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The Evening World Prints Associated Press News.

THE SITUATION TO-DAY.

The Scandia, which arrived yesterday from Hamburg, is the worst pest ship that has yet reached this port. The cholera is raging on board, and the death list during the passage numbers 52, of which 29 were immigrants, 2 cabin passengers and 1 of the crew.

While this large addition to the quarantine census adds greatly to the already exhausting work of Health Officer JENKINS and his assistants and renders more laborious the task of keeping the disease out of the city, there is really no reason for increased alarm provided there is no relaxation of the vigilance which has thus far been effectual in protecting the city from the pestilence.

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With the acquisition of two clean vessels for exposed passengers, and with stations secured at Sandy Hook and Fire Island, we have the consoling assurance that the resources for meeting the cholera are growing more rapidly than the demands made on them by new arrivals.

After years of good work on the police force, during which he figured in many perilous adventures, a Brooklyn patrolman is at death's door from injuries received in falling from a tree. An ignominious termination of a heroic career.

ing shows that it is working with a will for the Democratic candidates. Next, SHERMAN had blood in his eye, but soon SHERMAN appeared on the Campaign Committee and went to work in his shirt-sleeves for the ticket. Next Trojan MURPHY was broadcasting his shillab and looking for Cleveland heads to hit. But at Thursday's friendly dinner party at the Victoria it was discovered that the club was an olive branch decorated with orange blossoms. Now there is nothing left but HILL, and he will soon be stumping the country for CLEVELAND and victory.

RESTRICTION OF THE OPERA-HOUSE.

There is some hope that the Metropolitan Opera-house will be rebuilt, or rather, rebuilt as the home of grand opera in New York. That it to say, the Board of Directors, representing twenty-five of the seventy-five stockholders, have held a private consultation, and it is announced that they are unanimously in favor of the restoration.

Of course, there is a trifling difficulty in the way, the ever annoying but always necessary question of the shakels. The restoration will cost, some say \$300,000, some say half that amount, and others, probably nearer the truth, put it at double, to do the work completely, including stage mechanism, scenery and other necessities. The stockholders of course have something to say on that point. It is to be hoped that they will agree with the directors on the question of rebuilding.

But some of them are greatly dissatisfied with the past management and others do not care half as much for the notes of the greatest prima donna in the world as for the crisp notes issued by the National Bank. To them the music of gold pieces clicking against each other is more charming than the melody of an operatic orchestra. So the money question may yet stand in the way. At their meeting yesterday they ordered the proposition of the Directors printed, and adjourned for one week.

It would be outrageous to leave New York without a grand opera-house. We cannot afford such a National as well as local calamity. Why it would put the metropolis of the Western Hemisphere a century behind Paris, London, Berlin, St. Petersburg and all the European capitals. It would forfeit New York's position as one of the leading and soon to be the greatest capital city of the world.

It will be seen that Mr. Annex adopts the EVENING WORLD'S suggestion as to alterations in the plan of the house if it should be rebuilt.

Restore the Metropolitan Opera-house, gentlemen, directors and stockholders, or some one else will get ahead of you, and where will your property be then?

JOHN I. AND THE JERREYS. The saddest feature of Fighter SULLIVAN'S downfall is the festiveness of the jarring funny man in dealing with the situation. Several kinds of telegraphic messages, designed to make other people laugh, but to cause the recipient to gnash his teeth and wish that the sender of the message had brought it himself, have been received by the fallen champion.

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The deep-toned "Ha ha!" might be construed as an offer of a theatrical engagement, as it came from a theatrical source, but there was no sincerity in it or in the tender of the track-walking position, and neither can be taken as a solution of the awful question that overhangs the public mind: "What will SULLIVAN do now?"

The message are simply rude outbursts of meanness at the expense of an unfortunate man, and his friends hope that there are as many good punches left in the big fellow - not put into him - as there are comic chaps who thus attempt to thrust their jeering fun under his poor plastered and broken nose.

PECK'S DILEMMA. Poor PECK is in a dilemma. He offered to submit the methods and data employed by him in making his notoriously "doctored" report on labor and wages in this State to the examination of committees representing the different political parties. The Democratic Committee has taken him at his word and has appointed a Committee, which calls on poor PECK for the information he has promised.

compel their production? Would it not be an act of misfeasance if PECK should refuse to produce them or, for his own protection or for any other reason, he should have destroyed them?

MR. DAVENPORT.

The Congressional Committee to investigate the methods of Chief Supervisor JAMES L. DAVENPORT is to begin its work on Sept. 22. It is to be hoped that the investigation will be thorough.

