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CITY NEWS

All should attend the union services on Thanksgiving day.

Mr. James James of Colfax was a Des Moines visitor Friday.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Wyatt, a daughter on the 10th inst. Mother and daughter doing well.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Kirtley, a eleven pound boy, last Saturday.

Mrs. Isaac Kirtley is still very sick at the home of her parents on street.

Daniel Hoy has been quite sick the past week; unable to work in his shop, but is better now.

All that have the time should attend the night school on the corner of Alberry and Ninth streets.

The grand rally at Burn's M. E. church last Sunday, was a grand success, financially. A good crowd was present.

J. M. Props has open a shoe repairing shop on 818 Park St. He does all kinds of repairing, your trade is solicited.

Mrs. C. W. Henry received a telegram from Bay City Michigan that her mother Mrs. Edmon was not expected to live and Mrs. Henry left Thursday night for her bed side.

Attorney Geo. H. Woodson of Muchakinoock, Iowa, spent a few days in our city on business and other duties, this week. He is feeling happy over the results of our last election, except his own county; yet he seems in feel satisfied with his work in Mahaska county.

The H. B. S. R. club met with Mrs. G. I. Holt, after reading the entire program, adjourned to meet with Mrs. G. W. Denny on Grand avenue. Program for December 2d: Life of Shakespeare, Mrs. Smith; Current Events, Mrs. Blagburn; Trip to Paris, Mrs. Wariaks; David Copperfield, Mrs. Lewis; Word Study, Mrs. Holt.

The Des Moines Harmonic society is the latest musical organization in Des Moines. The society consists of Mesdames Blagburn, Birney, Johnson and Coalson and Messrs. Miller, Foster, Johnson, and Moseley. They made their first appearance at the East Des Moines Baptist church, corner Seventh and Des Moines streets, Friday evening, November 12th. They were greeted with a very appreciative audience of good proportion. They appeared under the auspices of the B. Y. P. U. The program was purely sacred and very well rendered, special comment being made upon the fine harmony in the chorus work. The duet, "Holy Mother," by Mrs. Coalson and Birney was heartily cheered as was also "The Holy City," by Mrs. J. F. Blagburn. Mrs. Wm. Coalson sang "Pity, O Savior," in a manner such as but few contraltos can. Jerusalem," by E. F. Johnson; "I will Magnify Thee," by Mrs. Coalson and J. E. Moseley, and "The Lord is Mindful of His Own," by J. E. Moseley, are numbers which brought forth the full applaudit of the audience. We are informed that the next appearance of this society will be Dec. 3d, at Columbian hall, East Des Moines. An attack of throat trouble prevented Mrs. May F. Johnson from appearing in solo last week. The society is under the direction and business management of J. E. Moseley.

Miss Daisy Hanan is troubled with a sever attack of sore throat this week.

A very jolly party was given in honor of Miss Delphia Noris, at the home of Miss Cora Smith. All reported a good time.

Mrs. Clinton, of Ohio, mother of Mrs. J. F. Blagburn is in our city, she contemplates on making her home with her daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Coalson entertained at six o'clock dinner, Wednesday in honor of Presiding Elder Bundy of Chicago and Rev. Timothy Reeves.

Mrs. Joseph H. Shepard will do fashionable dressmaking at her home 1058 W. Fifth street, and also teach the improved Capitol Tailor System. Ladies are invited to call.

Quarterly meeting on last Sunday at St. Paul A. M. E. church was a success. There were two accessions and eighty communicants. The Rev. Bundy preached in the morning and afternoon.

Mrs. J. H. Poindexter has taken charge of the coal company boarding house at Marketville, and will manage it. The miners will be assured that they will be served in the very best style, as Mrs. Poindexter is a first-class housekeeper as well as fine cook. Mrs. J. Robinson and Geo. Poindexter will assist her.

The Houston Times another new journal of Houston Texas has made its appearance to our office. It is a good six column, eight page paper all original matter with a number of large ads, which is always essential to the financial welfare of a newspaper. We welcome Mr. W. L. Jones in the newspaper venture and hope that our southern contemporary may be successful.

Rev. Mrs. L. P. Crutcher is missionary evangelist to Africa will preach at Burn's M. E. church Sunday night at 7:45 p. m. Mrs. Crutcher is a colored lady of more than ordinary intelligence, and ranks with the average preacher. Everybody should hear this talented lady preacher at Burn's church Sunday night, Nov. 21st.

The Colored Band.
The Great Western colored band, a new organization in our city will make its first appearance next Monday evening in public. There will only be about 13 of the 25 pieces out. They will start at Fields & Becton's restaurant on Third street, and probably march through the principal parts of the city. While the band is a new organization, yet the boys are studying hard and it is hoped that our capitol city will soon have a colored band that all will be proud of.

Union Services for Thanksgiving.
On last Tuesday the following ministers meet at the residence of Rev. T. A. Clark: Rev. Timothy Reeves, W. W. Stewart, Thomas Johnson and T. A. Clark. Rev. Reeves was made chairman, and W. W. Stewart secretary; after the object of the call was fully stated by the chairman, it was agreed that would hold a union thanksgiving services at Burn's M. E. church on next Thursday at 10:30 a. m., near the corner of Des Moines and Fourth streets. Rev. Stewart will preach the sermon; at the conclusion of the services a free-will offering will be taken up, for benevolent purposes.

In the Social World.
We had the pleasure of reading a very interesting letter written by Professor George I. Holt just after he had reached Boston, he give a beautiful description of his ride over the Adirondack mountains, across noted rivers, through beautiful cities. He arrived in Boston Saturday afternoon, on Sunday he attended the A. M. E. church, which he says is a very beautiful church costing \$75,000 with a seating capacity of 1200 and they have a first class choir, an immense pipe organ, and used the finest choir music that he ever heard a church choir use. By request he sang a solo and assisted the choir. Mr. Holt is very favorable impressed with the city.

J. E. Moseley is on the sick list. Chas. Turner has returned from Evanston, Ill., he will probably remain here all winter.

W. M. Hammett and family have moved to Marquisville.

Mrs. Mills, Misses Clara Smith, Nettie Tolliver and Daisy Hanan made a pleasant call at the Bystander office this week.

The Princess dancing club will give its first assemblies of the season on next Wednesday evening at their rooms over Efty & Camp's music hall. It is looked upon by many as the coming event of the season. The club under the instruction of Prof. J. Julius Jones will certainly make great progress in the art of dancing.

GOV.-ELECT SHAW'S APPOINTMENTS.
The Denison Review stated in an interview with Gov elect Shaw yesterday that the Governor announced the appointment of Capt. W. H. Fleming as his private Secretary and Wm. Coalson as messenger of the executive department. Mr. Fleming is a polish-gentleman in every respect thoroughly conversant with state affairs as he was Drake's private Secretary and has been secretary to seven Chief Executives, which gives him more practical experience than any other man in Iowa. Mr. Coalson is one of the best known colored man in Iowa. He was appointed under Governor Jackson and his re-appointment has met the approval of the colored people throughout the state. He is a christian gentleman easy to approach and congenial, well qualified and a race representative man. The governor has done well and no better appointments could have been made.

An Aged Colored Man
MEETS PRESIDENT MCKINLEY BY SPECIAL APPOINTMENT.

The most noted visitor at the White House and the one who attracted so much attention his week, was Andrew Montgomery, age 103, of Montgomery Ga. Gen. Longstreet presented the venerable old colored gentleman to the president. Mr. McKinley had made a special appointment to meet him. He is known as the black Beecher of the South; his mission the North at this time is to solicit subscription to complete a home that he is erecting for the old colored people. When it is completed it will be know as the Old Saints Home for ex-slaves who can no longer care for themselves and have no one to care for them. There is do as much for their race as this old man, who has spent more than 70 years as a slave.

SPECIAL AT TWILIGHT.
Alone in the dusk of the evening
When the sun flushed rosy red
With fiery tints the landscape
Then gently sinks over head;
Memory paints a picture
A scene I fain would forget
But one that a treacherous heart says
"Remember though with regret."
'Tis but a simple picture
A man and a maiden fair
Pighting their vows to each other—
Then why is this dark despair?
The moon spilled down on their rapture
The flowers breathed fragrance sweet
But the man was false and the hear won
He trampled beneath his feet.
Years passed, the maiden wedded
And children came into the home
And all is well until evening
When sometimes the pictures will come
For memory's a faithful artist
And vividly paints all the past
Scene after scene in succession
Until all of life's landmarks are past.
KATHERINE DAVIS TILLMAN,
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Hon. John M. Langston

DISTINGUISHED LEADER AND STATESMAN PASSES AWAY.

Ex-Congressman John M. Langston of Virginia, died at 8:30 last Monday evening in Washington, D. C., at the age of 68. He was born a slave in 1829; he was emancipated when he was six years old and educated at Oberlin College, where he graduated from the theological department in 1854. He studied law and practiced the choice of his profession until '69. He was elected to several offices in Ohio, and had the distinction of being the first man of his race in the United States to be elected to an office by the popular vote of the people. He was for seven years Professor of Law at Howard University; he was U. S. Minister and Consul-General to Hayti for eight years. On his return to this country he became president of the Normal and Collegiate Institute of Virginia. He was elected to the fifty-first congress, and was compelled to contest for his seat. Mr. Langston might be considered the leader of his race. He was one of the leaders in his party, and those that attended the National Republican convention in 1888 will never forget the graceful speech he made in seconding the nomination of John Sherman for president. It has been described as one of the brilliant features of that great gathering, and he was not surpassed by any of those great orators. He was a slave, a professor, a statesman, and an orator. We have the greatest respect for the memory of such a man. We will say to young men of today, live the life that Mr. Langston did, having a purpose in view.

MUCHAKINOCK NOTES.
Mrs. Nora Ford and daughter of St. Louis are visiting at her brother's home, J. T. Cannady.

W. J. Jones has returned from Virginia where he has been in the interest of an Illinois mining Co.

Mrs. Nick Massey has returned home after several months visit in Kansas City Mo.

Robert Drew's two daughters died of diphtheria last week. Every precaution has been observed to keep the disease from spreading.

Wm. Reasby's baby is quite sick as a result of fever.

Lawyer Woodson will spend several days in Des Moines this week.

Miss Bula Cannady, of Oskaloosa was in "Mucky" on business Monday.

Ed Beans of Muscatine is spending a few days with friends here.

BURLINGTON BRIEFLETS.
Rev. Ormsted Coalson occupied the pulpit at Second Baptist church last Sunday.

There will be a social held at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. J. Carter Thursday evening for the benefit of the A. M. E. church.

Mr. Arthur Arbuckle is erecting a nice little house. He expects to have it completed soon.

Mr. Wm. Scott will leave tomorrow night for a short visit in Chicago.

Rev. Gordon is making preparations for an entertainment to be held thanksgiving eve.

CHARITON NOTES.
Rev. C. Thomas of Albia occupied the A. M. E. pulpit morning and evening.

Mrs. James Charis and two children are visiting at Mrs. Sheltho. It is reported that they will make this city their future home.

The literary society gave a social at the church Friday evening.

Mr. Allen Branch, son of Mrs. Harriet Branch returned home last week from the Industrial school. His friends were glad to see him.

Mr. Lewis Jackson is visiting his parents.

OSKALOOSA NEWS.
Ed Bains of Muscatine is visiting in and about our city, with his parents at Muchakinoock. He will remain in our city for the big ball.

Miss Symantha Shaw of Centerville was in the city last Thursday, she was in route to Colfax to visit her brother George Shaw.

S. Early of Colfax was in our city last Saturday visiting his former friends and old companions.

Rev. M. J. Burton of Marshalltown, who was at Evans to preach the funeral of Mrs. Howell, was in the city a few hours Saturday.

Jerry Wilson was in the city Monday, transacting business.

Rev. A. J. Burton of Wealey Chapel, gave a birthday party at the church Monday evening in honor of his fifty-first anniversary. It was very largely attended, and all spent a pleasant evening.

Rev. A. White who is soliciting funds for the payment of the debt on the A. M. E. church, is meeting with success. He has raised one hundred dollars to date.

The Christian Endeavor of the city of Oskaloosa, held a union service at the stone chapel of the Christian church last Sunday.

Mrs. W. M. Field who has been confined to her bed with fever and ague during the past two days is convalescing quite rapidly.

Misses Anna Brown and Pheabe Allen entertained a large number of guest last Friday evening in honor of Mrs. M. Johnson. The guest were entertained in a hospitable manner making one of the most pleasant and memorable social event ever given in our city. An elegant supper was served during which, Commadore Lee played tunes from his music box.

ALBIA NEWS.
Mr. Richie of Chariton was doing business in our city one day last week.

Messrs Frank Wells and Harris spent Sunday in our city.

Rev. A. Ford was called to Osceola to assist Rev. Basfield in his Quarterly Meeting.

Miss Josie Meadows left Albia for Muchakinoock Thursday morning.

Mrs. Crutcher of Shanadora bible training school officiated at the A. M. E. Church Sunday she has entered the foreign missionary work. She left Albia for Des Moines.

Mr. Robt. Chaney of Hiteman spent Sunday in our city.

Several cases of Scarlet Fever is reported in our city.

KEOKUK NEWS.
Mr. Elisha Goins has been confined to his bed with a severe attack of bilious fever but is some better now.

The Organ Club gave a novelty entertainment at the seventh Street Baptist Church, Tuesday evening.

There was a splendid love-feast service at the A. M. E. Church Sunday night.

