

BATTLE OF AGUACATE.

Captain General Weyler, in the Fight, Narrowly Escaped Capture.

After the Battle the Captain General Fell Back on Guanabacoa—The Wily General Again Attacked But Refused to Fight—Excitement in Havana.

HAVANA, Aug. 13.—The battle of Aguacate occurred Monday night and Tuesday morning. It was the bloodiest battle that has taken place for several months, and resulted in an overwhelming victory for the patriots. The Spaniards left 200 dead on the field.

There is a strong belief here that Gen. Weyler, who has recently returned to Havana, was in the fight, and the battle was the result of an attempt to capture or kill him.

Weyler left Matanzas with a guard of only 80 men, but he had three strong columns posted on the road over which he was to travel. Gen. Castillo, who had 1,500 men in the vicinity, determined to try and capture the Spanish leader. He whipped the Spaniards in the fighting on Monday, but failed to capture Weyler. Tuesday the Spaniards returned in force, and the Cubans, after giving them three or four volleys, broke into detached bands and scattered.

Gen. Molina and Col. Alden, who lead the Spanish, are reported wounded.

After the fight at Aguacate Weyler fell back on Guanabacoa. Five miles from there Gen. Rodriguez attacked Weyler, who now had an escort of 4,000 men, but the Spaniard refused to give battle, though the patriots constantly harassed his troops. Rodriguez followed Weyler to within sight of Guanabacoa.

There is great excitement in Havana over Weyler's failure to check the patriots.

The patriots are keeping their word and making things lively for the Spaniards. A report of another big fight near Sagua la Grande has reached the capital. The Cubans attacked the town and burned a portion of it.

BIG REWARD

Brings Many Detectives to the Scene of the Detrick Double Murder—A Large Funeral Thursday.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Aug. 13.—The shocking and revolting Detrick double murder is still the talk of the town and excitement runs at fever heat, growing as each minute goes by. Thursday the bodies of the murdered couple were buried in the Spring Hills cemetery, the funeral being the largest ever held in this county, as many as 3,000 people being estimated to have attended.

It is now known that two gold watches, a revolver and a large tin box, containing the money hoarded by Detrick, was all that was taken. The box was found Thursday morning near a brush heap a short distance west of the house. It was entirely rifled. The exact amount of money the box contained is not known, but it is known that Detrick had hoarded up several thousand dollars.

Ex-County Sheriff John Sullivan Wednesday night arrested Lew Deerwester on suspicion. Deerwester once worked at the Detrick home and knew that Detrick had money hidden at his house. When taken to jail a \$20 gold piece and some silver was found on his person. During the day Deerwester spent a \$20 gold piece, and as five \$20 gold pieces are known to have been in the hoarded money, suspicion points strongly toward Deerwester. Although the suspected murderer could give no explanation as to where he obtained the money, he was released. He has not been seen since he was released and will probably be rearrested if found.

Since the \$1,000 reward was offered Wednesday night by Samuel Detrick, a brother of the murdered man, and the \$1,000 reward offered by the board of county commissioners for the capture and conviction of the guilty parties, detectives have been flocking here, nine already being known to be in the city. Richards of Cincinnati, Wolf of Cleveland, Norris of Springfield and Fisher of Indianapolis, being among them. Chief of Police F. M. Bell, of Lima, was here all Wednesday night with bloodhounds at the scene. He returned with the dogs Thursday morning, they failing to catch a trail, the crowd on the grounds having made it impossible for the dogs to find the scent. Thursday Mrs. Wallace, a daughter of the dead people, made a sensational statement to the effect that she hoped that the work of unraveling the mystery would not be prosecuted, as she knew that the blow would "fall close." Since this statement suspicion rests on a relative of the dead couple. Detective Witte, of Cincinnati, is here and is making an earnest endeavor to capture the large reward offered.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Aug. 13.—About 10:30 Thursday night Tony Ford, of Mt. Victory, was arrested by a Cleveland detective and Officer Kernan, after Ford had been quizzed about an hour by the detective. The officers refused to talk, but it is believed Ford knows something about Deerwester. Everything quiet at midnight.

