

Geo. P. Buckley, Publisher. RICH HILL, MISSOURI.

"Who owns the United States?" asks somebody. Well, the women run things.

As yet the Russian bear in the far east is only a cub. Will Japan wait till he grows up?

If Spain is to become a republic soon the young king should get ready for it by learning a trade.

A nihilist shot at Max Nordau, doubtless to confirm the latter's theories as to degeneration.

A Harvard professor says some slang words are beautiful and poetic. He doesn't give a list of them, though.

It isn't Colombian bullets that our soldiers need to fear in Panama, but those eighty-nine kinds of isthmian fevers.

"The man who talks one thing on Sunday and lives another on week days does untold injury," says young Mr. Rockefeller.

To "Anxious Inquirer:" No; as Welmar Rechtsanwalt is not, as you ignorantly suppose, a kind of sausage made in that town.

Twenty-five million volumes of Tolstoy's works have been sold so far. Now will Mr. Richard Harding Davis be properly humble?

How quickly a man changes his telephone voice into the natural growl when he discovers that it is his wife who has called him up.

The reported disappearance of the sea of Azof recalls that old remark that the sea ceaseth and it sufficeth us. Articulate that, please!

When Milton got \$35 for "Paradise Lost" he never dreamed that in 1903 an American collector would offer \$250,000 for the manuscript.

The horse car is expected to disappear from New York city before the end of 1904. New York is really getting to be quite metropolitan.

A Boston jury composed of unmarried men has declared a pretty woman guilty of forgery. Perhaps she indulged in bad grammar on the witness stand.

Another revolution has been started in San Domingo. This disposes of the necessity of settling the revolution that was going on when the present one broke out.

The best thing about M. Quad's 57 cent brand of champagne is that, when his stenographer guessed she would have some, he didn't have to ask her to guess again.

Now that Dartmouth has beaten Brown at debate, as well as at football, the new intercollegiate proportion reads: "Brown: Dartmouth :: Harvard: Yale."

M. Bertillon has added the study of physiognomy to his system of criminal detection. By and by even a detective will be able to tell a criminal when he sees him.

British high society has decided that King Edward isn't aristocratic enough for any good use. Which makes it necessary for our own Four Hundred to ape somebody else.

Skating with the thermometer marking 10 degrees below zero wouldn't be half so much fun if the boys all skated on one pond and the girls all skated on another.

Perhaps Gen. Ortiz is dreaming that he can lay claim to that \$10,000 legacy left by Cardinal Herrera y Espinosa for the first Spanish general who can invade the United States.

It may be, as that French chemist says, that there is enough phosphorus in the human body to make \$20,000 matches, but even so, financially, the operation would not be profitable.

Why is it that young men will insist upon paying young ladies "marked attentions" when they are the sort that are always most easily identified in future breach of promise suits?

As soon as each of the two powers has discovered how much the other can be forced to concede without fighting the negotiations between Japan and Russia will be brought to an amicable close.

Lens grinders want more pay and the wholesale price of the material for eyeglasses has advanced. After a while it will cost a near-sighted man something to look at what are termed the free shows.

No, there is no "corruption" in England except that every "goggle-eyed" son of a man with influence, as one critic expresses it, is given a job at home or in the colonies at government expense. It isn't exactly corruption.

Miss Crabtree, who as "Lotia" was once a stage favorite, is reported to have made several million dollars in real estate deals. Miss Crabtree is one of the stage favorites for whom it will apparently never be necessary to get up benefits.

J. LONGSTREET

HE WAS ONE OF FAMOUS GENERALS OF CONFEDERACY.

WAS A VICTIM OF ACUTE PNEUMONIA

Fought in the Mexican and the Civil Wars—Commanded a Brigade at First Battle of Bull Run and a Division at Battle of Gettysburg—A Few Days Short of 83 Years Old.