Services at the A. M. E. and Seventh Street Churches Thanksgiving morning.

Mr. Samuel Green and Mrs. Annie Robbins were united in marriage Saturday evening by Rev. Tillman.

Mr. Claud Martin is pursuing his second year's course in the Keokuk Medical College.

Mrs. Bertha Goins has returned home from a pleasant visit in Quincy.

The Iuer-State Milkmaid's convention, is the name of a play which will be produced at the A. M. E. Church Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Lizzie Glass has been quite indisposed for a week.

Mrs. Tillman is taking treatment for throat trouble.

Mr. N. W. Wilson has started a class in vocal music. He is a fine instructor and deserve patronage.

Rev. Tillman and wife were pleasantly surprised Monday evening Nov. 15, led by Mrs. Armstrong and Mrs. Martha Johnson, the Elder smiles and says, "Come again".

The board of Stewardess and Bethel of Band Volunteers will serve an up to date Thanksgiving dinner at Bethel A. M. E. church.

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36-inch wide English Henrietta—	Sizes..... 16 18 20 22 24
per yard.....15c	16c 18c 20c 22c 24c
36-inch wide all-wool Ladies' Cloth	Sizes..... 26 28 30 32 34
per yard.....21c	28c 30c 32c 34c 36c
60-inch wide all-wool Ladies' Cloth	
per yard.....25c	
50-piece all wool Novelties—	
per yard.....21c	
75c and 90c Broaded Silks—	
per yard.....50c	
88c and 90c Taffeta silk, two tone	
per yard.....69c	
Jackets and Capes.	
\$12.50 and \$15 Jackets—	
at.....\$8.89	
\$10 Jackets—	
at.....\$7.50	
\$7.50 Jackets—	
at.....\$5.00	
\$6.00 Jackets—	
at.....\$4.00	
See north window Cape and Jacket Display.	
Underwear.	
Ladies' Oneita Union Suits, 75c	
ones for.....35c	
Ladies' Woolen Ribbed Vests and	
Pants, in gray, white, black and	
cadet blue, worth \$1.00 a pair per	
garment, for.....45c	
Children's all wool Vests and Pants	
at.....50c	
Domestics.	
Full yard wide LL Sheeting—	
10 yards for.....30c	
10 yards Fruit or Lonsdale Muslin	
for.....50c	
10 yards Pepperel "R" Sheeting	
for.....50c	
Best Oil Cloth, for table—all colors	
per yard.....9c	
Basement.	
6 Cups, 6 Saucers, 6 Dinner Plates	
for.....50c	
6 Tumblers—	
for.....10c	
Patent Spring Mop Sticks—	
at.....5c	

The Hicks 1898 Almanac and Paper.
We are informed that the 1898 Almanac of Prof. Irl R. Hicks is now ready, and judging from its past history, it will not be many weeks in finding its way into homes and offices all over America. It is much larger and finer than any previous issue. It contains 116 pages, is splendidly printed and illustrated on fine book paper, having the finest portrait ever given of Prof. Hicks. It can no longer be denied that the publication of Prof. Hicks have become a necessity to the family and commercial life of this country. His journal, "Words and Works," aside from its storm, weather and astronomical features has taken rank with the best literary, scientific and family magazine of the age. Do not believe hearsay and reports. See the Hicks Almanac and paper for yourself. You will then know why they are so popular. They are educators of the millions, and unrivaled safeguard to property and human life. It is matter of simple record that Prof. Hicks has foretold many years all great storms, flood, droughts and tornadoes, even the recent terrible drought over all the country. The Almac alone is 25 cents a copy. The paper is \$1.00 a year with the Almanac as a premium. Send to
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NOTICE OF REDEMPTION OF TAX SALE.
To Cora A. Myers: You are hereby notified, that the following described real estate, situated in Polk county, Iowa, to-wit: Lot fifty-one (51), in Lakeside addition of the city of Des Moines, Polk county, Iowa, was sold for the taxes of 1893, on the 4th day of December 1894, to W. G. Hamlin, that the certificate of sale thereof has been assigned by the said W. G. Hamlin to J. S. Cokery and that the certificate of sale thereof have been assigned by J. S. Cokery to and is now owned by B. F. Loose of Des Moines, Iowa, and that the right of redemption will expire, and a Treasurer's Deed for said land will be made unless redemption from such sale be made within ninety days from the date of completed service of this notice. You will govern yourself accordingly.
Dated this 8th day of Nov. A. D. 1897.
B. F. LOOSE,
Owner and present holder of the certificate.

NOTICE TO REDEEM FROM TAX SALE.
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THE number of millionaires in England is not so great as one might believe. According to the report of the income-tax officials there are in England seventy-one persons with an annual income of \$250,000 over 1,100 draw \$50,000 annually, and only about 10,000 have an income of \$10,000.

IOWA STATE BYSTANDER.

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DURRANT MAY NEVER HANG.

Cannot Die Before Next March in Any Court. San Francisco dispatch: In view of the fact that the supreme court will not convene until the second Monday in January, it is not considered probable that Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, will expire the orme for which he was sentenced to be hanged in December, 1895, before the latter part of February or the beginning of March next, if at all.

IS THE TIME TO STRIKE.

Tell-True Letters Captured by British in Tribesmen's Camp. SIMLA, Nov. 17.—Official dispatches from the British camp in Maiden Valley say the Kemptar brigade was attacked by the enemy in force. The tribesmen were driven off with the assistance of star shells, which illuminated the scene sufficiently to enable the tribesmen to be seen.

WEYLER CARRIED AWAY MAPS.

Spain Worried Over Rumors About Her Captain General. MADRID, Nov. 17.—The semi-official Correspondencia referring to a Havana dispatch published in the New York Herald, asserting that Gen. Weyler carried off maps and other documents concerning Cuba, says: "The gravity of the statements does not permit comments. The matter must be completely elucidated, for, if confirmed, the government will be obliged to assume an inexorable attitude."

WILL TOM REED RETIRE?

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Augustus G. Paine, an intimate friend of Thomas B. Reed in New York says: "It is true that the pressure of large commercial interests has been brought to bear on Mr. Reed to induce him to retire from congress and come to New York. Other large interests feel, however, that Mr. Reed should remain at the capitol. I have seen Mr. Reed frequently of late, but the matter of his coming to New York has not been mentioned in our conversations."

SCOT CITED FOR CONTEMPT.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 19.—District Judge Cunningham R. Scott, of Omaha, was this evening cited by the supreme court to appear before the tribunal on December 7 and plead to the charge of contempt. The contempt charge is the alleged refusal of Judge Scott to enforce a mandate issued by the supreme court last January in an Omaha receivership case.

COMPETITOR MEN FLEE.

HAVANA, Nov. 19.—The Competitor prisoners have at last been released from Cabanas fortress by order of Captain General Blanco, acting in accordance with orders from Spain. The men all sailed yesterday direct for New York on the steamship Yamuri, which is due there November 21.

THE SULTAN YIELDS.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—A Vienna special says: The Austrian ambassador at Constantinople telegraphs that the sultan has declared his willingness to give Austria full satisfaction for Mevina incidents and in regard to the disputes in connection with the Oriental railway.

LITERARY NOTES.

Outing for November, bright and bracing as a November day, appears again in a most handsome cover. The sport most prominently depicted without and within, as it should be, is football. This is the month when all other events in the world of sport are temporarily lost sight of in our enthusiasm over the latest achievements of our favorite football team, and Walter Camp satisfies the appetite of football enthusiasts with an exhaustive article forecasting the season.

AMONG THE CONTENTS OF HARPER'S MAGAZINE FOR DECEMBER ARE A NARRATIVE POEM BY GENERAL LEW. WALLACE, ENTITLED "THE WOOLING OF MALKATOUN"; ARTICLES ON "THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE," BY RICHARD HARDIE DAVIS, AND ON "GEORGE WILLIAM CURTIS AT CONCORD," BY GEORGE WILLIS COOKE, AND AN INTERESTING ARRAY OF STORIES.

The November issue of the Art Interchange is exceptionally interesting both in pictures and text, and is abundantly supplied with supplements in color and black and white. "Where the Water Lilies Grow," by Rowell S. Hill, shows a girl dressed in pink seated in a boat gathering water lilies, while the summer sunshine glimmers across the surface of the river.

THE NEWS IN IOWA.

WILL SAVE THE STATE \$20,000.

How if Any of the County Fairs Will Receive State Support. DES MOINES, Nov. 10.—Attorney General Remley has just submitted an important opinion to the auditor of state which will result in a saving to the state of something like \$20,000 each year. The opinion is in regard to the state support of the different county agricultural fairs. The law provides that each county shall receive \$200 per year, provided that a similar or greater sum has been received by the society during the year in the form of annual dues from the members. In the past, the counties have been given the \$200 each year, as the law was misinterpreted. Auditor of State McCarthy thought that the law was not being interpreted properly and he wrote to the attorney general for an opinion on the matter. In his reply Mr. Remley expresses the opinion that the counties are not entitled to the \$200 unless a similar sum has been received by them as annual dues from members. As few if any of them receive such a sum the \$200,000 spent for this purpose each year by the state will be saved.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

L. D. Spickler, of Cushing, Kills His Wife and Himself. STUART CITY, Nov. 17.—A murder and suicide occurred at Cushing. The murderer was L. D. Spickler, a farmer, and the victim was his wife. This killed himself after the deed. This couple separated some time ago on account of family troubles, and the man has been in the east for some days. However, he came home a few days ago and beat his stepdaughter. For this he was arrested, but was released in a few days. He went about the town of Cushing saying he would kill his wife, but people thought nothing of the threat. But he meant it, and went to where his wife was living, about a mile from town. Upon entering the door he opened fire, the shot striking her in the breast. He then went outside and blew out his own brains. The woman lived a few hours. Four children are left. They were the children of the woman by her first husband. The tragedy has created a sensation in that section of the county. Spickler was 40 years old and his wife 35.

LONGLEY'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Tossed Sixty Feet by a Rock Island Engine and Saves His Life. CENTREVILLE, Nov. 17.—Low Longley had an escape from death just after midnight which can be recorded as not only a very fortunate one from the young man's standpoint, but from a miraculous point of view it is perhaps without parallel. He was tossed twenty feet in the air with his horse and buggy by the midnight Rock Island flyer at the railroad crossing east of the river and fell to the ground sixty feet away. He suffered only a broken arm and bodily bruises. His horse was literally cut to pieces and completely eviscerated and the buggy was smashed into splinters.

BRIGHT IOWA WOMEN.

Writing a Composite Story for a Daily Newspaper. DES MOINES, Nov. 16.—The Des Moines Daily News, which has made a great hit by reducing its price to \$1 a year, has made arrangements with the twelve literary clubs of the city, whereby each club has chosen a representative to write one chapter of a composite story to appear in the Daily News after the holidays. The Women's club will write the first chapter and pass it on from club to club, the Review club writing the last chapter. The ladies of the state are most interested in the novel scheme.

GOV. SHAW'S APPOINTMENTS.

Will Retain Mr. Fleming and Messenger Coulson—Man Librarian. DENISON, Nov. 18.—In an interview published in the Denison Review Governor-elect Shaw says that he will retain Major W. H. Fleming as private secretary and William Coulson as messenger in the executive office. He also states that it is his intention to consult with the state library trustees and to appoint a man as state librarian. Old employes will have preference, other things being equal.

WILL USE BLOOD HOUNDS.

Man-Trappers Used to Track Thieves at Alton. ALLERTON, Nov. 16.—The hardware store of George F. Kerr was burglarized of knives, razors, spectacles and revolvers to the amount of \$150. Two tramps were arrested on suspicion. They had a quantity of spectacles in their possession, but Mr. Kerr does not identify them as his. A pack of hunting blood hounds from Spickards, Mo., will be used to track the thieves.

OTTOMWAN KILLED BY A CAR.

Aged Man Stepped in Front of a Street Car. OTTUMWA, Nov. 18.—F. G. Randall, a retired druggist and one of the city's oldest and most prominent citizens, was run down and killed by an electric car almost in front of his residence. He was deaf and was standing on the crossing and when the car was within six feet of him he stepped in front of it and was ground to pieces. He was 75 years old.

FELL TO HIS DEATH.

DES MOINES, Nov. 16.—The police found the dead body of August Olson, a tailor, in the alley between the Seeburger and Manhattan buildings. He had probably fallen out of a rear third-story window of the Seeburger building. When found his head was terribly crushed and the pavement was covered with blood. Doctors did not arrive on the scene until twenty minutes after the man fell, but said he had been killed instantly. The man had been intoxicated two or three days and must have fallen from the window while in a maudlin condition.

SNOW IS IN WA.

DURHAM, Nov. 16.—The first snow of the season fell last night and it was general throughout northern Iowa.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The Court's Decision on the Iowa Peddlers' License Law. DES MOINES, Nov. 10.—Judge Conrad, of the district court of Polk county, has given the new code its first black eye. It was administered in the case of the state against Isaac Sunberg. He sustained a demurrer to an indictment against Sunberg, and holds that the new peddling license statute is unconstitutional. Under the statute, peddlers carrying a pack are required to pay a fee of \$25 in each county; those driving one-horse conveyances, a license of \$50; those using two-horse conveyances, \$75. It also provided that old soldiers and sailors of the United States and persons unable to perform manual labor, shall be exempt from the tax. The court held that the exemption makes it class legislation.

NOVAK SPRINGS A SURPRISE.

