

STATE NEWS HAPPENINGS.

WILL CATO HANGED.

Kentucky Murderer Who Slew a Shanty-boat Resident With an Ax Pays the Penalty for His Crime.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 25.—Will Cato was hanged here shortly after noon Friday for the murder of an old shanty-boat resident named Askew, on September 19, 1897. Askew, who was an old man, had employed Cato and John Holley to do some work for him on the shanty-boat, and they conceived a plan to kill him and rob him. The old man had a small stock of goods, which he dealt in with farmers, and had laid by a few dollars.

STALLIONS FIGHT.

The Thoroughbred Saddle Horse Red Squirrel Kills Brilliant, Both Owned by W. F. Owsley, Jr.

COLUMBIA, Ky., Nov. 28.—W. F. Owsley, Jr., of Burkesville, who was the owner of the two thoroughbred saddle stallions, Red Squirrel and Brilliant, has met with a serious loss. Red Squirrel killed Brilliant. The door of the stable in which Red Squirrel was kept was, by accident, left unfastened, and during the night he got out, went to Brilliant's door, and with his teeth unfastened it. A desperate fight ensued, resulting in the death of Brilliant. Mr. Owsley is well known over the state as a dealer in fancy horses. He paid \$2,500 for Red Squirrel in Fayette county, and \$1,200 for Brilliant.

THE GREAT TOP GALLANT.

The Celebrated Horse Was Knocked Down to None Other Than W. J. Alexander, of Chattanooga.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 29.—It developed Monday night that W. J. Alexander, Chicago, to whom great import Top Gallant was knocked down for \$20,000, is none other than W. J. Alexander, well known citizen of Chattanooga, and that he bid the horse in for Maj. J. B. Ewing, Nashville, Tenn., former owner. Kinson Stone, Georgetown, Ky., was bidding on horse for a syndicate willing to pay \$16,000.

WEDDINGS.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 25.—Miss Ivy M. Moran and John L. Shannon, of Moreland, Ky., eloped to Jeffersonville Thursday and were married. Mr. Shannon went to Miss Moran's home Thursday morning ostensibly to eat Thanksgiving dinner. He had not been there long, however, before he and the young lady had agreed to elope. They left her home in his buggy, saying they were going to take a short drive.

KENTUCKIANS FIGHTING THEIR TAXES.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 29.—State Auditor Stone has received so far this month, more than \$800,000 from sheriff's collections of taxes. The 6 per cent penalty goes on all unpaid taxes December 1, and it is anticipated that this will swell the aggregate for the month to more than a million, and will make this the banner year for tax collections during the present state administration.

THEY ELOPED TO LEXINGTON.

RICHMOND, Ky., Nov. 25.—After telling her uncle, Mayor Claude Smith, of this city, that she was going to Cincinnati to visit friends, Miss Hallie Tudor, daughter of S. L. Tudor, proprietor of the Shepherd Hotel, Irvine, joined her lover, Mr. Sam Vaughn, brother of ex-County Clerk Vernon L. Vaughn, at the depot here and the two eloped and were married in Lexington. Both are prominent young society people of Irvine, Estill county.

CARPENTER'S FATAL FALL.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 25.—John Morris, a carpenter, was fatally injured Sunday afternoon by falling from the triumphal arch which is being erected across Jefferson street below Fifth in honor of the return of the Legion.

GOVERNOR APPOINTS A LIEUTENANT.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Nov. 29.—Gov. Bradley, on recommendation of Col. Colson, has appointed William A. Haycraft, of this city, second lieutenant of Company L, 4th Kentucky, now at Anson, Ala. He succeeds Lieut. Nolan, resigned.

SECOND BATTALION REPEATER GUNNERS.

OWENSBORO, Ky., Nov. 28.—Collector Franks has appointed the following storekeeper-gaugers from eligible list: E. R. Bodine, Logan county; P. O. Felix, Craysboro; E. L. Hughes, Crittenden; Charles Edwards, Webster; Bion Jolly, Breckinridge; John W. Postell, Christian.

RACE MEETING DECLARED OFF.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Nov. 29.—Owing to continued rain and cold weather the last three days of the race meeting have been declared off.

ONLY ONE TOLL ROAD LEFT.

LANCASTER, Ky., Nov. 28.—The 12 miles of Richmond and Lancaster turnpike, lying in Garrard county, was purchased by the fiscal court for 15 per share, aggregating \$8,550. The gates were thrown open Saturday night. This leaves only one toll road in the county.

