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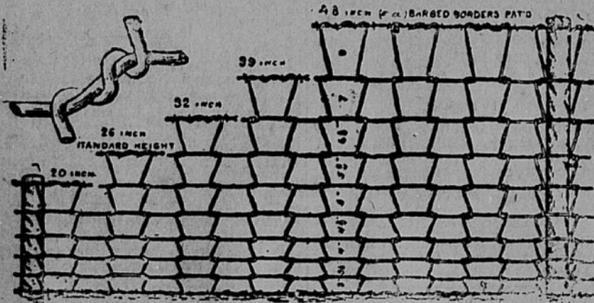
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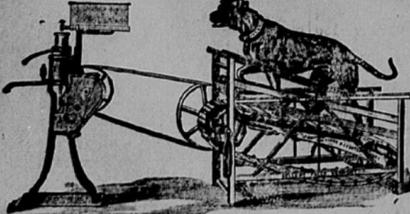
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with its triple current, will make your yield 30 per cent. greater than the gravity or old system. Can furnish you machines of sizes suitable for from ten cows up. Also are headquarters for gasoline engines. Dog and pony powers and dairy machinery and supplies.

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If you are fading under the weakening influence of "female troubles," do not longer experiment with useless or dangerous drugs, but try

**Bradfield's Female Regulator**

It will regulate the menses perfectly, and cure Falling of the Womb, Leucorrhoea, Headache, Backache and Nervousness. It is a harmless vegetable remedy, which puts the menstrual organs in perfect health, stops drains and pains and overcomes weakness.

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**ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.**  
OF INTEREST TO  
**STOCKHOLDERS.**

**FREE TRANSPORTATION TO ATTEND THE ANNUAL MEETING AT CHICAGO.**

The Board of Directors of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, at a meeting held July 21, 1897, adopted the following preamble and resolution:

To the end that the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company may more readily attend, in person, the annual meetings of stockholders, which the by-laws require to be held in Chicago on the last Wednesday in September in each year, be it

RESOLVED, That until the further order of this board, there may be issued, to each holder one or more shares of the capital stock of the Illinois Central Railroad Company, as registered on the books of the company, a ticket enabling him, or her, to travel free over the company's line from the station on the Illinois Central Railroad nearest to his or her registered address, to Chicago and return, for the purpose of attending, in person, the meetings of stockholders. Such ticket to be good for the journey to Chicago only during the four days immediately preceding, and the day of, the meeting, and for the return journey from Chicago only on the day of the meeting, and the four days immediately following, when properly countersigned and stamped in the office of W. G. BUREN, Assistant Secretary, Chicago. Such ticket may be obtained by any registered holder of stock on application, in writing, to the president of the Company in Chicago. Each application must state the full name and address of the stockholder exactly as given in his or her certificate of stock, together with the number and date of such certificate. No more than one person will be carried free in respect to any one holding of stock as registered on the books of the company. By order of the board of directors,  
**A. G. BACSTAFF,**  
Secretary.

The next annual meeting of the stockholders of the Illinois Central Railroad Company will be held at the office of Company, in Chicago, on Wednesday, September 28, 1899, at noon. For the purpose of this meeting, the Stock Transfer Books will be closed from the close of business on September 12th to the morning of Sept. 28th.

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For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought  
Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Pritchard*

**ILLINOIS CENTRAL R. R.**

**HOMESEEKERS EXCURSIONS.**

**IN JULY, AUGUST SEPTEMBER, OCTOBER.**

**SOUTH!**

The Illinois Central will run Home-Seekers' Excursions to points in the South on the lines of the Illinois Central and Yazoo & Mississippi Valley Railroads from all their stations west of and including Alden and from points on the Lyle and Cedar Rapids branches on **July 17th and 31st, August 14th, September 4th and 18th, and October 2d and 16th,** and from all points east of and including Williams **ONE DAY LATER** than the dates named.

The new "Southern Home-Seekers Guide" describes in detail the agricultural advantages, the soil and products at all points south of the Ohio River on the lines of the above mentioned roads. For a copy address the undersigned.

