County Correspondence.

COLESBURG.

The harvest of hay and small grain is on and a good yield is reported. The corn is fast getting to the front in this vicinity.

Miss Gusta Craig celebrated her eighteenth birthday anniversary, July 16th. A company of her young friends called in the evening to make merry with her, and presented her with a handsome gold locket.

Rev. and Mrs. E. M. Keeler were Dyersville visitors the first of the week.—accompanying their guests that far on their return to Odebolt.

Mrs. Ella Davis has returned to her work at Rockford, Illinois, after spending a couple of weeks with relatives in town and vicinity.

Miss Marie Grimes entertained a company of friends at her home, Thursday evening.

S. W. Klaus and family, of Earlville, were Sunday visitors here.

Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Putz and children Marie and Lewis, were Sunday visitors at Elkport.

Sam Stillinger dislocated the thumb on his right hand one evening this week while doing chores. Sam thinks it is hard luck to be disabled in harvest.

Mrs. Buehler and daughter. Miss Flora, returned to their home at Odebolt, Monday, after a pleasant visit at the Otto Hang home here.

Mrs. I. F. Knee and son, Harold, of Omaha, Nebraska, arrived in the city Saturday for a visit with friends They were accompanied here by Mrs. George Chapman and Mrs. W. R. Locke, of Manchester. The ladies are sisters, and will spend some time here with their mother, Mrs. Wierman.

Dr. M. E. Dittmer went to Manchester, Monday, to hear W. J. Bryan.

Mr. Jacob Keck and Mrs. James Keck and children, Myrtle and Almen, returned to their home at Odebolt, Tuesday night, after a pleasant visit here at the Keeler home.

The Mite society met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. E. M. Keeler.

E. L. Bolsingor is at home from his work at Manchester for a few days of rest and recreation.

LAMONT.

Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Tyrrell are the parents of a girl born July 11th.

Mrs. Fred Retz returned Saturday from her visit to New York and the Jamestown exposition.

Mrs. E. H. Hoyt entertained Sister Leo, from the convent school at Sinsinawa, Wis., the first of the week.

George Hawley was a business visitor in Manchester Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. Wayne Ives came from Waterloo Monday for a visit with relatives.

Miss Katheryne Goldsmith is in Earlville this week visiting with Mrs. Frank Sharp at the home of her father, John Goldsmith sr.

Miss Blanche Soboda arrived home Wednesdoy from Independence where she has been visiting the Joe Hauska family at the hospital since the fourth.

W. A. Abbott has been using crutches for several days because of stepping on a nail that penetrated his foot about an inch. Prompt treatment is bringing it out all right with no serious results.

There was some hurry up work Sunday afternoon on Main street when the lap robe in Glen Seward's carriage was discovered to be ablaze. It was thrown out and the cushions were also found to be burning. The inflamable material in the lining of the cushion made it hard to extinguish. The cushions were ruined and will have to be replaced. The cause of the fire was a pipe which had fire in and the wind had fanned it until it ignited the spread. Glen says the pipe was left there by a boy friend who was riding with him.

The funeral of Gertude Ida Allenstein, the child of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Allenstein that died last Thursday was held at Strawberry Pt. on Saturday. In the absence of Rev. Graf, the funeral services were conducted by Rev. Baumbach at the home at 10 o'clock A. M. Another child four years old is dangerously ill from the same malady, whooping cough and measles.

Dr. and Mrs. G. N. Thompson and Lafe Marshall left Monday for a trip of some length through North Dakota. They will first stop at Leha, N. Dak. where Mrs. Thompson's parents live, where she will remain until they conclude their trip. They expect to be gone two or three months.

It will be of interest to the many friends of Miss Stella Rich to know that she is having marked success in instructing a large class in vocal and instrumental music at Blue Earth, Minn. She has accepted a position with the Midland Lyceum Bureau of Des Moines to accompany a quartet as soprano soloist in an engagement with the lecture bureaus this fall and winter. Miss Rich is a graduate of the Des Moines College conservatory of music.