QUARTERLY LEGISLATIVE REPORT.

PARIS, Ky., Nov. 28.—The term of the Bourbon circuit court began Monday. The docket is an unusually large one, and includes 94 civil and 200 criminal cases.

THE END IS VERY NEAR.

Spain Accedes to Every Demand and Conditions Made by the American Peace Commissioners.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—The joint peace commissioners met promptly at 2 o'clock Monday afternoon. When the members of the two commissions were seated, Senator Marten Rio, the president of the Spanish commission, handed the Spanish reply to Mr. Ferguson, the Spanish interpreter attached to the United States peace commission. The answer of the Spaniards was so short that less than ten minutes were consumed in rendering it into English for the Americans. Spain's reply was as already cabled, and added that throughout the controversy Spain had the strongest argument, and that, as between positions so diametrically opposed, the American peace commissioners were empowered to prepare the treaty articles embodying the cessation of Cuba, Porto Rico and the Philippines, and the payment by the United States of \$20,000,000 for submission to the meeting which will be held Wednesday.

The Spanish commissioners announced that, being authorized by their government to reply that the American propositions are inadmissible on legal principles and are not a proper compromise on legal principles, on the Spanish part all diplomatic resources are exhausted, and the Spanish commission is now asked to accept or reject the propositions. Spain, inspired by reasons of patriotism and humanity and to avoid the horrors of war, resigns herself to the power of the victor. She accepts the offered conditions in order to conclude a treaty of peace.

The American demands included the acquisition of the whole of the Philippine and Sulu groups for \$20,000,000, and it is also understood the United States will purchase the Caroline group.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—It is not received here from the news so far received that the commissioners have yet reached the point of signing a treaty. Much remains to be done in execution of the last instructions of the state department before the peace treaty itself can be completed and made ready for signature. The work may be hurried materially, however, should the state department decide to permit the treatment of the remaining questions to be settled by separate conventions. The instructions to the American commissioners sent last week were to arrange for a renewal of the renounced treaty with Spain; for the acquisition of Cuba, for obtaining concessions for cable connections in other quarters, and for the procurement of religious toleration in the Carolines. These things are not likely to be easily disposed of, so it may be that the American commissioners will feel that they have complied with the spirit of their instructions if they succeed in including in the peace treaty a provision binding hereafter on those subjects on lines that may be very broadly defined in the treaty of peace. In that case two or three sessions of the peace commission should suffice to complete the work of that body; otherwise it is doubtful whether the work can be completed before Christmas.

ARE INDICTED FOR MURDER.

The Mother and Father Who Threw Their Child in a Boiling Furnace at Hamilton, W. Va.

HAMILTON, W. Va., Nov. 29.—James Holstein, the alleged murderer of the infant child of Miss Martha Elkins, who she claimed is the owner of her ruin, was indicted for murder, together with the mother of the dead child. The crime which he committed is one of the most shocking in the criminal annals of this state. He is charged with having seized the infant from the mother's breast while she was lying helpless in bed, and walking toward the huge fire place, threw it upon the burning logs, rushed from the room to avoid hearing the infant's agonizing cries, leaving the mother to witness the cremation of her child. Excitement is rife and the couple may be lynched.

MILWAUKEE Wm. C. Graham Dead.

KROON LA, Nov. 29.—William C. Graham died here Monday, aged 90 years. He was said to be a millionaire and had extensive business interests in Washington, D.C., and other eastern cities. He made most of his money in Southern Indiana towns.

The "Turquoise King" Murdered.

EL PASO, TEX., Nov. 29.—A. J. De mules, better known as the "Turquoise King of the Jarillas," was murdered at his celebrated turquoise mine, 50 miles north of El Paso in New Mexico at an early hour Monday morning by a Mexican with whom he had quarreled about a rival matter.

FOR RENT IN CANTON.

CAMP POLAND, KNOXVILLE, TENN., Nov. 29.—The 4th Tennessee regiment left for Savannah at 11 o'clock Monday night en route to Genfuques, Cuba.

THE FARRAGUT TO BE GIVEN ANOTHER TRIAL.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 29.—The torpedo boat Farragut, which failed to attain the required speed of 30 knots an hour on her official trial, owing to the prevalence of a gale, will have another trial some day this week and it is expected that the low-lying craft will exceed her contract speed.

FOR RENT IN CANTON.