ATLANTA, GA.—(Special.) General James Longstreet, soldier, statesman and diplomat, and the last lieutenant general of the Confederate army, with the exception of General Gordon, died at Gainesville, Ga., Saturday, from an attack of acute pneumonia. He had been ill two days.

General Longstreet was a sufferer from cancer of one eye, but his general health had been good until Wednesday, when he was stricken with a sudden cold, developing later into pneumonia of a violent nature. He was 82 years old. He is survived by his wife, two sons and a daughter. He will be buried in Gainesville, which has been his home since the civil war.

General James Longstreet was born in Edgeville district, South Carolina, January 8, 1821. In 1851 he moved with his mother to Alabama. He was appointed from that state to the United States Military academy at West Point, where he was graduated in 1842, being assigned to the Fourth Infantry. He served at Jefferson barracks, Mo., in 1842-44, on frontier duty at Natchitoches, La., in 1844-45, in the military occupation of Texas in 1845-46.



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and in the war with Mexico, being engaged in the battles of Palo Alto, Resaca de la Palma, Monterey, the siege of Vera Cruz, Cerro Gordo, San Antonio, Churubusco and Moleno del Rey.

General Longstreet was made captain and major for gallantry in the two latter battles. He was severely wounded in the assault on the fortified convent at Chapultepec, September 8, 1847.

After numerous other experiences he was commissioned brigadier general in the Confederate army in 1861, and at the first battle of Bull Run commanded a brigade on the right of the Confederate line, where he held a large force of the Union army from operating in support of McDowell's flank attack. He was commanding the right wing of the army of Northern Virginia at the battle of Gettysburg, and tried to dissuade Lee from ordering the disastrous attack on the third day. Early in 1864 he was wounded by his own troops in the battle of the Wilderness. General Longstreet commanded the First corps of the army of Northern Virginia in all the operations in 1864, and was included in the surrender at Appomattox, April 9, 1865. He was known in the army as "Old Pete," and was considered the hardest fighter in the Confederate service.

After the war General Longstreet established a residence in New Orleans and engaged in commercial business. He was appointed surveyor of customs of the Port of New Orleans by President Grant, supervisor of internal revenue in Louisiana, postmaster of New Orleans, and minister from the United States to Turkey by President Hayes and United States marshal for the district of Georgia by President Garfield.

Preached on the Fire. BINGHAMTON, N. Y.—(Special.) The funeral of Clarence Burr Scott, "Harry Judson" of "The Billionaire" company, who was burned to death in the Iroquois theater fire in Chicago, was held from the Tabernacle M. E. church Sunday afternoon. Rev. Dr. A. M. Hayes, drawing a lesson from the sham protection of the theater, said: "God gives a protection to those who trust in Him that drops down in time of temptation and is made of asbestos and not of burlap."

To Help the Jews. PHILADELPHIA.—(Special.) A largely attended meeting under the auspices of the Jewish League of America was held in the synagogue E'Nai Abraham here Sunday at which it was decided to hold a national convention in this city of all the societies of Jews interested in the condition of their co-religionists in Russia. A temporary organization was formed in order to prepare plans for the convention. Rabbi Leventhal, of this city, was elected temporary chairman.

MORE TROOPS IN PANAMA.

Dixie Has Arrived and Porto Ricans May Go.

PANAMA.—(Special.) Strong reinforcements will be sent to the Bayano and Darien districts Monday. M. Moet, the French charge d'affaires will be officially received by the provisional government Monday afternoon.

COLON.—(Special.) The United States converted cruiser Dixie arrived here Sunday. Brigadier General Elliot, of the United States marine corps, has gone to Empire station on the Panama railroad and will inspect that and other stations along the railroad for the purpose of selecting a suitable camp for the marines from the Dixie. The marines probably will be landed Monday.

SAN JUAN, P. R.—(Special.) Governor Hunt has received advice from Washington countering the order to dismount the remaining mounted Porto Rican troops. From this fact, coupled with the constant determination of the troops, it is inferred that the Porto Rican regiment will soon be ordered to proceed to Panama.

