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## CONDENSED NEWS.

**A Collection of Interesting Items on Various Subjects, Especially Prepared for the Hasty Reader.**

A favorable report has been made on the bill to increase the pension of the widow of Gen. Custer.

British yachtsmen are eager to try again for the American cup.

James A. Garfield, Jr., second son of the late president, was married to Miss Helen Newell daughter of John Newell the president of the Lake Shore and Michigan Southern railroad, in Chicago, Tuesday evening. Young Garfield is a lawyer.

N. B. Pinn, conductor on the Pennsylvania railroad, lifted a ticket, Monday, dated at Sallneville, in 1854. He will preserve it as a memento of early railroading.

The bodies of five miners have been recovered from the shaft of the Lehigh and Wilkesbarre mines, at Wilkesbarre, where the explosion occurred in March, imprisoning eight men.

Chicago is to have a new Young Men's Christian association building, to cost $1,400,000.

President Harrison shook hands with more than 4,000 people at his New Year's reception.

Marshall Field & Company, of Chicago, will bring suit to test the constitutionality of the McKinley tariff.

The remains of the eight miners killed at Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 9, have been recovered, identified and buried.

Wednesday and Wednesday night nearly the entire telegraph system of the United States was in a useless condition, owing to storms in the east. The conditions were unprecedented since the invention of telegraph.

New Year's in Washington was observed by the usual receptions by the president, vice president, members of the cabinet and others.

A Canadian government officer just returned from an inspection from Winnipeg to the Pacific says the United States is losing nearly a million dollars annually through the operations of opium smugglers.

December decrease of public debt, $11,005,398.

Emma Abbott died of pneumonia at Salt Lake City.

### Crimes and Casualties.

A building at Twenty-ninth street and First avenue New York, which was being rebuilt, Tuesday afternoon collapsed killing four people and injuring six.

Three men entered the Merchants' Exchange bank, of Chicago, when no one but Assistant Cashier Frank Lynn was present, and by terrorizing him with revolvers robbed the bank of about $1,500.

Henry Lutz, aged 82, was arrested near Bethlehem, Pa., on the charge of murdering a whole family in Germany thirty years ago.

Three men went through a passenger coach as it stood in the Columbus, Ind., depot and robbed the passengers of several hundred dollars at the point of a revolver. Of course they escaped.

At the Edgar Thompson steel works, at Braddock, Pa., Thursday more than a dozen men were hurt, four of them seriously, in a riot between some furnacemen at work and 300 striking Huns. Five of the rioters were jailed and 1,000 deputy sheriffs were sworn in to protect the workmen.

A Christmas day fight in Boone county, W. Va., resulted in the fatal wounding of Pete Jenell and his son George by James Sanson.

A sleigh containing six people was struck by a train at Hadley, Mass. A young man and lady were instantly killed and the others were badly injured.

The office of the treasurer of Wright county, Minn., was robbed Thursday night $3,500.

Johnny McKeanie aged 17, killed himself at Cleveland because his 14-year-old sweetheart jilted him.

### The Fire Record.

Fire in Trenkmann's factory, Center street, New York, did $150,000 damage.

Bauchemin, wholesale bookseller at Montreal, was damaged by fire to the extent of $100,000.

The new prison at Plattsburg, N. Y., burned. Loss, $2,000. The 300 prisoners were removed safely.

The Blaine mansion, Washington, occupied by the Leiters, was damaged $15,000 or $16,000 by fire and water Thursday.

Fire in New York Friday night destroyed the Fifth Avenue and Herrman's theaters and a dozen stores. Loss, $500,000.

### Foreign.

Emin Pasha has won two battles fought in Central Africa with the natives.

According to the Dublin Express, independent Conservative, it is Mr. William O'Brien's intention to surrender himself to the police early in January, in order to serve two of his six months imprisonment to which he was sentenced on Nov. 12.

### Personal.

Henry Watterson has been chosen to fill the vacancy of the National Democratic committee, caused by the death of Henry D. McHenry.

Monday was Gladstone's eighty first birthday.

## CONGRESS.

### Twenty-Fourth Day.

In the senate, Mr. Aldrich reported the closure rule, and at his request it went over. Messrs. Hoeck and Hoar spoke in support of the elections bill. The credentials of the new senators from Idaho were presented. The senate, in executive session, confirmed the nomination of Judge Brown as the associate justice of the supreme court.