MR. DAVENPORT holds his position under a law of the United States purporting to secure honest elections and to protect the ballot box against fraud. It will be proper to inquire how he discharges this duty. Whether he appoints as deputies to attend the polls and see fair play done but Republicans and makes his appointments at the recommendation of Republican political district leaders? Whether he receives pay or contributions, for the alleged purpose of helping in this work, from the members of the Union League Club, from the Republican National and State Committees and from prominent Republican merchants, bankers and manufacturers?

Whether the men he sends to the polls go there on election day armed with revolvers? It will also be proper to thoroughly investigate DAVENPORT'S accounts against the United States Government, to examine his charges, their amount and character; to ascertain how much money he has received from the United States Government in the past and the sums, if any, he claims to be still due to him.

In fact, DAVENPORT ought to be turned inside out, his methods fully exposed and the real value of the mine he is working in the Treasury Department with such profitable results correctly ascertained.

UNTIMELY PROTESTS.

Some of the people who live in the neighborhood of Sandy Hook raised an outcry against the proposition to establish a quarantine camp there. The army magnates also made a protest, properly bound up with red tape, against such a use of the Hook. President HARRISON cut the matter short by ordering the establishment of the camp and the supply of the necessary tents.

The proposition to take Fire Island for quarantine purposes raised a "storm of indignation" among the Babylon people who "make a living" out of the Summer visitors to Fire Island, and who declared that the Summer resort would be ruined and the "clam industry" destroyed.

Gov. FLOWER met their protests by the order to "secure Fire Island at once." When will individuals learn the folly and the inhumanity of putting their petty selfish interests in the scale against the protection of the lives of the whole people and the rescue of the nation from a terrible and destructive pestilence?

The cable to-day informs us that the Pennsylvania has sailed from Antwerp, an infected port, with 600 emigrants on board, for the United States. This will undoubtedly be a source of great concern to the health authorities.

Now, Mr. PECK, stand up and be examined in the rudiments of arithmetic. Testimonies ANDERSON, McSWANEY and SCHNEIDER have been appointed by the Democratic National Committee to look into your peculiar figures, and they are armed with legal authority to find out manufacturers from whose data your statement was compiled.

Following close upon the great Democratic victory in Arkansas and the great Republican victory in Vermont comes the cheering announcement that Tammany can be depended on to vote the Democratic ticket. It would not have taken an exceptional gift of prophecy to enable a "gull man" to predict all these events months ago.

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EXACTLY \$14,928.19. The Grand Total of the Sick Babies' Fund To-Day.

A Fair and Concert Given by South Street Children. Letters and Contributions from Many Little Folks.

All letters containing money for the Sick Baby Fund should be addressed to the Treasurer of the New York World, 1267 Broadway, New York. Donations of clothing, &c., should be sent to Mrs. Roberts, 317 West Fifth Street, New York.

THE SUBSCRIPTIONS. Previous acknowledgments \$14,898.67. South street fair and concert 29.52. House of Commons 2.50. Yonkers friends 2.50. Eva Kie and Angell Kreuzkamp 1.50. A friend .60. Christmas 2.50.

The Sick Babies' Fund is moving on nicely towards the \$15,000 mark. One of the greatly impelling forces in the work is the other day in South Street, when some of its little girls held a fair in the afternoon and gave a concert in the evening on Gussie Hertig's lawn.

There were flags flying over the green space and at night forty lanterns shed light upon it. Tables covered with fancy goods, fruit and candy dotted the lawn, and clever little ladies provided over them. Plenty of refreshments was to be had, and a sweet-trotted canary was put up as a prize to be awarded to the most popular young lady of the neighborhood.

The bird went to Miss J. Walker, who received nearly enough votes to elect Grover Cleveland or any other man. It must not be forgotten that there was home-made ice-cream in plenty for anyone who wanted it, and the girls say it "went like hot cakes."

"The concert was as good as the fair. It began at 8 P. M., with a large audience, which enjoyed every feature of the programme, which was as follows: Song, 'I Am So Glad that Our Father in Heaven,' with all recitation, 'Little Givers,' Joseph Green; recitation, 'Big Day,' Fanny Robinson; duet, 'We Have Come Once More,' Gussie Hertig and Clara Green; recitation, 'One and One,' Maggie Hertig; recitation, 'Mother Hubbard,' Annie Langhau; solo, 'Bring Back My Bonnie to Me,' Jessie Stote; dialogue, 'Honor and Shame,' Jessie Stote, Gussie Hertig and Clara Green; recitation, 'Happy Homes,' Jessie Stote; solo, 'When He Cometh,' Louisa Sprengle; dialogue, 'Jack Robin,' Jessie Stote, G. Hertig and Clara Green; L. Sprengle, cello; solo, 'Bring Back My Bonnie to Me,' Annie Langhau, Annie Robin and Annie Paulmann; recitation, 'Pictures of Memory,' Clara Green; dialogue, 'The Precocious Speller,' Louisa Sprengle and Gussie Hertig; solo, 'Dear Mother,' Maggie Hertig; recitation, 'Going, Going,' M. Robinson; duet, Clara Green and L. Sprengle.

