

ALL OVER THE WORLD

CUBA

HAVANA, June 15.—A heavy cannonading and musketry fire has been heard in the city of Pucos Principe for the past two days and has caused considerable alarm among the residents. It is believed that a fierce engagement has been fought between the insurgents and a Spanish force of 20,000 troops under General Castellano. No definite information is received to the fight has yet been received.

HAVANA, June 16.—This city was terribly startled by the noise of two successive explosions, which shook the ground for a long distance and were heard for several miles. It was soon found that the stone bridges of Christina and Concha and the aqueduct of Fernando Septimo were the points that had suffered from the dynamite. The bridges were partially destroyed, and the pipes on the aqueduct, upon which the city is dependent for its water supply, were damaged. Great fear is entertained that the insurgents will succeed in cutting off the water supply. There is much fever and smallpox in the city, and in the unwholesome state of affairs threatens to become epidemic. Many are suffering from measles, and there is much intestinal trouble among the inhabitants, owing to poor and insufficient food. The failure of the water supply under these circumstances is a dire calamity.

WASHINGTON, June 15.—The Comptroller filibusters, captured by the Spanish gunboat and sentenced to death by a summary court-martial, are to have a new trial. This is to be either by a general court-martial, with opportunity offered to the accused to defend themselves by counsel or otherwise, or by civil tribunal, with like privileges. This information was given to Secretary Olney by the Spanish minister, at a recent call.

MADRID, June 17.—With a view to preventing a duel between Marshal Martine de Campos and General Boreiro, the government has decided to employ the former in active service. The marshal, however, declares that he will not accept a command except in Cuba.

NEW YORK, June 17.—President Geo. H. Wyckoff, of the Bank of New Amsterdam, was shot in the abdomen as he sat at his desk in the bank office by a man who is said to be George T. Clark. The would-be assassin then turned the pistol on himself. Both men are perhaps fatally injured. Clark entered the bank, advanced politely to Mr. Wyckoff's desk and laid before him a demand for \$10,000. Mr. Wyckoff refused to comply, and Clark drew a pistol. Mr. Wyckoff jumped to disarm the man, who fired immediately. Both men were taken to a hospital. Clark refused to make any statement. He claimed that he had no particular motive other than that of getting money for the support of his wife and boy.

NEW YORK, June 17.—The man who shot President Wyckoff, of the Bank of New Amsterdam, has been identified as George H. Semple, who has always borne a good reputation. It is reported that he says the deed was the result of an unreasoning, murderous impulse. There is no hope that either he or Wyckoff will recover.

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TAKES ALL THE BLAME. Col. Jameson Exonerates His Companions in the Transvaal Affair. LONDON, June 16.—In the Bow street police court Dr. Jameson, Major Sir Willoughby, Colonel R. Grey, Major R. White, Colonel H. S. White and Hon. Henry F. Coventry, the prime movers in the Transvaal raid, were committed for trial. The remainder of the accused were discharged. Dr. Jameson's attorney said Jameson wanted to take the whole responsibility, as his companions acted under his orders.

MANY TURKS KILLED. ATHENS, June 17.—It is reported that 300 of the Turkish troops were killed in an encounter with the Cretan insurgents.

MOTHER TO (NEWLY MARRIED DAUGHTER)—You don't mean to say, Marie, that you have kept your grocery book for three months and haven't balanced it yet? Daughter—Oh, no, mamma, I let the grocer balance it. He's so much better at figures than I am, and I know he's honest, for he always tells me that he has forgotten to charge something which should have been in.

ELECTRICITY HAS BEEN PUT TO A NOVEL USE—to warm bed-clothes. It is done by heating a system of wires between a double quilt. The current can be regulated at will, and the temperature maintained at the required degree.

FOUR GUESTS WHOSE occupations were strangely suggestive, recently met at the house of Mr. Stewart, at Long Island, Vt., and they were the only guests present. They were a doctor, a clergyman, a dealer in undertakers' supplies, and a dealer in gravestones.

A FIVE-POUND meteorite which fell last April in an orchard near Namur, in Belgium, nearly killing a young man who was digging there, has been examined at the university laboratory at Ghent. It consists of a white crystalline mass, containing iron, troilite, nickel, and chondroite.

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CROP CONDITIONS.

