WAKEMAN'S TRAVELS.

A Pleasant Trip From Palma to Malta on a Maltese Brigantine.

A TYPICAL TUNISIAN MERCHANT.

Marvelous Morning Scene in the Beautiful Harbor of Valetta.

SOME VERY PRETTY PEN PICTURES

(CORRESPONDENCE OF THE DISPATCH.)

VALETTA, MALTA, Feb. 18.—The Latin races dwelling to the north of the Mediterranean and all those of Oriental extraction to the south and east, look upon the English occupation of the island of Malta and the two contiguous lesser islands of Comino and Gozo in much the same spirit as they regard the occupation of Gibraltar by the English.

That is in an evil and vengeful spirit. The fact could have had no clearer illustration than in the sentiments expressed by the Captain of the coaster upon which I made my way from Majorca to Malta, and by the only other passenger besides myself upon the odd little brigantine upon which we sailed.

My companion passenger came aboard at Tunis, where we touched to land Majorcan wine, making up our part cargo of wine for Malta with Tunisian hides and wheat in curious little brown sacks which were tied in the middle and stowed away in the hold criss-cross, as you would lay dumb-bells each upon the other.

Our crew comprised six half naked and barefooted Maltese sailors, with cotton trowsers, crimson scarfs certainly 30 feet long wound about their waists, ugly sheath-knives in these, and no other clothing whatever save tiny tasseled caps resting jauntily upon the crisp and curly hair of their hard little heads. They were little, wiry fellows, the best sailors in the world, it is said, with snapping, beady eyes, sharp, short noses, thick lips, splendid teeth, and altogether as merry and sunny-natured a lot as you could find sailing upon any sea.

A Family Like Ninepins.

The Captain was of Spanish extraction and Maltese birth. He had been a fisherman of Valetta; had saved his money; had got an education at the free English schools of Malta; and from the vocation of port pilot had come to own the craft which he commanded. In his little cabin were many good books, both in Spanish and English, and his surroundings in his tiny sea home were so pleasant, and certainly more evident of education, refinement and good taste than you will often find in cabins of the most pretentious American sailing vessels.

His wife, Teresa, and nine children, the latter grading in size from an infant in arms to a lad of 11 as regularly as a set of ten pins, and nearly as naked, cooked for and waited upon us, lending a hand at light seamen's duties whenever required with wonderful agility, adding pleasantly to the picturesqueness of the every-day life of the tiny vessel, and providing those blessedest of all sounds at sea, the voice of woman and the prattle of children, ceaseless, tuneful and winsome as ever make melodic the sunniest home of city, hamlet or vale.

Not the least picturesque object on board our brigantine was our other passenger, who with the dried hides, which he resembled in visage, had been taken on at Tunis. He was a Tunisian merchant trading between Tunis and Malta. We all treated him with much consideration because his flowing robes and white burnoose, which took up a good deal of room, gave this otherwise measly looking man a most important appearance, and, unconsciously, I presume, because he owned the hides and wheat. Then, too, he was very bland and agreeable, a peculiarity of all Moslems when they are found one mile away from home.

The Mediterranean's Gammons.

You will notice this characteristic if you travel much about the Mediterranean. In their own homes, streets and shops there are no more imperiously grave, imperturbable and sodden humans than Turk, Arab and Moor. But let them once turn their faces toward Christian ports and profit, and their manner and bearing at once change. They seem to have suddenly become ready-greased with graciousness for all trade and social exigencies. Their striking habiliments no longer comport with their reputed dignity of character. The bags on their heads and their ample robes and sandals suggest the harlequin. Neither Yankees nor Hebrews are a match for them in the subtle shufflings and diplomacies of trade. In fact they are the "Oily Gammons" of the Mediterranean.

In the long, languorous days and glowing evenings of our lazy sailing they were both, the Maltese captain and the Tunisian merchant, more to me than weeks of desultory meetings of their kind in their own lands. They were both intelligent companionable, and both spoke English fluently. Their true feelings and opinions came gradually and surely out of the confidential companionship sea voyages universally impel. They represented, in heredity, education and feeling the implacable and endless religious and race war between the people of the Crescent and the Cross. The forefathers of each had doubtless been slain defending the banners of one or the other. They typified Christian Europe pitted against Infidel Africa and Asia.

