

Governors of Illinois



AUGUSTUS C. FRENCH—1846-1853.

Augustus C. French was a close personal and political friend of Stephen A. Douglas. He was born Aug. 1, 1808, at Hill, N. H. After spending a short time at Dartmouth he was admitted to the bar and came to Illinois, settling in Albion. A year later he moved to Paris, Ill., and became governor in 1846. The constitution of 1848, adopted in March, provided a term of four years for all state offices and ordered an election for November, 1848. French, who had been nominated, won an easy victory and served six years as governor. At the expiration of his term he took the chair of professor of law at McKendree college at Lebanon and died there Dec. 4, 1884.

THE NINE HOUR DAY

RAILWAY 'OPERATORS' TIME
CUT THREE HOURS

LAW EFFECTIVE MARCH 4

Local Agent J. M. Harvey, of C. M. & St. P., will take three-hour turn at the key

The law providing for a nine-hour day for railway telegraph operators became effective Wednesday morning of this week.

The station at Hart, west of Genoa, was supplied with three operators the first of the week, three shifts being arranged as follows: 8 a. m. to 4 p. m., 4 p. m. to 12 midnight and 12 midnight to 8 a. m.

At the Genoa station of the C. M. & St. P. John Canavan, who was day man, goes on at 4 a. m. and works until 1 p. m. The agent, J. M. Harvey, then takes the key until 4 p. m. An operator from the Kingston crossing tower then does the trick until 7 p. m. From 7 p. m. to 4 a. m. John Keating, the former night operator, is on duty.

At the crossing tower three operators will be employed. At the Kingston, New Lebanon and all other one man stations there will be no change.

The railway companies have been putting up a cry that it is impossible to secure competent operators to man all the stations according to the provisions of the law. This statement is derided by operators, however, as it is known that the roads have turned down good men who asked for positions.

Business Change

Wm. Leonard has sold his barber shop to F. F. Bassett of Belvidere, the latter taking possession last Monday. Mr. Leonard has not yet decided where he will locate.

Dance Postponed

The leap year party, for which invitations have been sent out by the S. S. Club has been postponed indefinitely. When another date has been fixed notice will be given in these columns.

See the new dress percales at F. W. Olmsted's.

RECKLESS HUNTERS

Cause Genoa Gun Club to Rent Hunting Grounds

On account of juvenile hunters killing and wounding stock it has become absolutely necessary that farmers prohibit hunting on their premises. This action on the part of the farmers has curtailed the privileges of the careful as well as the reckless hunter. To overcome this difficulty an organization, known as the "Genoa Gun Club" has rented several pieces of land in this vicinity for the purpose of having a little unmolested sport in shooting. The club has a notice in another column warning hunters and trespassers to steer clear of the tracts under its control. The club means business, and it seems to be the only recourse for the members.

ELGIN BUTTER MARKET

Prices Decline One Cent From Last Week's Value

Butter prices Monday dropped one cent from those of a week ago. The Elgin Board of Trade declared butter firm at 31 cents. The output of the Elgin district the past week was 437,600 pounds. Former markets:

- Feb. 24, 1908, 32c.
- Mar. 4, 1907, 32c.
- Mar. 5, 1906, 27c.
- Mar. 6, 1905, 30c.

New York prices were quoted steady at 30 cents and the eastern receipts given as 6,165 tubs.

The Hartman Wedding

At the time of going to press last week it was impossible to secure all the details of the Hartman-Botcher wedding. A communication sent in states that "the bride was beautifully dressed in white silk, covered with lace net. The flower girls were Edna May Hartman and Wilma Botcher. Both were dressed in white and carried pink and white carnations. There were 112 guests present, some being from Hinkley, Paw Paw, Aurora, Marengo, Hampshire, Genoa and Champaign. The couple received many beautiful presents. The wedding march was played by F. G. Robinson of Genoa.

IS OUT OF THE RACE

SPEAKER SHURTLEFF WILL NOT BE CANDIDATE

IS LOYAL TO HIS PARTY

Would Give up His Chances Rather than Weaken Strength of Republican Ranks

Hon. E. D. Shurtleff, member of the Illinois assembly and speaker of the house, has formally withdrawn from his candidacy for nomination for governor of Illinois, clearing the way for former Governor Yates, as it is supposed that Judge McEwen of Chicago will also withdraw, leaving the fight for the nomination a clear cut issue between former Governor Yates and Governor Deneen.

The rumor is persistent that Speaker Shurtleff may be a candidate for the United States Senate. If he should be he will start off with the strong support of many members of the lower house of the state legislature, of which he has been the presiding officer.

The announcement of his retirement from the contest was contained in a letter sent to Representative W. W. Gillespie of Savanna, Ill., and to W. E. Rothermel, 191 Oakwood boulevard, Chicago.

In these letters Mr. Shurtleff said it was his judgment that republican success in the election next November is dependent to a considerable degree on the condition that the republican candidate for governor be nominated by a majority vote. The only way to make this a certainty was to restrict the field of candidates to two.

In the letters which explained the speaker's withdrawal he says:

"In July last year, in answer to the request of my friends, of whom you have been of the first, I announced to you that I should be a candidate for the republican nomination for governor of this state. Since that time and recently a great many of the republican leaders in the state, together with a large number of the republican leaders in Cook county, have united with those from the country and requested ex-Gov. Yates to announce himself also as a candidate for the governorship.

"It is my opinion in the coming campaign and under the new direct plurality primary law, it will be impossible for the republican party to elect its candidate for governor unless he shall have back of him a majority of the republicans voting for him in the primary elections. Gov. Deneen will continue to be a candidate. It is, therefore, in the interest of party harmony and the success of the republican party in November, that I deem it wise to withdraw my candidacy, and so long as ex-Gov. Yates is a candidate for the governorship I shall not contend further.

"I thank you for your early, continued and strong support, and to the many other friends throughout the state who have voluntarily and enthusiastically been for me from the beginning. I wish to assure you and them that I deeply appreciate their interest in my behalf and their support."

Republican Caucus

The Republican voters of the town of Genoa are hereby notified that a Republican caucus will be held at the office of Jackman & Son, in the Village of Genoa, on Saturday, March 21, 1908, from 2 to 7 p. m. for the purposes following: To place in nomination one town clerk, one assessor, one collector, one commissioner of highways, one school trustee and three trustees Ney Cemetery, and to transact such other business which may come before the meeting. By Order Republican Town Com.

ABSURD STORIES

Regarding the Smallpox Conditions in Genoa

If all the stories regarding small-pox conditions in Genoa were published it would make a grewsome volume. Persons who have jumped at conclusions have had the city quarantined with any number of cases from five to fifty. Some of our neighbors even surmise that the disease lurks at every street corner and is ready to grasp all that dare appear.

As a matter of fact there are only two houses quarantined, those of Frank Scott and Howard Crawford. In the Scott home the three boys, who had a light attack, are now nearly recovered. Moses Baldwin, Mrs. Scott's father, who was in the house at the time quarantine was established, is now ill with the disease and will suffer most on account of his age. In the Crawford home, Mr. Crawford's daughter, Pearl, has a light attack.

The people who reside in the village and those who reside next door to the quarantined homes are not as hysterical as those who live in distant towns.

A state health official was in Genoa on Monday and made the statement that the authorities have done everything effectively in preventing a spread of the disease.

NEW HOTEL MAN

Mr. Klinger of Creston Takes Possession of Eureka Monday

The Eureka hotel has been leased by Mr. Klinger of Creston, who takes possession of the place next Monday. Mr. Klinger has a distinct advantage over former renters of the Eureka in that he is an expert cook himself and has a family that will overcome the hired help question to a great extent. The owner of the building, G. W. Sowers, has been conducting the business during the past several months, the place giving general satisfaction to both transient and regular boarders.

