

Kind words are all right, but they never stopped a Swedish famine.

Hobson threatens to write a novel. Guess who'll be the hero of it.

It should be the ambition of every woman to live up to her best photograph.

You will not sleep any the worse for giving a few dollars to help the famine sufferers.

If there are any other Mrs. Smoots let them now come forward or forever after hold their peace.

Social distinctions at Yale are to be abolished. Thus the march of democracy goes inevitably on.

If Honduras don't look out she may have to call in old Dr. Monroe to prescribe for that tired feeling.

King Edward again has been allowed to amuse himself with the delusion that he has opened parliament.

Germany has another court scandal. This one, though, concerns merely a countess and her hair-dresser.

Having discovered the American peanut, France is more than ever glad that Columbus luckily discovered America.

Mr. C. Dana Gibson, with his \$100,000 income, is a convincing proof that sometimes, at least, art has its compensations.

Boston is consistent as well as cultured. The new head of its public library was born, raised and educated in Reading.

They are giving away Havana cigars in New York. That's the kind of a cigar war the smokers can stand without a growl.

As to Mrs. Russell Sage's remarks on eschewing social life, Uncle Russell may be depended upon for a resounding amen.

The American girl has been crowned the world's queen of beauty—and by a woman. This should make her excited position secure.

In spite of all the good things said in behalf of slang, it is fair to admit that a little grammatical English once in a while is desirable.

The oldest man in the world, a Californian, weighs only ninety pounds, and has never tasted any of the new breakfast foods.

A seat on the New York Stock Exchange was sold the other day for \$82,000. It must make Patti terribly jealous when she reads about such things.

Up to the hour of going to press the complacent sultan had not taken any active steps toward introducing the reforms that he so willingly agreed to make.

A New York woman who weighs 300 pounds and has several million dollars has eloped with a hack driver. At last he has a fat fare who may command his respect.

The old maids of an English town have formed a society "for promoting man's indifference among women." If they are trying to dodge matrimony this must be considered reckless.

There is to be a congress of philologists this year in London. A philologist is a man who not only knows about languages from a to zizzard, but also can tell you how Izzard got its name.

We are pleased to learn that William Rockefeller has had his assessment reduced from \$1,000,000 to \$500,000. We are opposed to grinding the poor by taxation or any other method.

New York dressmakers are said to be able to beat the Parisian creations. They will hardly succeed, however, in getting the trade, because they don't charge as much as their French competitors.

A plumber died the other day at Lodz, Poland, aged 116 years. He was probably waiting at the time, for his helper to bring something they hadn't expected they would need when they started out.

City people who make it possible for the proprietors of gambling dens to live in palaces are always ready to laugh at the gullibility of the farmer who comes to town and lets himself get stripped by the bunko man.

The company formed in Mexico to operate a line of airships between the city of Mexico and Washington has only \$500,000 capital. The whole amount might be wiped out by the damage suits resulting from the first disaster.

John Mitchell has refused to enter politics, to lecture, to accept a house or to let his friends raise a fund for him. If John keeps on it will be simply impossible for him to prevent the people from raising a good big monument to his memory some day.

Resume of the News.



Washington Notes.

The war department will compile and publish a complete roster of Union and Confederate soldiers.

Rudolph Forster of Virginia has been appointed assistant secretary to the president. Since 1900 he has been executive clerk to the president.

The government fishery expert, after a visit to Alaskan waters, states that the supply shows no hint of ceasing. Salmon fisheries are as good as ever after years of use.

A sort of dime-in-the-slot special delivery box to facilitate the delivery of letters has been invented. The dropping in of a letter and a dime displays a signal for a carrier.

W. R. Merriam is in New York, house hunting. The family will remove from Washington to New York about the time Gov. Merriam takes hold of his New York position, May 1.

The postoffices at Bowbells and Souris, in North Dakota, have been advanced to the presidential class, to take effect April 1. Also the postoffices at Black Duck and Sparta, in Minnesota.

Frank H. Campbell, assistant secretary of the interior, has assumed his new duties as assistant attorney general of the interior department. Melville W. Miller of Lafayette, Ind., also qualified as assistant secretary of the interior.