But all race and religious hatred was blent in a common hatred of the English masters of Malta.

The Greed of Gold in the Heart.

To reach the sentimental reason of this I constantly espoused the English cause. To the Maltese captain I pointed out his own successful career, and reminded him delicately that he would have remained an ignorant and impoverished fisherman but for this very English rule which he resented.

"Si, si, senor," he would sadly reply; "but I would not have had the devil of greed set to work in my heart. I am now more hungry for a great ship than I was at first for a little felucca."

"But has not the condition of your 150,000 fellow countrymen of the islands been vastly improved?"

"My fellow countrymen grieve over the passing away of the old things they loved. A little higher wall to one's patch of ground, another room or two added to one's home, a little more finery in one's ears or on one's back, or a little more coin clinking between the fingers, do not make peasant folk better or happier. They cannot become like their masters. They learn only to envy them and to be ashamed of themselves and each other. I would give my brigantine and all but—but Teresa and the ninas (children)," the captain would conclude with an indescribably pathetic and loving gesture of protective fondness, which included all the romping curly heads on shipboard, "to live in a hut by the shore and see the red-coats no more forever!"

The grief of my Tunisian fellow passenger was of a different sort, though it was none the less real and poignant; but it was mitigated also by the fanatical belief that some time the Mussulman faith and folk will prevail and rule all lands.

Profit Under Pious Pretense.

"Christian pillage and despoilation," he would feelingly say, "have been the real motive of every so-called holy crusade and expedition against us whom you call infidels, but who alone worship the one true God. The English have profited greatest by conquest under cover of pious pretense."

I called his attention to the fact that, with the exception of England's quasi occupation of Egypt to secure payment of moneys advanced by English capitalists in connection with the Suez Canal scheme, and the recent establishment of a trading post at Cape Juby, on the West Morocco coast, Great Britain did not claim to possess or hold a foot of soil to which any Mussulman race had the slightest possible hereditary right.

"Ah, but Gibraltar!—Malta!"

This would be uttered in passionate exclamation and with his face as hateful as a fiend's.

"They were once ours, with Andulus, and gave us the empire of all Africa and supremacy upon the Mediterranean."

"Surely, but only through invasion and butchery," I replied, harrying him a little. "Simply for pillage the Berber invader, Tarik, took Gibraltar and overran Southern Spain in 711; with the same purpose your Berber ancestors, in 798, took possession of and held the Balearic Islands for 450 years; and about 1,000 years ago you seized and held Malta until the Normans dispossessed you. Moslem rights were not deprived by your expulsion from lands where you did not belong."

Barbary Cut Into Pieces.

"But our imperial Barbary is cut into pieces. We are no more a mighty people. Our temples and our treasures are gone!" he passionately retorted.

"So are your pirates and slaves;" I persisted unfeelingly. "Those are the sort of things civilization will never again tolerate. It will never disturb an earnest and zealous religion; but it will surely eventually extirpate any religion or race that deprives the lowliest of its followers and people, men or women, of equal justice."

He would not dwell upon this implied contrast between Christianity and Mohamedanism, but continually bewailed the English possession of Gibraltar and Malta as a menace to all Oriental supremacy, and the direct cause, or permissible cause, of the dismemberment and appropriation of Northern Africa by Spain, Italy and France. He admitted that its development especially in Tunis, Tripoli and Algeria had been marvelous within the last quarter of a century; that Gibraltar and Malta in the hands of the English guaranteed permanent and peaceful trade with all Mediterranean countries by the fleets of the whole world; and even confessed that without this very English strategic supremacy in the Mediterranean his own safety with his hides and wheat, in transit from Tunis to any neighboring port, would be extremely problematic if not altogether improbable.