Adjudged Insane

Edson Pierce, of DeKalb, was adjudged insane in the county court by a jury Tuesday morning.

Mr. Pierce is 57 years old. For several years he has tended gates for the Northwestern railroad company in DeKalb. His present condition came upon him about a month ago. At first he feared he was being sought to be killed. Now he is of a religious turn of mind and spends the night in prayer instead of sleep.

Mr. Pierce was oblivious to the proceedings and did not respond to questions of the court except to say that he knew he was in Sycamore. His wife, son and Dr. Everett gave testimony. He was committed to the asylum at Elgin.—True Republican.

Died from Exposure

Melvin Bennett, a young man 31 years of age, was found dead about a mile west of Cortland, early Monday morning. At the inquest into the death conducted in the afternoon by Coroner J. D. Morris it was learned the young man had started afoot from DeKalb to his home in Cortland, Sunday evening, and having sat down on the ground just outside of the railroad right-of-way, fell asleep and died from exposure. He lived at Cortland with his mother and stepfather, N. W. Simpson. The coroner impaneled as a jury E. E. Badger, A. D. Bennett, Joseph Neuman, H. W. Smith, M. C. Snow and Stephen Abraham.—True Republican.

SUICIDE AT PINGREE

LIQUOR HABIT CAUSES DEPENDENCY AFTER DEBAUCH

JOHN LOGAN USES SHOT GUN

Gripping Muzzle Between Teeth He Pulls Both Triggers—Was Popular Man

Despondent over his inability to overcome the liquor habit and while in a state of nervous collapse following a debauch John W. Logan shot himself through the mouth with a double barreled shot gun at his home in Pingree Grove last Friday morning. The deed was committed after he had repeatedly threatened his own and the lives of members of his family.

John W. Logan was one of the most prominent of the retired farmers of the little village. He acted as justice of the peace, constable, thistle commissioner and member of the district school board.

"I'd rather be dead than in the condition I am in," the suicide told Charles Baxter, a resident of the village, a few days ago.

When seen early Friday morning by neighbors, Logan was cleaning his shotgun and as he was an ardent hunter no notice was taken of him. About 9 o'clock he went to the rear of his barn and there he was found by his wife a half hour later.

In ending his life Logan wrapped the gun in a blanket to smother the report. He attached a piece of spring to both triggers and, gripping the muzzles between his teeth, discharged the weapon. The greater portion of his head was blown off.

Wondering why her husband had left without his hat, Mrs. Logan went to the barn and there found him.

FIRST THUNDER STORM

Comes Saturday Evening With Temperature at Freezing

And there was many a slip. February went out and March came in in the manner suitable to the weather prophets who stand by the old saying regarding March, for the latter month came in in a vigorous, healthy condition.

Altho the temperature was at the freezing point Saturday evening there was a short display of fire works accompanied by real April thunder and a drizzling rain. As the water struck the earth, side walks and trees it froze. The trees presented a beautiful appearance in their crystal dress. Many persons who first stepped out upon the sidewalks actually sat down that they might gaze up and view the beauties of nature, and some sat real hard. During the early part of the morning skating was good most any place, every exposed article having a heavy coating of ice.

Woodmen Say No Increase

The statement which has been going the rounds of the press to the effect that the rates of the Woodmen might be raised in the not distant future is derided by members of the order, who say that no such action is likely to be taken, and refuse to believe that there is anything in the story. One of them says: "The present rate has been running now about four years, and as there has never been in that time a call for more than nine assessments per year, the M. W. A. would certainly not talk such stuff at present, at least while the membership is increasing every day. With \$3,000,000 in the treasury and able to start out the new year with no assessment for January, there is no one demanding a change."

AN OLD PETITION

Found Among a Lot of Musty and Forgotten Papers

Among a lot of musty and almost forgotten papers which were recently brought to light and are now on the editor's desk are a number of petitions, signed by the old settlers many of whom are gone.

In 1875 a petition was sent to the board of supervisors asking that W. Laird be permitted to sell beer in Genoa. This brought forth many counter petitions of which five or six are before us.

Another petition regarding a grist mill and dated March 29, 1876, reads as follows:

"We the undersigned inhabitants of the Village of Genoa of DeKalb County, Illinois, and vicinity, do each agree to pay to Julius Chapman Esq., the sum set opposite our respective names. "In consideration of which the said Julius Chapman does build within the present year a first class, three run" steam grist and flouring mill, costing not less than ten thousand dollars, within one hundred rods of the present depot in the Village of Genoa in said DeKalb County, on the line of the Chicago & Pacific railroad. This subscription to be paid on completion of said mill."

GENOA WINS BOTH

Belvidere High School Basketball Teams are Defeated

The first and second teams of the Genoa Athletic Association and Belvidere high school met at Crawford's hall last Saturday evening, and when the smoke of battle had cleared away the score board showed these figures: First teams—Genoa 36, Belvidere 29; second teams—Genoa 41, Belvidere 28.

They were both interesting games. The local teams are showing a marked improvement with every appearance and are deserving of good patronage.

Ground Hog and Crow Bounties

Donald Aves of Kingston collected bounty, \$1.00, on four ground hogs at the county clerk's office last week. Including that item the clerk has paid out under this head \$300 since September. This represents 1200 animals. On crows, the bounty on which is ten cents each, the clerk has paid out since last fall \$83.20. Harrison Sawyer was the last to apply for crow bounty, bringing in 22 heads. On a previous occasion he collected \$7.30. Ed. Baie presented the greatest number 132, at one time. B. A. Wyman was paid \$5.80, representing 58 birds.—True Republican

Grand Jury Reports on Jail

The grand jury visited the jail in a body, as prescribed by law, and made the following report of their investigation:

"We find that Sheriff Hohm is keeping the jail in a clean, sanitary condition, and caring for prisoners as well as he can with present accommodations.

"We find the jail does not comply with the law and would recommend to the present Board of Supervisors or their successors, that when, in their discretion, it is expedient to do so, that they proceed to erect a modern jail."

Hunters, Take Notice

The undersigned having rented the Tompson farm known as the Teeple farm will prosecute all hunters and trespassers, hunting or walking thereon. Dated at Genoa, Illinois, March 2, 1908.

GENOA GUN CLUB

Go to Olmsted's for your dress goods.

OF GENERAL INTEREST

ITEMS STOLEN FROM COLUMNS OF EXCHANGES

REFUSE PASTOR'S SALARY

Forty Young Women of East St. Louis Refuse to Contribute Because of Remarks of Pastor

Woodstock will put in a sewerage system to cost upwards of \$75,000.

The Elgin Watch factory is now running only four days in the week, the reduction in working time having been made last Friday.

Jacob Haish believes that DeKalb will have a prosperous year industrially. He is getting more orders for wire than he did a year ago.

Oscar Berg has been appointed supervisor to fill out the unexpired term of S. M. Sanderson, deceased, in Milan.—Shabbona Express.

Death has claimed another of Hampshire's old and respected citizens. William Shatters, Sr., died at his home in Hampshire February 23 at the age of 79 years.

An Italian arrested at Janesville for getting drunk and firing a revolver in the streets smiled wisely and triumphantly produced a hunting license as authority for him to do so.

Last Monday morning Stephen Rogers of Sandwich poured a quantity of kerosene into the furnace to lighten up the almost dead fire. Something happened! Mr. Rogers is now minus his beard, mustache and eye brows. However he has added to his store of knowledge.

Forty young women of the First Baptist church, East St. Louis, have refused to contribute to the salary of their new pastor, the Rev. Liston D. Bass, because of his statement that it is not proper for girls to work in offices or public places where they are brought into contact with men and that the bride should go to the altar unknissed.