ST. PETERSBURG, NOV. 29.—A ferry-boat full of workmen has been capsized while crossing the Volga at Kuznetska, drowning 29 of her passengers.

RIVER ACCIDENT.

Steamboat Boiler at Stockton, Cal., Explodes—Six Killed and Many Hurt.

THE BOILERS OF THE INJURED PASSENGERS WERE HEAR-ROARING—DICK HANDS, FELL IN THEIR HANDS, RECEIVED THE LAST FORCE OF THE STEAM.

STOCKTON, Cal., Nov. 28.—The most disastrous river accident in the history of Stockton occurred Sunday morning near Fourteen Mile slough, when a part of one of the boilers of the T. C. Walker which left San Francisco about 6 o'clock Saturday night was blown out, killing five and dangerously wounding persons, while probably 15 or 20 were more or less badly hurt. The T. C. Walker is owned by the California Navigation and Improvement Co., and ran between San Francisco and Stockton.

The majority of the passengers were in bed when the explosion occurred and were awakened by the report which was as loud as a cannon's roar. People rushed from their rooms in their night clothes and found the whole forward portion of the steamer's upper works blown away. The electric lights had been put out and the escape routes enveloped the front portion of the boat till it was impossible to see how much of the boat had been carried away.

The screams of the men who were locked in their rooms near the pilot house were heartrending. Capt. John Tulan had been blown from his seat and against the door of the state room and so seriously injured that he could not move. The door could not be forced open as he was jammed up against it. One of the employees of the boat secured an ax and cut the upper part of the room away and finally removed him, but not until he was virtually roasted alive. When pulled out he fell back, and his bones were splintered, and although he was suffering excruciatingly, he bore it bravely and not a groan escaped him as he was taken out of the steam.

Watson Henry, the chief engineer, and his wife were in their room near the pilot house when the explosion occurred. Mrs. Henry was blown through the roof of the room, fell down and was seriously injured that he could not move. The door could not be forced open as he was jammed up against it. One of the employees of the boat secured an ax and cut the upper part of the room away and finally removed him, but not until he was virtually roasted alive. When pulled out he fell back, and his bones were splintered, and although he was suffering excruciatingly, he bore it bravely and not a groan escaped him as he was taken out of the steam.

Mrs. Blunt was instantly killed. He was standing on the lower deck as he stepped above a landing a short distance above a place where the explosion occurred. Jerry Daly, the fireman, was in the fire hold of the boat when the accident occurred. The escaping steam completely enveloped him, scarcely a portion of his body escaping the scorching upon. He died at the receiving hospital at 12:45 Sunday afternoon.

Underneath the lower deck, where the deck hands slept, groans and screams were terrible, for the unfortunate prisoners were receiving the full force of the steam as it came from the boilers. Eight of them were almost roasted alive. Those who were able made their way to the deck as best they could while the more seriously injured were unable to get out. Arms and faces of those near the main entrance were frightfully scalded. Donaldson, who was on the lower deck, was blown into the water and had to swim ashore after his back was horribly scalded.

Ferdinand Law, of Seattle, died at 6 o'clock Sunday evening at the receiving hospital, making the sixth death.

LOOK SHAFER AND GENE M. ELLIOTT.

NEW YORK, Nov. 28.—While passing out of the Fifth avenue hotel Friday night Gen. Shaffer and Gen. Elliott were seen in the street since the general's arrival in Santiago. The general's salute simultaneously, then shook hands and conversed pleasantly for several minutes. Each seemed pleased at the meeting.

BLANCO WILL SAIL FOR SPAIN DECEMBER 3.

HAVANA, Nov. 28.—Passengers were Friday delivered to the aldesa camp of Gen. Blanco's staff, who will sail for Spain on the steamer Juan Ferragut December 3. On the same steamer it is announced, will embark Marshal Blanco, Gen. Sotano and his staff.

A KIDNAPING MUSTARD STORY.

VAN COVVER, R. C., Nov. 28.—J. W. Stevens, is here with an interesting Elmdike mustard story. He says of a big pile of bones found on Sulphur creek one was a tooth between four and one-half and five inches long, and nearly two inches thick at the base. Another was the leg of an animal from the knee to the ankle. It was five feet and a half in length. From the ground to this animal's body the distance was probably seven ten feet.

NEW VESSELS LOAN IN A BIZZARD.

