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HOME HAPPENINGS.

Fires and Loss of Life—Sports of the Turf—Bloodshed at an Arkansas Card table—The Trouble with Red Cloud—Missouri Republicans—Hanged for Murder—Prisoners Killed by a Mob in Florida—The Transatlantic Voyage to be Shortened—Profits of a Railroad—Temperance Convention of German-Americans—Nominations for Congress—Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD-UNION.]

The Tariff Commission—It Discusses the Sugar Question.

BOSTON, August 25th.—At the session of the Tariff Commission to-day, David Townsend, of the Continental Sugar Refinery of Boston, advocated an ad valorem duty. The present law he believed discriminates in favor of certain classes, notably those on the Pacific coast, as against the East. This is partially due to the Hawaiian treaty. For the last three years prices for sugar on the Pacific coast ran from one-half to two and three-quarters cents per pound higher than on the Atlantic coast, which the consumer there has to pay. This is on account of the business being all in the hands of two or three San Francisco refiners, one of whom owns large plantations in the Sandwich Islands. Labor there is very cheap, and sugar can be produced at a small cost. It is admitted free of duty, and sold to the western consumers at exorbitant prices. If a merchant refuses to pay these prices, and buys of refiners in the Atlantic States, the refiners combine against him, and will not sell at any price. Their surplus stock is sent East and sold at low prices, thus impairing the interests of Boston refiners. Before the treaty the production of the Sandwich Islands was but 10 000,000 pounds, while it is now about 80 000 000. The treaty was intended to improve the commercial relations between the two countries, but the amount of duties remitted is more than double the value of the importations to those islands. The treaty has been of no benefit to consumers here, as prices have not been improved by it

The National Prohibition Convention.

CHICAGO, August 25th.—The Convention reassembled at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. A resolution declaring against proscription on account of color, and demanding "full and exact civil and political equality for all conditions of men," was adopted as part of the platform. Two each from the various States were appointed a National Committee. When Iowa was called that delegation withdrew from the Convention, stating that under its instructions it could not sanction the formation of a third party, as its work was within the present party lines. After further talk, and the passage of resolutions of thanks, the Convention adjourned sine die.

Texas Republican State Convention.

AUSTIN, August 25th.—The Texas Republican State Convention effected a permanent organization yesterday. A platform was adopted pledging the support of the party in Texas to candidates who come before the people for their suffrages purely as independents, free from party nominations and other forms of caucus dictation; in favor of the sale of school lands to actual settlers only, and in parcels not exceeding 160 acres; expressing confidence in ex-Governor J. E. Davis; indorsing the administration of President Arthur and the platform adopted by the last Republican Convention. Adjourned.

Fortune Found by the Aid of a Magnetic Rod.

ERIE (Pa.), August 25th.—Captain D. Chapin, a mine locator of New Jersey, struck the long-lost treasure yesterday by the aid of a magnetic rod. For some months he has been cruising outside of Erie harbor in the hope of locating the wreck of the schooner Vermilion, which, with 350 tons of copper, was sunk in a storm nearly fifty years ago. Yesterday the magnetic indicator was violently disturbed, and attested the immediate presence of metal. A sounding was made and the wreck discovered in fifty feet of water. An ingot weighing fifty pounds was brought to the surface. A huge diving bell will be placed over the spot, and men engaged to get up the long-concealed treasure, worth over $150,000.

Inroads Upon the Public Domain.

WASHINGTON, August 25th.—The report of the Commissioner of the General Land Office for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1882, will show inroads upon the area of the public domain unprecedented in the history of the country. The report last year showed the disposal of lands by cash sales to the amount of 1,587,617 acres. This year the report will show, under the same head, 3,699,899 acres of agricultural land alone, including trifling sales of Indian land, to which should be added sales of 37,061 acres under the desert land act; and 7,194 acres of coal lands. Homestead entries last year covered 5,028,100 acres, while for the fiscal year just closed there were taken under this act the enormous area of 6,347,729 acres. The increase in settlements under the agricultural act is striking, the last report showing entries under this law of 1,763,799 acres for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1881, while for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1882, the number of acres was 2,609 797.

Reception for John Brown's Widow.

CHICAGO, August 25th.—A number of prominent citizens are moving vigorously to get up a fitting reception for the widow of John Brown, and so atone for the fiasco of Wednesday. The money received will be used for her benefit.

A Wrecked Life.