One Statement of a State Witness Flatly Contradicted. VINTON, Nov. 17.—The defense in the Novak trial sprang a surprise, when Joseph Susak, an old employe of Novak's, testified that on the night following the fire he and John Dusil turned the valves in the gas pipes in the boiler room, which the witness for the state claimed they found welded together by the heat so they could not be turned. Mr. and Mrs. Zaborsky testified that the stock in the store was worth \$6,000 to \$7,000, and that they carried insurance on only \$3,500; that the building was worth \$4,000 and the insurance was \$2,000. They also testified that just above the sleeping room were a number of caskets, indicating that in falling they might have struck Murray and fractured the skull.

VINTON, Nov. 21.—The line of defense in the Novak murder trial has been fully developed. His attorneys will contend that when Novak awoke the night of the fire he was overcome by gases, that his mind was temporarily deranged, and that he wandered away before it resumed its normal condition, and when he was too far gone to turn back; that the fracture in the head of Edward Murray was caused by his falling from the sleeping room to the basement below and striking a sharp object. Drs. Andrews and Carroll, of the Iowa State University, were on the stand as experts to show that these things could be possible.

HOLDS THREE TROPHIES.

Fred Gilbert, of Spirit Lake, a Wonderful Shot. DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Fred Gilbert, the "Phantom of Spirit Lake," holds three of the four recognized trap shooting trophies in the country. They are the Dupont championship trophy and the Kansas City Star cup for live birds, and the E. C. cup, emblematic of the championship of the United States at inanimate targets. Gilbert will be called upon to defend the possession of two of them against a challenger during the great trap shooting week to be held at Watson's Park, Chicago, in December. Both matches will be against the same expert, J. A. R. Elliott, of Kansas City. They are for the Dupont trophy and the Kansas City Star cup. Each match will be at 100 live birds.

JUDGE SPURRIER RESIGNS.

DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Judge W. A. Spurrier has forwarded to Gov. Drake his resignation as judge of the district court of Polk county. He will enter the practice of law. The governor appointed C. A. Bishop to fill the vacancy.

IOWA CONDENSED.

The barrel factory of Fred Hilpert & Son at Keokuk was destroyed by incendiary fire. Loss \$7,000. George M. Reynolds, president of the Des Moines National Bank, announces that he has accepted the offer of the cashier of the Continental National Bank of Chicago, and will begin his duties December 1. Mr. Reynolds was a prominent candidate for comptroller of the currency.

Fire a few nights ago destroyed \$12,000 worth of property at Jerome. The stores and almost the entire contents belonging to D. M. Brazee, druggist; Donald Forsythe, druggist; John Shelton, general merchandise dealer, were burned. Little insurance was carried. A kit of burglar's tools was found in the street, and these signs indicated the Brazee store had been robbed and then fired. Amelia Paysen, aged 4, of Clinton, was playing around a bonfire near her home, when her clothing caught fire. She ran home screaming and the mother snatched the child up in her arms and started to the house. The fire from the child's skirt set fire to Mrs. Paysen's clothes, and before the flames could be extinguished both were frightfully burned. Medical aid was summoned, but was unavailing. The child was seriously burned about the head and body and the mother on the back and breast. Both died after several hours of agony.

An important defect in the code has been discovered. The last legislature abolished the office of state oil inspector, or thought it did, leaving the present fifteen deputies to perform their present duties with the full title of inspector, making their report to the executive council. They are to be appointed by the governor for two years, commencing July 1. The legislature, however, did not provide who should do the inspecting between October 1, 1897, when the old system was to have been abolished, and July 1, 1898, when the governor is to appoint the new inspectors. The law requires the inspection, and Attorney General Remley has given an opinion that inasmuch as inspection is required and the new inspectors are not to be appointed until July 1, 1898, the old system continues until that time. Luther A. Brewer, of Cedar Rapids, is the present state oil inspector, who raised this question and convinced the attorney general and Governor Drake that he should hold over. His term of office expires in March, 1898, but he will doubtless be left to finish the term unless the legislature takes some action this winter.

ALL OVER THE WORLD.

DIVIDE NEW YORK.

Ross Croker Will Have a Bill Introduced This Winter. NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—According to a local paper it is Richard Croker's ambition to extend Tammany's domain beyond the confines of greater New York. The proposal to create a new state by divorcing 16 counties of the state of New York and incorporating them as the state of Manhattan is defined in a bill which is to be introduced at the coming session of the legislature by Assemblyman Patrick Trainor, of the Thirtieth district. Mr. Trainor, who is a member of Tammany hall, presented a similar bill in the assembly last year, but it did not get beyond a committee. The plan is to create a new democratic state and add two sure democratic United States senators, to secure control of the legislature of what would be the greatest and richest state in the union, to divide the electoral vote of the pivotal state, to send to the lower house of congress, a solid delegation from the state of Manhattan, and to get absolute legislative control over the second greatest city on earth.

CRISIS EXPECTED IN CUBA.

Renewed Activity Significant and Present Conditions May Be Brief. WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—There is a feeling in official circles that it will not be long until some sort of a startling crisis comes in Cuba. When Blanco calls upon the insurgents to lay down their arms and accept autonomy, it is said by Cuban sympathizers here that the insurgents will retort with a demand for independence, and will formally request, through Gen. Lee, that the United States exercise its good offices with Spain to secure independence. The insurgents are getting ready to be as embarrassing as possible in every way. The recent activity in filibustering has significance. Ammunition is being hurried forward for definite purposes. About the time the American congress meets, Gomez and his subordinate commanders are to enter upon active operations on such a scale as to excite interest, and if possible arouse more sympathy in this country.

HANNA HAS THREE TO SPARE.

Republican Majority of Five on Ohio Legislative Ballot. COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 16.—The official vote of Ohio for governor at the late election is: Bushnell, republican, 429,816; Chapman, democrat, 401,715; Holliday, prohibition, 7,558; Coxe, people's party, 6,254; Dexter, national democrat, 1,661; Watkins, socialist labor, 4,243; Lewis, negro protective, 476; liberty party, 3,107. Bushnell's plurality, 28,101. McKinley's plurality over Bryan, 49,494. The senate has seventeen known republican members, eighteen known democrats and one fusion republican elected on the democratic ticket in Cincinnati. Total, 36. The house has fifty-eight known republican members, forty-seven known democrats, and four fusion republicans, elected on the democratic ticket in Cincinnati. Total, 108. On joint ballot the republicans have five majority.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA THREATEN.

At Odds Over Control of Korean Customs. United States In It. LONDON, Nov. 16.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says serious tension exists between Japan and Russia, owing to the latter's effort to control the Korean customs, and some of the head Japanese ministers are urging the adoption of strong measures, even to the extent of war with Russia. It is added, however, that the Marquis Ito discontinuance this step, and urges instead that Great Britain, the United States and Japan make joint representations to Russia on the subject of Korea.

CAPTURE CHINESE FORT.

German Gunboats Land Troops at Kiaochow. LONDON, Nov. 19.—A dispatch from Shanghai says four German ships landed 600 troops at the port of Kiaochow, which was held by 1,500 Chinese, who, under threat of bombardment, surrendered without firing a shot. Thereupon the Germans hoisted the German flag and the guns of the battle-ships fired a salute. The action is believed to be the result of the recent killing of two German missionaries.

HAYTI TO ADOPT NEW MONEY.

Paper Currency to Be Destroyed and Copper and Silver Reconciled. WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The United States minister to Hayti from Port au Prince says that the Haytian government has concluded a loan for \$4,000,000 through Lazard Brothers, New York, at 9 per cent, to be delivered immediately, the paper currency to be destroyed and the fractional silver and copper coin to be recoined in the mints of the United States.

MASSACRED THOUSANDS.

Awful Vengeance Wreaked by a West African Chief. PARIS, Nov. 18.—A special dispatch brings serious news from the Niger region, west Africa. In order to punish the inhabitants of the town of Kong, capital of the kingdom of Kong, in the Mandingo region of upper Guinea, for their refusal to supply his troops with provisions, Chief Samory has razed the town and massacred several thousand natives.

EIGHTEEN HUNDRED HOMELESS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 18.—Eighteen hundred persons were rendered homeless by rising waters in the Neva flood-gate canals, suburban islands and outlying portions of cities, a fierce wind from the sea driving the waters up stream, sweeping away several bridges. The police are providing food for the homeless. Only the abatement of the gale averted a terrible catastrophe.

PROUD ENGLAND BENDS.

Loosing Prestige as a Leader in the Industrial World. LONDON dispatch: A series of articles which are attracting much attention headed, "Marching Backwards," have been appearing in the Daily Mail. The writer has shown that Great Britain is falling behind in the great industrial race, and demonstrated how the United States, France and Germany can show increased exports to the amount of \$25,000,000 in twelve years, extending from 1883 to 1895. It is further provided that the exports in the United Kingdom in the same period have decreased \$9,000,000 (\$15,000,000). Commenting on this showing the Daily Mail expresses the opinion that the main reasons for this falling off is that British traders want business instinct and some genuine patriotism, as evidenced by ship owners carrying foreigners' goods at lower rates than the British.

BLANCO COMFORTS AN ENEMY.

Feeds the Insurgent Lion, Which Will Eat Him Presently. NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The World's Havana special says that Blanco has undertaken a bigger task than he can accomplish. His first decree urging protection for the cultivation of the fields leaves the country in the hands of the insurgents and furnishes them food. Weyler had them well starved. The insurgent army dropped from 100,000 to 40,000 men. Blanco is playing into the insurgents' hands by his policy of pacification, and his policy is known as the Spanish suicide. However, the Spanish army is worse off, having dwindled to 30,000 from 90,000, on account of fevers, etc.

ASKS \$200,000 OF HAWAII.

Japan Demands Large Indemnity for Immigration Troubles. VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 19.—The steamship Empress of China has arrived from the orient. The Japanese government has demanded the sum of \$200,000 in gold from Hawaii by way of indemnity in connection with the immigration affair. The sum includes the losses suffered by immigrants to whom admission was denied, as well as by the companies which sent them, and the expense of sending a man-of-war to Honolulu. The Japanese papers consider the demand moderate.

Got a Big Verdict.

CHICAGO, Nov. 19.—Fred R. Ketcham, conductor on the Northwestern railroad, who took part in the Debs A. R. U. strike, was awarded a verdict for \$21,000 in his suit against that company for blacklisting him and preventing him from securing work on other roads. He sued for \$25,000.

BREVIETTES.

1 The Cuban insurgents dynamited a train between Neutvas and the city of Puerto Principe. An engine and several cars were wrecked. Dispatches from Madrid confirm the reports that the prisoners captured on the Competitor, in April, 1896, will be included in the amnesty decree soon to be issued.

The sultan has conferred upon Muraviev, the Russian minister for foreign affairs, the grand cordon of the Osmanli order, for his services in "consolidating the friendship existing between the two countries."

The Spanish cavalry in Cuba recently came upon the insurgents under General Alejandro Rodriguez, in the province of Havana and in the engagement killed twenty insurgents, capturing a quantity of arms, together with the accoutrements of General Rodriguez, a quantity of baggage and letters.

At Atlanta, Ga., recently Judges Pardee and Newman of the United States Court handed down a decision in the famous dispensary case. The judges decided that liquors and wines in bottles packed in boxes and shipped in carload lots, were, under the law of South Carolina, clearly admissible, and should be handled by any railroad.

James R. Sovereign, general master workman of the Knights of Labor for several years, has been relieved of his office by the general assembly. Under ordinary conditions, Mr. Sovereign's term of office would not expire until next meeting. This, however, it is said, makes no difference with the order, whose general officers during a meeting are always in the hands of the assembly and can be chosen and deposed at the will of the majority. Henry A. Hicks, of New York, District 253, New York city, was chosen to fill Mr. Sovereign's place, and I. D. Chamberlain, of Pueblo, Colo., was selected as general worthy foreman.

The Russian embassy at Constantinople has recently made an important announcement to the Turkish government. In substance it is that if Turkey intends to apply part of the Greek war indemnity to an increase of the Turkish armaments, Russia desires to remind Turkey that the unpaid arrears of the Russo-Turkey war indemnity amounts to \$1,300,000, adding that, if the policy of the Turkish government is as indicated, Russia will demand the payment of this amount. The Russian pronouncement has strongly impressed the diplomatic corps, who believe it is directed against the plans to reorganize the Turkish navy.

A dispatch from Lima says: The bill which legalizes non-Catholic marriages in Peru and which makes legal all civil ceremonies performed by mayors of towns in presence of two witnesses was sanctioned by congress just before adjournment. There was great excitement when the measure was taken up for final action. The clerical tried to sustain a motion to postpone consideration, but on vote the motion was lost. The president put a motion to close the debate and this was done amid much applause. During a scene of great excitement and while protests were being made the measure was sanctioned. The passage of the measure is a great triumph for liberal ideas and for the government.

Washington dispatch: Ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty by the United States senate is assured.

SOVEREIGN'S AMBITION.

Wants the Democratic Presidential Nomination in 1900. LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 16.—The Courier-Journal says: J. R. Sovereign, retiring general master workman of the Knights of Labor, resigned his position in order that he might push his candidacy for president of the United States in 1900. Being free now from all the responsibilities of general master workman, and having none of the former difficulties to contend with, Sovereign has a clear field before him, and the delegates to the general assembly acknowledged last night that Sovereign is the avowed candidate for the presidency of the United States when McKinley's term expires. The convention making him "field worker" is the initial step of the Knights of Labor to launch Sovereign's boom. While it is said that Sovereign and Hon. W. J. Bryan are the warmest friends, the supporters of Sovereign say he will make every effort for the prize which Bryan seeks to secure. He spends all his spare time disseminating his views and in general agitation of all the principles which the Knights of Labor advance.

