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THE Butte Inter-Mountain is authority for the Anaconda company has 1,440 men on its mine payroll and 1,300 more engaged in building the Butte and Anaconda railroad, and has no idea of closing down. Neither has any other copper properties now running, while a number of idle companies contemplate resuming work within a short time.

THE terribly disastrous fire in the cold storage warehouse on the World's Fair grounds is drawing the attention of the entire nation to the criminal carelessness which has evidently been permitted in constructing these mammoth fire traps. Somebody is to blame, and that somebody should be made to feel the effects of American justice to the last link in the chain.

THE Minneapolis Tribune announces that the Western Traffic association has authorized the Union Pacific to meet the reduction of the Great Northern and Northern Pacific in making a $23.60 rate between Chicago and the Pacific coast. This enormously reduced figure on three Pacific lines is a boon to the entire west. Not only Chicago but every Northwestern state will be a substantial gainer.

SOUTH CAROLINA is trying the experiment of running the saloons in the name of the state, but is meeting with difficulties innumerable. One court has already declared the law unconstitutional and another has decided that the railroad companies can carry liquor into the state, which is in express conflict with the law. All this has occurred since the law went into effect on July 1, and nobody knows what is in store for the unpopular measure.

GREAT efforts are being made to give pugilism another boom. Jim Corbett is not making much money these days neither is Peter Jackson, Charley Mitchell nor any of the other big guns, and their pocketbooks are evidently getting low. But they are equal to the occasion, Corbett has for some time had a fight arranged with Mitchell for December and last week he and "Parson" Davies posted $1,000 each for a "go" between Jim and Peter in November for $10,000 a side and the largest purse offered—principally the latter. Evidently the American public is easily guiled by these fellows, or else they like to be taken in as "fish."

PERSONAL GOSSIP.

Chang, the Chinese giant, now converses in several languages.

The only member of the British royalty who does not pay postage is the Duke of Cambridge, exempted as commander in chief.

The Princess of Wales is a frequent visitor to the studios of Sir Frederick Leighton, and on such occasions generally takes tea with Lady Leighton.

Eddie Johnson, a Kentucky boy, who is 2½ years old, weighs 85 pounds and is regarded as the largest child of his age in the state. He wears a man's hat and a 9½ shoe.

The Duchess of Edinburgh can express her royal will and desire in five languages. She speaks and writes English, Russian, German, French and Italian fluently.

Mr. Clifford, traveling passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific road, says that an expert of his company is mapping out a tour of the world for Mr. Cleveland to make when his term ends.

The first Mrs. Rider Haggard was a Miss Carroll of Baltimore. She was divorced from the English novelist and is now living on the Pacific coast with a third husband. She was the original of "She."

Kacrambini Ganguli is the name which a Hindoo woman doctor rejoices in. She is a B. A. and an M. A. of Calcutta university, but she wants to get a medical degree from a European or American college.

Mr. Selons, who gets a medal from the Royal Geographical society this year, is believed to have killed more elephants than any one else. He is popularly regarded as the original of Rider Haggard's "Allan Quatermain."

RECENT INVENTIONS.

A portable apparatus for assisting in drawing in perspective.

A lather's guide, with one half rigid and the other half flexible and provided with an adjustable latheholder.

A machine for painting roofing plates, consisting of a vat, agitator, adjustable rolls for applying the paint and an endless carrier.

A pencil made of aluminium wire, prepared by annealing the wire and subjecting the blanks to a bath of caustic soda and a water bath.

A method of making metallic flanged sign letters by electro depositing the metal in a cameo or intaglio mold of glass or other nonconducting material.

NOVELTIES

TURF TOPICS.

Carter Barker of Wisconsin has bought Homestake, 2:14¼, for $2,200. Homestake won several races for Salisbury last year.

The fast life track in Meadville, Pa., is a very busy place at the present time, as there are over 200 horses in training there.

Users thinks Nightingale has a good chance in Buffalo's $20,000 free for all, and he has stronger hopes for Hal Pointer in the $10,000 pace.

The appraisers of the estate of the late W. S. Hobart valued his trotting stock at $180,550, but under the hammer of Peter C. Kellogg it fetched $198,395.

The spring trotting meeting at Vienna closed with a cab race, which was won by a double team, which trotted two miles and half a furlong to the cab in 6:23—about a 3-minute gait.

Josh Billings used to say that the precocious boy never amounted to anything else, and there are some breeders and trainers who are beginning to think the remark will apply as well to precocious colts.

Cricket, 2:10, by Steinway, is with foal to Sidney. The produce should be a pacer, but a horseman suggests that it will have too much speed to pace and will trot simply to keep from "tearing itself to pieces."

Lee Mantle, who was recently elected senator from Montana, is a well known breeder in that state. He owns a number of trotters—Ilton, 2:28¼; Evening Star, 2:29, and Dan Tucker, 2:29, being among the number.

A. H. Moore proposes to encourage the training of the get of Director. He offers to give $500 each to the owners of horses eligible to the 3:00 class that win the most races and the greatest amount of purses respectively.

FASHION'S FANCIES.

Black lace over white lace is very delicate and beautiful in effect, especially in the evening, with diamond ornaments.

Bluets, hawthorn sprays, pink and white morning glories and black hearted meadow daisies of brilliant yellow are fastened on low hats of open work neapolitan braid.

Graceful little matador jackets for young ladies are exhibited made of ladies' cloth and also of velvet in one plain color—deep blue, olive green, petunia, golden brown and black.

