

The Progress.

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Epitome of the Week.

INTERESTING NEWS COMPILATION.

CONGRESSIONAL.

In the Senate on the 9th the bill was passed to amend the Inter-State Commerce act, and a motion to refer to the Committee on Pensions several vetoed pension bills was adopted. The proposition to submit to the people of the several States a constitutional amendment to prohibit the liquor traffic in the United States was favorably reported from the Committee on Education. In the House the amendment to the Tariff bill placing sugar on the free list was rejected by a vote of 87 to 108. Another amendment was offered, which was defeated, placing all sugar and molasses on the free list.

SENATOR HOAR spoke on the 10th in the Senate in opposition to the fisheries treaty. A resolution directing the Finance Committee to report in connection with revenue bills such measures as it may deem expedient to control or prohibit all contracts, trusts or combinations that tend to prevent free and full competition in trade was adopted. A bill was introduced to amend the act to punish postal crimes. In the House the debate on the Tariff bill was resumed. At the evening session numerous bills granting rights of way through Indian reservations to various railroads were passed.

THE Fortifications and Sea-Coast Defense bill was considered in the Senate on the 11th, and a bill was introduced to appropriate \$100,000 for the erection of a public building at Burlington, Ia. Several petitions were presented from labor organizations praying for the passage of a bill to regulate and restrict immigration. The bill to prohibit the coming of Chinese laborers into the United States was favorably reported. In the House a conference on the Land Grant Extension bill was ordered. The Senate amendment to the Agricultural Appropriation bill appropriating \$100,000 for sorghum-sugar experiments was agreed to. The Tariff bill was again considered, the wool schedule being reached on the adjournment. At the evening session a bill to provide for taking the eleventh census was passed.

An animated discussion took place in the Senate on the 12th over a motion made by Senator Hawley to have copies printed of the report made by the Committee on Pensions on the President's pension vetoes. Senator George spoke in favor of ratifying the fisheries treaty. The bill to pay all the Government workmen for the excess of work over eight hours a day since June 23, 1888, was discussed. In the House a resolution for the appointment of a special committee to investigate alleged invasions of the Contract Labor law was discussed. Discussion of the wool schedule of the Tariff bill occupied the remainder of the session.

In the Senate on the 13th bills were passed to build a bridge across the Mississippi river at Wabasha, Minn., and to establish a branch home for soldiers and sailors in Indiana to cost \$200,000. The fisheries treaty was further discussed. Adjournment to the 16th. In the House the conference report on the Post-Office Appropriation bill was submitted, and all the amendments were agreed to except the one known as the "subsidy." A long debate followed but no action was taken. At the evening session twenty-four private pension bills were passed.

DOMESTIC.

DURING the last fiscal year the number of post-offices established in the United States was 3,864; number discontinued, 1,643; number of fourth-class postmasters appointed during the year, 11,832; number of Presidential postmasters appointed during the year, 436. Total number of Presidential post offices, 2,968, an increase during the year of 160.

The National Department of Agriculture at Washington reported on the 10th that the crop conditions of the country greatly improved within the past month. SEVEN-EIGHTHS of the town of Suisun, Cal., was destroyed by fire on the 10th. Loss, \$400,000.

The large training stable of William Roe, at Danville, Ky., was burned on the 10th, and thirty-three head of fine trotters were consumed.

The bodies of a man and woman who had been murdered were found in the Ohio river near Louisville, Ky., on the 10th. ELIAS FRANKLIN, the Kentucky farmer who slew James Brent because of the latter's intimacy with his wife, committed suicide on the 10th.

In addition to the previous arrest of six men accused of conspiracy to commit murder and destroy property of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy railroad, Chairman Hoge, of the Grievance Committee, and Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, and Chairman Murphy, of the Grievance Committee of the Locomotive Firemen's Brotherhood, were arrested in Chicago on the 10th, accused of being participants in the same conspiracy.

An ill-feeling existing between the two families culminated in Miss Hattie Deban, aged eighteen years, being shot and killed by her aunt, Mrs. Mary Junkins, at Tecumseh, Ind., on the 10th.

