THE DEMOCRAT

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GREAT BEND, - - - - KANSAS

CURRENT COMMENT.

An English correspondent traveling in Russia reports fearful scenes. The people are mad and desperate from want.

The railways of the United States provide a living for nearly 3,000,000 persons, or nearly one-twentieth of the population of our country.

In order to stimulate the manufacture of cotton goods in Russia, the government has issued a decree that the import duty on cotton shall be refunded to the exporters of the manufactured product.

The Dundee Courier's Calcutta correspondent says that the jute crop in India is exhausted, and that the total shipment to Europe will not exceed 1,650,000 bales, which is nearly 1,000,000 bales short of last year's shipments.

The Catholic organ of Mexico, El Tiempo, has opened a register for all Mexicans opposed to accepting the return of the flags tendered by the United States. El Tiempo has been publishing a series of virulent articles on this subject and claims the dignity of the nation was outraged by the offer.

The Vossiche Zeitung severely condemns the German government for prosecutions of newspapers on the charge of treason. It says that the effect of this will inevitably be to lower Germany in the eyes of foreigners. Nothing, it declares, is more harmful to a crown than the forced silence of a nation.

In response to letters protesting against the erection in Westminster Abbey of a monument to the memory of James Russell Lowell, Mr. Alfred Austin, the well-known English poet and journalist, has written a letter in which he strongly favors the project. He takes occasion in his letter to warmly refer to American hospitality.

Recent gales that prevailed along the coast of Portugal were productive of great loss of life, particularly among the fishermen. Among those who lost their lives in the storm were eighty-three married men in addition to a large number who were not married. The eighty-three widows have two hundred and thirty-three children.

The government of India has concluded a treaty with China as suzerain over Thibet. Under the treaty caravans will be allowed to pass freely via the Sikkim passes into the Thibet valleys and custom stations are to be created. The treaty is considered a happy stroke of British diplomacy, equivalent to the capture of the trade of these districts, which have hitherto been closed to commerce.

In Nan Paur (City of Serpents), capital of the Central India provinces, a murder trial was in progress, the accused being a native of India. One of the exhibits of the prosecution was a hatchet used in the commission of the crime. This was lying on a table in front of the bench when suddenly the prisoner sprang from the dock, seized the hatchet and before the warden could interfere sprang toward the judge, who was presiding, and inflicted a severe scalp wound. The man was disarmed before he could do anything else.

The official report of the exports from Mexico during the last fiscal year was that the exports of minerals amounted to $36,256,362, of which over $17,000,000 was in coin and the rest was gold and silver bullion. The miscellaneous exports amounted to $27,000,000 of which $8,000,000 was fibers, over $6,000,000 coffee, $1,500,000 copper ore, $1,000,000 hides, $1,000,000 woods and over $1,100,000 lead. Examination shows that during the last five years exports have increased over 100 per cent. The United States took 71 per cent. of the exports last year.

A Colorado lad, seventeen years of age, has invented a device to prevent rear end collisions of railway trains. The signal consists of an iron box, about four inches square, in which is inclosed a torpedo. This box is fastened to the outside base of the rail, at least seven hundred feet from a switch, either way. From this box and connected with mechanical contrivances inside a steel wire runs alongside the rail and is connected with the rod of the switch. When the switch is set for the main track the torpedo remains inside the box, but as long as it is thrown to a siding it sets square on the rail and explodes when struck by the engine of the rear train, thus giving time for the train to be stopped and prevent a collision.

The will of the late Lord Lytton has been made public. The estate, valued at $75,270, is entailed. The most interesting clause is one directing the widow, because of the existence of a letter which the testator believes to be garbled, and statements which he knows to be wicked and cruel falsehoods relative to the domestic life of his parents, to collect and sell all papers bequeathed by his father for transmission to the future earl of Lytton, so that the representatives of a name rendered illustrious by the testator's honored father shall never be without the means of refuting calumnies originated by Rosina Lady Lytton. The testator further exhorts his widow and executors never to permit to be destroyed these documents, which contain a complete refutation of said calumnies.