In such unusual converse with these strange folk the voyage from Palma to Malta was passed. I was often able to lead the momentary topic from Moors to Maltese, and thus secured much valuable information concerning the real as well as the sentimental condition of the latter.

Brethren to a Man.

It was a curious thing, too, to learn from the Tunisian that the peasantry of Malta were more Berber and Arab races than of Greek, Italian and Spanish. By all affinities, save the one of religion, he claimed them as brethren to a man. In their customs, superstitions and many of their home-side ways, as well as in nearly all methods, or rather want of method, in agriculture they are, he claimed, precisely like the Berber tribe farmers in the vallevs behind Tunis and Algiers. But more striking than all else, in proof that the Maltese were his kindred, was his claim which I have since found to be true, that while nearly all spoke a sort of English, Italian or Spanish patois, every one could at any moment cross into Northern Africa and converse with the natives in a measurably pure Arabic tongue.

"We are at Malta, senor. Would you look upon sleeping Valetta from the sea in the early morning?"

Such was the cheery call of our Captain as we approached the most famous island of the Mediterranean. When I reached the deck our craft lay a league distant from port, almost imperceptibly moving toward the white island and whiter city over a rippleless sea, with sails scarcely filled by the faintest of breezes which merely whispered of the morning; for the sun seemed to stand a tremendous globe of crimson on the sea horizon, away over there between Greece and Crete.

My eyes never before beheld so transcendent and radiant a scene. The whole bosom of the sea seemed enveloped in a downy mantle of pearl, gold and crimson, which, lying low upon the water, showed countless matchless changes of color, and possessed the added marvelous effect of lifting all discernable objects to an unwonting altitude.

Our brigantine, with other craft here and there about us, appeared to ride upon an opalescent, intangible yet palpable surface of softly flaming cloud. Though Sicily lay 60 miles to the north, its shore-line, lifted vertically, and not in mirage, showed strangely near, with the huge cone of Ætna like a spear-head of silver above.

A Beautiful Pen Picture.

But where are the words with which to paint for another's seeing the island and its ancient city of the Knights as they rose out of the pulsing, throbbing tints of that glorious morning witchery? If one could dream that the gods had transformed the sea into a bed of cameo rose, and, through cycles of time, with their most cunning artificers wrought it into miracles of filigree, and then chiseled upon it a white relief of the island's area, whose wondrous design had culminated in outlines and detail of massive grandeur and matchless simplicity where the city of fortresses and palaces stood, a vague hint of this morning scene could come with the dreaming and seeming.

And on this morning as we slowly glided into the eastern of the two ports, and the ideal gradually resolved into the real, the mind, following the imagery of the cameo, its setting, and those who wrought, loved to linger on the thought that those who had built had left their miracle of labor silent and still, as a ghostly and stately housing for all who came. Utter silence brooded over the vast bleached battlements. Escarpments, terraces, bastions, entablatures and huge flat roofs were lifeless and still. The shipping was flagless, apparently crewless, and still as though graven from onyx into the picture. Not an oar stirred the mirroring harbor. Not more still or pregnant with mystery is the Lybian Sphinx than was every strange object upon which the eye might rest. Not a thing having life stirred or was visible, save when our craft swung around and tugged gently at her anchor, the rays of the sun, shooting over Vittoriosa's ramparts, struck like golden spears upon St. Elmo's bastions. They routed a myriad drowsy jackdaws, which rose in flocks and hoarsely screamed. This was our only welcome to Malta and impregnable Valletta.

EDGAR L. WAKEMAN.

From the Press.

Of all the remedies that have ever come under our notice, claiming to cure headache from whatever cause, we take pleasure in saying that we know of none that in our estimation is as beneficial for the quick and permanent cure of the above complaint as Krause's Headache Capsules, which are manufactured by the well-known family chemist, Norman Lichty, of Des Moines, Ia. Krause's Headache Capsules are guaranteed to cure headache from whatever cause, and we cheerfully advise those of the retail trade who have never kept the above valuable goods in stock, to order a supply at once from their wholesale druggists, or address the proprietors as above.—The Druggists' Record, Baltimore. TTSSU

A Suggestion.

