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A talkative friend is often more dangerous than a silent enemy.

China admits that in the Corbuckness Russia practically has a cinch.

The bolo rush would appear to be pretty nearly as strenuous as the canoe rush.

The message will get there while you are saying Marconigraph. Think up a shorter one.

The racing automobile is the deadliest toy that millionaireism has ever amused itself with.

Japan does not seek war with Russia, but it cherishes the hope that war may be forced upon it.

Miss Littleboy is to be married, according to a Los Angeles paper. Many happy returns of the day!

It's curious how many sizes larger a woman's feet grow on her way from the shoe shop to her home.

Daniel J. Sully has made so much money "handling" cotton that he has got to go to Europe to spend it.

The astronomers have formed a trust. Within another year the people will have to pay dearly to look heavenward.

Patrons of the Roman amphitheatre never knew what they missed by living before the automobile was invented.

Wouldn't it be a sight to see the two Shamrocks and the three American 90-footers all together in a big race over here!

It seems a pity that about the only way for a man to learn what kind of a woman he ought not to marry is to marry her.

The Reliance is said to have "a full, blunt nose." So long as it is not out of joint and she wins the race we can probably forgive the rest.

It needed no Minnesota supreme court to establish the fact that a masher is a parasite. But it may make the job of scraping him off easier.

No one who has observed the tenacity with which a woman clings to an opinion once fixed will ever again refer to her as a member of the weaker sex.

New York is to have a building 49 feet long, 26 feet wide and 17 stories high. They might save valuable space by using the building as its own chimney.

It is claimed that Carnegie has more than \$100,000,000 left. This, however, may be a mere rumor started by his enemies who want the tax man to get after him.

John L. Sullivan casts an X-ray on Emerson's essay on the Over Soul by suggesting that "he was full when he wrote it." Set a Bostonian to catch a Bostonian.

Few things make a man madder than going to the theater and seeing about everybody that owes him money absorbed in the performance from a seat in the box.

That Burlington, Vt., blacksmith who became mayor a few days ago is already greatly surprised at the large number of people who seem to be able to use the hammer.

Next to the man who volunteers advice on how to cure rheumatism, the man with a panacea for political ills is entitled to a place in the race for the position of leading nuisance.

Two Austrian princesses and a baroness will attempt to swim across the English channel. Whether they succeed or fail they will have taken a step materially nearer the variety stage.

Kentucky is priding itself on the death of a centenarian in his bed. We hazard nothing in saying that he did not live in either Clay or Breathitt county, where forty is considered a green old age.

It is pretty hard to work up much sympathy for the American girl who thinks she has married a titled foreigner and then finds that he is a first-class waiter or has an honorable record as a coachman.

Eighteen languages, including English, were spoken in New Amsterdam. The principal difference between that time and this seems to be that, while more than eighteen other languages are now spoken, English isn't.

Some of the Russian newspapers want their government to furnish the American press with facts concerning the real condition of affairs in the czar's country. The censor will be getting after them if they don't watch out.

Douglas Gordon, a rich young man about town in New York, whose sister married Senator Hanna's son, gave a \$1,400 check for a "tip" to a barber who shaved him a few days ago. Young Douglas and his money are soon parted.

Resume of the News.

From the Capital.
Jesse F. Dyer of Minneapolis has passed his examination as second lieutenant in the marine corps and will get his commission in a few days.

President Roosevelt will not interfere in the prosecution of Edward F. McSweeney, former assistant commissioner of immigration at New York, charged with abstracting public documents.

Two hundred and six of the American residents of Chihuahua have signed a petition to the secretary of state asking that United States Consul W. Mills of that place be removed for neglect of duty and other causes.

Casualties.
Four men were killed in a freight wreck which occurred four miles east of Rawlins, Wyo.

John Matsos was burned to death by the tilting of a vat of molten slag at the South Chicago Iron works.

