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MEXICO Street Fair, October 12 and 13.

GEN. MILES says he said it. That's Gen. Miles' way.

GEN. MILES will feel slighted if he is not court-martialed.

IN the army reports a convalescent is a man who isn't dead yet.

IT now looks as if Dreyfus may decide to give France another trial.

SECRETARY ALGER feels that he could still use a few robust press censors to good advantage.

CECIL RHODES has been suspiciously quiet of late. Who is behind this latest good Rhodes movement?

DOWN in New York there doesn't seem to be anybody shouting for Roosevelt except the people.

ADMIRAL CAMARA is in doubt whether to regard himself as a noble survivor or a glittering superfluity.

WHEN you see a man that thinks everybody wrong but himself watch him closely, as he is on the road to insanity.

BOSS HANNA could humiliate John Sherman and even kick him out of office, but he could not muzzle the old man.

ANOTHER special dispatch from Arkansas brings the information that Judge Lynch is still hanging around down there.

QUESTIONS of territorial expansion must take care of themselves at present while the country takes care of its soldiers.

SPAIN may yet hail us as her benefactor, for her credit has already advanced since we relieved her of responsibility for Cuba and Porto Rico.

MR. R. M. WHITE, editor of this paper, was elected Recording Secretary of the National Press Association at the meeting held at Denver this week.

SMART old George Dewey! There has been very little occasion for the administration to use the cable to Manila since it was reopened for business.

JOHN SHERMAN and Secretary Alger thoroughly hate each other. Gen. Miles married John Sherman's niece. By keeping these facts in mind much can be explained.

THE Emperor of Germany seems disposed to back up the big disarmament bluff made by the Czar of Russia. There isn't the slightest probability of its being called by the other crowned heads.

GENERAL PANDO evidently is a very modest man. When a New York reporter told him the other day that he resembled General U. S. Grant he sweetly replied: "Oh, General Grant was a much greater man physically."

THE Democrats never had a better opportunity to elect a majority of the House than they have this year. A long pull and a strong pull altogether will do the business. Let every Democrat do his duty and the result will not be in doubt.

IF the controversy between Gen Miles and Secretary Alger results in placing the responsibility for even a portion of the gross mismanagement on the part of subordinates of the War Department, it will be a great blessing to the country.

THERE is a growing disposition upon the part of the administration to delay the investigation of Alger. There is, however, a growing disposition upon the part of the people to have it made at once. It may be remarked that just at this juncture, and in this particular matter, the administration is stronger than the people.

ENGLAND is also enabled to do some shouting over the military glory of her sons in destroying and cap uring the army of Dervishes, which has been making so much trouble in Egypt and thereabouts. The English General who won the great victory bears the unromantic name of Kitchener.

As the men come home and tell of the unnecessary hardships that had to be endured, the feeling that somebody ought to be punished for inefficiency in providing for our soldiers, grows stronger daily. The attempt of certain high officials to pooh-pooh the matter, only adds fuel to the flame. It is a matter that will not be pooh-poohed, nor will an attempt to so pack a Congressional Committee to whitewash the whole business be allowed to succeed. The men who suffered demand that those responsible be made to suffer also.

The Herd Show at Centralia.

From the Centralia Fair Daily.

In addition to the regular splendid show rings the feature of the day was the big herd stake for horses. In the herd ring there were twelve of as fine specimens of horse flesh as a man would find in a day's ride. They were everyone show animals, fit to show for a man's life. And they made a magnificent show, too. No better ring ever appeared before a Missouri audience.

Barnett & Moore got first money with their fine string headed by Ike. J. A. Potts got second place with his excellent herd led by Thornton Star. Turner & Davis won third place and Voorhies & Brown fourth.

EDITORS IN DENVER.

NATIONAL EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION MEETING IN SESSION IN THAT CITY.

Editor White One of the Delegates—Programme to be Observed—A Trip of Pleasure and Profit Through the West.

Editorial Correspondence of the Ledger.

ON TRAIN NEAR DENVER, COLO., Sept. 7.—We have had a delightful trip this far and already feel refreshed. We are en route to Denver to attend the thirteenth annual convention of the National Editorial Association, which will be held Sept. 5, 6, 7, 8 and 9 and gives promise of being one of the best attended and most entertaining of any of the previous successful meetings. The programme is exceedingly practical, and the many people of national prominence who have been assigned subjects, is a guarantee that those who are fortunate enough to be present will be treated to something solid and helpful.