Candidates for appointment to the naval academy will be examined on the third Tuesday in April at the following cities: St. Paul, Mankato, Duluth, Fargo, Grand Forks, Pembina, Deadwood, Mitchell, Watertown, and Aberdeen.

Gen. Frederick Funston, U. S. A., is to become a trust-buster. His operations in this line will be directed toward a commercial combination at St. Michaels, Alaska, which is within the jurisdiction of the department of Columbia, to the command of which he has just been assigned.

Joseph Leonard is dead at his home in Brooklyn as the result of a dose of chloride of potash, administered to him in beer by his wife in mistake for salts.

Dr. George Converse and wife of New Haven, Conn., were badly burned and their house nearly destroyed by a fire which started from benzine with which they were trying to drive out moths.

An electric car was struck by the fast passenger train on the Big Four at Indianapolis and thrown from the tracks. Six persons were seriously injured, as follows: F. D. McDaniel, Mrs. F. D. McDaniel, W. A. Eck, Katherine Kane, Miss Mary Corrigan and Clara Corrigan.

From Other Shores

A revolution has broken out in the departments of Rivera, Flores and Maldonado, in Uruguay.

Andre Giron says that as soon as he and the Princess Louise are married they will come to America.

The duke of Cumberland has refused to accede to the kaiser's request to meet him in neutral ground on the latter's visit to Denmark.

The house committee on public expenditures of the Hawaiian legislature has reported another embezzlement in the board of public works, the amount being \$2,300.

Dr. Alfred Peldram, the new German minister to Venezuela, arrived at Caracas. It was feared that the populace would make a hostile demonstration, but there was none.

The governor of Natal has proclaimed the king's pardon for all persons awaiting trial for treason or other offenses committed during or arising out of the recent war.

The steamer Mariposa arrived from Australia bringing additional news of the typhoon and tidal wave in the January. It is said that between 500 and 600 islanders perished.

The government of Santo Domingo has issued a decree imposing a duty on the production of sugar of 10 cents per hundred pounds. The decree will come into force immediately.

Korea is becoming ambitious in the naval line, and has already placed an order with the Mitsui company of Japan for a man-of-war to cost \$250,000. The Russian representative at Seoul is said to have opposed the measure.

United States Minister Combs at Guatemala City cables the state department that the president of Guatemala was withdrawing his troops from the frontier. It is believed that this action removes the danger of war between Guatemala and Honduras.

Paris medical authorities are divided as to whether alcohol is nourishing or not, and their dispute has reached the point where each faction has placarded the "dead walls" with posters appealing to "the good sense" of the public.

The Gloria D'Italia declares that the excavations that are being made in the forum are endangering the buildings on Palatine hill. The edifices of Severus, the Domes and the stadium are threatened with ruin, and Caesar's palace shows signs of collapse.

Rev. William Burt, head of the American Methodist work among the Italians, was received in private audience by King Victor Emmanuel and received the decoration of the Order of St. Maurice and St. Lazarus in appreciation of his labors, extending over seventeen years.

Crimes and Criminals.

Dr. Julian Baker, a physician of Tarborough, N. C., shot and perhaps fatally wounded H. T. Bass.

A row between Doorkeeper Clark and Representative Selph nearly caused a free-for-all fight in the lower house of the Missouri legislature.

Adolph Krauss, an insane German farmer living twenty-one miles west of St. Louis, near Belfontaine, killed his wife and six children with a sledge hammer.

Two women have been sentenced to the court of special sessions in Brooklyn to serve ten months in the penitentiary for using improper language on the streets.

Sick and discouraged because she could find no employment and because her mother in Philadelphia refused to take her home, Mary Escher, a twenty-year-old chorus girl, committed suicide in Washington.

Remorse and fear over the belief that he had killed a playmate named Laura Walnright by hitting her with a stone, caused Warren Fleming, aged nine years, to shoot himself dead at Belleville, Ill.