One of the strangest occurrences on record took place at the home of James Derezy, county agent of Grundy county, when a valuable Jersey cow got its tongue bitten off by a horse. Such a spirit of revenge never before has been exhibited by a dumb brute, and nothing similar to it has ever been recorded, says the Morris Herald.

There is much excitement in Catholic circles at Taylorville as a result of an attack upon the unmarried members of the church by Father Merscher, in his sermon Sunday. The priest declared that although there were more than 400 "eligible" ones in his flock only four marriages took place in the parish during the year 1907. Only one of these marriages was a strictly Catholic mating, one or the other of the parties in the other alliances have been brought up outside the pale of the church. Father Merscher scored his parishioners for the condition of things and expressed the hope that all of his members of marriageable age would tie up during the coming year.

Marengo-Harvard Electric Road

Work on the Marengo-Harvard electric line in the way of bridge building is being carried on at the Marengo end of the line. A. T. Browne, who was instrumental in getting this road started, said everything that possibly could be done this winter is being carried on and that when spring opened up matters would be rushed with the end in view of having the road ready for use as soon as possible.

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GENOA, ILLINOIS.

Old Maidhood.

Old maidhood, like fever, is a thing which seizes those who are too weak to resist it. Who are the most likely victims? Certainly one is the girl who has been too much a girl, and too little a woman.

Romance must retire before the progress of the age. The municipal government of Venice proposes to adopt an extensive system of illuminating the canals with powerful incandescent gas lamps.

Canada is doing a great deal to help its farmers. The latest scheme is to advance \$4,000,000 to those in the provinces of Alberta and Saskatchewan whose crops were a failure last year and who are therefore crippled in facing the needs of another season.

A transportation question that has been agitated in Ceylon for a long while, and that is now being brought actively to the front again, is that of connecting Ceylon to India by a railroad across Adams Bridge and the shallow bodies of water lying between Rameswaram and Tallaimannar at the northern end of the island.

A million dollar church edifice is not considered anything extravagant nowadays in New York. The new St. Thomas Episcopal church, which is to cost not less than that amount, is reckoned by the vestrymen a modest undertaking.

The German emperor has entered upon his fiftieth year, but is evidently, as far as feeling and activity go, still a young man.

New York is mourning the death of its largest lobster, which it is claimed was always kept in the aquarium. This is certainly a pretty good place for lobsters, but there is a very large class which do not approve of water at all.

HOMELESS URGHNS

HOW THEY ARE CARED FOR BY THE STATE.

APPROPRIATIONS TOO SMALL

Excellent Work Accomplished by This Comparatively New Department of the State Government.

Springfield, March 9.—In an office on the second floor of the state house is the department to which is confided the protection of the homeless children of Illinois.

For two years the department for the visitation of children has been organizing and perfecting its system. When it began its work there was no centralized record of the 4,000 children who had been placed in homes by the home finding societies and other agencies in the state.

The department frequently has special cases called to its attention. Demands for instant removal of children are made and often the prosecution of some individual for cruelty or a crime against a child is sought.

Work Steadily Increases. The work of the department steadily is broadening. The law creating the department was passed by the forty-fourth general assembly with the support of Gov. Deneen.

Impossible to Visit All. From these funds must be paid the salaries of the state agent, two home visitors, all office expenses and the traveling expenses of the state agent and the visitors while in the field.

Institutions Must Report. Institutions throughout the state are required to send a quarterly report to the department for visitation of children, showing all placements of children during that quarter, setting forth a general history of the child so placed, all deaths, all who have been returned to the institution, or released for other reasons, or whatever changes may have taken place in the meantime.

Whatever a home visitor finds in a home is reported to the department with the condition of the child at the time he visited it. A duplicate of this report is sent to the institution or society which placed the child. If that report be unsatisfactory a request is made by the state agent for the removal of the child from the home and if necessary the attention of the society is directed to the clause in the statute giving the state agent authority to make this request.

If said association, institution or individual shall not take suitable action in the case within 15 days the said state board of charities may cause said child to be removed from the home in which it had been placed and may return the child to said association, institution or individual or to the circuit or county court in the county from which said child was originally

received; and the actual and necessary expense of such removal shall be paid by the agency that originally placed such child.

Action of this character seldom has been found necessary by the department as the institution and societies usually are ready and often anxious to remove children when they have been unfortunately placed.

Besides the inspection work related above the department which is under the general supervision of the state board of public charities is required to make an inspection of institutions containing children. This is done to ascertain if institutions are conforming with the requirements of the law. If such be found to be the case a written recommendation is placed on file and a certificate is issued to the institution.

The department is required to make an inspection of institutions before certificates may be renewed and must make an investigation of domestic applications for charter. Foreign corporations or individuals may place children in this state but not until after a good and sufficient bond has been filed as guarantee that such foreign ward shall not become dependent upon this state.

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OUR EVER OPEN DOOR.



ANDREW HAMILTON CALLED SUDDENLY

FORMER INSURANCE LAWYER DIES AT HIS HOME IN CITY OF ALBANY, N. Y.

Death of Once-Famous Counsel Comes on Heels of That of His Wife—Known for His Part in New York Risk Investigation.

Albany, N. Y., Mar. 2.—Andrew Hamilton, formerly counsel to the New York Life and other insurance companies, and in charge for many years of insurance litigation and legislative matters in all parts of this country and Canada, was found dead in bed Sunday at his home in this city.

He was about the city the day and night before, apparently in normal health, and his death was entirely unexpected, although he has been failing to some extent ever since the death of Mrs. Hamilton. An autopsy Sunday afternoon disclosed an acute dilation of the heart, which must have caused practically instantaneous death at some time during the night.

Known as Aid to Probe. Judge Hamilton, who was so-called because he was twice elected judge of the Albany court, was most widely known in a popular way by the connection of his name with disclosures regarding political and legislative matters during the insurance investigation of 1905.

Swiss Landslide Kills 13. Noppen Stein (Switzerland) Avalanche Buries a Hotel. Berne, Switzerland, Mar. 2.—An avalanche descended Sunday near the village Goppenstein. The enormous atmospheric pressure which accompanied it demolished a hotel at the mouth of the Lochschenthal tunnel, killing 13 persons and injuring 15 others.

Ship Ten Hours on Shoals. New York, Mar. 3.—After being tightly wedged for ten hours Monday on the sand keys that furrow the shallow waters off Jones Beach, known as the Graveyard of Long Island coast by mariners, the steamer Coamo of the New York & Porto Rico Steamship company, en route from Porto Rico, was floated Monday night.

Roads Dismiss Employes. St. Louis, Mar. 3.—According to a recapitulation of statements of Missouri railroad officials published here Monday about 10,000 employes in the operating, mechanical and clerical departments have been dismissed recently to offset heavy revenue losses suffered by the roads.

Confesses Attempt to Kill. Oakland, Cal., Mar. 3.—Before the grand jury Monday afternoon, "Baby John" Martin confessed that his mother had planned to kill William J. Dyngne, the millionaire cement manufacturer, but had been balked by his sudden departure for the east at that time.

Charges Embracery of Jury. Harrisburg, Pa., Feb. 29.—Detectives late Friday arrested C. H. Humphries on a charge of embracery of the capitol jury preferred by the commonwealth. Humphries is believed to be a Philadelphia.

ROB A BANK OF \$295,000

AMBASSADOR CREEL'S INSTITUTION IS PILLAGED. Governor of Chihuahua Offers Big Reward for Capture of the Guilty Parties.