Among those who will be present from Missouri, as delegates, are: E W. Stephens and wife, Walter Williams, John Jacks, Keith Jacks, John Marens, W. R. Painter, Geo. W. Trigg, A. J. Adair, J. H. Edwards, H. J. Groves, W. O. L. Jewett, S. A. Pierce, R. M. White.

The programme includes both business and pleasure, as the following indicates:

Monday, Sept 5—The delegates will arrive about noon on three special trains. That evening the addresses of welcome by Gov. Adams and Mayor McMurray will be delivered. The response will be made by Louis Holtman. An informal reception will then follow.

Tuesday, Sept. 6—The business session will convene at 9 o'clock. Wednesday will be devoted entirely to business.

Thursday, Sept. 8—In the evening there will be a banquet tendered the delegates by the citizens of Denver.

Friday, Sept. 9—The business session will end at noon by the election of officers. A trolly ride will be taken during the afternoon.

Saturday, Sept. 10—A trip "Around the Horn," visiting Fort Collins, Greeley and Boulder.

Sunday, Sept. 11—Trip around the Loop, visiting Idaho Springs and the local points of interest. That night they go to Rocky Ford.

Monday, Sept. 12—At Rocky Ford, "Melon Day." That night they go to Colorado Springs.

Tuesday, Sept. 13—At Colorado Springs and Manitau. Visits to local points of interest and Pike's Peak. That night they go to Cripple Creek.

Wednesday, Sept. 14—At Cripple Creek and Victor. That night they go to Glenwood Springs via Leadville.

Thursday, Sept. 15—At Glenwood Springs and Grand Junction.

Colorado scenery is growing gloomy and peculiar and we judge from the programme laid out that we are to see it all from the Rocky Ford melon to Pike's Peak. Colorado has always been famous for its scenery and climate and to this has lately been added the cantaloupe, and Colorado is now more popular than ever. Colorado Springs is one of the most popular of resorts for Mexico people and I find that it stands well with tourists from all parts of the world.

I shall not try to describe the mountains, gorges and canyons. The reason I don't is because I can't do them justice. I am here to write that Colorado is a sure enough mountain state and that there is no reason why melons grown here should not be called Rocky Ford, or rocky anything else, for that matter. We could easily use a part of this state in fixing the roads of Audrain county, but for street paving we should patronize home industries and have our brick made right in Mexico. Just think how much better our street fair could be made if the streets around the public square were paved with brick.

DENVER, COLO., Sept. 7.—Denver is a beautiful, substantial, prosperous city, almost surrounded with mountains, and the climate here is delightful. The population of Denver is 150,000 and an air of prosperity appears to be prevalent—much more so, I think, than when I was here two years ago.

If you come to Denver over the Union Pacific Railroad you will pass through some beautiful country and will enjoy a splendid train service. The corn crop in western Missouri and eastern Kansas is very fine. Some portions of eastern Kansas and western Colorado will not grow much until a system of irrigation is put in. You pass through miles and miles of bare, naked, dry plains—just plain plains. Not a tree, not a plant, not a house, man or animal—just dry, barren ground, which will some day be irrigated and will be most productive. Water is all that is lacking. You can't grow much even in Missouri without plenty of water.

I noticed one town in western Kansas, Sharon Springs, of about one hundred houses, nearly deserted. The houses, with few exceptions, are neat and nearly new, but all vacant. Sharon Springs was badly named, There are no springs there and it don't rain very often, and, while the inhabitants are not all Prohibitionists, they could not live without water and have gone to pastures greener, if not newer. "Water, good water, plenty of good water," is one of the necessities of this world, no matter where you live. So many of us don't "miss the water till the well goes dry," which leads me to add that nearly everyone in Mexico is ready to admit that water is a good thing for sprinkling the streets. Many of the farmers who come to Mexico are beginning to get disgusted with our people for not having the streets sprinkled. They do not like to do their trading in a sand storm. Mexico people should do everything in their power, all of the time, to take care of the large trade which comes to us from all parts of Audrain and adjoining counties. The country trade and our schools and churches and a few home industries make Mexico what it is. Mexico people must take good care of what we have and hustle for more or we will fall back. No town stands still. Is Mexico going forward? I hope so. Mexico people must get a move on them and look out or we will not hold our own. Mexico can and must be made a city. We must all wake up and hustle.