### Twenty-Fifth Day.

In the senate Mr. Hoar concluded his speech in favor of the elections bill, and was followed by Mr. Wolcott, Republican, in opposition. Mr. Stewart addressed the senate on the finance bill, and Messrs. Teller and Hale urged the importance of the senate taking early action toward bringing the bill to vote.

### Twenty-Sixth Day.

The election bill occupied the attention of the senate during the entire session Wednesday. At 5:30 adjournment was taken until Friday noon with the understanding that a further adjournment until Monday noon would then take place.

### Twenty-Seventh Day.

In the senate there was no business transacted Friday, and on motion of Mr. Spooner at 12:15 the senate adjourned until noon Monday.

No quorum was present and the house adjourned until Monday.

## THE RECORD BROKEN.

**The Mercury Drops to Sixty Below Zero at Fort Fairfield, Me.**

FORT FAIRFIELD, Me., Jan. 2.—The thermometer registered 60 degrees below zero Wednesday morning, beating the record.

KANSAS CITY, Jan. 3.—A special from Hutchinson, Kan., says: Advices received by The News from twenty counties in southwestern Kansas show that there have been heavy general rains this afternoon and evening. Reports concerning the wheat prospect are of the most flattering character. The area is the largest in the history of these counties, and the average condition on the first day of January will be the best ever known. Up to this time the weather has been mild and pleasant and there has been no suffering. Southwestern Kansas stands upon the threshhold of the new year full of hope.

## BUREAU OF AMERICAN REPUBLICS.

**Some Interesting Information Obtained by That Body.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The bureau of American republics is in receipt of recent official information from Venezuela which shows that country to be enjoying almost unprecedented prosperity. During the last fiscal year the national revenue derived from customs reached nearly $6,000,000. The National debt has been reduced to $68,811,000, and the population to 1,850 is given as 2,323,000.

The total exports were valued at $18,000,000, the largest ever known, and the imports amounted to $15,900,000, of which $4,600,000 came from England and $3,900,000 from the United States. The crops of coffee and cocoa during the past year were unprecedented, and the prices of both articles were higher than for many years previous, which has added largely to the wealth of the country.

### Mexico's Money.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The bureau of American republics is informed that the finance minister of Mexico has submitted to the congress of that republic a plan for an entire revision of the monetary laws and coinage. It provides that the monetary system of the republic shall consist, as at present, of gold, silver, copper and brass coins. The monetary unit shall continue to be the silver dollar, the fractions of the dollar to be represented by silver coins of five, ten and twenty cents. The silver dollar shall retain its present form, but the design thereof shall be improved.

### Java Coffee Crop a Failure.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The bureau of American republics has received advices of the almost total failure of the coffee crop in Java, which is estimated at only about 10 per cent of former annual averages.

### Justice Brown Installed.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The installation of Justice Henry L. Brown, of Michigan, associate justice of the supreme court of the United States, took place shortly after noon Monday in the supreme court chamber. The ceremony was brief and impressive.

### General Spinner's Funeral.

UTICA, N. Y., Jan. 5.—The funeral of the late Gen. Francis Spinner was held at Mohawk Sunday. There was a very large attendance and many officers and attaches of the treasury department were present.

## NEWS IN BRIEF.

**A Condensation of Interesting Items of Various Subjects.**

Columbus Grove, O., had a $10,000 fire Sunday.

Geo. W. Peck was inaugurated governor of Wisconsin Monday.

The smallpox quarantine has been raised at Houston, Tex.

The trades council at Birmingham, Ala., decided to assist the striking miners.

Common Pleas Judge Buckingham, of Newark, O., is sued for $14,000 back taxes.

The trades council of Birmingham Ala. has decided to assist the striking miners.

The creditors of Archbishop Purcell are willing to accept 35 per cent for their claims.

Indiana commercial travelers ask the legislature to pass the two cent railroad fare bill.

There is an insurrection in the Caroline Islands, caused by the oppression of the Spaniards.

A number of persons were drowned at Peth while skating on the Danube by the breaking of the ice.

The supreme court of Nebraska has decided that a father who murders his daughter cannot inherit her estate.

