IT WAS A VERY TAME AFFAIR.

Not Much Enthusiasm Shown at the Iowa Prohibition Convention.

COMPARATIVELY UNKNOWN CANDIDATES.

Des Moines River Land Settlers Hail With Satisfaction the News of the Appeal of Their Cases.

DES MOINES, Ia., Sept. 7.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The holding of the prohibition state convention in Des Moines last week caused scarcely a ripple on the political surface, and it will cut much less of a figure in the campaign. There were at least fifty thousand strangers in the city attending the state fair on that day, and all were probably cognizant of the fact that a mass prohibition convention was to be held, yet there were not more than fifty persons who attended the convention, a majority of them being residents of this city. The fact is that so one takes an interest in third party prohibition in this state, the ticket put up by that party receiving only about one thousand three hundred votes each year. But they go through all the motions of a great political party, adopt long sets of resolutions and put up full state tickets and try to persuade themselves they are somebody. This year they vied with their democratic bosses in selecting an aggregation of men who were never before heard of outside of their immediate neighborhoods. A reverend gentleman from Lincoln, Neb, was present and succeeded in raising some two hundred dollars for prohibition work in his state. A number of other Nebraskans are traveling over the state on the same errand, and are gathering quite a sum in the aggregate.

The River Land Settlers.

FORT DODGE, Ia., Sept. 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The news that an appeal of the river land case had been officially ordered by Attorney General Stone was received here with a great deal of satisfaction by the river land settlers, notwithstanding it appeared that the Litchfields, who hold the river land company's title, announce that they will go on selling the lands as before. As a guarantee that they are confident that the company's title will be sustained is the supreme court, they agree to give warranty deeds for all lands bought. The attorney general has given assurance that the case will be brought before the supreme court as soon as possible, and in the meantime there will be no more evictions.

Policeman Tingley Indicted.

WATERLOO, Ia., Sept. 7.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Tom Tingley, the Cedar Falls policeman who shot and killed Dexter M. Jones and also shot Al Millera few weeks ago, was indicted by the grand jury in this city yesterday for murder. When his case came up it was discovered that the three witnesses, who were the only ones with the exception of Miller, who was wounded, whom the state could produce who saw the shooting, had disappeared, and it is not known where they are. Tingley was indicted on the transcript of the testimony given by these witnesses before the preliminary examination.

Texas Fever.

TOLEDO, Ia., Sept. 7.—[Special to THE BEE.]—Nathan Brown, who recently moved south to Elberon, Tama county, brought with him a cow supposed to be diseased with Texas fever. At any rate the disease is spreading in that section and Charles Furley, who owns a large heard, has already lost thirty-three head during the past week and it still rages. Much alarm is felt by the farmers of the vicinity.

THE FAITH HEALERS.

The Cold Snap Interferes Somewhat with Their Services.

The faith healers who do business in the big circus tent at Twenty-eighth and Mason streets were somewhat discouraged last night. The weather was against them and instead of the cloth tabernacle being crowded it contained only a dozen people, two gasoline torches and a great quantity of gloom. Some brother had kindly donated a bale of hay and by standing upon this the faithful managed to keep out of the mud.

A sister with a bad cold and a graveyard cough addressed the meeting. She said there was only one road to travel, and that was the narrow one. She compared this with a narrow plank stretched over a stream, and added that while many crossed over in safety more fell by the wayside. She roasted the theater goers to a turn, and argued that God did not care much about people who are so wicked that they will watch those who are beyond the footlights.

The brothers who were listening looked as though they would rather go out and saw wood, that they might get warm, but the sister did not propose to let them go. She continued her remarks, and after she warmed up to her subject, with a flourish she exclaimed: "There's a whole lot of the Omaha people going to hell. They are going to hell because they don't want to go to the other place. For my part I say let them go. They are too lazy to go anywhere else without they could ride in a Pullman car, and as God ain't carrying them on a railroad they will have to do the best they can."

The sister then waged a vigorous and bitter warfare on the low necked dresses of the present day, and told her hearers that women cared a good deal more about pleasing men than they did about pleasing God.

A bald headed brother with a voice that sounded like a circular saw going through an oak log, buttoned his ulster under his chin and went for the sinners. He said that he wanted to see all men measured with a straight edge, and then many of the professed Christians would be obliged to crawl through mighty small holes if they ever got through the pearly gates. He said he was a great lover of John Bunyan, and every time he walked down Farnam street and saw the stylish ladies he was reminded of John's "Vanity Fair."

The brother then criticised the weather, and hoped the frigid spell would be of short duration, "for," said he, "if this cold weather lasts long we will have to stop doing business at the old stand or die of the grippe." This thought seemed to inspire the brother with new vigor, for he stamped his feet, swung his arms, and exclaimed in a high key, "We may catch cold in this tent and die of consumption, but if we do, bless the Lord, there are a few of us who are ready to go."

This remark drew forth a round of applause, and after it had subsided, the few healers gathered about the long bench and knelt upon the bale of hay, where they prayed loud and long for the wicked ones of this city.

Coming Week in Congress.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 7.—In the senate voting on the amendments to the tariff bill will begin Tuesday and continue until all are disposed of. When that will be can not be stated with exactness, but it is believed that the final vote will be near the close of the week. The conference report on the river and harbor bill will probably be agreed to tomorrow. The land grant forfeiture and anti-lottery bills will probably follow the tariff.