KENTON, O., Aug. 13.—Col. Kuert, of the Second regiment, O. N. G., was ordered to Bellefontaine Thursday evening to inspect the situation regarding the probabilities of military being needed on account of the Detrick double murder excitement there. As yet no orders for the militia to report for duty have been received.

Rockefeller Buys a Mine.

COLORADO SPRINGS, CO., Aug. 13.—One of the largest deals in mining property in the Cripple Creek district was closed in this city. It was the sale of the Orphan Belle property, one of the richest in camp. The transfer is made to J. Dickerman, who is known to represent Rockefeller. The purchase price is about \$300,000.

President of the Northern Pacific.

NEW YORK, Aug. 13.—C. S. Mellen was Thursday elected president of the Northern Pacific Railroad Co. Daniel S. Lamont was elected director and vice president.

ANARCHISTS

To Be Excluded From the United States—Immigration Bureau Issues Instructions in Regard to the Matter.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Commissioner Powderly, of the immigration bureau, has sent the following letter of instruction to immigration officials at New York, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore and Quebec, Canada, relative to the anticipated arrival in this country of Spanish anarchists:

Information has reached this bureau to the effect that one Planas, a leader of the Spanish anarchists, has been expelled from France, being conducted to Havre, from which port it is expected he will sail to the United States. I am also advised that Tarrida Marmot, another Spanish anarchist, is believed to have gone to England and probably is en route to this country. A careful inspection should be made of arriving passengers in order that should any of this class be detected, a careful examination can be had as to their right of admission into the United States under existing laws.

It is stated at the bureau of immigration that there is no law under which persons can be excluded on the ground that they are anarchists. Now is anarchy anywhere declared to be a crime, so that if Planas and Marmot are refused admission to the country, the refusal must be based solely upon the fact that they come within the general immigration law as to paupers, contract laborers, criminals, etc. This law expressly provides, however, that nothing in this act shall be construed to apply to, or exclude, persons convicted of a political offense, notwithstanding said political offense may be designated as a felony, crime, infamous crime, or misdemeanor, involving moral turpitude, by the laws of the land whence he came or by the court convicting.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—A statement prepared at the bureau of statistics show that the value of goods imported into Canada and again exported into the United States during the past year subject to the 10 per cent discriminating duty under the recent opinion of the attorney general was \$1,960,740. In 1894, the latest figures at present obtainable, the value of foreign goods coming into the United States through Canada, under consular seal, was about \$6,000,000. The question of the assessment of the 10 per cent discriminating duty on this class of goods is now under consideration.

Surgeon General Weyman has telegraphed the Pennsylvania board of health for particulars regarding the death of cattle and poisons reported to have resulted from anthrax germs brought in hides from China to a tannery at Darbs, Pa. The creek which runs by the tannery is said by the newspaper reports to have become infected by the germs. Surgeon General Weyman says that a similar case was reported two years ago from Bosbury, Pa., but upon investigation it was discovered that the death both of men and animals had resulted from fly bites. The flies fed upon the decaying flesh on the hides and communicated the poison to the men and beasts which they bit. The surgeon general thinks it probable that the deaths at Dubois may upon investigation be placed to similar causes.

SOLEMN CEREMONY.

The Funeral of Senor Canovas Del Castillo—The Body Laid to Rest Amid Salvos of Artillery and the Tolling of Bells.

MADRID, Aug. 14.—The funeral of Senor Canovas del Castillo Friday was a most touching and solemn ceremony. All the troops of the garrison lined the route along which the cortege moved, the flags were lowered and the public buildings, embassies, consulates and clubs were heavily draped with crepe. More than a thousand wreaths were deposited in the death chamber. A salvo of artillery announced the starting of the funeral procession, which moved slowly through an enormous crowd, in which all heads were bare and many eyes were weeping.

