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General News Summary.

Interesting Home and Foreign News.

WASHINGTON.

The figures prepared by Sixth Auditor Conville shows the receipts and expenditures of the Post-office Department for the quarter ended June 30 to be as follows: Total receipts, less money order receipts, $10,922,745, and the total disbursements, $12,770,206. The increase in the receipts as compared with the corresponding quarter of last year is $438,879, while the increase in the expenditures is $375,998.

Attorney General Garland has rendered a decision in which he holds that the tax imposed by the new oleomargarine law applies only to the completed article, and not to the products of which it is composed.

An order has been issued by Secretary of War Endicott directing that Geronimo and the hostile Apache adult Indians, fifteen in number, recently captured in Mexico, be sent to Fort Pickens, Fla., there to be kept in close custody until further orders. The remainder of the band, consisting of eleven women, six children and two English scouts, are directed to be sent to Fort Marion, Fla., and placed with the other Apache Indians in custody at that post.

The report of Governor Caleb W. West, of Utah, has been submitted to the Secretary of the Interior. It shows a slight increase in population, the total of which is now about 200,000, and a most gratifying increase in public school attendance and in the value of school property.

The President has selected S. N. Buford, of Mississippi, for appointment as Deputy Fourth Auditor of the Treasury, vice Mr. Davis, resigned.

It is estimated at the Treasury Department that the ultimate issue of the new one and two-dollar silver certificates may aggregate $50,000,000 and the five-dollar silver certificates $60,000,000.

The journal of the last session of Congress, which has just been issued from the Government Printing Office, is nearly a third larger than any previous issue. So bulky was the work that it had to be bound in two volumes instead of one, each volume containing 1,600 pages. Never before has a journal of a session contained more than 2,200 pages.

THE EAST.

The cage in which workmen in one of the shafts at the new aqueduct in New York City are borne to and from their work, fell on the 19th as six men were ascending it. The drop that held the cage broke when it was near the top of the shaft, and it went down fifty feet. One of the men was killed outright and three others were terribly injured.

President Cleveland has sent $100 to the relief committee of Buffalo for sufferers during the recent gale.

The customs authorities at Newport, R. I., have seized two hundred cases of wine and a quantity of fans, gloves and fancy articles found on board the United States war vessels Saratoga and Portsmouth, which have just returned from a European cruise. The seizure has caused much consternation among the officers of these vessels, who have made themselves liable to court-martial by evading the rule to report immediately upon arriving as to any dutiable articles on board.

The large dry goods store of Converse, Collins, Merritt & Co., in Troy, N. Y., was destroyed by fire on the 19th, entailing a loss to the firm of $100,000; partially insured. The loss on the building was $40,000.

Since September 1, 1885, twenty-six vessels belonging to the Gloucester (Mass.) district fleet, aggregating 1,761,000 tons, valued at $164,000, insured for $118,000, have been lost. The lives of 104 men have been lost, leaving twenty-two widows and fifty fatherless children.

The twenty-third international convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers met in New York City on the 20th, with 300 delegates present, representing all the States, Canada and Mexico. Grand Chief P. M. Arthur addressed the convention at the opening. Other speakers were Governor Hill, of New York, Mayor Grace, Chauncey M. Depew, Rev. Dr. Talmage, and Governor Abbott, of New Jersey. The daily sessions will be secret.

Edward E. Hall, formerly a partner of James R. Keene, suicided in New York City on the 20th by shooting himself. He had recently lost a large amount of money in speculation.

At the meeting of the directors of the Western Union Telegraph Company on the 20th the old officers and executive committee were re-elected, but the vacancy caused by the death of Harrison Durkee, the second vice president, remains unfilled.

Six hundred hosiery operatives have joined the strikers at Kensington, Pa., and the total number out on the 20th was about 2,000.

James A. Whittier, the Boston lawyer who pleaded guilty to embezzling $20,000 which he held in trust for Miss Harriet Reed, has been sentenced to State prison for four years and three months.

Charles Bellringer, a noted burglar and desperado, with many aliases, escaped from the Onondaga County (N. Y.) jail on the 20th by filing the bars off a door. A reward of $200 is offered for his recapture.