Ex-Gov. Elias N. Conway, of Arkansas, who was burned to death at Little Rock on February 28, was in his eightieth year and very feeble. Being an old bachelor, he had steadily and persistently refused to let any one stay with him, but did his own cooking and housework for forty-five years. It was the ex-governor's custom to keep the window-shutters of his house which front on the street closed, and he used a candle to read by night and day. He always had an accumulation of newspapers about the table on which his candle stood. It is supposed that in attempting to rise in his feeble condition, his feet being much swollen, he stumbled, grasped the table, overturned the candle, and the flames of the latter set fire to the newspapers, finally enveloping his clothing and burning him to death.

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Gleaned By Telegraph and Mail.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

Judge Blodgett, of the United States court at Chicago, has rendered a decision upholding the McKinley customs administrative act.

Anti-Subtreasury Alliance Chairman McAllister believes the third party movement will prove dangerous in some parts of the south.

Mrs. Marie Nevins Blaine has written from Sioux Falls, S. D., to Secretary Blaine calling on him to make public the letters in his possession.

Premier Delyannis, of Greece, has refused to resign at the request of the king and has appealed to the people of the country to sustain him.

The annual meeting of the supreme lodge of the Knights of Reciprocity was held at Excelsior Springs, Mo., on the 1st.

William H. Bradley, the venerable clerk of the United States circuit and district courts of the northern district of Illinois, and a prominent figure for forty years in the judicial history of the state, suffered a stroke of apoplexy on the afternoon of the 1st and instantly expired.

The president returned to Virginia Beach from Ragged Island Ducking club on the 2d in fine health and with a lot of game.

Secretary Foster arrived at Southampton on the North German Lloyd steamer Spree on the 2d.

Two attempts to assassinate President Barrillas, of Guatemala, are said to have been made recently. A reign of terror is reported.

Senator Hill has received invitations from a number of southern cities to address the democrats in each during his coming southern trip.

A movement is said to be on foot in Washington to present the name of Mr. Blaine to the republican national convention despite his letter of declination.

The heavy indemnity asked by the Baltimore's sailors has caused a depression in Chili. Ministerial changes have added to it.

At the opening of the French chamber of deputies on the 3d, M. Loubel, the new premier, made a speech defining his policy and was accorded a vote of confidence.

Assistant Secretary of the Interior Bussey was examined at length by the pension office investigating committee on the 3d.

Ex-President Noah Porter, of Yale university, died on the 4th at New Haven, Conn.

Indiana's district delegations to Minneapolis are solidly for President Harrison's renomination.

The Iowa Republican state convention will be held at Dubuque March 15. The first convention heard from is Adair. Instructions were given for Hon. James G. Blaine for president.

A report that Minister Egan will return to the United States in April is discredited at the state department, for the reason that he has given no intimation of such intention.

Senor Montt, the Chilian minister, has informed the secretary of state that in consequence of his election as a deputy for Peuria, Chili, he will soon relinquish his present diplomatic position.

The London Chronicle says that Guy de Maupassant, the distinguished French writer, who became insane in the early part of March last is so much improved in health that he writes for about an hour daily.

The Cook county, Illinois, democratic convention, which includes Chicago, unanimously passed a resolution instructing its delegates to the state convention to use their best efforts to have delegates selected to the national convention favorable to the candidacy of Gen. John M. Palmer for president.

The joint committee on the Bering sea seal fisheries held its final session at the state department and after signing a joint report, embodying a statement of facts as to all points connected with the sealing industry on which there was no dispute, adjourned sine die.

Gladstone's policy is reported to be to let the conservatives fall to pieces gradually and not to force a dissolution.

MISCELLANEOUS.

The French steamers Ste Clamaris and Felix Fousche had a collision and the former sank in seven fathoms of water.

