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Trade may follow the flag, but not so the liberty of the press.

Everybody with a grudge against England seems to be preparing to take it out now.

The present campaign will go down in history as the first in which canned oratory was introduced.

Having lost Senator Stewart, Colonel Bryan may feel called upon to do a little extra campaigning.

In average percentage of increase in population, eastern cities apparently lead those of the west, to judge by the returns already in.

The present campaign gives indications of becoming a go-as-you-please affair, in which every man will do his own paramounting.

The frequency with which Count von Waldersee gets into print indicates that he has secured the services of an experienced press agent.

The campaign orator who cannot secure listeners can resort to the phonograph. It can't get away, and must take in all he says.

There are indications that Great Britain may soon find herself at war with as large portion of the world as that which is pitted against China.

The vacuum made by our recent exports of gold to England has already been nearly filled by the arrival of $6,000,000 of the yellow metal from Australia.

New York's regular summer murder mystery was a little late in arriving, but it got there, and the metropolitan journals are working it for all it is worth.

The size of the crowd which turned out to hear the State Journal prize fight bulletins last week furnishes a pointer to the politicians. They should advertise their meetings under a fight head.

Washington Post: Evidence of Kansas prosperity continues to pile up. A New York safe manufacturer says his firm has sold more safes in Kansas the past year than in any other state in the union. People don't buy safes to accentuate their poverty.

The trial, conviction and sentence of Peck, the Akron negro, all of which occurred within a few minutes, shows how rapidly the courts can act when they try. If such speedy proceedings were the rule instead of the exception, there would be fewer lynchings.

EXPORT OF MACHINERY.

The exports of builders' hardware, saws and tools during the fiscal year 1900 were the largest in the history of our export trade, being $9,646,017, against $7,842,372 in 1899, $6,627,466 in 1897, and $5,509,188 in 1896, prior to which year the exports in this line had never aggregated so much as $5,000,000. In exports of sewing machines, typewriters, electrical and other intricate machinery there are also gratifying increases. Comparing the export figures of the fiscal year just ended with those of 1898 and 1899, it is found that sewing machines increased from $3,136,364 in 1898 and $3,264,344 in 1899 to $4,540,842 in 1900; electrical machinery, from $2,052,564 in 1898 and $2,736,110 in 1899 to $4,328,917 in 1900; locomotive engines, from $3,883,719 in 1898 to $5,592,403 in 1900, typewriters, from $1,902,153 in 1898 to $2,697,544 in 1900; metal-working machinery, from $4,618,683 in 1898 to $7,193,390 in 1900; and all other machinery, from $13,336,930 in 1898 to $21,913,202.

While our chief market for machinery is still to be found in European countries, an increasing proportion is being sold in the far east, especially in British Australasia, Japan and India. In 1898 our exports of builders' hardware and tools to British Australasia amounted to $877,635; in 1900 they aggregated $1,325,793; in 1898 our exports in this line to Japan were $76,500, while in 1900 they were $106,251. Our exports of typewriters to British Australasia in 1898 amounted to $60,039, while in the fiscal year 1900 they were $101,002; to Japan the exports of typewriters in 1898 amounted to but $4,220; in 1899 they had increased to $7,962, and in 1900 to $16,579, of which sum $2,211 were exported during the month of June alone, thus forecasting in some degree the possibilities of future development in this article of export. Commenting upon the increase in exports of typewriters, a prominent American manufacturer is quoted by the New York Commercial as saying:

"The demand for American typewriters was never greater, and our machines are pretty good globe-trotters. We have just made a shipment to Puntas Arenas, on the Straits of Magellan, at the extreme southern point of South America, and another lot of typewriters has been sent north to Vladivostock, Russia, for the use of the imperial government. Many of the missionaries and foreign business men in China use our machines, and nearly every American regiment in the Philippines has from three to five machines; and as business increases at Manila under American auspices, there will be a big demand for typewriters. The typewriter has become well nigh universal in its use, and is found in all the large business houses in the principal cities of the world, and its keyboard represents nearly all languages. The exceptions are the Japanese and Chinese. As their characters are upright and composed of many hundred figures or signs it seems practically impossible to produce them on the typewriter's keyboard."

GLOBE SIGHTS.

[From the Atchison Globe.]

When a woman goes after a man, she finally gets him, if she has the power.

It is only in novels that men ask women to marry them, and meet with a refusal.

When a man loses his money, his sky has silver lining enough, if his wife can cook well enough to keep boarders.