At Saco, Me., a few days ago W. S. Dennett bought a cask of new cider. His son James, aged nineteen, drank a third of a glass of the cider. Dennett took a teaspoonful and his wife tasted it. All were taken sick and the son died in a few hours. Mrs. Dennett's recovery is doubtful. Investigation showed that the cask had been purchased of an undertaker, and originally contained embalming fluid.

Lieutenant William M. Metcalf and an ordinance soldier, were killed at Sandy Hook, N. J., on the 21st by the explosion of a shell which was being loaded.

Hon. S. S. Cox, ex-Minister to Turkey, on the 21st accepted the nomination for Congress by the Democrats of the Ninth New York district.

David Evans and his son William, of Millport, Pa., employed at the Sterling quarry, were crossing a tunnel on the 21st when it caved in, carrying them down one hundred feet and burying them under a mountain of earth. It will take months to recover their bodies.

The annual session of the military order of the Loyal Legion at Philadelphia was concluded on the 21st with the ceremony of installing Lieutenant General Philip H. Sheridan in the office of commander-in-chief.

Francis McCabe, the ex-"boodle" Alderman, was arraigned in the Court of General Sessions at New York on the 21st. His counsel read a statement from Dr. Hammond to the effect that McCabe was in a mental condition bordering on imbecility. A jury will be impaneled to try the question of his sanity.

Business failures occurring throughout the country during the seven days ended October 22 number for the United States 182 and for Canada 16; a total of 198 as compared with 179 the previous week.

Surrogate Lott, of Kings County, N. Y., has rendered a decision admitting to probate the will of Francis Pares, who left $2,000,000 to certain relatives and cut others off without a cent because they had abused him.

The United States Circuit Court grand jury, at Boston, reported four new indictments, containing 109 counts, charging embezzlement, making false entries and fraudulent withdrawal of funds, against Richmond J. Lane, ex-president of the Abington National bank. These indictments take the place of the previous indictments in sixty-five counts.

The eighty-four ton steamer George L. Smith, which sailed from Gloucester, Mass., August 14, on a halibut voyage, has been given up for lost, together with her crew of fourteen men.

The Knights of Labor propose to establish the general headquarters of the order in Philadelphia.

Forest fires have been raging in the Blue mountains in Berks and Schuylkill Counties, Pa. The loss in timber so far is estimated at $35,000.

Hon. Thomas Parsons, chairman of the Massachusetts Board of Prison Commissioners, died on the 23d, aged seventy years.

Members of several trade associations of New York City, met a few days ago and declared their preference for Mr. Hewitt as compared with Henry George, on the ground that the latter favors free trade. The meeting included leather-workers, dry goods clerks, brick-handlers, hatters and repairers.

The jury in the land suit of G. A. Fletcher and the children of Charles W. Mitchell against the Pennsylvania Railroad Company, to recover damages for injury to a tract of land owned by the plaintiffs on the Schuylkill (Pa.) division of the Pennsylvania road, on the 22d rendered a verdict in favor of the plaintiffs for $92,022.

Farmington, Me., was swept by a fire on the 22d which destroyed the principal part of the town, including fifteen stores, the post-office, two hotels, the jail, three churches and several private residences.

The large planing mill of Calkins & Co., at Tonawanda, N. Y., was destroyed by fire on the 22d, together with six planing machines, a large amount of other machinery and a quantity of lumber. Loss $20,000; half insured.

J. N. Patterson, United States Marshal of the Concord, N. H., district, who has held the position fifteen years, has resigned.

WEST AND SOUTH.

The yacht Fanchon, of the Ohio Yacht Club, won the $1,000 prize and the championship of the lakes at Toledo, O., on the 18th.

The report of the Committee on the American Board of Missions was presented in the Congregational convention at Chicago on the 19th. It was shown there had been a steady advance in the work; that the schools were increasing and that the number of conversions was greater than ever.

The Chicago Board of Trade directors have expelled N. M. Neeld, the fugitive manager for J. C. Ferguson & Co., for dishonorable and dishonest conduct.

Daniel W. Stout, of Columbus, Ind., was on the 20th granted a pension amounting to $10,426.66, and $72 a month. This is one of the largest pensions ever granted.