Swiss Sympathy.

WASHINGTON.—(Special.) Mr. Du Marthury, the Swiss minister, in accordance with a cablegram received from the president of the Swiss federation, has expressed to this government the heartfelt sympathy of the federal council for the people of the United States in the awful loss of life caused by the Chicago fire. The state department will instruct Dr. Hill, the American minister to Switzerland, to express the appreciation of this government for the message from the federal council and has communicated its thanks to the Swiss legation here.

RUSSIA'S OTHER WAR.

Trouble On With the Armenians in the Caucasus.

BERLIN.—(Special.) The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Lokal Anseiger says that conditions in the Caucasus are intolerable owing to the Armenian revolutionary movement and the excesses of the brigands.

The correspondent adds that the Grand Duke Nicholas has arrived at St. Petersburg for the purpose of explaining to the czar that Prince Galitzin, the governor general of the Caucasus, is unequal to dealing with the situation.

The trouble in the Caucasus is the result of an imperial decree confiscating the entire property of the ancient Armenian church in Russia. An Associated Press dispatch from Vienna dated December 18 said that, according to advices received there, large quantities of arms and ammunition, reported to have been bought by Armenian committees in Paris, London and New York, had been smuggled into the Armenian districts in South-eastern Russia, and that all were in readiness for a general insurrection in the Caucasus in the spring.

A HYPNOTIC MURDER.

The Newest Crime Over Which Paris is Debating.

PARIS.—(Special.) Paris is deeply interested in the alleged hypnotic murder of a woman named Chappuis, 61 years old, whose surviving relatives include Leon Greese, an operative conductor; Lieutenant Giradot, of the army, and M. Toutain, bank official. The neighbors of the Chappuis woman were a family named Martin, consisting of husband and wife, who are spiritualists. It is alleged that Mme. Martin obtained a commanding influence over Mme. Chappuis, with the result that Mme. Chappuis made a will in her favor, cutting off her natural heirs.

Mme. Chappuis died and was buried. On complaint of her relatives the body was exhumed, but no trace of poison was found in the stomach.

Mme. Martin has been arrested and witnesses have testified to her alleged control over the dead woman, but it is not believed that she will be prosecuted unless facts are developed showing that she physically brought about the death of Mme. Chappuis.

BRIEF BITS OF NEWS.

An order has been issued requesting the resignation of all policemen and firemen in New York City suffering from tuberculosis. Seventeen policemen have resigned.

Fears are entertained for the safety of the British barkentine Grenada, due nearly two weeks ago. The Grenada sailed from Turks Island December 4 and has not been reported since.

A dispatch received at the navy department from Rear Admiral Sands, commanding the training squadron, says the torpedo boat destroyer Lawrence, which was rammed by the steamship Olivette at Key West, is not seriously injured. The Lawrence will be able to go to sea if it is deemed desirable to send her to a Northern navy yard for repairs. A board of investigation will determine whether that shall be done or whether the repairs shall be made at Key West.

W. J. Bryan has purchased the Bryan homestead at Salem, Ill., for \$2,000, trading eighty acres of land for it which he owned in that county.

Anthony Meltringer, a peddler with a red tablecloth, was tossed into an apple tree by a bull near Bethlehem, Pa. He was rescued by hunters.

A general strike of all persons employed by the shipping interests in Barcelona has been declared as a result of which trade and commerce are paralyzed.

DOUBLE MURDER IN DENVER.

One Dead, Another Victim of Robbers Not Expected to Live.

DENVER.—(Special.) At the police station Friday afternoon Fred Arnold, 18 years of age, confessed to complicity in the murder of Mrs. Amanda Youngblood and the shooting of her son Robert with probably fatal result, while attempting to rob the little grocery store kept by Mrs. Youngblood and her husband, Thomas M. Youngblood, in Valverde, a suburb of Denver. Arnold's confession implicated Newton Andrews, aged 20, and Charles Peters, 24 years old, the former of whom is said to have fired the fatal shots. Both are under arrest.