We wish to make a suggestion to persons troubled with rheumatism. Try a few applications of Chamberlain's Pain Balm. If that does not bring relief, dampen a piece of flannel with the Pain Balm and bind it on over the seat of pain. The first application is almost sure to relieve the pain, and by its continued use many severe cases have been permanently cured. Fifty cent bottles for sale by druggists. TTSSU

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THE STARS IN MARCH.

Astronomical Spring Time Will Soon Be in the Ascendency.

SIZES OF THE HEAVENLY BODIES.

Intensely Heated Vapors on the Visible Surface of the Sun.

THE MOVEMENTS OF ALL THE PLANETS

The sun enters the sign Aries on March 19 at 10 P. M., says the New York *Times*. The vernal equinox then takes place, the astronomical spring begins, and the days and nights are equal all over the globe.

This last assertion must, however, be taken with qualifications. Such would be the case if it were not for refraction, which lengthens the day from four to eight minutes, at the expense of the night. When the sun's disk is really below the horizon, to us it has the appearance of having risen, sunrise being thus accelerated from two to four minutes. The reverse takes place at sunset, the sun being visible for a few minutes after his disk is below the horizon. Refraction, therefore, adds a few minutes of precious sunlight to the short winter days.

The visible surface of the sun is entirely formed of intensely heated vapors, and one might almost say that the sun spots, about which so much has been said and written, are holes by which we can look through the brilliant surface to the interior and darker parts. Sometimes the spots close up and fresh ones open elsewhere. There have been times when the whole surface of the sun has been mottled over in this way, and most wonderfully shaped structures have been noticed. The enormous group of sun spots now visible measures many thousands of square miles, and the disturbed area has been unprecedented in extent, though perhaps not in activity, for a number of years.

Phases of the March Moon.

The March phases of the moon begin with the quartering of the new moon that came in yesterday, on the 5th; there is full moon on the 13th, last quarter on the 21st, and new moon on the 28th. This evening the moon and Jupiter are in conjunction, and on Tuesday Venus and the moon. To-morrow evening Luna will be midway between the two planets, and, although the fine tableau presented four weeks ago will not be equaled, still they will be well worth looking at.

On the 4th Neptune and the moon will be at their closest for the month, but neither this meeting, nor that on the 1st day of April, has any particular merit, as there are more than three degrees of declination separating the two.

On the 13th Saturn and the moon come within a degree and a half of each other, followed by Uranus on the 16th, which latter is the nearest that the moon approaches any of the planets. Mars' turn comes on the 21st, the day of the quartering of the waning moon; Jupiter again on the 27th, Mercury on the 29th, and Venus closes the monthly list by being honored with a second visit.

Though the moon is so close to us when its distance is compared with that of other objects in space, yet when we express its distance in ordinary units it is a very long way off—about 240,000 miles; a length nearly as great as that of all the railways in the world put together. If you were to wrap a thread ten times around the equator of the earth, it would be long enough to stretch from the earth to the moon.

How Cities Would Look Up There.

Suppose that there was a mighty city like this metropolis on the moon, with huge buildings and teeming thousands of people, fine parks and great rivers. Of all these things, our unaided eye would show us hardly anything. Suppose that we made a tiny model of our surroundings, so that the streets, the bridge, the buildings, the elevated roads and so forth were in their true proportions. If this miniature city were so small that it could stand on a postage stamp and it were put on the other side of the table or on the other side of the room or the other side of the street, the most prominent structure would have ceased to be distinguishable; but yet the distance is not nearly great enough. We should have to put our little model fully half a mile away before it would be in the right position to illustrate the appearance of a lunar metropolis to the unaided vision.

Venus is evening star. The queen of the stars is, during the month, peerless among the planetary family. She is growing larger and increasing in brilliancy, being now only about one-fourth the size that she will be in July. She is also getting further and further away from the sun, toward the point of greatest easterly elongation, which will be reached toward the close of April. As her backward journey toward the sun will occupy her fully two months, we shall have her presence as evening star until summer has well begun. The rapid movement that she is making to the northward will lengthen her stay above the horizon and give us a fine opportunity to observe her.