The New London & Northern Railroad Company's repair and machine shops at New London, Conn., were destroyed by fire on the 10th. Loss heavy.

At Old Orchard, Me., on the 10th Thomas Riley, an American, and P. F. Mack, an Australian, swam five miles for the American championship. Riley won by 30 seconds in 1 hour and 30 minutes.

Text business in Downing, N. M., was destroyed by fire on the 10th. Mrs. ELIZABETH SIMON, of Douglas, W. T., on the 10th shot and killed William Dowling, who was attempting to assault Mrs. Simon's young daughter.

EDWARD A. DRACONS, a vagrant, who last August murdered Mrs. Ada Stone at East Rochester, because she refused to give him food, was hanged at Rochester, N. Y., on the 10th.

Ur to the 10th over 3,300 bills had been introduced in the United States Senate this session. In the two sessions of the Forty-ninth Congress there were only 3,355, and that was more than the Senate had ever produced in any previous Congress.

Mrs. ROSANNA DEITER, aged sixty-two years, committed suicide on the 10th at Canton, O., by hanging herself with a clothes line. Ill health prompted the act.

The sixteenth annual convention of the National Association of Union ex-Prisoners of War has been called to meet at Indianapolis September 18.

The weather in the Northwest on the 11th was hot. At Minneapolis the thermometer marked 100; at Fort Sully, 104; and at Huron, D. T., 105.

ARTHUR WHITE, confidential clerk of Banker Charles M. Kittredge, of Denver, was missing on the 11th, and was supposed to have carried off \$10,000.

A PHILADELPHIA company on the 11th struck what was thought to be the biggest gas well in the world at Canonsburg, Pa.

STEPHEN FREEMAN (colored), convicted of criminally assaulting a white woman, was hanged on the 11th at Wilkesburg, N. C.

A HEAVY hail-storm on the 11th near North Manchester, Ind., damaged all the crops and killed a number of hogs to death.

NEAR MARION, Pa., Henry Harkinson and Conu Newman were caught under a falling iron girder and killed on the 11th.

THE great rise in the Monongahela river and other near streams, and the general freshets throughout the vast territory of which Pittsburgh is on the border, were on the 11th almost without parallel in that portion of the country. The rushing waters had wiped out property worth probably over \$2,000,000, and there had been loss of life as well. Millions of feet of lumber, scores of coal craft, fences, barns and buildings of every description had been destroyed, and hundreds of people had been driven from their homes.

A FIRE on the 11th at Alpena, Mich., originating in a sawdust pile at H. R. Morse's mill, rendered fifteen hundred people homeless in a few hours and destroyed two hundred houses. Loss, \$300,000.

THE livery stable of H. C. Springer & Brother, at Buffalo, N. Y., was burned on the 11th, and two men and twenty horses perished in the flames.

JOHN ZACHAR, the young Racine (Wis.) farmer, who abstained from food for fifty-three days, broke his long fast on the 11th and said he would try to eat and live. The cause of his attempt to starve himself was a quarrel with his father.

THE stables of the Wichita (Kan.) City Railway Company were burned on the 11th, one man and forty mules perishing in the flames.

HAMILTON STAPLES (colored) was lynched on the 11th near Atlanta, Tex., for assaulting the seventeen-year old daughter of Hardy McCoy, a wealthy planter.

Mrs. JENNIE WALTON was burned to death on the 11th at Louisville, Ky., by the explosion of a coal-oil stove. She was twenty-eight years old, and leaves a husband and one child.

THE Governor of Missouri on the 12th refused to commute the sentence of Hugh M. Brooks, the murderer of Arthur Preller, but granted him a respite until August 10.

At Minneapolis, Minn., the National Photographers' Association on the 12th elected H. McMichael, of Buffalo, N. Y., President.

KELLY, ROPER & RILEY, wholesale grocers at Memphis, Tenn., failed on the 12th for \$108,000.

Snow to the depth of a foot fell on Mount Washington, N. H., on the 12th.