Do women entertain good opinions of other women? A man can always flatter a woman by telling her she is "different" from other women.

A reporter was discharged today for handing in this item: "Put up plum preserves now; you will need them in the fall, to disguise the taste of quinine."

When a friend tells you that if ever you need a favor, he hopes you will call on him, you can cause him to fall out of his chair by asking a favor on the spot.

It is said that there is such a hot love affair in progress on Utah avenue that the young man in the case did not go home for supper recently, and his mother took his supper to him at his steady's house.

A new phase in a late grief develops that the wronged wife was fanned back to consciousness by the woman who had wronged her, and who kept assuring the wronged woman that she was a True Friend.

Any man who can work a circus, and keep the money in town that would otherwise go out of town, is entitled to the public thanks. Nobody expects the truth in circus literature. One of the delights of a circus is the difference between the reality and the promises on the bills.

A few years ago, an Atchison man married a girl, and she was not satisfied with his work. He quit his job, to oblige her. His new job did not pan out very well, and now he is not doing anything, and she doesn't like that, either. In the marriage service, a woman promises to help, not to pull back.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

[From the Chicago News.]

A man never values a turkey for its plumage.

Carpenters are like circumstances when they alter cases.

Much that passes for wit owes its humor to its absurdity.

A new dress lasts a long time after it has been worn out.

A pair of scissors divides by uniting and unites by dividing.

The worst enemy of labor is a workingman who will not work.

As a rule hard luck never associates with prudence and industry.

A girl probably wants to give a man the slip when she gives him an icy stare.

If wishes were horses beggars would growl because they were not automobiles.

The savage who wears a coat of paint doesn't scold his wife because of a missing button.

A man is in luck if he lends a friend an umbrella and lives long enough to get it back.

Many a man boasts of his ancestors whose ancestors would be ashamed to admit he belonged to the family.

The man who suddenly came in contact with a goat did not have to consult a dictionary to find out what abutment.

The average man spends a lot of time criticising the work of others that he would better spend in prosecuting his own.

QUAKER REFLECTIONS.

[From the Philadelphia Record.]

Room for improvement—The school room.

Nell—"He's rather fast, isn't he?" Belle—"Yes; about everything except settling his bills."

The easy-going father with a lot of daughters usually finds that his household is miss-managed.

Blobbs—"I've always thought I should like to be a collector." Slobbs—"So should I, of rents."

A Tioga woman went into a restaurant the other day and ordered "Mephistophelian crabs."

Hoax—"Wigwag is going to take his gun with him to Niagara Falls." Joax—"To shoot the rapids, I suppose."

Muggins—"Wigwag says you allow your wife to buy your neckties." Buggins—"Well, why not? She wears 'em."

When it comes to a question of law the tailor has his share of suits, and the brewer always has a lot of cases on hand.

When a city man goes to the country for rest and quiet it seems to him that one little cricket can make more noise than a trolley car.

"Is there a tan yard around here anywhere, my boy?" asked the stranger. "Naw," replied the boy; "dad always licks us in the woodshed."

Scribbler—"I hedr Spacerates was overcome by the heat the other day." Scrawler—"Yes; he was assigned to write a two-column article on 'How to Keep Cool,' and have it up in an hour and a half."

Tommy—"Pop, what's the difference between conceit and self-esteem?" Tommy's Pop—"Self-esteem, my boy, is a quality which we possess ourselves, while conceit is a quality possessed by other people."

A Small Tornado.

Neosho Falls, Aug. 27.—A tornado struck Northcott, a small village in the south end of Anderson county, Kan., Saturday, and destroyed several buildings, among which was the village church, which was completely wrecked, and a large hay barn belonging to F. H. Childs. The church, which was a new structure, was completely demolished, but the organ was left sitting in its usual place, untouched.

COLORADO FLYER.

Via "Great Rock Island Route."

Leaves Topeka 8:10 p. m., arriving Colorado Springs 10:35, Denver 11:00 o'clock next a. m.

IN HOTEL CORRIDORS.