The site for the city waterworks plant was selected at a meeting of the city council on Tuesday evening. The location is east of the Field block on the site where the old pool room now stands and the lot adjoining on the east. The former lot is owned by Frank Sharp and the latter by H. C. Ehrke. The lots have a frontage fifty feet and are one hundred ft. deep which will make ample room and a fine central location. The price paid by the city for lots including the buildings is $350, the pool room lot bringing $200 and the Ehrke lot $150. The council have an offer on the pool room building of $100 by James Carr for a warehouse. This will bring the actual cost to $250. As soon as the buildings are moved from the lots work will begin on the well. In a short time the chug of the drill will be heard and everything will be busy to the completion of the system. Just as we go to press we learn that the city bought the lot adjoining on the east for $25. The sale was made this (Thursday) morning through Dr. H. P. Jeffries who saw the party who owned it in Independence yesterday. This will give a frontage of about seventy feet for the plant.

DYERSVILLE.

Mr. Willenborg of Petersburg, was in this city Friday on business.

Frank Ferring of New Vienna, was in Dyersville Wednesday

B. Pasker of New Vienna, was among the Dyersville callers Monday.

Jno. Nurre of Petersburg was among the callers in this city Wednesday.

Henry Boehlke of Petersburg was in this city Thursday on business.

J. C. Fangmann of New Vienna was among the callers Saturday.

Miss Link visited with relatives and friends in Dubuque Wednesday.

Geo. Krapfl of Petersburg was transacting business in this city Thursday.

Miss Cecelia Messing of Manchester visited with her parents in this city over Sunday.

Henry Sebers of New Vienna had business in Dyersville Wednesday.

J. Scherbring and wife and daughter visited with friends in Dubuque Thursday.

Henry Meis of New Vienna had business to transact in this city one day last week.

Henry Mormann of Breman township is constructing a complete water works system on his farm.

Mrs. C. H. Binning was in Northfork the past week visiting her son, Fred J. Binning, and family.

Mrs. Frank Steger and Lula Trumm went to Dubuque Tuesday where they visited with relatives and friends.

F. H. Klostermann and daughter of New Vienna were the guests of friends in Dyersville Monday.

Miss Winnie Long of Cedar Rapids visited with Mr. and Mrs. Jos. Krapfl and Misses Nellie and Margaret Fitzpatrick this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Raker of near New Vienna were in Dubuque Wednesday where they called on relatives and friends.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Neyens went to Wisconsin from this city where they will visit before returning to their home at Reinard, Ia.

Rev. Father Sassen of Petersburg was in Dubuque Saturday. Father Wilberding returned with him and went to New Vienna where he will be assistant pastor of St. Boniface congregation.

HOPKINTON.

Claude Firman of Edgewood, is visiting his cousin, Glen Firman.

T. J. Joseph returned Tuesday morning from a visit with an uncle at Quincy, Ill.

Misses Cora and Jessie Ricketts departed Monday for a visit which will include points in Michigan.

J. F. McElmeel is home from Buford, N. D., where he has been engaged since last spring with James Burton on his government contract.

Mrs. Kingsbury of Rochester, N. Y., is a guest of Mrs Thos. Porter.

Mrs. W. C. Lux arrived from Dubuque last Tuesday evening and will spend a few days at the home of her father, A. B. Wheeless before going to her home north of town. Mrs. Lux has been doing nicely after the severe operation which she underwent at Finly hospital a few weeks ago.

F. W. Doolittle departed Tuesday evening for Bingham, Utah, where he has accepted a position with the engineering force of the Boston Consolidated Mining Co.

H. H. Wheeless, Chas. Root, F. B. Taylor, S. J. Tourtellot, E. F. Main and P. F. Wescott and daughter Ione attended the Bryan Lecture at Manchester Monday night.

G. H. DeShaw the other day refused an offer of $100 per acre for his farm east of town. He has an even 200 acres and one of the best equipped and best paying farms in the county. He thought at one time he would like to sell but when it came to the pinch those two hundred acres of fine land looked better than 20,000 gold dollars and the worry of taking care of them.

We have a sample of a freak in potatoes that comes from Fred Ratcliff's field. It is a bunch of new tubers without any tops or vines attached, and Mr. Ratcliff finds that his potato field contains something like a hundred hills that are growing and apparently doing well. What a snap it would be if he can produce a topless tuber of reliable yield, thus doing away with the consarned striped potato bugs and paris green dope.