CHICAGO, August 25th.—The confidential clerk of J. B. Peabody & Co., named O'Neill, having lived a wild life, drank, played heavily, and fled, leaving his accounts $3,000 to $5,000 short, was arrested here yesterday, while paying a visit to his mistress.

Opium Dens Raided.

CHICAGO, August 25th.—The police last night raided the Chinese opium dens.

A German-American Temperance Convention.

CHICAGO, August 25th.—About 100 German-Americans held a Temperance Convention to-day. Delegates were present from various parts of the country, the object being to form a German-American Temperance Association. Bishop J. G. Escher, of Chicago, was selected as Chairman, and a Committee on Constitution appointed, who, after a brief retirement, submitted a constitution, which provides that Germans may become members by paying 50 cents yearly; its sessions shall be annual; an Executive Committee of nine is to be appointed; it shall publish an organ, have public lectures, found branch Associations, and otherwise promote the cause of temperance. Adopted.

Fatal Quarrel at a Card Table.

ALMA (Ark.), August 25th.—At Martinsburg last night, Tom Sincoe, David Pope and Frank Lane, got into a quarrel when playing cards. Lane drew a knife and cut Pope in the abdomen, disemboweling him, and then fatally stabbed Sincoe in the breast. Pope lived one hour. Sincoe is still alive this morning. At last accounts Lane was in the hands of a mob, and it is believed that he is already lynched.

A Week's Business Failures.

NEW YORK, August 25th.—The business failures throughout the country reported to New York for the past seven days number 107—a slight increase on last week. Eastern States 15, Western States 38, Southern 20, Middle 18, Pacific States and Territories 11, and New York city 5.

Enormous Profits of a Railroad.

PHILADELPHIA, August 25th.—The gross earnings of the Eastern railroad lines of the Pennsylvania road reach the unparalleled figure of $4,149,000 for the last month. For the seven months of the year its earnings were $26,800,000, and the net earnings were $9,837,000. The net gain for the month is half a million dollars.

Charles Thorne's Domestic Troubles.

BOSTON, August 25th.—On file in the Clerk's office here is a bill for divorce, dated 1880, filed by the wife of Charles R. Thorne, Jr. She sets forth that she is the lawful wife of Charles R. Thorne, Jr., having been married to him in this city April 24, 1859, and never having been legally separated from him. The bill further sets forth that October 20, 1860, a daughter, Grace E. Thorne, was born unto them. It is further alleged that Thorne soon after this went to California that he returned to New York, and has been living for some years in unlawful intimacy with Mary Swift Brown; wherefore an absolute divorce is prayed and a suitable alimony. Action on this bill has been several times postponed at the instance of Thorne's counsel, the Court meanwhile ordering alimony at the rate of $1 000 per annum. In Mr. Swift's will occurs this provision: "After bequeathing one-half of my estate in trust to my daughter Mary, wife of Charles R. Thorne, Jr., that upon her death it shall be divided among her children by her marriage with said Thorne." The lady who claims to be the only Mrs. Thorne bears an excellent reputation, and has lived here in quiet retirement many years. She is a daughter of the late William Calder, a gentleman widely and favorably known during his life. The daughter, Grace, is just beginning to attract attention on the stage, having secured an engagement at the Boston Theater for the coming season. Mrs. Thorne's influential friends have urged her to press the suit for a divorce, and able counsel have been engaged, and it is expected that a hearing will take place early in October.

Charges Against General Bragg.

MILWAUKEE, August 25th.—General Edward S. Bragg has been sued in the United States Court by John A. Rice, proprietor of the Tremont House, Chicago, who alleges that Bragg swindled him out of $1,250 by getting him to cash two drafts on the Sergeant-at-Arms of the National House of Representatives, when that functionary owed him nothing.

The Trouble with Red Cloud.

WASHINGTON, August 25th.—The following has been received at the War Department:

FORT ROBINSON (Neb.), August 24th.

Red Cloud says he has given the Indian Department sixty days' notice, in which time he wants an investigation and the Agent removed, or he will with his followers put the Agent off by force, and the Department must be responsible if an outbreak follows. Red Cloud is cool but determined, and has quite a following, which I am informed is daily increasing. Something should be done at once to counteract this influence, otherwise trouble is sure to follow, the extent of which cannot be forseen. A little more strength here and at Fort Mabrara would be judicious, and should be ordered at once. This would strengthen the Indian Department without interference from the United States, and might save the United States greater trouble and expense in the end. E. V. SUMNER,
Major Fifth Cavalry, Commanding.