"Hypnotic influence is something we hear a great deal of but it is seldom that one has a chance to witness an exhibition of the real thing," remarked a gentleman who had just returned from a trip to Mexico and was chatting with a few friends at the National. "Every one has read of the Hindoos who are credited with having great power in this respect and many weird and unearthly tales have been told and a number of books have been written which have for their foundation this strange power. Of course we are all acquainted with the traveling fakir who goes about with his mesmerism and 'second sight' show and we know that it is a fake pure and simple. I saw an exhibition in Mexico, however, that went away beyond anything of the kind I had ever seen before. I have read of stranger things but I have never witnessed anything that would compare with it. A friend of mine took me with him to see the entertainment. It was in a private house and was given in the interest of science and not for money. The operator, or hypnotist, had a number of subjects who seemed to be very susceptible and he made them do all sorts of queer and amusing pranks. One man he put to sleep and made so rigid that four men stood on his body while it was supported under the shoulders and heels by chairs. He ran a hat pin through the man's cheeks and wrists. This was done to illustrate the anesthetic possibilities of hypnotism. He seated himself cross-legged upon a rug and invited any one who desired to look in his eyes, each one thinking how sleepy he or she was. He kept up a peculiar swaying motion of the body and in a short time half a dozen people in the room were sleeping peacefully. He awakened them by speaking sharply and snapping his fingers and in some cases shaking the sleeper. I did not look in his eyes for I was afraid I would get sleepy and something not on the programme would happen to me. I don't pretend to understand a thing concerning hypnotism or its uses and abuses, but it strikes me that it is a dangerous thing to play with. I know that if I should ever allow myself to be hypnotized I would never again have confidence in myself and I think it certainly must be trying to the nervous system."

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A young attorney of Emporia, who was in Topeka told the following story on W. N. Smelser, another attorney of that place, who was elected police judge several years ago: "During the time Smelser was police judge a young man was brought before him on the charge of gambling. The evidence was conclusive and the judge imposed a fine which was promptly paid by the young sport who had plenty of money. That evening the young man who had been arrested met the judge on the street and they got into conversation. 'That case is settled, judge, and I don't bear you any hard feeling because you did exactly what your duty as judge called you to do, but I want to explain the circumstances to you. I don't want you to think I am an easy mark for the police, or that I haven't enough sense to let go when an officer of the law tells me to, but this case looks like it and so I want to explain. You see the police told us if we didn't stop playing and break up the game he would run us in. We were just starting with a jack pot when he came back to the table and made his talk. I had an ace, three kings and a queen before the draw. I discarded the ace and queen and caught another king. The other fellows had good hands and they kept raising me and tried to bluff me out. If we quit the game I would have no show for that jackpot and I stayed with them. Now, I want to know what you would have done under the circumstances?' 'Do!' exclaimed Smelser, 'I would have stayed and stayed forever. Why in the world didn't you produce that evidence in court?' "

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"There is no business so dangerous as that of the aeronaut and yet it is seldom that one is met with who is willing to admit that he considers his vocation more dangerous than a dozen others he can mention," said a gentleman at the Fifth Avenue, who was for several years conencted with the show business. "I was talking with a balloonist who was connected with the same show that I was traveling with one day as we were standing on a depot platform waiting for a train. A freight train passed and a brakeman was running along on the top of the box cars. 'I never see these men taking that terrible risk without shivering,' said the aeronaut. 'I consider that thetrs is the most dangerous business in the world. How they manage to keep their feet is something I can't understand.' This same man had made hundreds of ascensions and had never had an accident and I suppose he really thought his business was not dangerous. At any rate, he talked that way and his actions proved his statements. One time he was making an ascension in a town in Ohio and he was with this same show. The ascension was made in the morning from a vacant lot a short distance from the show grounds and nearby was a church. When the ropes were released the balloon did not rise very high but drifted towards the church and it looked as though the areonaut would strike the steeple, as he was going straight for it. As the balloon drifted it raised and he came in contact with the top of the steeple. He told me afterward that he could have avoided it by swinging a little, but it presented a good opportunity to create a sensation, and, as no good showman will allow such an opportunity to slip, he threw his arm around the steeple and let go of the bar to which he was swinging. There was a cross piece at the top of the steeple and he got his legs over that and had a very comfortable seat. He always carried a ball of heavy silk thred for just such emergencies and was not in the least worried about getting down. Of course he yelled and motioned and made all sorts of demonstrations for help, but that was done for effect and in a short time there was an enormous crowd collected around the church. The people were excited and expected to see him lose his hold and fall to the ground. No one could devise a way of helping him down from his perch, although the suggestions that were made would fill a book. The minister, who presided at the church, was among the crowd of spectators, and suddenly he mounted the steps, held up his hands and the crowd stood in silence while he prayed. The man on the steeple could not see the preacher, but he noticed the silence and saw the men in the crowd bare their heads and suspected what was taking place. He thought the thing had gone far enough, so he lowered his silk and a showman who was waiting promptly tied it to a rope, which he pulled up and fastened. It was the work of a minute to descend by the rope. When he alighted he thanked the people for their interest in his welfare and started for his balloon, which had dropped to the earth a short distance from the grounds."