Fifteen Purdue freshmen were fined for disorderly conduct at Lafayette, Ind. Sophomores and freshmen also arranged to pay \$250 for the damage done when the freshmen attacked the sophomore banquet.

William Hamilton, a negro, suffering from pneumonia, became violently insane in the city hospital at Louisville, caught up a chair and brained France Winder, an insane inmate sixty years of age. Dr. Bronner was slightly hurt.

A double tragedy occurred at the Opp house at Findlay, Ohio, as a result of a quarrel between Lewis Routsom and his seventeen-year-old wife. Routsom shot both his wife and her mother at a masquerade. The mother will recover.

In a frenzy of mania, Mrs. James Strowbridge of Guyanoga village, N. Y., killed her daughter, aged twenty-six, and her mother, aged eighty, and after setting fire to the house in which the bodies lay, she deliberately entered it and perished in the flames.

William Minch of Washington, D. C., rode to the home of his brother-in-law, Odum Otzel, and shot him in the back, killing him instantly. Then Minch rode to the home of his former wife and cut off her right ear and one of the fingers of her left hand. He then killed himself. Domestic trouble was the cause.

Otherwise.

William N. Cromwell, the attorney for the Panama Canal company, will receive a fee of \$2,000,000.

Aurelio Herrera knocked out Jack Clifford in the ninth round of what was scheduled to be a twenty-round bout at Butte, Mont.

Eddie Santry and Adam Ryan fought ten rounds to a draw before 2,000 people at Indianapolis. Each man was credited with two knock-downs.

A conservative estimate of the steel trust's earnings gives the total net for January as \$9,600,000, February \$9,100,000, and March \$10,850,000.

The Tennessee state senate has passed the house bill to prevent combinations in restraint of trade. The measure now goes to the governor.

Charles Dauer of San Francisco, aged seven, had two stitches taken in his heart, which was pierced by a fall on a broken bottle. He may recover.

A new independent tobacco factory with a capital of \$5,000,000 furnished by Eastern capitalists is to be built in Detroit and John A. Grow is to be its manager.

Mrs. Margaret L. Shepperd, who died recently at Detroit, Mich., was more widely known as the "Escaped Nun," and as such attacked the Catholic church bitterly.

William Morrison of Chicago proposed to Agnes Olsson, a telephone girl, over the phone, and they were married and Mrs. Morrison was back at work inside of half an hour.

Dr. William P. Munn is dead at his home in Denver as the result of lung trouble. He was once president of the Colorado State Medical society and at the head of the board of health of Denver.

Robert G. Herdick, commissioner of Indian affairs under President Lincoln, was buried at Indianapolis recently from an undertaker's establishment. He died in poverty. He was born in Baltimore in 1821.

The people of Heronnetec, N. Y., decided at their village election that they did not want the \$10,000 library offered by Andrew Carnegie because it would bind them to raise \$3,000 annually for maintenance.

"Farmer" Burns of Iowa had no trouble in disposing of Adolph Millen (Russian Giant) of New York in a wrestling bout at Baltimore. Burns gained the first fall in eight and the second in nine minutes.

Charles M. Schwab, who returned on the Kron Prinz Wilhelm, said that he had never felt so well in his life, nor had been so glad to get back to work. He declared that he had no intention of resigning the presidency of the steel corporation.

The Jewish Daily News of New York announces that in answer to questions sent to prominent Jews in Russia two replies had been received, indicating that the recent ukase of the czar proclaiming religious freedom meant very little to the Hebrews.

FAMOUS THIEF ARRESTED.

Chicago Detectives Have Revolver Found on Crowded Street Car.

Chicago, March 23.—George Willard, sought by the police on two continents for years for a daring \$50,000 robbery committed in Paris, was last night worsted in a revolver fight with two detectives on a crowded street car. With him were arrested Edward Carney, charged with many robberies throughout the country, and William Moffatt, with whom Willard is said to have been operating in Chicago. The fight, which preceded the capture of the three men, caused a panic among the passengers of the street car in which several women were injured. Willard has been identified, the police say, as the man who assisted Mickey Gleason in the robbery of an express messenger of \$50,000 in gold and bank notes in Paris several years ago. He was arrested in Buffalo later, and \$10,000 of the proceeds of the robbery were found in his possession and confiscated. He escaped from custody, however, before he could be turned over to the Paris authorities. Willard also is wanted for a bank robbery in Iowa and a diamond robbery in Cleveland, Ohio.