Hal. C. Ross, of Pittsburg, was married to Miss Lizzie Gordon, of Uniontown, O., after only three days' acquaintance.

Legislator Terrell shot and killed G. W. Embree at Guthrie, O. T., because the latter testified against the former in court.

Alvin Stafford, aged 21, was arrested at Xenia, for burning a little colored boy in a frightful manner with a red hot poker.

Two women at New Martinsville, W. Va., fought a duel with butcher knives. One of the women, Mrs. Wilson, is fatally hurt.

Doctors disagree as to whether William Repp, of Huntington, Ind., is dead or in a trance, and the obsequies are indefinitely postponed.

A blast furnace in the foundry of Barnum & Richardson, Chicago, exploded, and three workmen were injured by the molten metal.

An iron fence at Columbus, Ind., objected to being walked over by small boy Frank Schwartzkoff, tripped him up and badly mutilated his face.

Governor Campbell has sent an invitation to Mervin Kuhns, the alleged murderer of Campen at Pisgetta, to visit Ohio at his earliest convenience.

John Lacy, a drunken Columbus, Ind., tough, cut Edward Diltz almost to death before he discovered that Diltz was not the man he was laying for.

The authorities of Anderson, Ind., have offered to the Central Glass company, of Wheeling, W. Va., the use of the glass plant recently closed in that city.

The signal service weather crop bulletin of Dec. 31, is not favorable to the winter wheat crops. Too much cold temperature, too much rain and not enough snow.

The United Mine Workers have issued an appeal to the Federation of Labor on behalf of the miners of Alabama who, they say, are treated worse than convicts.

Emblem Risk, of Delphos, O., claims that he paid Col. Brice $10,000 to satisfy a mortgage in 1878 and Brice refuses to return the papers. Therefore he appeals to law.

Mrs. Anna T. Gherardi, wife of Admiral Gherardi, U. S. N., commanding the North Atlantic squadron, died in Brooklyn Sunday night of pneumonia. She was 40 years old.

Two brothers and a sister, named Bell, were caught in a blizzard Wednesday night near Medicine Lodge, Kan. The boys were frozen to death, but the sister will recover.

Mrs. Shaw, a dressmaker of Los Angeles, Cal., was shot at by a discarded lover, who afterwards committed suicide. Mrs. Shaw's life was saved by two of the bullets striking corset steels.

Selah Chamberlain, the Cleveland seven-millionaire, left a small bequest to Lane seminary, Cincinnati, and nothing to his niece, the beauty, Mrs. Jennie Chamberlain Naylor-Leyland.

The statistics show that the product of anthracite coal for 1890 was 40,000,000 tons, valued at the mines at $65,000,000 and reaching consumers at a cost of $130,000,000. The average number of days worked by miners during the year was 194, that is, they were idle over one third of the time.

### Horses in Dark Stables.

It is suggested that the slight of horses is injured by keeping the animals in dark stables, and thus when the harness is put on them, and they are suddenly brought out to the light, the pupils of the eyes are suddenly and painfully contracted, and a repetition of such treatment is very injurious. Owners of horses who would resist "meting and vending the light and air" to themselves should not impose on their faithful horses. It is very easy to have well lighted and well ventilated stables.

## A CONVERTED TERROR.

**Desperado Andy Johnson Goes to Preaching in the Mountains.**

PINEVILLE, Ky., Jan. 1.—Andy Johnson, "the Pineville terror," who became noted throughout the "dark and bloody ground" for the number of people he has killed, has become converted and is now an exhorter, taking the pulpit at several large meetings in the mountain districts.

Johnson first became noted for the killing of the Hoskins brothers, whom Johnson claims he did not slay without sufficient provocation. C. Y. Hoskins knocked out one of Johnson's eyes. Johnson lay in wait for revenge, and one day while the two Hoskinses and their sister were riding along the road in a wagon he opened fire and killed all three. Besides these he has probably killed a score of men.