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher.

MAY BE DEFERRED.

City Housewarming to Give Way to Municipal League.

The city of Topeka, or rather, the city officers of Topeka will entertain the Municipal League in December, and for this reason the house-warming with which it was intended to dedicate the new city offices may be postponed, though there is no reason it should be.

The Municipal League is composed of the city officers of the cities of the first class in Kansas, and the membership also includes the county officers of the counties in which the cities are located. The county officers take very little interest, however, but the city officers attend the meetings and take a great deal of interest. The last meeting of the League was in Kansas City and at that meeting it was decided to hold the next meeting in Topeka, the officers of this city having promised to have a suitable hall in which to receive them.

The object of the organization is to urge laws that will benefit the cities. A committee will be appointed by Mayor Drew, who is the president of the League, and this committee will meet here before the regular meeting of the League. They will recommend such legislation as they think is needed and the League will use its influence with the legislature to secure its passage.

One question that is interesting the cities is regarding parks, as they all have little strips of land that should be beautified, but under the present laws they are restricted in appropriating money for that purpose. Another question is the cutting of weeds by the city. Mayor Ross of Wichita, is anxious to have the legislature pass a law which will allow the city to charge the expense of cutting weeds along the street to the owners of the property in front of which the weeds are allowed to grow. At present the city has to pay for this. There are a great many other matters which will come before the meeting.

FROZE TO DEATH.

"King of Poles" Loses His Life in His Own Ice House.

Chicago, Aug. 27.—A special to the Tribune from Detroit, Mich., says:

Joseph Kronke, a butcher in the Polish district, known as the "king of Poles," a power in local politics, was accidentally killed in his ice house at the rear of his store. Accompanied by an employe, Frank Haas, Kronke went into the ice house early this morning. They had barely begun to chop when huge chunks of ice came tumbling down upon them. The floor gave way and the two were thrown into the space below. Haas, who is slim, managed to squeeze out between the ice blocks after an hour's exertion, but he was chilled and numbed with the cold. Rescuers worked for two hours before Kronke's body was taken out. There were no external marks of injury, and it is believed he froze to death.

A GREAT TEMPLE.

Eclipsing All Others to Be Built in Chicago.

Chicago, Aug. 27.—A temple that will rival any other in the world is to be built in Chicago if plans now under consideration by the various Methodist church officials in this city are matured and executed. The edifice will be the home of the consolidated churches under institutional rule, and, if reports prove correct, the presiding ecclesiastic will be Dr. Camden M. Cobern, of Denver.

Dr. Cobern, who is pastor of Trinity church in the Colorado city, was interviewed in Denver, but would say nothing beyond asserting that the matter had not reached a point where he could talk. Presiding Elder Jackson said:

"I will not say that Dr. Cobern has been approached in regard to the institutional church pastorate. I can say little about the plan. At present we are somewhat in the dark as regards what we can do. We have too much money to obtain to talk now."

EXPORT COAL

The Basis of Organization of a New Steamship Line.

New oYrk, Aug. 27.—H. S. Fleming, secretary of the Anthracite Coal Operators' association, will sail today for Europe. Mr. Fleming made a tour of Europe two years ago to investigate the possibilities of increasing the export anthracite coal business of the United States. It is understood the present trip is to arrange additional facilities for carrying both anthracite and bituminous coal across the ocean and for handling it when it arrives at the various Mediterranean ports. There is reason to believe that the organization of a new transportation company is contemplated for the express purpose of carrying large quantities of coal to Europe.

Mr. Fleming, it is understood, has secured bids for the construction and equipment of new ocean-going steamships of large capacity, both from American shipbuilding companies and from companies in England, Belgium and Norway.

TO ABOLISH TRAIN BOYS.

Lehigh Valley Road Will No Longer Carry Peanut Venders.

New York, Aug. 27.—Passengers on Lehigh Valley trains will not be able to purchase newspapers, fruit, candy, etc., on trains after September 1, as it has been decided to abolish the custom of carrying newsboys on trains. Many complaints have been made about the manner in which the boys peddle their goods, and it is believed that they are more of a nuisance than an advantage to passengers.

BURLINGTON ROUTE.

New Through Train to Portland and Puget Sound.