A peculiarly poignant scene ensued as the Duke of Sotomayor, Marshal Martinez Campos, Marquis Pazo de la Merced, and the other pallbearers lifted the coffin, Senora Canovas, in a clear firm tone said:

"I desire that all should know I forgive the assassin. It is the greatest sacrifice I can make; but I make it for the sake of what I know of my husband's great heart."

Throughout the distance between the death chamber and the church, the road was strewn with flowers and laurels.

Senor Sagasta headed the cortege, which was formed of militia, deputies, senators, generals, admirals and delegations representing all the principal public bodies. The wreath of the queen reposed upon the coffin and other floral tributes were carried in special carriages.

All the shops in the city were closed, and a very large proportion of the populace that thronged the streets appeared in mourning garb. The entire garrison marched past the coffin, and the services lasted from 4 until 7:30 p. m.

The remains of Senor Canovas were interred in the family vault in the St. Isidoro cemetery, amid salvos of artillery and the tolling of all the bells of the city.

Murderer Willis Dead.

BOSTON, Aug. 14.—Herbert A. Willis, the Taunton murderer, who was shot in an attempt to escape from the state prison last Tuesday, died in the hospital at the institution Friday.

Precautions Taken Against An Uprising.

MADRID, Aug. 14.—Military precautions have been taken for some time past against the possibility of a Carlist or republican rising, and the steps taken have been increased recently, chiefly here, at Barcelona, Bilbao, and at Seville.

Wedding Party in Jail.

CANTON, O., Aug. 14.—Burt E. Totten and Hay Prevot were married Thursday. Beer flowed freely at the reception and the wedding party became so boisterous that all participants were arrested and jailed. They spent the night in the lockup.

DON CARLOS

Favors Unflinching Severity in Repressing the Cuban Rebellion,

Followed by Generous Concessions to Special Requirements—The Carlist Movement Increased in Strength and Discipline—Time Comes, Will Fight.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—The correspondent of the Daily Telegraph at Lacerne has had a long interview with Don Carlos on the death of Canovas and Cuban affairs.

Don Carlos declared that the American remonstrances and hints of interference were mere balloons, which ought not to be taken seriously. He said that the United States, if these attempts had been resolutely repelled by the Spanish government, would have withdrawn its extravagant pretensions. What was wanted in Cuba, he argued, was unflinching severity in repressing rebellion, followed by generous concessions to local requirements and aspirations.

In conclusion Don Carlos declared: "The Carlist movement in Spain has greatly increased in strength and discipline during the last decade. I am in touch with every branch of it. There will be no more futile risings or useless bloodshedding, but when the time is ripe every one will be ready to fight to the death for the throne."

MADRID, Aug. 16.—The political horizon is menacing. Senor Robledo has publicly declared in favor of the retention of Capt. Gen. Weyler and against any reconciliation with the dissident conservatives.

It is expected that this will upset the plans of the conservative party and of the court, and will compel the queen regent to summon the liberals.

A PRISONER

Slashes Five Policemen With a Razor and Escapes By Jumping From a Window—Subsequently Wounded and Captured.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 16.—James Elbert arrested as a suspicious character and supposed to be an anarchist, created big excitement Sunday morning at the police station by slashing five policemen with a razor. One of the officers, George McIntyre, was horribly cut on the face, one wound extending from the ear to the throat, taking part of the ear. His condition is serious. The others, Geo. Cole, Jas. McEvoy, W. E. Coreless, and Wm. Kenney are badly cut, but not seriously. Elbert, after cutting his way through a guard of 15 policemen, made his escape from the station by jumping 30 feet from a rear window, hotly pursued by officers, while blood streamed from their wounds. After a chase of several squares, Officer Coreless finally fired his revolver, the bullet taking effect in Elbert's right arm and he was then captured.

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PROBABLE LYNCHING.

