

CONFESSED ITS INSOLVENCY.

The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Unable to Meet Its Pressing Obligations. BALTIMORE, Md., March 2.—The Baltimore & Ohio Railroad Co., one of the oldest and most extensive transportation systems in the United States, and until recently one of the most profitable, has confessed its insolvency and goes into the hands of receivers. John K. Cowen, its president, and Oscar G. Murray, its third vice president, will hereafter operate it for the benefit of the creditors and bondholders under the direction of the United States court. This action was taken Saturday night after a prolonged struggle against the inevitable, and was the immediate result of the failure of the directors to negotiate loans to provide for interest and other payments, due and about to become due. For several years, however, the road has been losing money and while the collapse, coming at this time, was a surprise to many, but few believed that it could be averted much longer.

NO FORMAL UNVEILING.

Threats to Deface Father Marquette's Statue Change the Plans. WASHINGTON, March 2.—To avert any trouble over the unveiling of the Marquette statue in the capitol, which has aroused antagonism from the A. P. A., the covering was removed from the statue and will not be replaced. Judge J. W. Losey, of Wisconsin, and Signor Trentanove, the sculptor, went to the capitol and took the wrappings from the statue. No arrangements for a formal unveiling had been made, and Judge Losey, who represents the state of Wisconsin, which is the donor, concluded that the ceremony might be dispensed with. After the demonstration by a crank who was arrested Saturday, it was feared that a public gathering about the statue might be attended by some unpleasant incident.

MARION ASBELL CONVICTED.

The Oswego, Kan., Wife Murderer Given the Full Penalty of the Law. OSWEGO, Kan., March 2.—The jury in the Marion Asbell case brought in a verdict of guilty of murder in the first degree, after being out 11 hours. The victim was Mrs. Maria A. Asbell, second wife of the convicted man, and mother of his ten-month-old babe. The crime was committed January 28 last, and was the outgrowth of criminal relations between Asbell and Maggie Whitehouse, aged 17, daughter of his wife by a former marriage. Upon the discovery of these relations, Mrs. Asbell expostulated, and then threatened to resort to the law. This enraged Asbell, and he planned and accomplished her death, shooting her after he had sent the older children away from home on errands.

A PAPAL DECREE MODIFIED.

Catholics Who Are Members of Fraternal Societies May Remain So. CHICAGO, March 2.—The Review, a Catholic paper of this city, publishes an important decree of the Roman propoganda given in Rome under date of January 18, 1896, which modifies considerably the decree previously issued from that tribunal in condemnation of the societies of Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias and Sons of Temperance. Catholics who had belonged to those societies before the publication of the condemnation decrees are now allowed to leave their names upon the rolls of those societies and to pay into the treasury dues and assessments whenever pecuniary loss and detriment would follow from complete severance of ties.

COL. DAVIS FOUND DEAD.

Prominent G. A. R. Kansan and Ex-Minister Has a Fatal Accident. LARNED, Kan., March 2.—Col. W. R. Davis, a veteran soldier, was found dead in his barn in this city Saturday afternoon. He was lying on some hay under the opening in the loft, and it is supposed that he fell through the hole from the mow and killed himself. The deceased was one of the oldest residents of this county and is well known in G. A. R. circles all over Kansas. Col. Davis was a former well-known minister of the M. E. church, being president elder for several years. He was in an early day connected with Baker university at Baldwin.

COLLISION AT TROY, KAN.

Three Persons Fatally Injured in a Rock Island Train Wreck. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., March 2.—An east-bound Rock Island passenger ran into the rear end of a freight west of Troy, Kan., Saturday night and fatally injured three persons. The freight train stopped at a water tank and the conductor neglected to send back a flagman. The injured are M. A. Alexander, Troy; W. W. O'Brien, Chicago traveling man; A. Westene, St. Joseph, freeman on passenger train; Mrs. J. D. Williams, Troy, limbs crushed. Six freight cars and two passenger coaches were derailed. It took 19 hours to clear the track.

Forming a New Draft Board.

LONDON, March 2.—If reports from Berlin are to be believed, Emperor William, of Germany, is actively engaged in trying to form a new Dreilund, consisting of Russia, France and Germany, and it is intimated that he would not be opposed to a proposition to unite the fleets of the three countries in an attack upon Great Britain, which, if successful, her enemies hope, should lead to the dismemberment of the empire.

Apprehended by Coal Gas.

CHICAGO, March 2.—Three of the family of eight dead and others dying is the frightful result of the escape of coal gas yesterday morning in the residence of Fred Stuenkel, a farmer living a few miles southwest of Chicago Heights, near Crete, Will county.

Naturday's House.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The house on Saturday passed the bill to lease certain lands in Arizona for school purposes over the president's veto by a vote of 198 to 88. The remainder of the day was consumed in considering the legislative appropriation bill.