"The Burlington-Northern Pacific Express," a new daily through train from Grand Island for Northwest Nebraska, Black Hills, Wyoming, Montana, Washington, Tacoma, Seattle, Puget Sound and Portland, Oregon, via Billings, Montana—the short line and time saver to the Upper Northwest. To Central Montana in 34 hours; to the Puget Sound in 61 hours from the Missouri river. Through coaches and chair cars, through tourist sleepers, through dining car service and standard sleepers. This is the main traveled road Missouri river to the Northwest.

Number 15, Kansas City and St. Joseph to Nebraska, Denver, Colorado, Utah, Pacific Coast and the Northwest, Montana, Washington, Oregon, via Lincoln and Billings. Weekly California excursions.

Number 23, "Nebraska-Colorado Express," from Hastings for Nebraska, Colorado, Utah, and Pacific Coast.

To the East: Chicago and St. Louis, greatly improved trains in time and equipment.

To the North: Best trains daily to Omaha, St. Paul, Minneapolis and the Lake region. J. C. BRAMHALL, T. P. A., 823 Main St., Kansas City, Mo.
L. W. WAKELEY, Gen'l Passenger Agent, St. Louis, Mo.
HOWARD ELLIOTT, Gen'l Manager, St. Joseph, Mo.

Mr. C. G. Sholes, superintendent of telegraph of the Santa Fe, left this afternoon for a trip over the Santa Fe lines as far west as Albuquerque.

SHOE MAN HERE.

S. Webber is Looking for a Location for a Factory.

Mr. S. Webber of Menominee, Michigan, is in the city today. Mr. Webber is the maker of the Webber shoes.

Mr. Webber is visiting a number of western cities in the hope of finding a location where a plant for the manufacture of the shoes may be erected. Among the cities he has in mind are Sioux City, Omaha, St. Joseph, Kansas City, Topeka and Ottumwa, Ia.

Two-thirds of the trade which this shoe firm has is in the states of Kansas, Nebraska and Missouri. The plant which supplies this trade is in Menominee, Mich., and the enormous freight rates charged on shipments of goods to the customers in this section of the country makes it advisable to establish a factory in the center of the trade territory.

Mr. Webber wants no bonus to locate. He makes the following proposition: Let a company of Topeka men incorporate and either rent or build a plant and Mr. Webber will give them the privilege of making the Webber seamless shoe and he will make his money by taking a certain percent of the profits.

Mr. Webber states that the trade which would accrue to a factory in this section of the country would keep a plant with a capacity of 600 pairs of shoes daily, busy. A plant of this size would employ about 120 men with a weekly pay roll of about $1,000.

Mr. Webber has been in correspondence with Major Anderson in regard to the matter, but owing to Mr. Anderson's absence from the city this week he took the matter up with D. J. Greenwald and P. I. Bonebrake.

They were in consultation together about this matter the greater part of the day. It is stated that it is quite likely that the Commercial club will interest itself in the affair and that a company will be formed to carry out Mr. Webber's plans. Two weeks' time is given to decide the question.

A Lyndon man after reading the announcement in the State Journal that this move was about to be made immediately telegraphed Mr. Webber that Lyndon would like to secure the plant and that they could probably raise a bonus sufficient to induce him to locate there.

BABY LUND TO STAY

Will Be Seen in Topeka Three Nights More.

The Falk & Veronee company will continue its engagement at the Crawford until Wednesday night of this week. The company did not have this week booked, and Manager Crawford induced the management to fill Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday nights. Tonight "In Mizzouri" will be put on for the second time, and several new specialties will be introduced by Baby Lund and others. The rule governing the admittance of ladies free when accompanied by persons holding paid 30 cent tickets will not hold good tonight as it did on the opening of the company's engagement here a week ago.

A good audience saw the company in "Wicked London" at the Crawford theater Saturday night. The performance was a disappointment compared with the previous performances of the company. Mr. H. W. Mitchell was ill, and unfortunately gave the audience the impression that he was intoxicated. The performance of "Little Lord Fauntleroy" Saturday afternoon presented the best work the company has done so far in this city. It gave Baby Lund the opportunity to demonstrate her wonderful versatility.

John A. West deserves especial mention, for his specialty is much above the average given by so-called monologue artists. His specialty is worth seeing. Mr. Jules Kusel is also an excellent entertainer.

Following the engagement of the Falk & Veronee organization, "The Hottest Coon in Dixie" will be at the Crawford theater for a matinee and evening performance Saturday.

POUNDED HER FACE.

Charles Lawson's Ungentlemanly Conduct Got Him Into Trouble.