THE waters that had been sweeping the valley of the Monongahela and the valleys of its tributaries for sixty hours were falling into their natural channels on the 12th. The losses entailed by the flood would not fall short of \$3,000,000, a large proportion of which fell upon the people of the counties of Monongalia, Marion, Taylor, Harrison, Lewis, Barbour, Upshur and Randolph, in West Virginia, and the counties of Allegheny, Washington, Westmoreland, Fayette and Greene, in Pennsylvania.

J. B. CHARPENTIER, a notary public of New Orleans, La., disappeared on the 12th, taking with him between \$30,000 and \$50,000 money belonging to creditors.

In Chicago on the 12th the temperature fell from 90 to 65 in five minutes, one of the most remarkable changes ever known in that city.

A CYCLONE swept over Eastern New York and New England on the 12th. The greatest havoc in Massachusetts was done in Waltham, Cambridge, Watertown, Dedham, Brighton and Winthrop. Between Pittsfield and Albany, N. Y., a clear path house being leveled.

ADVICES on the 12th say that many vessels had been driven ashore and sunk on the Atlantic coast during the recent terrific storm.

MR. M. MORRISSEY, a young attorney of Syracuse, N. Y., disappeared on the 12th, having, it was said, embezzled \$35,000 from the trust estate of Mary E. Brinckerhoff.

EIGHT persons were killed and twenty-five injured by a passenger train on the Virginia Midland railway breaking through a trestle on the 12th, near Orange Court House, Va.

THE principal county officers (all colored) at Marion, Tenn., were escorted to trains by white men on the 12th, given tickets and warned never to return.

CROP reports on the 12th from the Northwest gave indications of a good yield and a prosperous season for the farmers.

G. M. RIVER was hanged on the 12th at Marshall, Mo., for the murder of R. P. Talant two years ago.

GREAT suffering was reported on the 12th as the result of the recent floods in West Virginia. Fully five hundred persons were completely destitute of the necessities of life.

Mrs. JAMES CRUSAN and her nine-year-old daughter were struck and killed by a Pennsylvania railroad train on the 12th at Latrobe, Pa.

THE examination of the alleged dynamiters, arrested at the instance of the Burlington railroad, was begun in Chicago on the 12th, and some very startling testimony was brought out. Witnesses swore that they sold dynamite to Bowles, and informant Kelly declared that he had seen the deadly stuff in Chairman Hoge's room at the hotel.

DURING the seven days ended on the 12th there were 150 business failures in the United States, against 149 the previous seven days. The total of failures in the United States from January 1 to date is 253, against 5,389 in 1887.

A RAPID rise of the Wabash to eighteen feet flooded hundreds of acres of bottom land near Terre Haute, Ind., on the 12th, and destroyed over half the corn crop.

THE Orphans' Home at South Wabash, Ind., was destroyed by fire on the 12th. The children escaped, and the contents of the building were also saved.

THE National Council of the National Educational Association met at San Francisco on the 12th, President J. L. Pickard, of Iowa City, Ia., presiding.

WILLIAM HALL, a farmer living in Cherokee County, Ala., who had been tried three times for the killing of his wife by twenty-three years ago, was acquitted on the 12th.

THE Lafia & Rand powder works at Cressona, Pa., exploded on the 12th, killing George Gillman, Charles Reed and Henry Bernich.

MISS LENA WETZIG, aged twenty years, daughter of a wealthy farmer near Bloomington, Ill., was thrown against a barb-wire fence on the 12th, and her entire face was torn off, with her lower jaw and tongue, and left hanging on the fence.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

THE New York State Republican convention will be held at Saratoga Springs August 28.

THE Prohibitionists of the Fourth district of Michigan on the 10th nominated George F. Cummings for Congress.

A NATIONAL convention of the American party, for the nomination of candidates for President and Vice-President, has been called to meet at Washington on the 14th of August.