R. M. WHITE.

GEN. MILES, THE SUPERB.

He Never Lost a Battle—A Brother Officer's Estimate.

NEW YORK, September 9.—An army officer here who knows Gen. Miles said last night.:

"Gen Miles returns to Washington in very good humor. He has said some things, and he stands by every word he has said. Furthermore, he can prove the truth of every statement. He knows why the Secretary of War has gone to Camp Meade and he knows why Gen. Shafter has gone there. Watch results, and see if what I tell you does not prove true. Alger has sent for Shafter to pump him dry. If, with Shafter's assistance as a bureau of information, the secretary can make out a case against Miles, there will be a court of inquiry. If he can't, there won't be. If Alger expects to cope with Miles, however, he must cover up his tracks better and he must study strategy. Miles is now the master of the situation, and it will take an abler man than the Secretary of War and an abler soldier than the man who managed, or mismanaged, the Santiago campaign to out-general Miles. You know his record is that he never lost a battle."

MILES IN; ALGER OUT.

When the Commander-in-Chief Arrives in Washington the Secretary of War Will Leave.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 8.—Gen. Miles will arrive in Washington to-night, but he will not find Secretary Alger waiting for him with any rapid firing court martial. Secretary Alger has discovered that he is required by a high sense of official duty two weeks out of Washington for the inspection of military camps. At just about the time General Miles' train rolls into town that carrying Secretary Alger will roll out. And yet it is only a week ago that Secretary Alger said: "I cannot conceive how Gen. Miles could have made the statements imputed to him and have been sane at the same time," and in reply to the question whether the gentleman would be court martialed, he said: "If General Miles made these statements it is unmilitary and proper action will be taken."

Secretary Alger has now no doubt of General Miles' sanity, and General Miles explicitly says that he did make the statements attributed to him and reaffirms them, but the Secretary leaves Washington with a padlock on his lips. Of that lock the President holds the key, and the price the Michigan man must pay if he picks the lock and breaks silence is his place in the cabinet.

Audrain at Centralia.

On Wednesday at the Centralia Fair George Lee won the 2:25 trot in straight heats with Nanny B, W. K. Carter's Blue Star Belle second, Forest Bird third and Princess Ali fourth. Time, 2:24, 2:26, 2:29.

In the best saddle mare, 2 and under 3 ring, J. H. Crockett, of Mexico won first with John Boulware second.

Best saddle gelding 3 and under 4, was won by Davis & Freeman with J. H. Crockett second.

Best saddle stallion 3 and under 4, J. H. Crockett was first and J. P. Arnold was second.

Best harness mare 3 and under 4, was won by T. M. Potts, of Audrain; Ed. Davis getting second and J. E Glenn third.

At the Centralia fair Thursday Geo. Morris, Jr., was awarded first premium in the two year old harness ring on Lucy Lightball, a very promising young mare by Lightball, 2:24¼, by Vatican 11308. There were nine entries and it was considered the best two year old ring ever shown in this section.

There is a spot on the face of old Sol which is estimated by astronomers to be a yawning chasm 100,000 miles in diameter. In it more than a hundred planets the size of the earth could be dropped and not fill it up. It first made its appearance four days ago on the edge of the sun's disk, and is now almost in its very center. An electrical current was passing through the earth all day yesterday and at times it was so strong as to interfere seriously with telegraphic communication. Just before and after the electrical disturbances, that is early yesterday morning and last night, displays of the aurora borealis could be seen even in this latitude.

Catarrh, Dyspepsia

Life Was Becoming Burdensome and There Was No Pleasure in Anything—What Hood's Sarsaparilla Did in This Case.

"I have been a sufferer from catarrh, dyspepsia and piles, and life was becoming burdensome. I had a constant tired feeling and felt so bad that there was no pleasure for me in anything. I tried various remedies with no good results. In fact, some of them made me worse and I gave up medicines and thought I would wear the disease out. I found I could not do this and I began taking Hood's Sarsaparilla and Hood's Pills. That terrible tired feeling is now gone, the catarrh has disappeared and I am able to go about my work with pleasure. From my experience I can testify that Hood's Sarsaparilla purifies the blood, builds up the system and makes a man feel that life is worth living." FRANK WILLBARGER, 1318 Lamine Street, Sedalia, Missouri.