The case against Charles Lawson was set for trial in the city court this afternoon.

Clara Vansclever was the complaining witness. During a night that Lawson was painting the town a crimson hue he stopped at the woman's place and according to her story and the looks of her face he treated her in a very ungentlemanly manner. She had him arrested on the charge of assault. This morning Lawson had the Vansclever woman arrested by the police on the charge of selling liquor. She denied the charge but said that Lawson's brother was guilty of selling liquor.

Iron Ore Handlers Strike.

Cleveland, O., Aug. 27.—All of the iron ore handlers, employed on the Erie railway docks in this city, about 600 in number, went on strike today as a result of the refusal of the owners of the steamer Simon J. Murphy to allow a claim for extra compensations for unloading a wet cargo of ore. At a meeting of the ore handlers today it was decided that if a settlement was not promptly reached at the Erie, a strike would be ordered on the Cleveland & Pittsburg railway docks. Should this be done about 1,400 men in all would become affected by the movement.

Only as King of Sardinia.

New York, Aug. 25.—A special cable dispatch to the Journal from Rome says a circular note from the vatican has been sent to all Catholic governments declaring that the pope renounces none of the papal rights over the Rome provinces and that until Italy recognizes the Holy See the pope will recognize the new king only as king of Sardinia.

Shot While Picking Plums.

Omaha, Neb., Aug. 27.—Miss Zellinski, aged 18, daughter of Jacob Zellinski, of Ashton, Neb., was instantly killed yesterday while picking plums in a thicket by John Schroll, a lad of 18 years who saw something moving in the bushes and fired, striking her in the heart. He surrendered to the sheriff.

Paying Price, McCormick & Co. Debts

New York, Aug. 27.—The Metropolitan Trust company began paying a dividend of 50 per cent in cash today on behalf of the readjustment committee to all of creditors of Price, McCormick & Co., who have filed their claims. The first dividend to be paid by the trust company will be in excess of one million dollars.

Burton Man Named.

The Republican primaries in Gove county resulted in the nomination of J. F. Jones, a Burton man. Mr. Jones had a majority of four votes over the Baker candidate. Mr. Jones lives at Grinnell. The primaries were held Saturday, but reports of the complete returns were not received until today.

ROCK ISLAND ROUTE.

Denver, Colorado Springs and Pueblo $19.00 for the Round Trip.

Tickets on sale August 21, September 4 and 18, final return limit October 31

HE BRANCHED OUT.

Topeka Boy in Europe Who Did Not Follow the Beaten Path.

Frank Forbes, the Topeka boy who has just returned from Europe did not follow the usual plan of the tourist. He did France on his bicycle and stopped at out of the way places never heard of in guide books. He was nearly arrested in Germany as a suspicious character, almost mobbed in Italy because he refused to be held up by a cab man and stopped at farm houses where an American was a greater curiosity than an elephant.

Mr. Forbes secured 350 photographs, the films of which are now undergoing development. He had a most enjoyable time for three months and is now able to write a book on the subject, "How to Spend Three Months in Europe for $500."

He was accompanied by Wm. Reynolds of Clay Center.

TORNADO AT SEDALIA.

Three Brick Bnildings Blown Down and Opera House Unroofed.

St. Louis, Aug. 27.—A special to the Post Dispatch from Sedalia, Mo., says:

A storm bordering closely on a tornado, raged here at noon today. Three brick buildings on Main street were blown down, Woods' opera house was practically unroofed and dozens of smaller buildings damaged.

Thousands of shade trees were broken and torn up by the roots. Street car traffic was suspended and telegraphic and telephone comunication was interfered with. There was a terrific fall of rain and the water in some of the streets ran up to the door steps of a number of residences. There were but few accidents.

HAS AMERICAN MONEY.

Nearly All Porto Rican Silver Has Been Exchanged.

Washington, Aug. 27.—Mr. James A. Sample, chief of the division office, treasury department, who was one of the special agents sent to Porto Rico by the secretary to make the exchange of United States money for Porto Rican silver coin has returned to the city and reports that of the original sum of $6,000,000 in Porto Rican silver supposed to have been in circulation on the island all but about $700,000 has been exchanged and arrangements have been perfected by which facilities for the exchange will continue for an indefinite period. In an interview today, Mr. Sample said that business through the island was fairly prosperous with good porspects for the future. The sugar cane crop is said to be very good, and the coffee crop above the average.

ON TENTED FIELD

Five Thousand Pythian Knights Sleep at Milwaukee.