The King drag fad is working itself into history, just as a good many good roads people thought it would. When the road drag idea got started in Iowa it was expected that the road proposition would soon be solved and the troubles of the teamsters at an end. It apparently did well in some instances for a year or two, but when the real test has come the drag is not there with the goods. The experts tell us that the secret of the success of the King drag is going over the road after every rain. It looks easy and does first rate when rains come along occasionally, but when a serson like the present heads over the horizon the job of dragging the roads every alternate day is a little too much for the farmer. The drags are now mostly lying along the roadside and the sun and rain are tanning their surface. Some day we will get down to the fact that good roads can only be made with good material, and when we have the material right at hand as we have it in this county, it is flying in the face of providence to neglect it. There is too much waste of money and energy on the roads of Delaware county.

J. D. Morgan is a candidate for the Noble Prize, or a Carnegie medal at the very least, because of a daring rescue which he made Monday. It happened in the city park lake whose gravelly shores and turbulent waters abut the front of the telephone exchange office. Swollen by the recent floods, the lake has been almost out of its banks of late, and only for the restraining cement dam recently erected by Dr. Cummings at the outlet, the flood of waters would have coursed their way down to the gulf, carrying death, destruction and filth to mingle with the briny deep. But to the heroic deed! The little niece of Mrs. F. A Irish had been left in her baby cab for a moment in front of the exchange office. And the cab started down grade with its burden of precious life, gaining momentum as it glided along, and plunged over the high cement precipice (sidewalk) and headlong into the water. Jim Morgan, the genial and watchful deputy sheriff, city marshall and rural carrier on route No. 3, always watchful and attentive to duty, was patrolling the lake shore and saw the babe's plunge and her imminent peril. There being at least an equal possibility of saving her life and preserving his own, he plunged in and brought the little lady to terra firma and restored her to her waiting and excited relatives. The tragic accident and the daring rescue were witnessed by others along the lake shore, all of whom congratulate the happy outcome and that this popular pleasure resort is not to be haunted by the memory of a fateful tragedy. And that is why some medal or other distinction is coming to Jim.

Jerry Mahoney reports that the storm which passed over here early Tuesday morning developed considerable wind at his place in Hazel Green, blowing down large maple trees.—Leader.

DELHI.

Pansy Griffin was down from Delaware Friday.

A young Voelshaw boy while on his way to the creamery Saturday morning fell out of the wagon and broke his collar bone.

A. J. Reeder, wife and son, Miss Florence Babcock and Harry Swinburne went to Oneida Sunday to visit at J. U. Rector's.

Mrs. D. S. Corbin returned from Hahnemann's hospital in Chicago last Thursday.

J. W. Swinburne drove to Colesburg last Wednesday. Mrs. Swinburne installed the Rebekah officers that evening.

E. H. Bentz of Armour, S. D., visited his nephew, A. H. Bentz, last week.

Tyler Furman is home from Dawson, Iowa.

Mrs. A. L. Clark of Chicago, was here for a short visit last week.

B. F. Jenifer of Chicago, was in town Thursday.

Dr. H. A. Dittmer was down from Manchester Friday.

Mary Doolittle is visiting in Cedar Rapids.

The little two year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Towlerton was quite badly injured last Thursday. He wandered away from the house into a field of barley his father was cutting, and when discovered was directly in front of the sickle where he had fallen. Both little arms were dreadfully cut, it requiring 15 stitches to close the wounds.

Misses Ella and Elize Burton are at home for a visit.

George Hecker has been appointed section boss at this place.

Will Burton and wife are the parents of a son born Wednesday, July 24th.

Mr. and Mrs. Reeder, Miss Babcock, Mrs. J. W. Swinburne and Harry Swinburne went to Masonville in an auto to visit at Clarence Blanchard's.

Dr. E. J. Wintenburg has purchased Dr. Fuller's practice and rented his office. He has also rented J. B. Smith's house and will soon take possession.

Miss Elsie Hackbarth visited friends in Delaware last week,

GREELEY.

Lon Culbertson had business in Strawberry Point yesterday.

Born—on Friday, July 26, to Mr and Mrs. C. M. Hannah, a girl.

John Carroll killed a large rattle snake last Friday.

George Drybread of Emmetsburg is visiting relatives and friends here this week.

Bert Hoag has the measles.