Information from St. Johns, Newfoundland, gives the details of a shocking disaster in Newfoundland by which at least forty lives were lost. Two hundred and twenty men went out sealing in boats from Trinity bay. While they were on the lookout for seals the thermometer fell to zero and a terrific snow storm came on.

The state department has received the claims of five men of the Baltimore crew who were injured in the riot at Valparaiso, aggregating $225,000.

August Belmont & Co. ordered $500,000 gold coin for shipment to Europe on the 2d. Total ordered since February 19 to March 1, $4,315,326.

The senate of New Jersey has passed the bill appropriating $1,000 towards the national monument to be erected at the world's fair in commemoration of the emancipation of the colored slaves.

Maher and Fitzsimmons met at New Orleans on the 2d and the latter was the victor in the twelfth round.

A fabulously rich strike of gold has been made in the Humbug district, A. T., and the miners are flocking there by the hundreds.

At a meeting of 2,000 socialists in Berlin on the 2d the speakers denounced the charge that socialist originated and took part in the recent riots in that city.

Edward Norstrom, a Swede employed as a roller at the National rolling mills, McKeesport, Pa., was drawn through the rolls on the 2d and crushed to death.

The crisis of the fight between the Pennsylvania and Alabama in iron production is felt to have arrived. The market has gone to pieces and Birmingham furnaces have over 100,000 tons in their yards.

At Ingersoll, Ark., Deputy Sheriff William Nettles was shot and instantly killed by J. T. Mozier, whom Nettles attempted to place under arrest.

W. H. Hackett, a Kansas City grocer, was shot four times and seriously injured by men who attempted to rob his store.

The National league of base ball clubs adopted a national agreement on the 2nd, and made several changes in rules.

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A Baltimore & Ohio vestibuled train was hurled against a stone wall near Clarksburg, W. Va., on the 21 and fifteen persons injured.

J. W. Collins, president of the defunct California national bank, committed suicide at San Francisco on the 3d by shooting himself.

The national base ball league concluded its work on the 3d and adjourned. The double championship season idea was adopted.

Dr. H. M. Scudder, son of an eminent Chicago divine, is accused by F. H. Dunton, owner of the Chicago Spirit of the Times, of having murdered Mrs. Dunton to secure her money, Scudder having married Mrs. Dunton's adopted daughter.

Burglars blew open two steel safes in the national bank in Coldwater, Mich., on the night of the 2d and secured $21,000 in money and $40,000 in bonds.

A religious revival with unusual features had its culmination on the 2nd in the service at Music hall, Cincinnati, morning, afternoon and night, at which that great structure was each time filled to overflowing. Three thousand business houses all over the city closed during the hours of service. The movement was arranged for early last fall and all the churches of the city united in carrying out the plans suggested by the evangelist, Rev. B. Fay Mills.

The vatican, desiring to reform church music with the view of eliminating the profane element the congregation of rites has addressed a circular to the principal musicians and composers of Europe and America soliciting their views on the subject.

The only depressing business features are dullness in cotton and iron due to over production.

A guillotine twice failed to decapitate a murderer in Stade, Germany, on the 4th, and the executioner had to tear and slash at the neck before he could complete his work.

Hundreds of starving unemployed workmen of Dantzic, Germany, looted bakeries and butcher shops on the 4th. The police had a hard fight to quell the disorder.

Spanish anarchists badly wrecked a church in Valencia on the 3d. French anarchists tried to blow up police barracks in a suburb of Paris.

The condition of the poor in Vienna is said to be pitiful.

Recently, at Richland, ten miles from Lockport, Ind., a man named Williams shot his wife, killing her instantly, and then shot himself, dying shortly after.

The searching parties sent out by the government from various parts of Trinity bay to search for the missing seal hunters returned on the 4th. No tidings of the missing men could be learned, and it was believed that they have perished.

It is charged in Chicago that Kate Reilly, a noted dressmaker, has evaded customs officers by sending over English women with goods.

It is said that Banker Collins, who committed suicide in San Francisco, on the 3d, ruined his best friend in Cheyenne, Wyo.