ANGRY SPANIARDS.

They Take Offense at the United States Cuban Resolution. MADRID, March 2.—If one may judge by the things that have been said and some of the things that have been done yesterday the Spanish people are enthusiastically determined to go to war forthwith with the United States and to speedily avenge the insult which, it is fancied, has been offered to the haughty pride of Spain by the United States senate in determining to recognize the Cuban provisional government as a belligerent power and to ask the president to use his good offices with Spain to obtain recognition of Cuban independence. Some of the organs of public opinion declare that the bankruptcy of the Spanish government would not prevent the Spanish people from taking up the quarrel on their own account and fitting up expeditions and maintaining themselves at their own expense while combating the insolence of the assertions of the United States. The day has been characterized by many manifestations of public wrath and excitement, and in Barcelona the Spaniards have gone to the extreme by using violence upon the consulate of the United States and stoning it. The excited crowd gathered before the consulate and shouted, "Long Live Spain," and "Down with the Yankees." These verbal missiles did not long satisfy the passions of the mob, and in a short time stones began flying from the crowd. The force of police which had been sent to protect the consulate waited for no further manifestation, but charged the crowd and roughly dispersed them, wounding several. So far as learned there were no fatal results.

In view of the excited state of the public mind the United States legation in this city has been placed under the special surveillance of the police.

The student class seems to form a large proportion of the inflammatory element which is making so much noise. The students of the city are busily at work to organize a great demonstration of protest against the vote of the United States senate. At Alvinia yesterday all the students of the university paraded the streets and then gathered before the United States consulate shouting "Death to Uncle Sam," "Vive Spain" and "Long live the army."

The Imparcial says on the crisis: "If things reach the goal which Americans desire, the whole of Spain will rise against the United States. Neither in the Mediterranean, whose entrance we command, nor in the Atlantic, will an American merchantman be safe, for we shall organize privateers on a great scale. We conquered Napoleon by guerrilla warfare, and we shall employ a system of privateers to overcome a trading nation."

WHIRLWIND IN CUBA.

Great Loss of Property and Many People Injured, Several Fatally. HAVANA, March 2.—A terrible whirlwind recently passed through the towns of Rodas and Los Abreus, doing an immense amount of damage. The towns are situated in the southeastern part of the province of Santa Clara. In Rodas the wind destroyed 40 houses and injured a large number of persons. In Los Abreus the damage to life and property was even greater. A large number of houses were shattered and all traces of them obliterated. A white woman and a negro were killed and 15 persons were seriously wounded, many also having disappeared. The money lost from the whirlwind has not been estimated, but it is known to be immense. The inhabitants are in a pitiable condition. The loss on crops is very large.

ANOTHER BRUTE LYNCHED.

A South Carolina Mob Takes Summary Vengeance on a Negro Ravisher. BLACKVILLE, S. C., March 2.—Melville Kennedy, colored, was lynched by a mob of 30 men at Windsor, near here. Eight months ago Kennedy and another negro named Wade forcibly carried Miss Sallie Webb to the home of a colored woman and assaulted her. They forced her to keep the matter quiet by threats of death, and the young woman kept the secret until yesterday. The mob is now scouring the country for Wade, and he will be lynched if caught.

A RIVAL SALVATION ARMY.

Baltimore Booth and Wife Will Lead an Independent Movement. NEW YORK, March 1.—Baltimore Booth and his wife have finally decided to start an independent religious organization. They will, however, surrender to the representatives of Gen. Booth, now in control at the Salvation army headquarters, all the property and money of the army. To prepare the preliminary plans for such an organization as they contemplate will necessarily take considerable time. For that reason no definite announcements have been made.

PYTHIANS MAY REVOLT.

Dissatisfaction Growing Over the Decision to Take the Conclave to Cleveland. MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., March 2.—There is great dissatisfaction in Pythian circles all over the west over the decision to take the biennial conclave from Minneapolis and give it to Cleveland. Frank Wheaton, editor of the Pythian Advocate, and prominent in the order, has been in communication with a number of western men, and a proposition is now being considered to hold an independent western encampment next August in Minneapolis.

No Deficit During February.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The February treasury statement will show an excess of receipts over expenditures for the month of February of \$127,840. The receipts for the month are as follows: Customs, \$13,908,393; internal revenue, \$50,806,735; miscellaneous, \$1,346,082; total, \$56,050,228. The expenditures for the month amounted to \$55,922,388.

No Hope for the "Free Homes" Bill.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The conviction grows that there is no chance whatever of the Oklahoma free home bill becoming a law during the life of this congress.

THE ACIDS OF FRUITS.