Mob Law in Florida.

JACKSONVILLE, August 25th.—A mob met a train containing the colored prisoners—Savage and James—this morning at Madison, and twelve or fifteen rushed in and riddled the prisoners with bullets. They had cut the wires and prevented communication. The prisoners killed Frank Patterson during an election row over the case of Bisbee and Finley. They were on their way to have a new trial.

The Missouri Republicans.

ST. LOUIS, August 25th.—The *Globe-Democrat* takes strong ground against the action of the State Republican Committee yesterday, and says it has virtually departed its life. It says the Republicans will hold a State Convention, despite the committee's mandates.

The Turf.

SARATOGA, August 25th.—The first race to-day, three-quarters of a mile, Jake White won, Patti second, Luke Strong third. Time, 1:14¾. The second race, mile and five hundred yards, Fellow Play won, Tom Plunkett second, Frankie B. third. Time, 2:19. The third race, one mile, Jake White won, Valparaiso second, Malasine third. Time, 1:43½. The fourth race, hurdle, one mile and a quarter, Revenge won, Charlemagne second, Glasgow third. Time, 2:19.

POUGHKEEPSIE (N. Y.), August 25th.—There were 6,000 people present on this, the last day. Following are the summaries:

2:19 Class—			
Fanny Wetherspoon	1	1	1
Pickard	3	2	2
Reiner	2	3	3
Humboldt	5	4	4
Wm. H	4	6	6
Capt. Emmons	6	5	5
Time, 2:19—2:18¼—2:18¼			
Special (Clingstone barred)—			
Santa Claus	2	1	1
Edwin Thorne	1	3	2
Minnie R	3	2	3
Time, 2:18¾—2:21—2:23—2:20.			
Three-minute Class—			
Sweetness	1	1	1
Red Bird	2	2	2
Time, 2:31—2:34—2:31.			

NEW YORK, August 25th.—At the Brighton Beach track to-day the first race, three-quarters of a mile, was won by Edwin B., Clara B. second, Mrs. Chubbs third. Time, 1:17½. The second race, three-fourths of a mile, was won by Blush Rose, Camillus second, Bell Boy third. Time, 1:17. The third race, mile and an eighth, was won by Ida B., Nimblefoot second, Sportsman third. Time, 1:59. The fourth race, one mile, was won by Sweet Home, Aleck Anent second, Haliadon third. Time, 1:44. The fifth race, mile and a quarter over five hurdles, was won by Guy, Smoothwater second, Ohio Boy third. Time, 2:20.

Pembina Indians Quieted.

PEMBINA (D. T.), August 25th.—Collector McMurtrie has returned from a peace council with Chiefs Little Shell, Little Ball and Red Thunder and seventy-five Indians and half-breeds in the Pembina mountains. He says the Indians pledge themselves not to interfere with the Customs officers hereafter, and they admit their mistake in the previous interference.

Saloons in Full Blast in Iowa.

MISSOURI VALLEY (Ia.), August 25th.—Despite the Governor's proclamation, the saloons openly carry on business. The Prohibitionists know best whether they can prosecute successfully, since the Legislature failed to enact a penalty. A test case yesterday resulted in a complete victory for the saloon interest. The case was tried before Judge Donaldson.

Shortening the Transatlantic Voyage.

NEW YORK, August 25th.—The *Post* says a company has been organized under the name of the Great American and European Short Line Railroad Company, with Marvin Green as President, with a view to shortening the sea trip between this country and Europe. The plan is to convey passengers by rail to a point on the eastern coast of New Foundland. The steamers will be taken to a point on the western coast of Ireland, distant only 1 640 miles. It is thought that three or four days will be saved by this route.

Sale of a Railroad.

TOPEKA, August 25th.—The Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad has bought the Leavenworth, Topeka and Southwestern line.

Death of Major Cole.

DALLAS, August 25th.—Major Charles H. Cole, of Dallas, Texas, died suddenly at Austin last night. He has been identified with the Texas railroads, immigration, land and other enterprises since the war closed.

Hottest Fire Ever Seen in Buffalo—Loss of Life.

BUFFALO, August 25th.—The roof of the Erie Railway elevator was blown off by an explosion, cause unknown, at 11 o'clock last night. The building was fired, and burned to the ground. The firemen confined the flames to the elevator, with the exception of one or two small shanties. Engineer John Bonner, John Kemp and Henry Lee are supposed to have been burned up. Timothy Driscoll had his skull smashed in and right leg broken. He will die. These are all known to be in the building at the time. The loss is probably over $250,000, and is probably insured. The fire was the hottest ever seen in Buffalo, and presented a magnificent spectacle, thousands being attracted by it.