A Mob After the Assault of Mrs. and Miss Heathcock.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., Aug. 16.—Will Phillips, the man who recently criminally assaulted Miss Sallie Jones, daughter of a wealthy Georgia planter residing near this city and who was arrested in Arkansas, was taken to jail at Lafayette, Walker county, Ga., Sunday where the crime was committed. A mob had been organized to lynch Phillips as soon as Miss Jones identified him, but her father prevailed on them to let him go to trial.

Posses are in pursuit of the assailant of Mrs. and Miss Heathcock, and every road and avenue to Chickamauga Park is being guarded by armed men. If caught the man will never reach the jail, as more than a hundred men have sworn he shall die at once. Miss Heathcock and her mother have both recovered consciousness and have given an ample description of their assailant. A large reward has been offered for the man. The assaults on Miss Jones and the Heathcocks occurred within a mile of each other.

A Father's Terrible Deed.

OMAHA, NEB., Aug. 16.—A special to the Bee from Greeley, Neb., says: Sunday morning John D. Maw, a farmer living a few miles from here, attacked his married daughter, Mary J. Hughes, with a hammer. He crushed in her skull, inflicting fatal injuries. He drove the family from the house and set fire to it and then fired the wheat stacks and barns. Maw, who is 60 years old, has been mentally unbalanced for years, but was thought harmless. He is in jail.

Manuel Planas Not an Anarchist. NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Cubans in this city say that Manuel Planas, who on orders issued by Commissioner of Immigration Powderly, is to be held for investigation at the port of arrival, is not an anarchist leader. He is, they say, a well-known pharmacist of Bayamo, Cuba, who was deported by the Spanish officials as an alleged political suspect.

Beat the Record.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Thomas Flannagan, a brother of James Flannagan, the champion hammer-thrower, threw the 12-pound hammer 163 feet and 4 inches at the Catholic club games at Jersey City Heights Sunday. The largest authentic throw of this missile previously made was 149 feet at the class games of the University of Pennsylvania last spring.

Potato Blight in Ireland.

DUBLIN, Aug. 16.—A potato blight is ravaging in the counties of Clare and Limerick. Prices have quadrupled and there is only a supply for two months.

DEERWESTER,

One of the Suspected Murderers of the Detrick Couple, Cuts His Throat From Ear to Ear on His Wife's Grave.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Aug. 14.—Tony Ford and Lewis Deerwester are now behind the bars under suspicion of being the murderers of Mr. and Mrs. Detrick.

Human bloodstains have been found on their clothes, with evidence of having been washed.

Bloody shoes and clothing belonging to both men have been found. Deerwester is now believed to have cut his throat in order to hide the bloodstains made by the Detricks' blood.

His self-inflicted wound is not considered to be very serious, although it is five inches long.

It is now alleged that Ford, Deerwester and the latter's brother, George, were seen on the night of the murder acting in a suspicious manner.

A most startling climax to the tragedy of the week came Friday morning. The almost lifeless body of Lewis Deerwester, who was arrested on suspicion of being the murderer of Mr. and Mrs. Detrick, and who was subsequently released, was found Friday morning lying across the grave of his wife in Blue Jacket cemetery, two miles southwest of town.

Deerwester's throat had been cut from ear to ear. The greatest excitement since the discovery of the dead and mutilated bodies of the aged couple Wednesday morning was occasioned when this news was brought to town early Friday morning.

Deerwester had worked for the aged couple, and was familiar with their premises and on the best of terms with them. He had been seen with gold money, and this was considered proof against him. He is a poor man and not used to handling gold. Deerwester was in attendance Thursday at the funeral of Mr. and Mrs. Detrick.

In an account book in Deerwester's pocket was found by Sheriff Law the following note:

"Aug. 12.—Dear Friends: You are accusing me of a deed I did not do, and rather than disgrace my people I will take my life. So good by to all dear friends forever. God forgive me for this. I would rather die than be disgraced. I have never harmed nobody. I have no one to live for. All that was near and dear to me are gone. Farewell to all.

LEWIS DEERWESTER.