Chester Cole and Dr. Thomas are camping in Minnesota.

J. Baker and wife expect to leave in a short time for Salt Lake City, and Twin Falls, Idaho, for a visit with their children.

Mrs. Eva Beckwick and Miss Edyth Schmeder were initiated into the mysteries of the O. E. S, last Friday night.

B. E. Farwell has been quite sick this week, and unable to work. Wm. Martin is running the business this week.

Miss Blanch Way is spending the summer at Foraker, Okla., with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Baker.

H. Frye was in Manchester Wednesday, where he met several of his old friends and neighbors from Canada.

Mrs. W. A. Lang visited in the Point today.

George Stall of Strawberry Point visited here Monday.

Landlord John Curran has accepted a position as traveling salesman and is on his maiden trip

John Henry and wife of Strawberry Point were Sunday visitors in Greeley.

Miss Grace Sprague of Fayette, visited her sister, Mrs. Henry Hilsenbeck, this week.

A. A. Strong has been visiting in Manchester this week, the first time in several months.

We are very sorry to learn of the serious illness of Mrs. Jas. Camp at the home of her brother E. J. Tyrell north of here. An operation was performed.

Married at the home of the bride's parents at Spirit Lake, on Thursday, July 25, Dr. E. Frank Chase and Miss Amy Kennedy. Dr. Chase is one of our Greeley young men and well and favorably known. He has the best wishes of all in his chosen career and also in his matrimonial choice. The young couple will go to Chicago where the doctor will take a post graduate course fitting himself for special work.

EAD'S GROVE.

Will Smith has re shingled his house recently.

Sadie Fowler visited with her sister at Almoral last Sunday.

Mrs. Maud Pemble has returned to her home in Minnesota after a few week's visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Croyle.

Ada Ferris visited at Fred Timm's on Sunday.

Mr. Crable, of Petersburg, had business in this vicinity on Friday.

Jas Rutherford was in Edgewood Thursday.

August Luense and wife were Sunday visitors at H. Holthaus'.

Mrs. Holthaus is some better. Her sister Alice is assisting with house work.

BAILEY'S FORD.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Claus were in Earlville Monday of last week.

Miss Avis Grommon spent Sunday of last week at the home of her cousin, J. P. Belcher, of Golden.

Roy and Clair Grommon were in Manchester Monday of last week.

Mrs. Frank Karten was in Rochester, Minn., the first of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Kaster were in Manchester Tuesday of last week.

Tillman Grapes had business in Manchester last Thursday.

Mrs. R. E. Grommon was shopping in Manchester last Friday.

J. W. Hartman had business in Manchester last Saturday.

EIGHT PERSONS ARE DROWNED

All Women and Children — Steamer Burns in Lake Cayuga — Several Persons Severely Scorched.

Auburn, N. Y., July 29.—The steamboat Frontenac was burned and beached opposite Farley's point at Lake Cayuga and eight lives were lost. The victims were all women and children passengers, and all were drowned. Several other passengers were severely burned before the boat could be beached. The following were drowned and the bodies subsequently recovered: Mrs. Homer Genung, Freeville, N. Y.; Carl Genung, 4 years old, son of Mrs. Genung; Miss Ada McCreary, Cohoes, N.Y.; Miss Edna M. Bennett, Frankfort, Y.; Miss Marietta Sullivan, Syracuse, Able, South Bloomingburg, N. Y.; Miss Eva W. Mott, Ithaca.

The worst injured are: Mrs. Able, South Bloomingburg, N. Y.; Eliza Tuttle, Middletown, N. Y., and Charlotte Brigham, of Syracuse. The grandmother of the little Able girl lies in a serious condition at the home of the Dills family, suffering from shock. In mid-lake fire broke out in the engine room, and fanned by a stiff northeast wind spread quickly to the afterward section of the boat. The crew of twelve men behaved splendidly, fighting the flames at first, but, seeing that nothing could save the boat, turned all their attention to the passengers. Life preservers were put on every one that could be found in the brief time, but in spite of their efforts, eight women and children perished. Captain Brown directed the work of the crew and was the last to leave the burning boat.

VICTORIA SUFFERS DESTRUCTIVE FIRE

Five Blocks Wiped Out, Including Many Residences — Homeless Cared for by Friends.