THE following Congressional nominations were made on the 11th: Minnesota, First district, Mark H. Dunnell (Rep.); Georgia, Fifth district, J. D. Stewart (Dem.); Missouri, Third district, A. M. Dockery (Dem.), renominated.

THE New York State convention of the Republican clubs met at Saratoga Springs on the 11th and elected four delegates to attend the National convention in Chicago. The secretary's report showed that there were 550 Republican clubs in the State, with an aggregate membership of eighty thousand.

THE Republican National Committee in session in New York City on the 11th elected M. S. Quay, of Pennsylvania, chairman, and J. S. Fassett, of New York, secretary.

HIRAM SIBLEY, one of the founders of the Western Union Telegraph Company and a well-known capitalist and seaman, died at Rochester, N. Y., on the 12th, aged eighty years.

ADVICES of the 13th from Nonquitt, Mass., say that General Sheridan continued to improve, and was able to sit up in a chair. Thirty-five days had passed since an attack of heart failure.

J. T. MOREHEAD was on the 12th nominated for Congress by the Democrats of the Fifth North Carolina district.

THE resignation of George V. N. Lathrop, Minister to Russia, was received at Washington on the 12th. Ill-health was given as the cause.

CONGRESSMAN RANDALL, of Pennsylvania, had four hemorrhages on the 12th in Washington, losing sixteen ounces of blood. It was feared he could not survive another attack.

THE Louisiana Legislature adjourned sine die on the 12th.

THE report that General Sheridan was able to leave his bed was denied on the 12th by the General's brother, who said the sick man was still too weak to raise his head, but that he was gaining slowly.

FOREIGN.

DISPATCHES of the 9th say that the town of Berbera, on the Gulf of Aden, had been burned, and that forty persons perished.

AN earthquake shock was felt from Belleville to Kingston, Ont., on the 9th. Houses were rocked and the people were greatly frightened.

THE Mexican electoral colleges voted on the 8th, re-electing President Diaz.

ADVICES of the 10th from Batavia, Java, say that Bantam insurgents had plundered Teloeng and killed the native chiefs and the European inhabitants. Troops had been dispatched to quell the revolt.

MR. PARNELL said in London on the 10th that the home-rule movement would ultimately result in the establishment of an Imperial Parliament in which the colonies would be represented each province having a Legislature for its own local affairs.

THE Knights of Labor of Montreal, Que., on the 11th called a mass-meeting to protest against pauper immigration to Canada.

Snow fell in London on the 11th for the first time ever known in July, and unseasonably cold weather prevailed in England.

THE Berlin police on the 11th arrested fifty Socialists for passing seditious placards over copies of the speech from the throne.

HEAVY gales prevailed on the 11th in the English channel, and a number of small vessels were wrecked along the French coast.

A HEAVY earthquake was felt throughout Greece on the 12th.

A DISPATCH of the 12th from Cape Town, Africa, says that the Debers coal mine at Kimberley had been burned, and that five hundred persons lost their lives.

GENERAL BOULANGER resigned his seat in the French Chamber of Deputies on the 12th.

A REPORT reached Paris on the 12th that an insurrection had occurred at Port au Prince, and that the insurgents had burned five hundred houses, including most of the public buildings.

THE Italian Chamber of Deputies on the 12th passed a bill giving electoral rights to every one who is able to read and write and who pays the minimum taxes.

In the Italian Chamber of Deputies on the 12th the question of granting the ballot to women was defeated by a narrow majority.

A HURRICANE on the coast of Spanish Honduras was reported on the 13th to have destroyed a number of fruit plantations, creating heavy losses.

GREVILLE BOULANGER and M. Floquet fought a duel with swords near Paris on the 12th. The battle was fiercely contested, and in the second round Boulanger received a thrust in the neck which might prove fatal. Premier Floquet escaped with a few scratches.

A FIRE on the 12th at Ripley, Ont., nearly destroyed the whole business portion of the town. Twenty-six buildings were burned.

LATER NEWS.

ANOTHER encyclical letter from the Pope was read in all the Catholic churches of Dublin on the 15th, condemning the whole system of the plan of campaign and the use of the boycott as unlawful.