[SECOND DISPATCH.]

BUFFALO, August 25th.—The loss of life in the burning of the New York, Lake Erie and Western Railroad Company's elevator is now definitely ascertained to be five—John C. Bonner, the engineer; John Kemp, a machinist; Charles Auterback, bin-sweeper; James H. Lee, Jr., weighmaster; and Timothy Driscoll, sweeper. Two bodies were recovered this morning, but so frightfully charred as to be unrecognizable. Nothing positive is yet known as to the cause of the explosion, although the supposition is that it was due to an explosion of gas. The entire loss is estimated at $410,000. The elevator is estimated to have been worth $250,000; the wheat, corn and oats stored there, $150,000; freight shed, $5,000; freight and lumber, $5,000. The insurance was $19 000 on the building, with a general insurance on the grain.

Miscellaneous Washington Items.

WASHINGTON, August 25th.—In the star route trials Merrick resumed his argument for the prosecution this morning.

The Treasury Department yesterday purchased 425,000 ounces of silver for delivery at the New Orleans, Philadelphia and San Francisco Mints.

The Mississippi River Commission meet at New York Monday, not here.

The allottment of a number of the new three per cents. began to-day. The statement will be delayed several days.

No interruption of mails for Egypt or the Orient has been announced to the Postoffice Department, and mail matter is being forwarded as usual.

An order was issued from the Treasury Department to-day to the Deputy Collector of Customs at the San Juan Islands, empowering him to issue enrollments and licenses to vessels, under the direction of the Collector of the District.

A new Postoffice has been established, called Blaine, in Minor county, Dakota, with John C. Hoff as Postmaster.

Judge Lawrence, First Controller of the Treasury, to-day received a letter from Mrs. Garfield, stating that she has no objection to the proposed purchase by the Ohio Republican Association of the former residence of General Garfield in this city, and that she will impose no restrictions as to the future use of the building.

Lieutenant J. W. Danenhower passed through the city to-day, en route to Canyon Springs, W. Va. He says his report of the circumstances attending the loss of the Jeannette will not be ready before September 15th.

Acting Secretary of the Navy Walker has received a cable message from Minister Hunt, stating that Lieutenant Berry, of the Rodgers, and Chief Engineer Melville and Noros, of the Jeannette, left St. Petersburg yesterday for Liverpool.

Nominated for Congress.

MAGNOLIA (Miss.), August 25th.—The Democrats of the Sixth District have nominated H. S. Van Eaton for Congress.

NASHVILLE, August 25th.—The Democrats of the Third District have nominated John E. Hancock for Congress.

ST. LOUIS, August 25th.—The Democrats of the Fourteenth District, after a three days' session, nominated L. H. Davis this morning for Congress.

KNOXVILLE (Tenn.), August 25th.—Wm. Rule was nominated for Congress yesterday by a portion of the delegates of the Second District, and L. C. Houk by another set. Both are likely to run.

CONNERSVILLE (Ind.), August 25th.—The Democrats of the Sixth Congressional District have nominated Luther Benson.

SELMA (Ala.), August 25th.—The Republicans of the Seventh Congressional District nominated John W. Jones (colored) for the vacancy, and ex-Judge George H. Craig for the full term.

GALVESTON, August 25th.—The *News'* Palestine special says: Judge J. H. Regan has been nominated in the Second Congressional District Democratic Convention.

The Soldiers' Home.

WASHINGTON, August 25th.—General M. I. Hardin, of the retired list, is to be Governor of the Soldiers' Home in Washington, General Sturgis having been ordered to take charge of his regiment in Dakota.

Governor Sprague "Holding the Fort."

PROVIDENCE (R. I.), August 25th.—Governor Sprague having to-day refused admittance to Frank Moulton, who recently bought his place, and having Gatling guns, mitrailleuses and rifles to defend the place, the enforcement of the law has been turned over to the State.

Convention of Colored Men.

JEFFERSON CITY, August 25th.—The Colored Men's Convention organized to-day, and drew up plans for schools, etc.

The Death Penalty.

AIKEN (S. C.), August 25th.—Robert Parker (white) was hanged to-day for the murder of his wife. He maintained his innocence to the last.