For information concerning Railroad Lands in the fertile Yazoo Valley of the Mississippi address E. P. Skene, Land Commissioner I. C. R. R., at Chicago.

**WEST!**

Home-Seekers' Excursion tickets will be sold from stations in Iowa east of and including Cedar Falls, and from points on the Lyle and Cedar Rapids branches, **July 18th, August 1st and 15th, September 5th and 19th, and October 3d and 17th,** to points on the Illinois Central Railroad to which the one way rate is \$7.00 or over, in South Dakota, Minnesota and in Iowa to points west of Ackley inclusive, except points west of LeMars.

**Home-Seekers' Excursions to Points On Other Lines of Railroads.**

The Illinois Central will also sell on the third Tuesdays in July, August, September and October, Home-Seekers' Excursion Tickets to points on foreign lines of railroads in many of the Western, Southwestern and Southern states. For rates, routes, etc., inquire of your nearest Illinois Central Ticket Agent.

All Home-Seekers' Excursion Ticket are sold at a rate of

**ONE FARE, PLUS \$2.**

for the round trip. Tickets limited to 21 days for return. **J. F. MERRY,**  
A. G. P. A., Ill. Cent. R. R.,  
Dubuque, Iowa.

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**COMEDY OF THE RUE CHABROL.**

Why M. Guerin Defied the French Government in His Besieged House.

BY HOWARD SPENCE SINCLAIR.

One of the incidents which have supplied a comedy feature to the tragedy of the second Dreyfus court martial has been the siege of M. Jules Guerin and his little band of anti-Semites in the house in the Rue Chabrol, Paris.

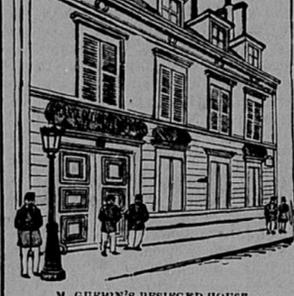
M. Guerin, besides being the president of the Anti-Semite league, is the editor of The Anti-Juif, one of the most scurrilous journals in France, where there is plenty of competition in that particular line.

M. Guerin enjoys the confidence of the Duke of Orleans, whose money he has been spending freely. Probably he thinks that his defiance of the whole garrison of Paris, the government and the police entitles him to further consideration from his employer.

M. Guerin entrenched himself at the offices of the Grand Occident, in the Rue Chabrol, which was blocked by a strong body of the Republican guards, horse and foot. Anti-Jewish demonstrations took place in the neighborhood. Three of M. Guerin's supporters, who left the house armed with a revolver, two or three hatchets and other weapons, were immediately arrested.

Through a wicket in the door M. Guerin was served with a warrant for his arrest. Thereafter he became technically an outlaw, and in further dealing with him legal formalities were not observed. The street was open to traffic on Aug. 16, the police having orders to wait quietly until M. Guerin should capitulate of his own accord, which would be, the officials decided, when he had come to the last cartridge, or, rather, the last siphon of soda water.

It is not known generally that the house in which Guerin and his comrades took refuge in Paris is called "Le Grand Occident de France," in op-



**M. GUERIN'S BESIEGED HOUSE.**

position to the Masonic Grand Orient. The Anti-Semite league declared from the start of the Dreyfus affair that the Freemasons were, like the Protestants, the friends and supporters of the Hebrews and of the Jewish captain.

The ferocious M. Guerin has been recognized not only as the head of the Anti-Semite league, but also as the general delegate of the "Grand Occident" of France.

The regular and ancient order of Freemasons in France cannot be said to have taken any active part in an official manner in the bitter Dreyfus fight. But, of course, the French Masons have repeatedly, as individuals, manifested their sympathy for the cause of justice and consequently for the revision of the sentence dictated with closed doors and without communication of the incriminating documents to the accused person by the court martial in December, 1894.