Judge Goebel, of the Hamilton County (O.) Probate Court, has accepted the offer of Judge Hoadly to pay to the trustees of the estate of Archbishop Purcell $62,500, in full satisfaction of his liability as bondsman for J. B. Mannix, defaulting assignee. The trustees will now declare a dividend of 1½ per cent. and begin its payment in a few days.

The largest oil well in Ohio was developed on the William Douglass farm near Lima on the 20th. It is now flowing one thousand barrels of oil a day, besides an immense amount of gas. It can be heard roaring for nearly a mile.

Hirsch Bros. & Co., and Hirsch & Lowenstein, of Nashville, Tenn., the former one of the largest dry goods houses in the South, were closed on the 20th by attachments aggregating $115,000. It is said the total liabilities will reach $200,000.

At Leavenworth, Kan., on the 20th John Holmes with his three sons, aged ten, twelve and fourteen, attempted to cross the Blue Rapids when the boat was capsized. The father jumped into the water and saved the life of the youngest. He then returned to rescue the other two, but became exhausted and all three were drowned.

At Chicago on the 21st Judge Prendergast issued an order for the arrest of over forty election judges and clerks. Their offense consists in not returning the registry books to the election commissioner within the time prescribed by law.

A mob of masked men entered the Pickens County (Ala.) jail on the 21st, overpowered the jailer, took out three negroes charged with arson and hung them to the limb of a neighboring tree.

F. J. F. Bradley, the defaulting ex-manager of the Pullman Palace Car Company, was taken before Judge Collins at Chicago on the 21st, when he pleaded guilty to the charge of embezzlement and was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary at Joliet.

At Fredericksburg, Va., on the 21st, while firing a salute in honor of the President, a cannon was prematurely discharged and James Wheeler, who was ramming the charge, was fatally hurt.

The Binkley House at Sherman, Tex., one of the finest hotels in the State, was destroyed by fire on the 21st, entailing a loss of $55,000; insurance $32,000.

At Chicago on the 21st the inquest on the body of Terrence Begley, who was killed a few days ago by Pinkerton men, developed the fact that the crowd made no threatening demonstrations prior to being fired upon by the guards.

Twenty dynamite bombs, eighteen muskets, some raw dynamite and a quantity of other Anarchistic implements were found by the police on the 21st beneath the altar of a German Catholic Church in Chicago. A Pole named Gus Wolff gave information to the police leading to the discovery. Wolff made a statement revealing a plot to blow up a number of buildings, including the jail.

The Ohio Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons adjourned at Cleveland on the 21st. Dayton was selected as the next place of meeting. The following were elected officers: S. Stacker Williams, grand master; W. J. Akers, deputy grand master; Leander Burdick, grand senior warden; Levi C. Goodale, grand junior warden; Charles Brown, grand treasurer; John Caldwell, grand secretary; Emmit V. Rhoads, grand senior deacon; D. C. Winegarner, grand junior deacon; Jacob Randall, grand tyler.

Mackay's car furniture factory at Paterson, N. J., burned on the 21st. Loss on stock $20,000, which was uninsured, the policy having expired a day or two previous.

Three unknown men entered the office of the American Express Company at Vermontville, Mich., on the night of the 22d, and seizing Agent W. M. Bale, bound and gagged him and tied him to the safe. They then rifled the open safe, securing about $800.

A boiler in a steam mill operated by William Haney and Moss Hoffman, at Kenton, Ky., exploded on the 22d, instantly killing Haney and fatally scalding Hoffman.

At Coldwater, Mich., diphtheria prevails to such an extent that the public schools have been closed. In all there have been thirty-eight cases and five deaths.

All of the persons implicated in the assassination of Rev. Mr. Haddock, at Sioux City, Ia., have been located and will be brought to justice.

Two Bohemian farmers' wives, living nine miles from Cedar Rapids, Ia., were murdered on the night of the 21st by a Bohemian, who cut their heads open with an axe. He was captured.

Two young women, Annie Pischow and Rose Nelson, aged twenty and eighteen years, were arraigned in police court at Chicago on the 22d, charged with deadly assault and highway robbery. A middle-aged German woman named Mary Schlenker was the victim. The girls were heavily fined.

