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until to-day. Surmises as to the evolution of life and rock formation, then, furnishes blints about that particular stage of the earth's history...

AN INEXCUSABLE STRIKE.

If those who are engineering the strike on the Sound steamers have any good reason to give for their action, and any answer to make to the statement of Mr. Miller in behalf of the New-York, New-Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, it behooves them to make it quickly and clearly.

According to Mr. Miller, the difficulty first arose over the reinstatement of some union men laid off, with others who were not union men, because business was slack and their work for the time was not needed.

Both Russian and Japanese officials report that the battleship Hatsue was sunk by a Russian mine, the Admiralty at London and the belief that another Japanese battleship was seriously damaged.

THE WEATHER.—Indications for to-day: Fair and warmer. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 73 degrees; lowest, 60.

RADIUM AND THE EARTH'S AGE.

Until the full text of Professor Rutherford's talk last week reaches this country from London, it will be hard to judge of the soundness of the rather startling views which he advanced.

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porarily at least, been working a little harder than usual. From the trade winds, like all other winds, result from differences in atmospheric pressure.

A deficiency or an excess of atmospheric pressure in one part of the globe must be compensated for somehow elsewhere. The volume of the air remains the same. It is the distribution only that changes.

TWENTIETH CENTURY MONKS.

The dedication of the Monastery of the Holy Cross at West Park last week was an incident which must inevitably give rise to inquiry and speculation.

Every poolroom in the country would be driven out of business were all the other States in the Union to follow the example of New-Jersey. The voters of our neighboring commonwealth adopted a constitutional amendment which forbade the legislature ever to lessen the penalties imposed against bookmakers and betting rings.

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

There are nine thousand burning lights and signals stretched along the American coast, forming a perfect link, so that the navigator never need be beyond sight of one of his beacons.

A POOR INVESTMENT.

"What care was for worldly store? The lever cried, "I cannot last." "I've no wish," the maid replied, "To emulate the cooling dove; Nor could we, however we tried, Cut coupons from the bonds of love."

THE EVERLASTING ROUND.

When Christmas holidays are o'er I slip my empty pocket, And vows to save I straightway score Upon my medals, and my docket.

"RAGGING" AT OXFORD.

The custom of "ragging" at Oxford, to which the public in England has recently been devoting considerable attention, seems to be a kind of intermittent and, in some cases, continued hazing of certain students, done according to system and professedly with certain ends in view.

is not surprising. That institution has an individuality of its own and many a cherished tradition. It has done a great deal of valuable work. Why should it be absorbed by the colossus of Cambridge?

The Panama Canal is now as absolute a certainty as the existing canal at Suez, but it cannot be denied that it will take a lot of building.

Will a retreat for mutes soon be established at Eocopus?

M. Leroy-Beaulieu's characterization of America as "a land whose ideal is justice" is encouraging as the opinion of a competent and disinterested observer. The compliment is a fine one, and it is to be hoped it is deserved.

A paragraph in "The Louisville Courier-Journal" says: "Populist Pepper has shaved his whiskers and declared for Roosevelt. Being 'now a good Republican, he is, no doubt, ready 'to turn his shears on other people.'"

New Coney is said to be a vast improvement over the old in decency, intellectual interest and general attractiveness. This is evolution of the kind that promises to survive.

Something useful may come of the visit of the new British Ambassador to St. Petersburg tending to a better understanding and the settlement of vexing questions between the countries, and perhaps remotely making for peace, which the Northern Bear never had a more pressing occasion to yearn for than at present.

It was a proud day for all fiddlers when one of them, at his diamond jubilee, got a testimonial presented by a Prime Minister, as the venerable Joseph Joachim has just done at Queen's Hall, in London, an honor well won, and to be worthily worn as long as the great artist is spared to wear anything.

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Consuelo, Duchess of Manchester, has taken Egypt, the well known red brick, ivy-clad house at Cowes, for two months in the summer, and will entertain a large party there during the Cowes regatta week.

The Duke of Newcastle, who has been here since Easter, sailed yesterday for England on the Minneapolis. Center Hittcock, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic de Peyster and Mrs. de Peyster, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Moller, Miss Moller and Miss Julia Chester Wells likewise left here yesterday for Europe.

Paul G. Thebaud has purchased the auxiliary yacht Armonia, owned by the late S. F. Taylor, and will keep her at Larchmont.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Robinson have left town for their country place at Orange, N. J., for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Seymour Cromwell leave town this week for Bernardville, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Oswald C. Herring are building a house at Williamstown, N. Y., which will be ready for their occupancy in the fall. Mrs. Herring was Miss Catherine Clark, daughter of Mr. Herring.

and Mrs. James Wilson Clark, and her marriage took place last October at St. Thomas's.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert L. Satterlee have left town, and are at their place at Highland Falls for the summer.

Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, sr., will spend the summer at Newport, and has abandoned her intention of going abroad.

Edward Moore Robinson, who is a son of Mrs. J. Hood Wright, and Mrs. Robinson are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son at Philadelphia, where they make their home. Mrs. Robinson was a Miss Ivers, of San Francisco.