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GENERAL NEWS

GATHERED FROM FAR AND NEAR AND HIGHLY INTERESTING TO THE PUBLIC.

The Trouble in Crete Unsettled—More Troops Ordered to the Hawiian Islands—Items of Foreign and Domestic Nature.

A dispatch from Athens says the trouble in Crete is not settled. The Bashi Bazouks are committing excesses and the Christians in the surrounding districts are arming to march to the assistance of the Canadians. There are eight warships in the harbor and a fresh bombardment is expected. The British, German and Spanish consulates have been looted, and thus far 300 native Christians and 67 British subjects have been killed.

The Asty says it learns from an authentic source that as soon as the British troops arrive at Canada from Malta the Turkish garrison in Canada will be expelled, martial law proclaimed and the ringleaders of the riots put on trial and probably hanged if found guilty.

It is said President McKinley will hold in check both Miles and Alger and that he will gently reprove the commander. If warning is heeded controversy will be dropped, otherwise the President will act with vigor. When Miles reached Washington Alger left the capitol. He has asked for a thorough investigation. We shall see what we shall see.

The uproar at Madrid has led to the exercise of more caution at Washington. The army will be prepared for all eventualities and the troops that go to Havana will be prepared to suppress any possible rising. Until peace actually has been ratified half of the volunteer army will be retained in the service.

Battery A sailed from Porto Rico on the Concho for New York, Henry in command. It is reported that sickness among the troops on the island island is becoming more serious.

About seven thousand troops have been ordered to Hawaii, but it is said their destination is Manila.

That now famous Alger dispatch to Shafter, it is explained, was sent to stiffen Shafter's backbone so he wouldn't lose heart.

At Camp Wikoff yesterday two boys named Keene, brothers, died within an hour of each other of typhoid fever. They were members of the Ninth Massachusetts.

DOMESTIC ITEMS.

John Garrett, of Macon county, attempted suicide yesterday. He had a misunderstanding with his sweetheart, Miss Verna Allen. He will recover. His friends are trying to adjust matters and a wedding instead of a funeral may result.

Dr. G. W. Holcomb, of Clinton, Mo. fell down the stairs at his home and died in two hours afterward without gaining consciousness.

Harry Winters, the 10 year old boy who killed himself in Sedalia, did so fearing arrest for fighting.

Populists in Bowie county, Texas, have indorsed two pronounced gold bugs and bolters of the Democratic party for Sheriff and Judge.

G. A. R. encampment at Cincinnati chose Col. James Sexton, of Chicago, to be Cammander-in-Chief and selected Philadelphia as the next place of meeting.

Four State conventions are in progress at Colorado Springs, Colo., and that town is fairly bubbling over with political importance.

An attempt was made to file with the Secretary of State the Populist State ticket nominated at St. Louis on the 7th of July, but an objection in the way of a protest from the camp of the Middle-of-the-Roaders was filed with Secretary of State Lesueur, and he took the whole matter under advisement. This was done to give everybody, straight Populists and "Middlers," a chance to be heard in the case.

THAT BAPTISMAL QUESTION.

Another Debate to Held, This Time at Farber—Dorsey and Allison the Debators.

It is learned through the Farber *Forum* that there is to be another theological debate in the east end of the county.

THE PROPOSITIONS.

We, the undersiged, agree to meet in Farber, Mo., on Tuesday, September 13, at 10 o'clock a. m. to discuss the following propositions to-wit:

Do the Scriptures teach that baptism of the Holy Spirit is the only Christian baptism and is essential to salvation? Allison affirms.

Do the Scriptures teach that baptism to a believing penitent is for the remission of sins? Dorsey affirms.

The King James Translation to be the standard of evidence, Hedges rules governing discussion.

(Signed.) W. P. DORSEY.
J. S. ALLISON.

The first session will open at ten o'clock, a. m., Tuesday morning, Sept. 13, and close at noon. The second at 8 o'clock, p. m., and close at 10. Each disputant being allowed 30 minutes, each to a session. This order will continue to the close. Rev. A. L. Brewer, of Kirksville, will be Rev. Allison's moderator; Elder J. C. Coggins will probably be Elder Dorsey's moderator. The chairman of the debate has not yet been chosen.

