

Iowa State Bystander.

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WEST VIRGINIA comes to the front with three highwaymen, each 9 years of age. This is a little ahead of the Wild West's worst record.

THE Armonian press censors are adding insult to injury by urging in justification of their action that the koran forbids the reading of romance.

HYPOCRISY is now taking the place of emotional insanity as a defense of crimes of different shapes and forms. The variety of ways in which it can be used suggests that somebody might yet be hypnotized into doing something good. It would be worth trying.

NEW YORKERS seem surprised that the Lexow investigation has at last touched Inspector Byrnes. This surprise seems strange. Byrnes must be the biggest fool on earth if he could hold his place and know nothing of the corruption that had honey-combed the whole department he controlled.

THE general who, after discharging one volley into the ranks of the enemy and seeing no result, should thereupon immediately retreat or surrender, might justly be called a fool or a coward. Yet business men sometimes throw up the sponge because the public fails to respond to the first insertion of a four-line advertisement, and think themselves both wise and courageous.

THE Boston Herald is too big a newspaper to continue to sneer and jeer at "the Borden girls." It says: "At last the Borden girls have been ordered to be placed in the cemetery where the few remains of their murdered parents now lie. Why they have delayed so long is unknown." One seldom runs across a more contemptible paragraph in a respectable journal. The Herald is evidently not afraid of two poor girls alone and defenseless, and no big brother with a club handy.

AMONG the items charged in a Brooklyn lawyer's recent bill for services was, "Lying awake nights and thinking over the case." This attempt to put a price on insomnia is a new wrinkle in the practice of the science of law. Once the precedent is established of allowing such a bill, what is to prevent the charge "To an attack of dyspepsia, caused by worrying over the case," or "To the crack in my conscience in taking the case," or "To forfeiting my hope of the hereafter for winning the case." The field opened up for itemizing a bill by this Brooklyn lawyer is as expansive as space.

THE deaths from consumption in human beings are 25 to 35 per cent less than they were thirty to forty years ago. There has been no unnatural scare about the disease in human beings, no attempt to kill off the consumptives or even to imprison them. This is generally attended and

THE same method will prove equally efficacious in lessening tuberculosis disease among cows whenever it is applied. That will not be until the veterinarians who are pursuing their mad of stamping out tuberculosis by slaughter have been shown that their notions are impracticable as they certainly are oppressive.

TALK about Yankee versatility and ingenuity, the people of this country know nothing about it until they begin acquainting themselves with some of the mysteries of the American Pharmacopoeia. There have been discoveries made by the Yankee in the realm of mechanics that have reflected credit on the discoverer, and the Yankee lawyer has now and then acquitted himself before a jury in a fashion to swell the breast of a dotting parent, while the pulpits has been filled by Yankees who were second editions of Whitefields, but all Yankee accomplishments in pulpits, at the bar or in mechanics pale into insignificance when compared with what chemical compounders have accomplished in the Pharmacopoeia.

IT was found that of the 203 cancer cases treated in the Wellington hospital, New Zealand, not one was a Hebrew, and the immunity of these people from the disease is ascribed to the slaughter of cats. Their rabbis have to certify to the purity of the meat sold by Hebrew butchers to their co-religionists, and, as cancer and tuberculosis are prevalent among New Zealand cattle, Mosaic ordinance comes in there with a peculiarly protective force. The children of Israel do not enjoy life immunity from this dreaded disease everywhere, but probably show a smaller average than most other people, owing to the wisdom and rigor of their sumptuary and dietetic statutes.

QUICK to grasp the really sensational features in an occurrence, a contemporary publishes the news of the arrival of some college students in Chicago, and begins the report with the statement that "on arriving the students made no noise."

EDISON'S neighbors have been getting much sport out of the fact that the electric bell on the Wizard's front door won't work, and has been on a strike for days. Another case of the sabbler's son going around on his uppers.

NEW YORKERS had never heard of Dr. Heine Marks, of the city hospital, until the friends of the code, set plans on foot to squelch him entirely. They are very much interested in Sweet are the uses of a green

SELECTED HAWKEYE MENTION

OTTUMWA DOESN'T WANT IT.