RELIEF FOR THE WHALERS.

Government Will Purchase Reindeer and Equip an Expedition. WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Secretary Gage has requested the secretary of the interior to instruct Alaskan officials to gather 600 reindeer from the government herds for use in an expedition for the relief of ice-bound whalers in the Arctic regions. The revenue cutter Bear is expected to sail from Seattle in ten days, and twelve days later is expected to reach Norton's sound, where a large party will be engaged for the overland trip 600 miles to Point Barrow. The reindeer will be driven by the party and killed for food if necessary. It is expected Point Barrow will be reached by the middle of February. The eight ice-bound whalers have a combined complement of 265 men.

PLOT OF GREAT MAGNITUDE.

Police Make New Discoveries in the Attempt to Kill Morales. RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 19.—The police, through a confession made to them, have learned that the plot to kill President Morales is of far greater magnitude than at first thought. As a result of this confession many new arrests were made. The relations between Italy and Brazil are daily becoming more complicated. The legation insists upon the degradation of Spiritu Santo, who is accused of connivance in the recent Italian outrages. The government has so far evaded a reply to this demand.

IOWA WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Final Trial of the Big Steamship Proves Satisfactory. NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—The United States battleship Iowa arrived at the Brooklyn navy yard after concluding her final trial trip. The report of the inspection board will be sent by telegraph to Washington and it is said that the performance of the Iowa during the trip was in every way satisfactory and that the board will recommend that the government finally accept the war vessel. Under natural draught the Iowa attained about 85 per cent of her maximum speed, which was about thirteen and one-half knots.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Hundred and Thirty-four New Cases and Ninety-four Deaths. BOMBAY, Nov. 16.—The bubonic plague shows no abatement in the Poonah district. Within the last forty-eight hours there have been 134 new cases reported and 94 deaths. Six hundred and thirty victims of the disease are now in the hospital at Poonah. Business in several of the principal streets is suspended, and the town is being rapidly deserted by the inhabitants.

CLEVELAND RETURNS THANKS.

PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 19.—President Cleveland said to a representative of the Associated Press: "The number and heartiness of the congratulations we have received on the birth of our son are so gratefully appreciated that I wish you would convey through the Associated Press our thanks to all the kind people who have thus given proof of their friendliness."

WILL HANG CHILD MURDERER.

LIBERTY, Mo., Nov. 17.—Wm. Carr, was sentenced to hang December 17. Carr drowned his 3-year-old daughter in the Missouri river. He received the sentence with a smile of satisfaction.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Patents have been allowed by the commissioner at Washington, but not yet issued, as follows: To A. E. Stevens, J. Brown and L. Pettit, of Dallas Center, for a trade mark for "The Standard Stock Food Company," consisting of the words "Famous Stock Food" and a cross in a circle.

To D. Fortney, of Otho, for a device adapted to be adjustably fastened to the body of a person and extended down to support a broken leg or to support a broken leg or to straighten a deformed leg or foot.

To S. Dewhirst, of Des Moines, for a furnace specially adapted for stoking and utilizing slack or fine coal for burning brick in a kiln advantageously or building a plant to heat a collection of buildings economically and without the annoyance and loss incident to the escape of soot and black smoke.

To F. L. Johnson, of Albia, for a machine adapted to be placed over the mouth of a well to serve as a means for holding and hoisting pipes as required in coupling and uncoupling and in putting in and taking out well tubes.

To J. E. Swanson, of Boone, for a wind motor and power transmitter. Two rods connected with a wind wheel reciprocate simultaneously in reverse ways in such a manner that the continuous rotary motion of the wheel is transmitted by their upward strokes to vertically vibrating levers in a power accumulator on the ground and then converted into rotary motion and transmitted to a mill or other mechanical machine as required to utilize wind power advantageously.

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MISSING LINKS.

At the recent art exhibition in Dresden over \$80,000 worth of pictures were sold.

Mountain lions or pumas are numerous along the Illinois river, Indian Territory, and are killing cattle. On the west coast of Africa there is a slight local demand for stove polish. The native women use it as a cosmetic.

Bating wax candles has killed a Worcester (England) young woman. She ate them in order to improve her complexion.

Dulwich, now a populous district of London, still has a tollgate across one of its main streets, at which tolls are collected regularly.

While the tea-growing industry of Ceylon is at its best, the coffee planters are near ruin. Disease is destroying the plants rapidly.

Sir Henry Lushington, the oldest baronet in England, died recently at the age of 96 years. His son, who succeeds him, is 71 years of age.

In Clinton, Mass., a newly wedded couple and their friends set out on their wedding journey in a coach which bore the placard, "Just Married."

The only assets left behind by an absconding bank cashier in Illinois explains his theft. They consisted of seventy-five empty whisky bottles.

Skimmed milk is now turned into champagne by an electric process, and the beverage is clear, bold and delicious in flavor, though non-alcoholic.

The Berlin street railway company is obliged to pay 8 per cent of its gross receipts to the city. Last year the city got \$336,000 by this arrangement.

Blahop Heber, author of that fine old hymn, "Rock of Ages," is to have his memory perpetuated by a tablet erected in a church in Farnham, Surrey, England.

The North Philadelphia Association of Baptist churches has refused to adopt a resolution unqualifiedly condemning the use of tobacco. They advised against it, however.

An English vandal, caught cutting off gold tassels from the curtains of the late King Ludwig's palace on the Chiemsee, in Bavaria, has been sent to jail for a fortnight for larceny.

A Valuable Franchise Secured. The franchise of a fine digestion—of the most valuable in the gift of medical science—can be secured by any person who enough to use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, either to suppress growing dyspepsia, or to improve the health of the system. Billious, rheumatic and feverish and ague sufferers, persons troubled with nervousness and the constipated, should also secure the health franchise by the same means.

Very Provoking Indeed. "That Charley Porky is horrid." "Why, dear! I thought that you and he were engaged." "We are, but last night I told him he was too good for me, and the concealed coxcomb didn't deny it."

In Line With Prosperity. "Come with me and sample the horn of plenty." "Where?" "Where they give the biggest." "In town for 5 cents."

Were Quite Uniform. "Did you find any irregularities in his accounts?" "On the contrary they were remarkably uniform—he decorated them every day."

Raymond Kipling has written one of the most valuable in the gift of medical science—can be secured by any person who enough to use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, either to suppress growing dyspepsia, or to improve the health of the system. Billious, rheumatic and feverish and ague sufferers, persons troubled with nervousness and the constipated, should also secure the health franchise by the same means.

Ten years ago there were only 86 miles of electric railway in the United States. Now there are 14,000.

Ringling Noises

Troubled for Years With Catarrh, but Now Entirely Cured. "I was troubled for years with catarrh, which caused ringing noises in my ears and pains in the back of my head. I was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I did so and a few bottles entirely cured me."

Hood's Sarsaparilla

Is the Best—In fact the One True Blood Purifier. Hood's Pills cure indigestion



THANKSGIVING DAY

Heartfelt thanksgiving!
Oh! let it rise
Like the mist of morn
Toward the azure skies;
Let the heart be glad
And the song be gay,
As we welcome the joys
Of Thanksgiving Day.

How sweet is home
With its altar fires!
The meeting of sons
With their happy smiles
The fair young wives
And their little flocks,
In brand-new coats
And Sunday frocks.

We gather around
The old-time board,
The blessing is asked,
The tea is poured,
And the children laugh
In their merry way,
When the turkey comes in
On Thanksgiving Day.

But what's this grie
T that which comes
With the smoking pudding
So full of plums?
And the rosy fruit
Without stint or lack,
And, last of all,
The nuts to crack?

What beautiful seasons
To him who roams,
Are these meetings rare
In the land of homes,
When the young and old,
The grave and gay,
Lift up their hearts
On Thanksgiving Day!



OUR THANKSGIVING DINNER
BY L. M. B.

My chum, John Meredith, was going home. He was always sighing for his home, and at times this longing possessed him so completely that he seemed on the point of abandoning his prospects of becoming a rich man.

Meredith had been in ill health, but ten years' residence in the west had made a new man of him. Success at last had come our way, and he suddenly announced that he was going home for his Thanksgiving dinner. He was a quiet, queer fellow, any way you put it; later, however, he had seemed wonderfully alert. The arrival of the weekly mail found him in a state of great expectation, and after he had read his letters he would sit quietly all evening looking very happy and smiling as he read them over again. He always was a non-committal chap, but this time there was no mistaking the signs, so I suspected his homesickness, and judged his case, as one is apt to do, by the light of my own. No wonder, poor fellow, that he wanted to wipe out the 1,500 miles which alone stood between him and that Thanksgiving turkey! For my own part, I can swear that no power as yet known to man could keep me back from Jim McKenzie's Thanksgiving dinner, for Mary was to be there—Mary whom all these years I had remembered and loved so well. I had never forgotten her beautiful deep, dark eyes, which seemed to search one's soul with that penetrating look one sees sometimes in a baby's eyes.

There was but little out here in the mountains to relieve the tedium of our long evenings, so Jim McKenzie's weekly visits were always heralded with joy. We made merry over his coming, and our carefully prepared dinner we regarded as a feast. We talked it over in the morning, and when evening came we began to plan for next week's coming. No wonder McKenzie was always welcome. His mind was stored with the thrilling adventures of early days in the mountains. We never tired of listening to the story of his own good luck; how, way down near the stream on the side of the mountain, his quick eyes had detected the bits of shining gold; how, day by day and all alone, he followed up the little thread of gold until he had discovered the secret of the mountain's heart, the generous yield of ore which had made him the richest man in "Golden Point." With touching paths he would tell us of the brave hearted men no less worthy than himself who had come out here to meet only bitter disappointment and blasted hopes. At rare intervals he would speak to us of his own early trials, of his dead wife, to whose loving care and gentle sympathy he confidently and proudly attributed his entire success and all that was good in him. Then, too, he always brought us news of his daughter Mary. At first her letters were only outpourings of her homesick, loving heart; she was born to live in the mountains, and declared she must have the freedom of the mountain bird. After a while her letters breathed a more contented spirit. In an incredibly short time the mountain bird had ceased to flutter against the bars of her cage. Her quick and receptive mind soon yielded to the guidance of those about her, and with the full force of an ardent nature she pursued the work of her education.

Thus from week to week we listened with delight to the welcome budget Jim would bring. Sometimes Mary's letters were only of her life at school, her books, her new friends—and my heart would sink—for then she seemed so far, so very far away! Again, she would write of herself, of the love she bore her father and her home, with an occasional—a very occasional—message for Harry, at which, of course, my heart would beat with joy, and I would cough or light my pipe, do anything to hide the tell-tale light I knew was in my eyes. During the last year she had written most of her home-coming; and

lately her letters had taken a tone of great seriousness, with many allusions to her "duty as a woman."

In her latest letter she begged that her father would take her more seriously; she "could not be a butterfly," and she spoke of "woman's sphere being broad and far-reaching." McKenzie only laughed and said, "Poor child! she is sighing for the mountain air." He wrote her of the beautiful fly he had trained and made ready for her use, and she would soon see for herself how very long and broad her woman's sphere could be.

At last a letter came telling that she was surely coming home, and telling how anxious she was to be with him on Thanksgiving Day. She complained ever so gently that she feared he had not taken her exactly as she wished—that she was no longer a child, and that her mind was quite occupied with the problem of "Woman's Mission." In fact, she had lately been made president of the Woman's Emancipation Circle, which organization had originated in her school, with every promise of becoming a power for great good among women. "I suppose," she added, "the principal maxims for which we pledge ourselves to labor without ceasing."

"We claim equal rights before the law."
"We ask equal pay for equal work."
"We ask that men cease to impose upon us by their empty flattery, and that we be recognized as reasonable human beings with eyes to see for ourselves; hands to work as we will."

This time even McKenzie could not fall to catch her meaning; he looked puzzled and troubled, and finally said: "In the morning she will be half way home and I shall go to meet her. I think," he added slowly, "I think Mary needs her father. Yes, I'm sure—dead sure—she needs her father."

Meanwhile I had registered a solemn vow that every claim and every assertion of this New Woman should be disproved and contradicted by Mary in her own sweet self. When I closed my eyes that night it was to dream of Thanksgiving Day and Mary and I really believe that in my sleep I heard the sweet sound of wedding bells.

For some time the next day McKenzie was shyly making his daughter's acquaintance. He could not for the life of him see the slightest trace of the dread phantom her last letter had created. He thanked God that she was womanly and gentle; that her heart was right, whatever error of fancy had gotten into her head.

"Why, dear Mary!" he answered her, "you don't want to work like a man. You can't do it. When I was your age I could handle a pick all day; I could do it now. A woman's work cannot be equal to man's; so it is hardly fair for her to ask equal pay—besides, it was to Adam the command was given to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow."

Poor Mary! She could not help being disconcerted. Her father's opinions, she knew, were always based on common sense. So it was some time before she spoke again; and then it was to ask why it was that women did not have equal rights with men before the law. He answered that women surely do have equal rights before the law. "You see," my dear, he went on, "their rights are really identical, their interests the same; and it is a man's first notion of duty to see that these rights are respected. I would like to see any person interfere with your rights or hear of any law that would be unjust to you. By George! I would soon show that your rights were my rights, and that the law exists solely for the benefit of mankind, which you know, my dear, includes woman kind, even the 'New Woman,' too."