Marcus and Abraham Cohen, who tried to set fire to their store in St. Louis to obtain $2,500 insurance, perished in the flames.

Ex-Lieut. Col. John S. Perkins, of the Third regiment, Missouri militia, at Kansas City, has again been placed under arrest. He is charged with obtaining money by false pretenses from Actor Fitzgerald.

There were violent snow storms in Venice and Trieste on the 4th. In the latter city the snow was nearly two feet deep and the roads were blocked in consequence. The mountains' fall of snow was much greater and the ground was covered to a depth of four feet.

George R. Raymond, ex-deputy city auditor and James A. Hadley, deputy city treasurer of Denver, charged with forgery and conspiring to defraud the city in raising a warrant from $3.50 to $303.50 during their term of office, which expired in April last, were found guilty with a recommendation to mercy. Thirteen other indictments against these men remain to be tried.

ADDITIONAL DISPATCHES.

Edward Pierrepont, ex-minister to England, died in New York on the 6th.

In an encounter with white men four negroes were killed at Clark's Cross roads, Ky., on the 6th.

Lydia Thorcell, a Swedish girl, was brutally assaulted on Prospect avenue in Kansas City, Mo., on the evening of the 6th. The brute escaped.

Rabbi Mendes, of New York, was recently wounded by a Jewish beggar whom he had often befriended, but to whom he refused further money.

It is alleged that Dr. H. M. Scudder, the alleged murderer of Mrs. Dunton, of Chicago, is a morphine maniac. It is also said that he gave evidence of guilt.

Lieut. Hetherington, United States navy, shot and killed Banker Robinson in Yokohama, Japan, February 13 for alleged intimacy with Mrs. Hetherington.

The Bering sea sealing question has again come to the front because of the proposition of Premier Salisbury of England.

Pugilist John L. Sullivan has issued a general challenge to all white men who may wish to meet him.

Gov. Boyd, of Nebraska, will not call an extra session of the legislature.

Philip D. Armour, the noted packer, received a bottle of wine on the 4th nominally from Potter Palmer, but really from unknown men. It is believed to have been poisoned.

The Berlin police are taking extra precautions to prevent any further rioting and to keep down anarchists.

A representative of the national department of justice is investigating the cordage trust with a view to criminal prosecution under the federal law.

The anti-Hill leaders in New York have sent out a letter in which they declared that they are not committed to Mr. Cleveland, but are only desirous of rebuking Senator Hill's methods.

The Iron Trade Review of Cleveland reports the iron business in a bad condition.

At Dubuque, Ia., Mrs. George Bansworth accidentally put arsenic instead of baking powder into the fritters and died from the effects. Her husband and child recovered.

Typhus fever developed in a New York city tenement in which are 108 families on the 5th.

There was no session of the senate on the 5th. In the house Messrs. Holman and Hatch had a spirited debate on the deficiency appropriation for the agricultural department. The appropriation bill passed. There was a debate on the pension question.

KANSAS STATE NEWS.

Arbor Day.

Gov. Humphrey has issued the following arbor day proclamation:

"Conforming to an honored custom which prevails in this and other states of the union, I hereby designate Thursday, April 7, 1892, as Kansas arbor day, and do most earnestly recommend its observance by all the people. To the end that the best results may be attained, it is desirable that some system shall be adopted in the observance of the day.

"I therefore recommend that county and city superintendents of schools and mayors and councils of cities assume charge of the work, prepare programmes, designate hours and give general direction to the arrangements for a proper and general observance of the day.

"Lyman U. Humphrey."

Republican Call.

The republican state central committee has called two state conventions, the first at Hutchinson Thursday, May 5, the second at Topeka Thursday, June 30. The first will elect six delegates to the national convention in Minneapolis and nominate three candidates for presidential electors and a candidate for congressman at large. The Topeka convention will select a full state ticket. Each county is given one delegate at large and one additional delegate for every 200 votes or major fraction thereof cast for secretary of state in 1890. On this basis the convention will contain 711 delegates.