Local Assembly No. 2,009, Knights of Labor, at San Francisco, has passed a series of resolutions condemning the action of the meat-packing house of P. D. Armour & Co., of Chicago, in opposition to the eight-hour movement. A boycott was ordered placed on all goods put up by the firm.

Counsel for the condemned Anarchists in Chicago will file another motion for a new trial, on the ground of newly discovered decisions which, it is claimed, show that the instructions of the court were improper, which held that a man who incited an offense by speech or writing was to be held equally guilty with the actual perpetrator of the deed.

The contents of Jacob's lumber yard and the warehouse of the American Varnish Company in Chicago were damaged $75,000 by fire on the 23d. Henry Steck, Stephen George, and an unknown man, employes of the varnish company, were badly injured. Steck may recover. The other two will die.

The Arctic exploring expedition under the command of Lieutenant Stoney, arrived at San Francisco on the 22d from Ounalaska on the United States steamer Bear.

The mixing mill of the Miami powder works at Xenia, O., exploded on the 22d, instantly killing Armel Miller.

At Steven's Point, Wis., on the 22d the jury in the case of Lawyer Hazeltine, on trial for the murder of A. E. Moore, rendered a verdict of acquittal. Moore, who was a well known banker, was shot and killed by Hazeltine several months ago for the seduction of the latter's wife.

Contributions to the relief fund for the Sabine Pass sufferers amounted to $20,000 on the 23d, and was expected to reach $100,000 within a few days. C. P. Hartington sent $1,000 in behalf of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company.

James Craft and Mrs. Etna Brass, arrested at Cadillac, Mich., for the murder of the woman's husband, on the 23d confessed the murder and were sentenced to State prison for life.

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE.

An American named Harris, with several aliases, was arrested at London on the 19th on the charge of having defrauded Herries, Farquhar & Co., bankers, of $300,000 by means of forged letters of credit purporting to have been issued by the First National bank of Chicago.

The latest reports from the cholera infected districts of Hungary are to the effect that the plague is spreading throughout Pesth, Szegedin and Arad.

Vice President Scott, of the Equitable Insurance Company of New York, visited Montreal, Can., on the 18th for the purpose of replacing the company's Montreal agent, R. W. Gale, by ex-United States Consul General S. H. Stearns. Mr. Gale objects to giving up the position, and litigation involving over $800,000 has been begun.

The extensive premises at Toronto, Ont., occupied by Elliott & Co., wholesale druggists, burned on the 20th, causing a loss of $100,000; insured for $80,000.

The diplomatic estrangement between France and Russia has ended. General Davout, the Duke of Auerstadt, takes the place vacated by General Apport at St. Petersburg, and Baron Mohrenheim returns to Paris.

The report that alluvial gold has been found in good paying quantities in Waukaringa, New South Wales, has created intense excitement throughout Australia, and there is an immense exodus of people from Adelaide and vicinity en route to the new eldorado.

Cardinal Jacobini, Papal Secretary of State, following the Pope's instructions, has sent circulars to all the Papal nuncios abroad, directing their attention to the principal political and ecclesiastical questions of the day, and urging them to cultivate good relations with the different governments, with a view toward improving the situation of the church throughout the world.

The works of the Canada Paper Company at Windsor, Ont., were burned on the 22d. The loss is $200,000, which falls entirely upon American companies.

LATER NEWS.

MAYOR CARTER H. HARRISON, of Chicago, has been nominated for Congress by the Third Illinois District Democrats.

JOHN SHERIDAN, an inmate of the Kingston (N. Y.) alms-house, is said to be the heir to an estate in England valued at $2,000,000.

JOHN HAM, of Barrington, N. H., a veteran of the war of 1812, died on the 24th, aged ninety-two years.

LOUIS BORADI was killed and Alberi Gromino dangerously wounded by an unknown Italian, in a saloon fight in New York on the 24th.

GERONIMO, Natchez, thirteen bucks and seventeen squaws passed through New Orleans on the 24th on their way to Fort Pickens, Fla.

AT Beloit, Wis., while riding in a sail-boat on Rock river on the 24th, Albert C. Thompson and Jacob Fleck were drowned by the upsetting of the boat.