Besides the plain, severe, straight brimmed sailor hat, matrons this season wear the shape that in some millinery parlors is called the Tyrolean, and in others the Princess of Wales hat.

Some of the newest lace dresses are made with a little train, and very young ladies wear black lace dresses made in empire fashion over foundation of pale yellow surah or rose pink batiste.

Colored linen dresses are most fashionably worn. Holland jackets and skirts are extremely popular, but look rather flat, especially when, as is usual, they are trimmed with black satin.

Stylish and pretty tailor made directoire vests in linen duck, piqué, plain and figured, and very fine silk and wool mixtures in dotted, sprigged and shot effects in blue or black grounds, are often seen.

There are few fabrics that supersede mohair and alpaca in their dust resisting and admirable wearing qualities. These goods are now dyed in a great many of the new shades and look particularly effective in rose color shot with gray and reseda shading into pale golden russet.—New York Evening Post.

AMONG THE GEMS.

Pliny in the first century was the first writer to describe the diamond.

The Regent diamond, the property of the French government, weighs 136 carats and is valued at 12,000,000 francs.

The finest emerald in Europe belongs to the czar. It weighs only 30 carats, but is of perfect color and transparency.

The Mexicans carved the emerald with wonderful skill, using only siliceous powder and copper tools alloyed with tin.

The royal crown of Great Britain is composed almost entirely of diamonds, pearls and rubies, weighs 39 ounces and 5 pennyweights troy and is valued at $1,200,000.

The ruby, sapphire, oriental topaz, oriental amethyst, oriental aquamarine, oriental chrysolite, hyacinth, star ruby, star sapphire, star topaz, are all corundums of different colors.

Cortez obtained in Mexico five emeralds of wonderful size and beauty. One was cut like a rose, another in the shape of a horn, a third in that of a fish with diamond eyes, a fourth like a bell with a pearl for a clapper, the fifth was a cup with a foot of gold and with four little chains, each ended with a large pearl.—St Louis Globe-Democrat.

ENGLISH NOVELTIES.

Liquor bottles are now being made tall and narrow in form, with silver plated tops.

Vases on glass wheels, supported by lacquered brass, are among the seasonable novelties for table decoration.

The "new brierrose" ware is the name of the latest adaptation of terra cotta fancy goods for painting purposes.

A canoe in a lovely shade of art green glass, with gilded prow and stern, is among the new shapes in flower vases for table decoration.

Glass dishes, round, square, oval and rhomboidical, with a small vase on one side and a larger on the other, are considered the perfection of art work in new goods.—Jewelers' Circular.

Depredations of a Coon.

That coon of Rueger's, which has been sauntering around the lamppost on the corner of North and Banks streets from time to time during the past three months, made things lively Sunday afternoon at Mr. B. A. Fox's bird store on Broad street.

Mr. Rueger got tired of the quadruped and wished to dispose of him. The coon was accordingly turned over to Mr. Fox who was to sell him. He was kept at the bird store. Sunday afternoon, when everybody was away, there began a general havoc on the part of the animal. Climbing over a partition in a show window, he proceeded to chew up five Abyssinian rabbits. Only one of the pets was left to tell the tale. His coonship then dined upon a handsome Brahma cock in the rear of the establishment and afterward proceeded to deprive a beautiful tropical song bird of his plumage.

He next made an attack on a number of goldfish, and when his appetite was satisfied there wasn't a single representative of the piscatorial tribe left in the aquarium. Several other depredations were committed, and his coonship was making preparations to exterminate every valuable bird in the establishment when two festive coppers crawled over the transom and put an end to his calculations. He was carried back to Rueger's, but soon effected his escape and made it lively for the squirrels in the Capitol square. A small regiment of small boys were in pursuit of the animal, which with an all important air mounted the Washington monument and soon sat complacently on the top of George's head, eying his pursuers with an expression of mingled defiance and curiosity. He was finally captured.—Richmond Times.

Spohr and the Kings.

All are not kingly who wear a crown. At a court concert the Duchess of Gotha expressed in the curtest style her disapproval of the loud playing of Spohr, the great violinist and composer. While he was playing she sent a chamberlain to request him not to make so much noise.

The king of Wurtemberg was in the habit of amusing himself at a court concert by playing cards. Spohr, being invited to play before the king, informed the chamberlain that he must decline the honor unless the king abstained from card playing. The chamberlain was horrified, but the violinist insisted, and the king conceded the point. But in order that the royal time might not be wholly occupied in listening, he stipulated that the two pieces set down in the programme for Spohr should follow each other.

Nevertheless his majesty showed that the violinist's demand had ruffled the royal temper. Etiquette prescribed that the king should give the signal for applauding. At the conclusion of each piece the king gave no signal and a solemn silence reigned in the salon. The king had his small revenge.

The king of Bavaria was a gentleman. At a court concert he noticed that the usher had neglected to place a seat for Mme. Spohr, an excellent harpist, who was to accompany her husband. The king placed his chrome chair on the platform and with the mild insistence of a gentleman compelled the lady to sit in it.—Youth's Companion.

ODDS AND ENDS.

A Paris sculptor says that the day will come when women will be admired of too small hands.

The French Order of the Legion of Honor has 40,000 members, only 70 of whom, or 1 in every 570, are women.

Most of the [illegible] in Havana is furnished by [illegible] to a victoria. [illegible] than any, and [illegible] our line.

Last year 17 [illegible] uncharted were [illegible] parts of the globe [illegible] farther possible [illegible]

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