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Now that the job of appointing and instructing the nation's commissioners to the peace conference is finished, the United States government can turn attention again to the work of waging warfare on the Philippines.

The presence of the Raleigh and her crew on this side of the earth will do something toward restoring the equilibrium of the world, which recently has been rather top-heavy on the Manila side.

The great strategic advantage enjoyed by Aguinaldo is that the more often he is routed and takes to flight, the more difficulties he imposes on the enemy.

Pessimism may be defined as that school of thought which trains a man to expect it to rain on the particular holiday he has set aside for wheeling.

There may be some men who would rather be right than be President, and there may be others who would rather be Dewey than either.

Some one has a fortune awaiting him who can invent a summer without street-sprinkling attachments.

In the field of up-to-date politics the evening dinner seems to be mightier than the stump speech.

NEW PATENTS.

Fish will have difficulty in dislodging a newly designed hook from their mouths when once hooked, an auxiliary barb being placed on the point opposite the barb now in use, and lower down on the shank.

A folding step ladder has recently come into use in which the legs and step supports are hinged at the center to close up when not in use, allowing the ladder to be stored in about half the space of the old ladders.

In a new bicycle tire the resiliency is obtained by hollowing the face of the rim deeply and stretching a strip of fabric across the face, with a ring of rubber or other flexible material suspended in the center of the fabric.

A pneumatic axle bearing for vehicles has been patented to take the place of inflated tires on road wagons, being less liable to puncture, the weight being carried by pneumatic rings placed inside drums surrounding the axle.

The recoil of field cannon is decreased by a new German device, a horizontal rod being placed at the end of the trail, with a spur to be forced into the ground, a spiral spring surrounding the rod to break the force of the discharge.

To prevent bicycle wheels from throwing mud and water on the rider's back a new device is formed of two arms pivoted on the rear axle to support a small roller in a position to take up the mud before it can be thrown off.

Runners and wheels can be easily brought into use on a new vehicle, the runners being carried by rock shafts operated by levers to lower them below the line of the wheels or lift them and allow the wheels to support the load.

Ice cream can be shipped without melting in a new delivery package, a non-conducting material being used as a filler between the inner and outer walls, the cream being placed in a light receptacle in the center and surrounded with ice.

Vells are securely attached to the hat by an Englishwoman's device, consisting of a flat plate with a safety pin at the back for attachment to the hat, with corrugated spring plates to grip the ends of the veil.

Papa Was Knocked Out. "Say pa," said little Johnnie, "my teacher says one should have a 'sound mind in a sound body.' What does that mean?"

"Why, it means just what it says, I suppose." "But what does a sound mind mean?"

"It means a good strong intellect, you know, a mind that has nothing the matter with it. A clear thinker. Then such a mind in a body that is healthy means a 'sound mind in a sound body,' pa?"

"Have you got a sound mind in a sound body, pa?" "Why, yes, I suppose so."

"Well, then, if your mind is down in your body, what is your head for?" "Why, now, to hang my hat on, I suppose. Now go to school."

Which Foot Walks Faster? You may think this is a very silly question to ask, but it is not. There is no catch about it. It is a simple, demonstrable fact, which you can prove to your own satisfaction in a very few minutes.

If you will take any pavement that is clear of other pedestrians, so that there shall be no interference, and walk briskly in the center, you will find that before you have gone a hundred yards you will have veered very much to one side. You must not make any conscious effort, of course, to keep in the center, or you may do it, but if you will think of something and endeavor to walk naturally it is a hundred to one you cannot keep in a direct line.

The explanation of this is the peculiarity of one foot to walk faster than the other. Or to be more correct, perhaps it should be said that one leg takes a longer stride than the other, and this, combined with the quicker movement, causes one to walk more to one side than the other.

It is well known, for instance, if one be lost in the woods the tendency is to walk in a circle and eventually to return about to the starting point. This demonstrates the fact also that one foot walks faster than the other.

COUNCIL OF WOMEN

To Convene in London on June 26. AMERICAN LEADERS WILL ATTEND. Prospects for the Largest Gathering of Its Kind That Has Ever Been Held.

NEW YORK, April 21.—A distinguished party of women will leave the United States for England early in June. Most noted among them will be Susan B. Anthony, in her 86th year, making her second trip abroad; Mrs. May Wright Sewall, ex-president of the National Council of Women and one of the leading educators of the day; the Rev. Anna Howard Shaw, the well known lecturer and the only ordained woman minister in the Methodist denomination, accompanied by her private secretary for ten years, Miss Lucy E. Anthony; Mrs. Rachael Foster Avery, who has been corresponding secretary of the National Woman Suffrage association for 29 years, and Mrs. Fannie Humphreys Gaffney, president of National Council of Women. Besides these there will be a large number of women eminent in the literature, the reforms, the philanthropies and the various public enterprises of our country.

