

This country now exports more rice than it imports. Fewer weddings to break it off than ever.

Perhaps Europeans outlive Americans, but then the tortoise outlives the horse ten times.

King Alfonso will have good cause to be thankful to the man who invented the wild pitch.

Capt. Richmond Pearson Hobson is married at last. Now, girls, be good and go back to your cooking.

There is a report that the Sioux Indians want to work. Have they or do they not have any more dignity as that?

At last a lone bandit has come to the white holding up an express train. Miracles still come to pass.

A friend in need is a friend indeed, but if you are a friend in need, he is simply a loving acquaintance.

Someone notes that girl babies are becoming more popular. More likely to be bread-winners when grown than the boys.

Mrs. Chadwick's art treasures were sold at ridiculously low figures. Mrs. Chadwick is herself considerably depreciated.

Patriotic Italians should quit Vesuvius, or some American shoveler will have it in full eruption over here in a few weeks.

A German scientist has invented a useless cooking stove. Now let him experiment with the work of devising a cooking meal.

It is said that the devil never takes a vacation. We have observed, however, that he is a regular visitor at the summer resorts.

It is instructive to reflect just now that the twentieth-century was once looked forward to confidently as the era of universal peace.

No great amount of money, so far as can be ascertained from the sporting department, changed hands on the result of that sea fight.

Editor Whiteleaf Reid will pay \$27,500 more for horse ruff than he collects as salary, but a newspaper must do more to find trifling discrepancies like that.

If the king of Serbia has any desire to live long, it is high time for him to quit being a hero and look around for some other less hazardous, if less patriotic, job.

Another Van Dyck has been bought for five francs. This will stimulate the buying of old duds for several thousand francs that cannot be disposed of for five.

Doolin, Doolin, Doolin, Doolin and Devin are playing ball in the National league. And plenty of people who couldn't name the twelve apostles never get their minds.

The dam now being constructed by the government on the Salt river in Arizona is said to be the biggest in America. And Salt river has some pretty big dams before now, too.

The closing of the eye, the rest and the opening of it have been measured and are found to consume 395,000,000 calories a second. How swiftly intelligence can convey to the soda fountain clerk!

"What kind of a politician can I trust?" writes a correspondent. "Another wants to know, 'What kind of a chicken shall I use in salad?'" Answer in both cases: A dead one.—Dayton Gazette-News.

Statistics kept in Cleveland by the humane society show that husbands are more loving and considerate of their wives in warm weather than in cold. Cheer up, ladies! The good time's almost here.

Forty-five thousand love letters were seized by the Chicago police when they raided a matrimonial bureau. Some publishers might wish a fortune by securing permission to make a book of them.

The evangelists who have started New York's revival by holding services in Wall street apparently realize that the sinner of the city are not the ones who seek active religious work is most sorely needed.

A young woman recently jilted a man because he didn't wear a gold chain with his eyeglasses. It happened in Boston, where men are supposed to be willing to sacrifice much to principle.

Ab, the craft of gentle woman! The military workers are reported to be quietly organizing, with the intention of going on strike next fall when the sales change. Femininity, perhaps, also explains the fact that the secret is out.—Boston Transcript.

Shesby Mike, a once celebrated burglar and swindler, who is now dead—more luck—was at one time able to write his check for a quarter million. But he kept on wanting more and more and died nothing. How like he was to a few people who are not burglars!

Moderate wealth is defined by a magazine writer as "an annual income of not less than \$2,000 nor more than \$10,000. If this definition is correct, it is not a very high standard of moderately wealthy people are to-day in strained circumstances.

IN THE STATE.

Grover Betts, 22, of Middleville, employed as a lineman by the Citizens Telephone Co., touched a live wire and died.

Mrs. Lincoln Ayer, of Port Harlan, was severely injured in a run-away accident while driving with a Ford.

A circuit court jury has adjudged insane Archibald Pilon, the 38-year-old father of a family of five.

The coroner's jury returned an open verdict in the case of a woman who died under chloroform in a dentist's chair at Schoolcraft.

Word has reached Boyne from Simons that Malcolm Campbell, an old resident of Boyne, dropped dead from heart disease. He leaves a widow and three children.

The copper country is flooded with counterfeit money. The spurious coins are silver dollars, halves and quarters.

The first fire in Lawrence in five years occurred last week, when an apartment building at the corner of Michigan and Third streets was burned.

Two hours before a fire on one of the streets of Kalamazoo was burned to the ground from a defect of chimney, the insurance policy of \$2000 in value was \$50,000.

So many boys were received on the new school building at Ann Arbor that the board was unable to take care of more than 1000 of them.

Roe of Standish, is winning a race with the hook and line, having recently caught a pile that weighed 140 pounds.

Mrs. John Frazer, of Jackson, lost a finger while she was driving a right hand. Her horse became frightened at an automobile which did not stop.

Muskogee is to have a new industry never before attempted anywhere in the world.

After a career of daring deeds and a last assault upon an officer whom he had just captured, Fred Van was captured at Columbus, O.

A civil servant who was killed in Kalamazoo, June 24, for the positions of clerk and carrier in the city.

The 18-month-old son of Fred Ott, living near Hastings, got out of bed while his sister, with whom he slept in the same room, was asleep.

Parties in Battle Creek are engaged in a novel but profitable industry. It is the sale of automobiles.

More strawberries are being shipped daily from Lawrence than before.

Dudley Cold Storage and Creamery Co., of Owosso, has put two steam traction roadsters on its route to replace the horse-drawn ones.

The Holmes automobile law is causing the state department to tear its hair.

Cattle killing, which was broken up 10 years ago, has again started in a different way.

The killing of a woman in a pasture, was killed in the woods near a pasture. The hide was removed and the carcass was left to rot.

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TURN ON JOHN D.

Rev. W. P. Lovett, of the Wealthy Baptist church, of Grand Rapids, is to take charge of a propaganda in Michigan against the influence of the "most notorious" preachers of the country, and even before the Congressionalists look up the matter.

Now the Russian people see the prospect of better conditions.

Both powers accept now of Roosevelt and thank him.

Formal and entirely satisfactory replies have been received from Russia and Japan to the president's identical note.

More than 200 employees of the U. S. mint in Philadelphia have been suspended.

New Jersey expects to reap \$2,377,819.94 in taxes this year from the 5,314 corporations operating under the Jersey tax law.

John D. Rockefeller became interested in the stenographer's ability a few years ago.

Seven persons were injured by mistake in a wild west show dance at the Grand Rapids.

John Wadsworth, 86, of Winthrop, Mass., once a personal friend of Dan.

Chicago's official seal, a new one, is supposed to be an infant sleeping in a bed.

Postmasters have all been warned by Postmaster General Cordero that they must have their letters.

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Electric Chair in View.

Fred Carter, a noted crook who escaped from Jackson prison hospital June 23, 1904, while on parole, was arrested at Columbus, O., for shooting an officer dead while resisting arrest.

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