The book also contained a note and a piece of cedar from his wife's grave.

Miss Kate Taylor, of Blue Jacket Mills, while on her way to Bellefontaine Thursday evening, saw a man on his knees in the cemetery, but thinking it some one waiting to get in the schoolhouse to stay all night, she thought nothing of the matter.

The deed was committed with a large hunter's knife found by the body.

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GEN. WEYLER

Sends His Resignation as Captain General of Cuba to Madrid.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—A dispatch to the Herald from Havana, Cuba, via Key West, says:

I have learned, on what seems to be the best authority, that Capt. Gen. Weyler has sent his resignation to Madrid. This report is generally believed to be true.

There is no doubt that the resignation of Gen. Weyler is due to the assassination of Senor Canovas del Castillo, the premier of Spain, through whose personal wishes Capt. Gen. Weyler was retained in Cuba.

The report of Gen. Weyler's resignation is a cause for satisfaction among Cuban sympathizers and reconcentrados, who, in the advent of another chief of the loyal Spanish troops in Cuba, see only relief from the policy of concentration, which has resulted in such suffering to the pacificos in Cuba.

GOES TO KLONDYKE.

A Swindler Promises If He Strikes Pay-Dirt to Reimburse His Victims.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Aug. 14.—W. B. Wells, a grain dealer at Trafalgar, a small town in Johnson county, took a peculiar method of raising money to go to Alaska. Last Saturday he presented bills of lading to H. L. Kinney at the board of trade and the Acme Milling Co., each calling for 700 bushels of wheat. Upon each bill he drew \$500. The wheat did not arrive, and Friday the firms received letters from Wells, confessing that the bills were forgeries, and stating that he had started with the proceeds for the Klondike. He said that if he struck it rich there he would repay them.

A Vase More Than Two Thousand Years Old.

NEW YORK, Aug. 14.—Before leaving New York, Chang Yen Hoon, ex-Chinese minister to Washington, presented to the Metropolitan museum of art a valuable bronze vase made in China during the Han dynasty more than 2,000 years ago.

Bats Took Possession of a Dwelling.

WEBSTER CITY, Ia., Aug. 14.—Bats took possession of the house of Alonzo Ferrill, near Bushy, Thursday night, and after a hard fight Ferrill and his sons killed sixty-three of them. The bats were badly scratched and men's faces were nearly blinded. They report that no less than a hundred of the creatures escaped through the windows.

British Cruiser Ordered to Behring Sea.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—The British cruiser Amphion has been ordered from her station in the north Pacific to sealing duty in Behring sea.

A ROYALTY

Of Ten Per Cent. to Be Levied by the Government on Placer Mining,

Provided the Amount Mined and Taken From a Single Claim Does Not Exceed \$500 a Week, Above That Amount 20 Per Cent. to Be Levied.

OTTAWA, Ont., Aug. 16.—The regulations formulated by the Dominion government covering the collection of a royalty on gold mined in the Yukon, are published in the Official Gazette just issued. They are as follows:

"That upon all gold mined on the claims referred to is the regulation for the government of placer mining along the Yukon river and its tributaries, a royalty of ten per cent shall be levied and collected by officers to be appointed for the purpose, provided that the amount mined and taken from a single claim does not exceed \$500 per week, and in case the amount mined and taken from any single claim exceeds \$500 per week, there shall be levied and collected a royalty of ten per cent upon the amount as taken out up to \$500, and upon the excess or amount taken from any single claim over \$500 per week there shall be levied and collected a royalty of 20 per cent, such royalty to form part of the consolidated revenue and to be accounted for by the officers who collect the same in due course.

"That the times and the manner in which royalty shall be collected and the persons who shall collect the same shall be provided for by the regulations to be made by the gold commissioner, and that the gold commissioner be and is hereby given authority to make such regulations and rules accordingly.