Democratic Call.

The democratic state central committee met at Leavenworth on the 4th and selected Salina as the place and April 20 as the date for the convention to choose delegates to the national convention at Chicago. The committee adjourned to meet on the evening of April 19 at Salina for the purpose of selecting the time and place for the usual state convention. The basis of representation was fixed at one delegate for every 300 votes cast for Cleveland and one delegate at large from each county, making a total of 453 delegates.

Miscellaneous.

About twenty-five editors of peoples' party papers held a meeting at Topeka recently. The people's party will pursue a different course from either of the old parties and will hold only one convention to nominate its candidate for congressman-at-large, delegates to the national convention and state ticket.

A. S. George, age twenty-two years, met a terrible death near Huron, Atchison county, the other day. George was working a feed mill, and was in the act of changing some belts when the sleeve of his left arm caught on a bolt in the shafting. He was instantly hurled around the shaft until the arm was torn from the body. He died soon after.

According to reports filed with the board of railroad commissioners, the total earnings of all the roads operating lines in the state for the past year have been $53,220,551; deductions for expenses, $44,064,492, leaving a net total income of $9,156,059; dividends, 1.46 per cent., $7,623,864; surplus from operation of year ended June 30, 1891, $1,532,195.

In the district court at Abilene the other day Judge Humphrey rendered a decision reducing the interest on foreclosed mortgage notes. Such notes demand twelve per cent. interest if coupons are not paid promptly. The court decided that only the rate of interest specified in the original note could be collected except after default. Heretofore mortgages have taken the full limit from date.

The several railroads operating in Kansas show a total salary list of $56,812,938, paid during the year to 90,584 employes. Of the total amount paid by all the railroads the 24,743 railroad employes in Kansas received $13,377,285 in salaries last year. The Missouri Pacific road paid $2,336,680 to 5,870 Kansas employes; the Union Pacific paid a daily compensation of $217 to 1,982 employes, a total of $1,348,224. The Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fe paid to 10,344 employes last year $5,199,226. The Rock Island employes received annually $1,209,520.

Thirty years ago the Methodist conference met at Wyandotte (now Kansas City) with fifty-six ministers present. Of that number six, who are still still alive, were in attendance at the late conference held in that city. They were Rev. Joseph Denison, of Tecumseh; Rev. B. F. Rowman, of Topeka; Rev. H. D. Fisher, of Wamego; Rev. W. R. Davis, of Baldwin; Rev. James Lawrence, of Manhattan, and Rev. Nathan Taylor. Mrs. Fisher and Mrs. Davis were with their husbands at the Wyandotte conference in 1862 and accompanied them at the late one.

The forthcoming report of state superintendent of insurance will show that the fire insurance in Kansas last year amounted to $134,425,217. The premium paid for that amount was $1,878,239.51, the average rate being $1.39 per $1,000. The losses paid in the state amounted to $839,420.96, the average rate of loss to the premium received being 44 per cent. Of the above amounts Kansas fire insurance companies wrote policies to the value of $3,770,095, at a cost to the insured of $80,581.85. Kansas companies paid for losses $41,114.42, or about 51 per cent. of the premiums received. There are ninety-one companies doing business in the state. Of these eleven are Kansas companies and twenty belong to foreign countries.

At the late G. A. R. encampment at Atchison a resolution was adopted for the enforcing of the laws of the state for the benefit of old soldiers and to strengthen them where they were found to be inadequate. This was especially in relation to aid furnished by township trustees under the statute.

George Wilson, twelve years old, had a leg cut off by an "L" road train at Kansas City, Kan., the other night. He attempted to jump off the train while in motion, after jumping on to steal a ride for a short distance.

Hon. J. R. Burton is announced as a candidate for the republican nomination for congress in the Fifth district.

The delegates from Kansas to the national encampment Sons of Veterans, are I. J. Ritner, of Atchison, at large with S. J. Crumbine, Dodge City; F. P. Foeder, Ellenwood; Grant Harrington, Hiawatha; A. B. Callahan, Topeka, as regular delegates.

