

GERMS OF MEMBRANS.

Important Investigation Conducted by Dr. A. B. Kibbe.

DISEASE SHOWN TO BE EPIDEMIC

Bacteriological Examination of Portions of the Infected Brain and Spinal Cord—Wonderful Revelations Under a Microscope Magnifying a Thousand Diameters—Suggestions for Prevention.

Dr. A. B. Kibbe, of this city, has within the last week conducted an important series of investigations in connection with that dread disease, cerebro-spinal meningitis, as a result of which he has found the disease unquestionably epidemic.

After considerable persuasion Dr. Kibbe consented to tell something about these investigations. Although he has probably the most scientific equipment for such work to be found in the Northwest, his modesty and a certain professional reserve make him anything but loquacious to newspaper men.

At the present case, however, it is hardly possible to eliminate the personal element. Dr. Kibbe's name will necessarily be known in connection with the investigations.

The reports of the epidemic of what was supposed to be cerebro-spinal meningitis had reached the ears of the physicians of Seattle, but no definite information was at hand on which to base an opinion as to the correctness of such reports.

No Autopsy Held.

"It was found as a result of the autopsy," said Dr. Kibbe, "that the case was what it had been supposed to be, a very virulent form of epidemic cerebro-spinal meningitis. Specimens were taken for bacteriological examination, and both brain and spinal cord preserved for microscopic examination.

The results of the examination for bacteria showed the presence in relatively large numbers of what is known as the meningococcus, and both brain and spinal cord preserved for microscopic examination.

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and insufficient food, all of which tends to depress the power of resistance to invasion of the system by bacteria. In several of the epidemics in Germany and in the majority of them in France, soldiers were attacked. The only explanation of this is, first, crowding together of large numbers of men, and possibly the severe training which they undergo, tending to impair individual cases the ability to resist disease.

FOR ALLEGED PERJURY.

J. W. Batcher to Be Brought Here From Montana to Stand Trial for a Serious Crime.

What has the appearance of a cleverly laid plot to defeat the ends of justice came to light yesterday morning when Prosecuting Attorney McElroy received a telegram from the public prosecutor of Silverbow, Mont., asking him to secure a warrant charging J. W. Batcher, alias Ed Laney, with perjury, committed in Seattle November 1.

The matter was placed in Deputy Prosecuting Attorney Fulton's hands, and in the afternoon the necessary papers were filed in Justice Austin's court.

When he was asked, "Did Hawkins get anything from you?" he answered as follows: "He didn't get anything but that gun-revolver."

At the trial this deposition, it is supposed, was used, making a strong point for the defense. The state was still very suspicious, but when J. W. Batcher appeared and testified for the defense, presumably to the point that he had seen the gun given to Hawkins, there was a change.

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ACTING FOREMAN KILLED.

H. F. Kline Meets Sudden Death at Franklin.

H. F. Kline, acting foreman of the Pacific Coast Company's coal mine at Franklin, was killed yesterday morning.

DRIBBLED OUTRIGHT.

Sensational Evidence Against Snohomish County Commissioners.

JOHN S. BROWN IS THE WITNESS

Alleges That Hart Conspired to Obtain Land by Promising the Commissioners \$3,000 for Fixing the Estimate of His Improvements at a Sum Far Beyond Their Value—Admits and Evidence.

The further the trial of the Hart-Rucker case in Judge Jacobs' court proceeds, the more sensational becomes the testimony. Yesterday the greater portion of the evidence introduced by the defense tended to show that in 1892 the board of county commissioners of Snohomish county had been bribed outright for \$3,000 to appraise the improvements upon the Rucker land at \$48,000, or about six times what the defendant's witness testified the improvements were worth.

The improvements consisted of a mill and lumber yard, and Hart says Rucker for their value as fixed by the appraisal of the county commissioners. The alleged false appraisal is Rucker's defense to the action.