The young men drove to the Youngblood store and gained admission by asking permission to use the telephone. They tried to hold up the elder Youngblood, but, although 64 years of age, he resisted until stunned by a blow on the head from a revolver. His wife and son, who came to his rescue, were shot down, the former dying almost instantly and the latter receiving a probably fatal wound in the head. He has a wife and four children.

Owing to the threats of vengeance circulated early in the evening, the prisoners were quietly removed from the Denver county jail and taken by train to Colorado Springs and placed in jail there.

INDIANS NEED THE MONEY.

Agent Has Gone to Washington in Their Interest.

MUSKOGEE, I. T.—(Special.) Within a few days Colonel J. Blair Schoenfeld, Indian agent here, will leave for Washington to confer with the secretary of the interior regarding the payment of the loyal Creek claim, amounting to \$410,000. It is not known how long it will be before the actual payment of money can commence, but Agent Schoenfeld hopes to so arrange matters as to begin some time during the first part of next month.

The need for money which this payment will give the Creek Indians was never greater than this winter. Many of them are naturally of a shiftless disposition, and when they were informed last spring that the payment of their claims against the country had been authorized, many of them paid but little attention to their crops, and as a result there are scores of families in absolute destitution. What a relief the payment of this money will mean can be seen from the fact that enough will be distributed to give each resident in the Creek nation \$5, were the payment per capita.

At the Orpheum.

The versatile actress, Valerie Berger, and her company will be the top-liners at the Orpheum in Kansas City next week. They will present "Jimmie's Experiment." Miss Berger made a big hit in "Naughty Anthony" and "Madam Butterfly." She carries three people with her and her little comedy is an exceptionally good one. Clarice Vance, the Southern singer, has been favorably compared to Elizabeth Murray, and is said to be able to tell a story and sing as well. Monroe, Mack and Lawrence will present the "Two Senators," a fanciful sketch. Hal Godfrey and company will appear in "A Very Bad Boy," a man who is looking for a place as tutor is mistaken for a nephew who is expected. The uncle and aunt undertake to develop his faculties with surprising results. Mr. and Mrs. Waterous are sweet singers of high class songs. Mr. Waterous has a strong bass voice and his wife possesses a splendid mezzo-soprano. A little prodigy is the feature of the act put on by Duffy, Sawtelle and Duffy. Young Duffy is said to be a natural born comedian and to be a wonderful laugh-producer. "Papa's Sweetheart" is the name of the piece in which the trio appear. Holden and Florence will offer the "Fairy of Killarney," an operatic comedy for which they carry special scenery. Mr. Holden is a lyric tenor who was formerly with the Castle Square Opera Company. Miss Florence is a niece of the late W. J. Florence and is a soprano of high range. The kinodrome with its moving pictures will complete the bill. Matinees daily.

Invited 1,000 Guests.

PERRY, KAN.—(Special.) Thomas Lee, a hardware and implement dealer and owner of the opera house here, feasted a number of his friends Friday in the theater. A thousand invitations were sent out, and most of them were accepted. Kansas City, Lawrence, Topeka and many other cities were represented.

Final Payment to Kaw Indians.

GUTHRIE, O. T.—(Special.) The payment of the Kaw tribe Indians, at which time \$63,820 will be distributed, will take place on January 9. This will mark the final settlement of the deceased Indian estates. There are 247 on the rolls of the tribe, of which thirty are dead.

NEW YORK.—(Special.) There is a possibility that the affairs of the Bank of Staten Island, which closed its doors Thursday, when Otto Ahlmann, the cashier, committed suicide, are in good shape, after all. Bonds to the value of \$150,000, which belong to the bank and should be in the vaults, are missing, but the friends of Mr. Ahlmann say they will be found when the bank's box in the Produce Exchange safe deposit vaults is opened.