El Paso, Tex., Mar. 3.—A telegram received from Chihuahua, Mex., late Monday afternoon says that the Banco de Minero, owned by Ambassador Creel, has been robbed of \$300,000 Mexican money. No persons have been arrested. Officers here, however, have been obtained to watch the border closely. The bank notes taken are in denominations of \$1,000, \$100, \$50 and \$20.

Washington, Mar. 3.—No advices have been received at the Mexican embassy in this city regarding the robbery of the Banco de Minero at Chihuahua, Mex., owned by Ambassador Creel. At the present time Ambassador Creel is in the state of Chihuahua of which he is governor.

NAVAL "ROW" IN AIR

Commander Sims Makes Charges in Criticism Investigation.

Washington, Mar. 3.—Commander William H. Sims, naval aide to President Roosevelt, by his own statement is responsible for the "row" over criticisms of battleship construction. At the outset of his testimony before the senate committee on naval affairs Monday he gave the committee to understand it could expect some sensational. This was done in a preliminary statement outlining what he "had to do with naval criticism," which, he said, began back in 1895 and was confined to official channels.

SLAYS CHILDREN AND SELF.

Mother Kills Three, Fatally Wounds Fourth and Commits Suicide. Baltimore, O., Feb. 29.—Mrs. J. C. Spies, wife of a farmer, three miles west of Basil, Friday killed three of her children, fatally wounded a fourth and then committed suicide. One of the children was drowned in a well and the others were shot and their throats cut. Mrs. Spies took carbolic acid, shot herself and cut her throat. The surviving child, which may die, is a boy five years old and named Alva.

Bradley Wins Toga. Frankfurt, Ky., Feb. 29.—Amid scenes of wildest excitement on the floor of the house of representatives, former Gov. William O'Connell Bradley, Republican candidate, was Friday elected to succeed James H. McCreary in the United States senate for a term of six years, beginning March 4, 1909.

Major's Slayer a Suicide. Berlin, Mar. 3.—A dispatch from Allenstein, east Prussia, says that Capt. Von Goeben, who killed Maj. Von Schoenbeck, a fellow officer, on Christmas night, and has been awaiting court-martial has committed suicide by opening an artery in his neck.

CHIEF ESCAPES IN DEATH PLOT

GEORGE SHIPPY, CHICAGO POLICE HEAD, STABBED BY AN ASSASSIN.

However, Son Is Fatally Shot, But Superintendent Gets Revenge in Killing Supposed Anarchist—Others Believed Threatened.

Chicago, Mar. 3.—What is believed to be a deep-laid plot to wipe out the entire body of officials in charge of the city administration was brought to light Tuesday, following a sensational attack upon Chief of Police George Shippy. Chief of Police Shippy was stabbed in the right side, his son Harry, 19 years old, was fatally shot in the left lung, and his driver, James Foley, was wounded in the right wrist by a desperate assassin who attempted to kill the head of the police department in the front hallway of his home Monday. The assassin was himself killed by the chief, who fired a bullet into his right temple. The assassin is declared to have been an anarchist and leader of a plot aimed at others beside the chief.

Assassin a Russian "Red." The man who attempted to assassinate Chief of Police Shippy, and whom the chief killed, was identified as Lazarus Averbuch, a 20-year-old Russian Jew, who had been in this country only three months. He resided at 218 Washburne avenue with his sister Olga, 25 years old. He had worked a month for W. H. Eichengren & Co., 183 South Water street, a commission house.

Averbuch was an anarchist of a morbid, insane type—a disciple of Emma Goldman, "Queen of the Reds."

Wife Has Narrow Escape. Mrs. Shippy and the chief's daughter, Georgia, 22 years old, were eyewitnesses of the tragedy. The chief's wife narrowly escaped being killed herself in an effort to prevent the assassin from drawing his revolver. Harry Shippy was rushed to the Augstana hospital, where his condition was said to be precarious. He was operated on immediately, but physicians despaired of saving his life, as he was just recovering from an attack of grip.

Assassin Called Several Times. The supposed anarchist called at the chief's residence an hour before the shooting and was denied admittance by a domestic, Theresa Tauber. He also called at the chief's home Sunday morning, but Shippy was not home. Mayor Busse admitted after the shooting that he had ejected a man from his office Monday who had acted in a queer manner and persistently demanded to see him, and Assistant Chief Shuettler started to work on the theory that the attempted murder may have been a carefully concocted plot on the part of anarchists.

"Red" Dragnet Is Out. A clearing out of anarchists throughout the city was ordered by the police and Mayor Busse, as a result of the tragedy. Two raids were made at once under the direction of Inspector Lavin at 109 Newberry avenue and at West Taylor and Halsted streets. Quantities of anarchist literature were seized.

Inspector Lavin held Edward Beraman, cobbler, 575 West Twelfth street, Tuesday, under suspicion of being implicated with Averbuch. A telephone message from an anarchist to Beraman, saying, "For God's sake get out of town; they're on," overheard by Lieut. Darrow, caused the arrest. Beraman admitted being an anarchist and knowing the assassin of Chief Shippy.

TORPEDO FLOTILLA AT CALLAO.

Battleships Leave and "Mosquito Fleet" Takes Their Place. Callao, Mar. 2.—Soon after the American warships left the American torpedo boat flotilla, which left Callao on February 25, arrived here Sunday.

Washington, Mar. 2.—In a quiet way naval officers in Washington are endeavoring to arrange a most agreeable surprise for Admiral Evans when the battleship fleet under his command sails through the Golden Gate, completing the Pacific cruise. To signalize the appreciation of the government of this undertaking, it is proposed to greet the rear admiral with a commission as vice-admiral of the American navy.

Seven Terrorists Hanged. St. Petersburg, Mar. 2.—The seven terrorists who were condemned to death by a court-martial for complicity in a plot against the lives of Grand Duke Nicholas Nicholasovitch and M. Chtcheglovitoff, minister of justice, and whose sentence was confirmed by Gen. Hazenkamp, chief of the general staff, were hanged at daybreak Sunday at Lissy Noss, opposite Kronstadt.

Carnegie Plans New Endowment. St. Paul, Minn., Mar. 3.—Andrew Carnegie Monday notified Gov. Johnson of a donation of \$32,000 to the endowment fund now being raised for Gustavus Adolphus college at St. Peter, Minn.

Wealthy Grower Slain. Clayton, N. M., Feb. 29.—Cadido Garcia, a wealthy stock grower, was shot and almost instantly killed from ambush. The shooting occurred on the public road.

Professional Cards

C. H. MORDOFF M. D. Office and residence, south side of Main street. Office hours: 1 to 3 p. m., 6:30 to 8 p. m. A. M. HILL, M. D. Office over Witt and Snork's jewelry store. Hours: 6:30 to 8 p. m., 12:30 to 2 p. m. Residence on East Main street. Calls promptly attended to day or night.

DR. T. N. AUSTIN Physician and Surgeon. Office over J. Lemble's store. Office hours: 7:10 a. m., 1 to 2:30 p. m. and 6:30 to 8 p. m. X-ray laboratory in connection. DR. E. A. ROBINSON Physician and Surgeon. Office and residence, corner Main and First Sts. Hours: 10:00 to 12:00 a. m. and 1:00 to 3:00 p. m. Calls promptly attended.

C. A. PATTERSON DENTIST. Office over Exchange Bank. Office hours: 8:30 to 12 a. m., 1 to 5 p. m. G. W. MARKLEY, M. D. KINGSTON, ILL. OFFICE HOURS: 12 to 3 p. m., 6:30 to 8:30 p. m. Calls promptly attended to night and day.

Genoa Lodge No. 288 A. F. & A. M. Meets second and fourth Wednesdays of each month. Geo. J. Patterson, W. M. W. M. Adams, Sec. EVALINE LODGE NUMBER 344 Meets second Tuesdays of each month in Martin Malana, Perfect. Fannie M. Heed, Sec.

