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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Where Hazing is Prohibited. Hazing has been made a criminal offense by the Illinois legislature...

Hears Wireless Telegraphy. A Kentucky inventor asserts he has discovered a system by which not only telegraph signals can be transmitted without wires...

Room for More Learys. Capt. Leary married one of the natives of Guam, spanked the clerical clerks, introduced hens, made the sailors learn the "star spangled banner"...

Smallest, Quietest Senator. By all odds the quietest man in the United States senate is Mr. Simon, of Oregon, who never makes a speech or enters into debate...

New Fields for Exploiters. The human body of average weight contains 3 pounds 13 ounces of calcium. Calcium, at present market rates, is worth \$300 an ounce...

Blow to Fire Insurance. Fire losses during 1901 were unusual and the blow to the fire insurance companies was severe, as for some years past...

Many Women Buy Insurance. Women are more and more patronizing life insurance, and many of the companies maintain a woman's department, presided over by a female superintendent...

Immense Dealings in Stocks. Five years ago a man could have bought a seat on the New York Stock exchange for \$15,000. In 1901 a sale was made at \$27,500...

Cuba's New Railroad. A new railroad under construction in Cuba by American and Canadian capitalists has been graded for 74 miles out of Santiago...

A Baby Boy's Chances. The Indianapolis Sentinel has been doing some figuring in averages on the baby boy's chances in life. It says that the chances are 39,000,000 to 1 that he will not be president of the United States...

A Royal Tip from Siam. The king of Siam deigns to notify the government of the United States that it is his royal pleasure to visit this country and that he will graciously permit either the government or a syndicate of interested citizens to pay his expenses...

The Dimensions of Heaven. From measurements of the New Jerusalem, which are given in the Book of Revelations, a statistician has figured out the dimensions of Heaven as being in the neighborhood of 469 quadrillion cubic feet...

MISSOURI EVENTS OF THE WEEK.

Best in Its History. Over 700 delegates attended the Missouri Teachers' association at Kansas City last week. The session was considered to be the best in the association's history...

No Favorable Disposition. Maj. H. S. Julian, counsel for S. G. Peden, the imprisoned St. Clair county judge, who refuses to vote to pay for a railroad that was never built, favors disorganizing St. Clair county and dividing the territory among the surrounding counties...

Peden Still in Jail. Judge Peden, of the St. Clair county court, is still a prisoner in the Jackson county jail. Property has been seized and the court is waiting for a decision on the matter...

Revenues Ample, Says Gov. Dockery. Gov. Dockery gave out a brief review of the work of the first year of his administration, in which he says the condition of the state treasury is exceedingly satisfactory...

Where Cupid is Busy. The engagement of Senator John E. Morton, of Richmond, to Margaret E. Kelleher, cashier of the Midland hotel at Kansas City, is announced. Miss Kelleher is the eighteenth cashier of the Midland hotel to be engaged to be married while in the employ of the hotel...

Fine Clubhouse Burned. The handsome new clubhouse of the Kansas City driving club, on the race track grounds at Brush creek, was destroyed by fire. The loss is \$15,000. David McDaniels, who lived with his family in the building, and is the manager of the grounds, had a narrow escape from death...

One of the Richest Coal Veins. A vein of coal, recently discovered on the O'Brien farm, nine miles south of Sedalia, and a quarter of a mile from the Sedalia, Warsaw & Southwestern railway, is said to be one of the richest deposits of soft coal in central Missouri...

Got \$20 in Small Change. The post office at Griseel, Saline county, was robbed of \$20 in nickels and dimes. The grand stand adjoining was also burned.

Lead Discovered Near Liberty. Edward Poundstone, a Webb City capitalist, has leased George W. Jones' 30-acre farm two miles east of Liberty for 20 years and will prospect for lead. Some fine specimens of lead and jack were taken out of an old well on the place at a depth of 14 feet, and experts say lead is there in paying quantities...

Shocked Corn Killed Horros. Dr. J. P. Robinson, superintendent of the Nevada insane asylum, in eight days lost on his farm in Henry county 14 head of thoroughbred horses ranging in value from \$500 to \$800. The horses had been fed shocked corn exclusively and it is supposed the ergot in the corn caused death.

PRIZE-MONEY QUESTION.