J. Paulson and Edward Sellinger, excursionists, engaged in a struggle on a San Francisco boat, and, falling into the bay, were drowned.

Clearing away of the debris caused by the flood at Heppner, Ore., is progressing rapidly. One hundred and seventy-seven bodies have been reported missing.

Will Zimmerman, the young man who fell and suffered a broken skull while attempting to "loop the loop" on a roller skate in the Cyclorama building at Indianapolis, is dead.

Genevieve Peats, the eight-year-old daughter of Alfred Peats, the millionaire wallpaper manufacturer of Greenwich, Conn., is dead from the effects of burns which she received in the fire which destroyed her parents' home.

In a head-on collision between two South Carolina freight trains at Niagara, near Southern Pines, N. C., Engineers S. D. Stewart and W. P. Walle, both of Raleigh, were instantly killed, and Fireman Wright of Raleigh was dangerously hurt.

Notes From Abroad.

The Irish potato crop has been ruined by frost and rain.

Crown Prince Gustav of Norway and Sweden will pay a visit to the St. Louis exposition.

Advices from Shanghai tell of the burning of a temple at Ping Tu, involving the loss of 150 lives.

A great strike of workmen is on in the province of Andalusia, Spain, and troops are being concentrated.

The Turkish embassy at Vienna declares the rumor of the sultan's intention to abdicate is a "malicious invention."

Holland will station a warship in the West Indies, because the isthmian canal will increase the importance of Dutch Guiana.

Officials of both the court and the ministry of the interior say the reports that an attempt was made on the life of the czar are untrue.

Charles Dixon of Boston was victimized at Paris by a sharper who got \$2,800 on the faith of his story of a suit to secure the inheritance of a millionaire uncle.

The anti-clerical mob at Brest attempted to seize the host from the hands of a priest in a procession, and a free fight ensued in which fifteen persons, mostly women, were injured.

The funeral of a negro boy who belonged to one of the ships of the American squadron was attended at Copenhagen by Danish officials, and all the flags of the town were half-masted.

Vesuvius is again in full eruption. A comet was discovered by Borely at Marselles June 21, 469 G. M. T. in R. A. 21 hours 52 minutes 52 seconds and Dec. 8 degrees 10 minutes. Nucleus and tail were observed.

The revolutionary agitator Gerschunin has been arrested at Kiev. He was the organizer of the murder of Bogolopoff, Russian minister of public instruction, and of Siplagun, Russian minister of the interior.

The Mexican government has extended the period in which wheat may be imported into that country free of duty from June 30 to Aug. 10. Heavy shipments of wheat have been made from the United States to Mexico since the duty was temporarily removed.

Sin and Sinners.
In a fight at a picnic at Portsmouth John Short shot and instantly killed John Brown and fatally wounded Brown's father.

Frank C. Jappe, cashier for the Frank Leslie Publishing company, is under arrest at New York charged with embezzling \$10,000.

Elmer Heath, aged twenty, shot and instantly killed his sweetheart, Miss Katie Adkins, and then fatally shot himself at Salisbury, Mo.

Safe blowers relieved the State bank at Oakley, Kan., of about \$5,000. Arthur Nagel has absconded with \$2,500 from the Third National bank of Buffalo.

Four men who attempted to rob the Center Hall bank at Bellefonte, Pa., were captured after one of them had been so severely wounded that he cannot recover.

Sanford Northrup, until recently secretary and general manager of the American Refrigerator Transit company, committed suicide at St. Louis. No cause is known.

Strenuous measures will be taken to rid Berrien county, Mich., of hundreds of tramps who are terrorizing residents of the smaller villages.

Lieut. Gov. W. A. Northcott of Illinois was robbed at Indianapolis by a hotel thief of his watch, chain and charm, valued at \$300, and \$35 in money.

In the fraud investigation at Scranton, W. P. Poland of the Dalton railway testified that Select Councilman David Evans demanded of him \$500 for himself and \$400 for each of the ten other councilmen.