INDEPENDENT ORDER OF ODD FELLOWS Meets every Monday evening in I. O. O. F. hall, H. H. SHURTLEFF, N. G. J. W. SOWERS, Sec. Genoa Lodge No. 163 M. W. A. Meets second and fourth Thursdays of each month. Visiting neighbors welcome. J. H. VanDresser, Ven. Consul H. E. Browne, Clerk.

Established in 1882 Exchange Bank of Brown & Brown Genoa, Illinois Does a General Banking business. Sells Foreign and Domestic money orders. Buys mutilated and Foreign currency and coins. Allows interest on time deposits and savings accounts at the rate of 3 per cent per annum. Interest on savings accounts computed every six months. \$1.00 will open a savings account and get you a beautiful pocket Savings Bank. Call and see about it.

COOPER & HALL Are prepared to do MOVING COAL HAULING AND GENERAL DRAYING OF ALL KINDS All orders receive the best of attention, large or small. Our Motto: To Please the Public. Phone 68

PERHAPS it would be just as well to take the regulation March weather. Last year's variation was enough. We would prefer our picnic weather in season.

THE younger Maxine has invented a noiseless gun, it being so constructed that the gases escape slowly, thus producing a slight hissing noise instead of a loud report. We have the smokeless powder and noiseless gun. Now if some genius will invent a non explosive powder, war will lose its terrors and cease to be "hell."

TWELVE jurors in a New York case flipped a coin to decide whether to find for the plaintiff or the defendant. Each juror was fined \$50 for contempt of court and will never again be trusted in any court. It might be a good thing to make public the actions of every jury in deciding cases. Perhaps men have been sent to the gallows on the flip of a coin.

ON Wednesday of this week the DeKalb Advertiser, formerly a weekly, will appear as an evening daily. Since its first appearance ten years ago the Advertiser has been loyal to its promises as a medium for local news. It has always been full of live, interesting matter, given to the readers in a modest, yet spicy manner, without the use of scare heads and yellow streaks. We believe that the publisher, Bailey Rosette, can and will put out a daily that will please the people of DeKalb. He is for DeKalb all the time and is deserving of a full share of the patronage.

WHAT FULLER THINKS Congressman Charles E. Fuller has presented in the lower house a bill to provide for an emergency currency. In presenting this bill he takes a shot at the enemies of the president, by defending the latter's actions before and after the financial troubles. We believe that the following words by Mr. Fuller will be endorsed by a vast majority of his constituents in this district:

"A few months ago, in the high noon of prosperity which all our people were enjoying in a degree never before known in this or any other country in the world, we were almost without warning plunged into a money panic without parallel in the history of the country, in which many banks were forced to close their doors, factories closed or greatly curtailed productions, business enterprises of all kinds were halted, thousands and hundreds of thousands of men found themselves all at once without employment, and are yet idle in consequence. What was the cause?"

"It answers no good purpose to say that any man or any set of men were responsible. I do not for one moment believe that the Chief Executive of this nation, in whom the people of the country trust and believe as never before in any leader, was in any sense whatever responsible for the calamity that came upon us. If teaching the doctrine that "honesty is the best policy," in business, in politics, in all the affairs of the nation; if strict and impartial enforcement of the law against corporations as well as individuals—against the rich as well as the poor, the high as well as the low—causes panic, then it is time that panic should come. This is a government of law, and strict and impartial obedience to the law by all, without distinction as to wealth or position, is necessary to the perpetuity of our free institutions.

"By the overwhelming majority of our people such obedience is

cheerfully and willingly given; and where it is not it is the plain duty of the Executive to see that it is enforced. Thank God there is in the White House a man strong enough, and brave enough, and steadfast enough to insist that the laws shall be enforced and that honesty and decency and fair play shall be known and recognized of all men as the watchwords of the Republic—Theodore Roosevelt is President of the United States; he is the President, as well, of all its people. His policies are being written into the law of the land, and whoever may come after him will, by every force of public opinion, if for no other reason, be compelled to continue such policies to full fruition."

For Collector

I am a candidate for the office of collector for the town of Genoa at the coming spring election and solicit your support.

Respectfully,
CHAS. E. ADAMS

For Assessor

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of assessor for the town of Genoa and solicit the support of friends at the coming primary election.

J. W. SOWERS

For Collector

I hereby announce my candidacy for the office of collector for the town of Genoa and solicit the support of friends at the coming town caucus.

J. G. STOLL 25tf

For Collector

At the urgent request of friends I have decided to become a candidate for collector for the town of Genoa and would appreciate your vote at the coming primary election.

E. J. WHITNEY

For Highway Commissioner

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of highway commissioner for Genoa township at the coming town caucus, and respectfully solicit your support.

JOHN PETERSON

For Highway Commissioner

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of highway commissioner for the town of Genoa and respectfully solicit the support of the voters of Genoa township at the coming spring election.

J. R. FURR 23-tf

Taxes! Taxes!

I will be at the store of Perkins & Rosenfeld every week day to collect taxes. Hours from 8 o'clock a. m. to 4 o'clock p. m. excepting Tuesdays which will be from 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.

E. D. IDE, Collector 19-tf

Great Sale of Fine Horses

At my barns, Kirkland, Illinois, on Saturday, March 7, 1908, I will sell at public auction 60 head of extra good horses, from 4 to 7 years old, all extra well broke and good color. Every horse will be sold with a full guarantee to be as represented. Sale to commence at 1 o'clock sharp. Terms of sale: 8 months time on good bankable notes bearing 7 per cent interest. WM. ABEL

W. H. BELL, auct. 25-2t

Master's Sale

State of Illinois }
County of DeKalb, }
In the Circuit Court thereof, June Term, }
A. D. 1907. }
Lizzie M. Holroyd, }
Complainant }
vs. }
Edgar B. Millard, Mary Millard, }
William H. Millard, Claudia }
Millard, Bernice A. Millard, }
Louise K. Bradford, Fred Bradford, }
Edgar B. Millard, Jr. }
Mary Millard, Naude H. Allen, }
Walter Allen, Ferris A. Millard, }
Ruth Barret, and Charles Barret, }
Defendants. }
Public notice is hereby given that in }
pursuance of a decree made and entered }
by the said Court, in the above entitled }
cause, on the 21st day of August, A. D. 1907, }
and filed in said Court on the 6th day of }
September A. D. 1907, I, Thomas M. Cliffe, }
the Master in Chancery of said Circuit }
Court of DeKalb County, will on Saturday, }
the 4th day of April, A. D. 1908, at the }
hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of said }
day at the front door of the Court House }
in the City of Sycamore, County of DeKalb }
and State of Illinois, sell at Public Auction }
to the highest and best bidder for cash }
all and singular the following described }
premises and real estate in said decree }
mentioned, situated in the County of De- }
Kalb and State of Illinois, or so much }
thereof as shall be sufficient to satisfy }
said decree to-wit: }
Lot nine (9) in Block thirteen (13) in }
Stephen's Second Addition to the Village }
of Genoa, situated in the County of De- }
Kalb and State of Illinois. }
Dated this 29th day of February A. D. }
1908. }
Thomas M. Cliffe, }
Master in Chancery. }
George Brown, }
Solicitor for Complainant. }
H. S. Early, }
Guardian ad litem }
J. B. Stephens, }
Solicitor for Defendants. } 25-14

Here is a Woman Who Has Been a Great Sufferer and in Twelve Treatments Has Been Made a Well and Happy Woman.

To the Public: I wish to state my case for the benefit of others who might be afflicted.

I was suffering for years with stomach, liver and rheumatism. I doctored with so many but found little relief.