## FATALLY SHOT

**By a Pistol That Fell From the Town Marshal's Pocket.**

HARRODSBURG, Ky., Jan. 5.—Allie G. Hove, a young man about 21 years old, was accidentally shot in the abdomen Friday, by a ball from a 38-caliber pistol that fell from the pocket of Town Marshal William W. Waggener. The wound is a serious one and may prove fatal. The sad accident occurred in Green's saloon, on the corner of Childs and Market streets, about 10 o'clock a. m. The young man was living here with his mother, Mrs. Emma Hove, a granddaughter of the late Gen. Robert McAfee. His father, Dr. J. Add. Hove, is a practicing physician in Cincinnatus, Kan. He has an uncle in business in Cincinnati.

### Killed With a Fence Rail.

HOPKINSVILLE, Ky., Dec. 31.—Thomas Farmer and Ellis Brown, citizens residing near Scales' Mills, in this county, became involved in a quarrel over family affairs Monday morning, when the former was killed with a fence rail by Brown. Both men became very angry, when Farmer drew a knife upon his opponent, who seized a rail and struck Farmer to the ground with it. Farmer arose and followed Brown, who struck him a second blow, knocking him down and inflicting fatal internal injuries, from which he died almost instantly. Brown made his escape and is still at large.

### Sandbagged and Robbed.

KEYPORT, N. J., Jan. 5.—Mr Denton Tompkins, superintendent of Henry Longstreet's brick works, at Cliffwood, was waylaid and robbed at a late hour last night by a gang of unknown ruffians. Mr. Tompkins was sandbagged from ambush and his face mangled beyond recognition. No arrests have as yet been made. Harry Longstreet, Tompkins' employer, will hire detectives to capture the assailants, and some arrests will probably soon be made. Tompkins now lies at the residence of James Flynn in a critical condition.

### Found Murdered.

MIDDLESBORO, Ky., Jan. 1.—Parties out hunting in the mountains south of the city Sunday found near Cumberland Gap the body of a man. The body was identified as that of James Dalton, who was last seen in the city day before Christmas. There is every evidence that the man was murdered, as a heavy ball had plowed its way entirely through him near the heart. No clew to the murderers has been found, although detectives are working on the case. It is a very mysterious affair.

### Murderer Arrested.

WINCHESTER, Ky., Jan. 3.—Julia Woolfolk was arrested and lodged in jail here on a telegram from Lexington accusing her of murder. Several days ago she had a fight with Emma Black, of that city, during the progress of which the latter was struck on the head with a rock, and from the effects of the blow she has since died. The parties are colored.

### Killed by Accident.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Jan. 1.—Simon King, who was charged with shooting and killing Simon Shanks, in this county, had his examining trial here Tuesday and was acquitted. It was partially proved to have been an accident. This makes the fifth man that has been acquitted of the same charge this month.

### Overrun With Burglars.

WINCHESTER, Ky., Jan. 3.—The adjoining county of Madison is so infested with burglars and sneak-thieves that County Judge Chenault has appointed a number of men in various parts of the county to patrol the country at night and arrest all suspicious characters.

### Kentucky Ex-Senator Gone.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 1.—Ex-State Senator W. H. Frederick died of cancer at his home, near this city, Tuesday. He was nearly 70 years old.

### Aged Minister's Death.

LOUISVILLE, Jan. 1.—Rev. John G. Bruce, the oldest Methodist minister in Kentucky, died Tuesday, at the age of 80.

### Kentucky Notes.

Maysville, Ky., is excited over a mad dog scare.

Trimars Shassard shot and killed Lew Wallace at Louisville Saturday. Both are colored.

Fire at Fulton, Ky., destroyed Pacchall's printing office and other property valued at $10,000.

James Gaither, a notorious colored man, filled up on whisky at Kuttawa, Ky., Saturday. He became so boisterous that he had to be put in jail. Enraged at this Gaither set the jail on fire, hoping to escape, but he was burned to death with the jail.

At his home near Shepardsville, Ky., E. H. Chill, a prominent and once wealthy farmer, was found dead in his room. He was 70 years of age, suffering from rheumatism and in debt, and it is believed he committed suicide.

On Bennet's Fork, about three miles from Middlesboro, Ky., Robert Howard killed Louis Roeberger with a hatchet, under no provocation whatever. Howard escaped into the mountains, and up to the present has not been apprehended.

Harry J. Atkinson, a railroad brakeman, whose home is in Auburn, Ky., chose two routes two commit suicide at the Globe hotel, St. Louis. He first tried morphine, which had no effect on his organism. He then took a dose of laudanum, and, getting into bed, sent a bullet crashing through his brain.