The gang of postoffice safe blowers which has been operating so extensively in central Illinois, blew open the safe in the office at Colfax, securing \$200 in cash and \$200 in stamps. Bloodhounds are on the trail.

Mrs. Isabella F. Shepard of St. Joseph, Mich., turned on the gas and then stretched herself out in a bathtub. When found she was dead. Two years ago her husband killed himself in a precisely identical manner.

Howard J. Hill of Bristol, Vt., formerly teller in the Farmers' National bank of Vergennes, which was wrecked two years ago by Cashier Lewis, has been arrested on a charge of abstracting funds from the bank.

Sanders, a negro, pleaded guilty at Maysville, Ky., to assaulting members of the Farrow family and was given five years in the penitentiary. Man and Morris, his companions, were found guilty and fared likewise.

A gang of robbers arrested in the Seven mountains, Pennsylvania, had evidently committed a postoffice robbery recently, as they had a package in which were postage stamps of denominations from 1 to 10 cents, aggregating in value \$167.44.

General.
Mrs. Roosevelt, accompanied by two maids, has gone to Oyster Bay.

Commander Peary is confident that with another trial he can reach the North pole.

A state primary election for United States senator will be held in Mississippi on Aug. 6.

The American Master Mechanics' association held its thirty-sixth annual convention at Saratoga.

Former President Cleveland and his family will spend the summer at Gray Gables, Buzzards' Bay, Mass.

Miss Eleanor Calhoun, an American actress, has been married in Europe to Lazar Lazarovitch, a Servian.

Chinese in the United States are organizing a patriotic society to oppose Russia's growing power in China.

John Mitchell, president of the coal miners' union, is writing a book which will deal with the industrial problem.

The New York stock exchange will open a campaign against get-rich-quick concerns centering around Wall street.

Former Judge Henderson recently punned J. D. Johnson, a prominent attorney, in the probate court room at St. Louis.

Samuel Vernon-Veale, for many years one of the best known dramatic and musical critics in Chicago, died from bronchitis.

The withdrawal of the Cunard line from the Atlantic steamship combine, it is thought, will precipitate a serious rate war.

John Brooks, a prominent planter of Holly Springs, Mass., died from hydrophobia as the result of a dog bite received more than forty days ago.

William Lyman Squire, treasurer of the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railway company, died at Meriden, Conn. He was seventy-two years old.

The sheriff of Elizabeth, N. J., advertises the sale of the United States cruiser Chattanooga for the payment of claims against it unless these are liquidated within three months.

A large cargo of perishable goods has arrived at Dawson, and eggs have dropped from \$22 a case to \$12; potatoes from 20 cents a pound to 7 cents, and all other staples in proportion.

Timothy Gleason, who was prominent in the Fenian uprising in 1867, and was a brother of the late Patrick Gleason, the "battle axe" mayor of Long Island City, has been found dead in a furnished room in Brooklyn.

The New York court of appeals, in a decision reversing the judgment of a lower court, ends the effort of William S. Devery to secure a place on the executive committee of Tammany Hall.

The Zeigler polar expedition has sailed on the steam whaler America for Franz Josef land, where the America will pass the winter and whence expeditions will be sent out with sledges.

George Howard McDonald, a Boston laborer, is said to have been identified as the sole heir to \$2,000,000 cash and valuable gold mining claims left by an uncle, William McDonald, who died recently in California.

Dr. Nelson H. Henderson, executive head of Lakeside hospital, died at Chicago of sepsis. The disease was contracted last May while the deceased was performing an operation on a patient afflicted with virulent septicaemia.

Herman F. Robinson, a young lawyer of New York, son of Dr. Beverly Robinson and prominent in social and club circles, has committed suicide by shooting. Young Robinson was graduated from Harvard in 1898. His family knows of no reason for his suicide.

RUSSIA REGRETS

SORRY THAT ROOSEVELT WILL FORWARD PETITION OF THE JEWS.