Secretary Long Writes a Letter Defending the Navy Department.

THE LATTER HAS BEEN CRITICISED.

The Court of Claims, Not the Navy Department, Made the Awards of Prize Money, Under the Law as it Existed, But Which Has Since Been Repealed.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Secretary Long has addressed to Senator Knute Nelson, of Minnesota, a long letter defending the navy department against what is declared to be unfriendly criticism in connection with the distribution of prize money and bounty. The letter is called forth by one from the senator, asking for information on this point, for the use of a western newspaper. The secretary declares that the criticism that the department has discriminated against Admiral Sampson and against Admiral Schley in the distribution of prize money is unjust, because the department has no control over this matter, the money being distributed from the treasury, and all questions of law and fact relative to prize and bounty having been determined by the courts. The secretary calls attention to the laws touching prize and bounty as they existed at the beginning of the Spanish war, and says that, though advised by the attorney general that it might make a distribution, the navy department preferred to place the matter in the court of claims, and so far from displaying favoritism, adopted the effective means in its power to secure a just determination by courts of law of the rights of all concerned.

Touching the claim of Admiral Sampson for bounty at Santiago, the secretary says that the distribution was made under a decree of the court of claims, which he cites, and from which no appeal was taken. He further points out that, under the prize laws, the commander-in-chief of the fleet is entitled to his "one-twentieth" of bounty by virtue of his position as commander-in-chief, whether he is personally present during the engagement or not. Says the secretary: "As commander-in-chief, Admiral Sampson would, therefore, under the law, have been entitled to his share of the bounty for the destruction of the Spanish ships at Santiago if he had been on the north shore of Cuba at the time. This was the law, for which the navy department is nowise responsible."

On this point the secretary says that the department itself was the first to realize the inequalities of this law and to make recommendations which led to its repeal, so that "a rather amusing feature of the attacks made upon the navy department," as the secretary puts it, is that the administration is blamed more than two years after it had cured the evil. The secretary concludes his letter with an extract from the report of the auditor of the treasury for the navy department showing the status of the prize money and bounty cases, yet unsettled, owing to delays in the courts, and predicting a settlement within a year.

SUCCESSOR TO E. S. MACLAY.

A Position That a Good Mechanic Would Laugh at Were It Offered Him.

Washington, Jan. 7.—Secretary Long has appointed John A. Kearney, of Cohoes, N. Y., as the successor to E. S. MacLay, the historian laborer at the New York navy yard, who was removed by order of the president for his strictures on Rear-Admiral Schley. The office is officially designated "special laborer in the department of supplies and accounts, navy yard, New York," with pay at the rate of \$2.48 per diem. The appointment reads "vice E. S. MacLay," and omits all reference to the manner of that individual's departure from the service.

AGAINST EX-CAPT. CARTER.

The United States Supreme Court Refuses to Interfere in the Case of Oberlin M. Carter.

Washington, Jan. 7.—The United States supreme court refused to interfere in the case of Capt. Oberlin M. Carter. The decision was rendered in the proceedings instituted by Capt. Carter for the purpose of securing a writ habeas corpus that would release him from prison at Leavenworth, Kas. The case originated in the United States circuit court for the district of Kansas by which the petition for a writ was denied. The opinion was delivered by Chief Justice Fuller and affirmed the opinion of the circuit court.

PERSONAL.

D. O. Mills, of New York, has just presented to the Lick observatory in California a large reflecting telescope, which will be sent to Chili to determine the velocities of the stars in the southern hemisphere. Phys. Akbar, the new Siamese minister, who has just arrived in Washington, was educated at the Oxford university, England. At the time of his appointment he was assistant secretary of state in Siam, and this is his first diplomatic office. A bronze statue of Theodore Parker has been placed on the lawn of the First Parish (Unitarian) church at West Roxbury by that society, of which Mr. Parker was the pastor when it worshipped in the old meeting-house in Center street, near South, in West Roxbury. At the time of his death the late Purvis De Chavannes was at work on a series of frescoes for the Freshbrook. The painter Casin, who was instructed with the completion of the work, died in his turn. The frescoes are now to be finished by one of Purvis De Chavannes' favorite pupils.

AGRICULTURAL HINTS.

