

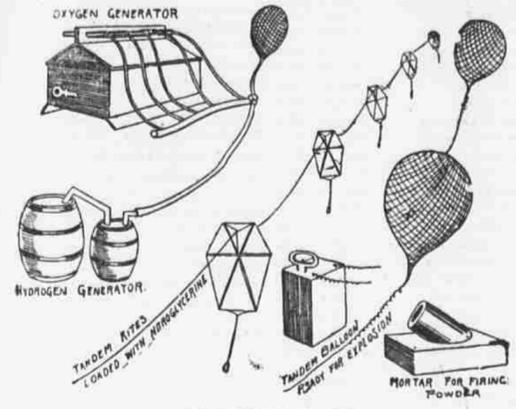
MACHINE MADE RAIN.

Gen. Drenforth's Shower Apparatus Finally Tested in Texas.

The Experiment Said to Have Been a Complete Success.

Explosives Discharged Produces a Six Hours' Drenching from a Cloudless Sky.

SPECIAL TO THE EVENING WORLD. MIDLAND, TEX., Aug. 20.—The first great rain-making experiment has taken place, and Gen. Drenforth's party are satisfied that they have discovered the great secret of producing rain at will.



OXYGEN GENERATOR. HYDROGEN GENERATOR. TANK WITH VALVE. TANK WITH VALVE. TANK WITH VALVE.

After several preliminary tests of the apparatus, Gen. Drenforth decided yesterday that all was ready to try the decisive experiment, and the rain that fell for more than six hours following, he declares, was undoubtedly caused by the explosion of oxy-hydrogen balloons, rackarack powder and dynamite.

The experiment was made at the C ranch, about twenty-five miles from this town, where the men of science have their headquarters.

About 3 o'clock in the afternoon a large balloon was sent up and exploded when it had reached a height of one and one-quarter miles. It made a report like a severe clap of thunder.

The sun was shining and there were only a few white clouds floating in the blue sky at the time. There were absolutely no indications of rain. The weather instruments showed that the air was remarkably dry and the barometer pointed at "fair."

Within ten minutes after the balloon had disappeared in a peal of thunder, kites were set flying. The dynamite attached to the kites' tails was exploded when high in the air.

This was followed by the explosion of a great quantity of powder scattered over the ground for about two miles and set off by electricity. It made a noise like a succession of batteries of artillery.

The smoke rose in the air for about 300 feet and then drifted towards the experts' headquarters. Before it reached there, they say, it was driven to the earth by a torrent of rain.

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The party took with them 100 balloons, ten to twenty feet in diameter, and capable of holding from 500 to 5,000 cubic feet of gas, hundreds of kites, from 6 to 12 feet high, miles of copper wire, quantities of nitro-glycerine and dynamite and powder, batteries for generating electricity and machinery for generating hydrogen and oxygen.

The machines devised for generating oxygen. It was stated, without more oxygen in an hour than was ever made by any machine before in a day.

They took like little sheet-iron stores with their hinges stuck in at the top end, connected by a rubber hose with the line of hose that leads to the cellar. The three are filled with potassium chlorate and black oxide of manganese, and by heat furnished by the gas-burners in the stove the gas is generated.

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NO HOPE OF A SECOND TERM.

A New York Republican Says Harrison Will Support Mr. Blaine.

Civil-Service Law Blasts the Edge of Collector Fassett's Axe.

"It seems almost improbable that, after all that has been said and written on the subject, President Harrison is not looking for a second term; but that such is the fact I have good reason to know."

A representative of the Administration Republican made this startling statement.

"Not only is President Harrison not looking for a re-election," he continued, "but when the time comes he will come out for Mr. Blaine as the nominee."

"The programme, as I hear it, is for Secretary Blaine to tender his resignation and at the same time announce himself as a candidate for the Presidency. This he will do, I understand, when he returns to Washington the latter part of September."

"President Harrison will refuse to accept the resignation of his Secretary of State and will assure Mr. Blaine of his active and earnest support, and everything will be clear sailing on an untroubled sea of harmony, with the bar of no Presidential aspirant in sight except Mr. Blaine's. The lesser lights would all be making for the harbor of second place."

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PLUNDERED THE METROPOLE.

Cashier and Barkeeper Regularly Stole Twenty Dollars a Day.

They Confessed in Police Court, and Were Held for Trial.

In Jefferson Market Court this morning were arraigned Albert Couch and Michael Martin, barkeepers, and Arthur Smith and William Starke, cashiers at the Hotel Metropole cafe, who confessed that they have been robbing Proprietor Putney for the past few weeks.