HONORS FOR CHAMBERLAIN.

Colonial Secretary Receives the City of London's Congratulations.

London, March 23.—Colonial Secretary Chamberlain yesterday received the city of London's congratulations on his mission to South Africa in the guild hall, where Lord Mayor Samuel and the corporation presented him with an address of welcome in the presence of a large gathering of distinguished representatives of politics, the services, art, science, the church, the law and the drama. Among those present were Premier Balfour, most of the cabinet ministers, the archbishop of Canterbury, Lord Roberts, the duke of Fife, the duke of Argyll, Lord Strathcona, Lord Lister, Vice Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, Signor Marconi, Sir Thomas Lipton and Sir Henry Irving. Many ladies were also present to extend greetings to Mrs. Chamberlain.

LEGISLATOR STABBED.

Fatal Quarrel That Involves Men of Greater New York.

New York, March 23.—Frank J. Ulrich, Democratic representative in the state legislature from the Sixth district of Brooklyn, was probably fatally stabbed by William Getters, a clerk. The men quarreled over an alleged insult offered by Getters to two young women which Ulrich resented.

WOMEN MEET DEATH.

Stepped Aside to Avoid One Train and Were Killed by Another.

Phillipsdale, Pa., March 23.—Three women were instantly killed and a fourth was probably fatally injured while walking from Pawtucket to this place on the tracks of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. The victims, in trying to avoid one train, were struck by another.

Want Cuban to Hurry.

Washington, March 23.—Acting Secretary of State Loomis and Mr. Quesada, the Cuban minister, after discussing the prospects of an exchange of ratifications of the Cuban treaty within the time limit, decided to cable President Palma, requesting him to call the Cuban congress into extraordinary session immediately for this purpose, as that body otherwise would not meet until April 7, seven days after the expiration of the legal time limit for the exchange of ratifications.

Hospital Dedicated.

Brainerd, Minn., March 23.—The new St. Joseph's hospital in this city, built by the Sisters of the Order of St. Benedict, at a cost of \$30,000, was blessed and dedicated Thursday evening. Bishop McGorick of Duluth was present and delivered an address. A number of priests and others interested were also present from cities and towns in the northern part of the state.

Accuses Himself.

Lincoln, Neb., March 23.—A man giving his name as John Bennett presented himself to the sheriff at Fremont, Neb., saying he is the murderer of Nora Fuller, a girl killed at San Francisco over a year ago.

Charged With Embezzlement.

Cripple Creek, Colo., March 23.—E. G. Howell, for five years paying teller of the First National bank, was arrested last night on a charge of embezzlement. Howell is in the county jail.

Will Visit Naval Stations.

Rome, March 23.—Lieut. Commander Potts, the United States Naval attaché, has obtained permission to visit the naval stations at Naples, Castellammare and Spezia.

Warehouse Burned.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 23.—Hentsch's bonded warehouse, containing 10,000 tons of merchandise, was gutted by fire. The loss is estimated at \$2,500,000.

Plague is Checked.

Mazatlan, Mex., March 23.—The people are rejoicing at the evident check given to the progress of the plague. There were no new cases and no deaths yesterday. No new cases are reported from Villa Union.

Wrecked by Safe Crackers.

ureka, Kan., March 23.—Safe crackers early yesterday wrecked the safe of the State bank at Quincy, near here, and escaped on a hand car. It is not known how much money was secured.

Northwest News

FACES FLAMIES TO SAVE HIS BOY.

McLaughlin of Hibbing Does His Duty as a Man.