At Falmouth, Ky., the special grand jury has indicted Jeff Bray, Archie Downard, Scott Whalen, and William Smith for willful murder, and has the case against Bill Moore for Ku-Kluxing yet to investigate.

### When to Sell Poultry.

It should be a rule never to sell a fowl until it is made very fat. A hen weighing six pounds should be made to weigh seven. The one pound extra is not much, but it adds two cents a pound to the price of the whole carcass. A six pound hen which would sell at 10 cents a pound, making 60 cents, if fatted and weighing seven pounds would bring 12 cents a pound, or 84 cents for the fowl. Here we see by making a fowl fat there is a clear addition of 14 cents to the total sum and 10 cents for the extra pound, equivalent to 40 per cent. gain by fattening the fowl.—Poultry Keeper.

## THE CIRCLE COMPLETED.

**The Hostiles Completely Surrounded by Troops.**

OMAHA, Jan. 5.—A special from Pine Ridge Sunday night said:

There is a circle drawn around the hostile Indians now, it being completed by the departure of Capt. Crossly, of the Seventh cavalry, with four troops for Beaver creek, seven miles away. The circle is drawn to the north and east from there to Col. Henry's command, from thence to Col. Wheaton's, thence to Col. Stanford's, thence to Col. Wilf's, thence to Col. Offley's, thence to Gen. Carr's, thence to Col. Whitney's on the Wounded Knee battle ground, and from there back to the agency.

### No Chance to Escape.

By this arrangement the Indians are practically hemmed in. At the principal railway stations along the edge of the reservation state troops are quartered. Gen. Miles said two Indians were killed at the hostile camp in a fight among themselves. The camp is nine miles away. Some wanted to surrender, but the young men refused to permit it.

A general closing in will be made this week, and there may be trouble. The line is drawn between the Indians and the Bad Lands.

### Colonel Forsythe Relieved.

Sunday in accordance with instructions telegraphed from Washington, Col Forsythe was relieved of his command of the Seventh cavalry, pending investigation of the Wounded Knee affair. Maj. Whiteside succeeds to the command of the regiment. Maj. Whiteside said that the affair was an accident; that a few moments before the fighting began the squaws were merrily plying the searching party with bundles of rags. The accepted reason for Col. Forsythe's relief is the manner in which his troops were placed in the fight.

## ONE THOUSAND RECRUITS

**Said to Have Left Standing Rock to Join the Hostiles.**

YATES, N. Dak., Jan. 5.—Indications point to at least 1,000 Indians having left Standing Rock agency to join the hostiles.

The discovery was made on issuing rations to many that did not come to the agency, and one of the "friendlies" stated that they had armed themselves and gone to join the "bads" in revolt. How many have gone is only conjectured, but the indications point to at least 1,000 desertions. The Grand River Sioux have been fomenting trouble ever since the killing of Sitting Bull, and they have not been slow in manifesting their intense anger to Agent McLaughlin. Most of them regard the taking off of the old medicine man as murder outright, and it has been common talk for three weeks that the "reds" would accept the first opportunity offered to massacre the whites.

## EXCITEMENT AT PINE RIDGE.

**Indians Refuse General Miles a Hearing, and Say They Want to Fight.**

CHICAGO, Jan. 3.—A special to The Inter Ocean from Pine Ridge Sunday, said:

Last night was one of feverish excitement to many at the agency. For the first time the squaw men and half-breeds were alarmed, and remained up all night fearing that an attack would be made before morning. The agency is too well guarded for any such attempt to succeed, but it would be hard to prevent a few daring individuals from creeping up some of the numerous ravines and throwing fire-arrows into barns and haystacks.

### Evidently Insane.

The friendly spies all say that there are a large number of warriors in the enemy's camp who have worked themselves to a condition of frenzy similar to those who committed suicide at Wounded Knee. "They say they want to die, and are going to die while killing white men. It is also said that two bucks escaped alive from the Wounded Knee fight, who swore that they will set the agency on fire and kill the agent themselves.