Poor Mary was confounded. After all, were men and women really equal before the law? If that were so, what became of the enormous injustices and inequities which women had silently and patiently borne all these years? It all seemed so confusing, so difficult, so very puzzling; she could not doubt



"AN OCCASIONAL LETTER FROM HARRY"

That her father was right—he always was on practical questions. She looked out of the car window, and was silent. Her eyes were full of tears. It was hard to believe that the Woman's Emancipation Circle was, after all, to have no existence in the world, and that all of her fine arguments, broad views on the woman subject were suddenly disappearing—melting away before her father's clear and convincing assertions.

She recognized at once that she had met defeat, and with all the bravery she could command, the conversation was turned to other things. In a short time they would be home and enjoy Thanksgiving day together.

Was it in truth necessary for me to see McKenzie at once about that broken fence, or was it only the crisp mountain air that tempted me from the house hours before I was expected to arrive at Jim McKenzie's? One thing was certain, I could not wait another moment, and in half an hour I was speeding along and nearing his place. As I rode up I saw her standing on the porch. She came quickly forward to meet me. I blushed like a schoolboy when I took her hand and looked into her eyes. Yes, there was still the deep, searching, truly baby look. I felt relieved at once and thought, "It won't be so very hard, after all; she could not look like that and be really a New Woman."

In a few moments I had forgotten about the broken fence, and we went together to see the beautiful brown ally. I suggested that there was time

enough to try her before dinner, and Mary acquiesced at once. She had a fancy to saddle the horse herself. I never thought of interfering until she came to tighten the girth; then I simply said:

"You would better let me do that for you."

"Never mind," she answered; "why can't a woman use her hands and help herself?"

Of course I was disconcerted, and saw at once that I was treading on dangerous ground, but I only laughed and said:

"She can. She certainly has the right, but why not allow a fellow the privilege?"

Then, in a defiant tone, she replied:

"We don't want privileges or aid; we only want what is just."

"At your hands," I answered, "I don't ask for justice, at all; but I do yearn for privileges."

She tossed her head in reply, and stood ready to mount.

In a few moments we were off, scouring the country, riding up the mountains and walking our horses slowly down again. Near the base of the timber line Mary's horse suddenly shied, her saddle turned, but in her terror she called to me. In an instant I was by her side and just saved her from falling to the ground. Of course I had to straighten the saddle; and I simply asserted:

"You see, I am stronger than you, and I yielded my right too easily. You will always let me saddle your horse!"

I suppose it was the shock that made her blush and look so baffled as she glanced at me, and I felt sure that I had scored a point. After this we rode quickly home. It was almost time for dinner, and McKenzie was waiting for



"SHE CAME OUT TO MEET ME"

us on the porch. We went together to look after the broken fence. When we returned to the house I found Mary in the parlor, struggling with a big log of wood that had rolled from its place, and I further noticed that her gown was in danger from the flames. So intent was she in her efforts to replace the burning log that she did not notice my approach. I stood there quietly, watching the smoking log on the rug, which momentarily I expected to see burst into flames.

She looked so pitiful and helpless that my heart softened entirely, and I was about to go to her, when she turned and saw me quietly looking on.

"Why don't you come?" she said. "Don't you see I can not budge this log?"

Surely this was my day for luck! I saw another chance and took it.

"Step aside," I said; "let me take it up." With the aid of the tongs and a shovel I easily put the log back in place.

"You see, men are stronger than women," I said. This time she would give me no answer, but in her eyes I read that I had scored my second point.

In a few moments dinner was ready, and a happier trier never sat down to a Thanksgiving feast. Mary had for the moment forgotten her misadventures, and a more charming hostess could not be imagined.

In the quiet joy of Mary's return McKenzie looked blissful and contented. I confess to having felt a little nervous. So far the day had gone well with me, but I wanted to score my third and last point. I anxiously awaited my opponent, which presently came in the shape of the great American turkey. The turkey was brought in just as I was telling in a triumphant tone of Mary's proud refusal of my good offices in adjusting her saddle, and how she did not hesitate to demand my obedience when she really needed my services. Jim ordered the turkey placed before Mary, and explained that her mother had always carved; no one knew so well as she how to select the choicest bits and give to each one just the dainty morsel most coveted, and now Mary must learn to do the same.

She took the large knife in her hand and gazed at it, looking very dubious; then she stuck the fork well into the turkey's breast and made another attempt to use the knife.

She looked at her father a moment, but his attention was altogether bent upon selecting a choice bit of celery. Then she gave me a hurried, appealing glance! I moved my chair a little, but said nothing. At length she turned to me again and put her hand on my arm and gently said:

"I say, Harry, I believe men are stronger and bigger and braver than women. Won't you please carve this for me?"

My last point was scored, and can you wonder that I consider Thanksgiving the greatest day of the year, and the American turkey the greatest of birds? But here we call it the falcon; it sometimes catches mountain birds.



FROM THE FOUR WINDS.

The common pond frog's natural life-time is twelve to fifteen years.

Florida, of all the states, has the most water within its boundaries—4,440 square miles.

The common house sparrow flies at the rate of ninety-two miles per hour.

The average expense of an ocean steamer from New York to Liverpool and return is \$75,000.

On the state railways in Germany the carriages are painted according to the colors of the tickets of their respective classes. First class carriages are painted red, second class green and third class white.

Of the eleven born alive one-fourth die before twenty-third month, one-third before their eighth year, two-thirds of mankind die before the thirty-fifth year, three-fourths before their fifty-first year and of about 12,000 only one survives a whole century.

M. Forel, in his work on ants, has pointed out that very young ants devote themselves at first to the care of the larvae and pupae and that they take no share in the defense of the nest or other out-of-door work until they are some days old. This seems natural because their first skin is comparatively soft; and it would not be well for them to undertake rough work or run the danger until their armor had time to harden.

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The most prevailing afflictions that for a century have been engaging the most scientific skill of the medical world are rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, tarth, asthma, gripe and their kindred ailments. The country is full of sufferers from these complaints. Although the most learned experts of the medical profession have labored for a century to produce a cure, until quite recently no positive results were attained. To the Swanson Rheumatic Cure Co., 187-69 Dearborn street, Chicago, belongs the credit for having produced the new remedy. It is being extensively advertised under the trade mark of "Five Drops." The new remedy is self-acting. Five drops make a dose. The effect is magical. In a day is gone by other alleged cures. Have been marketed with the promise to take effect in thirty days or more. Five Drops begins to cure at once. Immediate relief is felt. In order to more effectively advertise its merits the company will for the next thirty days send out 100,000 of their sample.

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The pope's physician has declared that, in spite of his great age, Leo XIII is as likely as most men to see the beginning of a new century.

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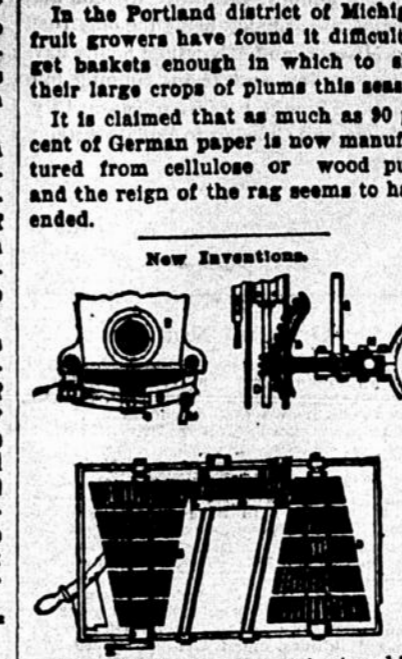
The suicide rate in the German army is 45 per annum in each 100,000 men.

Kaiser Wilhelm's speeches during the last two years fill 323 closely printed pages in the cheap German edition in which they are printed.

Danish lighthouses during storms pump oil upon the waters, and, in consequence, vessels seek the shelter of the smooth water thus created.

In the Portland district of Michigan fruit growers have found it difficult to get baskets enough in which to ship their large crops of plums this season.

It is claimed that as much as 90 per cent of German paper is now manufactured from cellulose or wood pulp, and the reign of the rag seems to have ended.



New Inventions.

Amongst the curious patents which were issued the past week was one for a clever toy in the shape of a top, adapted to show picture cards under movement; a simple pipe wrench, patented in a Iowa inventor; a street car tender which makes it impossible for a pedestrian to fall under the same; a simple hand fire extinguisher; a rubber tired wheel having spring spokes, a compound for destroying insects, and a training apparatus. We herewith show copyrighted illustrations of three famous inventions which are now public property. Inventors of an inquisitive turn of mind, may find pleasure in solving these three mechanical problems. We invite the attention of inventors as to procuring patents may obtain the same in law and registered patent agents, Bee Building, Omaha, Neb.

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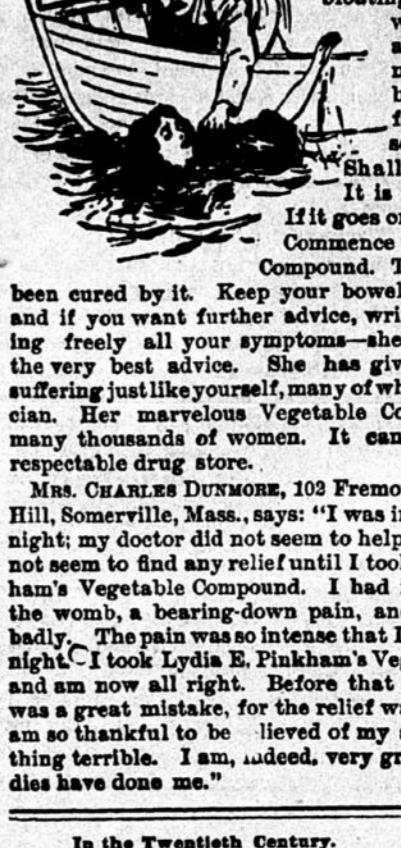
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Cannot Die Before Next March in Any Court.

San Francisco dispatch: In view of the fact that the supreme court will not convene until the second Monday in January, it is not considered probable that Durrant, the condemned murderer of Blanche Lamont and Minnie Williams, will expire the crime for which he was sentenced to be hanged in December, 1895, before the latter part of February or the beginning of March next, if at all. The matter cannot come up for hearing upon the points involved in the order granting the certificates of probable cause, to which the murderer owes his second lease of life, until the middle of January. After the case has been decided another thirty days at least must intervene before the remittitur from the supreme court can reach the trial court and Durrant be re-sentenced for the second time. Meantime, Durrant has been removed from the condemned cell and returned to his old cell, No. 21, in murderers' row, at San Quentin.

IS THE TIME TO STRIKE.

Tell-Tele Letters Captured by British in Tribesmen's Camp.
SIMALA, Nov. 17.—Official dispatches from the British camp in Malden Valley say the Kempester brigade was attacked by the enemy in force. The tribesmen were driven off with the assistance of star shells, which illuminated the scene sufficiently to enable the tribesmen to be seen. The British officers found in the residence of the mullah letters from the Haddah Mullah saying: "The Turks have beaten the Greeks and seized the approaches to India and the British reinforcements are cut off. Now is the time to strike a blow for Islam."

WEYLER CARRIED AWAY MAPS.

Spain Worried Over Rumors About Her Captain General.
MADRID, Nov. 17.—The semi-official Correspondencia referring to a Havana dispatch published in the New York Herald, asserting that Gen. Weyler carried off maps and other documents concerning Cuba, says: "The gravity of the statements does not permit comments. The matter must be completely elucidated, for, if confirmed, the government will be obliged to assume an inexorable attitude."

WILL TOM REED RETIRE?

NEW YORK, Nov. 18.—Augustus G. Paine, an intimate friend of Thomas B. Reed in New York city, says: "It is true that the pressure of large commercial interests has been brought to bear on Mr. Reed to induce him to retire from congress and come to New York. Other large interests feel, however, that Mr. Reed should remain at the capitol. I have seen Mr. Reed frequently of late, but the matter of his coming to New York has not been mentioned in our conversations."

SCOTT CITED FOR CONTEMPT.

LINCOLN, Neb., Nov. 19.—District Judge Cunningham R. Scott, of Omaha, was this evening cited by the supreme court to appear before the tribunal on December 7 and plead to the charge of contempt. The contempt charge is the alleged refusal of Judge Scott to enforce a mandate issued by the supreme court last January in an Omaha receivership case.

COMPETITOR MEN FROG.

HAVANA, Nov. 19.—The Competitor prisoners have at last been released from Cabanas fortress by order of Captain General Blanco, acting in accordance with orders from Spain. The men all sailed yesterday direct for New York on the steamship Yamuri, which is due there November 21.

THE SELTAN YIELDS.

LONDON, Nov. 18.—A Vienna special says: The Austrian ambassador at Constantinople telegraphs that the sultan has declared his willingness to give Austria full satisfaction for the Messina incidents and in regard to the disputes in connection with the Oriental railway.

LITERARY NOTES.

Outing for November, bright and bracing as a November day, appears again in a most handsome cover. The sport most prominently depicted without and within, as it should be, is football. This is the month when all other sports in the world of sport are temporarily lost sight of in our enthusiasm for the latest achievements of our favorite football team, and Walter Camp satisfies the appetite of football enthusiasts with an exhaustive article forecasting the season.