The children worked hard and achieved a splendid result. They took in \$20.22, which was turned over to THE EVENING WORLD yesterday. Now they want to say that they are very thankful to the storekeepers who gave them things, to Miss Katie Paulmann, who taught the children their songs and recitations, and to everybody that helped them to help along the Sick Babies' Fund.

She Will Be a Defender. I am anxious to become a member of the Little Defenders' Society. Will you please send me a badge? I enclose 20 cents for the sick babies. JESSIE GRIFITHS, ROUTING, N. C.

Fair in Yonkers. Please find inclosed proceeds of a fair held in Yonkers. YONKERS FRIENDS.

But the Babies Get It. Inclosed please find check for \$4.50 which you will place to the credit of the Sick Baby Fund. This amount was originally collected for some other purpose, but the parties who contributed decided to send it to the Sick Baby Fund. Respectfully, HUGO ROSENBERG.

Six Little Girls. The inclosed amount of \$4.07 was collected by six little girls, having a stand on the sidewalk and selling fancy articles which were given them by the kind neighbors of East Fifty-second street, between First and Second avenues. MAIRIE ZACHARINSKY, DAISY DIETZ, MAIRIE ZACHARINSKY, ADA SIMON, LOUISE DIETZ, CHRISTINE ALEREN, LIZZIE DIETZ, DRE.

A Day's Outing at North Beach. One of the pleasant resorts in North Beach, on Long Island Sound, reached by steamboats from foot of East Ninety-ninth street. The bathing at North Beach is safe and invigorating. Its superb location, on the sound, out of the reach and path of floating objects discarded from the cholera-infected European continent, and its proximity to the bay, make it a desirable resort for health and pleasure. The attractions are exceptionally good. The attractions are exceptionally good. The attractions are exceptionally good.

Very Fast. Northerner-I am told that the razor-back boys you have down here are very fast runners. Southerner-Just say, I've known some of them hitch a-hitch to outrun other razor-back boys.

Cause for Grief. Cera (at Madge's wedding)-What on earth are you crying for, Bertha? This isn't your marriage? Bertha-I know (boo-boo). That's why I'm crying.

President HARRISON played his second trump card, and a great big trump it was, when he cut the knot of red tape which obstructed the Sandy Hook project. His course in dealing with the cholera situation has been most praiseworthy.

THE CLEANER. Judge Goldfinger happened to be passing through Pell street yesterday afternoon when somebody remarked in his hearing: "How much cleaner Pell street is since the cholera scare has come upon us! Whereupon the Judge observed: 'What a paradox, to call that cleaner which has never been clean!'"

I had the pleasure yesterday of inspecting Mr. W. Buchanan's latest idea of what a space-annihilator for the Empire State express should be. It is of size of wheel in my criterion of speed. No. 603 should travel at an unheard-of gait, her "drivers" being 7 feet in diameter (they look about ten). Mr. Buchanan is proud of this newest child of his genius, which is on exhibition in the Grand Central yard to-day. In her general construction No. 603 is very similar to Mr. Buchanan's other famous flyer, No. 570.

I met Major-General Josiah Porter last evening on his way uptown. The General combats the idea, which has become general, that Capt. Hulse, of the Twenty-second, is the only man who returned from Buffalo fatter than when he started, and says he himself gained considerably in weight while roughing it at the front.

VAGRANT VERSES. His Mental Forenoon. He said, 'I take you a year screen myself and the rude world between, That none may know me, all in all.' As he the beautiful woods lay fall, I thought, 'And at myself did I wish.' 'That screen of yours is lower than You are taller than you think.' -Puck.

Attraction. Why are you so old? When the lightnings are active? 'Tis said that you are a witch, Is always she's attractive. -Judge.

An Epitaph. The King of the Cannibals nothing could save, He passed for an arithmetician; A good mistake started at his grave, And now who loved his neighbors. -L'E. S.

QUEER IDEAS OF SNAKES. Superstitions Among Africans, Asiatics and Aboriginal Americans. The African cobra is regarded somewhat reverently by the natives of that country, who once a year kill a cobra de capello and hang its skin to the branch of a tree, tall downward. Then all the children born during the last year are brought out and made to touch the skin. This, their parents think, puts them under the serpent's protection.