A PASSENGER train was wrecked near Detroit, Mich., on the 14th, and William Baty, the fireman, was killed, and the passengers badly shaken up. It was claimed that a switch had been tampered with, and a reward of \$500 has been offered for the arrest of the guilty persons.

A TANK of Naptha at Ludlow, Ky., took fire and exploded on the 14th, burning fifteen men, four of them fatally.

DISPATCHES from Pittsburg, Pa., on the 14th, state that the ironworkers' strike was practically at an end, all but about fifty firms having signed the Amalgamated scale. It was also rumored that the Manufacturers' Association was about to disband.

DAVID M. PASCOE, ex-treasurer of the International Typographical Union, was arrested at Philadelphia on the 14th, charged with embezzlement of the funds of the Union, and was held in \$2,500 bail. The amount of his alleged embezzlement is \$2,230.98.

D. A. J. Streeter has written a letter accepting the nomination of the Union Labor party for President.

THE Ohio State Board of Pardons on the 14th refused to make a recommendation in the case of "Blinky" Morgan, the Ravenna fur robber and one of the murderers of Detective Hulligan. Morgan will hang Aug. 30.

On the 14th at Seney, Mich., Thomas Hayes, a hotel proprietor, shot and fatally wounded George Everett and seriously wounded McClary during a quarrel.

THE six men under arrest at Chicago in connection with the Burlington dynamite plot were taken before the United States Commissioner Hoyne on the 14th, and their cases continued. One of them, Bowles, was reported to have made a confession to the Inspector of Police implicating Chairman Hoge, Wilson, another of the men under arrest, was alleged to be a Pinkerton detective. The cases of Hoge and Murphy were also continued for one week.

THE steamer Belgia arrived at San Francisco on the 14th from Hong Kong, and brought Chinese and Japanese papers containing an account of an unprovoked attack on the crew of the British schooner Nemo, on April 16, by Agents of Copper Island, off the Kamshatka coast. The captain of the Nemo was seriously wounded, three Japanese sailors killed, and three others wounded.

MINNESOTA STATE NEWS.

TIMBER SUITS.

THE Department at Washington Will prosecute Minnesota Parties.

Special Timber Agent C. H. Chamberlain recently started out during 1886 C. B. Bucknell, of Sauk Rapids, and removed from township 57 north, range 24 west, about 250,000 feet of Norway pine saw-logs, which he sold to the S. C. Hall Lumber Company, Minneapolis, (now Hall & Ducey), at \$5 per thousand delivered at the boom at their mill at Minneapolis. The logs out from were entered in the name of Edward Whitmore in 1884, who made proof in January, 1886, which was made proof of it being incomplete. Bucknell claimed he bought the land from Whitmore before cutting, taking the deed therefore, which he alleged was destroyed by a cyclone in 1836. Agent Chamberlain thinks the trespasser willful, and that the purchase of logs by the Hall Lumber Company was made innocently. Under the facts set forth Acting Secretary of the Interior Hawkins has directed that the proper United States Attorney make a careful inquiry into the case and institute such proceedings in the matter as the facts will warrant. Bucknell's proposition of settlement was rejected, the amount offered being only \$1.25 per 1,000 and the amount offered to be settled for but 183,000 feet.

ST. ANTHONY FALLS.

Excitement Over Gold Discoveries in the Northern Part of the State.

Representative Wilson was recently instructed to report favorably to the House in Washington the bill authorizing the city of Minneapolis to repair, alter and reconstruct the dyke wall, claims and apron, constructed for the protection and preservation of the falls, of St. Anthony. The amendment provides that Minneapolis shall keep the works in repair under such regulations as the Secretary of War may prescribe. The bill as originally introduced empowers the city to determine what repairs were necessary, etc.

THE PRECIOUS METAL.

Excitement Over Gold Discoveries in the Northern Part of the State.