AMONG THE CONTENTS OF HARPER'S MAGAZINE FOR DECEMBER ARE A NARRATIVE POEM BY GENERAL LEW. WALLACE, ENTITLED "THE WOOING OF MALKATON"; ARTICLES ON "THE QUEEN'S JUBILEE," BY RICHARD HARTIG, DAVID, AND ON "GEORGE WILLIAMS FURTHER AT CONCORD," BY GEORGE WILLIAMS, AND AN INTERESTING ARTICLE OF REGION.

The number for November of Harper's Weekly will include a Thanksgiving number, containing a strong story, entitled "A Stay-at-Home Enemy," by Margaret Sutton Briscoe. Among the other features of the month will be the beginning of a series of articles on "Woman's Voice and Speech," by Ada Stirling, and a paper by Eben E. Rexford on "November Work in the Garden."

The November issue of the Art Interchange is exceptionally interesting both in pictures and text, and is abundantly supplied with supplements in color and black and white. "Where the Water Lilies Grow," by Rowell S. Hill, shows a girl dressed in pink seated in a boat gathering water lilies, while the summer sunshine shimmers across the surface of the river.

THE NEWS IN IOWA.

WILL SAVE THE STATE \$20,000

Few if Any of the County Fairs Will Receive State Support.
DES MOINES, Nov. 19.—Attorney General Remley has just submitted an important opinion to the auditor of state which will result in a saving to the state of something like \$20,000 each year. The opinion is in regard to the state support of the different county agricultural fairs. The law provides that each county shall receive \$200 per year, provided that a similar or greater sum has been received by the society during the year in the form of annual dues from the members. In the past, the counties have been given the \$200 each year, as the law was misinterpreted. Auditor of State McCarthy thought that the law was not being interpreted properly and he wrote to the attorney general for an opinion on the matter. In his reply Mr. Remley expresses the opinion that the counties are not entitled to the \$200 unless a similar sum has been received by them as annual dues from members. As few if any of them receive such a sum the \$20,000 spent for this purpose each year by the state will be saved.

MURDER AND SUICIDE.

L. D. Spickler, of Cushing, Kills His Wife and Himself.
SIOUX CITY, Nov. 17.—A murder and suicide occurred at Cushing. The murderer was L. D. Spickler, a farmer, and the victim was his wife. The man killed himself after the deed. This couple separated some time ago on account of family troubles, and the man has been in the east for some time. However, he came home a few days ago and beat his stepdaughter. For this he was arrested, but was released in a few days. He went about the town of Cushing saying he would kill his wife, but people thought nothing of the threat. But he meant it, and went to where his wife was living, about a mile from town. Upon entering the door he opened fire, the shot striking her in the breast. He then went outside and blew out his own brains. The woman lived a few hours. Four children are left. They were the children of the woman by her first husband. The tragedy has created a sensation in that section of the county. Spickler was 40 years old and his wife 35.

LONGLEY'S NARROW ESCAPE.

Tossed Sixty Feet by a Rock Island Engine and Saves His Life.
CENTERVILLE, Nov. 17.—Low Longley had an escape from death just after midnight which can be recorded as not only a very fortunate one from the young man's standpoint, but from a miraculous point of view it is perhaps without parallel. He was tossed twenty feet in the air with his horse and buggy by the midnight Rock Island flyer at the railroad crossing east of the river and fell to the ground sixty feet away. He suffered only a broken arm and bodily bruises. His horse was literally cut to pieces and completely eviscerated and the buggy was smashed into splinters.

BRIGHT IOWA WOMEN.

Writing a Composite Story for a Daily Newspaper.
DES MOINES, Nov. 16.—The Des Moines Daily News, which has made a great hit by reducing its price to \$1 a year, has made arrangements with the twelve literary clubs of the city, whereby each club has chosen a representative to write one chapter of a composite story to appear in the Daily News after the holidays. The Women's club will write the first chapter and pass it on from club to club, the Review club writing the last chapter. The ladies of the state are much interested in the novel scheme.

GOV. SHAW'S APPOINTMENTS.

Will Retain Mr. Fleming and Messenger Coulson—Man Librarian.
DENISON, Nov. 18.—In an interview published in the Denison Review Governor-elect Shaw says that he will retain Major W. H. Fleming as private secretary and William Coulson as messenger in the executive office. He also states that it is his intention to consult with the state library trustees and to appoint a man as state librarian. Old employees will have preference, other things being equal.

WILL USE BLOOD HOUNDS.

Man-Trappers Used to Track Thieves at Alton.
ALBERTON, Nov. 16.—The hardware store of George F. Kerr was burglarized of knives, razors, spectacles and revolvers to the amount of \$150. Two tramps were arrested on suspicion. They had a quantity of spectacles in their possession, but Mr. Kerr does not identify them as his. A pack of hunting blood hounds from Spickards, Mo., will be used to track the thieves.

OTTOMWAN KILLED BY A CAR.

Aged Man Stepped in Front of a Street Car.
OTTUMWA, Nov. 18.—F. G. Randall, a retired druggist and one of the city's oldest and most prominent citizens, was run down and killed by an electric car almost in front of his residence. He was deaf and was standing on the crossing and when the car was within six feet of him he stepped in front of it and was ground to pieces. He was 75 years old.

FELL TO HIS DEATH.

DES MOINES, Nov. 16.—The police found the dead body of August Olson, a tailor, in the alley between the Seeburger and Manhattan buildings. He had probably fallen out of a rear third-story window of the Seeburger building. When found his head was terribly crushed and the pavement was covered with blood. Doctors did not arrive on the scene until twenty minutes after the man fell, but said he had been killed instantly. The man had been intoxicated two or three days and must have fallen from the window while in a maudlin condition.

SNOW IN IOWA.

DUBUQUE, Nov. 16.—The first snow of the season fell last night and it was general throughout northern Iowa.

UNCONSTITUTIONAL.

The Court's Decision On the Iowa Pedlers License Law.
DES MOINES, Nov. 19.—Judge Conrad, of the district court of Polk county, has given the new code its first black eye. It was administered in the case of the state against Isaac Sunberg. He sustained a demurrer to an indictment against Sunberg, and holds that the new peddling license statute is unconstitutional. Under the statute, peddlers carrying a pack are required to pay a fee of \$25 in each county; those driving one-horse conveyances, a license of \$50; those using two-horse conveyances, \$75. It also provided that old soldiers and sailors of the United States and persons unable to perform manual labor, shall be exempt from the tax. The court held that the exemption makes it class legislation.

NOVAK SPRINGS A SURPRISE.

One Statement of a State Witness Flatly Contradicted.
VINTON, Nov. 17.—The defense in the Novak trial sprung a surprise, when Joseph Stusak, an old employe of Novak's, testified that on the night following the fire he and John Dussl turned the valves in the gas pipes in the boiler room, which the witness for the state claimed they found welded together by the heat so they could not be turned. Mr. and Mrs. Zaborsky testified that the stock in the store was worth \$6,000 to \$7,000, and that they carried insurance on only \$3,500; that the building was worth \$4,000 and the insurance was \$2,000. They also testified that just above the sleeping room were a number of caskets, indicating that in falling they might have struck Murray and fractured the skull.

VINTON, Nov. 21.—The line of defense in the Novak murder trial has been fully developed. His attorneys will contend that when Novak awoke the night of the fire he was overcome by gases, that his mind was temporarily deranged, and that he wandered away before it resumed its normal condition, and when he was too far gone to turn back; that the fracture in the head of Edward Murray was caused by his falling from the sleeping room to the basement below and striking a sharp object. Drs. Andrews and Carroll, of the Iowa State University, were on the stand as experts to show that these things could be possible.

HOLDS THREE TROPHIES.

Fred Gilbert, of Spirit Lake, a Wonderful Shot.
DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Fred Gilbert, the "Phantom of Spirit Lake," holds three of the four recognized trap shooting trophies in the country. They are the Dupont championship trophy and the Kansas City Star cup for live birds, and the E. C. cup, emblematic of the championship of the United States at inanimate targets. Gilbert will be called upon to defend the possession of two of them against a challenger during the great trap shooting week to be held at Watson's Park, Chicago, in December. Both matches will be against the same expert, J. A. R. Elliott, of Kansas City. They are for the Dupont trophy and the Kansas City Star cup. Each match will be at 100 live birds.

JUDGE SPURRIER RESIGNS.

DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Judge W. A. Spurrier has forwarded to Gov. Drake his resignation as judge of the district court of Polk county. He will enter the practice of law. The governor appointed C. A. Bishop to fill the vacancy.

IOWA CONDENSED.

The barrel factory of Fred Hilpert & Son at Keokuk was destroyed by incendiary fire. Loss \$7,000.
George M. Reynolds, president of the Des Moines National Bank, announces that he has accepted the offer of the cashiership of the Continental National Bank of Chicago, and will begin his duties December 1. Mr. Reynolds was a prominent candidate for comptroller of the currency.

Fire a few nights ago destroyed \$12,000 worth of property at Jerome. The stores and almost the entire contents belonging to D. M. Brazeele, clothing; Donald Forsythe, druggist; John Shelton, general merchandise dealer, were burned. Little insurance was carried. A kit of burglar's tools was found in the street, and these signs indicated the Brazeele store had been robbed and then fired.
Amelia Payson, aged 4, of Clinton, was playing around a bonfire near her home, when her clothing caught fire. She ran home screaming and the mother snatched the child up in her arms and started to the house. The fire from the child's skirt set fire to Mrs. Payson's clothes, and before the flames could be extinguished both were frightfully burned. Medical aid was summoned, but was unavailing; the child was seriously burned about the head and body and the mother on the back and breast. Both died after several hours of agony.

An important defect in the code has been discovered. The last legislature abolished the office of state inspector, or thought it did, leaving the present fifteen deputies to perform their present duties with the full title of inspector, making their report to the executive council. They are to be appointed by the governor for two years, commencing July 1. The legislature, however, did not provide who should do the inspecting between October 1, 1897, when the old system was to have been abolished, and July 1, 1898, when the governor is to appoint the new inspectors. The law requires the inspection, and Attorney General Remley has given an opinion that inasmuch as inspection is required and the new inspectors are not to be appointed until July 1, 1898, the old system continues until that time. Luther A. Brewer, of Cedar Rapids, is the present state oil inspector, who raised this question and convinced the attorney general and Governor Drake that he should hold over. His term of office expires in March, 1898, but he will doubtless be left to finish the term unless the legislature takes some action this winter.

ALL OVER THE WORLD.

DIVIDE NEW YORK.

Koss Croker Will Have a Bill Introduced Next Winter.
NEW YORK, N. Y., 17.—According to a local paper... Richard Croker's ambition to extend Tammany's domain beyond the confines of greater New York. The proposal to create a new state by dividing 16 counties of the state of New York and incorporating them as the state of Manhattan is defined in a bill which is to be introduced at the coming session of the legislature by Assemblyman Patrick Trainor, who is a member of Tammany hall, presented a similar bill in the assembly last year, but it did not get beyond a committee. The plan is to create a new democratic state and add two sure democratic United States senators, to secure control of the legislature of what would be the greatest and richest state in the union, to divide the electoral vote of the pivotal state, to send to the lower house of congress, a solid delegation from the state of Manhattan, and to get absolute legislative control over the second greatest city on earth.

CRISIS EXPECTED IN CUBA.

Renewed Activity Significant and Present Conditions May Be Brief.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 18.—There is a feeling in official circles that it will not be long until some sort of a startling crisis comes in Cuba. When Blanco calls upon the insurgents to lay down their arms and accept autonomy, it is said by Cuban sympathizers here that the insurgents will retort with a demand for independence, and will formally request, through Gen. Lee, that the United States exercise its good offices with Spain to secure independence. The insurgents are getting ready to be as embarrassing as possible in every way. The recent activity in filibustering has significance. Ammunition is being hurried forward for definite purposes. About the time the American congress meets, Gomez and his subordinate commanders are to enter upon active operations on such a scale as to excite interest, and if possible arouse more sympathy in this country.

HANNA HAS THREE TO SPARE.

Republican Majority of Five on Ohio Legislative Ballot.
COLUMBUS, O., Nov. 16.—The official vote of Ohio for governor at the late election is: Bushnell, republican, 429,816; Chapman, democrat, 401,715; Holliday, prohibition, 7,558; Coxey, people's party, 6,254; Dexter, national democrat, 1,601; Watkins, socialist labor, 4,242; Lewis, negro protective, 476; liberty party, 3,107. Bushnell's plurality, 28,101. McKinley's plurality over Bryan, 49,494. The senate has seventeen known republican members, eighteen known democrats and one fusion republican elected on the democratic ticket in Cincinnati. Total, 36. The house has fifty-eight known republican members, forty-seven known democrats, and four fusion republicans, elected on the democratic ticket in Cincinnati. Total, 108. On joint ballot the republicans have five majority.

JAPAN AND RUSSIA THREATEN.

At Odds Over Control of Korean Customs. United States in It.
LONDON, Nov. 16.—A special dispatch from Shanghai says serious tension exists between Japan and Russia, owing to the latter's effort to control the Korean customs, and some of the head Japanese ministers are urging the adoption of strong measures, even to the extent of war with Russia. It is added, however, that the Marquis Ito disapproves this step, and urges instead that Great Britain, the United States and Japan make joint representations to Russia on the subject of Korea.

CAPTURE CHINESE FORT.

