

YANKEE AIMS TO LUXURIATE CAMPAINS.
The days are past when the names of luxury are willing to do what the pioneers of the west called "bitting the grit with a blanket and a rifle." While here and there will be found the independent spirit, accustomed to the best things of the creature life, who do fairly revel in the bare necessities of the cruise, the great majority of the out-door enthusiasts of this day demand the latest fashions, the finest and most comfortable and lightest of their attire is within hail of their own will. It is not an idle boast, it is fully supported by the adoption of these new devices into the regular equipment of the military troops of the leading nations of the world. Than this no higher compliment could be paid. That wonderful palace car of the wilds, the canoe, is now made by white men in Maine better than the Indian ever made it. The Indian himself says he would canoe for a long cruise in preference to one of birch bark. It is no little thing for the Yankee to have a canoe that is better than the one people reared for their wonderful skill in the art of canoe building.

Our Fire Losses.
Speaking of fire expenditures, both here and abroad, it is not surprising suggestions in connection with the enormous fire loss in this country. In our figures, about \$100,000,000 worth of property in the United States went up in flames in 1901. To be sure, the California earthquake and the combined wilded the total to these figures. But it is generally admitted that much more of our possessions are burned than should be the case. The reason for this is the vast drain on the national resources. Much of this could be stopped by proper care. Men speak of the mammoth dimensions of the Panama canal and other great projects under way. Yet, says Troy Tinson, the editor of last year represented a sum which would have constructed the Panama canal more than twice over and would have left many millions to be advantageously employed in deepening rivers and harbors and constructing channels valuable for commercial uses or devoted to other objects equally beneficial to the public. A large part of that fire loss represented as absolute waste as good money.

At Foreign Hotels.
Hot water is not "laid on" (piped) at foreign hotels—"If you hear a gentle tap on the door in the morning, you interpret it as meaning that a copper epper of hot water has just been set down outside for your personal use. If you order a bath, it will be prepared for you accordingly, and a wet towel laid will give you a hint when it is ready. You are not expected to operate the water valves at all, and it is doubtful you would succeed if you tried. From a variety of vacant rooms at a hotel shown you, the best one you prefer, with a definite guarantee that you are not required to accept humbly and thankfully, in blind faith, whatever room the clerk deigns to assign you, as in America. It is expected, however, says Travel Magazine, that you will order your breakfasts at the hotel, being free to order your meals elsewhere, if you prefer. Electric light switches are not commonly turned on by a push button or a flat key, as in our buildings, but by a small lever. Many of the best hotels have a reading light in the headboard of each bedstead.

Out in Missouri a man under a 15 years sentence for murder has been pardoned after a year's imprisonment because of conclusive proof that he is entirely innocent of the crime. He may, perhaps, consider himself lucky in getting out after a year, but what recompense can a state afford for having inflicted such a wrong on an innocent man? asks the Indianapolis Star. Money would not repay him for the injury, but it would at least show his acknowledgment that a debt was due. In view of the frequency with which such things happen a law should exist in every state providing for such compensation.

The New England man who believes that life may be prolonged indefinitely by continuous drinking of pea soup, evidently does not know that many people would rather die than be doctored forever by such a diet. It would be too much like eating crow.

Detective Smith, declares with authority, is often misled by the wearing of tight collars, which interfere with the circulation of the blood to the head.

A young man in New York was arrested for stealing two bars of soap. As he was caught in the act, his accusers had a clear case against him.

The \$55,000 fetched by the Trovan at the New York art sale last night set a new price for a picture sold in this country. The picture was sold for \$165,000 paid for by a Meislerman of the A. T. Stewart & Co. store. But it's only by a nose.

None of the Peabody Educational fund, established by George Peabody of London, in 1867 and amounting to \$12,000,000, has been distributed among the educational institutions of the southern states before November.

One man who was killed in a fire was injured in a fire which did \$100,000 worth of damage. The man was a fire insurance policy. A few hours later the fire of the picture was gutted.

The three-barred cross that he thought his first wife was divorced did not save Frank Dayton Rogers, who pleaded guilty of bigamy before Judge Chester in Adrian. He was sentenced to a term of years in the State Prison. His wife No. 1 was Blanche Randall, and wife No. 2 was Adina Higgins. Rogers was taken from the State Prison by a Meislerman of the A. T. Stewart & Co. store. But it's only by a nose.