Who could imagine when he saw Jupiter and Venus so close together as they were during their conjunction that the giant planet was so very much larger than his charming mate? If we take Venus to be a ball of about one inch in diameter, then we shall in that ratio have to consider Jupiter the size of a pumpkin. The distance separating the two may be somewhat better impressed upon our minds by comparison with known points about the city.

Saturn Once More Is Prominent.

Had it not been for the greater interest that the two planets already mentioned have recently attracted, the place of honor for the month should, perhaps, have been assigned to Saturn—for, while Jupiter fades from sight, Saturn once more becomes prominent—as he is in opposition on the 16th, or at a distance of 180° from the sun, and changes from a morning to an evening star. If not as brilliant in the east in the early evening as Venus is in the west, he has the advantage over his fair rival of being visible long after she has sunk below the western horizon.

His rings are now in a far better position for our observation than they were, and to those who have access to a telescope a study of those wonderful circles and outer circles might, in view of the present discussions that are taking place, be of considerable interest for the purpose of discovering any possible accompanying fringes.

Mars is morning star. Rising some four or five hours ahead of the sun, he gradually widens the interval separating the two, and on the 29th is in quadrature, or 90° away from the sun. His size and brilliancy are both perceptibly increasing, and in midsummer his ruddy disk will be one of the most conspicuous of the heavenly bodies.

Mercury Too Close to the Sun.

Mercury is far too near the sun for us to see him, as he is in superior conjunction with that luminary on the 6th, emerging therefrom to encounter Jupiter some six days later, as the latter is about to be enfolded in Old Sol's warm embrace. Mercury revolves in a path which lies inside that of Venus, and it is, therefore, nearer to the sun. Indeed, it is generally so close to the sun that it cannot be seen at all. Like every other planet, Mercury is lighted by the sun's rays, and shows phases in the telescope just as the moon does. Though so hard to find, Mercury was discovered so long ago that all authentic record is lost of who the discoverer was.

Uranus is in the constellation of the Virgin—about 2° south of Spica, which is a bright, first magnitude star, the most brilliant of the group. Uranus is in conjunction with the moon on the 16th, the two being only about a diameter of the moon apart, so that one can form on that night a fairly good idea of the planet's whereabouts, the latter being to the southward. Then, if one looks about four diameters of the moon to the northward he can see Spica. With these to help, one can select other stars, in triangles or other geometrical figures, in the immediate vicinity to aid one in finding Uranus, who moves so slowly that his general position for some time to come can readily be ascertained.

THE KIDNAPERS SENTENCED.

One Gets Four Years and Weeps, While the Other Two Are Unmoved.

BRIDGEPORT, March 4.—*[Special.]*—Judge Hall, in Superior Court to-day, sentenced Charles T. Waterbury, Samuel Sutherland and John McCann the self-confessed kidnapers of 8-year-old Ward Waterbury, of Stamford. For Waterbury and Sutherland the punishment was four years each in the State prison, while the sentence of McCann was for two years, the minimum penalty. State Attorney Fessenden has been considering the matter of granting extradition papers to the New York authorities for the trial of the prisons in that State.

He found that Sutherland, who was one of the promoters of the kidnaping plot, would escape punishment if the requisition papers from New York State were honored as he had not participated in the crime inside the State only. As the sentence was pronounced Waterbury covered his face and wept. The others remained indifferent. The prisoners all three pleaded guilty by the advice of their counsel, Judge Lockwood.

GOVERNOR CURTIN'S relations to Lincoln by Colonel A. K. McClure in THE DISPATCH to-morrow.

A DAKOTA COLONIST MISSING.

Mrs. Amy Gillig, of London, Disappears After Getting Her Divorce Papers.

