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Will Princess Ena continue to say "After you, Alfonso," after she is married?

It is said that insanity is caused by a microbe. That is why a crazy man is sent to the bug house.

Will Mr. Carnegie kindly lend us a million so that we can try to hold it and laugh at the same time?

It is to be hoped that this is the farewell tour the yellow peril is preparing to put on in the far east.

A New Jersey judge has ruled that beer is not a necessity of life. He had better keep away from Milwaukee.

Scientists have discovered a new way of raising ships. What we yearn for is a new way of raising the price.

Still, it doesn't follow that every man who refrains from laughing is a millionaire. Dyspepsia is as bad as money.

Conceding that wealth lessens happiness a large number of persons will remain firm in their determination to be unhappy.

Oil is being tried in Cuba for the extermination of the mosquitoes. Perhaps Mr. Rockefeller is down there working up trade.

As there appears to be nothing doing in Morocco, the European war cloud can pack up and resume its old stand in the Balkans.

According to a household journal, one of the best appetizers is orange marmalade. Another good one is a day's work on a woodpile.

It will be a long time, just the same, before the National Educational association succeeds in popularizing "thru," "thigness," and "tho."

It is given out that King Edward is lamed for life. Surgical science is not yet equal to the job of giving even a king a new tendon Achilles.

London Truth remarks that so many actresses are becoming peeresses that the aristocracy of the realm should be known as the actressocracy.

Samples of adulterated whisky furnished by Dr. Wylie were thoroughly enjoyed by a congressional committee. To the pure all things are pure.

The sailing lists chronicle the departure of Mme. Calve for Europe. Also of Mlle. Calve. And everybody is privileged to take his choice.

Let yesterday be a happy memory and to-morrow a sweet anticipation. To-day is the middle of the sandwich, and therefore the best part of all.

In Africa there is a tribe which is still living in the stone age. Not so different from the rest of the world, which is living in the age of rocks.

Britain's lawmakers are modest in their demands for salaries. Fifteen hundred dollars a year would not seem excessive pay even for Bill Bailey, Bailey, Bailey.

According to a lady of some experience in the courts, the odds are against divorce. She's wrong. Stare get divorced almost as frequently as chorus girls.

One of the theatrical managers wept recently because the New York critics made him of his play. But he would probably have felt worse about it if they had said nothing.

Whistling, according to some doctors, will do much toward the development of a robust physical frame. It will also do much toward developing a tendency toward homicide.

Mr. Labouchere is out of parliament, but he isn't above giving advice to his successor. Above all things, says Labby, eschew eloquence, and never be guilty of a peroration.

The report of the death of the dowager empress of China has not been confirmed, and it is, therefore, but fair to suppose that the emperor continues in a horizontal position under the bed.

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot," is the song suggested by the news from Washington that the Austrian ambassadress is running an auto which leaves in its wake the orders of Araby the blest.

Fashion has decreed the floating, flimsy auto veil must go. A veil on a pretty girl is a sunbeam, anyhow, and this recent edict must meet the hearty approval of every man, whether or not he owns an auto.

Chinese officials are naturally slow to act upon the report that the Dowager Empress is dead. Persons who have acted upon previous reports of a similar nature have met the fate of the didn't-know-it-was-loaded experimenter.

One of the Vanderbilt ladies recently paid a big price for a thimble that once belonged to Queen Elizabeth. Owing to its value as a relic, however, the owner of the thimble will not use it when she makes her shirt waists this spring.

Bracelets are still permitted, but the correct thing now for evening wear is gold anklets. Women may have them engraved with the monograms of their husbands, and wear them in the safe deposit vault—the anklets, not the husbands.

Under the provisions of the arrangement sanctioned by a Massachusetts court, a woman who is separated from her husband may call him up by telephone out of business hours three times a day. How he will look forward to those calls!

AROUND THE STATE.

Matthew Powley, aged 19, Gladwin county farmer, was killed by a bale of hay falling upon him.

Charles Anderson, a young Norwegian in Munising jail, found a knife in his cell and cut his throat.