Victoria, B. C., July 25.—The greatest fire in Victoria's history occurred in the evening, destroying five blocks and many detached buildings. Starting in the unused boiler room of the defunct Albion works, the fire wiped out the shacks of the tenderloin, bounded by Herald and Chatham streets to Government street and was carried in a swirl of flying embers from block to block, until five blocks had been wipe dout. From Storer street to Quadra, four blocks eastward, and between Herald and Chatham and Pioneer streets, scarcely anything escaped, and beyond the flying embers carried the fire on to another block, a number of scattered fires starting at distances of several hundred yards from each other.

Firemen aided by the soldiers of the garrison and a host of volunteers fought desperately, pulling down many buildings in the path of the fire, which was eventually brought under control at 7 p. m. The loss is estimated at $250,000 The police procured blankets and tents for those rendered homeless, but not one application for shelter was received, all those burned out being sheltered by friends and at the hotels. The tenderloin was almost completely wiped out and three churches were destroyed, the other buildings burned being residences.

LIGHTNING FIRES DYNAMITE

Result Is the Destruction of a Store Building and the Death of Three Inmates.

Otter Lake, Mich., July 26.—Three and possibly four persons lost their lives when lightning struck the hardware store of W. S. Hemingway, exploding a quantity of dynamite. The dead are Maynard Hemingway, aged 30, who clerked for his brother, and Maynard Hemingway's wife and 5-year-old daughter. It is reported that a customer was in the store at the time, but this cannot be confirmed.

Hemingway was alone in the store when a terrific electrical storm arose. His wife became frightened at the vivid flashes, and taking her little daughter with her went over to stay with her husband. The storm was at its height when a bolt struck the building. There was a terrific report, immediately followed by another, as the dynamite exploded. The two-story frame building instantly became a mass of flames that raged so fiercely it was impossible to make any efforts to save the bodies of the victims.

Whiting Says He Is Innocent.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 25.—Frank K. Whiting, of Peoria, Ill., who was arrested last Saturday night on a charge of embezzlement, and who is held in the county jail awaiting the arrival of Illinois officers to return him to Peoria, says that he had no idea of resisting extradition, and that the measures taken by the Illinois authorities to compel his return were unnecessary. He is anxious, he says, to return and confront his accusers and establish his innocence.

THE NEWS IN BRIEF

Happenings of the Week Given in Condensed Form.

Items of General Interest Concerning Our Own and Foreign Countries—Crimes, Casualties, Etc.

Tuesday, July 23.

The heads of the various delegations to the peace conference went to Amsterdam, where Queen Wilhelmina gave a dinner in their honor.

French exports into the United States for the fiscal year of 1907 are declared at the United States consulate at Paris to amount to $129,044,567, an increase of $22,043,813 over the last fiscal year.

All is quiet at Seoul, the proceedings there apparently having again entered a gumshoe phase.

An engagement between forces of the sultan and of the pretender is in progress near Melilla, Morocco.

The Paris Figaro has published an interview with Prince von Buelow, the German imperial chancellor, in which the statesman speaks hopefully of the relations between France and Germany.

Wednesday, July 24.

A former London pastor said America supplies England with everything from pills to hymns.

Eleven members of a yachting party on Long Island sound nearly lost their lives on a pleasure trip.

Will S. Hays, veteran river editor of The Courier Journal, Louisville, is dead, aged 70. He was also a popular song writer, and claimed the authorship of "Dixie."

Mark Twain arrived in New York from a trip to England alive and well and full of jokes.

A suit has been filed to annul the charter of the Western Union and the Postal Telegraph companies, alleging working agreement.

A former French official has been charged with scandalous traffic in connection with pardons, decorations, and public offices.

Thursday, July 25.

The third biennial convention of the second synod of the United Presbyterian church, representing several states, is in session at Madison, Ind.

Judge J. A. Riner, in the United States district court at Cheyenne, Wyo., dismissed the case against E. T. McCarthy, a wealthy mining man of Omaha, for alleged coal land frauds.

Advices from Seoul say that a new treaty has been concluded between Japan and Korea.

The Lehigh Valley Coal company at Hazleton, Pa., has opened up a chunk of coal containing more than 45,000,000 tons of anthracite.