GLOUCESTER, MASS., Nov. 29.—Nine vessels were lost in the blizzard at this port, but nothing could be learned Monday as to the loss of life. It is believed that the crews of nearly all the craft escaped. In several instances no one was on board. Nearly all of the vessels lost were fishermen.

DO HORRIBLY MANGLED.

CLARKSVILLE, TENN., Nov. 29.—Arthur Leathers, aged 14, of Jones creek, Dickson county, was horribly mangled by a tree falling upon him. He had helped fell the tree and wanted the wood as fuel for his widowed mother.

PLATONUM MINE FOUND.

TACOMA, WASH., Nov. 29.—Chicago and New York men have found the biggest platinum mine in America in Okanagan county, this state. Experts say it is worth \$1,000,000.

COAL MINER KILLED.

EVANSVILLE, IND., Nov. 28.—The coal miners at Newburgh, a few miles above Evansville, are on a strike for increased wages. They are getting 39 cents per ton, and want 50 cents.

AN EXPLOSION IN HAVANA.

A Box of Dynamite Lets Go on the Avenue Infants and Twenty-Eight Persons Killed and Wounded.

HAVANA, Nov. 29.—A box of dynamite exploded Monday morning near the Reina battery, killing or injuring 40 persons.

The explosion occurred on the Avenue Infantes, between the Santa Clara and Reina batteries. Many boxes of powder were stored in a private house, which also contained other cartridges. The careless handling of one of the boxes of powder (not a box of dynamite, as at first reported), or of one of the boxes of cartridges, caused the explosion, which killed 15 or 20 more or less seriously injured 30 persons.

Nobody was killed outright by the explosion, but three of the injured died Monday afternoon, and the condition of most of the others is more or less critical. At least 15 are not expected to live. It was a miracle that the immediate loss of life was not greater.

THEY ARE OFF FOR CUBA.

Fifteenth Entry Leaves on the Chester—Orders to Acquit a Collision on the Savannah.

SAVANNAH, GA., Nov. 29.—The United States transport Chester, loaded with 1,500 men of the 13th infantry, horses, mules, ammunition and supplies, left for Havana, Cuba, at 9 o'clock Monday morning.

Four miles from the city they met the United States transport Manitoba coming in. The Manitoba did not slacken speed nor were over in the channel and in order to avoid a collision the Chester ran ashore. She is now stuck in the channel four miles below the city. It is believed she can be pulled off at high tide.

STORM AT VINEYARD HAVEN.

A Large Fleet of Sailing Vessels Swept Out of Existence by the Force Storm of Saturday and Sunday.

VINEYARD HAVEN, MASS., Nov. 29.—The fierce northeast storm which struck this port Saturday night and continued all day Sunday with great violence swept out of existence a large fleet of sailing vessels which anchored off this port to escape its fury. It is known that at least four men have perished, and it is probable that as many more have lost their lives.

WRECK TROOPS TO BE MUSTERED OUT.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 29.—The war department, in view of the assurance that a peace treaty will be signed, is arranging to muster out war troops. It is probable that from 30,000 to 40,000 volunteers will be mustered out as soon as selections of regiments can be made. There has been quite a demand for the return of volunteers from Manila, but no troops will be brought from the Philippines unless they are replaced by others.

DEMONSTRATION IN FAVOR OF COL. FERRAR.

PARIS, Nov. 29.—An immense mass meeting was held Monday evening in favor of Col. Ferrar. Thousands of people, shouting "Commeux Rochefort" and "Commeux Drumont," marched to the Cherche-Midi prison, where Picquet is confined, and cheered and demonstrated there on his behalf. The anti-Picquetians rallied, and there were several conflicts between the two bands.

LOSERS TO SHIPPING ON THE LAKES.

CHICAGO, Nov. 29.—A careful estimate of losses to shipping and vessel owners on the great lakes for the record breaking year of 1898 places the probable figures at \$2,500,000. This may be increased before the close of navigation, but even without more storms or foundered vessels it will hold first place for losses in the history of lake navigation.

WRECKED VESSEL AT NEW LONDON, CT.

NEW LONDON, CT., Nov. 29.—Among the wrecked vessels hereabouts is the two-masted schooner Ferguson, of Belfast, Me., the three-masted schooner Maggie Ellen, of Cape Elizabeth; the Nathan P. Dickson, Capt. Dodson, of this city, which is sunk off Fort Tompkins, and the schooner Hattie Douglas, Capt. Oxyley. The schooner Kitt, which belonged at Greenport, N. Y., is reported to have sunk at Saybrook and it is believed that the crew perished.