WILL KICK UP NO FUSS ABOUT IT

PETITION WILL BE HANDED BACK WITH EXPRESSION OF GOOD WILL

CANNOT SACRIFICE PRINCIPLE

OF NON-INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF OTHER POWERS.

Washington, June 28.—The Russian government has learned with profound regret of the intention of the Washington authorities to forward to St. Petersburg a petition from American Jewish people relative to Russia's treatment to the Jews.

It is hoped that the United States will appreciate the Russian view of the case and will content itself with the kindly expressions of sympathy which it already has offered for the affair at Kischineff. The Associated Press already has stated the Russian position regarding what is considered outside interference in the internal affairs of Russia.

That position continues to be held and the Associated Press is further permitted to say that Mr. Riddle, the American charge, when he presents the petition to the Russian foreign office, will be received with the same cordiality always accorded an American envoy.

In returning the petition to Mr. Riddle the officials will assure him that Russia cherishes no ill will toward the United States and that the action it takes with respect to the petition is necessary in view of Russia's unalterable policy of

Refraining From Interference
in the internal affairs of other powers and insisting on similar treatment for itself. The Russian government hopes its firmness in the matter will not be misunderstood, but in view of the announcement of its position weeks ago it is surprised at the developments which will force a retraction of its views. Mr. Riddle, it can be stated, will be subjected to no personal embarrassment in presenting the petition and he will be given to understand that the St. Petersburg authorities appreciate the fact that he is only carrying out his orders. Should the presentation of the petition be deferred until the return to St. Petersburg of Mr. McCormick, the American ambassador to Russia, the same program will obtain, unless in the meantime the Russian government is made aware of extenuating circumstances, which will put the matter in a different light.

Indeed, it is declared Russia would be glad to do anything possible to relieve the tension in the United States, but it feels unable to sacrifice principle which it has followed hitherto and the American support of which it has warmly indorsed.

ANARCHISTS TAKE FLIGHT.
Rather Than Go to Prison They Soak Their Bondsman.

Paterson, N. J., June 23.—When William MacQueen and Rudolph Grossman, the anarchists, were called upon in court yesterday to surrender themselves and serve five years in state prison, they did not respond and the court declared their bail of \$15,000 forfeited. It was said that MacQueen had fled to England and that Grossman was in hiding in Chicago. Their bondsman is Phillip Geyer, a wine merchant in this city, and father of Robert Geyer, the young lawyer who defended the two "reds." Geyer was not secured in any way and it is said that the forfeiture of the bail will practically ruin him.

POPE'S DEATH EXPECTED.
Cardinals Discuss Selection of His Successor.

Rome, June 28.—The pope yesterday declared the Latin world had been satisfied as regards the appointment of cardinals. "Now," he added, "the Anglo-Saxon people must be satisfied." Cardinal Vaughan must be replaced. Canada has been five years without a cardinal, and America is constantly clamoring for another. The cardinals are holding frequent conferences here in view of the possible death of the pope at any moment.

Seven Persons Injured.
Fort Wayne, Ind., June 23.—Ten cars on a coasting "merry-go-round" left the track last evening, and seven passengers were thrown out. One car was hurled from the track, carrying three passengers. All were severely hurt.

Negro Gets It in the Neck.
Jonesville, La., June 28.—News reached here yesterday telling of the lynching of Lamb Whitley, a negro, on the Smithland plantation. Whitley assaulted a white woman, and a mob took him to the woods.

Six Men Are Killed.
Sofia, June 28.—The police raided the headquarters of the Macedonian revolutionists at Kostendil. A quantity of concealed dynamite was exploded and six men were killed and a number injured.

THORNE DISAPPEARS.

Friends Have Fears That He Has Been Murdered.

