.

Complete returns from the recent election in England show the division of the parties in parliament as follows: Conservatives, 341; liberal-unionists, 70; governmental total, 411. Liberals, 174; McCarthyites, 70; Parnellites, 13; labor, 2; total opposition, 259. Government majority 152. Conservative majority over all, 42.

CUBAN NEWS HARD TO GET.

The Spaniards Prohibit the Transmission of War News—Private Information.

Key West, Fla.: Passengers by the steamer Mascotte state that the censorship over the press in Cuba is so strict that it is impossible to learn any news from the field. The government has prohibited the publication of all news of the revolution. By private letter it is learned a battle took place near Puerto Principe, between Maximo Gomez, insurgent, and Gen. Mello, in which the latter was killed and his troops badly defeated. Auero Y. Gero, one of the most prominent leaders in the last revolution, has joined the insurgents with a strong band, well equipped. Roloff, insurgent, who recently landed with supplies, blew up a railroad bridge near Placetas and captured a train loaded with troops bound from Cienfuegos to Placetas. It is stated that Martinez Campos is badly wounded, and has taken refuge on board the ship Villave de at Guantanamo. A fight has occurred near Baracoa, in which Colonel Sandoval, Spaniard, was wounded, and the insurgents have burned Jiguani and Baracoa.

According to a dispatch from Havana the government troops have defeated the insurgents near Mantanzas, and in addition, the insurgent forces commanded by Maceo have been defeated in the province of Santiago de Cuba.

Ohio Populist Convention.

Gen. Jacob S. Coxey, of Commonweal fame, captured the Populist Ohio convention at Columbus and was nominated for governor. The other nominations were: Lieutenant-governor, John H. Crofton, Hamilton county; treasurer, George Harper, Greene county; attorney-general, William Baker, Licking; supreme judge, E. D. Stark, Cuyahoga; member of the board of public works, William A. Gloyd, Tuscarawas. George A. Groot, of Cleveland, was selected as candidate for United States senator. The platform indorses Coxey's good roads and non-interest bearing bond plans; favors abolishment of national banks, asks a law making all contracts providing for payments in gold illegal, favors per diem pensions, demands the unlimited coinage of silver at the legal ratio regardless of any other nation and the issuance at once of sufficient greenbacks to make the volume of currency equal to [illegible] per capita.

Turkey's Reply Not Satisfactory.

The reply of the Porte, of Turkey, to the demand of the powers for reforms in Armenia is conciliatory and on many points agrees with the powers' demands. It proposes to appoint Christian assessors to assist the Turkish provincial government and to admit a proportion of Christians among the minor officials, police and gendarmes, and also promises to restrain the Kurds from violence. As it also declares that some of the powers' demands are unacceptable, or impossible of execution, it is probable that the powers will not be satisfied with the reply.

The Anglo-Armenian association's advices from Constantinople says that Lord Salisbury has demanded the unconditional and immediate release of all Armenian political prisoners not convicted by a legally constituted tribunal.

Mrs. Dr. Talmage Dead.

Mrs. T. Dewitt Talmage died at Dansville, N. Y. Since the burning of the Brooklyn Tabernacle last year, Mrs. Talmage suffered from nervous prostration and she never fully recovered from the shock sustained then. The deceased was the second wife of Dr. Talmage. His first wife was drowned while boating in 1862, leaving a daughter, Miss Jessie, and a son, who has since died. Within two years after, he married Miss Susie Whitemore, of Brooklyn. She became the mother of five children, including Rev. Frank DeWitt Talmage.

Two Sad Deaths in a Well.

At South Perry, O., Joseph Bingham and Oliver Benway were digging a well. Bingham entered the well. Not hearing him at work, Benway called to him but receiving no answer, had his wife and another woman lower him into the well where he found Bingham had been killed by poisonous gases. Finding himself being overcome, he signaled the women to pull him up, but before reaching the top he fell from the bucket and was killed. Both leave large families.

A Nail Driven Into His Abdomen.

A terrific explosion took place in the blacksmith department of the Johnson steel plant at Lorain, O. Gas accumulated in a forge, owing to an impact of cinders, which united with the hot air blast from the blower, causing an explosion that shook the entire plant. Four men were badly injured. A huge nail was driven into the abdomen of one of the blacksmiths, tearing out a portion of his entrails. He cannot recover.

THE MARKETS.

LIVE STOCK.

	Cattle	Sheep	Lambs	Hogs
New York—Best grades	$4 50@5 60	$4 40	$5 00	$4 90
Lower grades	2 50@4 90	2 00	3 00	5 35
Chicago—Best grades	4 90@5 40	4 25	5 65	4 95
Lower grades	2 25@4 30	2 00	3 00	4 25
Buffalo—Best grades	4 75@5 25	4 00	5 75	5 25
Lower grades	2 25@4 40	2 00	2 75	4 35
Detroit—Best grades	4 00@4 70	3 25	4 50	4 90
Lower grades	2 00@3 90	1 75	2 75	4 35
Cincinnati—Best grades	4 50@5 00	3 50	5 25	5 25
Lower grades	2 25@4 40	2 00	4 00	4 95
Cleveland—Best grades	4 25@4 75	3 00	4 50	5 50
Lower grades	2 00@4 40	1 50	2 75	5 00
Pittsburg—Best grades	4 75@5 20	3 50	5 00	5 5[illegible]
Lower grades	2 25@4 40	2 00	4 00	5 00

GRAIN, ETC.