Hibbing, Minn., March 17.—After he valiantly rescuing his invalid wife and two-days-old child from his burning house, John McLaughlin risked his life again to save his six-year-old son, and both met death in the ruins of the burning roof. McLaughlin was awakened early in the morning by smoke, and on investigating he found the house in flames. Wrapping his wife and infant daughter in a blanket, he rushed from the house and carried them in safety to the house of a neighbor. He returned instantly to the burning dwelling where his six-year-old son was imprisoned by the flames and entered. Hardly had he reached the boy when the roof fell. In their night robes father and son managed to crawl to the door among the burning embers, where they were found by friends and carried to the hospital. They both died later. The widow and fatherless child are resting easily at the home of a neighbor.

MONTANA IS SHAKEN.

Earthquake Shock is Felt Throughout the Mountain Region.

Helena, Mont., March 17.—Shortly before 10 o'clock yesterday morning seismic disturbances were felt throughout the mountain region of Montana. There were two distinct shocks which lasted fully fifteen seconds each. The vibrations were felt southeast to northwest. Beyond shaking dishes from shelves, stopping clocks and breaking mantles in gas burners, little damage was done. This is the third earthquake experienced in Montana within ten years, but it was considerably milder than the last one, five years ago, which destroyed chimneys and broke windows. At Canyon Ferry, twelve miles east of Helena on the Missouri river, people ran from their houses in mortal fear. The waters of the river became quite turbulent, but no actual damage was done save for the breaking of dishes.

BURNS TO A CRISP.

Coachman Shoots Himself and Starts a Fire.

St. Paul, March 17.—Charles Johnston, a coachman, was burned to a crisp at 12:45 o'clock yesterday afternoon, during a fire in the barn of Michael Doran, 435 Summit avenue. The body was rescued from the flames after much difficulty by Assemblyman Michael Doran, Jr., and Peter Peterson, a laborer who happened to be in the vicinity when the blaze was discovered. A revolver with two chambers exploded was found by the side of the dead man, indicating that Johnston had shot himself and that the coverings of the bed had been ignited from the flash of the weapon. It is said Johnston had been drinking heavily.

KILLED BY CAVE-IN.

Unlucky Miner Loses His Life in Tunnel.

Keystone, S. D., March 17.—Frank McConigal, a miner in the employ of the Mount Aetna Mining company, was instantly killed by a cave-in while at work in the tunnel of the Lucky Boy mine at Keystone. State Mine Inspector Gregory has been notified of the accident, and has started for Keystone to investigate. Richard Maxwell and F. L. Lester, who were working with McConigal, were also caught in the cave-in and severely injured, but will recover.

FASTED FORTY-TWO DAYS.

Demented Woman is Finally Taken into Custody.

Rapid City, S. D., March 17.—Sheriff Canfield has gone to Yankton, having in charge Mrs. Lena Weir of Hill City, who has been pronounced insane by the county insanity board. The woman has been demented for several years, and is reported to have fasted at one time for a period of forty-two days. She was taken into custody by the authorities about a month ago, and has since been cared for by an old friend at Rapid City.

MINERAL LEASES.

Landowners are Chary of Parting With Possibilities.

Duluth, March 17.—The number of 340 state mineral leases have been issued for Northern Minnesota since Jan. 1, as compared with 200 for the entire year of 1902. It is now difficult for anybody to purchase land anywhere in this section unless the mineral right is reserved. Only one of the large land corporations conceals even one half the mineral right.

Anna Held Invests.

Duluth, March 17.—Anna Held, who has a valuable collection of pearls, bought a Mississippi river pearl here Saturday for \$1,200.

Blaze at Aberdeen.

Aberdeen, S. D., March 17.—Fire last night partially destroyed the frame store building owned by J. O. Fischel and occupied by M. D. Widdis' feedstore. Loss covered by insurance.

Oil and Coal Found.

Victoria, B. C., March 17.—Dispatches from Vancouver tell of the discovery of oil and coal in Southeast Kootenai and of large areas being staked. It is learned the land is held in reserve by the government.

READY FOR THE MUSIC.

Former Mayor Ames Arrives in Minneapolis.