"That default in payment of such royalty, if continued for ten days after notice has been posted upon the claim in respect of which it is demanded, or in the vicinity of such claim by the gold commissioner or his agent, shall be followed by the cancellation of the claim. That any attempt to defraud the crown by withholding any part of the revenue thus provided for by making false statements of the amount taken out, may be punished by cancellation of the claim in respect of which fraud or false statements have been committed or made; and that in respect of facts as to such a fraud or false statement or non-payment of royalty, the decision of the gold commissioner shall be final."

THE AUTHORITIES

At Bellefontaine Believe That Ford and Deerwester Are the Murderers of the Detrick Couple.

BELLEFONTAINE, O., Aug. 16.—The authorities here are working on the theory that Ford and Deerwester were the murderers of the aged Detrick couple, and every effort is being made to secure a confession from one or both of the men.

Deerwester is rapidly recovering from his self-inflicted wound of Friday. The investigation of the mystery is now being conducted by Sheriff Shaw with absolute secrecy. None but the detectives are admitted to the jail. None of the newspaper men who have been besieging the sheriff ever since the arrests have been allowed to interview the prisoners.

Corporal Harry Roof was the guard over Deerwester Friday night. The prisoner, in a talk with Roof, claims to have no recollection whatever of the events Thursday night. Roof says Deerwester's mind seems to be wandering, or else that he is feigning.

A trail has been found leading from the scene of the murder to Brenner's lake, a half-mile distant, but no other traces have been found. Neighbors detected Friday the burning of woollen clothes at the home of Deerwester's sister, but nothing further has been learned.

It is expected that a woman will be arrested for complicity in some way in the Detrick murder. She is suspected of knowing a great deal about the case, and has been mysteriously missing since the investigation began. She and Deerwester have been companions. Just how she is connected with the case is not now known outside the officers.

BOTH WOUNDED.

Count of Turin and Prince Henri of Orleans Fight With Swords.

PARIS, Aug. 16.—The Count of Turin and Prince Henri of Orleans fought a duel with swords at 5 o'clock Sunday morning in the Bois de Marechaux. Varesson, M. Leontieff acted as umpire. The fighting was most determined and lasted 26 minutes. There were five engagements, of which two were at close quarters. Prince Henri received two serious wounds in the right shoulder and the right side of the abdomen. The Count of Turin was wounded in the right hand. Prince Henri was taken to the residence of the Duc de Chartres and received medical attendance.

Illicit Distillery in Chicago.

CHICAGO, Aug. 16.—Detectives and internal revenue officers raided a little frame house in 29th place Saturday and found an illicit distillery capable of turning out 53 gallons of "moonshine" a day. Samuel Marlow, a Prussian Jew, and his son were taken in as proprietors of the place. Several illicit distilleries have been located almost in the heart of the city and other arrests will probably follow.

Inventor Haskell Dead.

NEW YORK, Aug. 16.—Col. James R. Haskell, inventor of the multicharge gun, died at his home at Passaic, N. J., Sunday, aged 65 years. He had been ill for several years. He was paid \$100,000 by the government for his invention.

Symptoms of Asiatic Cholera.

LONDON, Aug. 16.—Proceedings at an inquest held upon the body of a girl who died a day or two ago in Bethel Green, London, pointed to symptoms of Asiatic cholera. Special precautions have been taken by the local health officers.

SCHOOL AND CHURCH.

Miss Hattie Gault, the tutor of Mrs. McKinley at Brooke Hall seminary 30 years ago, will be appointed postmistress of Media, Pa. This one appointment was left with Mrs. McKinley.

Mrs. Russell Sage, in her address to the graduates of the Emma Willard seminary at Troy, N. Y., of which she is an alumnus, said that she was graduated at 18, taught at 25 and was married at 40.

Gov. Black, of New York, who is a young man in the 40's, was a farmer's son and one of a family of 11 children, yet he prepared himself, unaided, to enter college at 18 and graduated from Dartmouth at 22. He is now angular, tall and smooth-shaven, and is often called "young Abe Lincoln." His long, narrow head is covered with dark hair and his face is built on square lines.