Despondent over ill health Norman H. McAllister, a prominent Elk and retired business man, of Rockford, Ill., committed suicide by shooting.

Friday, July 26.

The prohibition struggle in the Georgia house led to a fist fight.

The government will cut $1,000,000 off postal revenues of railroads.

King Leopold's long fight to retain personal sovereignty over the Congo is expected to end soon in the defeat of the ruler of the Belgians.

Sydney Talbot, an American in London, put the Osler theory to shame by living and working until 99 years of age.

The women of a Hungarian town rule because all the men have emigrated to the United States.

Love letters of John Warner have been given as evidence in the will fight by his widow accused of being part negress.

Saturday, July 27.

Senator Borah began the final argument of the Haywood trial at Boise after Attorney Darrow finished, making a savage attack on the Chicagoan.

H. H. Rogers, of the Standard Oil company, collapsed from heat and overwork at his office in New York, and for a time the doctors were obliged to administer oxygen to assist his heart.

Application of the standard fire policy in Iowa produced further complications, it being found that surplus line companies are shut out.

The long drought which has continued practically unbroken for a month on Long Island is causing the farmers much alarm.

Not more than 10 per cent of the voters of the Philippine islands has registered to vote at the election July 30 of a Philippine congress.

Monday, July 29.

Jimmy Britt and "Battling" Nelson will come together again Wednesday night in San Francisco in a twenty-round fight. This will be the third time these lightweights have fought.

The cereal crops throughout northern and central Manchuria are very badly injured owing to a severe drought.

The first squadron of the Thirteenth cavalry, which has been stationed at Fort Riley for the past three years, has left there for a march to Fort Sheridan, Ill., a distance of 650 miles.

Tme men who led the mob at Bialystok, Russia, in the anti-Jewish riots have been given sentences ranging from eight years to life imprisonment.

Mr. and Mrs. John Anderson, of Orange, N. J., have just celebrated the seventieth anniversary of their marriage.

Saturday was the last day absinthe could be sold in Belgium.

Killed by Lightning at Chautauqua.

Litchfield, Ill., July 26.—Mrs. William Risk, of this city, was struck by lightning and instantly killed at the Litchfield-Hillsboro Chautauqua while waiting for an interurban car. By her side were Mrs. C. W. Bliss and son, Clint Bliss, who were dangerously injured. The bolt of lightning came from a small cloud overhead. There was consternation among the large crowd of pleasure seekers.

YOUNG HEROINE SAVES STRANGER

Sixteen-Year-Old Girl Displays Remarkable Bravery in Late Ocean Disaster.

Portland, Ore., July 26.—Miss Maybelle Watson, of Berkeley, Cal., the 16-year-old heroine who supported a drowning woman for two hours after the wreck of the steamship Columbia, is one of the passengers who arrived here on the George W. Elder.

"When I came to the surface," said Miss Watson, "some persons were singing 'Nearer, My God, to Thee,' and other hymns. I had never swam a stroke before, but somehow I had confidence enough to try. I had gone but a little way when a woman rose beside me and caught me around the neck. I had to support her with one arm and swim with the other. Several men swam past us, but would offer no assistance. I struggled along as best I could until I was picked up over two hours after the collision by Third Officer Hawes and his boat." The woman to whom Miss Watson refers is Miss Emma Griese, of Cleveland, O.

Portland, Ore., July 26.—The steamship Elder has arrived with nearly 100 survivors of the wreck of the steamship Columbia in Shelter Cove last Saturday night. Thousands of persons thronged the pier for hours awaiting the arrival of the Elder and the scenes which ensued when the ship landed were pathetic in the extreme. The revised list of dead or unaccounted for passengers of the Columbia show that there are ninety-three missing.

EXCURSION RATES CONTINUOUS

Railways Not to Change Their Policy in This Matter in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois.

New York, July 25.—The policy of granting railroad excursion rates for special occasions in Ohio, Indiana and Illinois will be continued. This was decided at a meeting of representatives of the trunk lines concerned. Recent igislation in the states mentioned fixed the maximum passenger rate at 2 cents per mile, and it has been thought possible that the railroad would retaliate by making the maximum also the minimum rate, and so abandon the frequent fall excursions for which a mileage of less than 2 cents has been charged in past years.