German Gunboats Land Troops at Kiaochow.
LONDON, Nov. 19.—A dispatch from Shanghai says four German ships landed 600 troops at the port of Kiaochow, which was held by 1,500 Chinese, who under threat of bombardment, surrendered without firing a shot. Thereupon the Germans hoisted the German flag and the guns of the battleships fired a salute. The action is believed to be the result of the recent killing of two German missionaries.

HAYTI TO ADOPT NEW MONEY.

Paper Currency to Be Destroyed and Copper and Silver Re-coined.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 15.—The United States minister to Hayti from Port au Prince says that the Haytian government has concluded a loan for \$4,000,000 through Lazard Brothers, New York, at 9 per cent, to be delivered immediately, the paper currency to be destroyed and the fractional silver and copper coin to be re-coined in the mints of the United States.

MASSACRED THOUSANDS.

Awful Vengeance Wreaked by a West African Chief.
PARIS, Nov. 18.—A special dispatch brings serious news from the Niger region, west Africa. In order to punish the inhabitants of the town of Koug, capital of the kingdom of Koug, in the Mandingo region of upper Guinea, for their refusal to supply his troops with provisions, Chief Samory has razed the town and massacred several thousand natives.

EIGHTEEN HUNDRED HOMELESS.

ST. PETERSBURG, Nov. 18.—Eighteen hundred persons were rendered homeless by rising waters in the Neva flooding canals, suburban islands and outlying portions of cities, a fierce wind from the sea driving the waters up stream, sweeping away several bridges. The police are providing food for the homeless. Only the abatement of the gale averted a terrible catastrophe.

PROUD ENGLAND BENDS.

Loosing Prestige as a Leader in the Industrial World.

London dispatch: A series of articles which are attracting much attention headed, "Marching Backwards," have been appearing in the Daily Mail. The writer has shown that Great Britain is falling behind in the great industrial race, and demonstrated how the United States, France and Germany can show increased exports to the United Kingdom from 1883 to 1895. It is further proved that the exports in the United Kingdom in the same period have decreased \$9,000,000 (\$45,000,000). Commenting on this showing the Daily Mail expresses the opinion that the main reasons for this falling off is that British traders want business instinct and some genuine patriotism, as evidenced by ship owners carrying foreigners' goods at lower rates than the British.

BLANCO COMFORTS AN ENEMY.

Feeds the Insurgent Lion, Which Will Eat Him Presently.
NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—The World's Havana special says that Blanco has undertaken a bigger task than he can accomplish. His first decree urging protection for the cultivation of the fields leaves the country in the hands of the insurgents and furnishes them food. Weyler had them well starved. The insurgent army dropped from 100,000 to 40,000 men. Blanco is playing into the insurgents' hands by his policy of pacification, and his policy is known as the Spanish suicide. However, the Spanish army is worse off, having dwindled to 30,000 from 90,000, on account of fevers, etc.

ASKS \$200,000 OF HAWAII.

Japan Demands Large Indemnity for Immigration Troubles.
VICTORIA, B. C., Nov. 19.—The steamship Empress of China has arrived from the Orient. The Japanese government has demanded the sum of \$200,000 in gold from Hawaii by way of indemnity in connection with the immigration affair. The sum includes the losses suffered by immigrants to whom admission was denied, as well as by the companies which sent them, and the expense of sending a man-of-war to Honolulu. The Japanese papers consider the demand moderate.

Got a Big Verdict.

CHICAGO, Nov. 18.—Fred R. Ketcham, conductor on the Northwestern railroad, who took part in the Debs A. R. U. strike, was awarded a verdict for \$21,000 in his suit against that company for blacklisting him and preventing him from securing work on other roads. He sued for \$25,000.

BREVITIES.

The Cuban insurgents dynamited a train between Nevas and the city of Puerto Principe. An engine and several cars were wrecked.
Dispatches from Madrid confirm the reports that the prisoners captured on the Competitor, in April, 1896, will be included in the amnesty decree soon to be issued.
The sultan has conferred upon Muraviev, the Russian minister for foreign affairs, the grand cordon of the Osmanli order, for his services in "consolidating the friendship existing between the two countries."

The Spanish cavalry in Cuba recently came upon the insurgents under General Alejandro Rodriguez, in the province of Havana and in the engagement killed twenty insurgents, capturing a quantity of arms, together with the accoutrements of General Rodriguez, a quantity of baggage and letters.

At Atlanta, Ga., recently Judges Pardee and Newman of the United States Court handed down a decision in the famous dispensary case. The judges decided that liquors and wines in bottles packed in boxes and shipped in railroad cars, were, under the law of South Carolina, clearly admissible, and should be handled by any railroad.

James R. Sovereign, general master workman of the Knights of Labor for several years, has been relieved of his office by the general assembly. Under ordinary conditions, Mr. Sovereign's term of office would not expire until next meeting. This, however, it is said, makes no difference with the order, whose general officers during a meeting are always in the hands of the assembly and can be chosen and deposed at the will of the majority. Henry A. Hicks, of New York, District 253, New York city, was chosen to fill Mr. Sovereign's place, and I. D. Chamberlain, of Pueblo, Colo., was selected as general worthy foreman.

The Russian embassy at Constantinople has recently made an important announcement to the Turkish government. In substance it is that if Turkey intends to apply part of the Greek war indemnity to an increase of the Turkish armaments, Russia desires to remind Turkey that the unpaid arrears of the Russo-Turkey war indemnity amounts to \$1,300,000, adding that, if the policy of the Turkish government is as indicated, Russia will demand the payment of this amount. The Russian pronouncement has strongly impressed the diplomatic corps, who believe it is directed against the plans to reorganize the Turkish navy.

A dispatch from Lima says: The bill which legalizes non-Catholic marriages in Peru and which makes legal all civil ceremonies performed by mayors of towns in presence of two witnesses was sanctioned by congress just before adjournment. There was great excitement when the measure was taken up for final action. The clerical tried to sustain a motion to postpone consideration, but on vote the motion was lost. The president put a motion to close the debate and this was done amid much applause. During a scene of great excitement and while protests were being made the measure was sanctioned. The passage of the measure is a great triumph for liberal ideas and for the government.

Washington dispatch: Ratification of the Hawaiian annexation treaty by the United States senate is assured.

SOVEREIGN'S AMBITION.

Wants the Democratic Presidential Nomination in 1900.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Nov. 14.—The Courier-Journal says: J. R. Sovereign, retiring general master workman of the Knights of Labor, resigned his position in order that he might push his candidacy for president of the United States in 1900. Being free now from all the responsibilities of general master workman, and having none of the former difficulties to contend with, Sovereign has a clear field before him, and the delegates to the general assembly acknowledged last night that Sovereign is the avowed candidate for the presidency of the United States when McKinley's term expires. The convention making him "field worker" is the initial step of the Knights of Labor to launch Sovereign's boom. While it is said that Sovereign and Hon. W. J. Bryan are the warmest friends, the supporters of Sovereign say he will make every effort for the prize which Bryan seeks to secure. He spends all his spare time disseminating his views and in general agitation of all the principles which the Knights of Labor advance.

RELIEF FOR THE WHALERS.

Government Will Purchase Reindeer and Equip an Expedition.
WASHINGTON, Nov. 17.—Secretary Gage has requested the secretary of the interior to instruct Alaskan officials to gather 600 reindeer from the government herds for use in an expedition for the relief of ice-bound whalers in the Arctic regions. The revenue cutter Bear is expected to sail from Seattle in ten days, and twelve days later is expected to reach Norton's sound, where a large party will be engaged for the overland trip 600 miles to Point Barrow. The reindeer will be driven by the party and killed for food if necessary. It is expected Point Barrow will be reached by the middle of February. The eight ice-bound whalers have a combined complement of 265 men.

PLOT OF GREAT MAGNITUDE.

Police Make New Discoveries in the Attempt to Kill Morales.
RIO JANEIRO, Nov. 19.—The police, through a confession made to them, have learned that the plot to kill President Morales is of far greater magnitude than at first thought. As a result of this confession many new arrests were made. The relations between Italy and Brazil are daily becoming more complicated. The legion insists upon the degradation of Spiritu Santo, who is accused of connivance in the recent Italian outrages. The government has so far evaded a reply to this demand.

IOWA WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Final Trial of the Big Battleship Proves Satisfactory.
NEW YORK, Nov. 19.—The United States battleship Iowa arrived at the Brooklyn navy yard after concluding her final trial trip. The report of the inspection board will be sent by telegraph to Washington and it is said that the performance of the Iowa during the trip was in every way satisfactory and that the board will recommend that the government finally accept the war vessel. Under natural draught the Iowa attained about 85 per cent of her maximum speed, which was about thirteen and one-half knots.

BUBONIC PLAGUE.

Hundred and Thirty-four New Cases and Ninety-four Deaths.
BOMBAY, Nov. 16.—The bubonic plague shows no abatement in the Poonah district. Within the last forty-eight hours there have been 134 new cases reported and 94 deaths. Six hundred and thirty victims of the disease are now in the hospital at Poonah. Business in several of the principal streets is suspended, and the town is being rapidly deserted by the inhabitants.

CLEVELAND RETURNS THANKS.

PRINCETON, N. J., Nov. 19.—President Cleveland said to a representative of the Associated Press: "The number and heartiness of the congratulations we have received on the birth of our son are so gratefully appreciated that I wish you would convey through the Associated Press our thanks to all the kind people who have thus given proof of their friendliness."

WILL HANG CHILD MURDERER.

LIBERTY, Mo., Nov. 17.—Wm. Carr, was sentenced to hang December 17. Carr drowned his 3-year-old daughter in the Missouri river. He received the sentence with a smile of satisfaction.

IOWA PATENT OFFICE REPORT.

DES MOINES, Nov. 18.—Patents have been allowed by the commissioner at Washington, but not yet issued, as follows:
To A. E. Stevens, J. Brown and L. Pettit, of Dallas Center, for a trade mark for "The Standard Stock Food Company," consisting of the words "Famous Stock Food" and a cross in a circle.
To D. Fortney, of Otho, for a device adapted to be adjustably fastened to the body of a person and extended down to support a broken leg or to straighten a deformed leg or foot.
To S. Dewhirst, of Des Moines, for a furnace specially adapted for stoking and utilizing slack or fine coal for burning brick in a kiln advantageously or building a plant to heat a collection of buildings economically and without the annoyance and loss incident to the escape of soot and black smoke.
To F. L. Johnson, of Albia, for a machine adapted to be placed over the mouth of a well to serve as a means for holding and hoisting pipes as required in coupling and uncoupling and in putting in and taking out well tubes.
To J. E. Swanson, of Boone, for a wind motor and power transmitter. Two rods connected with a wind wheel reciprocate simultaneously in reverse ways in such a manner that the continuous rotary motion of the wheel is transmitted by their upward strokes to a vertically vibrating levers in a power accumulator on the ground and then converted into rotary motion and transmitted to a mill or other extraneous machine as required to utilize wind power advantageously.
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MISSING LINKS.

At the recent art exhibition in Dresden over \$50,000 worth of pictures were sold.
Mountain lions or pumas are numerous along the Illinois river, Indian Territory, and are killing cattle.
On the west coast of Africa there is a slight local demand for stova pollen. The native woman use it as a cosmetic.
Bating wax candles has killed a Worcester (England) young woman. She ate them in order to improve her complexion.
Dulwich, now a populous district of London, still has a tollgate across one of its main streets, at which toll is collected regularly.
While the tea-growing industry of Ceylon is at its best, the coffee plantations are near ruin. Disease is destroying the plants rapidly.
Sir Henry Lushington, the oldest baronet in England, died recently at the age of 95 years. His son, who succeeds him, is 71 years of age.
In Clinton, Mass., a newly wedded couple and their friends set out on their wedding journey in a coach which bore the placard, "Just Married."
The only assets left behind by an absconding bank cashier in Illinois explain his theft. They consisted of seventy-five empty whisky bottles.
Skimmed milk is now turned into champagne by an electric process, and the beverage is clear, brassy and delicious in flavor, though non-alcoholic.
The Berlin street railway company is obliged to pay 8 per cent of its gross receipts to the city. Last year the city got \$38,000 by this arrangement.
Bishop Heber, author of that fine old hymn, "Rock of Ages," is to have his memory perpetuated by a tablet erected in a church in Farnham, Surrey, England.
The North Philadelphia Association of Baptist churches has refused to adopt a resolution unqualifiedly condemning the use of tobacco. They advised against it, however.
An English vandal, caught cutting off gold tassels from the curtains of the late King Ludwig's palace on the Chiemsee, in Bavaria, has been sent to jail for a fortnight for larceny.

A Valuable Franchise Secured.
The franchise of easy digestion—one of the most valuable in the gift of medical science—can be secured by any person who enough to use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, either to suppress growing dyspepsia, or to prove it at its maturity. Bilious, rheumatic and feverish affections, persons troubled with nervousness and the constipated, should also secure the health franchise by the same means.

Very Provoking Indeed.
"That Charley Porkey is horrid."
"Why, dear! I thought that you and he were engaged."
"We were, but last night I told him he was too good for me, and the conceited coxcomb didn't say it!"

In Line With Prosperity.
"Come with me and sample the horns of plenty."
"Where?"
"Where they give the biggest amount in town for 8 cents."

Were Quite Uniform.
"Did you find any irregularities in his account?"
"On the contrary they were remarkably uniform—he doctored them every day."