MANAGEMENT OF DUCKS.

The Man Who Expects to Make Politics Pay Must Take Excellent Care of Them. It is not absolutely necessary to have so warm a house for Pekin ducks as for fowls, but it pays best to have a good comfortable house for them, as will be shown presently. When properly cared for, ducks begin to lay during the winter months; those that are hatched quite early in the spring may lay in December. We should prefer ducks in their second year for breeders, or at least very early-hatched ones, so they might be almost or quite one year old before eggs from them are used for hatching. Ducks do better that are hatched from eggs that are laid by mature ducks. Ducks can be plucked during warm weather, just prior to beginning to moult; then all the blood has gone from the quill of the feather, and but little pain is given by plucking them at that time. Ducks sit about on the ground; they do not roost like fowls. It is their habit to lay their eggs very early in the morning, often before daylight for this reason they are driven into the house at night, and kept shut in till several hours after sunrise, to prevent them from running about and dropping their eggs on the ground wherever they may be. Pekin ducks are a kind of a machine; they seldom lay an egg in a nest, and will lay the most of them in the water if allowed their freedom and are not shut up at night. We doubt if one out of five of them would go into the house to lay if they are allowed to run as they please.



HOUSE FOR REARING DUCKS.

For these reasons they should have a comfortable house that has a good, dry earth floor. This should be covered over with straw or dry meadow grass for them to rest on at night. During cold weather the house should be closed up like the hen house. When spring and warmer weather come, give all the air and ventilation possible while they are shut in. You will find it necessary to drive them in at night, or to give the evening meal within the house, and shut them in while they eat. The litter should be turned over at least twice a week; it should be put out in the sun once a week to air, and dry, and at this time the floor should be cleaned and the litter put back. We know that some who keep ducks do not clean the houses all winter. With such care the ducks and their eggs are always covered with dirt.

For old or laying ducks, mix by measure one-half corn meal, one-fourth wheat bran, the rest green food, cooked vegetables and meat scraps. Mix into this some fine sand, and mix all into a dry mash food with water. The green food should be cut up into short pieces; green rye, oats or clover is good for this. When the ducks are not laying, feed light; when laying, feed strong two or three times a day; if they grow fat, feed less corn meal and meat and more bran. Always feed the ducks in troughs or boxes. They should have plenty of grit and oyster shell. The sand that is mixed in their food is good for digesting it, and they must have in addition to their food grit or shell. Green cut horehound is of any kind is good for them. All animal food is better if cooked for ducks.

Pekin ducks will do very well with simply enough water to drink, and thousands of them are raised that never had a chance to swim in water at all. At the same time, ducks that are kept for breeders do better when they have the chance to swim and wash in the water.—Country Gentleman.

AMONG THE POULTRY.

If the hen is a machine for conserving feed into eggs, it is a plain business principle that the machine should be kept running at full capacity and at the lowest cost. Don't keep a single fowl over winter that you can't make pay its board. Sell them out and sell for what they will bring. The feed and care thus saved may be given to the more worthy ones.

Although eggs are a good price now they will go higher later on. And the hens will be sure to suspend business unless they are well comforted quarters and are well cared for. Increasing the profits depends largely on the observance of three important points: Increasing the quantity, improving the quality and obtaining a better price for the product sold. To frequently change from one breed to another is nearly always attended by more or less expense; in other words loss. And to experiment in cross breeding is still worse. Try to find some one pure breed that most nearly meets the demand of your fancy and your market, then stick to it and make it pay.

Treatment for Stagnation. This trouble is caused by a deranged state of the nervous system, the result of something the horse has eaten. Mix an ounce of aloes, half an ounce ginger and half an ounce bicarbonate of soda; dissolve in half a pint of hot water, then add half a pint of cold water and give at once. After the physic operates, mix four ounces sulphate of iron, four ounces nitrate of potassium and two ounces gum arabic; divide into 24 doses and give one ounce a day in bran mash until all are taken. Repeat the above if necessary.

UNITED STATES SENATOR THURSTON.

The Brilliant Statesman from Nebraska, Makes an Important Public Utterance.



INTERIOR OF UNITED STATES SENATE CHAMBER.