A jury was easily secured at Springfield to try the case of Sam Minton, one of the parties charged with killing Sheriff Dunn some time since.

A stranger was killed by the cars at Atchison the other day. He had in his pocket a card on which was inscribed, "E. R. Spicer, Brickmakers' and Setters' Union No. 1, Denver, Col."

MR. SPRNGER'S CONDITION.

Reported Yesterday That He Was Dying—Erysipelas Increasing.

Washington, March 7.—An alarming report touching Springer's condition spread about the city yesterday and it was generally announced that he was dying. A visit to the Springer residence proved that no material change in the sick man's condition had occurred. Three doctors were in attendance and he was very sick and low. His condition generally through the day has been a deep sleep or stupor, but the doctors and those in attendance saw nothing in the situation for immediate alarm.

The attending physicians held a consultation late last night and at its conclusion Dr. John A. Vincent, of Springfield, Ill., Mr. Springer's family physician, made the following statement to the Associated press:

"There is no occasion for immediate alarm. Mr. Springer is worse to-day, but that does not necessarily mean that a fatal result must ensue. This change is nothing more than might be expected in the run of this disease. I fully appreciated that when I said Saturday that while his condition was improved then, he was not out of danger. Throughout the day Saturday his symptoms were favorable, but a change for the worse took place in the afternoon, and continued during the night. While he slept considerable last night, yet it was broken, restless sleep. There is an increased development of erysipelas on his face, attended by delirium and coma. The aggravation of the erysipelas, while of course a matter of gravity, is not necessarily alarming. It only shows that there is not sufficient vitality to resist the ravages of the disease. It shows low vitality and a lack of physical vigor. The erysipelas began on his left cheek and has extended over and covers the entire face except the forehead. The nose is very much swollen with development of vesicles. Both eyes are involved and nearly closed. The delirium, of course, is induced by the disturbed condition of the nerve centers. The coma or stupor frequently makes its appearance after he has been talking in an aimless way about the business of the house or the tariff bill. After he drops off into this state of coma or stupor, however, it is quite easy to arouse him again, when he will talk quite intelligently perhaps for awhile. But after the conversation ceases he will lapse into that condition again. He is a very sick man, there is no doubt of that; but it is not immediately dangerous in my opinion. Even should the disease terminate fatally he would pass into a comatose state and remain for hours in that condition and possibly a day or two before death ensued. Drs. Curtis and Verdi are still with me in the case. Dr. Curtis, in fact, having charge of it, as he was the first physician called. We have consultations twice a day and are in perfect accord as to the treatment that is being pursued."

Washington, March 7.—At 1 o'clock this morning the attendants at Mr. Springer's bedside said there was no change in his condition and that he was resting quietly.

THE ANTI-HILL DEMOCRATS

Are Exhibiting Great Activity in New York—Work of the Provisional Committee.

New York, March 6.—Every member of the national democratic committee will receive in the next few days a letter approved by the provisional committee of the anti-Hill party in this state. This letter declares in effect that the anti-Hill democrats are not wedded to Cleveland and will accept any good democrat who can carry New York. They will contest the Hill delegation chosen at the midwinter Albany convention because it does not represent New York democracy. The most important declaration in the letter is that Cleveland is himself to be blamed for the "mess" in which the party has got itself.

The letter was written originally to Dr. W. A. Anderson, a prominent Cleveland democrat from Wisconsin. When read to other members of the committee it was approved by Mr. Whitney, ex-Mayor Grace, Ellery Anderson, ex-Secretary Fairchild and others and copies were ordered to be sent to every member of the democratic national committee.

ATTEMPT AT POISONING.

A Bottle of Wine Sent to Mr. P. D. Armour in Potter Palmer's Name—Forewarned.