Refuses to Accept the Gift Bestowed by Peter Ballingall's Will. OTTUMWA, Jan. 10.—The city council in caucus decided by a unanimous vote not to accept the property trust imposed by the strange will of the late Senator Ballingall, recently decided to be valid by a decision of the supreme court, which reversed the decision of Judge Burton setting it aside. The will bequeathed property to the amount of \$130,000 to the city to be held in trust by them, with the rentals and profits to be distributed among a number of charities and public institutions. The principal piece of property is the Ballingall hotel, which, by the provisions of the will, would have to be conducted by the city council and the profits go to the various funds mentioned by Colonel Ballingall in his will. Judge Burton set the will aside. The supreme court reversed his decision, opining that if the city council declined to accept the trust, the court could appoint trustees to care for it for the city. The prospect of becoming landlords, with a possibility of doing chamber work, or cooking pastry, or waiting on table in order to make the venture financially successful, frightened the dignified aldermen and they believed the supreme court plan offered a graceful way of getting out of it, which they embraced.

ALLEGES BLACKMAIL. A Clerk Sues His Employer to Recover Hush Money and For Damages. OSKALOOSA, Jan. 10.—The city is greatly aroused over a case now being tried in the district court in this city. Judge David Ryan presiding. The case is of a peculiar nature and is docketed Chew vs. O'Hara. F. P. O'Hara & Co., grocery dealers, employed Chew as a clerk for a number of years. Nearly a year ago O'Hara suspected that money was being taken from the drawer by some of his clerks, and after setting his traps he finally concluded that Chew was the man and accused him. Accordingly Chew paid over to O'Hara \$1,000 as settlement or hush money. Nothing more was thought about the matter until a few weeks ago, when Chew brought suit against the O'Hara company to recover the \$1,000 and \$5,000 damages. Chew alleges that he was scared by their threats into paying the \$1,000, and that the whole scheme was blackmail. All of the parties in the case are of high social and business standing.

NEBRASKA SUFFERERS. Editor Al. Swalm Issues a Call for Contributions. OSKALOOSA, Jan. 11.—The Oskaloosa committee for the relief of Nebraska suffers by drought have raised the cash and sent, or contracted for immediate shipment, about 500 tons of lump coal. This costs here \$1.15 per ton on track. The Rock Island road very generously hauls these contributions to Nebraska connections free of cost, and the Nebraska state committee distributes the coal where most needed. And fuel is greatly the chief need. Citizens and committees who want to send their contributions in fuel, can have it done through our committee, with proper credit and receipt, and in that way make that money go a very great way in the relief of our friends and neighbors. Any of the Oskaloosa banks will look after the matter for them, or this committee, and letters addressed to the undersigned will have immediate attention. ALBERT W. SWALM, Editor Herald.

HARD ON THE MINERS. Little Work and Prospects of Great Distention. CINCINNATI, Jan. 10.—The year 1894 will long be remembered by the people of this locality as one of the hardest in its experience. And the new year does not hold out any glittering prospects. This community is largely interested in coal mining, and it is the almost complete stagnation of that industry that has made it so hard for the people. The Merchant's and the Thistle have shut down. The closing of these mines is caused by the low price of coal which renders mining unprofitable. The Albert, Streater and Cincinnati mines are still mining occasionally, but none of them are making anything and the miners are running behind in wages. From present indications there will be at least five hundred families in this locality in destitute circumstances before winter is much over.

FOR NEEDY NEBRASKA. Red Oak People Respond in a Generous Manner. RED OAK, Jan. 10.—The stories of Nebraska suffering touched the pocket books of Red Oak business men when two gentlemen canvassed the town and easily raised \$400, which was converted into flour, a whole car load of which was at once forwarded to needy Nebraska people.

EXPLOSION OF GAS. DEBQUE, Jan. 8.—An explosion of gas generated in the Japan bake oven of the specialty hardware works of the Scribner-Conchar Company occurred. The explosion shook surrounding buildings. William R. Daugherty, foreman of the department, was killed and his remains burned to a crisp. He was 25 years old and leaves a wife and child. The fire was confined to this building and the loss will not exceed \$3,000, mostly covered by insurance. Others present had a narrow escape.

THOSE CORN SHREDDERS. SAC CITY, Jan. 6.—Arch B. Mooney, a well-to-do farmer residing four miles north of Sac City, has died from the effects of injuries received in a corn husking and shredding machine. He was feeding and his hand caught in a band and before he could extricate it his arm was drawn into the cylinder and mutilated and crushed almost to the shoulder. Physicians were summoned, but they did not think it safe to amputate the arm. The suffering man lingered but a few hours, when he died from the effects of the shock of accident.

SIoux CITY FAILURE.

Receiver for the Fidelity Loan and Trust Company.

SIoux CITY, Jan. 11.—The Fidelity Loan and Trust Company passed into the hands of a receiver on application of P. A. Sawyer, one of the creditors. The bill said plaintiff held a judgment for \$500; that the company owed \$3,200,000 on 6 per cent debenture bonds and the floating debts were \$1,000,000 more. President Joseph Sampson, of the company, and Gideon H. Candee, of New York, were appointed receivers.

