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AROUND THE HUB. There was no mistaking popular sentiment on the question of the bill which has just passed the legislature and become a law. The sentiment was so completely in one direction that there was not even an attempt to debate the question.

Less than ten years ago the richest man just across the river in Somerville, worth at least \$8,000,000, and one of the richest men in Boston was Charles H. North.

You will recall the case of Francis Truth, the self-styled "divine healer," who swindled people all over the Union until he was brought to book.

The news here of the death of Mrs. Annie Perin, wife of Rev. G. L. Perin, pastor of the Every Day Church, cast a gloom over many families.

It is high praise in these days of official corruption that comes to certain of Boston's officials by the way of Chicago. I have told you before of the most prominent feature of our subway here—that it was built "way inside the appropriation."

How quickly the Boston gain "tumbles" to a situation was shown this week when a 10-year old specimen of humanity knocked his companion of the same age into the middle of the dusty street.

HE WANTS BLOOD.

Eise Kwan, the War God, Will Send Plagues.

First Boxer Proclamation—Provincial Governors Openly Join Forces With Prince Tuan—News of Disension Among Powers—London Standard Says China Has Declared War on Civilization, and Plunged Into Conflict With Gladst Freng.

London, July 19.—The first Boxer proclamation has made its appearance in Shanghai. It declares that Kwan, the war god, desires the blood of foreigners, and threatens to punish if the Boxer tenets are not followed and spread.

The governors of the provinces of Hu Nan, Hu Pei and Ho Nan have now openly joined Prince Tuan, and are marching overland with the emperor's army.

Such a step would be greatly resented by England. Still more alarming news has been conveyed to The Daily Express from Tokio, to the effect that the apparent refusal of Germany to consent to a Japanese commander for the army corps has led the Japanese government to delay the forwarding of the division already mobilized.

The Standard, in an alarmist editorial, says: "It is useless any longer to hide from ourselves the fact that China has declared war on civilization, and has plunged into the conflict with rabid fanaticism."

A special correspondent of The Daily Express at Tien Tsin contrasts the "splendid work and perfect equipment of the Japanese with the inadequate numbers of the British, German and American contingents, which are terribly lacking in the most obvious necessities."

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The Day's Labor Notes. Springfield, Mass., July 16.—The national executive committee of the Social Democratic party met here Sunday and elected William Butcher of New York city secretary and Samuel Jones of Springfield treasurer.

A NEW TICKET.

'Choice of Evils' Abjured by Antis of Both Kinds.

Cannot Stand McKinley and Imperialism nor Bryan and 10 to 1—'Every Election Multiplies Voters Who Become Independents by Revolt'—The Platform—League of Republican Clubs at St. Paul Placed Issue, Heartily in Favor of the Administration—Middle West Will Be Field of Activity for Republican Party—Notes.

New York, July 19.—A number of gold Democrats and Anti-Imperialists met in this city last night to discuss the methods of bringing a third party ticket before the public.

Thomas M. Osborn of Auburn was made chairman and Isaac Klein, secretary. Mr. Osborn explained that the meeting was called to put a third ticket in the hands of the candidates.

On the one side is Mr. McKinley, who, by his weak and vacillating conduct, has involved this country in a war of consequence.

On the other side is Mr. Bryan, the man who at the crucial moment used his influence to confirm the Paris treaty and thus ratified the imperialism which he now denounces.

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Kingston, Jam., July 19.—After medical inspection nearly one-half the militia who volunteered for service in Ashanti were rejected. The physique of the West Indian militia is away below the American and British standards.

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BOSTON WHOLESALE MARKETS.

To make the appended quotations of value alike to buyer and seller, the resume of the market, preceding the quotations, should be read as a market of this character.

The local butter, cheese and egg markets remain practically unchanged in price.

CORNMEAL—Market is steady at \$1.00 per bushel. Bran, 22¢; middling, 22¢; white, 22¢; yellow, 22¢; red, 22¢.