Geo. R. Patterson, the Pennsylvania representative who died a few days ago, was the only "traveling man" in congress.

Two-year-old Robert Graham, child of a farmer near Deerfield, fell into a tub of boiling maple sap and was fatally scalded before he could be rescued.

Farnum Bros., of Pontiac, are promoting an electric line to connect St. Charles, Alma, St. Louis, Ithaca and Owosso. It is proposed to use a combination gasoline-electric motor.

Business men and farmers will contribute $11,000 toward building a permanent model roadway between Lansing and Michigan Agricultural college. The state appropriates $2,000 additional.

A steel rope 9,500 feet in length—almost two miles—is being completed for the No. 4 shaft of the Calumet branch of the Calumet & Hecla mine. It will be the longest rope in the world. Its diameter is 1 3-8 inches.

Arthur A. Cole, the defaulting clerk of the Menominee circuit court, who skipped out with his widow, leaving his wife and babe destitute, was captured in Chicago, pleaded guilty and was sentenced to 2½ years in prison.

Rev. George S. Crawford was bitten on the index finger when he attempted to administer medicine to his 7-year-old daughter, who died of scarlet fever last week. Blood poisoning has resulted and Rev. Mr. Crawford is quite ill.

By eight to majority T. S. Martin, Morrice, who was indicted by the grand jury and acquitted in the circuit court, was nominated by the Republicans for supervisor to succeed himself. He was elected president of the village recently.

The crossing gates in Decatur not being lowered, Harvey Warner, well-to-do retired farmer, who was quite deaf, drove in front of a Michigan Central train and was almost instantly killed. He had but recently moved to town.

Foy Poyser was sentenced to Ionia prison for from one to 14 years for forgery. Poyser was arrested two days after his elopement from Kalamazoo with Mrs. Sadie Crape, and it is said he forged the checks to get the money for his wedding.

Miss Luella M. Burton, of Detroit, woman factory inspector, in her biennial report to Governor Warner, generally speaking, she reports conditions for women and children in factories are improving. She says employers are actively bettering conditions.

The Standard Oil Co. has dropped the mask in Michigan and owns up that the Republic Oil Co., operating in many of the larger cities, is but one of its creatures. All of the agencies of the Republic Oil Co. have been transferred to the Standard Co.

Warren Pratt, of Mason, unharmed after 2 years of age, died Saturday of blood poisoning from injuries received at the Oldsmobile works at Lansing two weeks ago, when two fingers were taken off. Very little was thought of the accident at the time.

The coroner's jury engaged in the inquest into the death of Sergt. Fred H. Booth, of Jackson, returned a verdict that he was slain in cold blood by a man known as John Blake, a burglar and safe-blower." Blake has been positively identified by a newspaper man in Jackson as Zibble.

Saginaw bay, 12 miles out from Quanicassee, is dotted with spots for the fish shanties. The ice is 12 to 14 inches thick, but large cracks have appeared. Should a sudden wind storm springs up there will be the usual scurry for shore by the fishermen. As Lake Huron is open, when the ice lets go ashore it will probably move out rapidly.

Because Charles A. Genrow, of Alpena, cringes his hair like a woman and affects femininity in his dress, he was mistaken for a woman by Patrolman Spring, of Port Huron, when the young man stepped from a Rapid Railway car. He was hustled off to police headquarters, where the error was explained. Genrow was once a patient in an asylum.

Thos. Bryant, has gone insane in Benton Harbor jail. He is the dark skinned young man who claims he is a Jamaican and who was sent to jail for 90 days for forcing himself into the presence of Miss Ethel Bailey, a society girl, and making love to her. While in jail he has daily written impassioned love letters to Miss Gay. He imagines that a scaffold is being erected to hang him for loving the young lady.

A letter has been received at the attorney-general's office from a Gainesville, N. Y., man which says: "About 22 years ago when a boy of 15 I shot and killed a partridge when it was against the law. It is my desire to obtain full salvation and that accounts for my coming to confess. This confession may not be at all called for, but should I be indebted to the state on account of the act I will pay it as soon as possible, pay the account."