Sioux Falls, S. D., June 28.—Friends are alarmed because of the mysterious disappearance of Amos Thorne, who for some time has been employed on the farm of Charles Landon, near Egan. Thorne disappeared several weeks ago, and nothing has since been heard of him. It is feared he may have been the victim of foul play, as he left all of his personal effects at the home of his employer and left no word concerning what should be done with them in the event that he did not return. When Thorne disappeared he had with him about \$50 in cash, a gold watch and had on a new suit of clothes. His relatives reside in Indiana.

ARRESTED AS ROBBERS.

Men Are Believed to Be Principals in Postoffice Burglaries.

Fargo, N. D., June 28.—Postoffice Inspector Drake and the local police have arrested the supposed leaders of a gang of country postoffice robbers who have been working the state for several months. The men are Alex Bell and Andrew Hendel, alias Gray. The latter lived here last April and worked as a laborer. He was under suspicion and was arrested on minor charges, but evidence was lacking at the time and he was released. A letter from his wife was intercepted and arrested followed at Bottineau, where the postoffice was plundered some time ago. Bell's real name is Blakely.

FOUR BUILDINGS BURNED.

Plant of American Maltng Company Suffers Loss of \$350,000.

Milwaukee, June 28.—Fire which broke out about 1 o'clock this morning destroyed four buildings of the plant of the American Maltng company, entailing a loss of approximately \$350,000. The flames spread to the plant of the Kraus-Merkel Milling company, which was partially destroyed. When the fire broke out every engine in the city was at a conflagration in the department section of the city that caused a loss of about \$250,000, and the maltng house fire had got under considerable headway before the stream was turned on it.

COUPLE HAVE VANISHED.

Sheriff Is Not Helped Any by the Writ of Ne Exeat.

Duluth, June 28.—Robert Forbes and wife appear to have vanished, at least the sheriff has been unable to locate them to serve an order to show cause why the firm of Forbes Bros. should not be dissolved. Dr. A. A. Forbes a few days ago brought suit against them to give an accounting, claiming his brother had defrauded him out of \$50,000. Mr. and Mrs. Forbes are held in this jurisdiction by writ of ne exeat, and if they have left it they forfeit a bond of \$250. The company's vault is in the hands of the sheriff.

YOUNGEST COLONEL.

Boy of Eighteen Has Place on the Governor's Staff.

Pierre, S. D., June 28.—Carl Johnson of Watertown, who during the encampment of the Second regiment of the S. D. N. G. was an aide on the staff of Col. R. W. Stewart with the rank of captain, has just been appointed by Gov. Herreld a member of his personal staff, with the rank of colonel. Mr. Johnson is probably the youngest man upon whom the rank of colonel was ever bestowed, he being but eighteen years of age. During the past year he has been a student at the Shattuck military school.

BULLET IN HIS TEMPLE.

Young Man of Superior Kills Himself With Revolver.

West Superior, Wis., June 28.—P. Christie Pederson, a resident of this city for about seventeen years or more, shot himself yesterday morning. The suicide was due probably to temporary insanity caused by business troubles which the young man had gone through. The suicide occurred in a candy store where Pederson was working. He shot himself in the right temple, dying almost instantly. The young man was about twenty-nine years old.

Sunday School Teachers.

Plainfield, Wis., June 28.—The seventh annual convention of the Portage County Sabbath School association closed a successful two days' meeting yesterday at the Harris school house, five miles northwest of here. The attendance was very large and many well known speakers from around the state were present.

Both Legs Broken.

Perham, Minn., June 28.—John Reidelberger, a farmer living near here, was brought to the hospital with both legs badly broken. He was operating a stump puller when the whiffletree broke and the sweep hit him on the legs, fracturing both below the knees.

Unknown Negro Killed.

Aberdeen, S. D., June 28.—The mutilated body of a negro was found at Hadden station. It is thought he was stealing a ride and was accidentally killed by falling under the wheels. There is no clue to his identity.

Gold in Their Kits.

Seattle, Wash., June 28.—The steamer Oregon, the first vessel to arrive from Nome since the close of navigation last season, arrived yesterday with seventy-five passengers and \$140,000 in gold.