The first German printed Bible issued from the Mentz press about 1462. Another version appeared in 1466, two copies of which are still preserved in the Senatorial library at Leipsic. In the famous Biblical collection of the king of Wurtemberg at Stuttgart there were 27 different editions of the Bible in German printed before Luther's, besides the two in the library at Leipsic.

The practice of American universities of inviting British scholars to deliver courses of lectures to their students has now been reciprocated. The University of Aberdeen has just appointed Dr. Josiah Royce, professor of history of philosophy at Harvard, to be Gifford lecturer during the terms of 1898-1899 and 1899-1900. Prof. Royce is a native of California and a graduate of the university of that state.

Versailles has been the scene of a strange religious riot. On Corpus Christi day the republicans had arranged to have a celebration in honor of Gen. Hoche, while the cure of the church of St. Louis, who had been unable to obtain permission to lead a religious procession, determined to carry the host through the streets all the same. The town was crowded with bicyclists out for the holiday. When the priest appeared at the church door with the monstrance, some theological students tried to force people who remained standing to kneel, when a scuffle in which 2,000 persons took part ensued. The police arrested 42 persons, including five priests.

DIED FROM FRIGHT.

Stood the Strain Until the Horror Killed Him.

"One of the most remarkable incidents of death by fright that I ever came across," said a local celebrity the other day, "happened in Mexico several years ago, when I was making a trip through the upper portion of the republic on horseback. We had in the crowd a couple of Mexicans, who did the camp work and cooked for the party, which included besides myself a couple of friends. One evening one of the Mexicans was absent for several hours from the camp and I started out to find him. I went into the bush in the direction I had seen the fellow go and I had not walked more than a quarter of a mile before I caught sight of Manuelo, that was his name, reclining in a comfortable manner against the trunk of a small mesquite bush. As I drew nearer I was surprised to see the fellow's face set in a fearful stare, just as if he might have seen a ghost. My astonishment was considerably accentuated when I observed, coiled in Manuelo's lap, a large rattler. The snake was swaying its head in a languorous manner, hissing slightly, but not rattling. It had not seen me as yet. I took out my pistol with a purpose of killing the snake, as bad a marksman as I was, and I dared not make a noise for fear the snake would bury its fangs in the flesh of the Mexican. I crept toward the pair. There was a sudden cessation in the hissing and the head swayed no more. It had heard me. There was a sudden uncoupling of its folds and before I could shoot the rattler slipped off the lap of Manuelo and disappeared. The Mexican still gazed into vacancy with the same awful stare of horror I had first noticed. I put my hand upon his shoulder and there was no response. He was dead. Actually, as it turned out, killed by fright. He must have gone to sleep and while slumbering the rattler had crawled from the bush into his lap. Awakening, the unfortunate man must have seen the snake before he moved, and, held fascinated by the gaze of the reptile, and realizing that to move must be death, had stood the strain until the horror had killed him."

Getting Rid of Him.

So obviously did she desire to be alone that the fire in the coal stove went out. Yet the lover stayed. "Speaking of the force of habit," he casually observed, "I have eaten eggs for breakfast until I don't believe I could get along without them."

"Dear me," she exclaimed, "I might have ordered some last night just as well as not."

The milkman, whom he met just without the door, passed the compliments of the season, but he heeded not. —San Francisco Examiner.

No Further Use for Them.

"Mary!" called the alderman. "Well?" responded his wife. "Now that the council has adjourned for the summer and some of the boys are planning to get out of town you may as well put away my brass knuckles. We ain't likely to have any more arguments." —Chicago Post.

The Top of the Profession.

"He is one of the leading lawyers of the town."

"Gets pretty big fees, eh?" "I should say so. Why, it is almost as cheap to buy the grand jury as to hire him." —N. Y. Truth.

Looked Suspicious.

Grandpa—Why is little Tootles crying? Guileless Johnny—Oh, she was yawning a minute ago, and—she sprained her mouth.—Brooklyn Life.