Street Paving Contract Let.

MARSHALL, Mo Sept. 7.—The contract for paving the principal business streets in this city has been let to the Barber Asphalt Paving Company, of New York, and on September 14 the city will let the contract for paving all the residence thoroughfares.

Bromoline will positively cure a cold in 24 hours. No cure, no pay. 25 cents. Sold by Buckner & Whitney.

Sure Cure for Colds

When the children get their feet wet and take cold give them a hot foot bath, a bowl of hot drink, a dose of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral, and put them to bed. The chances are they will be all right in the morning. Continue the Cherry Pectoral a few days, until all cough has disappeared.

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PROHIBITION TICKET.

The Prohibitionists of Audrain County Met in Mexico and Nominated a County Ticket.

The Audrain County Prohibitionists met in Mexico Wednesday and nominated a county ticket, the first ever nominated in the history of the county. Prohibitionists were present from different parts of the county and made speeches. Resolutions were passed endorsing State Chairman Stokes, the *State Leader* and the moving of the Missouri Prohibition headquarters to Mexico. Rev. Maybell, of Wellsville, was endorsed for Congress. Following is the county ticket:

For Representative, Rev. J. B. White, of Laddonia.
Sheriff, W. H. Fox, Mexico.
Collector, Geo. H. Randle, Mexico
Recorder, Mrs. A. C. Armistead, Mexico.
Treasurer, P. W. Harding, Mexico.
Circuit Clerk, H. C. Turner, Mexico.
County Clerk, R. S. Pearson, Mexico.
Presiding Judge, J. W. Coakley, Rush Hill.
Coroner, David Sneed, Mexico.
Judge Western District, W. A. Park, postoffice Centralia.
Judge Eastern District, Capt. R. B. Swift, Laddonia.
Probate Judge and Prosecuting Attorney left to be filled by county committee, if thought best.

Missouri Fairs.

Jasper, Sarcoxie, Sept. 13-16; R. L. Hottel, Sec.
Atchison, Rockport, Sept. 13-16; E. C. Bird, Sec.
Bates, Rich Hill, Sept. 13-16; S. T. Broaddus, Sec.
Monniteau, California, Sept. 20-23; H. C. Stevenson, Sec.
Butler, Poplar Bluff, Sept. 27-Oct. 1; A. Mast, Sec.
Dade, Lockwood, Sept. 27-30; A. J. Young, Sec.
Vernon, Nevada, Sept. 20-23; C. F. Strohm, Sec.
Greene, Springfield, Sept. 27-30; H. F. Denton, Sec.
Mercer, Princeton date not fixed; Jas. H. Moss, Sec.

Senorets cure chronic constipation, kidney and liver complaints. Price, 25 cents. Sold by Buckner & Whitney.

Mrs. Chas. Leeper and Mrs. Tom Doty are home from a pleasant visit in Columbia.

GETTING READY

Every expectant mother has a trying ordeal to face. If she does not

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TAKING A TOUR.

EDITORIAL ASSOCIATION WILL VISIT THE LARGER COLORADO CITIES WHILE WEST.

Missouri is Well Represented at This Pleasant and Profitable Meeting of Newspaper Men—Some of the Points of Interest.

Editorial Correspondence of the Ledger.

DENVER, COLO., Sept. 9.—The delegates to the National Editorial convention, after a week's business meeting in Denver, will take a week's tour of the State on a special train and, in this way, will visit all of the leading cities and see the chief points of interest. We are having a most interesting meeting and our tour of the State promises to be both pleasant and instructive. The Missouri Associations have a splendid delegation here as follows:

MISSOURI.

R. M. White, Executive Committeeman, LEDGER, Mexico.
C. M. McRea, *Herald*, Rolla.
W. O. L. Jewett, *Democrat*, Shelbina.
S. A. Pierce, *Pointers*, Kansas City.
John Marens, *News Graphic*, Hamilton.
W. R. Painter, *Democrat*, Carrollton.
E. J. Conger, *Bulletin*, Linneus.
E. W. Stephens, *Herald*, Columbia.
Walter Williams, *Herald*, Columbia.

NORTHEAST.

John W. Jacks, Executive Committeeman, *Standard*, Montgomery City.

NORTHWEST.