Loren Cole, aged 15, is said to have confessed that he and Floyd Elliott, aged 22, while intoxicated, rolled a heavy freight truck onto the Michigan Central track at Oakley, just before a through express train was due. The truck was discovered and pushed off the track just before the train rushed by, narrowly missing it, and Cole and Elliott were arrested. Frank Cole, father of the boy, died Monday, leaving a widow and nine children. Elliott is the only support of his aged parents.

Mrs. Paul Dupuie, of Sault Ste. Marie, and four of her children were affected with ptomaine poisoning. The physician who was called attributed the cause to a lemon pie.

Caught in the shafting at the Boyne City lumber mill, Charles Allen had his clothes stripped from his body as he was whirled around with the rapidly moving shaft. Had it not been that his assistant had given a signal he did his career would have been ended. As it was his left leg from the hip to the knee was torn and lacerated and his flesh pounded almost into a jelly, where his limbs came in contact with the shaft.

John W. Bradshaw has been appointed registrar pro tem. at the U. of M., the position made vacant by the sudden death of Prof. de Pont.

The examination of Evangelist Geo. Allen, charged by Rev. C. H. Anderson, of White Pigeon, with improper relations with the latter's wife, did not materialize Saturday, the defendant's counsel, Attorney Knappen, of Kalamazoo, waiving to the circuit court. Allen was placed under $500 bonds to appear for trial. Quite an audience had gathered, anticipating that some racy evidence would be introduced, and they were greatly disappointed.

BAD MAN SCOTTY.

Walter Scott, "Crosesus of Death Valley," has been arrested in San Francisco and will go to San Bernardino, Cal., to answer a charge of assault with a deadly weapon on Mining Expert Owen and several companions, near Ballarat, Death Valley, some weeks ago.

Scott furiously denies his guilt and has been admitted to bail in the sum of $500.

It is alleged that Scott plotted to take Owen into the desert, kill him, send a forged telegram to New York capitalists informing them of a fictitious mine in Death Valley, run personally to New York, collect $100,000 for the nonexistent mine, return, divide the swag with his confederates and vanish. Only the luck and vigilance of Owen and a companion, A. Y. Pearl, defeated this clever scheme, it is claimed. Then "Scotty" said that party had been attacked by bandits. Yet it is recalled that in a rocky defile when the Owen-Scott party was fired on, firing ceased when "Scotty" cried:

"Stop fire, you blankety blank fools!"

Shorty Smith, one of Scott's intimates, is in jail in San Bernardino and is said to have confessed.

Wyatt Earp, now in Los Angeles, is quoted as hinting that "Scotty" was once connected in some dark deeds in the Klondike.

Los Angeles newspapers call "Scotty" a "faker," a "swindler," and have for a month been waging a campaign of exposure to show that there is no gold mine in Death Valley; that he swindled Capitalist Girard, of Los Angeles, out of $4,000 for "grubstakes," and is hinted that the audacity of his exampled boldness and perhaps with a startling record.

Illness of Governor Pattison.

Although Gov. Pattison, of Ohio, is reported considerably improved in the official bulletins issued by attending physicians, the belief prevails that his condition is very grave. The physicians refuse absolutely to discuss the governor's condition, and nothing is obtainable from them outside the formal statements issued to the public. The members of Gov. Pattison's family are equally reticent.

Gov. Pattison possesses wonderful vitality, and the hope is based upon this. His vitality was shown by the manner in which he rallied Thursday after the sinking spell which he suffered Wednesday night.

All that is known to the public up to this time regarding the nature of Gov. Pattison's illness is that he is suffering from nervous prostration. Reports to the effect that Bright's disease has complicated his illness are neither affirmed nor denied by the physicians.

Millions of Widows.

Some interesting facts, particularly with reference to India, are furnished by the new census statistics. The figures show that there are over 19,000,000 widows, of whom 1,000,000 girls are not over 15 years old. This is remarkable condition, of course, results from the fact that Hindu widows have not been allowed to remarry.