Numerous Kinds Found in the Different Varieties. The grateful acid of the rhubarb leaf arises from the malic acid and binoxalate of potash which it contains; the acidity of the lemon, orange and other species of the genus Citrus is caused by the abundance of citric acid which their juice contains; that of the cherry, plum, apple and pear from the malic acid in their pulp; that of gooseberries and currants, black, red and white, from a mixture of malic and citric acids; that of the grape from a mixture of malic and tartaric acids; that of the mango from citric acid and a very fugitive essential oil; that of the tamarind from a mixture of citric, malic and tartaric acids; the flavor of the asparagus from aspartic acid, found also in the root of the marshmallow, and that of the cucumber from a peculiar poisonous ingredient called fungin, which is found in all fungi and is the cause of the cucumber being offensive to some stomachs.

It will be observed that rhubarb is the only fruit which contains binoxalate of potash in conjunction with an acid. Beet root owes its nutritious quality to about nine per cent of sugar which it contains, and its flavor is a peculiar substance containing nitrogen mixed with pectic acid.

The carrot owes its fattening powers also to sugar, and its flavor to a peculiar fatty oil; the horseradish derives its flavor and blistering power from a volatile acrid oil. The Jerusalem artichoke contains fourteen and a half per cent of sugar and three per cent of inulin (a variety of starch), besides gum and a peculiar substance to which its flavor is owing; and lastly, garlic and the rest of the onion family derive their peculiar odor from a yellowish, volatile acrid oil, but they are nutritious from containing nearly half their weight of gummy and glutinous substances not yet clearly defined.—G. W. Johnson, in Chemistry of the World.

HELP FROM MICROBES.

They Play an Important Part in the Digestion of Our Food.

Ordinary digestion is performed in the stomach and the intestines by means of soluble ferments secreted by the organic cells, which attack alimentary substances, dissociate them and render them assimilable; and this is perceived to be a function very similar to that of microbes. The digestive passages, however, contain immense quantities of microbes continually brought in with the food, multiplying infinitely and performing exceedingly complex offices. Even if we take up only a few of these offices we are compelled of necessity to assume that they intervene in digestive operations, either as aids to the organic diseases or as themselves effective agents. M. Duclaux, insisting on this point, has remarked that some celluloses are capable of being attacked only by microbes, no organic juice having sufficient strength to affect them. M. Pasteur does not believe in the possibility of digestion in a medium deprived of microbes.

Of the chemical activity of microbes, what we know is as nothing in comparison with what it may be. Every species, every race, every variety of microbe is charged with a special function; the division of labor is carried among them to its extreme limit, so much so that in any chemical reaction each microbe takes its part in producing the process at different stages. Each variety has its duty in the work, determines a partial dissociation of the material which another species completes, and so on to the extreme simplification of organic matter, reduced to its elementary constituents, or to such conditions as to be assimilable by the plant.—L. Capitan, in Popular Science Monthly.

Clippings. Coffee, the drink more highly regarded to-day than any other, was first used in Abyssinia in 875. Thence it was brought to Arabia. A Greek first introduced it to England and made himself famous by the act. Mrs. Krueger, the wife of President Krueger, is greatly esteemed throughout the Transvaal, and is regarded by the Boers as a pattern housewife and model of all the domestic and social virtues. Queen Margherita, of Italy, has a fancy for collecting small articles of attire once worn by famous royalty.

THE GENERAL MARKET.

Table listing market prices for various commodities like CATTLE, HOGS, SHEEP, FLOUR, WHEAT, CORN, etc., with prices per unit.

ALMOST CRAZED.

Thought Her Child Was Going to Die.

The Terrible Ordeal of a Mother—Her Little Girl Almost Faded Away—Saved in the Nick of Time—A Story That Will Touch the Heart of Every Mother.

From the Journal, Detroit, Mich. A very grateful mother is Mrs. A. L. Hartness, of 676 Grand Avenue, Detroit, for the wonderful cure which her daughter has received by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Said Mrs. Hartness: "Yes, my daughter's life has been saved by using Pink Pills, thanks to a kind friend who recommended them to me. "Blanche was sick for over three years. She had the care of the best physicians procured, and no expense or trouble was spared to give her relief. She was so thin that she was fairly skin and bones, her digestion was out of order and she had the most awful headaches. We gave up all hope of her recovery. Her long, thin, listless face made me nearly crazy, and I did everything in my power to give her strength and induce her to take an interest in anything. "One day a friend told me about the Pink Pills, and Mr. Hartness went down town and got three boxes. She had taken about one box, when, to my amazement, one morning I heard her playing on the piano. I could hardly believe it, for it had been over a year since the piano had been opened. "Soon she began to take short rides on her bicycle, and soon she went singing around the house, our own happy, hearty little daughter once more. "She thinks nothing of a spin on her wheel over to Mr. Clemens or Pontiac, and is as well as she ever was. "I had a girl living at our house who was a great sufferer from impoverished blood, and who received instant and permanent relief from the use of one box of the pills. "If this information can be of any use to help some poor sick one, it is given with the greatest of pleasure. "The proprietors of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills state that they are not a patent medicine but a prescription used for many years by an eminent practitioner who produced the most wonderful results with them, curing all forms of weakness arising from a faulty condition of the blood or shattered nerves, two fruitful causes of almost every ill to which flesh is heir. The pills are also a specific for the troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, all forms of weakness, chronic constipation, bearing down pains, etc., and in the case of men will give speedy relief and effect a permanent cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork or excesses of whatever nature. They are entirely harmless and can be given to weak and sickly children with the greatest good and without the slightest danger. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid, for \$1.00 per box, or six boxes for \$5.50—they are never sold in bulk or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