Richard Kipling has written one of his best stories for the 1898 volume of the "YOUTH'S COMPANION." "The Ruling of the Sea," is the title and it is a stirring tale of heroism in the ranks of the British navy. The COMPANION'S year-end calendar for 1898. THE COMPANION'S year-end calendars are recognized as among the richest and most costly forms of this art. Illustrated prospectus of the volume sent on application. Address: THE YOUTH'S COMPANION, 207 Columbus Ave., Boston, Mass.

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"I was troubled for years with catarrh, which caused ringing noises in my ears and pains in the back of my head. I was advised to take Hood's Sarsaparilla. I did so and a few bottles entirely cured me." HENRY MCKIBBEN, Latrobe, Iowa.

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WILL KEEP YOU DRY.</



Heartfelt thanksgiving! Oh! let it rise Like the mist of morn Toward the azure skies; Let the heart be glad And the song be gay, As we welcome the joys Of Thanksgiving Day.

How sweet is home With its altar fire! The meeting of sons With their happy sire! The fair young wives And their little flocks, In brand-new coats And Sunday frocks.

We gather around The old-time board, The blessing is asked, The tea is poured, And the children laugh In their merry way, When the turkey comes in On Thanksgiving Day.

But what's this glee To that which comes With the smoking pudding So full of plums? And the rosy fruit Without stint or lack, And, last of all, The nuts to crack?

What beautiful seasons To him who roams, Are the meetings rare In the land of homes, When the young and old, The grey and gay, Lift up their hearts On Thanksgiving Day!



My chum, John Meredith, was going home. He was always sighing for his home, and at times this longing possessed him so completely that he seemed on the point of abandoning his prospects of becoming a rich man. Meredith had been in ill health, but ten years' residence in the west had made a new man of him. Success at last had come our way, a d he suddenly announced that he was going home for his Thanksgiving dinner. He was a quiet, queer fellow, any way you put it; lately, however, he had seemed wonderfully alert. The arrival of the weekly mail found him in a state of great expectation, and after he had read his letters he would sit quietly all evening looking very happy and smiling as he read them over again. He always was a non-committal chap, but this time there was no mistaking the signs, so I suspected his homesickness, and judged his case, as one is apt to do, by the light of my own. No wonder, poor fellow, that he wanted to wipe out the 1,500 miles which alone stood between him and that Thanksgiving turkey! For my own part, I can swear that no power as yet known to man could keep me back from Jim McKenzie's Thanksgiving dinner, for Mary was to be there—Mary whom all these years I had remembered and loved so well. I had never forgotten her beautiful deep, dark eyes, which seemed to search one's soul with that penetrating look one sees sometimes in a baby's eyes.

There was but little out here in the mountains to relieve the tedium of our long evenings, so Jim McKenzie's weekly visits were always heralded with joy. We made merry over his coming, and our carefully prepared dinner we regarded as a feast. We talked it over in the morning, and when evening came we began to plan for next week's coming. No wonder McKenzie was always welcome. His mind was stored with the thrilling adventures of early days in the mountains. We never tired of listening to the story of his own good luck; how, day by day and all alone, he followed up the little thread of gold until he had discovered the secret of the mountain's heart, the generous yield of ore which had made him the richest man in "Golden Point." With touching paths he would tell us of the brave hearted men no less worthy than himself who had come out here to meet only bitter disappointment and blasted hopes. At rare intervals he would speak to us of his own early trials, of his dead wife, to whose loving care and gentle sympathy he confidently and proudly attributed his entire success and all that was good in him. Then, too, he always brought us news of his daughter Mary. At first her letters were only outpourings of her homesick, loving heart; she was born to live in the mountains, and declared she must have the freedom of the mountain bird. After a while her letters breathed a more contented spirit. In an incredibly short time the mountain bird had ceased to flutter against the bars of her cage. Her quick and receptive mind soon yielded to the guidance of those about her, and with the full force of an ardent nature she pursued the work of her education.

Thus from week to week we listened with delight to the welcome budget Jim would bring. Sometimes Mary's letters were only of her life at school, her books, her new friends—and my heart would sink—for then she seemed so far, so very far away! Again, she would write of herself, of the love she bore her father and her home, with an occasional—a very occasional—message for Harry, at which, of course, my heart would beat with joy, and I would cough or light my pipe, do anything to hide the tell-tale light I knew was in my eyes. During the last year she had written most of her home-coming, and

lately her letters had taken a tone of great seriousness, with many allusions to her "duty as a woman." In her latest letter she begged that her father would take her more seriously; she "could not be a butterfly," and she spoke of "woman's sphere being broad and far-reaching." McKenzie only laughed and said, "Poor child! she is sighing for the mountain air." She wrote her of the beautiful life he had trained and made ready for her use, and she would soon see for herself how very long and broad her woman's sphere could be. At last a letter came telling that she was surely coming home, and telling how anxious she was to be with him on Thanksgiving Day. She complained ever so gently that she feared he had not taken her exactly as she wished—that she was no longer a child, and that her mind was quite occupied with the problem of "Woman's Mission." In fact, she had lately been made president of the Woman's Emancipation Circle, which organization had originated in her school with every promise of becoming a power for great good among women. "I subjoin," she added, "the principal maxims for which we pledge ourselves to labor without ceasing: "We claim equal rights before the law.

"We ask equal pay for equal work. "We ask that men cease to impose upon us by their empty flattery, and "That we be recognized as reasonable human beings with eyes to see for ourselves; hands to work as we will." This time even McKenzie could not fall to catch her meaning; he looked puzzled and troubled, and finally said: "In the morning she will be half way home and I shall go to meet her. I think," he added slowly, "I think Mary needs her father. Yes, I'm sure—dead sure—she needs her father."

Meanwhile I had registered a solemn vow that every claim and every assertion of this New Woman should be disproved and contradicted by Mary in her own sweet self. When I closed my eyes that night it was to dream of Thanksgiving Day and Mary and I really believe that in my sleep I heard the sweet sound of wedding bells. For some time the next day McKenzie was shyly making his daughter's acquaintance. He could not for the life of him see the slightest trace of the dread phantom her last letter had created. He thanked God that she was womanly and gentle; that her heart was right, whatever error of fancy had gotten into her head.

"Why, dear Mary?" he answered her, "you don't want to work like a man. You can't do it. When I was your age I could handle a pick all day; I could do it now. A woman's work cannot be equal to man's; so it is hardly fair for me to ask equal pay—besides, it was to Adam the command was given 'to earn his bread by the sweat of his brow.'" Poor Mary! She could not help being disconcerted. Her father's opinions, she knew, were always based on common sense. So it was some time before she spoke again, and then it was to ask why it was that women did not have equal rights with men before the law. "You see," he went on, "their rights are really identical, their interests the same; and it is a man's first notion of duty to see that these rights are respected. I would like to see any person interfere with your rights or hear of any law that would be unjust to you. By George! I would soon show that your rights were my rights, and that the law exists solely for the benefit of mankind, which you know, my dear, includes woman kind, even the 'New Woman,' too."

Poor Mary was confounded. After all, were men and women really equal before the law? If that were so, what became of the enormous injustices and inequalities that women had silently and patiently borne all these years? It all seemed so confusing, so difficult, so very puzzling; she could not doubt

that her father was right—he always was on practical questions. He looked out of the car window, and was silent. Her eyes were full of tears. It was hard to believe that the Woman's Emancipation Circle was, after all, to have no existence in the world, and that all of her fine arguments, broad views on the woman subject were surely disappearing—melting away before her father's clear and convincing assertions. She recognized at once that she had met defeat, and with all the bravery she could command, the conversation was turned to other things. In a short time they would be home and enjoy Thanksgiving day together.

Was it in truth necessary for me to see McKenzie at once about that broken fence, or was it only the crisp mountain air that tempted me from the house hours before I was expected to arrive at Jim McKenzie's? One thing was certain, I could not wait another moment, and in half an hour I was speeding along and nearing his place. As I rode up I saw her standing on the porch. She came quickly forward to meet me. I blushed like a schoolboy when I took her hand and looked into her eyes. Yes, there was still the deep, searching, truly baby look. I felt relieved at once and thought, "It won't be so very hard, after all; she could not look like that and be really a New Woman." In a few moments I had forgotten about the broken fence, and we went together to see the beautiful brown hills. I suggested that there was time

enough to try her before dinner, and Mary acquiesced at once. She had a fancy to saddle the horse herself. I never thought of interfering until she came to tighten the girth; then I simply said: "You would better let me do that for you."

"Never mind," she answered; "why can't a woman use her hands and help herself?" Of course I was disconcerted, and saw at once that I was treading on dangerous ground, but I only laughed and said: "She can. She certainly has the right, but why not allow a fellow the privilege?"

Then, in a defiant tone, she replied: "We don't want privileges or aid; we only want what is just." "At your hands," I answered, "I do not ask for justice, at all; but I do yearn for privileges."

She tossed her head in reply, and stood ready to mount. In a few moments we were off, scouring the country, riding up the mountains and walking our horses slowly down again. Near the base of the timber line Mary's horse suddenly shied, her saddle turned, but in her terror she called to me. In an instant I was by her side and just saved her from falling to the ground. Of course I had to straighten the saddle; and I simply asserted: "You see, I am stronger than you, and I yielded my right too easily. You will always let me saddle your horse in future!"

I suppose it was the shock that made her blush and look so baffled as she glanced at me, and I felt sure that I had scored a point. After this we rode quickly home. It was almost time for dinner, and McKenzie was waiting for us.

"SHE CAME OUT TO MEET ME."

us on the porch. We went together to look after the broken fence. When we returned to the house I found Mary in the parlor, struggling with a big log of wood that had rolled from its place, and I further noticed that her gown was in danger from the flames. So intent was she in her efforts to replace the burning log that she did not notice my approach. I stood there quietly, watching the smoking log on the rug, which momentarily I expected to see burst into flames. She looked so pitiful and helpless that my heart softened entirely, and I was about to go to her, when she turned and saw me quietly looking on.

"Why don't you come?" she said. "Don't you see I can not budge this log?" Surely this was my day for luck! I saw another chance and took it. "Step aside," I said; "let me take it up." With the aid of the tongs and a shovel I easily put the log back in place.

"You see, men are stronger than women," I said. This time she would give me no answer, but in her eyes I read that I had scored my second point. In a few moments dinner was ready, and a happier trio never sat down to a Thanksgiving feast. Mary had for the moment forgotten her misadventures, and a more charming hostess could not be imagined.

In the quiet joy of Mary's return McKenzie looked blissful and contented. I confess to having felt a little nervous. So far the day had gone well with me, but I wanted to score my third and last point. I anxiously awaited my opportunity, which presently came in the shape of the great American turkey. The turkey was brought in just as I was telling in a triumphant tone of Mary's proud refusal of my good offices in adjusting her saddle, and how she did not hesitate to demand my obedience when she really needed my services. Jim ordered the turkey placed before Mary, and explained that her mother had always carved; no one knew so well as she how to select the choicest bits and give to each one just the dainty morsel most coveted, and now Mary must learn to do the same. She took the large knife in her hand and gazed at it, looking very dubious; then she stuck the fork well into the turkey's breast and made another attempt to use the knife.

She looked at her father a moment, but his attention was altogether bent upon selecting a choice bit of celery. Then she gave me a hurried, appealing glance! I moved my chair a little, but said nothing. At length she turned to me again and put her hand on my arm and gently said: "I say, Harry, I believe men are stronger and bigger and braver than women. Won't you please carve this for me?" My last point was scored, and can you wonder that I consider Thanksgiving the greatest day of the year, and the American turkey the greatest of birds? But here we call it the falcun; it sometimes catches mountain birds.

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FROM THE FOUR WINDS. The common pond frog's natural habitat is twelve to fifteen years. Florida, of all the states, has the most water within its boundaries—4,440 square miles. The common house sparrow flies at the rate of ninety-two miles per hour. The average expense of an ocean steamship from New York to Liverpool and return is \$75,000. On the state railways in Germany the carriages are painted according to the colors of the tickets of their respective classes. First class carriages are painted yellow, second class green and third class white. Of the children born alive one-fourth die before eleven months, one-third before the twenty-third month, half before their eighth year, two-thirds of mankind die before the thirty-ninth year, three-fourths before the fifty-first year and of about 12,000 only one survives a whole century. M. Kropf, in his work on ants, has pointed out that very young ants devote themselves at first to the care of the larvae and pupae and that they take no share in the defense of the nest or other out-of-door work until they are some days old. This seems natural because their first skin is comparatively soft; and it would not be well for them to undertake rough work or run into danger until their armor had time to harden.

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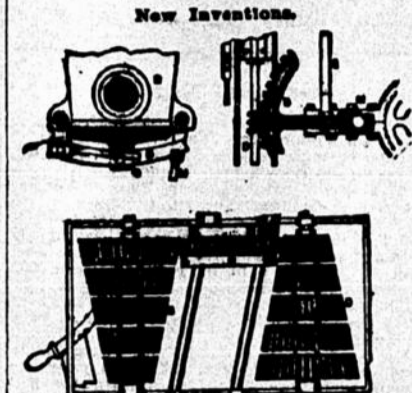
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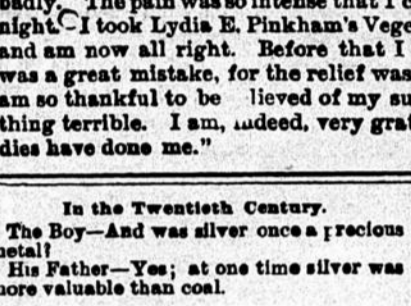
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