POULTRY—Trade quiet, with market steady. Western turkeys, 16¢; chickens, 16¢; ducks, 16¢; geese, 16¢.

CHICKENS—Market is steady, with a quiet demand. Northern, 16¢; western, 16¢; southern, 16¢.

GRAVEYARD INSURANCE. Serious Charge Entered Against Pawtucket Citizens. Pawtucket, R. I., July 19.—Dr. Michael W. Kelleher, who has been indicted for the murder of a woman, was arrested Wednesday night by Detective Haberlin, on the charge of fraud in securing money on a life insurance policy.

Prime Favorites Went Wrong. Detroit, July 19.—The biggest stake of the harness racing season, the Merchants' race, was held at 1:30 this morning.

St. Paul, July 19.—At yesterday's meeting, a great excitement among the score or more of occupants. Suspicious points to the fact that a woman, 45 years of age, employed there as a cook.

What Fire Did Yesterday. Worcester, Mass., July 16.—Fire broke out at the Hotel Stoughton at 11:30 p.m. on Sunday morning.

INDIAN CRADLE SONG.

Swing thee low in thy cradle soft, Deep in the dusky wood, Singing as a purpose should.

The coyote howls on the prairie cold, And the owl hoots in the tree.

As if slumbering flames on the little child, So swing thee low in thy little nest, And swing thee low and take the rest.

THE FATHER LIES ON THE fragrant ground, Dreaming of the hunt and fight; And the pine-needles rustle with an awful sound.

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CONDENSED NEWS. George Chance, well known as a labor leader, died at Philadelphia, aged 57.

Chicago, July 19.—Secretary Walsh of the national Democratic committee has given official sanction to the plan of nominating to notify the Democratic presidential and vice presidential candidates.

By direction of the president the island of Samar, Philippine archipelago, now a part of the department of the Visayas, has been transferred to the department of southern Luzon.

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A BRAVE STRUGGLE.

BY EDWARD S. ELLIS.

DAVID MORGAN settled upon the Monongahela river, more than a hundred years ago, and erected his cabin in the wilderness.

He had been a splendid type of the pioneer stalwart, powerful, active, and an unerring shot with the rifle, but he was now 70 years of age.

MORGAN was wretched in his theory, for common report placed the red man so far to the west that it looked unreasonable to count upon their venturing into this neighborhood.

One morning, Morgan, having sent two of his children to do some work in a neighboring field, became uneasy over their long absence, and started in quest of them.

Another frightful disadvantage under which the old man was laboring was the woods through which he was running, consisting of thin scattered trees nearly all of which were of small size to afford shelter.

At this day, it is hard to say whether his next proceeding was a ruse or not; but when he saw the front efforts of the Indians to hide behind the "sleek, slim saplings" he raised his rifle and aimed away. From that point forward one of the noble red-men failed to display any interest in the proceedings.

The survivor, instead of showing enough courage to wait until Morgan could reload his piece, immediately sprang from shelter and advanced upon the pioneer, with the evident purpose of disposing of him before he could reload.

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ROBIN A CONVICT'S PELO.

A big, red-breasted robin sleeps in a cell at Sing Sing prison every night.

The robin was caught early in the spring, when the convict was put to work outside the north prison walls.

The taming of birds had been the life work of the convict, so it was not long before the bird answered his every call.

Now the robin and the convict are inseparable. The bird follows the man to his cell at night and perches on his book-shelf until morning.

When the convict matches off to work the bird goes with him, perched on his hand, and remains nearby until the day's work is over.

THE EXTENT OF HIS ACTIVITY. "Your Charlie seems to be an active little fellow, Dan. Dobbs."

"Active? I put a clean shirt waist on him, and in five minutes he makes it look as if he had worn it a week."

INDIANAN JOURNAL. The stock of the rifle was shattered upon a stonewall skull, and the edge of the tomahawk, looking against the barrel of the piece, after cutting two fingers from Morgan's left hand.

Without any delay, the red man reached down to draw his knife, when Morgan, with a view of preventing it, grappled and threw him to the ground.