

"X" RAYS AND THE BLIND.

Edison to Try His Experiment on Millionaire Rous.

New York, Nov. 25.—Charles Broadway Rous is arranging with Mr. Edison for treatment with Roentgen rays in the hope that his sight may be restored.

That is a single ray upon which to base my hope," said Mr. Rous. "I have tried every oculist and every treatment that promised relief, and offered \$1,000,000 for a cure, but it has all been of no avail.

John P. Martin has for some time acted as Rous' proxy, hoping for a restoration of his own sight, and has submitted to all kinds of treatment, but without favorable results.

THE LOST COLLIER.

Eight of Her Crew Lose Their Lives in the Surf.

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WORLD'S WHEAT MARKET.

A Scheme to Establish an International Price.

Washington, Nov. 24.—The Post this morning says: A conference of nations on the subject of the world's wheat market is understood to be desired by at least one of the great foreign wheat-growing empires.

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A FLAX MILL TO START.

Promotion of Industry in Oregon Is Fairly Under Way.

Portland, Or., Nov. 24.—Mrs. W. P. Lord, wife of Governor Lord, untiring in her efforts to promote the flax industry in Oregon, held a conference in Portland yesterday with Dr. Thornton, of Washington, and Henry L. Deniel, relative to the project.

A SHOOTING AFFRAY.

California Man Went After His Wife but Got Cold Lead Instead.

Jackson, Cal., Nov. 24.—A shooting affray occurred early this morning on the Payton ranch, three miles east of Amador City, resulting in the instant killing of J. Thomas, at the hands of W. Payton, his brother-in-law.

A Bridge Gave Way.

Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 24.—A party of a dozen young people, who left Ensley City last night, in a wagon for a hay-ride, had their merriment transformed into death and disaster before they had proceeded a mile.

A Murder and Suicide.

Mayfield, Ky., Nov. 24.—A murder and suicide occurred here today. R. Baker, a farmer, recently sued for divorce. He and his wife had not lived together for some time, and bitter feeling existed between them.

Emperor William Disgusted.

London, Nov. 24.—The Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says he fears that Emperor William is disgusted with the proceedings of the reichstag, and is determined to dissolve that body unless the increased naval credits are voted.

An Antwerp Fire.

Antwerp, Nov. 24.—A disastrous fire has occurred in the market known as Laicite. A number of stores and houses were destroyed, and the damage done is estimated at \$300,000.

Working Hours Increased.

Little Rock, Ark., Nov. 24.—Owing to a heavy increase in traffic on the Missouri Pacific Iron Mountain road, the working hours at the shops here have been increased to nine hours per day. Seven hundred men are benefited.

Canadian Line Opened.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 24.—A train has arrived over the Canadian Pacific with some twenty-five passengers, who had been held at North Bend by a slide, but who walked over the slides and reached the connecting train.

Paris Papers Report the Death.

Paris papers report the death, at the age of 112, of Mmo. Darcille Roakowski, the widow of a Polish officer and mother of fifteen children.

SAN BENITO WRECKED.

The Collier a Total Loss and Six of the Crew Drowned.

Point Arena, Cal., Nov. 24.—The steamer San Benito, bound from Tacoma to San Francisco, went ashore seven miles north of Point Arena this morning. The steamer struck on a sandbar and broke in two.

The vessel struck about 1 o'clock in the morning, and an hour later broke lower end of the smokestack. Boats were lowered, but one capsized immediately with five men in it, four of whom were drowned.

The next morning, however, and for a week following, the following advertisement appeared in all the principal daily papers of the city: "If Mr. John Smith, who cashed a check for \$2,500 at the First National Bank on the morning of the 6th inst. will call at the bank as early as convenient, he will greatly oblige the paying teller."

Misplaced Admiration.

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps gives, in McClure's Magazine, some reminiscences of Whitlitt, the humorous side of his nature as well as the serious one. He was full of frolic, in a gentle way; no one of the world's people ever had a keener sense of humor.

