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THIS DATE IN HISTORY

February 6.

1777—Great Britain granted letters of marque and reprisal against the United States.
1796—The State of Vermont adopted a constitution.
1891—Alexander Means, fourth president of Emory College, born in Statesville, N. C., died June 5, 1882.
1895—Pennsylvania legislature decided to remove the seat of the State government to Harrisburg.
1825—Rt. Rev. John Connolly, Roman Catholic bishop of New York, died. Born in 1750.
1862—Federal gunboats captured Ft. Henry, on the Tennessee river.
1864—General Sherman with his army set out from Vicksburg, moving south.
1877—Rear Admiral James Alden, U. S. N., died in San Francisco. Born in Portland, Me., March 31, 1819.
1886—Labor riots in Vancouver, Wash.
1895—President Cleveland decided the boundary dispute between Argentina and Brazil in favor of Brazil.

This is the 45th Birthday of George J. Gould.

George J. Gould, capitalist and railroad magnate, was born in New York City February 6, 1864, the oldest son of Jay Gould, the eminent financier. He was educated in private schools and at an early age began his business career as a clerk in a banking house of which his father was a partner. His active interest in railroad affairs dates from 1888 when he became vice president of the Little Rock & Fort Smith Railroad company, of which he became president a few years later. Since the death of his father Mr. Gould has been the head of the family and has looked after the Gould interests in railroad and other properties, including the

Missouri Pacific, Texas & Pacific, International & Great Northern, and St. Louis, Iron Mountain and Southern railroads. The Rio Grande and other prominent western roads also came under his control and he has been one of the dominant factors in the Western Union Telegraph Company and numerous other large corporations.

A Chinaman's Retort.

That some of our customs appear as absurd to people of heathen nations as they seem to us is illustrated by this anecdote.

A custom in connection with Chinese funerals or the placing of effigies on the grave as soon as the mound has been formed. This ceremony had just been completed one day in a San Francisco cemetery when a motor car containing several women drove up. One of the women noticing the food on the grave asked one of the mourners:

"When does the dead man come up and eat these things?"

The young Chinaman thought a moment and then said: "You sometimes gettem some nice flead, and him die, you puttem some nicee pretty fflowah on top side of grave, sabe?"

"Yes, I would strew the grave with many beautiful flowers," the woman replied.

"Well, when do he come up to smell 'em?"

One In; T'other Out.

"It must be very nice," said the caller to the author's wife, "to have your husband at home so much of the time."

"Yes," replied Mrs. Richard Darlington Spriggles. "It gives me a chance to go out."—Harper's Weekly.

No Novelty.

"A novel always ends with the marriage."
"Which is proper. There's nothing novel about the subsequent hunt for a fat and a cook and a job lot of furniture."—Puck.

Helping Him.

"Mr. Chairman," began the man who is unaccustomed to public speaking. "I—er—I—er—I—er—"

"Well," interrupted the chairman kindly, "to err is human."—Washington Herald.

A Wet Blanket.

Peckem—You are not married yet, are you? Youngbach—No, but I'm engaged, and that's as good as being married. Peckem—It's a whole lot better, if only you knew.—London Answers.

SPARING HER NERVES.

A Careful, Considerate Visitor and Her Timid Friend.

The mistakes which were plentifully sprinkled along Mrs. Comer's career were never regretted by any one more than by Mrs. Comer herself. "I used the very best judgment I had," she said, referring to one unfortunate occurrence, "but, as usual, everything went wrong."

"You see, I went to Greenville in the morning with Mrs. Hobart, intending to go on to Nashua, but I changed my mind when the weather turned cool and spent the day with Anna Woods, going home at dusk. I'd forgotten my little bag with my key in it, so I went right over to Mrs. Hobart's."

"She'd gone down the road to Mrs. Cole's, but I found her key behind the left hand blind and went right in."

"The house was dark, but I said to myself, 'I won't light a lamp for fear of scaring her, a timid woman, living all alone, as she does.' So I sat in the dark till I heard her coming up the walk."

"When she found the door was unlocked she gave a kind of a gasp, so I stepped forward and then, long as I had a cold so my voice didn't sound natural and I was afraid 'twould scare her, she being so timid, I put out my hand and laid it on her arm."

"And, if you'll believe me," finished Mrs. Comer plaintively, "she fell right over in a faint and cut her forehead on the edge of the rocking chair, and I thought I'd never bring her to!"

"There's no use trying to be careful with a woman like her."—Youth's Companion.

Milk on a Stick.

In winter time milk goes to the buyer in a chunk instead of a quart, says a Glasgow paper. The people in Siberia buy their milk frozen, and for convenience it is allowed to freeze about a stick, which comes as a handle to carry it by. The milkman leaves one chunk or two chunks, as the case may be, at the houses of his customers. The children in Irkutsk, instead of crying for a drink of milk, cry for a bite of milk. The people in winter time do not say, "Be careful not to spill the milk," but "Be careful not to break the milk." Broken milk is better than spilled milk, though, because there is an opportunity to save the pieces. A quart of frozen milk on a stick is a very formidable weapon in the hand of an angry man or boy, as it is possible to knock a person down with it. Irkutsk people hang their milk on hooks instead of putting it in pans, though, of course, when warm spring weather comes on they have to use the pans or pails as the milk begins to melt and drop down the hooks.

It should be used as a shield for defense rather than as a sword to wound others.—Fuller.

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