NEW CASTLE (Del.), August 25th.—James Redden (colored) was hanged this morning for a criminal assault committed on a little girl in February last.

A Circus in Trouble.

DETROIT, August 25th.—Coup's circus went to pieces here, after making a brave stand. The attachments amount to $25,000, and the Sheriff has the concern.

Suit for Libel.

NEW YORK, August 25th.—A suit has been begun against Kelly, the book-maker, for libel, growing out of charges made against Walton (the plunger), at the Long Branch meeting. Walton and W. Donohue, the jockey who rode Marathon, begun suits for $50,000 and $10,000 respectively.

Washout on the Texas Pacific.

DALLAS (Tex.), August 25th.—There have been no through trains on the Texas and Pacific since Wednesday. Another washout occurred this morning at Grand Prairie, cutting off communication between Dallas and Fort Worth.

Railroad Differences Adjusted.

NEW YORK, August 25th.—A San Francisco dispatch to Sidney Dillon, of the Union Pacific Railroad, from S. H. H. Clark, General Manager, says that all differences with the Central Pacific have been satisfactorily adjusted.

Heavy Floods in Texas.

GALVESTON, August 25th.—A *News'* Concho special says: Heavy rains from 8 P. M. yesterday until 2 to-day are filling the North and Main Concho, and inundating the towns of San Angelas and Benficklin, washing away houses, hotels and stores. The loss is estimated to run up in the thousands. No loss of life is reported as yet. All the people fled to the adjoining hills, awaiting the subsidence of the water. The river is slowly falling. Among the buildings washed away in San Angelas are Mrs. Lackey's hotel, Patterson & Longwitz's tin shop, Veck's warehouse, Miller & Veck's livery stable, four dwelling-houses and an engine-house. The loss at Benficklin is not ascertained. Heavy damage is apprehended below these points.

Free Thinkers' Convention.

WATKINS (N. Y.), August 25th.—Seven hundred delegates are in attendance on the Free Thinkers' Convention to-day. The following committee on the establishment of a Free Thought University was perfected: Colonel Ingersoll, Courtland Palmer, of New York; Hon. A. B. Bradford, of Pennsylvania; George Chainey, of Boston; J. H. Burnham, of Michigan; G. H. Walser of Missouri; Elizabeth Cady Stanton, of New Jersey; Colonel M. E. Billings, of Iowa; ex-Governor Charles Robinson, of Kansas; Hon. C. B. Wait, of Illinois; John F. Engle, of North Carolina. Addresses were made by George Chainey, Matilda Joselyn Gage, George C. Milne and Thad. B. Wakeman. To-morrow afternoon the delegates take a boat excursion to the house where Robert G. Ingersoll was born, twenty-five miles down the lake.

A Wholesale Poisoner.

SPRINGFIELD (Mass.), August 25th.—Chas. Sperry, a Brookfield boarding-house keeper, tried on Thursday to poison his family and nine boarders with paris-green poison. It was fortunately discovered before any harm was done. Sperry has fled.

Death of a Judge.

RICHMOND (Va.), August 25th.—Judge Richard O. L. Moncure, President of the Virginia Supreme Court of Appeals, died to-day, aged 77.

Yellow Fever Reports.

BROWNSVILLE (Texas), August 25th.—There were fifty-two cases to-day and four deaths; also five cases of fever at Point Isabel. Dr. Murry and his corps are looked for anxiously. Guards extend along the Rio Grande from its mouth to Santa Maria, a distance of sixty miles. There were five deaths in Matamoras during the last twenty-four hours. The weather is hot, with occasional showers.

The President at Newport.

NEWPORT (R. I.), August 25th.—A dinner was given President Arthur to-night by ex-Governor Morgan, of New York, which was a brilliant and select affair. The President met many distinguished guests at the reception given by Charles H. Russell, of New York, over 300 people being present. Later in the evening the President attended a ball given by Commodore Baldwin, of the United States Navy, at his villa.

Rowing at Saratoga.

SARATOGA, August 25th.—Professional and amateur single-scull races, mile and a half and return, took place at Saratoga Lake to-day. In the professional race there were seven contestants—George W. Lee, of Newark, N. J.; James H. Riley, of Saratoga; John H. Hosmer, of Boston; Harry Sheldon, of Saratoga; Charles E. Courtney, of Union Springs, N. Y.; Wallace Ross, of St. John, N. B.; James A. Ten Eyck, of Peekskill, N. Y. Hosmer and Riley fouled while turning the stakeboat, and Lee won by a scant length, Courtney second, Ross a bad Third, with Ten Eyck fourth and Sheldon next. Lee's time, 20 minutes and 43¼ seconds.