AFTER A MURDERER. Search going on by Mitchell County Officers. MASON CITY, Jan. 11.—Mitchell county officers are now in pursuit of the murderer of Theodore Knudsen, killed on the night of December 23. He was found on the morning following by the roadside, dead, with a pint flask of alcohol near his head, while his neck, head and parts of his body were severely bruised.

CONDENSED ITEMS. It is rumored that small pox exists at the little town of Abingdon, near Fairfield, there being one case in the family of W. Clark. The house is quarantined.

A decree has been entered in court in a suit for abutting damages against the elevated road at Sioux City which is in accordance with a supreme court decision to the effect that an elevated road is not a street and the builders are liable for abutting damages. It requires that the damages assessed by the jury be paid in twenty-five days, and, failing, the sheriff is ordered to remove the track. The road belongs to the King Bridge company and the decision requires that it pay abutting damages for over a mile on Third street. The assessment was at the rate of \$800 for every lot of sixty feet front on the street.

TRADE WITH GERMANY. Only Best Goods Should Be Sent to That Country. WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—The special agent of the department of agriculture, who is making inquiries under direction of the secretary of agriculture into the general subject of our trade with Germany in live stock and meats, offers some observations on the necessity of shipping only the best goods abroad, if we are to retain any trade with foreigners. He says: "The sales of American lard and canned goods in general are increasing constantly. It can be said that Germany will always be a good market for these products, providing the American exporters furnish only the best goods. Purchasers do not always receive the goods contracted for, thereby doing our export trade a great injury. I fully understand the prime qualities of lard are not sent abroad. It seems that sometimes the most inferior stuff, put up and used in America as axle-grease, is sold here and at the smaller places where the sanitary regulations are not as strict."

A GREAT CALAMITY. Four Hundred Lives Were Lost and 2,000 Left Destitute. MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 10.—In his inaugural message Governor Nelson urges uniformity of municipal charters, urges the completion of the plan for a new capitol in St. Paul and makes the following reference to the great Hinckley calamity: "On the first day of last September a forest fire was lashed into fury by a high wind and totally destroyed the villages of Hinckley, Sandstone, Sandstone Junction, Finlayson, Miller, Pokegama, Partridge and Mission Creek, and devastated a large tract of country occupied by small farmers. More than 400 lives were lost, a large number were maimed or crippled for life, more than 2,000 people were left destitute and over \$1,000,000 worth of property was totally destroyed. The territory devastated by the fire embraced an area of nearly 400 square miles." He adds that \$98,121.58 was collected by voluntary contributions in aid of the sufferers.

TREASURER MISSING. A Large Amount of State Funds Have Also Disappeared. PIERRE, S. D., Jan. 10.—W. W. Taylor, the outgoing state treasurer, having failed to put in an appearance to turn over the office and make a settlement with the treasurer-elect, an investigation proves that he has defaunted to the extent of about \$300,000. Taylor went to New York some time ago, and a letter just received from him states that he relied on friends to assist him, but they have failed. Taylor was also president of the First National bank at Redfield, and this bank has closed its doors subject to examination by the comptroller of the currency.

A. R. U. OFFICIALS. Debs and His Colleagues Go to Jail at Woodstock, Ill. CHICAGO, Jan. 9.—Debs and the other officials of the American Railway Union surrendered to the United States marshal, and all motions having been set aside by the federal judge, they were taken to jail at Woodstock, Ill. Cook county jail being overcrowded. Application will at once be made to the supreme court for a writ of habeas corpus.

CORN SHELLING. LACON, Ill., Jan. 7.—At the farm of Anan Scheeler, in the presence of interested persons a successful test was made of shelling corn in the shock, which will revolutionize this branch of farming. The fodder was first fed into a common horse-power corn sheller, the same as wheat straw into a threshing machine. The corn was loaded into wagons perfectly cleaned, while the ground fodder was increased 50 per cent in value, the stock eating it up as clean as new hay.