THIEF GIVES IT UP

PENILESS AND PENITENT HE IS NOW READY FOR PUNISHMENT.

SQUANDERS ILL-GOTTEN GAINS

RETURNS FROM TOUR OF THE GLOBE AND CONFESSES HIS ROBBERY.

STOLE GEMS WORTH \$15,000

WITH TWO ACCOMPLICES HE ROBBED HIS EMPLOYER IN HOTEL.

Chicago, June 28.—Trembling inwardly with fear while maintaining an appearance of the sangfroid of a wealthy nabob, haunted day and night with apprehension of ultimate exposure, William Baer yesterday brought a tour of the globe to an end in the lieutenant's office at detective headquarters.

Naples, Berlin, Paris, London, Tokyo—all these and more were the scenes of his dissipations and efforts to dodge the police. Then when this had been successfully done and he was penniless and worn out with the strain, Baer returned to Chicago. He arrived here yesterday a wreck. Three hours after his arrival Detectives Thomson and Gallagher took him into custody. When arrested he was a physical and mental wreck. Half an hour later, with evident relief, he was recounting to the police all the

Details of the Theft

of Mrs. J. E. Webster's diamonds at the Hotel Melrose, Los Angeles, Cal. According to the prisoner the robbery was planned almost as soon as their victim left her Brooklyn home to travel in California. After all their scheming and planning, the desperate chances they took and their subsequent flight, neither Baer nor John Engvall and Charles Reinlin, his confederates and fellow prisoners, had money left to conduct their defense. In view of that fact all have confessed.

"I was employed by Mrs. Webster during her California tour," said Baer in explaining the crime. "I planned some means of robbing her and during October I met Engvall and Reinlin. Both were out of work. I furnished them money to live and keep up their appearance in order to make the robbery possible. Finally both were enabled

To Secure Positions

at the Hotel Melrose, Reinlin as clerk and Engvall as a bellboy. Mrs. Webster frequently kept her jewelry in the office safe, and we watched for an opportunity to abstract it. Finally the plan was executed, the stones were taken from their case and the latter was returned to the safe."

He tells of his visits to several of the large cities and the final division of the plunder. Then to get away from everything he began his globe trotting tour which wound up in the police station yesterday.

The gems stolen by the trio were valued at \$15,000, and they disappeared so mysteriously that for months the police were unable to secure the slightest clue. They are now scattered in all directions, where they were sold or pawned by the thieves.

THANKS FOR KAISER.

Sentiments in the Emperor's Message Are Reciprocated by Roosevelt.

Washington, June 28.—President Roosevelt yesterday sent the following telegram of thanks to Emperor William: "In reply to the latter's message regarding the American squadron at Kiel:

"I thank your majesty for your gracious welcome to the United States squadron and for the complimentary expressions of your dispatch. I had already received notice from Admiral Cotton of the kindness shown him and his squadron by your majesty. I am deeply impressed by these tokens of your majesty's friendship and good will toward the United States, and I reciprocate in the heartiest manner the sentiments which your dispatch conveys."

MURDERED IN CHURCH.

Posse of Citizens on the Trail of the Assassin.

Springfield, Ill., June 28.—John Hawker of Moccasin was murdered in church Thursday night and a posse of citizens are on the trail of the murderer. Hawker had been attending the services at Moccasin, and after the services were concluded and the lights had been extinguished he was heard to remark: "Where was Moses when the lights went out?" The next heard was a groan from Hawker as some one stabbed him to the heart with a knife.

CLOUDBURST AT TOPEKA.

Kansas Capital Is Again Visited by a Big Flood.

Topeka, Kan., June 28.—A rainstorm that amounted practically to a cloudburst, broke over Topeka after midnight. A number of residents in South Topeka were compelled to flee to higher ground, while a few small houses were washed from their foundations. The Kaw is also rising.