THE French delegation to the dedication of the Bartholdi Statue of Liberty have arrived at New York.

WILLIAM HOLMGRAU, book-keeper and cashier of Shrouds, Storey & Kasper, Chicago jewelers, is missing, and his accounts are $10,000 short.

THOS. POTENTINE, an Italian, of Philadelphia, said to be worth $200,000, committed suicide because he thought he would die poor.

ALBERT WILSON, of Auburn, N. Y., charged with swindling the Maverick National Bank of Boston of $5,000, was released, his innocense being proved.

ONE of the peculiar results of the seismic disturbances in South Carolina was the rise of water in the wells, in one case, at Summerville depot, the rise reaching thirty-four feet. The general average was from six to eight feet.

DURING a wake at Dover, N. H., the corpse of an infant caught fire and was burned to ashes.

MICHAEL HUNTER, of Macbeth, L. I., became enraged at his son for going hunting, and attempted to demolish the boy's gun, which exploded, killing him instantly.

ROBT. W. ALSTON, a son of Colonel Bob Alston, of Atlanta, and clerk in the Sixth Auditor's office at Washington, committed suicide by shooting himself while at work on the 24th. Nervous depression is alleged as the cause.

GLADSTONE was unable to attend church Sunday. While felling a tree at Hawarden Saturday he routed a nest of wasps. They attacked him, and his face was teribly swollen from the effects of the insects' stings.

FOUR deaths from cholera have occurred on the British troopship Euphrates, which is now at Suez, homeward bound.

SENOR JUAREZ CALMAN has been installed as President of the Argentine Republic.

BARON FREDERIC FERDINAND VON BEUST, the distinguished German statesman, is dead.

MORE than twenty million head of sheep died in Buenos Ayres during the recent drought.

CURIOUS RAILWAYS.

Tracks Laid on Tree-Tops, Over Ice, in the Air and Underground.

In a small book entitled "Wonders and Curiosities of the Railway," the author, Mr. W. S. Kennedy, touches on the anomalous and entertaining features of his subject in chapters bearing such suggestive titles as "The Lightning Harnessed," "The Locomotive in Slippers," "The Luxuries of Travel," and "A Handful of Curiosities." The average reader who has not made railway building a special study, will perhaps be astonished to learn that there have been railroads, not only under the ground and in the air, but among the tree-tops and on the ice, while the model of even a submarine railway has been exhibited.

It appears that some time ago a locomotive on sled-runners was constructed in Scotland, and employed for drawing passengers and freight over the ice between St. Petersburg and Cronstadt. The two driving wheels in the rear were studded with sharp spikes, whereas the front part of the engine rested on a sled which was swiveled, and turned to the right or left by wheels working in connection with an endless screw and a segment rack. From this locomotive, which is said to have run eighteen miles an hour in any direction, the transition is natural to railroads whose ties and track have been laid on the frozen surface of rivers. Mr. Kennedy tells us that in 1879, when the mercury stood twenty degrees below zero, a train of the Northern Pacific railroad passed over the Missouri river on ice three feet thick. The pressure which the ice resisted may be estimated from the fact that the track was laid on twelve foot ties, and that the cars carried over a quantity of railroad iron as well as a number of visitors. About a year after a similar road was built across the river St. Lawrence at Hochelaga. In this instance a rough road-bed was first leveled in the ice; then crossbeams were fitted in, and upon these were placed longitudinal beams which were themselves crossed by the ties that held the rails, water being then pumped over the whole structure to freeze it down.

Even more novel is the idea of grading for a railroad through a forest with a cross-cut saw, and laying the ties on the stumps. This has actually been done in Sonoma County in this State. Here the trees were sawed off and leveled, and the ties fastened on the stumps, two of which were huge redwoods, standing side by side, and sawed off seventy-five feet from the ground. So firm is this support that cars loaded with heavy logs can pass over with perfect security. It is not generally known that in 1839 no less than fifty-two miles of the projected road of the Ohio Railroad Company was laid on wooden piles, which were from seven to twenty-eight feet long, and driven ten feet apart in four rows. No train, however, was ever run over this track. Several wooden-track railways, on the other hand, are actually operated in the United States and Canada. One of these, in the province of Quebec, is thirty miles long, and is used in the transportation of timber. The rails are of maple, and trains are said to run over them with remarkable smoothness, at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour. Another wooden-track railway, more than fifteen miles long, has been constructed on the grading of the abandoned South Carolina Central railroad, in order to carry the products of turpentine distilleries to a market.