WINTER WHEAT HARVEST HAS BEGUN IN MANY STATES. CHICAGO, June 18.—The reports as to the condition of the crops throughout the country have just been made by the directors of the general climate and crop sections. The absence of rain in the states of the central valleys during the past week has been especially favorable for the cultivation of crops, which, owing to continuous rains of previous weeks, were becoming very grassy. In the Dakotas and Minnesota corn continues backward as a result of the cool weather and much injury from cut worms is reported in Wisconsin. In the contract crop belt the crop is generally in a very satisfactory condition and has made rapid growth. In Iowa, where corn was reported backward last week, it is now doing well. Winter wheat harvest has begun in southeastern Nebraska, Illinois, Indiana and Ohio and in the middle Atlantic states, and is general in the more southerly sections. The oat crop is reported as doing well, having decidedly improved during the week.

STRONG BOX FOR SILVER. Subtreasury is to Have a Chest That Will Hold 6,000,000 Dollars. NEW YORK, June 15.—The subtreasury in this city is to be provided with additional storage capacity for about 6,000,000 silver dollars. An immense steel chest is now being built for that purpose, and will be finished next week. The walls of the chest are two inches thick, and it is twelve feet square, with a height of ten feet from floor to ceiling. Its construction was authorized by the secretary of the treasury two or three months ago to meet the demands for storage room for silver, which has been accumulating at this subtreasury in spite of shipments to other depositories. There are now in the subtreasury vaults here 30,000,000 silver dollars and \$5,000,000 of subsidiary coin.

ENTIRE FAMILY DROWNED. BAKER CITY, Ore., June 17.—The Goodrich reservoir, located fifteen miles from this city, collapsed and the great volume of water wrecked everything in its path. Many bridges were destroyed and the family of R. French, consisting of seven persons, were drowned.

A WASHINGTON DISPATCH says: United States Vice-Consul Knight, at Cape Town, South Africa, reported by cable to the state department that the imprisoned reform leaders, John H. Hammond, Colonel Rhodes, George Farrar and J. W. Leonard, have been released. The leaders were fined \$125,000 each, and the sentence of banishment was commuted.

MONTGOMERY, W. Va., dispatch: The west-bound express on the Chesapeake and Ohio railroad was held up between Cotton Hill and Kanawa Falls by three men, who, after a short fight with the train crew, made their escape without securing any booty. Jack Maynard, L. M. Martin and George F. Stringer were subsequently arrested near the scene of the attack and are in jail.

THE STEAMER BERMUDA left Philadelphia with another cargo of arms and ammunition for the Cuban insurgents. The expedition consists of fifty men, among them being several physicians, who carry with them a full supply of medicines and surgical instruments. Stored away in the hold of the vessel are 1,000 Manner rifles, four Hotchkiss guns and a large number of machetes.

A DISPATCH from Havana says: Dispatches from Madrid say that the bankers of Paris and Amsterdam have declined to advance any further loans to Spain before next November. A cable to the World from Madrid says: The greatest concern and curiosity are shown in Spain, especially in the political and military circles of Madrid, for intelligence of the movements of Consul General Lee. All the papers comment on his cordial relations with General Weyer, his wary and cautious replies to the Spanish reporters and his prudent remarks on the relations between Spain and the United States.

THE COURT-MARTIAL trying General Barreirei, at Massowah, Abyssinia, found him not guilty of the charges preferred against him. General Barreirei was commander of the Italian forces employed in Abyssinia. He was in personal command of the army when in March last the Abyssinians inflicted a crushing defeat on the Italians. He was tried before a court martial for crimes coming under the provisions of articles 74 and 88 of the military penal code, of having, on March 1 last, attacked the Abyssinians from inexcusable motives under circumstances rendering defeat inevitable and of having abandoned the chief command of the troops from half past 12 on March 1 until 9 o'clock on March 3, thereby failing to give the orders required for lessening the consequences of the defeat.

THE BRITISH CRUISER Bonaventure, flagship of the East Indian squadron, lost seventy men by stroke on the voyage from Colombo to Pombicherry. At Champaign, Ill., recently Sheriff Cannon arrested all the trustees of the University of Illinois, except Governor Altgeld, State Superintendent Inglis and Mrs. Flower, on an indictment charging them with violating the state flag law. They were taken before Judge Wright in the circuit court and their appearance bonds in the sum of \$200 each.

LONDON DISPATCH: The Westminster Gazette says that Lord Salisbury has summoned a meeting of the leaders of the ministerial party for the purpose of discussing its position. The meeting was called, the Gazette asserts, in consequence of the discontent of many members of the house of commons over the mismanagement of the legislative programme of the government.

IT IS SAID THAT valuable documents strongly corroborative of the British case in the Venezuelan boundary dispute have been discovered in the Vatican.

