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Weather Forecast.

Forecast till 8 P. M. Friday: For Northern California—Fair, but cloudy and foggy on the coast; cooler in the Sacramento Valley and warmer in the San Joaquin Valley.

DIPHTHERIA AND THE DUTY OF THE GOVERNMENT.

In the International Congress of Hygiene and Demography, held in London August last, one of the most important topics of the discussion was diphtheria, by the section on preventive medicine.

Dr. Seaton cited the case of an English town where the construction of a new system of sewerage was followed by a severe outbreak of the disease, and hence he concluded that disturbance of the soil might have led to the freeing of the germs. His idea was that governments ought to inaugurate a systematic inquiry into the cause of the disease.

Dr. Schrevers of Toronto said that the true cause could be arrived at only by examining and comparing results of inquiry in different countries. In Belgium typhoid fever and diphtheria run concurrently—Eastern Flanders alone being excepted. This led to the belief that the connection between the two diseases must be their origin from local matters, and the bacteriological researches of Löffler and Eberth agreed with this view.

The exception in the case of Eastern Flanders confirmed the view, for the soil was there so humid that it was easily washed clean from all impurities.

Dr. Hewitt of Minnesota said that diphtheria appeared in that State in 1870, and is now the commonest cause of death but two—infantile diarrhea and tuberculosis. In his State it was noticed that diphtheria started in families settled on banks of large streams, and then spread to the higher plains, as increasing business led to greater intercourse. He drew the following conclusions from the information he had been able to collect, viz.: 1. That from 20 to 30 years of age women are more liable than men—a fact which he accounted for by the contagiousness of the disease, and women being generally employed as nurses. 2. That forty-four per cent. of all cases occurs at or under 5 years of age.

Dr. Abbott of Boston was the next witness, and he set forth his views in an elaborate paper with these conclusions: 1. That diphtheria is an eminently contagious disease. 2. That it is infectious not only by direct exposure of the sick to the well, but also through indirect media, such as clothing and other articles which have come in contact with the sick. 3. That the certainty of infection is not as great as in the case of some of the other infectious diseases, notably smallpox and scarlet fever. 4. That overcrowding, faulty ventilation, and filthy condition of tenements favor its spread. 5. That the influence of defective plumbing is not proven. 6. That its transmission through public and private water supplies is not proven. 7. That its propagation is favored by soil-moisture, damp cellars, and general dampness of houses. 8. That the poison may remain inactive in houses for a long period.

Mr. Charles Paget of Salford had found as a result of his study and researches that as the people of a district were more subjected to the continuous influence of their unsanitary surroundings, they were found less fitted to resist the infection of this disease. A shorter average period of residence elapsed before an attack of diphtheria was observed where the mortality rate was highest, and vice versa. The relative incidence of diphtheria during an epidemic period, in respect of length of residence, was thus dependent to no small extent on general sanitary circumstances.

Professor D'Espine of Geneva, Dr. Janssens of Brussels and Dr. Escherich of Graz held that local disinfecting measures were of great use in preventing the spread of the disease. Dr. Thursfield of Shrewsbury believed that the failure of sanitary improvements to stop the increase of diphtheria was to be attributed to the dissemination of the disease by very mild, medically unattended and therefore not notified cases—generally acting through school agency. More importance should be attached to the fact that the chief influence favoring the incidence of the disease was personal susceptibility. He had, some years ago, in published papers, taken the view expressed by Dr. Hewitt, who laid considerable stress on the connection of the disease with damp houses. He had met with cases in which a very prolonged period of infection had been observed, and thought these might be explained by the fact that relapses might occur in diphtheria.

Dr. Tripe of Hackney said that, as the result of thirty-five years' experience, he had noticed that good drainage had but little effect in diminishing the virulence and extent of epidemics of diphtheria. The best method of preventing its spread was by destroying by fire all rags infected by secretions. He believed the disease was spread by contact, and had found that closing the playground was as effective as closing the school.

Finally the section voted to solicit all European Governments to enter upon a comprehensive and systematic inquiry

into the causes of diphtheria. Why the American Governments were not included in the petition does not appear.

But our Government, in view of the ravages of diphtheria in this country, ought to engage in research independently for exploitation of all the causes. If it is replied that this may well be left to the medical societies of the Union, the answer is that few of them can do more than collect the testimony of physicians at their annual convocations. But the United States Government can do vastly more.