IS AS LIFE AT DUNBAR, MASS.

DUNBAR, MASS., Nov. 29.—The schooner, Merris H. Perry, of Boston, and the Edgar S. Foster, of Bucksport, Me., were wrecked off Brent Rock during the storm. The crew of the Foster were taken off by the life savers, but Capt. Pike and four members of the crew of the Perry perished. The other nine members of the crew were landed in safety.

SEISMOLOGICAL JOURNAL WRECKED.

COHASSET, MASS., Nov. 29.—The schooner Junista, of Boston, Capt. Corby, was wrecked on Beach Island Sunday during the storm. Capt. Corby and crew of 18 were rescued. The Junista had a cargo of 14,000 pounds of fresh fish.

WOMAN DROWNED.

SCITUATE, MASS., Nov. 29.—Mrs. Wilbur, of Raynham, was drowned while trying to escape from her summer cottage. Her body was washed ashore and picked up in the street.

THE BIG STORM.

More Than Seventy Lives Lost in Wreck of Vessels in the East.

The Big, Harbor and Inlets From French Point to N. London Are Struck With Wrecks—A Lamentable Number Perished Deaths of Horror.

BOSTON, Nov. 29.—It was known definitely Monday night that more than seventy lives have been lost in the wrecks of tugs, schooners and coal barges during the storm of Saturday night and Sunday morning, and if the steamer Portland has also gone down, as now seems possible, the list of casualties will rise to 140 with over one hundred vessels of all descriptions ashore. Two scores of them known to have perished, and an unknown number probably beneath the waves of Massachusetts bay.

There is scarcely a bay, harbor or inlet from the Penobscot to New London that has not on its shores the bones of some staunch craft, while along Massachusetts bay and especially in the vicinity of New Bedford, high with the wreckage of schooners and coal barges. The record, although hourly lengthening, is still incomplete for that ocean grave yard of Cape Cod is still to be heard from.

The annoyance and inconvenience of the railroad and street car embargo covering the whole of southern New England sunk into significance before the story of destruction wrought by wind and wave, yet it will be many a day before the full import of the disaster is known or even realized.

The islands of Boston harbor are without exception strewn with wrecks and wreckage. No less than 39 vessels are ashore at Gloucester; over 30 in the vicinity of New Bedford; and at Vineyard Haven, where the anchor chains and rigging are high and dry on the beach. Nantuxet bay saw two schooners and a coal barge dashed to pieces on its sands; the rocks of Cohasset claimed a staunch fisherman, Scituate, a well known pilot boat; Manchester, a seven-eighths lumberman, while on the way to New Bedford, and three barges, one to have been brought from Cape Cod and Boston are unaccounted for and probably lost. The upper harbors of Boston, Plymouth, Nahant, Portsmouth, Portland and other places where vessels were supposed to be comparatively safe were the scenes of numerous collisions between the ships and the shores.

THAT HONOR.

Every life saving crew performed deeds of heroism in rescuing crews from stranded vessels, and tugboat captains risked life and property in their endeavor to save life.

The steamer Fairfax, Capt. Johnson, of the Merchants' and Miners' Co. from Baltimore to this city, is ashore on the Sow and Pigs, off Cutchinhook, and is full of water by her main deck. She was spoken Sunday by Capt. Haller, of the steamer H. M. Whitney, and her passengers taken off and brought to this city. Capt. Johnson maintained on board and assistance was sent to her from Vineyard Haven as soon as possible.

Beyond Deer Island lies the big Wilson ship Ohio, and the steamer C. A. White, of Taunton, ashore on Spectacle Island. It is a matter of surprise to harbor pilots how the Ohio reached her present berth. She stands up boldly without a semblance of a list, on a hard gravel bottom, in water which at flood tide Monday morning hardly came to the level of the propeller shaft. She is firmly aground and her predicament is a very serious one.

According to some of the wrecking masters, the only way to save the line by diverting a channel from the Ohio to deep water, but that must be done quickly, as another gale would do irreparable damage.

The White evidently lies on rocks, and while she could be pulled into deep water, her heavy cargo would severely keep her afloat.

Leaving Spectacle Island astern, a sorry sight is that presented by the three-masted schooner Calvin E. Baker, on Shag Rocks, midway between Boston Light and the Brewsters, where the deep-sea surges roll in and half bury the craft which is fast going to pieces. The mainmast has been whipped out and hangs dangling over the side, supported by the top hamper of the other masts.