One of my neighbors advised me to take treatment of Prof. Leach, and in January, 1903, I began to take treatments of Prof. Leach. After taking twelve treatments I went home and from day to day I gradually grew better and today I feel better than I have for years.

I feel very grateful to Prof. Leach, and I hope he may live long so that he may heal others also. Mrs. Anna Brevick, Kinsman, Ill.

If you are sick and suffering and have tried other forms of treating disease, and have received no benefit, why not try Prof. F. A. Leach, and his science of healing. Hundreds of people that had given up in despair after having doctored for years and received little or no benefit have gone to Prof. Leach and under his treatment are enjoying better health than for years.

It costs you nothing to find out your diseases and whether he can help or cure you. He does not take cases he cannot help or cure. Call at his office and be convinced. Letters of inquiry will receive prompt attention.

Yours truly,
PROF. F. A. LEACH,
Room 2, Spurling Bldg.,
Elgin, Ill. 25-2t



Ladies' Department Newly re-fitted and much enlarged. Devoted to ready-to-wear goods for Ladies, Misses and Children. All sales people are ladies.

New Goods Placed on sale for the first time this week, a large assortment of Ladies' and Misses' Skirts, from the Princess Skirt Co., of New York City. All samples of 1908 makes; and so bought that you can get the garments for what other merchants have to pay. The line consists of fine goods only, prices

\$1.98 \$2.69 \$3.87 Most beautiful Voiles upon the market at

\$5.87 \$6.69 \$7.98

New White Goods Ladies' White Skirts and Petticoats from the Edwards Manfg. Co., of Clinton, Iowa. Full cut and perfectly finished, at

69c 98c \$1.29

Sale of Blankets

Large Grey 12 4 Blankets at \$1.19

The smaller 10 4 size at... 59c

Granite Ware

50 items, at 5 and 10c each in our 5 & 10 Cent Dept.

42 additional items, in same line, at 15, 19, 25 and..... 29c

Prints and Outings

Standard Prints, off the piece per yard..... 6c

Remnants..... 5c

Best Outing Flannels still sell at..... 5c

Misses' Dress Skirts

Sale of 168 garments; no two alike; all samples, which originally sold at \$2 25 and

\$2 50 at wholesale. We offer them, your choice, at each..... \$1.95

Millinery Department

On Monday last our Millinery Department re-opened with new stock and full force of employees. Capable management, increased space, finish and style in work, prices which will commend themselves to careful buyers.

Attention to These Facts

This week special values in Hosiery. Heavy Fleeced Hose, at... 10c

Seamless Stocking Feet, split sole, white or black foot, per pair..... 3c

We sell Royal Blue Rubbers and Selz high grade Shoes. Both we ourselves and the manufacturers guarantee the quality.

6 lbs. Roasted Coffee for... \$1.00

Baking Powder, none better, at..... 10c

Announcement NEXT WEEK as to Ladies', Misses' and Junior Suits. Also New Spring Dress Skirts.

It will be well worth your while to have the FIRST CHOICE of our new spring goods.

Trade \$10.00 and show round trip ticket and we refund your car fare.

Dinner Tickets, Horse Tickets or Introduction Tickets given if you drive.

Justly Indignant.

A new made widow called at the office of an insurance company for the money due on her husband's policy.

The president said, "I am truly sorry, madam, to hear of your loss." "That's always the way with you men," said she. "You are always sorry when a poor woman gets a chance to make a little money."

Eighty Degrees of Frost.

It is difficult for us to form any conception of the degree of cold represented by the 80 degrees of frost recorded from certain parts of Russia. Sir Leopold McClintock tells how in one of his arctic expeditions a sailor was foolish enough to do some outdoor work at precisely this temperature. His hands froze, and when he rushed into the cabin and plunged one of them into a basin of water so cold was the hand that the water was instantly converted into a block of ice. At 25 degrees, Dr. Kane says, "the mustache and under lip form pendulous beads of dangling ice. Put out your tongue and it instantly freezes to this icy crust. Your chin has a trick of freezing to your upper jaw by the kindly aid of your beard. My eyes have often been so glued as to show that even a wink was unsafe."—Dundee Advertiser.

Think Success.

The oftener one gives exercise to any faculty—uses, not abuses, it—the stronger and more flexible it becomes. A Frenchman said once on a time that whenever he wanted a book on a certain subject and could not find it he wrote one. There is a tremendous lesson in that. It means that each of us can find out as much about anything we wish to be informed upon as any other human being in the world if we will only determine to do so. We can achieve and conquer anything another can if we make up our minds to the performance of it and make the determination the law of our life. Success has its laws, the basic principle of which is, "Give your best to get the best." A writer on mental forces says, "Think success and you win success."

Applied Externally.

While staying in the north of England a commercial traveler contracted a severe cold, which obliged him to remain in bed. His landlady, a sympathetic widow, was most attentive and made the sufferer some special onion porridge, which she placed beside him, remarking, "There; that will shift your cold!" Later in the evening the good lady came to inquire how the patient was progressing. "So you've eaten it," she said, picking up the empty porridge dish. "Eaten a poultice!" exclaimed the invalid. "I've—I've got it on my chest!"—London Answers.

The One He Kept.

A young man entered a hat store and asked to see the latest styles in derbies. He was evidently hard to please, for soon the counter was covered with hats that he had tried on and found wanting. At last the salesman picked up a brown derby, brushed it off on his sleeve and extended it admiringly.

"These are being very much worn this season, sir," he said. "Won't you try it on?"

The customer put the hat on and surveyed himself critically in the mirror. "You're sure it's in style?"

"The most fashionable thing we have in the shop, sir. And it suits you to perfection—if the fit's right."

"Yes, it fits very well. So you think I had better have it?"

"I don't think you could do better." "No, I don't think I could. So I guess I won't buy a new one, after all."

The salesman had been boasting the customer's old hat, which had become mixed among the many new ones.

NOTHING LIKE IT

If you want the best and enjoy a flap jack-bacon breakfast, you have not had the best unless it has been our

BACON

AND

BUCKWHEAT

The former is perfection in smoked meat, while the buckwheat comes straight from Pennsylvania and is absolutely pure. We also have the coffee that satisfies. Try it.

T. M. FRAZIER

WE LOSE YOU GAIN ABSOLUTELY AT COST A FEW CLOAKS JOHN LEMBKE ELGIN, ILLINOIS

MARCH SALE OF RUGS AND CARPETS AT PECK'S Our Carpet Room (42x180 feet) is filled with well selected assortments, which (with their prices) should interest all those who have wants in that direction. To stimulate early buying and interest the buying public still more in this department we offer during this sale bargains in Rugs and Carpets that cannot be duplicated. Will mention only a few; stock is too large to mention all. 8 ft. 3 x 10 ft. 6 Axminster Rugs \$18.00 9 ft. x 12 ft. Axminster Rugs \$20.00 8 ft. 3 x 10 ft. 6 Tapestry Brussels Rugs \$12.50 9 ft. x 12 ft. Tapestry Brussels Rugs \$15.00 8 ft. 3 x 10 ft. Velvet Rugs \$18.00 9 ft. x 12 ft. Velvet Rugs \$22.50 8 ft. 3 x 10 ft. 6 Wilton Rugs \$32.50 9 ft. x 12 ft. Wilton Rugs \$35.00 27x54 inches Velvet Rugs \$1.48 27x54 inches Axminster Rugs \$1.95 All Wool Ingrain Carpeting, per yard 62 1/2c Cotton Chain Carpeting, per yard 52 1/2c Tapestry Brussels Carpeting, per yard 70c Axminster Carpetings, per yard \$1.10 SALE NOW IN PROGRESS G. M. PECK ELGIN, ILLINOIS

KINGSTON NEWS

FRED P. SMITH, CORRESPONDENT

F. M. Lentz returned from Springfield last week.

Mrs. B. F. Uplinger was shopping in Chicago on Thursday of last week.