The whole matter was threshed out at a conference in the offices of the Erie railroad, and following the meeting President Underwood, of the Erie, said: "We decided not to change the present methods, each railroad being allowed to make whatever rates it may choose for this class of traffic. No other matter was considered."

Electrical Storm at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, July 27.—One of the most remarkable electrical storms ever known in this city occurred between 2:30 and 3 o'clock in the morning. Vivid flashes of lightning occurred every few seconds, making it appear almost like a continuous flash. The peals of thunder were terrific. Reports of damages have not yet begun to come in owing to the interruption of telephonic communication.

The Wily Bell Boy.

A hotel man in New Hampshire was surprised to see one of his women guests come downstairs several nights running, fill her pitcher from the water cooler in the hall and return quietly to her room again. At first he thought the lady had some special reason for this queer performance. Then he thought he had better speak to her. According'y on the fourth or fifth night he approached her politely, took the pitcher from her hands and filled it himself.

"If you would ring madam," he said, "this would always be done for you. There is no occasion for you ever to come down yourself for water. A ring"—

"But I have no bell," said the lady.

"Oh, madam, of course you have a bell. I'll show it to you."

And he carried the pitcher up to her room for her and pointed to the bell beside her bed.

"That is the bell," he said.

The lady started in surprise.

"That the bell?" she exclaimed. "Why, the bell boy told me that was the fire alarm and I wasn't to touch it on any account except in case of fire."—Washington Star.

The First Fly Fishers.

Doubtless the reason why artificial flies were originally invented was because it was impossible to use the smaller and more delicate natural flies as baits on the hook. The first fly fisher cast his eyes about him in search of something that would answer in imitating the flies upon which the trout were feeding. Feathers were naturally the first materials thought of, and the old red cock's hackle was the first of all the artificial insects, the old, old Adam of them all. The breed has been increasing for several hundred years and numbers 2,000 or more at the present day. Of salmon flies alone there are several hundred patterns. These belong to the lure order mostly, as do many of the large flies used for bass and trout. The little old red hackle remains a good fly to this day and is put upon bodies of many colors, peacock harl being perhaps as well liked as anything; red wool is favored by many.—Forest and Stream.

Indians and War Paint.

The Indians have a tradition that tells how the custom of painting their faces originated. A certain big chief while hunting deer was chased by a lion and fell exhausted, calling upon the Big Bear, which Indians believe was the grandfather of man, to save him. The Big Bear heard and went to the man's assistance, scratching his foot and sprinkling the blood over him. No animal will eat bear or taste his blood, and when the lion smelled it he turned away. But in doing so he scratched some of the blood off the Indian's face with his claw by accident. When he found himself unhurt, the Indian was so thankful that he let the blood dry on his face. With the marks of the lion's claws this gave the effect of stripes, and ever afterward when going on hunting expeditions for man or beast the Indian painted his face in stripes as a charm against danger.

The Left Hand.

It is strange that so strong a prejudice against the left hand has lived and increased for centuries when there is no natural or physiological reason for it. Examination of the skeleton of a person who was strong, healthy and well formed in life shows that the bones of the left hand and arm are just as large and capable as those of the right. The study of physiology shows, too, that the muscles and ligaments and cartilages that fastened that person's arms to his body and gave them the power of motion were made to do their work just as well on one side of the body as on the other. If the left side was the weaker, it was because of the failure to exercise it as freely as the other.—Scrap Book.

Lamb's Unkind Thrust.

Charles Lamb, than whom no gentler or kinder hearted wit ever breathed, at times found it impossible to restrain himself from the personal, as, for instance, when he covered a friend with shame at a whist party by blurting out:

"Gad, James, if—if dirt were t-t-trumps, what a hand you would have!"

How We Do Change.

"Aha!" exclaimed Mr. Jellus. "Been treasuring another man's picture all these years, eh?"

"Not exactly," answered his better half. "That's a picture of you, dear, taken when you had hair."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

How poor are they that have not patience!—Shakespeare.

WRINKLES AND WHAT CAUSES THEM.

Chicago, March 27, 1907.

E. Burnham, Chicago, Ill.:

Dear Sir—I desire to fulfill my promise to you, which was made last October, namely, that if you would improve my complexion by removing crows-feet, wrinkles and discolored complexion, I would give you my photograph and testimonial.

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