Efforts are being made to abolish this enforced widowhood, and the Upper India Widow Remarriage association reports that since the establishment of the association 127 widow marriages have resulted from its work. Most of these were among respectable Brahmin families.

TELEGRAPHIC BRIEFS.

The king of Sweden will have to worry along on $400,000 a year, now that Norway is a separate state.

One dozen eggs must weigh one and one-half pounds in Iowa, according to a law just passed by the state legislature.

Iron Long Ear and Mrs. Crooked Arm, the Crow buck and squaw, were closed from the Crow agency in Wyoming last January, will be tried on charges of illegal.

To Mrs. Sage that he carried an ill, Emilio, Salvatore Blanco, a Union hill, N. J., laborer, owes his escape from a death in a fall of 100 feet, the man's body striking as a parachute.

The Zeppelin airship was slightly injured and thousands of dollars worth of property destroyed by a tornado that struck the neighborhood south of Buffalo, Okla., late Sunday night.

New York's population is 4,310,000, one state. There is a movement on to increase it. Gov. Odell said that during his four years of office he spent $100,000 more than he received from the state.

The body of Miss Mary Dell Hill, of Wabash, Ind., was buried from the Dunham German Lutheran church cemetery, which she had given to the church, because of a disagreement with the trustees.

Count Henri de la Vaulx, the celebrated French aeronaut, has arrived at New York and said he is confident that his plans to reach the north pole by means of balloons and autos will succeed. His idea is to establish a series of relay stations reaching from the edge of the ice to the pole.

A crazy negress is driving the colored population of Jackson, Madison, Tenn., by predicting that the city is to sink into the Mississippi. The day is near and the railroads advertise round trip excursions, selling tickets to Memphis and returning the day after the catastrophe.

Gregory D. Meldon, a Kansas farmer, has recovered from the jury in Kansas $20,000 in damages for the loss of 4 steers worth $150. He recovered three of them and was awarded $75 for the other three. Then he started suing the jury for failure to find damages. He asked permission to continue the suit as a pauper. The judge denied the petition.

Many Australians have an idea that Australia is bound to eventually drift island continent. There are signs that were increased the other day by the discovery in the baggage of two Japanese who were traveling in Australia of a merchant's complete list of secret plans of the Sydney fortifications.

Announcement was made Saturday by the anthracite mine operators that they have on hand within a radius of less than 100 miles of New York city a reserve supply of more than 9,000,000 tons of good marketable grades of anthracite coal. This is in addition to the supplies held by the dealers and larger consumers.

In the recent Adobe, Col., wreck on the Denver & Rio Grande, the body of C. G. Turner, which was being shipped east, was destroyed. His wife has filed a claim for damages, and the railroad claim agent is in a brown study, trying to figure out the value of a corpse.

Richard G. Ivens was today found guilty of the murder of Mrs. Bessie Hollister and sentenced to expiate his crime on the gallows. The murder of Mrs. Bessie Hollister occurred on the evening of January 12 last. It was one of the most sensational killings in Chicago's history. Public feeling was stirred as it had not been stirred before in many years.

WOMEN CALLED CORTELYOU, BLISS AND PERKINS NAMED IN WARRANTS.

JEROME AND JUDGE O'SULLIVAN QUARREL WHICH LEADS TO THIS TEST CASE.

THE CHARGE IS LARCENY FOR RECEIVING CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS OF LIFE COS.

Constitutional Proceeding.

Anticipating the action of the grand jury which is investigating crimes alleged to have been committed in connection with the insurance exposures, District Attorney Jerome, of New York, on Tuesday went before Magistrate Moss and asked for several blank warrants for arrests in connection with a test case of the question whether of the political contributions of the New York Life Insurance Co. to the Republican campaign fund constitutes larceny and receiving stolen property.

While no names were inserted at the request of Mr. Jerome for the warrants, the district attorney mentioned the names in his argument before Justice O'Sullivan last week of Postmaster-General George B. Cortelyou, chairman of the Republican national committee; Cornelius N. Bliss, treasurer of that committee, and George W. Perkins, formerly the president of the New York Life Insurance Co.