Still the anti-Dreyfusards pretended that the close vote by which the chamber approved the ministerial programme of M. Waldeck-Rousseau and maintained in power the present cabinet, which they represent as favorable to the Dreyfus cause, was obtained only through a Masonic maneuver.

They say that at the critical moment M. Brisson, a high dignitary in the Masonic order, jumped to the tribune and delivered a speech, in which he made, with his hands over his head, the mysterious sign of the "grande detresse" (great distress). On seeing this sign the few hesitating Masons in the chamber obeyed the rules of their order, and, understanding that the latter might be in peril if they did not heed M. Brisson's cabalistic indication, they voted as he required—in favor of the new cabinet.

The real grievance of M. Guerin and his anti-Semite followers against Freemasonry is that the order is tolerated in France, while the Patriots' league, the Anti-Semite league and other similar associations have to be authorized by the government. A campaign has been made in the press and in public meetings, under the direction of M. Jules Lemaitre, Jules Guerin and others, to get the authorities to apply to the lodges of Freemasons the law which is enforced against other associations.

**SEA DOG FEARS FOR HIS SON**

The Promising Boy Had Imbibed Some Newfangled Words.

"He's right," said the weather-beaten old man with a fringe of whiskers under his chin. "The feller as wrote that is steerin' straight an' no mistake," he added as he bit a piece out of a plug of tobacco.

"What's the trouble?" asked the man who had sat down near him on the park bench.

"A father's sorer. This paper says that boys ain't eddycated right."

"Well, it's pretty hard to keep them at their books, and that's a fact. I've got a boy whose sole ambition is to run away and go to sea."

"Look out for 'im. Watch his eddycation before it gets too late. I sent my boy to school, but I didn't take pains to keep an eye on him. I went to see the lad the other day, an' while I was talkin' about old times I started in to tell him a fo'c'sle yarn. He looked at me kind o' inquirin' like an says, 'Excuse me, father, but don't you mean forecandle?' You can imagine a parent's feelings. But I led him on an' could feel myself turnin' pale to hear him talk about bulwarks when he meant bullarks an' referin' offhand to the main topgallant sail. What he meant was the mentogallans'. But he didn't know any better. I told him better, but he jes' grinned. Now what's that boy's chance in life? S'posen he takes a notion to make a man o' himself an' runs away to sea, fur I wouldn't have the nerve, knowin' what I do, to recommend him. What'll the result be? He'll walk up to the boat'sun an' ask him if he ain't the boat-swain, an' then he'll naturally get dropped overboard."—Washington Star.

**WHEN FASTING IS FATAL.**

Loss of Weight Below a Certain Point Brings Death.

During a long fast the daily loss of weight becomes gradually less and less. Death comes when the total loss has reached a certain percentage, which percentage varies with the original weight. Fat animals may lose half their weight, thinner ones perhaps two-fifths.

A man or woman of rather spare habit, weighing 143 pounds, could, therefore, lose about 55 pounds before succumbing. Heart action, respiration and blood pressure remain unaltered during starvation, but the temperature of the body falls nearly a degree in most cases. The secretion of gastric juice ceases, but saliva and bile are still formed. The duration of life depends upon the extent and activity of the physiological processes.

Children die after a fast of from three to five days, during which they have lost a quarter of their weight. Healthy adults, however, have fasted 60 days when water has been taken.

Dr. Schaeffer, a German physician, notes the case of a woman, aged 47, who died after a fast of 43 days, during which she drank water freely. Her weight, which was 143 pounds a year before her death, was reduced to 89 pounds. It was a case of suicidal melancholia, and the woman patiently carried out her horrible undertaking so quietly as to scarcely attract the notice of her family and died at last calmly and peacefully without complaint or apparent evidence of suffering.—San Francisco Examiner.

**Perry's Big Guns.**

Commodore Perry had not yet electrified a grateful nation with his immortal message, "We have met the enemy, and they are ours." While the battle was in progress the sound of the guns was heard at Cleveland, about 60 miles away in a direct line over the water. The few settlers there were expecting the battle and listened with intense interest. Finally the sounds ceased. They waited for a renewal. None came; the lull was painful. Then they knew the battle was over; but the result, ah! that was the point. One old fellow, who had been lying flat with his ear to the ground, soon settled that point. Springing up he clapped his hands and shouted: "Thank God! They are whipped! They are whipped!"