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"Lincoln's Campaign, or the Political Revolution of 1860," by Osborn B. Oldroyd, author of "A Soldier's Story of the Siege of Vicksburg," etc., has recently been published by Laird & Lee, Chicago. This is a valuable history of that memorable campaign and is having a wonderful sale. The work is profusely illustrated and contains fourteen portraits and biographies of presidential possibilities for 1896.

After the forthcoming conventions a library edition will be issued containing the biographies of only the republican and democratic nominees.

"Wandering Heath," stories, anecdotes and sketches by Q. comes from the press of Charles Scribner's Sons, New York. The literary excellence of this work is of a superior quality and will prove very entertaining to readers during the hot summer months. The Boston Herald says the story is "wholly charming." The work of the publishers has also been well done and it will please the eye of the most critical.

"Dame Fortune Smiled: The Doctor's Story," has recently been published by the Arena Publishing Co., Boston. The story is by Willis Barnes. It advocates the policy of giving during life and retiring to enjoyment of riches which modes incomes have been secured. Cloth, \$1.25; paper, 50 cents.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT. Des Moines, June 12.—J. S. Lord, of Des Moines, has been granted a copyright for a publication entitled, "X Rays Practically Illustrated." A. W. McFarland, of West Bend, Ia., has been granted a Canada patent for his egg and packing separator. A. Granburg and J. Ulrich, of Des Moines, have a patent allowed for a zinc monument. J. K. Partridge, of Des Moines, has a patent allowed for pans for cooking and baking that are covered partially with asbestos. British, French and German patents have been secured by us for the Duplex typewriter, manufactured by the Duplex Typewriter Co., of Des Moines. A. S. Dennis, of Des Moines, has a patent allowed for a typographical adding machine having digit bearing keys (10) adapted to be operated like a typewriter for printing and adding a series of numbers unlimited as to the quantity of the component digits. Valuable information about obtaining, valuing and selling patents sent free to any address. Printed copies of the drawings and specifications of any United States patent sent upon receipt of 25 cents. Our practice is not confined to Iowa. Inventors in other states can have our services upon the same terms as the Hawkeyes.

THOMAS G. AND J. RALPH OWING, Solicitors of Patents. Since the beginning of the year no fewer than seventy-one soldiers belonging to the garrison at Metz have deserted from the German army and crossed the frontier.

Spratts—Miss Elder is much older than I thought. Hunker—Impossible. Spratts—Well, I asked her if she read Aesop's Fables, and she said she read them when they first came out.

The longest distance a letter can be carried within the limits of the United States is from Key West, Fla., to Ulaaska, 6,271 miles, and then carrying it back to Key West, "if not called for in ten days."

Bacon—I see they've put a sounding-board back of the minister's pulpit. What do you suppose that's for? Egbert—Why, it is to throw out the sound. Bacon—Gracious; if you throw out the sound there wouldn't be anything left in the sermon.

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person had enough not to plate reforming at some time.

man is going through life with the idea that he will grow great and strong.

young Chang, when he arrives, and the laundries doing quite as well as he has expected.

rt E. Guelph, whose horse won the English Derby, is said to be a descendant of William Waldorf Astor.

Mohammedan faith was built up by the sword, and it naturally turns toward senseless Christianity.

Maud Ingersoll may have reason to swear in a New York court, but her shirt-waist collar rolls under the dresser.

Waukegan announces that the season has opened and the lawyer cheerfully commences to rust from his stub pen.

people would not persist in dreaming that they are individually an exception to the laws of nature, there is not so many disappointments.

couple was married in Monroe, the other day after a courtship of many years. The reckless waste of money in affairs of the heart is a sad thing.

Chicago for a piece of hangman's rope to be used around his neck as a reward for his services. Some people would call that a heroic treatment.

aman who has been arrested for kissing all the women in the city, is evidently the celestial being as high a state of civilization as any native American.

ady has figured it out that we are worth \$8,000,000 more for gum than for the maintenance of all the denominations of a busy people.

is being the strawberry short-cake. It may be well to explain that 100 dreams, more or less frightful, come to the consumer in a single day, are not the result of the berries, but of the preponderance of the cake.

berry short-cakes for restaurant hotels should contain twice or three the amount of fruit they now do. This reform, however, we shall probably not see in our day.

weather prophets insist that there is a vast difference between a tornado and that all of this season are tornadoes. It is a small cyclone, while a tornado is a big cyclone. It is enough to distinguish the difference if you see it soon enough.

John Clark is now sleeping in the city jail for a very singular misdemeanor—that of sleeping at his wife's feet. He says it is a habit he has been unable to break since the judge caught him one week in jail for doing it, and he says why John is sleeping in a cell besides Mrs. Clark is getting a much needed rest. John is said to be in the most of his swearing in the city time.