Minneapolis, March 19.—Dr. A. A. Ames, successively mayor, fugitive and prisoner, is now in custody in Minneapolis, and within the jurisdiction of the Hennepin district court. He will be arraigned to-day before Judge Pond. In the meantime he is at the Nicolet hotel, under care of a deputy sheriff. His assumption of confidence and his assertions of innocence in increased in vehemence as he neared the city with whose name his name has been so intimately connected. The home-coming of Dr. Ames from New Hampshire was witnessed by a large crowd at the union station. There was no demonstration. While he is much thinner than formerly, weighing at least fifty pounds less, that fact is not apparent in the lines of his face, nor is one impressed with any marked wasting away of his body. One of Dr. Ames' attorneys is authority for the statement that the defense will be paresis and hereditary insanity.

TRAIN HAS CLOSE CALL.

Milwaukee Train Almost Thrown into the River by a Boulder.

Prairie du Chien, Wis., March 19.—The forenoon passenger train north on the Milwaukee road was nearly thrown into the Mississippi river two miles north of this city by a boulder weighing several tons that rolled down the hillside just as the train was going at a high rate of speed. It struck the trucks of the tender, which was heavily loaded, knocking off the wheel boxes, and rolling along with the train, tore off all the wheel boxes and steps the entire length of the train, leaving only a single step on the rear car. Fireman Hart jumped. The passengers were severely shaken up but no one was injured. Trainsmen for years have been afraid of this rock, which hung over a high cliff.

RUSH OF HOMESEEKERS.

Thousands Headed for the Pacific Coast and Intermediate Points.

St. Paul, March 19.—The annual spring rush of homeseekers to the Pacific coast and intermediate points on the Great Northern and Northern Pacific started yesterday. It was the first day of selling the low rate tickets, although the \$oo line has had several excursions this spring and about 1,000 people took advantage of the rates. Both the Great Northern and Northern Pacific coast trains last evening went out in two sections and the morning trains were crowded, it being necessary to add an extra coach to the latter company's morning train. The business, in the minds of the passenger officials of these roads, justifies the reconsideration of the question of homeseekers' rates.

BLACK HILLS RAILWAY.

Electric Road is Planned to Connect Prominent Cities of the Hills.

Pierre, S. D., March 19.—Articles of incorporation have been filed with the secretary of state for the Black Hills & Spearfish Valley Electric Railway company, at Spearfish, with a capital of \$2,500,000, its purpose being to construct and operate an electric railway from Spearfish to Belle Fourche, and to Lead and Deadwood, a total mileage of about thirty-two miles. The directors are Hiram Dotson, Milton C. Conners, Frank Welch, Edward Grandfield, Daniel J. Toomey, John D. Kingsley, John M. Caldwell, all of Spearfish.

BIG LUMBER SALES.

Hines Company Purchases Aggregate of Over \$2,000,000.

Marinette, Wis., March 19.—The Edward Hines Lumber company has contracted for lumber, shingle and lath stocks on the Menominee river, involving a consideration of over \$2,000,000. The purchases are as follows: N. Ludington company, cut of two mills, lumber 50,000,000 feet, shingles 15,000,000; H. Witbeck company, lumber 30,000,000, shingles 10,000,000, lath 15,000,000. The company has also purchased 40,000,000 shingles in smaller lots from other parties.

MUST HANG AFTER ALL.

Pardon Board Refuses to Commute Olson's Sentence.

St. Paul, March 19.—Ole G. Olson, under sentence of death at Aitkin for the murder of his daughter, will be hanged Friday morning, between midnight and day. The state pardon board yesterday refused to interfere, and upon the expiration of the stay previously granted to give opportunity for investigating his sanity, the sentence will be executed. Medical experts declared him sane.

No Hell Fire for Him.

Beloit, Wis., March 19.—Because of his belief in probation after death and the non-existence of hell fire, Rev. Edward O. Lee has resigned the pastorate of the Norwegian Lutheran church in this city.

Quarrel Ends in Tragedy.

Helena, Mont., March 19.—Bryan Hart and James Ryan quarreled Saturday night near Billings. Hart was probably fatally injured, being stabbed with a knife. The men are brothers-in-law. Ryan was arrested.