From this wreck the two mates were taken off by Capt. James and his crew from across the bay at Hull.

In the fury of the storm Sunday two big newly built barges of the Consolidated Coal Co., Nos. 1 and 4 were dashed to bits almost in an instant. On the shores about scores of men tried to risk their lives to save those who were on many of the vessels in the offing driving to destruction.

Capt. James, of the life-saving crew, was there with his men and boat, but he said that the wind blew so fiercely that not men enough could find room to land to row against the wind. Out of the driven snow came the dim outlines of a barge, with the forms of five men discernable on the deck house. With a mighty crash as it came down on a receding wave large No. 1 struck the shore only to crumble and then melt into fragments which the waves in another instant cast upon the shore. But in that instant five men escaped the impending death, for as the large split in twin the deck house slid toward the shore into the surf, and at the same time men on shore with lines about their necks rushed into the water and pulled out the sailors. A moment later barge No. 4 came ashore and was wrecked in the same manner. The crew of 18 were rescued. The Junista had a cargo of 14,000 pounds of fresh fish.

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CURRENT TOPICS.

CANADA'S mineral output last year yielded \$28,000,000.

New York architectural iron workers claim double pay for work on election day.

A PHYSICIAN declares that people who sleep with their mouths shut live longest.

There are only 6,000 lawyers of all kinds in Russia—one for every 25,000 inhabitants.

Nearly all the gold coin in circulation in the Sandwich Islands is of United States mintage.

Last year in 21 cities of the United States 8,214 divorces were asked for and 6,629 were granted.

The lower grade of molasses, which is unsalable, is used as fuel. Over 100,000 tons were used last year.

The name of Wayne is the title, or part of the title, of more places in the United States than any other.

A FRENCH writer attributes the failure of the "Belle France" to the fact that many of them are taught fencing.

If a man could move his legs proportionally as fast as an ant, he would travel not far short of 800 miles an hour.

No bird can fly backward without turning. The dragon fly, however, can accomplish this feat and outstrip any swallow.

Forty new senators have been appointed in Italy, among them being Baron Pava, Italian ambassador to the United States.

In 1888 freemasonry was established in the island of Cyprus. There are now two lodges, a Royal Arch chapter and a Mark lodge there.

A COMPANY is being formed at Lexington, Ky., to build an electric railway between Lexington and Richmond, Ky., a distance of 22 miles.

Private bull fights are occasionally given by the very rich people in Madrid, and guests are invited to them as they would be to a dinner.

Since the passing of the first vaccination act in England, in 1811, the death rate from smallpox has fallen from 526 per million to 29 per million.

After a union of many years in peace, Sweden and Norway are about to be divorced upon grounds that seem to be incompatibility of temper.

VEGETARIANISM of 1850 and 1877, bearing the names of George Algea Macgregor, have been revived in Massachusetts, in the interior of South Africa.

Artificial legs and arms were in use in Egypt as early as B. C. 700. They were made by the priests, who were the physicians of that early time.

A HAVANA newspaper has been suspended and its editor imprisoned for publishing an article attacking the constitution of the United States.

According to Nilsson, the zoologist, the weight of a full-grown Greenland whale is 100 tons, or 224,000 pounds, or equal to that of 85 elephants or 440 bears.

The bank checks passing through the clearing houses in London and New York in one month exceed the value of all the gold and silver coin in the world.

Very little furniture is used in the bedrooms of the Turkish harem. Rarely is a chair seen in any of them. A few mats adorn the room and the bed is stretched on the floor.

The music sung in St. Peter's, at Rome, is entirely manuscript. No vocalist or musician is permitted to have his part in his hand, except while he is actually performing it.

The shah has in his palace at Tehran a branch globe, upon which the parts of the world are set out in jewels of various colors, and with a scale in India with diamonds, the sea, crystals, and so on.

A CURIOUS remedy for sleeplessness is used by the inhabitants of the Spanish islands. They employ a snake in a hollow bomb, and the hissing sound emitted by the reptile is said to quickly induce slumber.

A SPANISH officer in Havana has made a proposition to raise a battalion of 2,000 Spanish soldiers who would return to Spain, wish to wear allegiance to the United States and continue to serve in Cuba.

On August 1 of this year the average wages per day of working men