It can collate statistics having important data and condition relations; it can direct searching inquiries into the history of all epidemics of the disease. It can equip a commission of physicians with means to study the disease in every part of an immense field, under all manner of conditions and circumstances. In its research it would not be crippled by the war of medical schools, or the fugitive data of individual observers. It could take testimony outside of the medical ranks and apply tests to ascertain the value of such testimony, that unscrupulous committees of medical bodies could not afford to use.

In short, a few hundred thousand dollars could not be expended by the United States Government in any other direction to better purpose, than in such an investigation as the distinguished body of learned men we have quoted from has urged upon the European Governments.

The Congressman or Senator who first moves the Federal Government to such inquiry will deserve highly of the people, for it is certain that there is no contagious disease short of a plague, not excepting smallpox, that so ravages the homes of the country, and that is so virulent and so much to be feared as diphtheria. It is one of the high offices of government to conserve the physical well-being of the people by commencing and engaging in sanitary research, and by aiding science to fathom the causes of such scourges as become apparently epidemic in communities, with a view to ascertaining how best their ravages may be prevented.

SECRETARY FOSTER in his letter to the American Bankers' Association defends the silver policy of the government. But after showing that in one year and three months we have bought 65,588,336 ounces of fine silver and paid for it \$98,026,573, and that we have coined of it but 27,848,475 standard dollars, admits that the value of the United States notes that displace the silver certificates have behind them a gold dollar's worth of silver bullion, because the notes are redeemable in gold coin, and are sustained by the pledge of the Government.

It must be, then, that it is not the silver bullion dead in the vaults so much as the promise to redeem in gold, that gives the note its character. True, redemption may be made in silver, but it is as the Secretary says, a gold dollar's worth of silver. But silver redemption is not and will not be resorted to, because the discretion of the Secretary is limited by the provision of the law directing the maintenance of the parity of gold and silver coin. So he must respond with gold to whoever presents currency and demands that metal.

Now, the silver the Government has stored up may sometime be put upon the market; no one can guarantee that it will not be done. It is, therefore, clear that the storage of this unused silver depresses silver bullion value, and hence the "home market" upon which the Secretary hinges so much is an indefinite thing, because the Government cannot find use for the silver that in enormous bulk fills its treasure house.

New York was last week threatened with a water famine. Croton Lake became so nearly dry that fears were entertained that the city would have to be put upon short allowance. This week, clouds having gathered, bombs were thrown into them and exploded, and as a result there was a plentiful downpour and the lake was filled very speedily with fresh water. This demonstrates that explosion will cause a rain-cloud to precipitate its contents, but it does not aid the theories of the rain-makers. What they must do successfully is to bring on rain-clouds in a clear sky; to produce rain where there has been long absence of rain-clouds. The New York incident, therefore, does not prove of any material value in the rain-making experiments.

The fact stated by the lottery company itself that only 3 per cent. of its profits come from Louisiana, and 97 per cent. from outside that State, justifies the words of the call for the great anti-lottery meeting in New York, which declare the subject is one of supreme importance to all the people of the whole country. So it is. Unless this interest of all the people is actively and early manifested, and takes the form of material aid to the anti-lottery party in Louisiana, the gamblers will have that State in their clutches at the approaching election, and for twenty-five years more the curse will be strapped to the shoulders of every State in the Union.

The Minneapolis Times holds that as a general thing the criminal is such because he cannot be anything else. Wrong; generally the criminal is such because there was failure in training on the part of his parents—neglect of children, says Chief of Police McClaughry of Chicago, an able and experienced man, and one who commands respect for his vigor and clearness. Neglect of children by their parents first, then criminal associations, then intemperance and gambling. These are the chief causes of the increase of crime in this country.

NOTE AND COMMENT. The new town of Dinuba, on the line of the East Side Railroad, between Poso and Fresno, in Tulare County, now has a newspaper called the Dispatch. A. P. Hoyt is the publisher.

The Lassen Advocate, one of the best weekly papers in the northern part of the State, has entered upon its twenty-seventh volume and year. The Advocate is prosperous and deserves to be.

A pound of phosphorus heads 1,000,000 matches.

SAN JOSE'S CINCH.

Yesterday's Ball Game Decides the Fate of the Pennant.

A Close and Exciting Contest With the Sacramento Team—And Oakland Defeats San Francisco.

SAN JOSE, Nov. 19.—The game of ball here to-day between San Jose and Sacramento resulted in a victory for the home team by a score of 9 to 6. Harper and Hoffman were the opposing twirlers. It was a great game, the score being tied twice, and six three-baggers were made. The hitting was brilliant on both sides.