Detroit, Mich., Aug. 27.—"Camp Pingree," as the Knights of Pythias military camp is officially designated was in full swing today, although Major General Carnahan did not take charge officially until evening. Five thousand men slept on the tented field last night and new arrivals were reporting all day. Supreme Chancellor Sample, head of the Pythian order said the attendance, while large, will not be nearly as large as it would have been had not the national G. A. R. encampment at Chicago been held at the same time.

DEATHS AND FUNERALS.

Mrs. Hattie Hyde died August 24, at the home of her oldest son, W. D. McInnes at Allen, Kan. Mrs. J. P. Kelly of 515 Madison street and J. D. McInnes of Kansas City are her children also. Mrs. Kelly has been by her mother's bedside for almost two weeks. Mrs. Hyde was buried beside her second husband at Allen, Kan.

Mrs. Allison W. Shaver, widow of the late William H. Shaver of Newton and mother of William H. Shaver of this city, died suddenly of heart failure at the residence of her son, 131 Buchanan street. The funeral will be tomorrow afternoon at 1:30 o'clock and will be private. The remains will be sent to Troy, New York for burial.

LOCAL MENTION.

George W. Crane is in Chicago on business.

Rev. Palster, of Leavenworth, in the afternoon.

J. F. Meyers has returned from a business trip to Chicago.

Frank Sim went to Enterprise, Dickinson county, this afternoon on a hunting expedition.

Dr. Wetserfield has returned from his vacation, which he spent among the lakes in the north.

General Superintendent Ressiguie of the Santa Fe has returned after a trip over the western lines of the road.

Mr. A. K. Wilson, secretary of the grand lodge of Masons in Kansas, has returned after a business visit in Hill City.

The Bryan and Breidenthal club will meet tomorrow night at 430 Kansas avenue in the Trader' Assembly hall.

The German Lutheran church celebrated the mission feast yesterday. Rev. Vetter, of Atchison, preached in the morning, and

Postmaster Guthrie has notified fourteen patrons of rural free delivery route No. 3 that they must put up better boxes if they expect to receive mail.

Mrs. Thorpe will take sixty children to the North side tomorrow night, where they will have a watermelon social. The Epworth League furnishes the melons.

Will Damm, a young man who started railroading six months ago, as assistant to the Santa Fe agent at Meriden, has been appointed night agent at the Santa Fe junction office in North Topeka.

Special Agent H. J. Ormsby went to Lawrence today where he will establish a free rural delivery route. Tomorrow he will put in a route at Beloit, and for the next two weeks his headquarters will be in Marysville, as that will be closer to the work he has now in hand. Special Agent Olson has gone to Hutchison, where he will remain for a few days investigating applications for routes in the Seventh district.

Baltimore Passes Half Million Mark

Washington, Aug. 27.—The census of Baltimore as bulletined by the census bureau is 508,957, against 434,439 in 890. This is an increase of 74,518, or 17.15 per cent.

COLORADO FLYER.

Via "Great Rock Island Route."

Leaves Topeka 8:10 p. m., arriving Colorado Springs 10:35, Denver 11:00 o'clock next a. m.

Thomas Richards, who was stabbed at Six Mile on August 2 and whose life was despaired of, has been under the care of Dr. E. J. Donnell of Auburn, Kan. He is now making a good recovery.

ANOTHER ROUND UP.

No Rest in Sight for the Weary Jointists.

The jointists are beginning to weary of the continual arrests. They are worried, and worry is what fills the paresis wards in the asylums. They are also angry because the blank bonds have been taken from the police station, and consider that it was a mighty mean trick. It is beginning to appear to them that a "law-abiding jointist" has no rights that the police are bound to respect. Their attorney has a number of bonds, however, which he will keep on hand and he will see that the jointists are put to as little trouble as possible, even if the mayor is determined to make their paths other than the paths of peace. Their attorney is now the only one in police court who strews their pathway with garlands and annoints their wounds with oil, and he is having a sad and lonesome time—but he is paid for it.

The jointist no longer enters the station with a happy face and a light, springy step; his jolly, rollicking voice is now subdued, and a pained expression has assumed control of his features. The joke departments of the joints have been closed out at cost, and everything has a really serious aspect to their erstwhile laughing eyes. Life is real and dead earnest, and a hand with ace high no longer looks like two pair. The cares of life and the disapproval of the police have settled down on the jointist at one and the same time, and the combination is not calculated to make business good.