Chicago, March 6.—P. D. Armour, the big packer, yesterday received a bottle of wine with the compliments of his friend, Potter Palmer, and asking him to try it as it was of rare quality. Mr. Armour drank none of it. He had been recently warned by a former employee that he had overheard two men in the Palmer house plotting to send Mr. Amour a bottle of poisoned wine in Mr. Palmer's name. The men who occupied the room where the alleged plot was hatched were a man who was not registered, but who claimed to live in New York, and a man registering as Thomas F. Quinn, of Denver. The wine has not been analyzed, so it is not known whether it contains poison. Mr. Armour thinks it is the work of a crank.

Women Excluded.

Baltimore, Md., March 6.—One hundred and thirty-six nays to thirty-seven yeas was the vote of the Baltimore conference on the question of admitting women as delegates to the general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church.

Clippings.

Mrs. Belva Lockwood is an elderly woman of a distinctly matronly appearance. In figure she is quite portly, and her face is fair, plump and placid. She laughs easily and talks well in a voice that has in it no trace of masculinity, and in fact there is no indication in her demeanor of the vinegarish traits of character with which some people have unjustly credited her.

Sidney A. Kent, a prominent board of trade operator in Chicago, has given $150,000 to build a chemical laboratory for the Chicago university.

Notices have been posted in the telegraph offices and other places of business in Victoria, B. C., stating that American silver coin will not be acceptable except at a discount of five per cent. The post office will take the same action.

George Washington is said to have declared toward the end of his life that he never wrote but one poem. "That," said he, "was the name of my first sweetheart, Mary Cary, and she was a poem in herself."

A school of hygiene in connection with the university of Pennsylvania was opened recently.

NOT "TOMBOYS" EITHER.

The Lively Way in Which Many English Girls Amuse Themselves.

There is no rational reason why the American girl cannot imitate her English sisters in their methods of outdoor life and amusements, says an Oxford correspondent. Here in England no form of sport seems debarred from their indulgence or enjoyment. To be sure, it is a question whether one wants one's girls to indulge in every kind of sport and outdoor game. Shooting and hunting have long been practiced by women as well as men in England, but I know some persons who draw the line at cricket.

But why should a girl not play cricket if she choses, as well as tennis? I know a jolly little team of eleven fair maids in Warwickshire who are the envy of half the young men in the county. The moving spirit of the team is a fetching, darkeyed maid, with short, curly brown locks, called Nancy by her family and intimates. A more winsome creature never lived—and mind you she is not the least bit of what is called a "tomboy" in the states. Not a bit of it! Yet Nancy not only plays cricket, but hockey and tennis as well. She can row like a 'varsity man, and a story goes that she was coxswain for a crew in training on the river near her father's country house not so long ago. Then she will give almost any man fifty points at billiards and knows how to handle a thoroughbred almost as well as a professional trainer. And the result? Well about as splendid a sample of physical perfection as it is possible to become. At the same time, I must repeat that Nancy is not the least bit forward or "mannish" in appearance or manner. She has almost as many accomplishments in a drawing-room as in a hunting-field or tennis-court, for she sings exceptionally well, and plays the violin equally so.

There are any number of English girls who possess similar attainments. Could an American girl pursue such a line of amusement to advantage? I doubt it. First of all, she would be at once termed "fast" or "masculine." Her brother would resent it, probably, and her male friends would secretly, if not openly, disapprove of her. Men in the states still adhere, I believe, to a fondness for the clinging class of women. Then, too, the means for indulging in out-door sports to any extent in America are limited. There is no shooting possible, and scarcely any hard riding. Base ball is certainly out of the question, and cricket not as yet popular. Girls in America, as a rule, are too dainty and pretty to tan their faces and blister their soft pink palms with much rowing, to say nothing of our lakes, bays or rivers being hardly desirable sheets of water upon which to spend many hours unprotected.