YANKTON, S. D., March 4.—Mrs. Amy Gillig, wife of Charles A. Gillig, President of Gillig's United States Exchange, London, is missing, and her attorneys in Yankton and London can get no trace of her. She obtained a divorce from her husband in November and then went to New York to be gone four weeks, leaving her lawyer a number of registered letters, and anxious inquiry is made for her from London.

She left money on deposit. Her household furniture and wearing apparel were also here. She was accompanied by her child and maid, the latter intending to go back to England. The last heard from her was December 1. She wrote from New York requesting her mail forwarded to the general delivery, and stating she would return to Yankton in a few days. Foul play is feared.

LENTEN thoughts by the Rev. George Hodges in THE DISPATCH to-morrow.

LATE NEWS IN BRIEF.

—The latest gold excitement is at La Junta, Col.

—Milwaukee Democrats are booming Senator Plumb for the Presidency.

—The Baltimore Methodist Conference is against the admission of women delegates—57 to 136.

—The first of the trials at Springfield, Kan., of the murderers of Sheriff Dunn has ended in acquittal.

—The Nebraska Supreme Court has decided that pencil marks on Australian ballots are legal.

—Rev. J. M. Laird has been suspended from the Methodist ministry at Gillespie, Ill., for blackmail.

—Leopold Hartman, wanted in New York for defrauding creditors, has been arrested and held at Liverpool.

—Seven Conservatives and two Liberals have been elected to Parliament in the province of Quebec without opposition.

—The Halske Electric Company, the largest in the world, will locate in Chicago and operate branches throughout the State.

—At a meeting of the Memphis City Council Thursday night, a resolution was unanimously adopted inviting Senator Hill to visit Memphis on his Southern tour.

—Chicagoans are still speculating over the mysterious purchase of "L" road property. The latest rumor is that a mammoth retail drygoods house will arise on the site.

—Charles N. Ayers, of Detroit, who was shot by his wife Wednesday, died in the hospital Thursday afternoon. Mrs. Ayers is prostrated in her cell in the Central station.

—Joseph Bork, one of the largest and best known real estate dealers in Buffalo, N. Y., is financially embarrassed, and a number of suits for foreclosure of mortgages have been begun.

—Residents of Nogales, Ariz., and settlers in the vicinity have organized a protective association to fight the Cameron grant title, which embraces about 25,000 acres on the American side of the line, including the town of Nogales.

—Judge Otis, at St. Paul, has heard arguments in a suit to test the power of the State Oil Inspector and the liabilities of persons and companies dealing in illuminating oils. The Standard Oil Company is directly interested. A decision will soon be announced.

—R. J. Drohan, a habitual criminal, and George E. Wells, alias Williams, who were serving sentences, escaped from the State prison at Charleston, Mass., yesterday morning. They sawed through some bars with a saw made from a clock spring.

—Dr. Nathaniel Ware Hawes, indicted at Boston for alleged tampering with grand jurymen, appeared with counsel of his own accord before the United States Court yesterday. He was arraigned, pleaded not guilty and was held in $3,000, which was at once furnished.

—The German steamer California, from Hamburg, which arrived at New York yesterday, will be detained at quarantine. She has a case of smallpox among her steerage passengers; also a case of measles and one of scarlet fever. Her passengers will all be vaccinated and sent to Hoffman Island for observation.

—Ralph R. Chandler, the absconding cashier of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern Railway, at West Detroit, Mich., who was arrested in Ciudad Juare, Mexico, has been set at liberty after serving the regular 72 hours required by the Mexican laws, during which time he must be proved guilty of the crime charged.

—In the New York Assembly yesterday the liquor dealers' excise bill was favorably reported, but so amended that it is a compromise between those favoring the original bill and those who opposed it. A bill was also favorably reported, making it unlawful for any person or persons to enter into any agreement whereby the price or sale of goods or merchandise shall be limited, fixed or regulated.

—The time of the Iowa State Temperance Alliance was taken up Thursday with the discussion of a solution to the effect that the members of the alliance unite to immediately organize a separate party if the Gatch bill, now before the Legislature, is passed by the Assembly. The resolution was looked upon as an effort to intimidate Republican members, and was strongly opposed by many able men in the alliance. The final vote was 33 for and 32 against.