"How do you know?" the others inquired.

"Heard the big guns last!"

Perry's guns were the heaviest.—Buckeye.

**The Fifth Feminine Age.**

Until a few days ago I had always supposed that there were but four ages in a woman's life—the young, the still young, the well-preserved and the elderly—but a man I know has added to my knowledge a fifth age. It comes in somewhere between the still young and the well preserved. I imagine, I said to him maliciously: "How old is Mrs. Blank? Is she a young woman?"

"Not exactly," he made answer.

"She's well, she's at the age when a woman always tells you, when she introduces her eldest son to you, that she was married ridiculously young."—Washington Post.

**His View of It.**

A little boy had been sent to the dairy to get some eggs, and on his way back he dropped the basket containing them.

"How many did you break?" asked his mother.

"Oh, I didn't break any," he replied, "but the shells came off some of them."

There are some 60,000 costermongers who carry on business in the streets of London. Their capital is supposed to be £50,000, while they are said to do a trade during the year of £3,000,000.

A Kansas City minister says that it is a sin to overwork yourself. If that be true, nine-tenths of the country editors are sinners.—Astoria Argus.

**A RECALLED CONSUL.**

Dr. Bedloe and His Previous Creditable Career in the Service.

Dr. Edward Bedloe, who has been recalled from the United States consulate at Canton on charges whose nature has not as yet been explained by the state department, is a Philadelphia physician who has had quite an extensive experience in the consular service.

It is alleged by some that his recall was due to some irregularities connected with the granting of an American register to the steamer Abbey, which was used to carry arms to insurgent Filipinos. Dr. Bedloe's friends deny this, however, and assert that he



**DR. EDWARD BEDLOE.**

is the victim of a conspiracy and that the investigation of his case will bring out some unpleasant truths concerning other American consuls at Chinese ports. At any rate, the affair is causing lots of talk in official circles.

Dr. Bedloe has always been regarded as an able and honest official and one of the best equipped men in the consular service. Never before has any charge against his honor been even hinted at. President Hayes made him consul general at Cairo, and he was so successful there that when Benjamin Harrison was elected he sent Dr. Bedloe to Amoy as consul. Then President McKinley gave him the important consulate at Canton.

Dr. Bedloe has a great reputation as a raconteur and after dinner speaker and is well known in many parts of the country. He was one of the organizers and a prominent member of the Clover club of Philadelphia. When Josiah Quincy removed him from his post at Amoy, he was inclined to treat it as one of the highest honors he had ever received in his official life, so jocular was his mood, and he came back to this country as China's commissioner to the World's fair. As a traveler he has been in most of the out of the way regions of the world.

**A CUP FOR DEWEY.**

Here is a picture of the loving cup which is to be presented to Admiral Dewey on his return from Manila.

It will be made of 50,000 silver dimes which have been contributed by patriotic Americans. Only one dime has been accepted from each individual.

The idea of this form of tribute has been taken up and carried on to success with the most intense enthusiasm in every section of the country. Not only have dimes been received from Americans in the United States, but from the most remote parts of the world, wherever our citizens were traveling, either for business or pleasure, came dimes for the loving cup, accompanied by enthusiastic tributes of praise for the admiral himself.

Every walk in life has its tribute of dimes in the loving cup. Employer and employees of factories, offices and



**THE DEWEY LOVING CUP.**

warehouses, from the least to the greatest, have sent their dimes. A silver stream has poured in daily from a beginning of one bright dime.

One of the most remarkable features in the history of the loving cup is the intense love and admiration Admiral Dewey seems to have aroused in the hearts of the children. They have sent their dimes accompanied by letters expressing unbounded admiration for the "hero of Manila" and have added their pictures to illustrate this very charming part of an interesting volume that will add to the value of the loving cup.