By their confession it was revealed that it had been their habit to plunder the cash drawer daily to the extent of \$20 and divide the proceeds.

This is how they said the peculations were carried on:

When a purchase was made the barkeeper, instead of giving the customer a check, would stoop to the cashier the amount to be paid, and then register a five or ten-cent check for it.

If Proprietor Putney was about the cash drawers had a system by which they defrauded him right before his eyes.

The cashiers would send back the checks that had been paid to the barkeepers, who in turn would give them back again.

The checks were passed to the barkeepers in a book of a newspaper, between the folds of which the cash was concealed.

Proprietor Putney noticed that although the bar was doing a rushing business his receipts were falling off.

He could not find out how the money disappeared, so he asked Capt. Kelly to do it for him.

The Captain and his detectives, who were unknown to the conspirators, became frequent visitors to the barroom and kept their eyes open.

They soon "tumbled to the game," as Detective Hayes expressed it, and dropped on their men.

The detectives are satisfied that the prisoners, although their ingenious method of peculation was worthy of older heads, "are new in the game," and recently elected a new barkeeper, when they did not take more when they had the chance to do so, replied:

"Oh, the house was entitled to something." All the stolen money was lost on the races. The prisoners were held for trial by Justice Hogan.

Albert Harris and Louis Welschman, bell boys at the Hoffman Hotel, who are charged with stealing a gold watch belonging to O. W. Marie, a guest of the house, were held today in the same case to await examination.

Refreshments and Antidotes Free. Tickets for Frank Wolf's free excursion to the women and children of the Eighth Assembly District have been issued. The excursion will take place Aug. 27 and a steamer and two barges will take the crowd from the foot of the river around the Battery and up the Hudson River.

Refreshments will be furnished free, is the offer of one of the most popular entertainments followed by the reassuring statement that "three physicians will be in attendance."

Civil-Service Law Dulls His Axe. It is said that Collector Fassett is fretting under the restraint of the civil-service laws, which prevent him from removing Democrats from the Custom-House and replacing them by Platt Republicans.

He has, it is said, requested President Harrison to take certain officials out of the classified list on the ground of their confidence in the President.

Among these are said to be the chief clerks of division, nine in number, and eight of whom are Democrats.

It is said that Chief Earl, of the North Bergen police, interfered with Capt. Hayes, of the Hoboken force, and that a rough-and-tumble fight occurred between the two officials.

The presence of Hoboken officers the last two days has been objected to by the North Bergen officers, and several minor collisions have taken place between the policemen.

Hoboken officers Harrison and Goutan arrested about midnight a man with a club whom they detected extorting money from young couples who occupied the sections.

His name club on young man who refused to pay.

The prisoner, an athletic fellow, resisted arrest and shouted to his companions, who closed in on the officers, and a serious fight occurred, but the officers succeeded in locking up their man.

The prisoner proved to be Joe Sonntag, a prize-fighter of considerable local repute. He was this morning committed to jail on two separate charges.

Capt. Hayes applied for a warrant for the arrest of Chief Earl, of North Bergen.

Express Driver Charged With Theft. Stephen L. Smith, of 337 Johnson street, Jersey City, a driver for the United States Express Company, was held on a charge of larceny in the Tombs Court today. The complaint recited that he had stolen \$200 from a consignment shipped through the Express Company.

A Warren Street Merchant Finds a Bride in England. BARTLEY'S SHAMMONG.—On August 15, at Birmingham, by the Rev. J. C. Street, Chaplain of the Metropolitan Hotel, and there became acquainted with Hannah O'Brien, a pretty waitress. He proposed marriage and was accepted, and they were married by his minister and the wedding was postponed.

Soon after he returned the loss of his position, and he was married.

Hannah grew impatient, accused her lover of fickleness, and brought suit for breach of promise.

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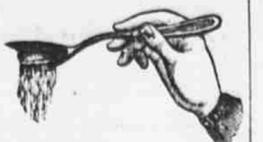
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To Dispel Colds. Headaches and fevers, to capture the system effectually, get gently, when constipated, or when the blood is impure or sluggish, to permanently cure habitual constipation, to awaken the kidneys and liver to a healthy activity, without irritating or weakening them, use Syrup of Figs.

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One teaspoonful of PERRY DAVIS' PAIN KILLER

In a little sweetened water or milk (hot if convenient), will immediately relieve any case of DYSENTERY, CHOLERA MORBUS, SUMMER COMPLAINT or DIARRHŒA.

If taken in time, one dose generally does the business; otherwise repeat at short intervals, and a speedy cure will follow. PAIN KILLER is equally effective in killing pain from Cuts, Bruises, Bites, and Burns, and no prudent person should fail to keep it by him.