Carried a Light Cargo.

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 24.—The steamer San Benito left here Wednesday at 4 P. M. with 4,600 tons of Carbon Hill coal. This was 600 tons short of her usual winter cargo.

The African Lakes Company.

The African Lakes Company has become so careful that it compels its agents to pay their own funeral expenses; so many agents died that an order was actually issued compelling the agents to die at their own expense.

Physicians Wise in Their Generation.

The above class of scientists recognize, and have repeatedly borne testimony, to the efficacy of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a remedy and preventive of disease, in the treatment of indigestion, liver complaint, and other ailments and infirm conditions of the system.

Deafness Cannot Be Cured.

By local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever.

An Appeal to Charity.

San Francisco, Nov. 24.—Twenty-five men, who form the nucleus of a scheme to establish a colony of artisans on one or more of the South Sea Islands, met tonight at the Turk-street temple and decided to appeal to the public for funds with which to purchase a schooner and an outfit.

Armenians Ranged in Constantinople.

London, Nov. 24.—The Chronicle's Rome correspondent says news has been received there from Constantinople that fifty Armenians were condemned to hang on Friday, and that great agitation prevails.

Washington, Nov. 24.—Robert H. Whitehead, the proprietor of the old curiosity shop store on D street, committed suicide today by blowing out his brains.

We want your tea-trade for the rest of your life.

Do you see now how we can afford to say: "Get every sort of Schilling's Best of your grocer, and get your money back on what you don't like?"

HE NEVER MADE MISTAKES.

Mr. Smith Couldn't Convince the Teller that He Was in Error.

"Excuse me," remarked the little man to the paying teller at the bank, "but I believe you remember me?" "Yes," replied the teller, "I remember you. Your name is Smith—John Smith. I cashed a \$2,500 check for you this morning."

"We never make errors in this bank, sir."

"But, sir; it isn't right. I can't help whether it's right or wrong. You should have counted your money before you left the desk."

"I did count it, sir, and it seemed all right; but after I reached my hotel I counted it again, and found that you had made a mistake."

"I have told you, sir, that we never make mistakes here."

"Don't but me; I know my business. The money was all right when you counted it here, and you have either lost some of it or else had your pocket picked. You will have to stand to one side, as there are others who must be attended to."

"I would like to convince you that—"

"You can't convince me of anything, and you will oblige me by leaving the premises."

"Had I not better leave my card, so you may send for me in case you find that you have made a mistake?"

"No, sir; I don't want your card."

"Very well," replied the little man, meekly, as he slowly took his departure.

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The paying teller had inadvertently overpaid Mr. Smith the sum of \$250.

CIVIL SERVICE PRINCIPLES

To Be Adopted in Chicago Schools in the Near Future.

Chicago, Nov. 23.—The city board of education has decided by a practically unanimous vote to embody in its new rules the principles of the existing civil service law.

The action of last night does not give the school employes in the city hall. It makes a civil service commission out of the board's own committee on rules, or a body subordinate to that committee. The action took the form of a resolution which was adopted after a lively discussion, and in which the committee on rules was directed to embody the necessary provisions in its forthcoming report.

It was generally understood that the question of civil service would come up at last night's session of the board, and there was an unusual number of visitors. Only two members were absent. The triumph of the new rule was accomplished after a sharp and spicy fight among the members.

YOUTHFUL BURGLARS.

Two of Them Caught in a Seattle Man's Residence.

Seattle, Nov. 23.—Two young men, each under 20 years of age, are in the city jail. They gave their names as Charles Phillips and Chris Scott.

Scott is suffering from a bullet wound in the left arm, inflicted last night by H. R. Bayliss, whose residence they were burglarizing. For the last two weeks, the city has been overrun with burglars, and the police could not capture any of them, although from twelve to fifteen residences were looted.