Governor Rich, of Michigan, has proclaimed prohibiting until 1, 1896, the importation of the oranges raised south of the parallel of north latitude, and has kept continuously south of said latitude. Categories of the state are excluded only in the Texas cattle-disease, and then only in the Michigan Central stock yards.

also intended for immediate release are also excepted, but they will be held in strict quarantine awaiting their trial.

long the storm stories that are being in from all parts of the country from La Crosse, Kan., where young society leaders were seen while boat-riding in the pond. The gondola in which the gondola were drifting along a la was run into by the bar of a club and upset. A boy who was in the boat was saved by his parent and he saved himself by clinging to his foot. There is nothing in this story just as it is, but it would have been if only the gondola had been exterminated long down to put out a fire in it.

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WILL DISMISS BIG CASES. Probability That Burlington Land Cases Will Be Dropped. Des Moines, June 15.—United States District Attorney Fuller announces that in all probability the cases brought against the Burlington road and purchasers from it, to recover for the government several thousand acres of land in the southwest part of the state will be dismissed. The suits were brought under a Kansas case, to recover lands turned over to the railroad company, on which there were prior claimants. A decision has been rendered in the Winona & St. Peter road, in which it was held that the government has no recourse as against the purchasers of the railroad title, and this has been affirmed by the circuit court of appeals. An act was also passed by the last congress, affirming the title of the purchasers, so there is little left in the cases. He says the only recourse is to dismiss the present suits and bring actions against the railroad company alone for the value of the lands. He does not know whether this step will be taken or not.

GIRLS DIE BY POISON. Young Women Suicide by Taking Strichnine. GRINNELL, June 18.—Two daughters of Frank Phipps living six miles west of Rock Creek Grove, committed suicide by taking strichnine. The oldest was married but had separated from her husband last spring. The youngest was only 16 years old, and married one a few years older and leaves a child a year and a half old. They had gone to work in a field near the house in the morning and at ten o'clock took poison and died in an hour.

ACCIDENTS AT OTTUMWA. Newly Married Man Killed in a Runaway—Miner Killed. OTTUMWA, June 16.—William Ward, aged 25, is dying, the result of being thrown from a runaway outfit. His skull was fractured. He was married a week ago and his wife had just gone to Sweden for a visit. Seven others were thrown out but none injured.

Ed Walker, a colored miner, was killed by a Milwaukee train near Ottumwa. His head was severed from his body. He was drunk.

Food For Des Moines Gossips. Des Moines, June 15.—Mrs. Jeanette Ventura has begun suit in the district court for divorce from Professor Louis Ventura. Both are prominent members of society and especially active in literary circles. Professor Ventura has written several plays which have been presented by amateurs in Des Moines, and is recognized as a scholar. Both plaintiff and defendant are French, and by their superior courses of instruction in foreign languages have won their way into the best families in Des Moines during their one year's residence in the city. They were married three years ago in St. Paul and have one daughter.

Interest in the Boies Campaign. CRESTON, June 15.—The Boies literary headquarters is deluged with mail from all parts of the country, asking for literature, and of pledges of support for Iowa's candidate. The silver sentiment, apparently, is widespread, judging from the letters. Officers of the executive committee at Ottumwa report encouraging news. The managers of the bureau think Boies' nomination is almost a certainty.

Loss by Fire. OSKALOOSA, June 16.—The large barn and two granaries on the farm of J. J. Else, a farmer living five miles west of Oskaloosa, was burned. There were 4,000 bushels of corn, 1,400 bushels of oats, 450 bushels wheat, several tons of hay, and farm implements burned. Loss, \$5,000; no insurance.

Heavy Loss at Washington. WASHINGTON, June 18.—Miller & Daugherty's dry goods store was destroyed by fire. The loss by water and fire will reach nearly \$15,000. The stock is insured for \$22,000.

HER BALLOON SLEEVES DID IT. Young Woman Tried to Commit Suicide—They Saved Her. BURLINGTON, June 16.—Ella Burris, claiming to be from Fairfield, threw herself into the Mississippi river to escape arrest. She had been engaged in a levee rumpus and the sight of approaching policemen caused her to attempt suicide. The large silk sleeves in her waist inflated with air and prevented her from drowning, although she sank once. She was fished out and when sufficiently recovered was sent to Fairfield.

Accused of a Horrible Crime. POCAHONTAS, June 13.—Perry Dorton was arraigned before Justice Joseph Mallison at Ponda and bound over to the grand jury on the charge of rape on the 11-year-old daughter of W. P. Flint