This now gives San Jose a cinch on the pennant. In the seventh inning Stallings was struck by a foul ball, one of the wires on his mask cutting into his face. This stopped the game for a few moments. McDonald umpired. Score:

Table with columns: Team, AB, R, H, B, SO, PO, A, E. Rows for San Jose and Sacramento players and totals.

SAN FRANCISCO RECEIVES A SETBACK IN THE GAME WITH OAKLAND. SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 19.—The game between the Oakland and the home team to-day was won by the former by a score of 12 to 10. The contest was full of hard hitting, poor fielding and poor base running. The ground was in bad condition on account of the rain. Score:

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DR. HODG'S SARSAPARILLA has helped me more for catarrh and impure blood than anything else I ever used. Mr. A. Hall, Sacramento, N. Y. Hundreds of others give similar testimony.

SPECIAL NOTICES. TO SHIPPERS VIA SUNDAY ROUTE.—Hereafter SUNDAY SPECIAL SERVICE from San Francisco will be tri-weekly, leaving TUESDAY, THURSDAY and SATURDAY.

FAST TIME TO THE EAST.—The Atlantic and Pacific Railroad (Santa Fe route) is now twelve hours shorter to Kansas City and St. Louis, and ten hours shorter to Chicago than formerly.

MRS. WINSLOW'S SOOTHING SYRUP. Has been in use ever since my children were born. It is the best remedy for colic, diarrhea, and all the ailments of infants.

I HAVE BEEN A GREAT sufferer from catarrh for over ten years; had it very bad, could hardly breathe. Some night I purchased Ely's Cream Balm and an using it freely, it worked a cure. I have since recommended it to all my friends to use it, and with happy results in every case.

PAINTERS EXTRACTION OF TEETH by use of local anesthetic. DR. WELDON, Dentist, Eighth and J streets.

NOTICE.—THE UNDERSIGNED, HAVE located the Eastern Hotel to Harry Leslie, November 11, 1891, and will not be held responsible for any of its indebtedness, November 19, 1891. E. MANUEL ENOS.

AUCTION SALE. Saturday, November 21st. AT 10 A. M. SHARP, ON PREMISES, the Primary School Building, Carriage House and other buildings on the corner of Eighth and Ninth streets.

HORSEMEN, ATTENTION! THE MEMBERS AND THE BOARD OF Directors of the Capital Turf and Driving Club are requested to meet at the Golden Eagle Hotel.

Saturday Evening, November 21st. At 8 o'clock sharp. The meeting is called to arrange for Thanksgiving sports and decide upon the character of the Spring Meeting.

DR. PARKINSON HAS REMOVED HIS RESIDENCE to southwest corner Fifteenth and H streets. Telephone 171.

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A FAIR AND FESTIVAL. IN AID OF THE Sisters of Mercy. WILL BE HELD AT TURNER HALL.

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SKATING RINK. Old Pavilion, cor. Sixth and M Streets. NOW OPEN FOR THE WINTER SEASON.

PROFESSOR SULLIVAN'S SELECT Dancing Academy, 730 P. M. Ladies' class, Wednesday, 9 P. M. and Gentlemen (beginners), Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Children's class (ballroom dancing), Saturday, 2 P. M. Private lessons a specialty at all hours.

DANCING CLASSES AT TURNER HALL. Gentlemen's Class, Monday, 7:30 P. M. Ladies' and Gentlemen (beginners), Wednesday, 7:30 P. M. Children's Class (ballroom dancing), Saturday, 2 P. M. Private lessons a specialty at all occasions.

SEED FOR SALE. We have on hand a limited quantity of CLEAN COAST BARLEY, NEWLY IMPORTED AUSTRALIAN WHEAT, Also BALT BARLEY FOR HAY.

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We are now subdividing one of the best tracts of land in Placer County, containing 600 acres, situated on railroad between Rockland and Loomis. The tract is level and easily cultivated. Land in immediate vicinity cannot be had for less than \$125 per acre. Adjoins celebrated Whitney Colony. Prices, \$50 to \$100 per acre, in ten-acre lots. Terms, one-third cash, deferred payments at 7 per cent. interest, purchaser paying taxes on land.

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Each 10 acres contain 24 rows of trees, 45 rods long, consisting of French pears, apricots, peaches and Bartlett pears; all trees nine years old and in full bearing; land about 10 miles from Sacramento, at Koutler's Station. EASY MONEY TO LOAN. P. BOHL, E. A. CROUCH.

CHEAP. CONSISTING OF FIVE ACRES OF RASPBERRIES and strawberries and small orchard, new house and barn; only one mile from city; must be sold on account of departure of owner.

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