John S. Brown, the secretary of the Everett Land Company, was the first witness called yesterday, testified in effect that Hart had formed a conspiracy with certain Everett capitalists to obtain the county land upon which his mill was located for a very low price, or to dispose of the mill at a very high price, by promising to pay the county commissioners who were to make the appraisal, \$3,000 for fixing the value of the improvements at a sum far beyond their value.

Mr. Brown's testimony was substantiated by a deposition of Henry H. Hewitt, which was read in evidence, and by the testimony of F. H. Brownell, the attorney for the Everett Land Company, who was also a witness stand nearly all day.

AMONG THE PLAIN DRESS FABRICS.

\$1.50 Spring Coverts will be \$1.00 tomorrow. They come 54 inches wide and are a rare bargain at tomorrow's price, \$1.00 a yard.

THE NEW PLAIDS

Have just arrived. Soon you'll be making them up into ladies' skirts, shirt waists, children's dresses and the like. They range in price from 25c to \$2.50, and include Scotch Plaids, Silk and Wool Plaids, Poplin Plaids and Mohair and Wool Plaids.

NOVELTY DRESS PATTERNS.

We're making a special offering this week of Dress Patterns. There's just enough in each one for a suit, and we have only about 200 suits, so they'll go rapidly. They are mostly small designs and the colorings include the new brooch, greens, browns, tans and grays. Tomorrow we start the sale at \$1.50 a suit.

TAFFETA SILKS.

This season we're selling our Taffeta Silks at 75c a yard. Just the same quality as you can get anywhere for 90c. Many of the new shades cannot be duplicated later. If you need a lining it is to your advantage to get it now.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Suits.

This season crowns all for stylish and elegant tailor-made gowns. More for your money than we have ever given:

Ladies' Tan Covert Suit, fly front jacket, satin lined jacket, and skirt finished in lap seams, skirt percaline lined, velvet bound, at \$10.00.

Ladies' Tailor Made Suit, made of mix covert, in tan and blue, fly front jacket, skirt lined with changeable taffeta, skirt percaline lined and velvet bound, at \$15.00.

Ladies' Tailor Made Suit, in navy serge, blouse front jacket, neatly braided with black braid, skirt percaline lined, velvet bound, at \$15.00.

Ladies' Tailor Made Suit, in new blue broadcloth, fly front jacket, jacket and skirt neatly braided in black mohair braid, skirt percaline lined, velvet bound, at \$15.00.

Silk Capes.

Here's dainty goods—stylish, handsome, dressy, and very, very low in price.

Ladies' Silk Capes, 17 inches long, double box pleated front and back, neatly trimmed over shoulder with chiffon, finished at neck with pleated satin ribbon, at \$7.98.

Ladies' Silk Cape, 17 inches long, double box pleated front and back, neatly trimmed over shoulder with chiffon, finished with satin ribbons and black buttons, at \$14.98.

Ladies' Cape, 17 inches long, made of broadcloth silk, neatly finished with pleated satin ribbon and chiffon, lined with black silk, at \$12.50.

Dress Trimmings.

In this department our stock has been very carefully selected, and we are showing all the latest Parisian novelties, as well as the staple styles.

Laces.

In our Lace Department are all the new things. La Tosca Nets, Point d'Esprit Nets and Drapery Nets of all kinds, as well as Spangle and Jet All-Over, Cut Out Mouseline de Soie, Applique Nets, etc.

Men's Hats and Caps.

Men's Fine All-Wool Golf Caps.

Belts and Buckles.

New line Metal and Jewel Girdles received this week. 60c to \$7.50 each.

New Cut Steel and Jewel Buckles of all kinds.

New Mull, Silk and Net Ties.

The MacDougal & Southwick Co.

This Is an Early Spring, Both in Goods and Weather.

The oldest inhabitant is telling what a wonderfully early spring this is, and the oldest dry goods buyers are saying that never before at so early a date has such a complete and elegant stock of spring goods been displayed in Seattle as we are now showing.

Spring Dress Stuffs.

Tomorrow will be really a most unusual day here for folks who buy their Spring dresses early. We can't make you understand the values until we see you tomorrow.