The cobra de capello, says St. Nicholas, divides with the horned viper of Africa the questionable honor of being the "worm of the Nile," to whose venomous tooth Cleopatra's death was due. The Kadris use the venom of this snake's cousin, the puff adder, to poison their arrows, and when they have any of the bites of this snake, they use the snake's urine to cure even when the victim showed no sign of life save warmth of the body, but the most general remedy is the snake stone. Prof. Faraday has found this to be made of charred bones. It is applied to a bite, and when it dries off of its own accord the patient is said to be out of danger.

These stones are used also in Mexico. Our own North American Indians will not kill a snake in their path. They hold it in reverence, and although they select great numbers of them to use in their snake dances they never kill them, but when the ceremony is finished, take them out to the plains and re-use them. Some Zuni Indians from New Mexico, with whom I once conversed, refused to repeat their folk-lore out of doors for fear the rattlesnakes would hear.

SNUBBED A FLIRT. A Young Congressman Unconsciously Brings Out an Angry Look. A well-known society woman in Washington received a most uncomfortable snub from a handsome young Congressman lately. She is always surrounded with admirers.

On this occasion the young man said: "Mrs. N., I think I shall go out more hereafter and accept invitations, so as to see Washington society." The woman said: "If you want to find out Washington society and see it properly, you must first fall in love with a married woman."

The young man, not thinking of the fair one's reputation, emphatically said: "When I fall in love it will not be with a married woman," and he has only just found out why she looked for an instant as if she had been drinking vinegar.

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HOUSE AND HOME. NEW AUTUMN TOILETS.

Among the new styles that Paris furnishes for this autumn four are here shown. The first on the left shows a walking costume of English kerse with drab and pink stripes. The short skirt is perfectly plain. Underneath in waistcoat form of white plique, flap with three seams and small pearl buttons on side parts; deep cut neck, man's shirt of the pastie, high stand up collar and cherry colored necktie. Open jacket with loose front panels and broad revers collar. Sleeves a la chevalier, narrow on wrist, getting wider towards the top. Charming little hat, con-



lique embroidery forming a sounce. Togue of gold straw trimmed with green marabout and red heron feathers and bows of dark red velvet. The third is a carriage toilet of cream silk grenadine. The round waist, front and side parts of skirt of light grenadine, bodice and back part forming half long train of maize colored grenadine. Waist closed on side; high collar, back in heavy plaid. Richly lined sleeve of maize grenadine has deep and light cuffs kept on elbow by a coccade of blue silk ribbon, similar rosette on right shoulder.

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Boys and Girls. Do you know the exact location of the centre of the United States, as it were, of these United States? Perhaps you never thought of it before, but now that it has been mentioned we suppose that you would like to know. Well, it is in Kansas, and is marked by a grave-that of a Major Ogden who died of cholera at Fort Riley, Kan. in the year 1833. There is no human remains in this centre grave, however, the body of the valiant Major having been removed to the National Cemetery at Fort Leavenworth several years since. But the monument that was erected to Ogden's memory and which still stands on the little knoll where it was erected away back in the 50's, still points heavenward as the exact geographical centre of our great Union. This monument is within sight of Fort Riley to the northeast, and Fort Hays is a few miles east of Junction City, Kan., and was formerly a very important military post.

A Baby Band. Dividing Creek, near Bridgeton, boasts of a band composed of the original musicians in the State. The fife, the oldest member, is only eight years old, and can play any of the National air in a creditable manner.

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Odd as it may seem, the first pair of articles brought into the United States were imported from Rio de Janeiro in 1830. They were a rough pair of India rubber gun-boats, painted and gilded like a Chinese pagoda, and were sent as curiosities to a New York gentleman by a representative of a wholesale house doing business in what was then the great American Empire. Friends of the gentleman when inspecting his odd rubber shoes expressed a desire to own a pair of such oddities, and in 1832 twenty-seven pairs were imported by New York and Boston people. The price was something terrible to contemplate, but they were soon sold out and orders placed for more. From this small beginning the rubber boot and shoe trade began. In 1833 500 pairs were imported, and from that time forward until yesterday's famous "vulcanizing" discovery and the complete revolution of the rubber trade from 5,000 to 10,000 pairs of rubber shoes were annually imported from South America.

Boys and Girls. Do you know the exact location of the centre of the United States, as it were, of these United States? Perhaps you never thought of it before, but now that it has been mentioned we suppose that you would like to know. Well, it is in Kansas, and is marked by a grave-that of a Major Ogden who died of cholera at Fort Riley, Kan. in the year 1833. There is no human remains in this centre grave, however, the body of the valiant Major having been removed to the National Cemetery at Fort Leavenworth several years since. But the monument that was erected to Ogden's memory and which still stands on the little knoll where it was erected away back in the 50's, still points heavenward as the exact geographical centre of our great Union. This monument is within sight of Fort Riley to the northeast, and Fort Hays is a few miles east of Junction City, Kan., and was formerly a very important military post.

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