The young men made a confession to the chief of police this morning, with the result that the officers are now in possession of about \$1,500 worth of stolen property that the young burglars had hidden in room 20 of the Pacific lodging-house, on Washington and South Second streets.

French Torpedo-Boats Collided.

Brest, Nov. 23.—The torpedo boats known by the numbers, 83 and 61, of the French navy, came into collision during the maneuvers off Cape de la Chevre. The former boat sank and its crew is missing, and was towed here. Number 83 was one of a series of three boats, and her complement of men was sixteen. Her length was 114 feet, and she had a speed of twenty knots. Number 61 is slightly smaller, but also has a complement of sixteen men.

SOME FACTS ABOUT SMUGGLING

Supervising Special Agent Crowley Files His Annual Report.

Washington, Nov. 23.—J. J. Crowley, supervising special agent of the treasury, in his annual report, devotes considerable attention to smuggling. Opium smuggling, the report says, has decreased largely during the last year, as the result principally of the reduction of the rate of duty from \$12 to \$6 per pound; 188,850 pounds of smoking opium was imported at San Francisco during the year 1895, upon which \$912,404 was paid in duty. Last year the amount was 95,126 pounds, upon which duty aggregating \$688,756 was paid.

The report shows there has been a noticeable increase in the smuggling of diamonds since the duty on precious stones was increased by the tariff act of 1894. A return to the rate of duty provided in the act of 1890, Mr. Crowley says, would be in favor of the revenue and of the legitimate trade.

During the past year 5,566 Chinese persons applied for admission to this country. Of these, 1,521 were in transit to other countries; 415 were rejected, and 3,630 were admitted. The number of Chinese arrested for violation of the exclusion law was 198, and the number deported 120. Under the treaty between the United States and China, providing for the departure from and return to this country of Chinese laborers, 936 laborers left the United States and 106 returned during the past year.

The joint resolution of congress, approved March 1, 1895, prohibiting the transportation through the United States of merchandise destined for places in the free zone of Mexico, Mr. Crowley says, now obtains of shipping ports to the zone libre, via Mexican seaports, and the only apparent result accomplished by the legislation referred to has been less business for American railway companies. It is suggested that the removal of the restrictions imposed, at least to the extent of allowing the transportation of goods consigned to places in Mexico from the seaboard to the Mexican frontier, under the usual transportation entries, would involve no danger of loss to the revenue of the government.

Attention is called to the shipments of Canadian goods in transit through the United States to points in Canada, and to the transportation of free and dutiable merchandise in bond between ports in the United States through Canada. New lines of travel have been opened, which require constant care and surveillance. The report shows that during the last calendar year, loaded cars to the number of 480,678 were sent over Canadian roads from one point in the United States to another.

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USEFUL BOOKS GIVEN AWAY. INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING ART AND FANCY WORK. Mrs. Nella Daggett of Boston has prepared a book "Fancy Work and Art Directions" that gives practical instructions for making dolls, table covers, scarves, tray covers, pin cushions, etc., etc., with fifty illustrations. This book, which is written in a simple, clear, and concise style, will be given away free to any reader who sends for it. Send for your copy of "Fancy Work and Art Directions" to Wm. Wells, 125 West 42nd Street, New York, N. Y.

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Cancer Of the Breast. Mr. A. H. Crasby, of 138 Kerr St., Memphis, Tenn., says that his wife paid no attention to a small lump which appeared in her breast, but it soon developed into a cancer of the worst type, and notwithstanding the treatment of the best physicians, it continued to spread and grow rapidly, eating two holes in her breast. The doctors pronounced her incurable. A celebrated New York specialist then treated her, but she continued to grow worse and when informed that both her aunt and grandmother had died from cancer he gave her the case up as hopeless. Someone then recommended S.S.S. and though little hope remained, she began it, and an improvement was noticed. The cancer commenced to heal and when she had taken several bottles it disappeared entirely, and although several years have elapsed, not a sign of the disease has ever returned.

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