### Blood Must Be Shed.

Gen. Miles has his troops all around the enemy, and could throw all in any day and have a tremendous battle, but could not prevent small bands escaping here and there, which would have to be followed up by the soldiers, which would place the lives of many settlers in danger. By holding his troops until a much larger force can be thrown around the Indians the trouble can be confined to the reserve. The end cannot be reached without one or more battles, and bloody ones, as there are too many of the crazy who only want to follow the example of their Big Foot relatives.

### A Hearing Refused.

Gen. Miles sent out a letter yesterday asking for a hearing. The Indians tore the letter to fragments and threw them into the fire, saying: "We want no treaty; we are here to fight."

The Indians in the hospital camp number over 4,000 men, women and children, and represent every agency in the two Dakotas.

Last night several shots were fired by our pickets, and a couple of arrows were thrown into the yards. Doctors are constantly arriving, there being no less than fifteen here, with a large corps of assistants. A delegation of friendlies asks that a large party be sent out at once to aid those who desire to escape from the hostile camp. They claim that 700 or 800 warriors wish to return; that they either fled through fright at first, or were forced to go with the rest. To let the friendlies go would undoubtedly precipitate a fight and consume several days of valuable time. No decision in the matter has been made yet.

## HEAVY CANNONADING HEARD.

**Probably the Anticipated Battle Has Already Begun.**

OMAHA, Jan. 5.—A special from Pine Ridge Monday said a disastrous battle was reported in progress within three miles of the agency, but nothing definite had yet been learned.

A World-Herald dispatch from Rushville Monday afternoon said: Heavy cannonading has been going on north of here this morning, but no news of a battle has yet been received.

## INDIAN SCOUTS FAITHFUL.

**None Join the Hostiles—Commissioner of Indian Affairs Defends the Agents.**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—The commissioner of Indian affairs has, in response to a telegram sent to Agent Royer, at the Pine Ridge Agency, inquiring whether any of the Indian scouts or police have joined the hostiles, received the following reply from the agent, dated the 3d:

"None of our enlisted scouts have joined the hostiles. Superintendent Seward gave three permission to go to the hostile camp after their families who have not yet returned. Police and scouts are rendering good service, and by their vigorous firing prevented the hostiles from burning agency buildings."

## WOMEN FIGHT A DUEL,

**Using Butcher Knives in the Combat, and One Is Fatally Cut.**

WHEELING, W. Va., Jan. 5.—Word comes from New Martinsville, W. Va., that two physicians have been summoned to go to Tyn-Mill, Tyler county, to attend two women who fought a duel with butcher knives. The fight occurred without spectators in the kitchen of one of the combatants, named Wilson, and is described as a most ferocious and desperate encounter. Mrs. Wilson was terribly cut about the face, neck and breast, and is fatally hurt. The other woman's name is not known as yet, nor the cause of the strange duel.

## NOVEL CONDITION.

**A Prisoner Running the Prison in Which He is Supposed to Be Confined.**

BOSTON, Jan. 5.—A special from Thomaston, Me., chronicles a novel condition of things at the state prison there, in that William E. Gould, serving a ten-year sentence for embezzling $180,000 while cashier of the First National bank, practically runs the institution. It is alleged that Gould has unlimited power, and is virtually warden.

He pays all the bills, including the officers' salaries, receives all money and buys all the goods, runs the commissary department and the deputy punishes men on his complaint. He is not locked up in a cell as the others are, and has privileges accorded him, it is stated, never given any prisoner on any account, in any institution. He fills the position of clerk, assistant librarian, assistant physician and assistant watchman, and it is also said that he makes out the annual report of the prison.

## PLUCKY WIVES.

**Women of a Mining Camp Make an Assault on a Gang of Colored Miners.**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 3.—At Blue Creek mines, Thursday the wives of the white striking miners made an assault upon the colored miners who are being imported to take the place of the white miners, with rocks, frying pans, tongs, tin pans and like missiles, and drove the colored men into the mines. In many cases notices of eviction have been served on the white miners, and when they vacate the cabins colored miners are put in.

This has greatly incensed the white miners and their families, and serious trouble is feared. Four deputy sheriffs were sent down Thursday night, and arrested Dave Kilsey, a miner, who raised a row with some of the miners that had returned to work. The situation has not materially changed, and there is no immediate hope of an early settlement of the strike.