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A STRANGE DAMAGE SUIT.

The Number of a House the Cause of the Trouble—Another Action for False Arrest—Court Proceedings Boiled Down.

Attorneys Whitesell & Sons yesterday filed an odd suit. The case is that of Frank B. and Mary S. Storey against C. B. Willey for $5,000 damages. The plaintiffs allege that the defendant erected a house next to theirs, No. 371 Rebecca street, Allegheny. He gave the house the same number as theirs, and, it is alleged, rented it to questionable tenants. As a result the value of their property is depreciated and they want damages.

Attorneys Whitesell & Sons yesterday filed the suit of Ellis Merriman against Joseph H. Brammer for $5,000 damages for alleged false arrest. The parties reside at Glenfield. Merriman alleges that Brammer had him arrested on a charge of stealing some ducks. He was tried and acquitted and now wants damages.

HELD FOR COUNTERFEITING.

James Kinley, of Little Washington, Has a Hearing Before the Commissioner.

James Kinley, who was arrested a short time ago at Little Washington on a charge of making counterfeit money, was held under $1,000 bail for the May term of court by Commissioner McCandless at a hearing held yesterday afternoon. Kinley is a brother-in-law of Henry E. Hart, who, with his wife, were arrested about a month ago at a house on Lacock street, Allegheny, and held for court on the charge of passing counterfeit dollars. Hart and his wife were the only witnesses against Kinley. They each testified that Kinley had made the coin in their house. The manufacture of this was in last October. At the end of that month Kinley left for Little Washington.

Upon this testimony the defendant was held for court trial.

Another Action for Divorce.

Attorney J. M. Cook yesterday filed the divorce case of Emma J. Tucker, by her next friend, James Whyle, against Samuel H. Tucker. They were married September 7, 1862, and it is alleged he deserted her February 4, 1885.

A Verdict for the Defendant.

A verdict for the defendant was taken by agreement yesterday in the suit of Annie C. Kraft against James Irwin & Co. The case was an action for damages for the death of the plaintiff's husband, Jacob P. Kraft. He was a fireman in the employ of the defendants, and was scalded and fatally injured February 13, 1890, by the bursting of a steam pipe.

Briefs of the Courts.

A PETITION was filed yesterday asking for a decree for the dissolution of the Cranberry Oil Company, Limited.

THE jury is out in the suit of the Combination Engine Company against E. and W. J. McMasters, an action on a contract.

IN the suit of C. Easthope against the Purity Milk Company, an action on a contract, a verdict was given for $392 60 for the plaintiff.

IN the suit of Douthett & Lovell against H. M. Dunlap, an action on a contract, a verdict was given yesterday for $824 60 for the plaintiffs.

D. CARTER yesterday received a verdict for $25 in his suit against Jack Haggerty for injuries alleged to have been inflicted by Haggerty in an assault on Carter.

PARK BROS. & Co. yesterday entered suit against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company for $349 61, the value of goods alleged to have been shipped over the defendant's line and which never reached their destination.

A VERDICT for the defendant was given yesterday in the case of H. A. Briggs against A. Reineman, a suit for damages for injury to property caused by alleged negligence on the part of the defendant in making excavations on the adjoining property.

THE March term of the United States District and Circuit courts will open Monday at Scranton. The Judges and court officials will leave for that place to-day. There are from 40 to 50 cases to be tried in the District Court and six cases in the Circuit court.

THE viewers appointed to assess damages in the case of Robert Woodside vs the borough of Wilkinsburg yesterday made an award to the plaintiff of $193 60. The borough, it was claimed, changed the grade of a street without consent of the necessary portion of the property holders.

JOHN R. HARRISON, assignee of Peter Reisick, filed a bill yesterday in the United States District Court against George Reisick, alleging that since October 5, 1883, he collected rents for a house in the Fourth ward, Allegheny, in which Peter Reisick held an interest, and that the defendant failed to pay the portion belonging to Peter Reisick. The plaintiff asks for an account.

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