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POETRY.

THE GHOST: A TRUE STORY.

When I was a boy, in an old churchyard... A terrible ghost appeared... And off he went over the churchyard gate...

MISCELLANY.

The Great Medicine-Eater.

Mrs. Tabitha Watkins "had been ailing" a considerable part of her natural life... Once she had "the dyspepsy," once "the liver complaint," and always "the spine."

NEWS SUMMARY.

PERSONAL AND POLITICAL.

A Washington special states that the President had offered Minister Washburne the position of Secretary of the Treasury, and that the latter had declined.

COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY.

Gold closed in New York on the 11th, at 112-1/2. Following is the comparative cotton statement for the week ending May 25:

CRIMES AND CASUALTIES.

Detective Louis J. Lull, alias Allen, of Chicago, who was wounded in the fight with the Younger brothers at Monegan Springs, has since died from the effects of his wounds.

MISCELLANEOUS.

A New Orleans dispatch of the 7th says: The Governor and Relief Committee receive letters daily from the overflowed parishes, giving details of the condition of the inhabitants.

FOREIGN.

News has been received of a terrible conflagration which occurred in the town of Lavag, Philippine Islands, on the 28th of January.

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MAY 8.—Senate.—The bill to enable Indians to become citizens of the United States, was reported by the committee and placed on the calendar.

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MAY 9.—Senate not in session. House.—The day was principally occupied by a discussion of the Indian Appropriation bill, which finally passed the Committee of the Whole and was reported to the House.

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MAY 11.—Senate.—The House bill for the relief of settlers on public lands was reported favorably by the committee and placed on the calendar.

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