"MAN wants little here below?" So runs the good old song; If he but advertises, though, He doesn't want that long. —Printers' Ink.

"You are the only doctor who advises me to stay at home. All the others say I ought to go to a winter resort." "I suppose they have all the patients they want." —Flegende Blaetter.

Catarrh Cannot Be Cured with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quick medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing Catarrh. Send for testimonials, free. F. J. CHENEY & Co., Props., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists, price 75c. Hall's Family Pills are the best.

"MAMMA" asked the little girl, peering in between two uncut leaves of the magazine, "how did they ever get the printing in there?"

GOLD AT CRIPPLE CREEK. The Best Way to Get There is Over the Santa Fe Route.

The fabulously rich gold mining district of Cripple Creek, Colorado, is attracting hundreds of people. By spring the rush is fair to be enormous. That there is an abundance of gold there is demonstrated beyond doubt. Fortunes are being rapidly made. To reach Cripple Creek, take the Santa Fe Route, the only standard gauge line direct to the camp. Through Pullman sleepers and chair cars. The Santa Fe lands you right in the heart of Cripple Creek. Inquire of nearest ticket agent, or address G. T. Nicholson, G. P. A., A. T. & S. F. Ry., Monadnock Block, Chicago.

The doing of an evil to avoid an evil cannot be good.—Coleridge.

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STOP, THIEF!

Stop a small malady, which is stealing your strength, before it outruns your power to arrest it, and recover what it took from you. The safest and promptest recuperator of waning vitality is Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which restores vigor, flesh and nerve quietude because it restores activity to those functions whose interruption interferes with general health. Use the Bitters for dyspepsia, malarial, rheumatic and kidney complaints and biliousness.

THE EVIL OF RESTRICTED LICENSE.—Old Farty (sadly)—"My poor man, why do I always find you hanging around this saloon?" Bibulous Bill—"I can't help myself, Mister. It's the only one in town."—Puck.

Fits stopped free by Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. No fits after first day's use. Marvellous cures. Treatise and \$2 trial bottle free. Dr. Kline, 931 Arch St., Phila., Pa.

To THE THINKER, the most trifling external object often suggests ideas which extend, link after link, from earth to Heaven.—Bulwer.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has no equal in Cough Remedies.—V. M. Annett, 383 Seneca St., Buffalo, N. Y., May 9, 1894.

He (gallantly)—"I couldn't kiss anyone but you, dear!" She—"If that's the case, you can't kiss me."—San Francisco Wave.

A SLIGHT COLD, IF NEGLECTED, OFTEN ATTACKS THE LUNGS. "Brown's Bronchial Troches" give immediate and effectual relief.

THOROUGHLY disciplined, intended inoculation.—John Randolph.

Advertisement for Sciatica St. Jacobs Oil, featuring an illustration of a man in pain and text describing the product's benefits for sciatic pain.

Advertisement for Catarrh Cream Balm, featuring an illustration of a person and text describing its use for various ailments.

Large advertisement for Battle Ax Plug, featuring an illustration of a man with a battle-axe and text promoting the product as a high-quality, economical alternative to other goods.

Advertisement for Soap, featuring an illustration of a person washing and text describing the benefits of the soap.

Advertisement for Steel Wire Picket Fence and Cabled Field and Hog Fence, featuring illustrations of the fences and text describing their quality and availability.

Advertisement for Salzer's Northern Grown Seeds, featuring an illustration of a seed packet and text describing the quality and variety of the seeds.

Advertisement for The Aermotor Co., featuring an illustration of a fan and text describing their products and services.

Advertisement for Tropical Tours, featuring an illustration of a steamship and text describing travel opportunities to Cuba, Jamaica, and other tropical destinations.

Advertisement for Stark Trees and Bearfruit, featuring an illustration of a bear and text describing the products.

Advertisement for Sweet Potatoes, featuring an illustration of a potato and text describing the product.

Advertisement for Opium, featuring an illustration of an opium pipe and text describing the product.