WRECK ON THE CENTRAL CAUSES FIVE AND POSSIBLY SIX DEATHS.
ORDERS OF SEMAPHORE Express Was-Making Up Time Lost When It Crashed Into An Ice Train.

Scene of Wreck and Death.
Michigan Central train No. 31, known as the "American Express," making its time crashed into a light engine on the crowded Shanghai creek, two miles west of Ypsilanti, at 7:30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, killing 100 men, many of them by the collision of the tracks for a quarter-mile with wreckage of the engine and cars.

The engine was handling ice cars at Shanghai and had received orders to run on a siding to clear the main line of the ice express train at 7:15.

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Plucky Banker.
The last chapter in the rise and fall of a Chicago banker is the sale of the handsome home of G. O. Corryell to Albert Campbell for \$250,000.

The home cost \$150,000 and was built by Corryell in 1901, when he was at the head of the First National bank and a wealthy man. Corryell prospered until he went into the Rock Lake copper mine, which he had bought apparently went against him, and his fortune slipped away until he was comparatively poor.

Corryell has not given up the struggle and has organized the Farmers' Exchange bank at Chicago, which is a territory is Hall Davis, the well known Vanderbilt actor, who married, Mrs. McCleary, a sister of Corryell's, and allied with Corryell in his struggles.

The copper mine, which cost Corryell \$100,000, was a failure. He worked, but his bank is gaining slowly, but steadily.

Remarkable Case.
Although kept alive by the entrance of a small amount of water into the Battle Creek for an operation at the Sanitarium, Seth M. Veley, millionaire broker and trader, died of pneumonia. He underwent an operation for gall stones and instantly rallied. But his death came six days later.

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THE PANAMA BIDS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED BY THE WORLD NOW.
STEVENS HAS RESIGNED Congress—Rushing Things to Finish Work Before March 4th—The Great Bill Considered.

It has been decided not to accept any bids for the building of the Panama canal. The contract, however, was made following the meeting of the board of directors of the Panama canal company.

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STATE RIGHTS.
The Control of Corporations a National Matter, Says Roosevelt.
President Roosevelt, in an address before the Harvard law students on state rights, said in part:

There has been a curious revival of the old doctrine of state rights in connection with the question of the control of corporations by the people who know and understand the law. Justice to both sides practically controls the corporations, and who, therefore, should have the power extended through other states for a short-sighted and narrow view of the public interest.

Honest and fair dealing railway corporations will gain and not lose by the doctrine of state rights. But those who invoke the doctrine of state rights to protect state corporate creations in private affairs, extended through other states for a short-sighted and narrow view of the public interest.

Our present warfare is against public privilege. The men—many of them, however—who are in power are prompt to speak against every project which can be devised for the promotion of the public interest. The federal government of the United States is a creature of the interstate business—rare, nevertheless, and whose powerlessness to much as to regulate interstate commerce is a weakness which shall give relief. I have not in four years these men, both those in public and those in private life, and though they are prompt to invoke every affirmative step taken by the federal government, I have never to remedy the wrongs that are being done.

So it is in every field of public life. State's rights should be protected when they mean the people's rights. When they mean the people's wrongs, not for instance, the abolition of the interstate commerce act, which is a law which prohibits this transportation of contract labor to one state for the purpose of working in another, or for national weakness or impotence.

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REDUCE RATES.
The State Legislatures of Seven States Make It Two Cents.
The question of a two-cent rate for passenger fares has been a long one to hold chief attention in the legislatures of the states of the middle west. It was first introduced in the seven state legislatures of the middle west. They are: Alabama, Arkansas, Indiana, Mississippi, Nebraska, West Virginia and Wisconsin.

In Alabama and Wisconsin the rate was made two and one-half cents. In seven other states a two-cent fare is being made. Illinois, Iowa, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Pennsylvania and North Carolina.

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WOULD TAX 'OLD DOGS'.
The Ground That from Obstinacy They 'Glog the Wheel of Progress'.
If there is a reckless soul who is not only a favoring destruction, but is fairly shouting for it, that soul inhabits the body of an old man. His last article in the North American Review.

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