He then asked that Messrs. Bliss and Perkins be charged with larceny and Mr. Cortelyou with receiving stolen property.

The sensational step of Mr. Jerome is the outcome of a sharp discussion between Judge O'Sullivan, presiding judge of general sessions, and himself last week over the question whether officers of the insurance companies would be prosecuted for making contributions to political parties.

A few weeks ago Mr. Jerome proceeded to the grand jury certain evidence bearing upon such contributions, which was brought out in the legislative investigation. Following this the grand jury presented to Judge O'Sullivan a long series of hypothetical questions as to whether under certain circumstances the insurance officials had committed larceny in making the political contributions.

Afterward, it is said, Mr. Jerome informed the grand jury that the officers were not guilty of larceny unless intent to defraud were shown by the contributions, and that if the only fraud that it could show, the officers of larceny would have been committing.

Thereupon Judge O'Sullivan charged the jury that Mr. Jerome declared that the judge had misconceived the case, and that in his ruling was correct warrants should issue for Messrs. Cortelyou, Bliss and Perkins. Mr. Jerome declined to ask for the warrants if Judge O'Sullivan would grant them, and hear the case. Judge O'Sullivan declined to hear the case in that way and instructed the jury that the question of evidence from the district attorney's office and investigate fearlessly the entire matter of political contributions by insurance officials.

Assistant District Attorney Kresel, accompanied by Vice-President Darwin P. Kingsley, of the New York Life Insurance Co., appeared before Magistrate Moss today, and Mr. Kingsley made a deposition. Several subpenas in blank were then issued by the magistrate for a hearing in the proceeding. None of the court officials concerned in the proceedings would say what their proceedings were.

Afterward Mr. Kingsley and Edmund D. Randolph, treasurer of the New York Life Insurance Co., went to Mr. Jerome's office at his request to make an affidavit. It was reported, after the affidavit had been made, conferences by the officers of that company.

Postmaster-General Cortelyou was informed of the report from New York that it was intended that a warrant had been issued for his arrest while attending the meeting of the cabinet. At the conclusion of the meeting he declined to discuss the question, but said that if a warrant for his arrest should have been issued he will go to New York at once. He concluded by saying: "Just wait for the facts."

The Smoot Case.

The senate committee on privileges and elections will close absolutely this week the case of Senator Smoot and will vote on whether he shall or shall not be expelled. It is expected at this session of congress.

That, at least, is the opinion of Senator Burrows, chairman of the committee. Senator Smoot will not be additional time to present certain evidence in rebuttal. The witnesses have arrived and they will be heard as soon as possible.

The Sick Woman.

Mrs. Roosevelt's contemplated visit to the West indies with her three children from Jamaica, which would be the first trip away from the country ever taken by the family of a president during his term of office.

The sea voyage is what she wants and needs, and she has been afraid of going sight-seeing or placing herself in a position where she may be made the victim of social attentions from the people of the West Indies.

Seeks Needed Rest.

The peach growers of Texas suffered a loss of $3,000,000 from frost last month. It is said to have damaged to have damaged vegetables and berries to the extent of $1,000,000.

The United States battleship Wisconsin has sailed for Shanghai, to join the American fleet there, rush orders to that effect having been received from Rear-Admiral Train.

Charles Keibe, arrested in Cleveland for being drunk, took off his vest in court to show how he kept warm. His body was found covered with dollar bills, strung together and wound about him in layers.

Jewish merchants and their families are fleeing from Moscow owing to fears of a Jewish massacre at Easter.

José Cavanyer, the famous bandit, who 25 years ago was the terror and the pride of Hungary, has arranged to tour the world under the management of a showman. His deeds were celebrated in song, and a whole romantic folklore was built up around this wild son of the mountains, who never hurt a woman or a poor man, but boldly attacked the castles of the rich and spent his booty in relief of distress. After 22 years in prison he found the easiest way to get along to be to exhibit himself.