H. E. Robinson, Executive Committeeman, *Republican*, Maryville.
B. Ross, *Sun*, Cameron.

SOUTHWEST.

W. R. Bowles, Executive Committeeman, *Advocate*, Greenfield.
Ben F. Wood, *Tribune*, Laredo.
A. E. Lindsly, *Herald*, St. Louis.

Among the most pleasant places our party visits is Glenwood Springs. They are on the trans continental lines of the Denver & Rio Grande Railroad, the Midland Railway and the Rio Grande Western Railway. Four through trains daily each way.

Chief among the attractions is the swimming pool, 600 feet long by 110 feet wide, in widest place, supplied by the Yampah spring, which comes out of the ground at 127°, is reduced to a temperature of from 90° to 94°, and is enjoyable for bathing at all times of the year, day and night. In cold weather the vapor from the water rises and protects the head from cold. The entrances from bath houses are so arranged that bathers can enter and come out of pool through warm covered passages, reaching right down to the water, so that there is no exposure to the cold air. It is a novel sight in winter to see people bathing in the open air during a snow storm and with perfect safety. The bath houses are heated and have douches, cold showers, etc., to take after bathing.

The caves are natural ones heated by springs coming out of the rocks. The temperature is about 120°. What strikes those taking baths the first time is how quickly the perspiration is started, much more readily than in a Turkish bath of much higher temperature, which makes the cave enjoyable and without the oppressive feeling which many experience in Turkish baths.

At first sight Glenwood Springs gives the impression of being shut in by mountains, but in reality there are numerous roads and trails for driving, riding and walking; good elk and deer hunting in fall; and trout fishing. A fine polo ground (games seven months in the year) as well as numerous other amusements and sights.

The Colorado Hotel at Glenwood Springs, Colorado, America's famous health and pleasure resort, is open the entire year. It is most charmingly situated, commanding extensive views of beautiful valleys and surrounded by grand mountains. The hotel contains 200 guest chambers of which 45 have private bath rooms attached. They are so arranged that from single rooms they can be thrown into suites of four and five rooms. These chambers, as well as the public rooms which are numerous and spacious, are all beautifully finished.

In the court a fountain throwing a stream 185 feet high is constantly playing. The grounds are beautifully laid out with shady walks, soft velvety lawns and numerous flower beds, in all making it an ideal spot for one seeking rest and quiet. Many attractions are also offered for those on pleasure bent. One of the principal ones is the Cave of the Fairies in the mountain behind the hotel, 1,200 feet above it, which can be reached by carriage, horseback or walking. It is lighted by electric light and is full of wonderful formations, etc.

I should like to go into detail about some of the beautiful little villages which are nestled among the mountains, but I am so busy seeing that I find little time for writing and I am trying to get a rest anyway. There is no better place to get a good rest than in Colorado, but some of us in this world are so situated that we can't, or at least we don't find time to rest. I think sometimes we would live longer and do better work while we do live if we took more rest, and then there "are others" who rest all the time; so the average is kept all right.

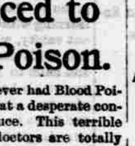
R. M. WHITE.

Good Men at the Helm.

The chief reason why the annual fairs held at Centralia are always a success is readily seen in the fact that such pushers as Doc. McCallister, Jim Starr, Clay Threlkeld, Kelly Pool, Lee Green, John Hinman, Sam Palmer, Adam Rodemyre, Col. Bush and a dozen or so other prominent citizens, make it their especial business to put their time and money up against the enterprise and when they say go everything connected with it moves. An effort will be made to establish the Missouri Horse Breeders' meeting at Centralia.

Sacrificed to Blood Poison.

Those who have never had Blood Poison can not know what a desperate condition it can produce. This terrible disease which the doctors are totally unable to cure, is communicated from one generation to another, inflicting its taint upon countless innocent ones.



Some years ago I was inoculated with poison by a nurse who infected my babe with blood taint. The little one was unequal to the struggle, and its life was yielded up to the fearful poison. For six long years I suffered untold misery. I was covered with sores and ulcers from head to foot, and no language can express my feelings of woe during those long years. I had the best medical treatment. Several physicians successively treated me, but all to no purpose. The mercury and potash seemed to add fuel to the awful flame which was devouring me. I was advised by friends who had seen wonderful cures made by it, to try Swift's Specific. We got two bottles, and I felt hope again revive in my breast—hope for health and happiness again. I improved from the start, and a complete and perfect cure was the result. S. S. S. is the only blood remedy which reaches desperate cases.