### Popped the Question by Cable.

An incident of an interesting and somewhat romantic nature has arisen out of the visit of the British farmer delegates to Canada. Mr. H. Simmons, of Wokingham, England, found at Moosomin, N. W. T., a bachelor friend of his who has been settled in the territories for some years and has done well. Mr. Simmons was so delighted with the surroundings of Moosomin that he purchased the section adjoining his friend's farm.

A daughter of Mr. Simmons is engaged to be married to a young Surrey farmer, the happy event being fixed to take place immediately upon Mr. Simmons' return to England. It was the intention of the young couple to proceed to Australia to settle, but Mr. Simmons cabled them of his land purchase, and intimated that he desired his son-in-law and daughter to make new life amongst old friends. The young people promptly flashed back that they would do so.

It appears, however, that Mr. Simmons has another unmarried daughter, and the Moosomin man suggested that, to make the little family arrangement complete, this lady should become his wife and the two families would be living side by side. Mr. Simmons confessed that the arrangement would suit him, but he could not speak for the young lady. However, he was urged to send a second message over the cable conveying the offer of marriage, and a prompt "Yes" came back.—Cor. Toronto Empire.

### How to Get Rid of Icebergs.

One of the greatest dangers to Atlantic navigation, and therefore of great practical interest to seamen, passengers and owners of ships, is the possibility of collisions with icebergs. This year these huge products of Artic winters have been unusually common, and it is stated that more than twenty have been sighted in the course of twenty-four hours in the track of steamers plying from New York to Liverpool or the Clyde.

A correspondent in The London Times makes a suggestion that these icebergs might be used as targets by cruisers, and thus broken up and dispersed. The suggestion is well received in England, and it is urged that the British meteorological department follow the example of that of the United States, and mark on charts the area within which icebergs are to be expected. The captain of a cruiser setting out with such charts in his possession would have a comparatively easy task in finding where the target floated at which he was to fire.

### An English Duke.

William John Arthur Charles James Cavendish-Bentinck, sixth duke of Portland, who with his wife is about to visit America, is described as an extremely democratic and level headed young man of 32. His simplicity and bonhomie are attributed to the fact that he was born a commoner, and until he was 22 years of age remained the inconspicuous Lieut. Cavendish-Bentinck, succeeding to the title on the death of his cousin, the fifth duke. Only two other English dukes were not born to the strawberry leaves—the duke of Bedford, who was plain Mr. Russell, and the duke of Devonshire, who was Mr. Cavendish. The beautiful duchess of Portland was Miss Winifred Dallas-Yorke, only daughter of Mr. Thomas Yorke Dallas-Yorke, of Walmsgate, Lincolnshire, who is said to trace his pedigree in an unbroken descent from Adam, and to look down on the whole British peerage as parvenu.—Harper's Bazar.

### Rich from an Accident.

A remarkable instance of the fickleness of fortune which occurred in Butte, Mont., several weeks ago, has just come to light. Dave Evans, a young miner, had been to see his best girl Sunday night. Returning home late he fell into an abandoned prospect hole, and was compelled to remain until the following morning, when, in ascending by means of a rope, he scaled off a portion of the wall and discovered a rich lead of silver. He leased the mine, and is now taking out ore that yields $300 a ton in silver and a considerable quantity of copper. He has been offered $50,000 to cancel his lease, but refuses to sell. He will become a millionaire, while the fellows who leased to him have already become hopeless lunatics.—Cor. Chicago Times.

### A Mother's Eulogy.

Judge Howell C. Glenn, of Atlanta, is dead. His old mother pronounced this eulogy upon him: "In all his life he never gave me an impatient word, and that is why I love him so dearly."—Richmond State.

## BEE HOUSES.

**A Colorado Man's Opinion of the Advantages of These House Apiaries.**

The advantages of house apiaries, or bee houses, was the subject of an address by a member of the Colorado State Beekeepers' convention. By bee houses, he explained, was meant neither a shed with outdoor hives put under it nor a house in which to store honey, but a house in which the hives are arranged in tiers around the inside, each hive having an entrance extending through to the outside. The walls of his bee houses are made of inch boards, the hives to set back two or three inches and connected by runways. The space between the hives and wall admits of a passage of air, which keeps the hives much cooler than if they were close to the outside. The alighting boards are of different colors and shapes, so that the bees make no mistake by going in at their neighbors' doors.