FIRE, FAMINE AND BUTCHERY

TO CLEAN UP PULAJANES FANATICS FOR THEIR TREACHERY.

RUSSIAN PROVINCES IN DIRE NEED OF FOOD SUPPLY FOR MANY THOUSANDS.

BAD YAQUI INDIANS MASSACRE FIVE PEOPLE RETURNING FROM A DRIVE.

Filipino Treachery.

Gov. Curry, in a report to the government on the recent engagement with Pulajanes at Magtaon, says:

"Had a hard fight in which Captain Jones, of the constabulary, lost half of his command, causing a magnificent victory in the face of overwhelming odds. The Pulajanes under a flag of truce and while promising to surrender immediately opened fire, charging the constabulary.

"The leader of the Pulajanes ordered his men to first wipe out the constabulary and then to capture myself and the other Americans.

"I have requested a company of federal troops immediately, and later on, when joined by this additional force, will prepare to wage a war of extermination against the fugitives, which is the only alternative.

"The constabulary did splendidly, though their inferior firearms, which were mines, have placed them at a disadvantage. With the assistance of the federal troops we will be able to exterminate the fugitives who are now in the mountains and will destroy the troops.

"The natives of Samar, with the exception of the Pulajanes, are in sympathy with us and are assisting us.

"Every man is endeavoring to assist in the extermination of the fugitives.

"Several prominent Filipinos were present and witnessed the treacherous action of the Pulajanes.

"Judge Lobinger and all the other Americans are safe."

The Russian Famine.

The famine of 1906 in Russia already breaks the sad record of that of 1891 long known as the Great Famine year. The culminating point in a Russian famine is always found about the month of April, and that, but all the things are now, increasingly bad as they have been for the past five months, the worst is still to come.

Twenty-five Russian provinces are involved, an area exceeding that of Germany, Austria-Hungary, and Italy taken together, with a population of 20,000,000 souls.

In some of the provinces two-thirds of the total area is famine-stricken. In others the distress varies greatly, being either comparatively light over a few districts, or confined to absolute starvation in many districts, with fair crops in a few others. Except in the latitude that in intensity the famine exceeds that of 1891, besides covering a very much larger area.

Murdered by Yacuis.

Five members of the family of Pedro Meza, prefect of Pitic, Dura, in Sonora, Mexico, and two others, were massacred by Yaqui Indians within a few miles of their home and their bodies left to be devoured by the wolves and La Dura. Three members of the Meza family survive. They are the baby son of Pedro Meza and two young daughters, Mercedes and Elvira. The children had been left at home in La Dura in the temporary absence of the family, who went for a drive. To Pitic news of the massacre was brought by Ortiz by an Indian letter carrier. A detachment of Mexican troops is on the trail of the outlaws.

Morgan's Nerve.

J. Pierpont Morgan, fearing a plot to kill him, has fled from Italy without waiting to have his baggage unloaded.

He had just arrived in Rome to purchase antiques. His sumptuous apartments—the entire first floor of the Villa Florence—were abandoned in haste and left in disorder.

The Roman press is laughing over the rumors displayed by the American financier in his precipitate flight, especially since the chief of police asserts that the "plot" was started by jokeless antiquarians who believed Morgan would try to buy back the famous stone cope of Ascoli, now in the government art gallery.

Mysterious Disease.

At Monkers, in Linn county, Oregon, a mother and child are dead as the result of a mysterious disease or poison that attacks the throat. A large number of chickens similarly affected have died, as have large numbers of wild birds in the vicinity of the place.

The victims of the mysterious affection are Mrs. Thomas McLain and her little daughter. An investigation will be held.

Mary Ann Torpey, of Hoboken, is the champion strong girl of New Jersey. She is 22, blond and pretty, stands 5 feet 3 inches and weighs 225 pounds. A baby horse that stopped traffic by standing on a car track was removed by Miss Torpey's gently lifting him and placing him to one side. She tosses 200-pound bales of hay up into the stable loft.