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MONDAY SPECIALS.

A LINEN HANDKERCHIEF SENSATION. SALE BEGINS AT 9 O'CLOCK.

If you want any Linen Handkerchiefs, or expect to want any during the next six months, it will pay you to visit our store tomorrow.

Ladies' all-linen hemstitched Handkerchiefs, regular value 15c to 25c each, Monday only 9c each. Above are manufacturers' seconds, and while some of them are slightly damaged, there are more that are not. Worth double the special price. There are only 120 dozen of them.

Ladies' all-linen scalloped and embroidered Handkerchiefs, regular price 25c to 35c each, Monday only 19c each.

Ladies' all-linen hemstitched and embroidered Handkerchiefs, regular price 25c to 35c, Monday only 19c.

SPECIAL—MONDAY ONLY. Writing Tablets, note size, 5c; worth 10c each. Writing Tablets, letter size, 5c; worth 10c each.

TOOTH POWDER FREE.

At Toilet Article Counter this week, or as long as it lasts, we will give away one bottle of Colgate's Dental Powder with each and every tooth brush sold at 15c or above.

SPECIAL SALE OF LADIES' BROCADED SILK AND SATIN DRESS SKIRTS.

We will place on sale Monday morning a new line of Ladies' Silk and Satin Tailor-Made Skirts in a great variety of patterns, in the 1898 latest effects.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Skirt, made of black brocaded gros grain silk, in a large variety of patterns, percaline lined, velvet bound, at \$6.98.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Skirt, made of heavy brocaded satin, in a large variety of patterns, percaline lined, velvet bound, \$9.00.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Skirts, made of very handsome brocaded silk, in a large variety of patterns, percaline lined, with two ruffles of changeable taffeta, velvet bound, at \$11.00.

Ladies' Tailor-Made Skirt, made of handsome brocaded silk, in a great variety of patterns, lined throughout with a fine quality of changeable taffeta, velvet bound, at \$15.00.

HOUSE-FURNISHING DEPARTMENT.

FOR MONDAY ONLY—No. 7 Copper Boilers, \$1.48; No. 8 Copper Boilers, \$1.57; No. 9 Copper Boilers, \$1.75. Cornet Iron-Frame Wringer, \$1.10; Seattle Wood-Frame Wringer, \$1.33.

More New Shoes for Our Shoe Section.

This time they are for the Misses and Children, in both tan and black, with toes and front lace. They are fine Shoes for little money. Note the prices:

Misses' Black Dongola, Front Lace, Coin Toe, Patent Tip, 11 to 2, B to E, \$1.50.

Same in Children's, 8 to 10 1/2, \$1.25.

Misses' Fine Tan Kid Bals, Coin Toe, Tan Patent Leather Tip, to match the leather, something new and a very dressy young ladies' shoe, \$1.75, sizes 11 to 2, A to E.

Same in Children's, 8 to 10 1/2, \$1.50. These Shoes must be seen to be appreciated. They will be on our display tables next week.

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Ladies' Corsets.

We wish to call particular attention to our \$1.00 Corset, in either black or gray. For shape and durability it has no equal.

Hair Ornaments.

A new, large and complete line of Side Combs, both in real shell and imitation, also ample in the Swiss shell, in a variety of designs; Pompadour Combs, imitation shell, 35c to 75c each.

Wash Dress Goods.

New line of Percales, the newest designs in light colorings, at 35c and 12 1/2c. New line of Dress Ginghams, light colors, neat patterns, at 12 1/2c.

Our stock of Cheap, Medium and High-grade Fancy Wash Dress Goods will be found very complete; many new goods have arrived during the past week.

Linen Department.

Of special interest to hotels and restaurants. We carry a superior grade of Heavy German Damask, pure linen, made especially for hotel and restaurant use, with Napkins to match if desired.

No. 1 Grade—62 inches wide, very heavy Damask, at 75c; no better to be found at 80c.

No. 2 Grade—Extra heavy Damask, full 56 inches wide, good value at \$1.00, special next week at 85c.