That is where England again enjoys an advantage over us. Her countless tiny rivers, overhung with foliage and drooping willows, afford a gentle protection for any wandering water nymph in modern life. River life during the summer in England is a portion of every healthy young woman's existence. They even have races and rowing matches, and at Oxford the other day I saw a capital photograph of a six-oared crew made up of young women who are students at Somerville hall, an institution in the famous old university city similar to the Harvard annex. Somerville hall also has its "eleven" team, by the way, and like the students of Lady Margaret hall at Oxford and at Girton and Nuneham at Cambridge it plays in the yearly "anti-university match" at Wimbledon.—Boston Herald.

A Hopeless Case.

Doctor—Madam, your son does not take exercise enough. He must, if possible, lead a less sedentary life. What is his occupation?

The Invalid's Mother—He's a messenger boy.—Brooklyn Life.

—Mary's Method of Multiplying—Sound from the kitchen. Clash-bang-scatter! Sound of weeping—"What will mistress say?" Voice from the parlor—"What are you doing, Mary? Are you trying to increase the dinner set?"—Pharmaceutical Era.

MARKET REPORTS.

KANSAS CITY, March 7.

CATTLE—Shipping steers	$3 50	@	$4 25
Butchers' steers	3 70	@	4 00
Native cows	2 00	@	3 15
HOGS—Good to choice heavy	3 50	@	4 70
WHEAT—No. 2 red	86	@	87
No. 2 hard	80	@	80½
CORN—No. 2	33½	@	35
OATS—No. 2	28½	@	29
RYE—No. 2	77	@	78
FLOUR—Patents, per sack	2 10	@	2 30
Fancy	1 90	@	1 95
HAY—Baled	5 50	@	6.25
BUTTER—Choice creamery	24	@	28
CHEESE—Full cream	9	@	10
EGGS—Choice	12	@	13
BACON—Hams	9	@	11
Shoulders	7	@	7½
Sides	9	@	10
LARD	7½	@	8¼
POTATOES	50	@	60

ST. LOUIS.

CATTLE—Shipping steers	4 00	@	4 50
Butchers' steers	3 00	@	4 05
HOGS—Packing	3 50	@	4 85
SHEEP—Fair to choice	3 80	@	5 00
FLOUR—Choice	3 50	@	4 55
WHEAT—No. 2 red	92	@	92¾
CORN—No. 2	37½	@	37¾
OATS—No. 2	31	@	30½
RYE—No 2	80	@	81
BUTTER—Creamery	25	@	27
PORK	9 25	@	11 37½

CHICAGO.

CATTLE—Shipping steers	4 50	@	4 75
HOGS—Packing and shipping	3 75	@	4 85
SHEEP—Fair to choice	4 40	@	5 60
FLOUR—Winter wheat	4 50	@	4 80
WHEAT—No. 2 red	92	@	92¾
CORN—No. 2	41	@	41½
OATS—No. 2	29	@	29¼
RYE—No. 2	85	@	86
BUTTER—Creamery	23	@	28
PORK	10 50	@	10 65

NEW YORK.

CATTLE—Common to prime	4 50	@	5 10
HOGS—Good to choice	3 90	@	5 50
FLOUR—Good to choice	4 50	@	5 10
WHEAT—No. 2 red	1 04½	@	1 06
CORN—No. 2	49½	@	49¾
OATS—Western mixed	36½	@	38
BUTTER—Creamery	20	@	29
PORK	9 75	@	10 50

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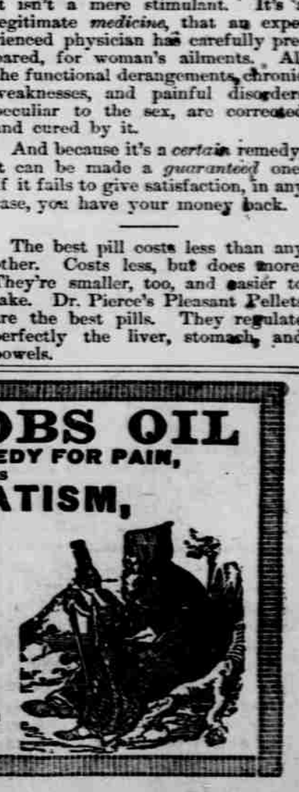
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