

GOLD BRICK SWINDLE.

It is successfully worked in Allegheny City by a Chicago Crook.

PITTSBURG, Jan. 24.—Charles Arkes, with several aliases, giving his residence as Chicago, worked the "gold brick" swindle on Charles Bauer, a lumber merchant of Allegheny City to the tune of \$2,800 Thursday. The "gold brick" sharp was arrested yesterday afternoon and gave up the money and was allowed to go free.

Thursday on the train from Altoona to Pittsburg, Arkes, who represented himself as a miner to Bauer, produced his solid gold brick with the usual story and offered to sell it for \$10,000, but as the train reached Pittsburg he came down to \$2,800. He bored a hole in the brick, and Bauer had the siftings examined at a jewelry store in this city on his arrival. He was told the siftings were gold.

Yesterday morning Bauer mortgaged his property for \$2,800 and gave the money to Arkes. Bauer concluded to have the brick itself examined to find out its real value. He then found out he was swindled. He went to Alderman King, a friend of his to whom he told the story and described the swindler. The alderman himself immediately set out to hunt the thief. Luckily he found his man, who was on his way to the depot with a ticket for New York. He arrested him and brought him to Detective Perkins' office where he turned Bauer's money over. As Bauer did not want to prosecute Arkes was allowed to go.

Killed on a Crossing.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 24.—Yesterday an incoming train, nearing the city, on the Baltimore and Ohio road, ran over and instantly killed James E. Owens, aged 79, and his wife, Nancy, aged 74. The couple were crossing the track in a milk wagon and, as both had their ears covered for warmth, they failed to hear the train. The engineer says he whistled before reaching the crossing, as usual, and owing to the character of the roadway it was impossible for him to see the wagon until too late. The bodies of both were badly mangled and were brought to the morgue, where they were claimed by friends.

A Farmer Robbed.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Jan. 24.—Jefferson Bailey, a stock buyer and farmer living near Washington, Ind., was robbed of \$1,400 yesterday. Three burglars broke into his farm house and secured the money. One of his children was awakened as the thieves were leaving and gave the alarm, but they were successful in escaping.

Lacked Capital.

CINCINNATI, Jan. 24.—S. H. Halsted & Company, stocking manufacturers at Sixth and Main streets, assigned at 1 p. m. to Edgar Stark. The assets are estimated at \$15,000 and the liabilities at \$20,000. Preferences of \$12,000 in chattels to M. K. Boylan were filed some days ago. Cause, lack of capital, slow collections and dull trade.

A Bookkeeper Missing.

MINNEAPOLIS, Jan. 24.—Fred B. Matthews, 35 years of age, head bookkeeper of the commission firm of George B. Kirkbride & Company, has been missing for a week. His accounts appear to be all right, but he had been in ill-health and his friends are apprehensive of some serious misfortune to him.

A Louisiana Murder.

ABELINE, Miss., Jan. 24.—News reached here Thursday of a tragedy which occurred at Gallatin, La., in which a man named Story was instantly killed and City Marshal Stout was mortally injured. The cause of the tragedy is not given. Story was under sentence of death last year at Lexington, Miss., but his friends released him from jail and he made his escape.

Wreched by Striking a Cow.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Jan. 24.—The north-bound mail train was thrown from the track Thursday morning a few hundred yards south of Franklin, as it was rounding a curve, by running into a cow. Nine of the passengers were injured, none, however, fatally.

May Yet Recover.

NEW YORK, Jan. 24.—Father Malone, of Denver, who fell on the sidewalk and fractured his skull, Thursday night, is doing well at the Roosevelt hospital, and his chances of recovery are considered good.

Failed to Prove Him Guilty.

INDIANAPOLIS, Jan. 24.—Tom Levi, a race horse owner well known in Indiana, was tried in the United States court on a charge of passing counterfeit money and was acquitted.

New Brazilian Ministry.