The destination of all these Americans is London, and the object the International Council of Women, which will hold its second quinquennial session from June 26 to July 4.

This will be undoubtedly the most important convocation of women ever held, not excepting the wonderful congress of women during the Columbian exposition. It will assemble in the largest city of the globe; prominent women from every civilized country will take part in its proceedings, and its programme will include every branch of the great work of the world with which women are directly connected.

MINING NEWS.

The Princess Maud at Republic continues to show rich ore and there is every reason to believe that the drift is encountering a fine pay chute. The average of the assays made today across a face five feet by seven of solid quartz was \$74. The whole face of the drift is quartz, from top to bottom and from side to side, and neither wall shows. The width of the ore body is to be determined by a cross cut at once.

The drift has 275 feet to run to get under the shaft, which is down 162 feet. If it should prove that the drift is continuous from the face of the drift at the present point to the surface the value of the Princess Maud will be immense. The drift is running at a depth of 275 feet and there is therefore a fine back of ore above.

There is a mining company in Spokane which own four claims in Gold Hill at Republic. The group comprises four claims, the Gold Hill, Young Eagle and American Chief on the same vein, and the Hagerstown adjoining the Gold Hill on the southeast. The vein is a contact between porphyry and slate and is said to be traceable for more than 3000 feet. The width varies from 25 feet to nearly 100 feet and contains a fine iron sulphide, scattered throughout the vein formation, assaying, it is said, on the surface from \$1.80 to \$2.22 per ton in gold.

On the Mark Tapley claim, near Republic, a large body of quartz has recently been discovered. The veins of the Mark Tapley are extensions of the Iron Mask claim.

The strike at the Athabasca mine near Nelson, B. C., has fizzled out, and nobody is the worse but the strikers. Today the managers of the Athabasca received a telegram from the miners' union in Sandon, B.C., disavowing the strikers and offering to send up as many union miners as were wanted. The strike was discontinued because the men were only asked to work the usual hours, the 10-hour shift, at union wages, \$3.50 per day. The management replied, wiring for 19 miners, who are now on the road. The matter seems likely to end at that, as the government has publicly announced its intention of suspending the eight-hour law until the sense of the mining districts has been taken.

The sharp eyes of Convict James Miller, after a residence in the prison of only a few months, detected the exit to the outer world, and the sharp wits of Convict Miller at once began to work on the problem of how he could take advantage of it. The method of putting men into their cells at night and accounting for each one after he is in is so simple and involves such conditions of inspection that the idea of a convict slipping through the fingers of such a system would seem on its face ridiculous.

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WOULD SEE US DEFEATED

A Remarkable Talk About the Philippines.

NEW YORK, April 21.—The prayer of George Frank Stephens, of Philadelphia, at the Manhattan-Single Tax club dinner in New York last night that "the God of battles will smite our soldiers in the Philippines with a fearful and overwhelming defeat," has caused a wonder at what he really meant.

Mr. Stephens explained: "The statement was not a hasty or chance one, but one that is the result of much thought and consideration. I maintain that the United States has no right in the Philippines, and I again state that I sincerely hope that the God of Vengeance will defeat our troops."

Received Half Pay.

DES MOINES, April 21.—In the trial of ex-Secretary of State McFarland, the testimony given by three clerks state that they divided part of their wages with the ex-secretary for political purposes.

CONVICT'S SCHEME

To Escape From Sing Sing Prison. IN FOILED BY A MERE ACCIDENT. Had Made a Plaster Cast of His Face to Deceive the Prison Checking Officer.

SING SING, April 16.—Warden Sage, of Sing Sing prison, has just nipped in the bud one of the most curious as well as one of the most ingenious attempts at escape ever made by a Sing Sing convict.

The adroitly concocted plot, however, which the Warden succeeded only by the mere chance in spoiling, has demonstrated that, complete as the system of watching the men, locking them up and accounting for them in their cells was supposed to be, there is in it a loop through which particularly slippery convict might wriggle his way out to liberty.

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Here they are lined up, each one before his allotted cell, and when they step inside the combination lock, fastening a whole row of cells at one turn of the key, is thrown, and the men are bolted in for the night.

After the locking up comes inspection. It is not enough to see the men go into the cells. They must be seen, each one erect, ready for inspection and identification. To this the prisoner, as soon as the lock is thrown is required to stand at attention in front of his cell door until the guard has passed and tallied him.

Convict James Miller, who occupied cell No. 19 on gallery 1, saw through this elaborate system a hole. The idea would have been hopeless had he not been what is called a "hallman," which is a convict who keeps the galleries clean and looks after the beds and does not have to march in lock-step with the rest.

He must enter his cell, however, when the others do, and stand erect before his cell door to be inspected by the guard after he is locked in.