John Lettow was taken seriously ill Thursday night but is some better at this writing.

Miss Winnie Holm of Kirkland called on friends last Friday while returning from Sycamore.

Supervisor D. B. Arbuckle has recovered from his severe illness and has been able to ride to town.

Little Fern Smith celebrated her fourth birthday Sunday at the home of her uncle, Chas. Aurner, and wife.

The M. E. ladies will hold their bazaar, Thursday, March 12. A chicken dinner will be served for 25 cents and supper, 15 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Stuart and George Gilberts spent a few days last week with the former's relatives in DeKalb and Rochelle.

Some of the members of the O. E. S. club went to Sycamore last Saturday where they were entertained by Mrs. L. C. Shaffer.

Don't forget that a rag-ball social will be held in Lanan's hall this Friday evening, March 6. An oyster supper will be served.

George Gilberts who has made his home with E. J. Stuart and wife went to Monmouth Monday morning to remain with his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. George McClelland moved their household effects Tuesday from town to the Sexauer farm where they will be employed by Alfred Sexauer.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Bracken, who were married in Mineral Point, Wisconsin, last week Wednesday, were over Sunday guests at the home of her uncle, R. C. Benson.

William Johnson loaded a car with household effects and farm machinery at Henrietta Monday for Havelock, Iowa, where he will engage in farming. Alfred Sexauer will rent the Sexauer farm.

Miss Stella Brainerd of North Kingston was given a linen shower by the young women and a tin shower by the young men, last Friday evening, at the home of Miss Vera Sandall north of Herbert. Ice cream and cake were served to the company.

The Epworth League social held last Friday was attended by a goodly number of the young people. A fine program was rendered, the Sunday school orchestra playing several numbers. A four course supper was served to which all did ample justice.

For Highway Commissioner

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the office of highway commissioner in the town of Kingston at the coming spring election, and solicit your support.

21-1f C. R. STRONG

For Highway Commissioner

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for re-election to the office of highway commissioner in the town of Kingston and respectfully solicit your support at the coming spring election.

22-1f BERT HOLROYD

A YOUTHFUL HERO.

How Major Croghan Won Fame in the War of 1812.

Only a few names escape oblivion, but Aug. 2, 1813, insured lasting fame for Major George Croghan. Ninety-three years later, on Aug. 2, 1906, the remains of this youthful hero were reinterred on the site of his great victory.

During the war of 1812 Croghan, a handsome, spirited Kentuckian, was sent by General Harrison to take command of a poor little stockade, Fort Stephenson, at Lower Sandusky, now Fremont, O. The place was important only because it guarded the approach to Harrison's headquarters and stores up the Sandusky river.

On the morning of Aug. 1 General Proctor, the British commander, with 500 regulars, veteran troops who had served under Wellington on the peninsula, sailed up the river in gunboats of Commodore Barclay's fleet and landed cannon and howitzers, with which they began to bombard the fort. Meanwhile Tecumseh, with 700 Indians, swarmed through the woods and began the attack from the opposite side. To one of a less sanguine temperament or of less courage than the young commander the situation must have seemed hopeless. But Croghan not only showed confidence himself, but inspired it in those under him.

Croghan had 160 men and one small cannon, which he moved about from place to place to induce the belief that he had several guns. Late in the afternoon of the 2d the enemy made a united assault. So valiantly and effectively was it repulsed that the whole British and Indian force made a precipitate retreat into Canada.

"It will not be the least of General Proctor's mortifications," wrote Harrison, "to know that he has been baffled by a youth who has just passed his twenty-first year. He is, however, a hero worthy of his gallant uncle, General George Rogers Clark."

Croghan himself wrote just before the battle: "The enemy are not far distant. I expect an attack. I will defend this post to the last extremity. I have just sent away the women and children with the sick of the garrison, that I may be able to act without incumbrance. Be satisfied I shall, I hope, do my duty. The example set me by my Revolutionary kindred is before me. Let me die rather than prove unworthy of their name."

The battle of Fort Stephenson was the first really brilliant effort of the war of 1812. General Sherman said it was "the necessary precursor to Perry's victory on the lake and Harrison's triumphant victory at the Thames, which assured to our immediate ancestors the mastery of the great west, and from that day to this the west has been the bulwark of the nation."

For his exploit Croghan was brevetted lieutenant colonel by the president of the United States, and congress awarded him a gold medal.

—Youth's Companion.

BRAWN BEAT STEAM.

Odd Contest in the Early Days of Steam Fire Engines.

In what are sometimes called the halcyon days of the volunteer fire department of New York there was a prejudice against the use of steam power on fire engines. The New York firemen still believed in the work of ready hands and proved their sincerity by challenging an Ohio inventor of a steam fire engine named Latta to a public trial of strength and excellence in the city hall park. The challenge was accepted, and the engine reached New York on Feb. 8, 1855. On the next day in the city hall park in the presence of 20,000 spectators the trial of skill took place. At the request of the common council the Exempt engine company entered the lists with hand engine No. 42, the old "hay wagon," and proceeded to compete with the Latta steam engine.

A match was applied to the kindling wood in the Ohio steam engine, which in eight and a half minutes began to pump and discharge water through two large suction. The "hay wagon" led off by throwing a stream of water toward Beekman street through a one and one-eighth inch nozzle, the steam engine following with a stream in the same direction through a one and five-eighths inch triangular nozzle. When measured, the stream of the former was found to be 189 feet long and that of the latter 182 feet. Again the competing engines played. At a distance of about 200 feet a party of small boys stood in the street tauntingly demanding to be drenched. The Cincinnati engine unsuccessfully endeavored to gratify them, but when the New York engine began to play they fled in the midst of a drenching shower bath. Cincinnati was beaten by fifteen feet.

Then a third trial was ordered. Upon the roof of the city hall 150 feet of hose was hoisted and the pipes pointed upward toward the figure of Justice on the cupola. Pulling themselves together for a last great effort, the New York exempts manned the brakes. For a minute the two streams remained at equal height. Then, amid unbounded applause, the New Yorkers sent their stream clear above that of their contestants and kept it so until the end.

—New York Sun.

Helping Him Out.

Lord S., a noted athlete, once took a journey from the metropolis purposely to challenge a blacksmith whom he found working in an inclosure a little distance from his forge. His lordship tied his horse to a tree and then addressed the blacksmith:

"Friend, I've heard wonderful reports of your skill and have come a long way to see which of us two is the better wrestler."

The blacksmith, without a word, seized his lordship, pitched him over the hedge and then resumed his work.

The nobleman slowly picked himself up.

"Well," said the blacksmith, "have you anything more to say to me?"

"No," replied his lordship, "but perhaps you'd be kind enough to throw me my horse!" —London Standard.

Suited For All Occasions.

Salesman — Here, madam, is a sewing machine with a music box attachment. It has a repertoire of airs to suit all styles of sewing.

Customer — I don't understand. Salesman — Well, for instance, suppose you are mending a bathing suit. Turn the indicator to "I'll Splash You if You Splash Me." Then when you are sewing up a rip in the wash cloth do it to the accompaniment of "It's a Grand Old Rag." When stitching a hole in your male parent's handkerchief, let it play "The Blow Almost Killed Father," and—

Customer — Yes, but suppose I was making a crazy quilt?

Salesman — Do it to the tune of "Every Little Bit Helps."

Customer — I'll take it.

Tail Spells Ox.

A lady was one day teaching her little girl how to spell. She used a pictorial primer, and over each word was the accompanying illustration. Polly glibly spelled "o-x, ox," and "b-o-x, box," and the mother thought she was making "very rapid progress," perhaps even too rapid. So she put her hand over the picture and then asked:

"Polly, what does o-x spell?"