Several of the jointists are so depressed that they have quit business—it may be for days, and it may be forever, but they have quit. The police who have been out with warrants say that a number of them have quit selling, and even stay away from their former places of business. Chief Ramsey says the work will go on just as the mayor has ordered, and the extra men will be used for joint work. Judge Magaw is kept busy making out warrants, examining bonds, and listening to the wail of the weary jointist as he pleads not guilty.

The list for Saturday evening and today is as follows: Ed Timon, Prince Phillips, H. Kennedy, Wood Fowler, Bob Sheiby, Wm. Finney, Dan Finney, H. Clark, Frank Murphy, Fritz Durien, Bert Russell, Harve Wheeler, Clara Vanskiver, Bob Sheiby and Wood Fowler.

CABLE FROM CHAFFEE.

Telling of Fight With Boxers Near Tien Tsin.

Washington, Aug. 27.—The following dispatch from General Chaffee has been received at the war department:

"Taku, Aug. 27.—Adjutant General, Washington: Colonel Wint on the 19th reports marched at 4 a. m. and engaged large force of enemy seven miles from city; dispersed them, killing about 100. Americans lost five wounded. Will cable names wounded as soon as ascertained. CHAFFEE."

Colonel Wint is lieutenant colonel of the Sixth cavalry, but is acting as colonel in the absence of Colonel Sumner, who is in Europe. The fight probably occurred near Tien Tsin as the Sixth cavalry was at that place at the time mentioned.

CHEROKEES WILL ENROLL.

But They Want it Understood That They Oppose the Curtis Bill.

Vinita, I. T., Aug. 27.—The full-blood Cherokees have held a meeting at their meeting grounds near Tahlequah and have decided to be enrolled by the Dawes commission, with the understanding that by so doing they will not be understood as accepting any of the terms of the Curtis bill, but desire it to be understood that they are unalterably opposed to the Curtis bill.

It is expected that the full bloods will not present themselves at the various appointments of the commission for enrollment.

THE SUSPICIOUS BOER.

[From The Cornhill.]

There was a forty-eight hours' armistice to allow the hospital and women and children to be removed from Ladysmith to Intombi. In the afternoon General Louis Botha, returning from a council of war, at the Hoofd lagger, called me aside and told me that some questions about Red Cross men had been mooted, and he asked me whether I was quite sure that all my men were keeping neutral. I replied that I was certain they were, for though they were all British subjects, they knew too well the risk they ran to behave in any way improperly. He then said that a spy had been arrested at the Hoofd lager attached to one of the ambulances, wearing a red cross, and warned me to be careful. Further, a complaint had been made and affidavits read that certain doctors were using poison to dress the wounded burghers with, and refused them food. I replied by taking him into the surgery and showing him the bottles of perchloride and carbolic acid, used for antiseptic lotions, and marked "poison," and I explained to him the manner in which they were used. He laughed and said he understood, but many burghers would not, and advised me to keep the bottles out of sight.

Another Grand Army.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Aug. 27.—The United States volunteer association, the membership of which is expected to exceed 200,000, was formed here today with Colonel Richard Henry Savage of New York, who commanded the battalion of engineers in the Cuban campaign as president. The objects of this association are identical with those of Spanish war orders. The association will be strictly non-pastisan, non-sectional and non-sectarian.

Gen. Miles Enroute to Chicago.

Mansfield, O., Aug. 27.—Lieutenant General and Mrs. Nelson A. Miles and the general's aide de camp, arrived here at noon today and will be guests of ex-Secretary Sherman until Tuesday, when they will leave for Chicago, to attend the G. A. R. annual encampment.

Passenger Coach Turns Over.

Butte, Mont., Aug. 27.—A northbound excurison train on the Oregon Short Line jumped the track fifteen miles south of Butte last night. Several persons were injured, but none were killed. One coach loaded with passengers turned completely over.

Bankrupt With No Assets.

New York, Aug. 27.—Matthew C. Kervin, builder, of this city, today filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court with liabilities of $741,613; no assets.

American Coal in London.

London, Aug. 27.—On the coal exchange American coal was offered for sale, but did not affect prices. Apparently no serious competition is apprehended.

Shea Renominated.

Bowling, Ky., Aug. 27.—Representative John S. Rhea was renominated for congress by Third district Democrats today.

Montgomery in Port.

New York, Aug. 27.—The United States cruiser Montgomery arrived here today. She was detached from Admiral Schley's command and sent home. She sailed from St. Thomas, D. W. I., August 22.

"He claims he's been around the pyramids all spring." "Yes; he's been working as helper in a pool room."