The weak spot which Miller discovered in the system was that there existed a certain laxity in allowing the hallmen to go and come from the house where the bedding is kept in another part of the prison.

The hallmen do not have to get a pass to go to the bedding room and

do not have to report when they get back.

Miller planned to make an excuse to change a pillow on a cot, and thus go to the bedding room. He decided to do this a few minutes before the men filed in to be put in their cells. In the shuffle he hoped he would not be missed, and would be in the bedding room with easy access to the yard and walls.

There would still be the cell inspection. Instead of the striped guard and well knowing features of Convict Miller standing before the cell door, the guard would see only vacancy, and instantly an alarm would be given.

Miller decided that he must have some sort of a representative to take his place at the cell door when the inspection was made, and he decided to manufacture a dummy.

The dummy must have a head, and what was the hardest of all, the head must have features that sufficiently resembled those of Convict Miller to give a guard standing not more than two feet away.

To solve this difficulty Convict Miller hit upon the device of making a plaster of Paris mask of his own face and to do this he set about getting some plaster of Paris. This article is kept in the jobbing room and several convicts have access to it.

One of these Miller took into his confidence to a certain extent and soon had several pounds of the material. He knew he must have some grease on his face when he applied the plaster and this he obtained by getting vaseline from the apothecary shop from time to time on various pretexts and carefully hoarding it.

When all was ready he mixed the plaster of Paris in his cell wash kettle with water and worked it to about the proper consistency. Then he pressed his greased face down into the mass, leaving a well-defined mold.

Next he scraped the vaseline from his face, and with that and what he had left, greased the mold itself. In this he pressed more plaster of Paris, and when he lifted the cast away the result was a perfect reproduction of the features of Convict Miller.

It was, of course, of a ghastly white color and Miller got a number of colored pencils. He had only gone so far as to make large black pupils for the eyes when his plan was discovered and his work of months undone.

Miller had not the remotest suspicion that anything was wrong up to the moment the blow fell. Early one evening Warden Sage sent for him to come to the warden's office.

"Miller," said the warden, "do you know anything about blacksmithing?" "No, sir," said Miller.

"Nor anything about iron work?" "No, sir."

"Well," said the warden, "I don't know but you did. It's of no consequence. That's all."

So Miller, bewildered, was conducted to his cell, and when he went to look for his precious face cast it and all his other treasures had disappeared.

Just how Warden Sage got his hint of what Miller was at is a secret of the prison.

MARRIAGE LICENSES.

A license to wed were issued yesterday to Jeremiah Gibson Startup, 32, and Adah Bailey, 28, both of Seattle.

Influx of Farmers.

EUGENE, Ore., April 21.—This section has been visited by quite a number of homeseekers from the East the past few weeks. Some are looking over the country; others have come prepared to locate, and a goodly number have bought farms.

In her country for farm and city property is not in demand. Inquiries from the East for information concerning this country are far more numerous than usual.

VIOLA ALLEN NOT IN LOVE

She Wants \$20,000 From an Editor for Saying So.

NEW YORK, April 21.—Viola Allen, the star of "The Christian," has been aroused to action by the recent publication of an alleged love affair between herself and "Jack" Mason, who is also with the company, now playing in Boston.

The story was to the effect that Mr. Mason was deeply in love with the charming actress and that the latter returned the tender passion.

In her complaint Miss Allen positively denies being at all in love with Mr. Mason, and denies any knowledge of him being in love with her.

Venezuelian Treaty.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—The United States Postoffice department has concluded an agreement for a parcel post treaty with Venezuela.

The treaty will be forwarded to the Venezuelan government for ratification, and the new arrangement will undoubtedly be in operation within three or four months. The rate to be charged will be 12 cents per pound and the number of pounds in a package will be limited to eleven.

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MUST TELL THEIR AGES

Uncle Sam's Order to the Women. IN CONNECTION WITH THE CENSUS. Falsehoods Will Subject the Offenders to Fines of \$100 Apiece—Other Regulations.

WASHINGTON, April 21.—Next year a new census of the United States will be taken, and this time the territory which will be included in the enumeration will be considerably larger than at the last census.

The Hawaiian islands will add their population to the total, and should the condition of things be satisfactory in Porto Rico and the Philippines they also will be included. Together with our own increased numbers they would carry our total up to about 90,000,000.

Many novelties will be introduced in this coming census, and some questions and investigations attempted in the twelfth count. Such personal questions as to whether one is a pauper, cripple, prisoner, convict, homeless, deformed, deaf, blind, or otherwise diseased will be omitted.

Experience has shown that such questions are answered very inaccurately and indicate nothing. All colored people will be designated as black without deference to whether they are quadroons, octoroons, mulattoes or pure negroes.

If a householder one will be simply asked whether he owns or rents his house or whether it is free from incumbrance. These simple questions will be sufficient to determine where the tendency is to own rather than to rent homes.