"Ox," answered Polly nimbly.

"How do you know that it spells ox?"

"Seed his tail!" she responded.

His Way Out.

"How did your husband get out of the building after he had located the gas leak?" asked the reporter.

"As nearly as he could remember it afterward," said the woman, "he went out through the roof." —Chicago Tribune.

FEET POSITIONS.

They Reveal the Character and Moods of the Individual.

It may seem strange, but it is nevertheless a fact, that just as the face reveals the character of the individual to those who are able to read and understand it, so the position of the feet is no less eloquent of their owner's mood.

The man who is at perfect peace with the world, content with himself and every one else, especially after a good dinner at which "he has done himself well," invariably stretches his feet out in front of him with his toes turned up.

Mental contentment, as opposed to that which is purely physical, is shown by the crossing of one foot over the other. If the condition becomes more marked, one knee is crossed over the other, and the free foot is often swung to and fro. The moment, however, the individual becomes interested in anything the swinging ceases and the free foot curls around the other ankle.

Bashful people invariably sit with their toes turned in. Why this should be it is undoubtedly difficult to explain, but there is no doubt about the fact. If the bashfulness runs to great embarrassment, one foot, with the toes still turned in, seeks the consoling influence of the other and poises itself on the ankle of the other foot. If the bashfulness and embarrassment are noticed when the individual is standing, one foot is sure to be placed behind the other and be lifted up at frequent intervals, while as the embarrassment increases the raised foot rubs up and down the calf of the leg which supports the body.

The feeling of contentment is so likely to develop in many people into a mood of laziness that it is not surprising to find there is a certain resemblance between the position of the feet in both conditions.

In laziness, however, the knees turn outward, and instead of the feet being closely placed together at the toes the toe of one foot is placed against the lower part of the shin of the other.

The pose of the self confident man or woman is no less equally marked. The feet are placed firmly on the ground, the toes pointed slightly outward, and the heel of the right foot directed to the ball of the left. It is the position which is naturally taken by soldiers and others who have been trained to take care of themselves, and naturally the habit has become second nature.

In opposition to this position is that of the man who walks with a shambling gait, the toes turned rather inward and with a distinct weakness of the ankle. It is perfectly safe to assume that such a man has a weak, shambling character and that he lacks directness of purpose, force of will and the energy which are all essential to making a success in life. Look at any one sitting down who has his or her feet firmly fixed on the ground two or three feet apart. The chances are ninety-nine in a hundred that if you turn your gaze to the face you will see an expression which clearly indicates that the individual is thinking seriously of some problem, and you may hazard a good deal that, all things being equal, he or she will carry through the project in mind to a successful issue.

On the other hand, the individual who is by no means sure of his own position is certain to proclaim that sense of insecurity by having one foot brought closely up to the other at the back and the knees of both legs bent. —London Tit-Bits.

Make the Best of It.

We may if we choose make the worst of it. Every one has his weak point. Every one has his faults. We may make the worst of these. We may fix our attention constantly upon these. But we may also make the best of one another. We may forgive even as we hope to be forgiven. We may put ourselves in the place of others and ask what we should wish to be done to us and thought of us were we in their place. By loving whatever is lovable in those around us love will flow back from them to us, and life will become a pleasure instead of a pain, and earth will become like heaven, and we shall become not unworthy followers of him whose name is love.

Scratched Furniture.

When the varnished furniture becomes scratched the spots should be gone over with a camel's hair brush and shellac varnish until they disappear. Nothing should be allowed to touch the places until the application is thoroughly dry. Another method is to take just a spoonful of turpentine and mix with this an equal quantity of linseed oil. Take a small soft brush, dip it in the mixture of oil and turpentine and pass quickly over the scratch. In half a minute the scratch will disappear. Instantly wipe off the mixture with a soft cloth and rub for a few minutes.

Resolutions

To the Honorable Duane J. Carnes, Presiding Judge of the DeKalb County Circuit Court at the February term, A. D., 1908, therefore:

Whereas, upon due investigation made, as required by law, it has come to the knowledge of the Grand Jury of the present February term of this court that Bucket Shops, or places for dealing in stocks, and produce on margins, are, and have for a long time, operated in DeKalb County, contrary to the laws of the State of Illinois,

And whereas, we are satisfied from the information received by us that a number of the parties so operating such Bucket Shops, or Boards of Trade, where gambling upon the price of stocks and produce is carried on, are doing so with a full realization of the fact that by so doing they are violating the criminal laws of this State in relation thereto,

And whereas, it further appears to us that the owners and persons having the care and possession of the premises used by such Bucket Shops and Boards of Trade for carrying on said business, are well aware of the nature of the business being carried on on such premises, and that they are violating the criminal laws of this state by so permitting the use of said premises for said purposes,

And whereas, considering the manner in which this practice has been permitted to grow up by the residents of DeKalb County, the people of the County are, in a measure, responsible for this present condition, and in conse-

quence thereof, in our opinion the peace and welfare of the county demand that the parties involved in said operations and permitting the use of said premises, for such purposes should first be notified to stop operating said Bucket Shops and Boards of Trade before prosecutions are commenced against them,

Therefore, be it resolved that we, as a Grand Jury of this court, recommend unto your Honor that if the operation of such Bucket Shops and Boards of Trade and the permitting of the use of the premises for same is not stopped at once, in all parts of this County, prosecution of all persons hereafter engaged in operating said Bucket Shops and Boards of Trade in this county in violation of law, be commenced at the next succeeding Grand Jury of this court, and that such offenders be hereafter prosecuted and punished.

We further recommend that the Clerk of this Court send a copy of this report and recommendation to each newspaper published in the County in order to inform all persons that such prosecutions will be instituted, unless the operation of such places is stopped at once.

Lewis M. Gross, Foreman; Wm. H. Van Arsdale, Ira C. Converse, Clerk; M. L. Overton, Frank J. Clapsaddle, H. Bushbom, C. O. Sanderson, B. J. Worden, Ira E. Hoover, Fred J. Aves, Chas. M. Johnson, Frank Diedrich, F. C. Love, Fred Larson, J. W. Concline, Frederick J. Hueber, A. G. Stewart, Samuel Weeden, J. E. Hardy.

When We Talk Grammatically.

The universal vogue of correct English would be little short of a calamity. The doubter has only to imagine the effect on the animation and interest of life if we should wake up some morning to find every one saying "I shall" and "I will" in their proper places, the newsboy purged of slang, the racy brogues dislodged from the street car and the street corner, the hired man pronouncing according to Webster and the two-year-olds lisping—I beg their pardon; they would no longer lisp—uttering their thoughts in phrases conforming to Lindley Murray, Dr. Murray and the "king's English." —Atlantic.

A Blind Critic.

From a blind man came the most illuminating criticism of Irving's Shylock. The sensitive ear of the sightless hearer detected a fault in his method of delivering the opening line of his part, "Three thousand ducats—well?" "I hear no sound of the usurer in that," the blind man said at the end of the performance. "It is said with the reflective air of a man to whom money means very little." The justice of the criticism appealed strongly to Irving. He revised his reading not only of the first line, but of many other lines in which he saw that he had not been enough of the money lender.

Warts.

Little is known about the causation of warts except that the irritation of dirt is in the majority of cases the prevailing factor. The color of them is caused by dirt, and if they are well scrubbed with soap and a nail brush they will become lemon or pink color or even quite white. The best application is salicylic acid, either with collodion or in the form of a plaster. Every three or four days the parts should be well soaked in hot water and the softened portions of the wart peeled away, when the application is renewed. —London Answers.

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