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EDITORS' CONVENTION ADJOURNS

R. M. White, of the Ledger, Elected Recording Secretary.

DENVER, COLO., September 9.—The National Editorial Association to-day adopted the report presented by William Eaton, of Illinois, chairman of the committee on press laws, providing for a standing committee of three to confer with the various state press associations with reference to bringing about uniformity of press laws by concurrent action of the State Legislatures.

The committee appointed to consider ways and means of a trip to Europe recommended that the trip be made in 1899 instead of 1900. The report was adopted. The editors expect to start in June. Already 160 applications for tickets have been received. The trip will consume fifty-two days, and it is expected to limit the expense to $100 for each tourist. Officers were elected as follows: President, J. B. McCabe, editor of the *Argus-Advocate*, East Boston, Mass.; first vice-president, Arthur H. Pierce, editor of the *Record*, Denver, Colo.; second vice-president, R. H. Henry, editor of the *Clarion-Ledger*, Jackson, Miss.; third vice-president, F. B. Baillio, editor of the *Review*, Cleburne, Tex.; corresponding secretary, J. M. Page, Illinois; recording secretary, R. M. White, editor of the LEDGER, Mexico, Mo.; treasurer, James G. Gibbs, Ohio.

Portland, Ore., was decided upon as the place for holding the next meeting. With to-day's meeting the convention closed, and the delegates will go on a ten days' tour of Colorado.

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One of the greatest dramatic efforts in modern history is "Sowing the Wind," the New York Empire Theatre success, which will be presented at the Ferris Grand Monday, Sept. 19th. It is a play of genuine human interest which gives it a hold on popular favor which is lasting. Brim full of caustic touches on social foibles and follies, it will interest all classes and will live in the memory of all who see it. Seats now on sale at J. At. Brown's. Secure them early.

Chicago Wants Dewey.

CHICAGO, ILL., Sept. 9.—The Chicago Peace Jubilee Committee is preparan appeal to Secretary Long to grant Admiral Dewey a furlough in order that the hero of Manila may attend the local celebration.

Sam T. Rathwell, Jr., who mysteriously disappeared from St. Louis shortly after his marriage recently to Miss Ulrich, is in Neosho, Mo.

According to the report of the License Commissioner there are 5,000 less bicycle riders in St. Louis this year than there was last year.

Quinoria is guaranteed to cure chills, fever and all malarial disorders. No cure, no pay. Sold by Buckner & Whitney.

E. L. Blackburn is home from a visit with relatives in Fulton.

B. C. Johnson and son, Sed, are home from Jefferson City.

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Miss Anna Hinde is home from a visit in Fulton.

Born, on Sept. 9, to Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Robbins, a son.

Paul Coil and sister are here the guests of P. H. Cullen and wife.

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STOP CHEWING

MUZZLE MILES.

AN EFFORT TO BE MADE TO CLOSE THE MOUTH OF THE COMMANDING GENERAL.

The Old Veteran Has Returned From Porto Rico and Has Declared Himself—Alger Wont Say a Word—Miles is a True Soldier.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—Major General Nelson A. Miles, bronzed by a tropical sun and with the light of conquest in his eyes, arrived in this city to-day and promptly threw down the gauntlet to Secretary Alger and other geniuses of the War Department who have attempted to eliminate him from the war situation.

The Commanding General stands by his guns. Recent interviews with him, published in this country, he declared at the outset were substantially correct.

"There were a few errors in the last interview," he said, "but on the whole it represents my views."

General Miles not only insists that he was in command while he remained at Santiago, but that he had a hand in the final negotiations for the surrender of General Toral and the Spanish troops.

In a carefully prepared statement he reviews the whole conduct of the war and inferentially, rather than directly, points out that the deaths from disease, the ill health and the suffering of the troops in Cuba were due to a failure to follow the plans of campaign which he as Commanding General drew up and furnished to the Department in writing.

General Miles, when seen by a correspondent, said, in regard to the famous telegram to General Shafter, in which the Secretary of War told Shafter that Miles would not supersede him:

"After the surrender I concerned myself with more important matters, relating to the occupation of Porto Rico, and, although I had heard of this telegram in a vague and roundabout way, I first saw the full text of it at the head of an article of August 14. This telegram, if it meant anything, was in direct violation of the verbal and written orders of the President."