Wrestling Match.

KANSAS CITY (Mo.), August 25th.—Clarence Whistler defeated Tom Cannon, of Ireland, in a wrestling match, "catch as catch can," to-night.

Another Prize Fight Arranged.

NEW YORK, August 25th.—Tug Wilson and James Elliott will to-morrow sign articles for a fight for $5 000 and the championship of the world, in January.

Husband Murdered by His Insane Wife.

WORTHINGTON (Ind.), August 25th.—Wm. Chapman, an elderly gentleman, was murdered this evening by his insane wife. Papers had been prepared to send her to the insane asylum, and her husband had been watching her for several days. It is supposed that he became so fatigued as to fall asleep, when she cut his throat from ear to ear with a razor.

Grand Lodge, Legion of Honor.

PUT-IN-BAY (O.), August 25th.—The Supreme Council, Grand Lodge, Legion of Honor, in annual session here to-day, chose Michael Nesbitt, of Philadelphia, as Supreme Commander, and Rev. O. C. Wheeler, of California, Supreme Vice Commander.

Governor Cornell and His Persecutors.

NEW YORK, August 25th.—Governor Cornell, speaking of the Gould-Conkling opposition to his renomination, said: "I believe still that had I been pliant to the wishes of Gould and Conkling in the matter of the elevated railroad tax bill, I should have, if not their support, at least not their opposition, and I do say that they have created and organized whatever of substantial opposition there is, and that not because of any wrong I have done, but because of my action in that and other matters wherein I have been right. These men have marked me for destruction, not because of any mistake or wrong, but because I have dared to follow my convictions of right against their will."

Thermometrical.

NEW YORK, August 25th—Midnight—Highest temperature to-day, 90°; lowest, 65°.

CHICAGO, August 25th—Highest temperature to-day, 75°; lowest, 68°.

BOHEMIANISMS.

A single stock bearing twenty-four heads of cabbage has been discovered in Henry county, Va., and all the other cabbage-heads are talking about it.—[Boston Transcript.

Men lose some of their talents as they grow older. You never saw a boy in any scrape but he could give a plausible excuse for his course, but a man often finds himself stumped for an explanation.—[Boston Post.

It is said that sunflower seeds, which have been boxed up for 200 years, will grow if taken out and planted. This statement is a little hard to believe, but Susan B. Anthony insists that it is true.—[Philadelphia News.

"How far is it to Manayunk?" asked a weary Irishman, who was going there afoot. "Seven miles," was the reply. "Whom do you wish to see there?" "Faith it's meself I'd loik to see there," was the retort.—[Philadelphia Quiz.

As a matter of seasonable intelligence, it is reported that New Yorkers are making pepper out of old shoes roasted and ground fine. We had supposed that our pepper was pure, but this puts the fiery condiment upon quite another footing.—[Boston Transcript.

Clerks in some other cities point to Hartford as a model in the early closing movement.—[Hartford Times. The chief industry of Hartford is life insurance, and all these establishments have to close early in order to buttonhole other people on their way home from work.—[Philadelphia News.

Some girls think themselves just good enough to eat simply because they are in their sauce age. This, dear reader, is a play upon the word sausage; which are, of course, good enough to eat. With a little study, the beauties of this paragraph will be unfolded, and probably you never saw sage prouder of a pun than the writer is of this.—[Boston Transcript.

John Van Buren was one day riding in the cars with a lady friend who, happening to see some boys in bathing close to the track, said: "Isn't it a shame that boys are allowed to bathe in such places?" Van Buren slapped on his eye-glasses, looked sharply at the boys, and then remarked: "They are boys, aint they?"—[New Orleans Times.

A lady in the Cleveland *Leader* inquires whether "the day will ever come when a lady can go through the streets of that city on Sunday unmolested by Sunday-school patrons?" To which the Detroit *Free Press* responds: "Don't wait for it. Come to Detroit, where they get so drunk that they can't bother anybody."—[Chicago Tribune.

"Edward, what do I hear—that you have disobeyed your grandmother, who told you just now not to jump down those steps?" "Grandma didn't tell us not to, papa; she only came to the door and said: 'I wouldn't jump down these steps, boys,' and I shouldn't think she would—an old lady like her."—[New York Graphic.