Still more curious are what Mr. Kennedy would call the bicycle railways, where the car wheels run on a single rail. One called the "steam caravan" was begun in Syria, between Aleppo and Alexandretta, but apparently never finished. In the case of this experiment the rail was raised on a wall of masonry twenty-eight inches high, and seventeen and one-half inches broad. On this one rail were to travel the wheels of the locomotive and the carriages attached, but it was intended to brace the engine and the last car in the train by obliquely placed leather-covered wheels, running along the sides of the wall, which wheels were further to serve as brakes. A single rail, or bicycle railroad, has also been built in the United States, and was in operation at Phœnixville, Pa., in 1876. Since that date a two-wheeled locomotive has been made in Gloucester, N. J., for an elevated railroad in Atlanta, Ga. With these bicycle engines may be compared the railway velocipedes, many of which, we learn, are used on Western railroads. These, which have a wheel on each track, can be propelled by the feet and hands of the rider at the rate of twenty miles an hour.

It will probably be news to most persons that in 1876, at Paris, one Dr. La Combe exhibited the model of a submarine railway which he proposed to lay on the bottom of the channel between Dover and Calais. On a road-bed of concrete, three galvanized iron rails were to be placed, two for the track and one in the center. To the central rail the car was to be attached by rollers, in order to prevent it being derailed by the waves. The boat-car was to be air-tight, and driven by a propeller screw worked by compressed air. Fresh air was to be supplied to the occupants of the car by a tube running up to the surface of the water, where it would be affixed to a buoy. Finally, a series of buoys on the surface would mark out the track of the car, which, in case of any accident, could be cut loose below, whereupon it would rise to the surface.—*San Francisco Argonaut.*

Health and Work.

There are many persons in the world whose only capital is health. They are engaged in work of various kinds, and so long as health lasts they earn a good living. They must learn how to avoid illness by living in the right way. Others there are who have lived wrongly in youth, but have found out their errors in time to have a fairly good constitution left. These may live to a ripe old age healthfully, if they only take care. Others there are with every thing that riches can give; these must learn to live rightly, too, if they want to be well. Plain food, exercise, etc., will enable these to live long, as they are not troubled by the necessity of work so that they may live. Wealth comes not from our income, but from the amount we save of it; so health comes not from the amount we have to go on with, but from the amount we save, by not spending it on trifles which waste our strength and give us no return.—*Dr. T. R. Allison.*

—At Vienna an American prima donna was entertained at lunch by a party of Austrian ladies. In an omelet she was asked to serve she found $400 in gold, the result of a concert for her benefit.

RELIGIOUS AND EDUCATIONAL.

—At least 1,300,000 persons in London utterly neglect public worship.

—Spokane (W. T.) schools are overcrowded with pupils, and rooms have been rented to accomodate the scholars.

—The senior Bishop of the Church of England, the Rt. Rev. Dr. Pelham, Bishop of Norwich, has just completed the thirtieth year of his episcopate.

—An English rector expelled a boy from school because he did not make obeisance by bowing to his clerical majesty on the street. The school is a public one, receiving a Government grant.

—Adolph Sutro, a rich citizen of San Francisco, Cal., has donated to the public school children of that city forty-five thousand seedling pine trees, to be planted on the grounds adjoining the schools.

—Half a century ago in Turkey it was considered a shame for a woman to read. To-day two schools for girls in Constantinople have been established by the Sultan himself.

—Congressman Rockwell told some Massachusetts farmers the other day that agricultural colleges were proper enough, "only they have a tendency to wean the young men away from the farm."

—Mr. McMasters, of Toronto, who erected the building for the Baptist institute at Woodstock, Can., and endowed seven of its professorships, has recently added $250,000 to his gifts for the purpose of making it a full college.