	Wheat, No. 2 red	Corn, No. 2 mix	Oats, No. 2 white
New York	[illegible]	[illegible]	31
Chicago	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Detroit	[illegible]	[illegible]	28
Toledo	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Cincinnati	[illegible]	[illegible]	27
Cleveland	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Pittsburg	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

Detroit—Hay No. 1 timothy, $16 50 per ton. Potatoes, southern, [illegible] per bbl. Live Poultry, chickens, 7c per lb; fowls, [illegible]; eggs, strictly fresh, [illegible] per doz. Butter, fresh dairy, 15c; creamery, [illegible] per lb.

REVIEW OF TRADE.

Dun's says: There is a perceptible halt which may be due to or attributed to wrong causes. Trade two months late in spring pushed forward into July large orders which have been ongoing to April or May [illegible] it would continue out of time [illegible]. The [illegible] of two months' business into one [illegible] prices. But the midsummer halt was [illegible] and it is yet somewhat uncertain how much improvement will appear after it. The general advance in many products also causes reluctance to purchase, and the distribution of the past half year has been in part to make up for stocks and individual supplies depleted during two years of economy. On the other hand, there has been enormous increase in wages paid which enables people to buy more freely. Strikes of some importance appear, but do not threaten to last long though a strike of coal miners may for a time affect business somewhat extensively. The crop of corn promises to be the largest ever grown and is almost out of harm's way. The crop of wheat appears from later accounts perhaps smaller than was expected a month ago and had the best hopes been realized it would have been [illegible] short of a full crop. Cotton [illegible]. Larger stocks than were lately wanted have been taken by traders as prices were advancing and these tend to limit future orders. For the first time since the rise in prices of iron products began there have been some concessions to retain business and efforts of new works to get orders tend to check the advance.

Mrs. Alex Campbell, of Montague, P. E. I., gave birth to five daughters at one confinement. Her husband is 84 years of age.

New York brewers are preparing to oppose the proposed movement to have congress increase the internal revenue tax on beer by adding $1 per barrel.

Omaha is in the midst of great excitement over the probability of having two opposing police forces fighting for supremacy. The state legislature authorized the appointment of a new police commission, but the old officers say it was illegal and they will not give in without a struggle.

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BATTLES FOR HER CHILDREN.

A Brave Mother Fights and Finally Conquers a Huge Catamount.

To save her children Mrs. George Higginbotham fought a large catamount. Mr. Higginbotham lives on the Suwanee river, about seven miles from Cedar Keys, Fla., and in the morning he left home, leaving his wife and children alone. In the afternoon Mrs. Higginbotham and the children went out to the sugar-cane patch, the woman carrying her husband's hunting knife. One of the children strayed off, and soon Mrs. Higginbotham heard a scream. She rushed to the scene and found that a large catamount had knocked the child down and was standing over it. The animal immediately left the child and attacked the mother. It sprang at the woman and tore her face and neck horrible with its sharp claws. The mother plunged the knife into the catamount repeatedly with no apparent effect. Finally she dealt the beast a savage blow with the knife and fainted. The last blow reached the catamount's heart, and as the woman fell unconscious the animal dropped dead. The children called the neighbors and they found Mrs. Higginbotham lying unconscious on her breast. Mrs. Higginbotham was frightfully torn and may not recover. The child stricken down by the beast was uninjured. The catamount weighed about eighty pounds.

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ANATOMISTS ARE PUZZLED.

Here's a Colored Man Whose Vital Organs Are Everywhere They Ought Not to Be.

Herbert Place, a negro, 27 years old, walked into Bellevue hospital, New York, a recent morning and said he would like to be examined, as his heart was on the wrong side of his body. The clerks were incredulous, but, finding that Place was in earnest, he was referred to the house surgeon. Afterward, in the presence of the entire surgical staff, a thorough examination was made of him. It was found that not only was his heart on his right side, but that his right lung was on his left side, and the left lung on the right side, the liver was on the left side, and the spleen on the right side. Place is of medium height, strongly built, and has never been seriously ill for a day in his life. Last fall his wife urged him to have his life insured, and he underwent a medical examination. The insurance doctor discovered the misplacement of his vital organs and refused to pass him.

Climbing Mont Blanc.

It is an expensive as well as a very tiresome undertaking to ascend Mont Blanc. It costs at least $60 per person, for by the law of the Commune of Chamouni each stranger is obliged to have two guides and a porter. So far as the danger is concerned, it is now reduced to a minimum, but almost every year the mountain claims a victim. Bad weather is the chief thing feared by the guides, and so swiftly does it come that a cloudless sky may in fifteen minutes turn to a blinding snow-storm which beats you to the ground. Thus it was that some years ago a party of eleven persons perished. Five were found frozen stiff in the snow; the other six still lie buried in the Glacier des Bossons. Forty years is the time allowed for the glacier to yield them up in the valley below.

Amused His Stomach.

A burro, which is the joint possession of three children, was recently subjected to the process of clipping, which he stood very patiently until the operator reached the animal's stomach, when he kicked so violently that it became necessary to leave that part of his anatomy unshorn. The mother of the children, who was a spectator of the performance, remarked that the shears evidently tickled the burro's stomach. "Oh, mamma," exclaimed her daughter, "our teacher says that 'tickle' is very bad form; you should say 'amuse.'" "Very well," responded the mother, "then I suppose the clippers 'amuse' the animal's stomach."

A French Idea.

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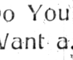

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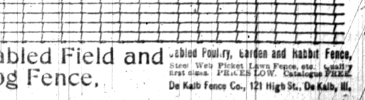

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