In a Philadelphia hotel dining-room the other day a lady cut the corn from the cob before eating it, and a well-dressed but bull-necked fellow whose face was greatly disfigured (he had been in a row the night before) was noticed doing the same thing. Suddenly observing the lady, he asked in tones of genuine sympathy and surprise: "Why, have you had your front teeth knocked out, too?"—Philadelphia News.

Study of drunkards: There are of them those who live to drink for to drink, and others who drink for to guzzle themselves. It is before one of these last that a coacher was vaunting in a tavern one of his friends who had so much the solid head that he could drink ten litres of wine without guzzling himself. The drunkard convinced, lets refall his head between his hands in sobbing, "The unhappy!"—[Translated from the French.

A woman up in Michigan was lost in the woods five days, nearly starved to death, was frozen at night, was chased by wolves and scared by snakes, and when she got out of the jungle and reached home at last, nobody had missed her! Shadow of death! But she was the maddest woman. Yes, daughter, you may just bet your bangs they knew she had got home. Oh, yes; they knew it.—[Burlington Hawkeye.

A LADY ON ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

Oh, cruel Electricity, that gives so strong a light,
In many an unprotected lamp you flash supremely bright,
You shone upon our pretty gowns, illuminated flowers,
But all too ruthlessly lit up these pallid cheeks of ours.

'Twas at the Horticultural, and ferns and flowers were there,
The beautiful gloxinias, and orchids passing rare;
They faced the incandescent lamps as erst they faced the sun,
While many a cheek grew strange of hue and felt itself undone.

And vainly Art aids Nature now in unobtrusive way;
This lamp malign of Edison's is worse than brightest day;
A veil may serve to screen from sun, but when in evening dress,
There's nothing twixt these awful lamps and female loveliness.

Then, men of science, you must aid, and tell us, if you please,
How we shall make our charms withstand such glaring lights as these;
For, if the ladies find those lamps still turn them pale and wan,
They'll lead a feminine crusade 'gainst Edison and Swan!

—London Punch.

SAN FRANCISCO.

State Horticultural Society—Sam. Piercy's Baby—Mechanics' Fair—No Money Paid to the County Collector by Berkey—The Death Record—Letters of Administration Applied For—The "Hospital Mystery" Cleared Up—Etc.

[SPECIAL DISPATCHES TO THE RECORD UNION.]

A Mystery no Longer.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—The mystery surrounding the case of the unknown man, who one week ago yesterday was taken to the City and County Hospital in a gravel cart by some person unknown, and there left only to remain in an unconscious state up to the moment of his death on Tuesday night last, when it was ascertained by autopsy that he had sustained two fractures of his skull, has at last been solved by detectives Bohen, Whittaker and Dan Coffey and officer Judge, who have had the case under investigation. It has been ascertained that deceased was one Robert Rock, who, up to the time of his being sent to the hospital, was in the employ of Thomas Coyne, street contractor, at the corner of Brannan and Ninth streets. On the evening of Sunday, the 13th inst., he, in company with Thos. Norton, a fellow laborer, went on a spree, during which they indulged in pie, beer and sardines. Late in the evening they returned to the stable adjoining Coyne's house, in the loft of which they slept. Here, according to Norton's story, Rock fouled the bed-clothing of his bunk thrown about the loft, and accused another workman named Martin Fallon of having thrown the clothing about. Hot words were had between the two, but harmony was finally restored by Rock giving Fallon ten cents with which to buy beer, which the latter did, and returning to the loft with it, the three drank it and went to bed. Later in the night Norton was awakened by hearing a scuffle, and raising up in his bunk saw in the darkness two men fighting, whom he supposed to be Fallon and Rock. The disturbance was so great that two police officers came up into the loft and separated the combatants, who afterwards went to bed. Next morning Norton saw Rock sitting up in his bunk and the latter complained of feeling unwell. Going down to the barn floor Norton met Fallon, who had his two eyes blackened and his face covered with blood. Norton and Fallon went to work, but Rock passed his time between Coyne's house and the loft, complaining of feeling unwell, until Thursday, when Coyne told Fallon that he had better place Rock in a gravel cart and take him to the hospital, which was done. On Fallon's return, Norton asked him what the doctor had said about Rock, and the reply received was that Rock had told the doctor that he had the chills. Coyne explains the cause of his not having inquired after Rock while in the hospital, by saying that he did not know that the man was seriously injured, and expected each day that he would return to his work, and kept his place open for him. He heard nothing of the case because he does not read the papers.