The Osservatore Romano, organ of the Vatican, denies a report published by semi-journals that the pope has abandoned his intention to publish a collection, causing the death of Bernard McDonald. Oreman was running the car to permit the motorman to talk with a lady passenger.

Francis F. Hylands, a 9-year-old boy of Boston, was frozen to death in a vacant lot within sight of his home because he feared a whipping if he entered the house. He had been reproved by his guardian, Mrs. Donnelly, and his supersensitive nature would not allow him to return to his home.

CRIME CONFESSED.

That certain men in sympathy with the Housesmiths' union, which is making the final fight for its life against the open shop policy of the Building Employers' association, hatched a plot for the destruction of scores of buildings in the course of erection is asserted in a detailed confession made by Charles Moran, who acknowledged that he is a dynamiter.

The confession, which is now in the hands of the district attorney, was made voluntarily and for the purpose of obtaining immunity from the courts. Through Moran's confession, it is said, men prominent in certain labor circles will be brought to account for outrages which have been perpetrated in retaliation for the war of extermination waged by the employers against the once powerful Housesmiths' union.

The names of men designated to carry out the plans and of the men who perfected the plans and agreed to pay specified sums to hirelings have been supplied by Moran to the district attorney.

Mrs. Blower's Return.

After taking the proceeds of the sale of a farm, going to Ireland with a former acquaintance and spending all the money, Mrs. George Blower has been reunited with her husband.

Blower is a resident of Oklahoma and when he spoke of selling his farm in this county his wife volunteered to come and close up the deal. She met a machine agent here, with whom she was acquainted, and they left town together.

Blower did not hear from his wife again until she wired him from Belfast, Ireland, that the deal had all gone and requested him to come and take her back home.

Blower made the trip across the ocean and brought her back to his ranch. She claims she was a victim of hypnotism.

Miss Isabelle Massieg, the celebrated traveler, returns from Siam with the story of an Adamless Eden. It is the town of Nag Hammus, inhabited by the descendants of the royal family. The king is the only male who may enter the city.

THE MARKETS.

Detroit—Cattle—All grades brought from 10c to 15c more money than they did a week ago, the advance being on light handy grades, and paid $4 50 and better for cattle weighing from 900 to 1,000 pounds, and as high as $3 50 for good prime steers. Good fat cow stuff sold around $3 and better, but common milch cows were dull and dragging and are selling lower than a week ago. Very few cows were sold for $45, and most of the sales made were under $40. The best grades of heavy feeders sold well at around $3 per hundred. Veal calves ruled 50c lower than about last Monday's prices. One extra good bunch brought $7 75, but the bulk of the sales was around $7 to $7 25. Good grades.

Hogs—The hog trade was active and strong. Prices ruled 5c higher than Thursday, while the bulk of sales was brought 10c higher. Some 1,000 lbs was paid for several bunches of good corn, and the close was strong at the opening prices.

Sheep—The sheep and lamb trade was active and strong, with a week's opening pulses, several bunches bringing as high as $7 per hundred. Quite a large number of western sheep came in yesterday, and they brought from $6 75 to $7 per cwt. The trade closed steady with all sold.

Chicago—Common to prime steers, $3.65@6 40; cows, $2 65@4 60; heifers, $2.75@5 40; canners, $2 40@2 75; bulls, $3@5; stockers and feeders, $2.75@4 75. Calves—Veals, $4@8 50; grassers, $3.50@5 45; medium to good heavy, $5 35@6 40; heavy weights, $5.25@6 45; good to choice heavy fed calves, $5.50@6 40; handy, $4@5 40.

Hogs—Mixed and butchers, 5c higher; sweep, $4.50@6 25; yearlings, $5 75@6 40; lambs, $4 75@6 85.

East Buffalo—Best export steers, $5.25@5 75; good to choice 1,300@1,400-lb. do, $5@5 25; best 1,000@1,200-lb. do, $4 50@4 75; best fat cows, $4@4 25; fair to good, $3@3 75; trimmers, $1 75@2; best fat heifers, $4 75@5; good do, $4@4 25; best feeding steers, $4@4 25; best yearling steers, $3 75@4; best stockers, $3@3 25@3 50; export bulls, $4 25@4 50; bologna bulls, $3.50@3 75; fresh cows, $25 lower; best do brought $35@40; fair to good, $25@30; common, $18@25. Veals—Best, $8@8 25; medium to good, $7@7; heavy, $3 50@4 50.