—In some English churches in Australia there are surpliced choirs in which there are young women who are habited in surplices and mortar-board caps. They are said to look very "stunning," and the young men come to the services in great forces to see them.

—The German-Austrian schoolmasters believe that the Austrian children have spoiled since flogging in the schools was abolished, and petition the Government for the restoration of the rod. But the Government believes that both children and soldiers are better than in the flogging days, and will not grant the pedagogues' petition.

—Here's a real reform at last. When the two hundredth anniversary of a church was celebrated in Hackensack recently, reviving a good old custom, all the women worshipers removed their hats. The Syracuse *Standard* suggests that the reform be made general and permanent. Sisters, in the name of reverence, let it be so.

—In the year 986 the University of Cairo, Egypt, is said to have numbered more than four thousand students. In the year 1876 it had under the instruction of 231 professors, 7,595 students, natives of Europe, Asia and Africa. The instruction has always been free, and lodgings and bread have been always furnished to foreign students unable to pay for them.

WIT AND WISDOM.

—Knowledge is that which next to virtue truly and essentially raise one man above another.

—Never attempt to telegraph an offer of marriage. It should be sent by male. —*Boston Commercial Bulletin.*

—It is as great a point of wisdom to hide ignorance as to discover knowledge. —*Selden.*

—The phrase "in due time" probably means the first of the month, for that is when the bills come in.—*Tid-Bits.*

—The bootblack and the college professor work for the same object—that of polishing the understanding.—*Danville Breeze.*

—A wise man's heart is like a broad hearth that keeps the coals (his passions) from burning the house. Good deeds in this life are coals raked up in embers, to make a fire next day.—*Sir T. Overbury.*

—Tramp—Please help me; I am a Charleston sufferer. Old gentleman—Ah, indeed; a sufferer by that awful earthquake! What did you lose? Tramp—I lost a bet how many shocks there was.—*Life.*

—A man to be safe nowadays must have not only a cyclone pit but a hammock in it, into which he can creep and keep the earthquake from shaking the fillings out of his back teeth.—*Macon Telegraph.*

—Geronimo is not prononuced Geeronimo, but Heeronimo, says a morning paper. Hood bracious, what is he hiving us? What a hay and hiddy style of talk this hentleman would het us into. By hosh we won't have it. Ho to! Ho to!—*Washington Critic.*

—Great works are performed, not by strength, but by perseverance. Yonder palace was raised by single stones, yet you see its height and spaciousness. He that shall walk with vigor three hours a day will pass in seven years a space equal to the circumference of the globe. —*Dr. Johnson.*

— Young mother — The doctor says we must get milk from one cow for the baby. Milkman—Yessum. I've plenty of such orders. "The baby isn't looking well and her skin is getting real dark, and the doctor says it's mixed milk." "Yessum." "Well, be sure to bring milk from a white cow, you know."—*Omaha World.*

—Willing to reduce expenses.—Mr. Overdraw (reading shoping list)—Bonnet, shoes, shoe-buttons, gloves, silk for dress, trimmings, carriage-hat, etc., etc. Don't you think you can cut it a little, my dear? Mrs. Overdraw—Certainly, love; I know how hard it is for you to get money now. I can get along without the shoe-buttons just as well as not.—*Tid-Bits.*

—"Won't you go up, dear, and get my goats off the bureau?" "Your goats?" quried Jones. "What new-fangled thing's that?" "I'll show you," remarked the wife, and she sailed up stairs and down again with a pair of kids on her hands. "There they are," said she, "Why, I call those kids," said the surprised husband. "Oh, you do?" replied the wife. "So did I once, but they're so old now I'm ashamed to call them any thing but goats." Jones took the hint.—*N. Y. Weekly.*

Johnny's Ambition.

"Do you go to school, Johnny?" inquired a lady.

"Yes'm."

"And do you study hard?"

"Yes'm."

"I suppose you want to be a great man when you grow up?"

"Yes'm."

"And what do you think you'll be?"

"I know what I'm goin' to be."

"What is it, Johnny? Tell me."

"I'm goin' to be the man that wears the big fur hat and throws the stick around in front of the band."—*Pittsburgh Dispatch.*