ITEMS OF GENERAL NEWS

HAWAIIAN MATTER. Another Batch of Correspondence Submitted.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—The president transmitted to congress another batch of Hawaiian correspondence. It is made up entirely of communications between the state department and Minister Willis, and deals practically entirely with two points: First, that there is a difference of opinion between Minister Willis and Admiral Walker as to the necessity of maintaining a United States vessel at Honolulu, and as to the political designs of Great Britain on the Hawaiian islands. Minister Willis is of the opinion the Hawaiian government is fully able to maintain itself, in which he is in accord with the opinion of the government itself; and further, that the general course of the British officials at Honolulu did not indicate any desire to build up a political power there. The second point in the correspondence and the one which occupies most of the space relates to the negotiations between the representatives of Great Britain and the Hawaiian government looking to the leasing of Mecker island, or some other uninhabited portion of the Hawaiian group for a cable station between the Canadian and Pacific islands in possession of Great Britain. The correspondence shows the Hawaiian government felt that under the terms of the treaty with the United States, it could make no lease except with the consent of the American government. The president in his message accompanying the correspondence calls attention to the matter and expresses the hope that congress will see fit to grant the request of the Hawaiian government to the proposed lease, which would be of great advantage to that country without apparent detriment to this.

VALUABLE RECORDS. Secretary Gresham Proposes to Save Revolutionary Documents. WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Secretary of State Gresham has submitted to congress a general plan for publishing the valuable historical manuscripts of revolutionary days now in the archives of the state department. The recommendation was called out by a provision of the last sundry civil appropriation bill, calling for a report from the secretary of state. Mr. Gresham refers to the great value of the manuscripts, embodying the collections of Washington, Franklin, Jefferson, Madison and Hamilton, as well as the journals of the Continental Congress. It is pointed out that the papers are liable to serious injury and defacement owing to the constant perusal of them by students and writers. The secretary recommends their publication in a set of fifty volumes, at a cost of \$100,000 for the first edition of 1,000 volumes. He suggests, however, that the work should be done gradually on an appropriation of \$25,000 annually, and under the supervision of a competent editor and staff.

CURRENCY REFORM. Effort to Secure Legislation Will Not Be Abandoned. WASHINGTON, Jan. 11.—Notwithstanding the reverse suffered by the Carlisle currency bill, the effort to secure currency legislation will not be abandoned. It is stated from reliable authority that a new measure having the executive approval will be introduced in the house in about two weeks.

Swallowed Her Shawl-Pin. NEW YORK, Jan. 10.—Maud Fries, 11 years old, the daughter of Charles Fries, proprietor of the Brighton hotel at Millville, N. J., yesterday swallowed a long shawl-pin. The pin slipped down her throat and appears to have lodged far down in the stomach. She suffers great pain. The removal of the pin will require the opening of the stomach.

REVIEWS. Blist, the Minneapolis murderer, pleads alcoholic insanity. The southern Illinois hospital for the insane, at Anna, was destroyed by fire at a loss of \$500,000. All of the patients were rescued in safety. A terrible accident, resulting in great loss of life, occurred in the bay at Rio Janeiro recently. The boilers of a steamer in Port Nietheroy, which had a large number of excursionists on board, exploded. The steamer caught fire, and a great number of those on board of her jumped overboard to escape the flames. Altogether 120 persons were drowned.

Washington dispatch: The tariff war between the United States and Europe has reached an acute phase. The first official act of Henglemuller, the new Austrian minister, was the lodgement of a protest against the paragraph of the sugar schedule of the act which imposes an additional duty of one-tenth of 1 per cent on sugar coming to the United States from countries which pay an export bounty on it. The ground taken by the minister is similar to that which formed the basis of the protest of Germany—that the additional duty paid discriminates against Austria and is consequently a violation of the treaty of commerce with that nation. So far no threat of retaliation has accompanied the protest, but in this Henglemuller is following the example set by the German minister and the next step will undoubtedly be in the same direction. The United States is already at odds with Cuba, Germany and Austria over the sugar duty, and in the case of France there are already indications of the adoption of a retaliatory policy in the imposition of restrictions upon our meat trade and importation of American wheat and flour.

New York dispatch: John William Goff, the new recorder, took his seat on the bench as the presiding judge of the Court of General Sessions of Peace in the city and county of New York. The new recorder charged the grand jury with the duty of investigating the charges of oppression and prosecution against public officials. At the office of the state board of health it is learned there are nearly forty cases of small pox in the city of Indianapolis. The doctors do not know the cause of so many cases, but it is the greatest epidemic for years.

Many Coal Miners Idle. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 5.—Twenty-one coal mines are idle and it is probable that many more will have closed down soon. The miners refuse to work at the rates offered, asserting they can not make a bare living. The situation is serious.

Mikado Wants an American Heiress. LONDON, Jan. 5.—A dispatch from Vienna says a newspaper there says the Mikado seeks a European princess or an American heiress as a wife for the crown prince of Japan.

Mississippi Lynching. JACKSON, Miss., Jan. 9.—Spencer Costello, a negro burglar and desperado, was lynched near Flora. A few nights previous he entered the store of E. H. Green, at Green Crossing, assaulted the clerk and robbed the drawer.