105 dozen Napkins, heavy weight, all pure flax, at \$1.50 per dozen.

100 dozen Fringed Huck Towels, special value, at \$1.25 per dozen.

50 dozen Huck Towels, fringed, large size, special value, \$1.98 per dozen.

New Millinery.

The new Millinery is coming in daily. We are showing the very latest styles in walking Hats and Sailors, in flowers and materials. Each line is correct and new.

Our entire Millinery stock was purchased in the New York market by the head milliner, therefore each style is unquestionably up to date.

Ladies' Sweaters.

We have just received a very fine line of Ladies' All Wool Sweaters, made especially for Alaska and Athletic use, in French gray, cardinal, scarlet, tan, brown, navy, black and green, at \$3.98.

Ladies' Bustles.

We have in stock a complete line of bustles and Hip Pads in both wire and curled hair, at 35c, 50c, 65c and 75c.

We also carry the Wire and Tampico Pads from 50c to \$1.00.

Drapery Department.

We are now showing our new line of Curtains and Draperies for the spring season. The selection is much larger and more complete than ever before shown.

We will be pleased to have you call and examine them. A few specials for Monday which are worth securing: 36-inch Figured Cretonne, 18c yard.

Figured and Striped Golden Drapery Cloth, 12 1/2c yard.

Tapestry Portieres, six different colors, 50 inches wide, 2 1/2 yards long, in the latest patterns, \$3.00 pair.

Nottingham Lace Curtains, 48 inches wide, 3 yards long, in white and ecru, 75c pair.

These goods formerly sold for double the price.

Embroideries.

We have never shown so large and popular priced lines and such beautiful patterns in Embroideries as we are showing this season.

Our first purchases were more than three times our last year's purchases, but our early sales have been much larger than ever before, and many of the newest and best designs are being rapidly closed out.

Come in and look over the stock, even if you do not want to buy now.

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Ladies' and Children's Hosiery.

Everything in this stock in Ladies' and Children's Fancy Cotton and Knee Thread Hose is fresh and bright, and have been very carefully selected from the very best European productions.

Ladies' Fancy Top Hose, 50c, 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 to \$2.50 pair.

Ladies' Fancy Top Hose, with black boot, 35c, 50c, 75c pair.

Ladies' Fancy Top Opera Hose, black boot, 75c, \$1.25 pair.

Ladies' Black Opera Hose, 50c to 75c pair.

Ladies' Cotton Hose in all the new shades of brown, tan, green, blue, cardinal, etc., 35c to 75c pair.

Children's Fancy Top Hose, 50c to 75c pair.

Boys' Clothing.

Knee Trousers, 4 to 16 years, in black, navy blue and fancy all-wool chevrons, with excellent waistbands, the 75c sort, only 25c.

Corduroy Knee Trousers, suitable for school or dress, the \$1.25 kind, only \$1.00.

Boys' Middy Small Check All-Wool Cheviot Suit, with cloth reversible collar, silk embroidery, shirt \$3 to vest and Windsor Tie to match, price \$3.99, sizes 3 to 8 years.

Boys' Middy Fancy All-Wool Cheviot Suit, with home-run linen collar and combination vest, pearl buttons on coat and vest, price \$4.50, sizes 2 to 8 years.

Boys' Middy All-Wool Fancy Cheviot Suit, with vest and sailor collar, braid trimmed, very neat, price \$2.50, sizes 3 to 8.

Boys' Ironclad Double-Breasted Jacket and Pants Suits, all-wool fancy chevrons, trousers with double knees of cloth and reinforced seats, excellent waistbands and buttons for suspenders, tailored and cut right, price \$4.00, sizes 8 to 16.

Boys' Indestructible All-Wool Cheviot Double-Breasted Jacket and Knee Pants Suits. The fabric is the same grade used by tailors in men's high-class suits, the linings and workmanship the best that exclusive boys' tailors use. Price \$5.00, sizes 8 to 16.

With every Boy's Suit we give you a choice of Athletic Goods displayed in window.