A Definition.

"Diplomacy, Lester," said the bespecked man, replying to the inquiry of his small son, during it may not be necessary to explain, the temporary absence of the majestic wife of the one and mother of the other, "diplomacy is what makes a man carve a turkey and unselfishly deal out to his family and the visitors their favorite helps, including the only portions which he himself really likes, and at the same time look like a putty saint."

Fine Feathers Prohibited.

A small hotel in the Jurass has the following notice posted in each of the bedrooms: "Strange gentlemen will please not to dress for dinner, as this costume flutters the hearts of the maid folk and no work is accomplished."

Why Some Young Men Shave.

Harker—"Say, why don't you wear a mustache?" Barker—"Can't afford it, old man." Harker—"Does it cost any more?" Barker—"Yes; I couldn't smoke my cigars so short."—Philadelphia Record.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive, sure and safe remedy for Catarrh. It is a constitutional specific, and cures Catarrh of the bladder, prostate gland, and ureter, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for the free test booklet. Address: F. J. CENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by druggists. The Hall's Family Pills are the best.

English Statute Mile.

The English statute mile was first defined in the thirty-fifth year of Queen Elizabeth. Before that time it was put down at 5,000 feet.

Trout Caught in the Ocean.

Trout are believed to be exclusively fresh-water fish, it happens, however, occasionally that some are caught with the herring in the German ocean.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep DeLancey Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12 oz. brands, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used this 16 oz. pkg. DeLancey Starch for same money.

Mommsen and His Students.

On his eightieth birthday Theodore Mommsen, the historian, received a visit from a great delegation of students, who marched out to his home, but he could not be induced to leave his work to greet them. "They see me every day at the university," he said; "why do they want to disturb me now?"

Gibraltar.

What is commonly called the island of Gibraltar is not an island at all, but a peninsula connected with the mainland of Spain by a flat, sandy isthmus. It is a solid rock of limestone, stretching north and south three miles long, three-fourths of a mile wide at its widest part, and the highest point is 1,396 feet above the sea.

Dispersees Ants.

A plague of ants lately invaded an office at Everly, Eng. Paper soaked with oil of peppermint was spread about, when the ants disappeared in half an hour, and although the odor of peppermint quite evaporated in a few days, their memory was good and they never returned.

Mental Power.

One self-wrought problem will give more vigor than a thousand worked out for us. It is the constant stretching of the mind over large problems, ever large models—it is independent thought—that increases mental power.—Success.

Long Day.

Prof. Schuman of Cornell is reported to recommend eleven hours for study, two for meals, three for athletics, one for recreation and the remaining eight for sleep. The trouble about this program is that it calls for a twenty-five-hour day.

KNOWS NOW

Doctor Was Fooled by His Own Case for a Time.

It's easy to understand how ordinary people get fooled by coffee when doctors themselves sometimes forget the facts.

A physician speaks of his own experience:

"I had used coffee for years and really did not exactly believe it was injuring me although I had palpitation of the heart every day.

"Finally one day a severe and almost fatal attack of heart trouble frightened me and I gave up both tea and coffee, using Postum instead, and since that time I have had absolutely no heart palpitation except on one or two occasions when I tried a small quantity of coffee which caused severe irritation and proved to me I must let it alone.

"When we began using Postum it seemed weak—that was because we did not make it according to directions—but now we put a little bit of butter in the pot when boiling and allow the Postum to boil full 15 minutes which gives it the proper rich flavor and the deep brown color.

"I have advised a great many of my friends and patients to leave off coffee and drink Postum; in fact, I daily give this advice." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Many thousands of physicians use Postum in place of tea and coffee in their own homes and prescribe it to patients. "There's a reason." A remarkable little book "The Road to Wellville" can be found in each package.

COMPLETELY RESTORED.