RIO JANEIRO, Jan. 24.—A new ministry has been formed, as follows: President—Senhor Uchoa. Minister of interior—Senhor Calavant. Minister of foreign affairs—Senhor Chermont. Minister of finance—Senhor Aararipa. Minister of war—Senhor Frota. Minister of marine—Senhor Vidal. Minister of justice—Senhor Brazil. Minister of public works—Senhor Lucena. The ministry of public instruction and the ministry of posts have been abandoned.

Enlightened Kuhn's Attorney.

TRIPIN, O., Jan. 24.—Della Bird, the mistress of Marvin Kuhns, escaped from the Tiffin jail, where she is held as a witness, and the sheriff found her in conference with Loutitt, the Fort Wayne attorney, who has been appointed to defend Kuhns. She has probably told the defense all the plans of prosecution that she knows.

Ex-State Senator Injured.

CANTON, O., Jan. 24.—Ex-State Senator Snyder fell down a flight of stairs Thursday night and broke his right leg and sustained other serious injuries. The senator was a victim of a similar misfortune a few years ago, caused by a defective street, for which he sued the city obtaining \$8,000 damages.

Pioneer Hoosier Editor Dead.

PERU, Ind., Jan. 24.—Augustus J. Banks died Thursday, aged 92. He was one of the first settlers in northern Indiana, a prominent and widely known citizen, and one of the first newspaper publishers in the Wabash valley.

Killing Partridges with a Pole.

"Did you ever hear of catching partridges with a pole?" said a sunbrowned business man to a friend in Broadway. "I never did myself until recently. A party of us were up above Three Rivers, Canada, surveying a tract of wild land, and one day after a long tramp we came to the top of a mountain where we scoured up a whole lot of partridges. They were those little black Canadian fellows, you know—smaller than ours—and were so tame that a man could almost catch them with his hands. No one of us had thought it worth while to bring along a gun from the camp.

"Our guide, a 'Canuck,' proved equal to the emergency, however. 'Whistle and watch me catch him,' said he to one of the party. He then went and cut a stout pole about twelve feet long, while the other continued to whistle. The birds cocked their heads first on one side and then on the other in a way to make us laugh, but they stood still and 'faced the music,' while the guide stole up unnoticed and was thus enabled to kill three fine ones with his pole before the rest took to flight." New York Tribune.

How Barbers Make the Man.

It is astonishing what a difference in personal appearance may be effected by a hair cut. A badly shaped head may, by a skillful barber, be made to assume an intellectual cast, and in a very simple way. The intellectual head viewed from the front, is wider at the top than just below the ears, and a clever barber by cutting the hair short over the ears, and gradually lengthening it to the top of the head, may give the greatest do-it appearance of brains and intellectuality. The real shape of the head is concealed by the hair cut, and 50 per cent. of good looks added to the face. They say the tailor makes the man, and no doubt he helps, but I claim that the barber does his part, and if well trained, his part is by no means contemptible.—Interview in St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Eels Are Very Prolific.

The number of eggs in a medium sized eel at the beginning of the breeding season is stated by eminent authorities on fishes and their allied creatures to be fully 9,000,000—a sum so great as to almost daze the intellect that tries to grapple with it. To the naked eye they are almost invisible. The microscope shows them to be firmly packed together standing on their tiny ends, looking not unlike the covered cells of honeycomb.—St. Louis Republic.

SPARKS FROM THE WIRE.

Items of Interest Put in Convenient Form for Readers.

Rev. Timothy Howe, of Canton, O., aged 82, has been adjudged insane.

George Harris, of New Bremen, Ill., has not tasted food for twenty-four days.

At Chattanooga, Herman Schless, being disappointed in love, blew his brains out. A second attempt has been made to kidnap Miss Amanda Page, of Cartersburg, Indiana.

At Bethel, Ind., an attempt was made to assassinate Rev. Whisand while he was in the pulpit.