Ex-Senator John M. Thurston, of Omaha, Nebraska, is one of the most prominent and influential men in the country. He made the speech nominating President McKinley at the St. Louis convention, and was made permanent Chairman of this convention. He was also made Chairman of the convention that re-nominated President McKinley at Philadelphia. He was recently appointed by President McKinley Chairman of the St. Louis Exposition Commission.

This prominent gentleman recently wrote the following letter to The Peruna Medicine Co., of Columbus, Ohio: Washington, D. C., April 6, 1901. "I have used Peruna at various times during the past year or two with most satisfactory results. It entirely relieved me from an irritating cough—the result of excessive effort in the presidential campaign, and I am a firm believer in its efficacy for any such trouble."—John M. Thurston.

Catarrh has already become a national curse. Its ravages extend from ocean to ocean. More than one-half of the people are affected by it. It has become such a serious matter that it has passed the boundaries of the medical profession and become a national question. Senators are talking about it; Congressmen are discussing it. They are not only considering the extent and chronic nature of the disease, but the possibility of finding a national remedy to meet this national calamity. The catarrh remedy, Peruna, seems to be the main expectation in this direction. Dr. Hartman, President of the Hartman Sanitarium, devised the remedy, Peruna, over forty years ago, and the remedy as a catarrh cure has been growing in favor steadily all these years. It stands today before the nation as a thoroughly tested, accurately verified internal remedy for catarrh. There are practically no medicinal rivals in the field. Peruna is not a local application or temporary relief; it is a permanent cure. Peruna is a systemic remedy. It eradicates catarrh from the system. It cures catarrh wherever located. Its cures are radical and lasting. Therefore, Peruna is receiving the indorsement of the leading statesmen and history-makers of the day. Address the Peruna Medicine Co., Columbus, O., for a book of testimonials, containing letters from prominent men and women concerning Peruna.

Heal Pleasure. Her Father—And he caught you kissing my daughter, sir! What do you mean by that sort of business? He—I don't consider it business at all, sir; but, please, merely pleasure.—Philadelphia Press. The Peruna Almanac. The druggists have already been supplied with Peruna almanacs. There is sure to be a great demand for these almanacs on account of the articles on astrology which they contain. The subject of astrology is very attractive one to most people. The articles on astrology in the Peruna almanac have been furnished by a very competent astrologist, and the mental characteristics of each sign is given, constituting almost a complete horoscope. A list of lucky and unlucky days for each month are given. There will be a great rush for these books. Ask your druggist for one early before they are all gone.

"Dear Old Lanson!" "I wonder why Godly remains in the Turkish bath for such a length of time!" "Oh he says that the steam reminds him of a London fog."—Chicago Daily News. I am sure Pio's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Robbins, Maple Street, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900. Each succeeding year finds the uneducated million less-scrupled to hear that diamonds and coal are the same substance.—Puck. Steps the Cough and Works on the Cold. Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Price 25c. We discover that almost anybody thinks he could run a hotel.—Washington (La.) Democrat. Cure your cough with Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute. At times all of us insist on being miserable.—Acheson Globe. PUTNAM FADELESS DYES color more goods, per package, than any other. The lightning calculator is merely a figure-head.—Chicago Daily News.

A NOTED PHYSICIAN. Makes an Important Statement of Interest to All Women. "DEAR MRS. PINKHAM!—The honest, intelligent physician is above the school. Whoever is best in each case should be used, no matter to what school a physician belongs. It is a matter of conscience, can only pre-

DR. WAZATA, of Lansing, Mich. writes the best and as I know and have proven that there is nothing in Materia Medica which equals Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound in severe cases of female disorders, I unhesitatingly prescribe it, and have never yet been sorry. I know of nothing better for ovarian troubles and for falling of the womb or ulcerations; it absolutely restores the affected parts to their normal condition quicker and better than anything else. I have known it to cure barrenness in women, who to-day are happy mothers of children, and while the medical profession looks down upon 'patents,' I have known, instead, to look-up to the healing potion, by whatever name it be known. If my fellow physicians dared tell the truth, hundreds of them would voice my sentiments."—Dr. WAZATA, Lansing, Mich. \$5000 forfeit if above testimonial is not genuine. The record of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cannot be equalled. Accuse no substitute. Mrs. Pinkham advises sick women free. Address Lynn, Mass.



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