No Money Paid.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—The County Collector here says that County Clerk Berkey, of Sacramento, has not paid him any money.

The Railroad Conference.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—The railroad conference between representatives of the Central and Union Pacific Railroads, relative to a proposed reduction of the freight tariff between points in this State and Utah, Montana and Idaho, is almost concluded. Details of the business done will be ready for publication in a few days. The only matter of public interest is that California shippers are hereafter to be guaranteed the same rights to Idaho, Utah and Montana points reached by roads controlled by the Union Pacific as are made from Omaha. The conference also agreed that Colorado freight may go via the Northern line at the same rate as on the Southern route.

Assault to Murder—Railroad Tax Cases.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—Allen Wetherbee waived an examination in Police Court Number One this morning, on a charge of assault to murder. Jacob Urban, the complaining witness, testified that Wetherbee, without any provocation, had stabbed him with a dagger. The prisoner was held to answer before the Superior Court, bail being fixed at $2,000.

The hearing of the case of the County of San Mateo vs. the Southern Pacific Railroad Company, was resumed before Field and Sawyer to-day in the United States Circuit Court, I. T. Bergin making an argument for the defendant.

Sam. Piercy's Baby.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—Judge Field this morning, on the application of M. G. Cobb, attorney for Mrs. Mary Piercy, grandmother of Viola Carrie Carmine, the infant daughter of the late Samuel Piercy, granted an order restraining W. Dunphy from removing the child beyond the jurisdiction of the Court. It will be remembered that there are two petitions for guardianship of the little girl. One by W. Dunphy, father of the mother of the child, in whose custody she now is, and the other by Mrs. Piercy, mother of the late Samuel Piercy. The case has been before the Probate Court on two or three occasions, and was continued until the 30th inst. The restraining order was granted upon the affidavits of Mrs. Piercy and Edward M. Piercy, brother of Samuel. The former states that Mrs. Dunphy and daughter had both told her that Mr. Dunphy intended giving up business in San Francisco, and that she (Mrs. Dunphy) is going to Chile, her native place. The affidavit of Edward M. Piercy asserts that he has had conversations with parties who have informed him that Mr. Dunphy is preparing to sell out his slaughtering business in San Francisco, for the purpose of leaving the State.

The Death Record—A Dead Bishop's Estate.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—During the week there were 88 deaths in the city—61 males and 27 females—as against 77 for the corresponding week of last year.

A. E. Olanovsky has applied for letters of administration on the estate of the late Bishop Nestor, of the Russian Greek Church. The estate consists of real estate of the value of $38,000, held in trust for the religious body of which he was the head on this coast, and furniture, sacred robes and vestments, valued at $1,000.

Mechanics' Fair—State Horticultural Society.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—The attendance at the Mechanics' Fair continues large. The estimated number present to-night was 7,000, the receipts at the door amounting to $1,250.

A meeting was held to-day of the State Horticultural Society at the Academy of Science. A long and interesting discussion was had on the subject of peach and plum culture.

Club Meetings—Attempt at Suicide.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—Meetings were held this evening by a large number of Democratic Clubs. Several of the Republican Clubs also met, and completed arrangements for the primary contests to be held to-morrow.

Miss Alice Bessemer, a young lady aged 22, made an unsuccessful attempt to commit suicide at Alameda yesterday. She cut a deep gash in her left wrist with a pair of scissors, but fortunately did not sever an artery. She was discovered before she had lost much blood, and physicians were summoned, who dressed the wound and saved her life. The cause prompting her to commit the act is not known.

The Democratic County Committee and the Independent Democratic Clubs.

SAN FRANCISCO, August 25th.—The Democratic County Committee, at a meeting to-night, unanimously adopted the following:

WHEREAS, It has been brought to the notice of this committee that disappointed aspirants for office have organized so called Independent Democratic Clubs in several portions of the city; and whereas, such clubs are entirely outside of the party, and are inimical to its harmony and success, being organized by unprincipled individuals for the purpose of breaking down the regular clubs, which they failed to control; therefore,

Resolved, That there is no room in the ranks for independent piece clubs, and our candidates and speakers are cautioned against recognizing any such organization.

Resolved, That for the purpose of better promoting party discipline, the forty-seven regular clubs are instructed to strike from the roll of membership the names of who have signed the roll of the independent or piece clubs, or who have aided or abetted in their formation.