Hogs—Market 15@20c lower; all grades, $6 25@6 70; closed weak.

Sheep—Handy weight lambs steady; heavy grades 25@50c lower; yearlings, $7 10@7 25; westerns, $7@7 10; best ewes, $5 75@6; cull ewes, $3@4 75; ewes, $5 50@5 75; wethers, $6 10@6 40; yearlings, $6 25@6 50; closed weak.

Grain, Etc.

Chicago—Cash quotations were as follows: No. 2 spring wheat, 80@82c; No. 3, 73@79c; No. 2 red, 82½@83½c; No. 2 corn, 42½@42¾c; No. 2 yellow, 42½@42¾c; No. 2 oats, 29@29½c; No. 2 white, 30½@31½c; No. 2 rye, 57@57½c; No. 2 barley, 47@48c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1 07; No. 1 northwestern, $1 12; timothy, contract, $3 25@3 30.

Detroit—Wheat—No. 1 white, 85c; No. 2 red, spot, 85½c bid; May, 1,000 bu at 82½c, 2,000 bu at 82¾c, 1,000 bu at 82½c, 5,000 bu at 82¾c, 1,000 bu at 80½c, 5,000 bu at 80¾c, 2,000 bu at 80½c, 2,000 bu at 80¾c, 15,000 bu at 80½c; No. 2 red, 82½c per bu.

Corn—No. 3 mixed, 46½c; No. 2 yellow, 47¾c, both nominal.

Oats—No. 3 white, spot, 34c bid; sales of 1 car at D. & M. elevator at 32½c bu.

Clover seed—Prime spot, 50 bags at $7 77; March, $7 75; April, $7 70; by sample, 3 bags at $7 50; 1 bag at $7 55, 15 at $7 25; prime alsike, 12 bags at $8; by sample, 5 bags at $7 75, 4 at $7 50 and 3 at $7 per bu.

Timothy seed—Prime, spot, 40 bags at $1 40 bid, $1 45 asked.

Beans—March, $1 42 bid, $1 45 asked; May, $1 46 bid, $1 48 asked.

AMUSEMENTS IN DETROIT
Week Ending March 31, 1907.

TEMPLE THEATER AND WOODWARD—After-noon, 2:15, Vaudeville; Evenings 7:15, 10c, 15c, 25c. Elita Proctor Otis & Co.

LAFAYETTE THEATER—Prices 10c-25c. Mat. Wed. and Sat. Lewis Morrison in "Faust."

GRAND—Matinee Daily. Mats. 10-15-25c. Evenings 10-15-25-50c. Mats. Wed. and Sat. "Lured from Home."

LYCEUM—Prices 15-25-35-50c. Mats. Wed. and Sat. Lewis Morrison in "Faust."

The governor general of the island of Formosa reports that 6,500 persons were injured and 2,677 houses destroyed by the recent earthquakes. Other reports assert that 17,800 houses were damaged. Occasional shocks continue to be felt.

It is reported in New York that plans are afoot to elect W. H. Taft to membership in the governing corporation of Yale university, to succeed Chauncey M. Depew, who has neglected to resign and hasn't withdrawn from the race for the place at the approaching election, despite friendly advice to do one thing or the other.

Rhea Appleton, of New York city, has in his possession the "Star Spangled Banner" that inspired Key to the writing of the much-admired national song. An effort will shortly be made to induce the owner to sell the relic, more in which this flag was made and use it as a museum or patriotic shrine.

While the family in the home of Angus McKechnie of Sault Ste. Marie, were sleeping soundly two broke out. To procure water, the 12-year-old daughter dashed through the flames at the peril of her life and after a plunge out of the blaze. The firemen say it is a wonder the child was not burned to death.