After recounting at length the understanding with the War Department and the conditions in and around Santiago as he found them upon his arrival there, Gen. Miles said:

"These were the circumstances under which General Miles left Washington, arriving at Santiago July 11, not as a private individual nor as a visitor. Any pretense that he went there disrobed of his authority or official capacity is too childish to be considered by sensible men. From the moment he arrived at Santiago he was responsible for what might occur. He arrived there with the Yale, Columbia and Rita, loaded with infantry, and three ships loaded with artillery, besides those already embarked. He designed to disembark the troops and artillery named on the west side of Santiago, as was understood before leaving Washington, and before he went ashore he made the necessary arrangements accordingly. He then proceeded to the front, and, after consulting with General Shafter, a note was sent to the Spanish commander by General Shafter, saying that the Commanding General of the United States Army had arrived in his camp with strong re-enforcements and would meet him between the lines at any hour agreeable to him.

Referring to the surrender of Santiago, Gen. Miles says: "The Spanish commander begged for longer time and earnestly requested until twelve o'clock next day. This was finally agreed to by General Miles, the meeting dissolved and the officers separated. On returning from this conference a dispatch was received by Gen. Miles from Washington as follows:

"WASHINGTON, D. C., July 13.—Maj. Gen. Miles: You may accept surrender by granting parole to officers and men; the officers and men after parole to be permitted to return to Spain, the United States assisting. If not accepted, then assault, unless in your judgment, an assault would fail. Consult with Sampson and pursue such course as to the assault as you jointly agree upon. Matter should be settled promptly. "R. A. ALGER,
(Signed) Secretary of War."

"This does not look as if General Miles was there as a visitor. He was charged with responsibility of ordering an assault upon the entrenchments and fortifications of an army, which, if successful, would have cost at least 5,000 lives; or, of withholding the assault, if in his judgment, such assault would fail.

"No greater discretion was ever given to any general commanding an army, and what is more, will be observed, he was authorized to accept the surrender, which in the interest of his subordinates, he generously declined to do and went away, leaving all the honor to his next in rank, Gen. Shafter."

Gen. Miles wrote the above interview and speaks of himself in the third person.

TO MUZZLE THE GENERAL.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—When the statement of Gen. Miles was handed to Secretary Alger this evening, he read it carefully and then said:

"Not a word. Do not ask me about that. I have nothing to say."

The Secretary seemed vexed over the action of Gen. Miles. His mind had been made up on silence and his refusal to discuss the Miles interview is understood to be a result of a White House conference to-day.

Gen. Miles is expected in Washington to-morrow. In anticipation of his return, the War Department to-day prepared to muzzle the General, if possible.

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TROUBLE AT MANILA.

General Otis Ordered Aguinaldo From the Suburbs—May Need Some More Troops.

WASHINGTON, September 8.—It is stated that a message from Major General Otis who now commands the American forces in Manila, has been received by President McKinley announcing that the general has been compelled to order Aguinaldo and his rebel forces to retire from the suburbs of the city within 24 hours or be driven out.

This indicates serious trouble with the Filipino insurgents, and if hostilities occur between them and the American troops, the government must send at least 50,000 more men to General Otis.

Recent reports from Manila show that Aguinaldo has assumed a very aggressive attitude.

General Merritt was compelled to order the insurgents out of the trenches and General Otis' cablegram indicates that the insurgents' pretentions have become unendurable.

A newspaper dispatch from Manila says that the Philippine insurgents are arranging for a mass meeting to assemble shortly at Maloles, thirty miles north of Manila, for the purpose of deciding, from their standpoint, upon the future of the Philippine islands. Aguinaldo, the insurgent leader, the same dispatch says, insists that the insurgents forces should remain in their strategic positions and strengthen them, lest the Americans withdraw from the islands, in the meantime threatening Manila, commanding the railroad and threatening the food supply.

A dispatch from Iloilo says General Rios, the Spanish commander there, has given orders that American vessels be permitted to have free access to Spanish Philippine ports.

LATE STOCK AND CROP ITEMS.

From the Paris Appeal.

Wm. Smiley, of South Fork, sold a load of 1500-lb steers to Dug Tully