At all medicine dealers. BUY NOW.

AMONG THE WHEELMEN.

The Rating Board of the League of American Wheelmen has been spending a few weeks at the Hoffman Hotel, who are charged with stealing a gold watch belonging to O. W. Marie, a guest of the house, were held today in the same case to await examination.

The following members of the Prospect Wheel Club, who are charged with stealing a gold watch belonging to O. W. Marie, a guest of the house, were held today in the same case to await examination.

The State Division meet of the L. A. W., now in progress at Rochester, is a great success. Fully 100 members are in attendance.

The applications for membership in the Gotham Wheelmen this month has broken all previous records.

The Peoria meet is causing considerable comment.

St. J. Omond is one of the most popular cyclists that France has.

The Philadelphia Wheelmen present a good program for their meet Sept. 22 and 23.

The latest disease attributed to bicycle riding is termed lycopole gout.

A California wheelman seems to think they are a long way off to be governed by Eastern regulations.

Mont Scott showed up remarkably well at the recent Providence meet.

Robbed a Sleeping Man. James McCabe and George Moore, eighteen and seventeen years old respectively, were remanded at Essex Market to-day charged with stealing \$200 and a gold watch from Joseph Holt while the latter was sleeping on a doorstep.

Went Insane on the Train. Antonio Frigo, who had accumulated nearly \$3,000 in New Orleans, was taken to the Jersey City Hospital to-day from the Pennsylvania depot insane. He was on his way to Italy, but lost his reason while coming to New York, and jumped from the train, but was not seriously hurt.

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Advertisement for THE WORLD OFFERS TO ITS "WANT" ADVERTISERS IN SUCCESSIVE INSERTIONS. The rate (Daily and Sunday) 20 cents a line, with 15% DISCOUNT, 25% DISCOUNT, 30% DISCOUNT.

FROM THE WORLD OF LABOR.

The strike of machinists and molders at Sparrow Point, Maryland, which has been going on since July 1, has been settled to the satisfaction of all. All old employees are asked to make application for work as soon as possible.

John Ryan has been elected delegate to the Central Labor Union at the Convention at New York.

The organized workers of Oakland, Cal., have established a reading-room and labor exchange.

The receipts at the general office of the Bakers' International Union last week amounted to \$277.47.

John Dugan, a member of Machinists' Union No. 11, has been elected Marshal for the parade of Progressive Painters' Union No. 1.

The Anti-Child Labor League, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The Joint Executive Board of the local bakers' union of this city and vicinities is taking steps for the election of a walking delegate.

The members of the ladies' branch of the Cooks' and Waiters' Union, who are holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, are speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The Clothing Salesmen's Association, of New York, has adopted resolutions denouncing the New York Passenger Railway Company for the manhandling of the employees.

The Grievance Committee of the Central Labor Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The Committee on Reorganization of the Building Trades Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The striking team of Freedman Bros. have been reinforced by the union men at the tailor shops of the city, and the latter are taking steps for the employment of Freedman Bros.

Alfred G. Anderson and H. J. Park have been elected delegates to the Central Labor Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The General Treasurer of the United Mine Workers' Union reports that during the last three months the receipts have been \$1,470.99, while \$13,209 were expended. There are \$4,674.79 in the treasury.

The San Francisco bakers have reduced their work day two hours, within the last three months, and gained an advance of \$1.30 per week.

Charles Brainerd, brewer, at Paterson, N. J., has been declared a "scab" concern by Brewsters' Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The "Lion Brand" Collars and Cuffs, for sale everywhere.

"Standard Brand" Ladies' Collars and Cuffs. New and novel styles.

Clear-Makers' Union No. 10 has tabled the invitation to the Central Labor Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The New officers of the Central Labor Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

The sandpaperers and porters at Cabot's furniture factory have complained to Furniture Workers' Union, which is holding a meeting at the Central Labor Union, is speaking for the People's party in the direction of its National Committee.

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AMUSEMENTS.

EL DORADO. At the Palace, opposite West 42d St. Ferry. Every Evening, including Monday Evening. BOJONY RIALTY'S KING SOLOMON.

GRAND AFTERNOON PROMENADE OPERA. To be given on SATURDAY, AUG. 22. The extra to RING SOLOMON. To be given on SATURDAY, AUG. 22. To be given on SATURDAY, AUG. 22.

LIQUOR THEATRE. Broadway, near 30th St. To be given on SATURDAY, AUG. 22. To be given on SATURDAY, AUG. 22.

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A HIGH ROLLER. 147th Street Theatre. Near 6th Ave