Leonard Benserhamer, living near Anderson Ind., has become insane from religious excitement.

S. H. Halsted & Company, Cincinnati manufacturers of stockings, assigned. Assets \$35,000; liabilities \$20,000.

Mrs. Lucy Brown, a widow living near Buena Vista, Ky., was burned to death while sitting in front of an old-fashioned fire place.

The towboat Silas P. Cole, burned to the water's edge while lying at the foot of Vine street, Cincinnati. Loss \$16,000, with \$12,000 insurance. The watchman, William Carney, was burned to death.

J. W. Haley, a Cincinnati real estate broker, has been swindled out of \$500 by a couple of rascals who interested him in a land deal in which there appeared to be big profits, and then secured a loan of \$1,000, half of which Haley recovered by attachment.

The Weather.

Local showers; westerly winds, becoming variable; stationary temperature.

THE MARKETS.

Review of the Stock, Money and Cattle Market for Jan. 23.

Wall Street.

Money on call loaned at 2 1/2 per cent. Exchange steady; posted rates, 48 1/2 @ 48 3/4; actual rates, 48 1/2 @ 48 3/4 for sixty days and 48 1/2 @ 48 3/4 for demand. Governments quiet; currency sizes, 109 bid; four coupon, 130 bid; four-and-a-half do 103 bid.

STOCK QUOTATIONS.

The following were the quotations: Atchison 29 1/2 L. & N. 74 1/2 C. & O. 89 1/2 Mich. Cent. 90 C. C. & St. L. 62 1/2 N. Y. Cent. 100 1/2 C. & O. 17 1/2 Northwestern. 105 1/2 Del. & Hud. 13 1/2 Ohio & Miss. 19 1/2 D. L. & W. 13 1/2 Rock Island. 29 1/2 Erie. 10 1/2 St. Paul. 33 1/2 Lake Shore. 107 1/2 Western Union 79

Cincinnati.

WHEAT—94@98c. CORN—52@55c. WOOL—Unwashed fine merino, 17@18c; 1/4-blood combing, 22@23c; medium delaine and clothing, 25@24c; braid, 17@18c; medium clothing, 25@24c; fleece-washed fine merino, X and XX, 28@29c; medium clothing, 30@31c. CATTLE—Good to choice butchers, \$3.50 @4.25; fair to medium, \$2.50@3.40; common, \$1.25@2.25. HOGS—Selected butchers and heavy shipping, \$3.00@3.70; fair to good mixed, \$3.50 @3.65; common to rough, \$3.00@3.45; fair to good light, \$3.30@3.65; pigs, \$3.00@1.30. SHEEP—\$3.50@5.00. LAMBS—\$4.50@6.50.

Pittsburg.

CATTLE—Prime, \$4.75@5.10; good, \$4.20@4.45; fair, \$3.10@4.00; common, 2@3c. HOGS—Philadelphia, \$3.75@3.85; mixed, \$3.10@3.75; light Yorkers, \$3.45@4.00; pigs, \$2.75@3.40. SHEEP—Extra, \$3.10@3.40; good, \$4.70@5.00; fair, \$2.40@4.10; common, 2@3c. LAMBS—\$4.00@5.40.

Chicago.

HOGS—Light, \$3.25@3.55; mixed, \$3.25@3.60; heavy, \$3.35@3.70. CATTLE—Extra beefs, \$5.00@5.40; steers, \$3.50@4.50; mixed, \$1.25@3.25. SHEEP—\$3.50@5.25. LAMBS—\$5.00@6.00.

Toledo.

WHEAT—Cash, 56 1/2c; May, 67 1/2c. CORN—Cash, 51c; May, 52 1/2c. OATS—45 1/2c. CLOVERSEED—February, \$4.50.

New York.

WHEAT—No. 2 red winter, \$1.06@1.06 1/2; May, \$1.04 1/2. CORN—Mixed, 60c.



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