A. Pugh, of the St. Paul & Pacific Coal Company, recently arrived in Duluth from the Lake of the Woods, on the north line of the State, and is enthusiastic over the gold discoveries there. He has brought back a number of specimens of easy-milling ore in which free gold is easily seen by the unaided eye. Other specimens taken from the different parts of the island assayed from \$160 to \$462 per ton of gold, with a small percentage of silver. Several Manitoba men have bought a tract of 750 acres, and value it in its undeveloped state at a couple of million dollars.

A Blaze in Faribault.

Early the other morning fire destroyed Leary's heavy barn in Faribault and caused quite heavy damages to the buildings on the adjoining lots and the stocks of goods contained in them. Carpenter & Smith, clothiers, were the heaviest losers, their loss amounting to over \$8,000. T. Peavey, photographer, lost \$5,000; Mortenson & Wachlin, harness-makers, \$800; J. Leary, \$2,500. All were well insured except Peavey, who had but \$1,000. The fire, it was generally believed, was caused by fire-works.

Fire Wild Parusals.

A terrible accident happened on the prairie east of Lake Benton the other afternoon. County Commissioner Sericker had two boys aged fifteen and twelve years each, herding cattle, and a boy named Gratz came to help them, and visit. The boys in play dug up wild parusals and ate them. The Gratz boy died on the prairie, and the Sericker boys were under the doctor's care and might live through.

End of a Strike.

The strike at the Winona Lumber Company's mill collapsed the other morning, when all the men went to work except a dozen of the ringleaders, who were discharged. It was feared that the company might have further trouble, as a few declare that they would inaugurate another strike soon. The company secured only five men from outside who are skilled workmen.

Turned Into a Creamery.

The old brewery property owned by Peter Beck, of Lake City, has been bought by J. W. Eppheimer, of Philadelphia, who is actively engaged in remodeling the interior for a creamery. All the dealers in butter in Lake City are glad that it is to be established, as they claim that they are losing money handling the article. This will be the means of taking it off their hands.

Hand-Care Collide.

While racing with hand-cars at dinner-time recently, three men belonging to a construction gang, employed by Lundgren & Co., near Thomson, received broken legs besides other injuries. Two cars collided and the men were thrown off. They were taken to St. Paul on the afternoon train, and two carried to their homes, the other to St. Joseph's Hospital.

A Newspaper Man Elopes.

Ariel C. Harris, one of the best-known newspaper men in the Northwest, eloped from Minneapolis a few days ago to South America with Mrs. E. J. Frederick, a lady who has for the past two years filled a position as typewriter for the Minnesota Abstract Company. Harris leaves a wife and two children.

Robbed a Church.

Some sneak thief broke into the new Congregational church at Fernus Falls the other night and stole a very handsome new Bible which was presented by an Eastern friend when the church was dedicated a month ago. They also broke out one of the large stained glass windows.

The News Briefly Chronicled.

The Duluth Board of Education has decided to issue \$50,000 worth of bonds payable in twenty years at six per cent, for the erection of additional school buildings.

Three members of the firm of Shotwell, Clerihew & Lotham, of Minneapolis, which failed some days ago, have been arrested on a warrant sworn out by the cashier of a bank there, to which the firm is largely indebted, on a charge of swindling.

Fred Hancock, of Blooming Prairie, while bathing with several other young men in the Cedar river recently was seized with cramp and drowned. He was twenty-one years old.

The new creamery at Lake Benton, to the aid of which the citizens subscribed \$800, is now fully started and is turning out about three hundred pounds of fine butter daily.

Charles J. Anderson, of Prior township, was struck by lightning and killed recently while out riding, while S. P. Lindholy, sitting on the same seat in the wagon, was stunned, but sustained no serious injury.

The assessed valuation of real estate in Faribault as a basis for taxation for the year is \$1,230,000.

MISCELLANEOUS.

—Popping the question would be just as light and easy a question as popping corn if it wasn't for the atonement.—*Binghamton Leader.*

—A tarantula escaped from the bottle in which an embryo naturalist was bringing it away from Hot Springs the other day, and for an hour or more was decidedly the most important passenger on a crowded car.