Mrs. P. Brunzel, wife of P. Brunzel, stock dealer, residence 3111 Grand ave., Everett, Wash., says: "For 15-teen years I suffered with terrible pain in my back. I did not know what it was to enjoy a night's rest, and arose in the morning feeling tired and unrefreshed. My suffering sometimes was simply indescribable. When I finished the first box of Doan's Kidney Pills I felt like a different woman. I continued until I had taken five boxes. Doan's Kidney Pills act very effectively, very promptly, relieve the aching pains and all other annoying difficulties."

Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, price 50 cents per box.

Bird Sanitariums.

Even birds have entered the business of being professionally ill, and have triumphantly scaled the heights of drugs, doctors, and sanitariums. The bird sanitarium is a fact. Canaries and parrots are its mainstays but besides them are many commoner invalids from wood and meadowland. There are between 500 and 700 patients, and, in the boarding house connected with the sanitarium about 4,000 guests.

Virus Is Fatal to Rats.

A new virus called "dangec" is made in France and is claimed to be harmless to domestic animals, but fatal to rats. Bread impregnated with it was scattered in docks, vessels, railway stations and schools, in Marseilles, and over a thousand rats were destroyed in a single night. The final results of the experiments will be eagerly awaited.

French Monument for Waterloo.

A large bronze eagle with one wing broken and drooping is the main feature of the French national monument which is to be erected on the field of Waterloo.

Good News From Minnesota.

Lakefield, Minn., Jan. 4.—Mr. Wilhem E. Gentry of this place is one of the best-known and most highly respected men in Jackson County. For 45 years he has suffered with Kidney Trouble and now at 77 years of age he has found a complete cure and is well. His cure is remarkable because of the length of time he had been suffering. Cases of 40 years' standing might be considered incurable, but the remedy that cured Mr. Gentry seems to know no limit to its curative power. Mr. Gentry says: "I have suffered with misery in my back for about 45 years and had all the troublesome symptoms of Kidney and Urinary disease. I tried various kinds of remedies, but all to no effect until I tried Doan's Kidney Pills. Now I have no pain in my back, and feel quite well in every way. "I am 77 years of age and I feel better than I have for the last 40 years. I attribute it all to Doan's Kidney Pills."

RECORD RUN TO KANSAS CITY.

Wabash Train (Makes Trip in Five Hours and Fifty Minutes).

Wabash train No. 9, fast mail between St. Louis and Kansas City, made a record-breaking run from St. Louis to Kansas City Sunday afternoon.

The schedule time for starting is 3:20 p. m., and the regular time for the run is seven hours and ten minutes. No. 9 started one hour late, lost twenty minutes on the way and pulled into Kansas City on time, making the run in five hours and fifty minutes, five minutes faster than any previous record.

There was a full equipment of a mail car, combination car, chair car and diner. At many places along the route the train showed a speed of seventy miles an hour, and between Mexico and Montgomery City a mile a minute was reached off. The distance is twenty-four miles, and it took just twenty-four minutes to make the trip.

The train was in charge of Conductor J. S. Gould. The engineer was Charles Summerville.—St. Louis Republic.

An eastern astronomer says that planet Jupiter has six moons and a basement. If his telescope possesses sufficient power, he might, by a closer inspection, discover over the main entrance a sign reading: "No children allowed."—Denver Post.

Doubtful Maxim.

Of course, where there is so much smoke there must be some fire, but when you compare the temperature of your house with the actions of your furnace you can't help sometimes doubting it very seriously.—Indianapolis News.

Muzzle Velocity of Rifles.

The muzzle velocity a second of the rifles of the large countries is as follows: United States, Springfield, 2,330; French, Lebel, 2,072; English, Le Metford, 2,000; Spanish, Mauser, 2,388; Italian, Manlicher Carcano, 2,100; German, Mauser, 2,024 feet. Sights on these are now graduated thus: United States, 2,000; France, 2,187; England, 2,800; Spain, 2,187; Italy, 2,100; Germany, 2,187 yards.