Women who refuse to tell their ages or inaccurately state them will be subject to a fine of \$100 upon conviction for such an offense, as will all others who shall refuse to reply to questions or make false statements.

Besides questions as to age and color, the enumerator will ask if you are male or female, married, single or widowed or divorced; whether married during the census year; whether a mother—if so, of how many children; how many of these are living; place of birth and that of your parents; number of years in the United States; whether naturalized and if papers have been taken out; profession, trade or occupation; attendance at school during the census year; whether you can read or write; whether you can speak the English and, if not, what language; the number of families and of persons in your house and the number of persons in your family. Some other questions may be added later.

DEATH OF AN UNKNOWN

Found Beside Railroad Track With Skull Crushed.

CORRY, Pa., April 21.—The body of an unknown man was found lying beside the Pennsylvania railroad tracks, about one mile west of this city, early this morning.

The back of his head had been crushed in, and although Deputy Coroner Truesdale, who was called, declared an inquest was unnecessary, as the death was accidental, many people believe this to be a case of murder and wish the police to take the matter in hand.

The unknown man was about 25 years old and was a traveling umbrella mender. A passbook containing the name "John Frowe" was found on the body.

A Hatpin Wielder.

TRENTON, N. J., April 21.—The northern section of this city is terrorized by a mysterious female who amuses herself after dark by stabbing men with a hatpin. Last night a well known citizen, while passing an alley, was attacked by the woman, and received a severe wound in the arm. Two other pedestrians were attacked by the woman last night.

THE GOULD NURSERY.

Where a Band of Little Millionaires Are Nurtured.

They are delightfully interesting children, these little ones of George J. Gould. At an appropriate moment in the play rooms in Georgian Court, Lake Wood, the winter home of the family, has left the happiest sort of impression on my mind.

To be sure, there was rather a formidable array of governesses and white aproned nurses. In evidence, and the exquisite daintiness of the little girls' frocks and boots made childlike frolic quite an impossibility. Yet they are gracious, affectionate little bodies and must surely develop into women of charm and beauty.

They have the same dark, glorious eyes and hair that their mother has and a grace of movement one rarely sees in children.

Such playrooms as they have! The entire floor of one wing is given over to them, and there is no end to the pretty, childish things that go to make it a perfect fairyland. Little Marjory and Vivian have dolls the size of real babies. They were born on Christmas eve they told me, and have just recently been put in short clothes. Then there is Lady Washington, with the most elaborate white coiffure and long trailing robes, besides a dozen or more interesting specimens of dollature, both boys and girls. There are the faintest of canopied cradles for them to lie in and exquisite carriages to take the air in.

Marjorie is just 8 years old and Vivian 6. They find giving home nannies about as much fun as anything. This is how they arrange

WILSON'S Items of Interest to Men. 10 Dozen Percalé Negligee Shirts; regular price 50c, Saturday's price 39c. 10 Dozen Negligee Shirts in Latest Checks and Stripes; regular prices 50c and 65c, Saturday's price 45c. A Bargain in Neckwear. 20 Dozen Bows and Tecks, regular prices 25c and 35c; Special Price 20c Each, or Three for 50c. Alexander Wilson Second Avenue and University Street.

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CHURCH AND CLERGY. Over 33 per cent. of all foreign missionaries are women. The services of the Lutheran church in America are held in twenty different languages. The next Episcopal church congress is to be held in St. Paul, Minn., October 10-13, 1899.

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PARLOR GROCERY. Phone Pike 126, 1329 Second Avenue. Wm. J. DEAN & CO.

MRS. KAHLEY DEAD. Mrs. Etta M. Kahley died yesterday afternoon at the Seattle general hospital, of appendicitis. Mrs. Kahley had been ill for some time and had two operations performed. The second was thought to have been successful, and it was believed she would recover, but she suffered a relapse and died.

New Process of Photography. To be in the swim one must have one's photograph taken by the new process, which gives a raised surface like bas-relief. For the lover who yearns to carry his sweetheart's picture always with him, these new photos may be reduced to fit into a small locket.

RUNAWAY BOYS. Clyde Smith and Herbert Wells, aged thirteen and eleven years respectively, have disappeared from their homes, and the police department has been notified to look out for them. Smith lives at 225 1/2 Fifth avenue, and Wells lives at 116 Terry avenue.

It's a Wise Boy That Never Forgets This Store. A little money for a Boy's Suit goes a long way here. We always have the right thing for him at the right place. He's all ways pleased. We're showing another batch of spring patterns in Double-Breasted Suits, Middys and Sailors at \$2.00, \$2.50, \$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, 5.00.- J. REDELSHEIMER & CO. Best and Biggest in the State. 800-802 First Ave., Cor. Columbia.