—Mr. Gotham—"Would you like to see 'Pygmalion' to-night, Miss Porcine?" "Miss Porcine (of Cincinnati) "Yes, very much, Mr. Gotham. I believe in encouraging anything connected with the great hog industry."—*Puck.*

—The maximum cost of feeding a Chinese passenger from China to San Francisco is twelve cents a day, but the Canadian Pacific steamship Abyssina recently brought over 1,500 Celestials at an average cost of 4 1/2 cents a day. It was mostly rice and not much of it.

—The oldest house in Indiana, the old Moore mansion, situated on the Utica pike, near Four Mile Springs, was recently torn down. It was built in 1800, of stone and brick, and for many years past has had the reputation of being haunted.

—Of all the mean things said by men, to and about women, commend us to that crabbed person who told the sisters of his flock that "Christ appeared first to women after the resurrection, just so as the news might spread faster."

—Scientists are of the opinion that the newly discovered cities of Arizona are those sought by Cortez and the early Spanish adventurers in their expeditions after gold. The cities are seven in number, and give evidence of former civilization and wealth.

—A speed trial between the telegraph and telephone from New York to Boston was lately undertaken at the Sun office in New York City. The contest lasted for ten minutes; 330 words were delivered in Boston, ready for the printer, by the telegraph, and 346 words by telephone. But many of the telephone words were incorrectly received. So the telegraph was the winner.

—Within the Antarctic Circle there has never been found a flowering plant. In the Arctic region there are 762 kinds of flowers; fifty of these are confined to the Arctic region. They are really Polar flowers. The colors of these Polar flowers are not as bright and varied as our own, most of them being white or yellow, as if borrowing these hardy hues from their snowy bergs and golden stars.

—Brown (to Dumley, who has had a bout at billiards with Robinson)—"What do you think, Dumley, of Robinson's game?" Dumley—"He's a fair player, but mighty lucky." Brown (a little later, to Robinson)—"What do you think, Robinson, of Dumley's billiards?" Robinson—"He plays a fair game, but is one of the luckiest men I ever saw."—*Drake's Magazine.*

—Omaha man—"Think law is a useless relic of barbarism, eh?" Enthusiastic Socialist—"It's worse, it is a curse; there should be no law; men don't need law, and they would get along much better without it. But I am in a hurry; have an engagement to meet the committee to-night." "What committee?" "The committee to draft oath-bound, iron-clad, obey-or-die laws to govern our Socialistic organizations."—*Omaha World.*

—In 1742 there flourished in Boston an original sort of a character, Thomas Fleet, who was a printer and the most popular auctioneer of his day. Among other rare bargains he offered at public sale was this: "A negro woman to be sold by the printer of this paper; the very best negro woman in this town, who has had the smallpox and the measles; is as hearty as a shore, as brisk as a bird, and will work like a beaver."

—"Don't be a clam" is a warning that meets one very frequently now-a-days. Well, why not? What's the matter with a clam? He's all right. If he fulfills his mission and makes the most of himself, what more could be expected and what more could any person do? The clam is as well born, as well bred, and as respectable as the oyster, yet nobody thinks of speaking disrespectfully of the oyster. What has the clam done that it should be made a term of derision? Nobody ever heard of a clam getting drunk, lying, cheating at cards, abusing dumb animals, putting a little dog's eyes out, or doing any of the thousand things by which men distinguish themselves from brutes. The clam is yet to be heard from. Perhaps he would say, "Don't be a man."—*Indianapolis Journal.*

Clugston Departed in Haste.

"Matilda," fervently exclaimed the Lovelorn youth, "I can no longer endure this suspense and uncertainty. I must know my fate this night. For months I have carried your image in my heart. You have been first in my waking thoughts, last in the reveries that have filled my midnight vigils, and your lovely face has been ever present in my restless dreams when sleep has kindly sought to ease the burden that oppresses me. You have been the—the"

"The lode-star of your existence and the Ultima Thule of all your hopes, Mr. Clugston," suggested Matilda, observing that the young man hesitated.

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