Mrs. Vanderbilt, Mrs. Douglas Robinson, Mrs. Suyvassant Fish, Mrs. E. L. Auchincloss, Mrs. John Sloane, Mrs. Corbin, Mrs. Alexander T. Van Ness and Mrs. Anson G. McCook, are among the honorees of the entertainment which is to be given on Governor's Island on the afternoon of June 2, in behalf of the Army Relief Society, which provides in case of emergency for dependent widows and orphans of officers and enlisted men of the regular army and the volunteers under a number of military evolutions and ceremonies, a vaudeville performance, in which several artists will take part, and music by two military bands. Tickets may be obtained from Mrs. Daniel Lamont, No. 3 West Fifty-third-st.; Mrs. Francis M. Gibson, Park Avenue Hotel; Mrs. Charles F. Roe, No. 25 East Thirty-seventh-st.; and Mrs. Henry Bischoff, No. 15 West Fifty-ninth-st.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Jeffrey McVicker will spend the summer at White Plains, where they have taken a house for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Cary T. Hutchinson arrived in town yesterday from abroad.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Haven, who are still at their house, in East Thirty-ninth-st. start early next month for their country place at Lenox, for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Haven, Jr., will pass the summer at Ridgefield, Conn., where they will have a house.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Mortimer, who are now at their place at Roslyn, Long Island, have arranged to spend the greater part of the coming summer at Paul Smith's, in the Adirondacks.

On Thursday the marriage of Miss Gertrude Lane to W. Alexander Rombert Hall will take place at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Francis T. Lounsbury Lane, in West Forty-ninth-st. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. Dr. D. Parker Morgan. The maid of honor will be Miss Alice Lane, and Lyman Hall will be his brother's best man. The newly married couple are booked to sail for Europe on June 1.

The wedding of Robert S. Brewster, of No. 85 Fifth-avenue, and Miss Mabel Martin Tremaine, daughter of Mrs. Grenville Tremaine, will take place at Willowbrook, Auburn, N. Y., on June 1. As the bride's family is in mourning, only relatives and a very few friends are invited.

The British Ambassador and Lady Durand have rented the Henry W. Bishop cottage, near the Curtis Hotel, at Lenox, for the summer, and will take possession thereof early next month. The German Ambassador and Baroness von Sternburg have, as already stated in this column, leased Dr. Francis P. Kinnitt's place, while Baron von der Busch-Kinndt-Hausen, of the German Embassy, has rented the Robbins cottage from Mr. and Mrs. T. P. Griswold, who are spending the summer abroad. Mr. and Mrs. Eric C. Dahlgren will occupy the Homestead cottage, which they have taken from George Bliss, while Hamilton W. Cary will have David W. Bishop, Jr.'s, cottage in Walker-st.

Baroness Halkett, who was Miss Sarah Stokes, has completed the construction and taken possession of her new cottage in the mountains above Saranac Lake. The cottage is remote from all other mountain resorts and habitations.

TUXEDO PARK NOTES.

Tuxedo Park, N. Y., May 21.—Ideal spring weather is favoring the colonists at Tuxedo, and a large gathering has assembled at the clubhouse and at the cottages. Nearly all of the season's arrivals are now here, and each cottage is entertaining guests over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Spencer Trask have been entertaining a household of guests at Trayvado all the week. To-night they gave a large dinner, at which fifteen guests assembled. Among them were Edward M. Shepard, Miss Eloise L. Breeze, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Carhart and General B. F. Tracy.

Among others who are giving dinner parties to-night at their cottages are the Rev. Dr. and Mrs. George William Douglas, Mr. and Mrs. John Murray Mitchell, Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Redmond, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Mortimer, Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Griswold, Mr. and Mrs. William E. DeWitt, Dr. F. Livingston, Dr. DeLancey Nicoll, J. C. Lord, G. W. Van Nest, Stewart Walker, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Darnmore, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Forsyth, William L. Penbody and Pierre Lorillard.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Hoffman will occupy their new cottage early next month, and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred L. Seton will move into the Barbey house on Tower Hill. Other arrivals will include Dr. and Mrs. J. McCall Woodbury, Mrs. M. W. Young, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Spencer, Mr. and Mrs. Edward J. Haney and Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Griffin.

UPPER ST. REGIS POSTOFFICE.

Washington, May 21.—Upper St. Regis, Franklin County, N. Y., was designated to-day as the location of a summer postoffice, and Arthur B. Barker was appointed postmaster. This announcement will be official by the Postoffice Department, and will be gratifying news to Adirondack campers, and especially to the owners and frequenters of that most noted collection of camps in the whole Adirondack region which borders on the little lake from which the postoffice takes its name. The action of the government was taken on the petition of the St. Regis Yacht Club, of which Commodore Anson Phelps Stokes, of New-York, is the president, and Colonel Jacob B. Penbody, of Boston, is the secretary. Among several hundred other patrons of the new postoffice are Frederick W. Vanderbilt, Charles T. Barney, William Hall Penfold, Edmund Penfold, Augustus W. Durkee, General E. A. Mearns, Charles R. Henderson, Whitelaw Reid, Walter B. James, H. B. Livingston, H. Pennington, Stuart and Francis L. Slade, all of New-York; Mrs. Cyrus H. McCormick, of Chicago; Mrs. Garrett, of Baltimore; Professor Lusk, of New-Haven; J. Lewis Thompson, of New-Jersey, and Alvin M. Lott, of Washington. It is expected by the postal authorities that the new office will transact a greater volume of business than any other office in the neighborhood.

MONUMENT TO EMILE ZOLA.

Paris, May 21.—Friends of the late Emile Zola gathered in Montmartre Cemetery to-day for the unveiling of a monument to the famous novelist, designed by Jourdain and bearing a bust by Solari.