EASTERN WAR.

A Statement Regarding Peace Negotiations.

PARIS, Jan. 9.—A Shanghai dispatch states the Chinese envoys appointed to negotiate peace with Japan are instructed to accede to no demands for the surrender of Chinese territory. They will treat only on the basis of granting independence to Corea and paying indemnity to Japan.

LONDON, Jan. 10.—The Central News correspondent at Seoul telegraphs that the king of Corea proceeded to the ancestral temple and there formally declared the independence of Corea. He was accompanied by the members of the cabinet and other high functionaries of the government. The royal party was escorted by a body of soldiers armed and equipped in modern style.

PEKIN, Jan. 10.—The Chinese envoy to negotiate for peace with Japan had a farewell audience with the emperor. Japan refuses to grant an armistice. Mr. Denby, the American minister, believes that the negotiations will be fruitless. The Japanese will withhold their terms for peace until they shall have occupied Pekin. Japanese landing parties are busy exploring the bays on the east coast of the province of Shantung.

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SENATE—Washington, Jan. 9.—Bill for relief of homestead settlers in Wisconsin, Minnesota and Michigan passed. Pasco, in speaking on the Nicaragua bill, said while favoring the construction of an interoceanic canal he was opposed to the pending bill.

HOUSE—Outhwaite presented a special order from the committee on rules providing for closing of the general debate on the currency bill and for a vote on the bill and amendments on Saturday. The supporters of the bill were unable to order the previous question, the demand therefore being refused, first by a rising vote of 92 to 101, and then on a ye and nay vote by 124 to 129. An analysis of the vote shows that all of the 124 votes in favor of the motion were cast by democrats, while 27 republicans, 30 democrats and 3 republicans voted against it. Outhwaite immediately withdrew the special order. House then passed the diplomatic and postoffice appropriation bills.

SENATE—Washington, Jan. 10.—Urgent deficiency bill was under consideration and Quay gave notice of three amendments he would offer. Hill offered an amendment relative to contesting constitutionality of the income tax. Caffrey spoke on the canal bill.

HOUSE—Most of the day was devoted to District of Columbia business and nothing of importance was done.

Hope Crushed to Earth

Will rise again in the bosom of a dyspeptic wife enough to substitute for the pseudo-logic, which have hobbled him out of his belief in the possibility of cure, the real invigorant and stomachic, Hostetter's Stomach Bitters. The bilious, the nervous, the dyspeptic, the rheumatic alike derive specific benefit from this potent botanical medicine. Persons suffering from indigestion will gain no positive permanent good from the tery, unmedicated stimulants of commerce, too often used recklessly. The Bitters is immeasurably to be preferred to these as a tonic, since its pure basis is modified by the conjunction with its vegetable ingredients of the highest remedial excellence. Malaria is prevented and remedied by it, and it infuses vigor into the weak and sickly. A wineglassful three times a day is the average dose.

Doubling Up on Christmas. "I see she has broken off her engagement with him." "What was the matter?" "He tried to make the engagement ring do for a Christmas present."

Intense Headaches

"For four years I have been a constant sufferer. My head ached from morning till night. After trying everything I could think of, the only thing that gave me any relief was to keep my head bound with a cloth to keep the air from striking it. The nasal passages of my head and my throat were very sore and gave me intense pain, excruciating in such corrupt matter. I was told that the weight of my hair was the cause of my trouble, and I had it cut off; but this gave me no relief. Reading about a lady similarly afflicted who was cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla, I began to take it. Before I had taken one bottle I felt greatly improved, and at the end of three bottles was entirely well. I now weigh 240 pounds, which is a gain of 10 pounds in three months." Mrs. MARY A. WHITE, Franklin, Indiana.

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"WORK OR BREAD." Workingmen of Newfoundland are Starving.

St. JOHNS, N. F., Jan. 9.—A crowd of about 3,000 workingmen who were thrown out of employment by the financial collapse, gathered before the legislative chambers. Later they paraded the principal streets. At the head of the procession was borne a white flag bearing the words: "Work or bread." The movement caused consternation. After hooting the government, the procession went to the dock where is berthed the British warship Tourmaline. A committee of the unemployed boarded the ship and represented to Captain Poor how they and their families were starving. The captain expressed a willingness to help the workmen as far as he could. He promised to write to the government urging that help be extended. The delegation then withdrew. Starvation is becoming more general daily. The government was waited upon by a committee of the clergy. In reply the government said arrangements were making to provide employment for the relief of the people.

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