Numbered with arguments presented in favor of bee houses by this apiarist, who has five—the smallest one holding thirty-eight colonies and the largest house containing eighty-two colonies—was the fact that any beekeeper can handle double the number of colonies, having everything almost within arm's length. Then, too, when the honey is taken off it is not scattered all over an acre of ground, but is close together in the bee house. Another advantage claimed was that by locking the door one feels certain that his hives will not leave before the next regular visit. And, too, with apiaries one does not have to bring the hives in during the winter and then haul them out again in the spring. They can be left on the summer stands. In this beekeeper's opinion a bee house is even better than a chaff hive, both for wintering and summering, as the atmosphere in the house, where there are a large number of colonies, is kept at a more even temperature.

An even temperature, somewhat below the freezing point, is what is wanted to cause the bees to relapse into that semi-torpid condition of successful wintering. A bee house comes the nearest, excepting a cellar, to producing this state. Another advantage offered was that the bees could be handled with less danger of robbing, as the end of the house in which we want to work can be closed and the opposite end left open for light and for the bees to escape. It is also much cooler for the operator.

The editor of The American Bee Journal when asked, "What would be the most convenient arrangement for a house to be used for all the accommodations of an apiary of seventy-five to one hundred colonies, to include shop, storeroom for honey, hives, etc?" replied: "Build it to suit your fancy or requirements. We should prefer it to be two stories high, about 20x30 feet, with two rooms below and one above. The latter should have a double floor to keep the dust from the lower rooms, in one of which the honey can be stored; the other would make a good workshop. The upper room will be excellent for

### Land Plaster in Compost.

"Will land plaster applied to land in compost prevent evaporation? Will it prevent it in a fermenting compost heap? Should it be mixed with the other ingredients or put on top of the heap when it is finished?" To the foregoing queries of a correspondent Southern Cultivator answers:

We presume by evaporation you refer to the loss of ammonia. Land plaster will prevent such loss, provided the mass is kept moist. It may be either thoroughly mixed or simply spread over the top. But it hardly pays to buy land plaster for this purpose, when you consider that all acid phosphates contain about 50 per cent. of their weight of sulphate of lime, which is the chemical name of land plaster, and will effectually fix the escaping ammonia of a compost heap.

### Things Told About Poultry.

"If I were restricted to one breed of fowls," says a New York World correspondent, "I would give the preference to Plymouth Rocks. They are naturally quiet fowls and not difficult to keep within bounds. Besides this they are good mothers and have a fine, pretty appearance and grow large enough for table use. Not quite equal to Leghorns as layers, perhaps, yet if not overfed I find them quite satisfactory in that respect."

"My experience leads me to believe," says a Connecticut poultry man, "that no amount of good food will fatten geese of a mongrel type. The quickest and best to lay on good flesh, in my opinion, are birds produced by Embden geese crossed by the Toulouse. Wheat and barley grain and barley meal, with brewers' grains, fatten well. Turnip and mangold tops are good and greatly relished."

The best hens for hatchers are those that are clean legged and not too heavy. Very heavy hens are apt to crush the eggs when going on and off the nest, one of the most annoying and unprofitable incidents connected with setting hens. Feathery legs and toes often entangle the little chicks and cause their death.

The cure for leg weakness is an avoidance of high feeding. Mix a little bone meal with the food and put a hole copperas into the drinking water. Let the feed be substances that do not tend to fat, such as wheat, barley and meat.

### On the Country Road.

It is a mistake to cut down the flow of milk from the cows in order to save the cost of a ton of bran.

Drain your stables well, stop up all cracks and place ventilators where they should be.

Keep the hogs' feeding floor clean.

The sanitary conditions of the barns, stables and other buildings are as important to observe as are those pertaining to dwelling houses and their surroundings.

Eggs are money.

Give the colts a good start to keep them growing through the winter.

A great advantage of commercial fertilizers in that they contain no weed seed.

A new use of hops is reported from England—namely, for the curing of bacon. It is found that a sprinkling of hops in the brine when bacon and hams are put in pickle adds greatly to the flavor of both, and enables them to be kept an indefinite period.

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