In the house the Virginia contested election case of Langston vs Venable and the South Carolina case of Miller vs Elliott will come up. The elections committee propose to seat the colored republican contestants. Later in the week the appropriations committee will call up the last of the appropriation bills, and the general deficiency and tariff bill may be received from the senate.

An Anti-Trust Starch Company.

COLUMBUS, Ind., Sept. 7.—Articles of incorporation of the American starch company, at this city, were filed in the county recorder's office yesterday. The incorporators are James E. Mooney of Cincinnati, James E. Bradley of Indianapolis and Edward Mooney of this city. Capital stock, $600,000. The old American starch plant at this place has been purchased and fire will be started at the works Monday. The new company is not in the trust.

SPORTING.

Standing of the Clubs.

	Played.	Won.	Lost.	Per Ct.
Milwaukee	105	68	37	.648
Minneapolis	103	66	40	.623
Kansas City	103	64	39	.621
Denver	104	50	54	.481
Sioux City	102	48	54	.471
Omaha	101	46	55	.455
Lincoln	96	39	57	.406
St. Paul	98	35	70	.333

St. Paul 10, Sioux City 7.

ST. PAUL, Minn., Sept. 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Following is the score of today's game:

ST. PAUL.	R	B	P	A	E	SIOUX CITY.	R	B	P	A	E
Abbey, rf	1	1	1	0	0	Strauss, rf	2	0	4	1	0
Daly, lf	1	2	5	0	1	Black, m	1	1	3	0	1
M'Laughlin, ss	0	1	0	3	1	Shellhasse, cf	1	1	2	0	0
O'Brien, 2b	2	1	3	1	0	Kappell, ss	1	1	1	1	1
Werrick, 3b	3	2	2	3	1	Brennan, 3b	0	0	0	4	2
Urquhart, c	1	2	7	0	0	Powell, 1b	0	1	10	0	1
Murphy, m	0	3	3	0	0	Gemins, ss	0	1	2	1	1
Meekin, 1b	1	1	6	1	1	Crossley, c	1	0	4	3	1
Schmidt, p	1	2	0	4	1	Widner, p	1	0	0	3	0
Totals	10	15	27	12	6	Totals	7	8	*26	13	7

*Daly out for running out of line.

BY INNINGS.

St. Paul	0	0	0	2	5	1	2	0	0—10
Sioux City	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	3	0—7

SUMMARY.

Runs earned—St. Paul 7, Sioux City 3. Two base hits—Murphy, O'Brien, Urquhart, Black, Kappell, Gemins. Home runs—Werrick, Black. Baseson balls—Schmidt 7, Widner 1. Struck out—Schmidt 3, Meekin 2, Widner 1. Umpire—McDermott.

Two Games at Milwaukee.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Following is the score of the first game:

MILWAUKEE.	R	B	O	A	E	DENVER.	R	B	O	A	E
Poorman, rf	2	2	7	1	0	McGlone, 3b	1	2	0	0	2
Pettit, m	2	2	0	1	0	Curtis, m	0	1	1	0	0
Shoch, ss	3	1	4	4	0	McClellan, 2b	2	2	5	3	1
Dalrymple, lf	3	2	3	0	0	O'Brien, lb	1	2	9	0	0
Welch, 2b	0	2	1	1	1	Rowe, lf	1	0	0	0	0
Kreig, m	0	0	2	0	0	Reynolds, c	0	1	7	1	1
Morrissey, 1b	0	1	12	0	0	Mesilt, rf	2	3	4	1	0
Jantzen, c	1	2	3	0	2	Whitehead, ss	1	1	0	7	1
Alberts, 3b	0	3	0	3	1	McNabb, p	1	1	1	1	0
Griffith, p	0	0	1	4	0						
Totals	11	15	27	14	5	Totals	9	15	27	13	6

BY INNINGS.

Milwaukee	2	0	0	1	2	0	3	0	3	—11
Denver	1	0	1	2	0	0	2	0	0	—9

SUMMARY.

Runs earned—Milwaukee 4, Denver 3. Two-base hits—Shoch, Jantzen, Alberts 2, Mesilt, Reynolds, McNabb. Three-base hits—Jantzen, Alberts. Home runs—Dalrymple, O'Brien. Baseson balls—Milwaukee 2, Denver 1. Struck out—Milwaukee 3, Denver 3. Passed balls, Jantzen 3, Reynolds 1. Wild pitches—McNabb. Time—Two hours and ten minutes. Umpire—Cusick.

SECOND GAME.

MILWAUKEE.	R	B	O	A	E	DENVER.	R	B	O	A	E
Poorman, rf	1	0	0	0	0	McGlone, 3b	0	1	2	1	1
Pettit, lb & cf	2	1	4	0	0	Curtiss, m	3	2	4	0	1
Shoch, ss	2	2	3	1	1	McClellan, 2b	0	1	0	2	1
Dalrymple, lf	1	1	1	0	0	O'Brien, lb	0	0	10	0	0
Welch, 2b	2	1	2	3	0	Rowe, lf	0	0	1	0	1
Morrissey, 1b	1	1	4	1	0	Reynolds, c	0	1	3	1	1
Kreig, c	1	1	4	0	0	Mesilt, ss & rf	0	1	1	0	0
Albens, 3b	1	2	2	1	0	Whitehead, ss	0	1	1	1	1
Thornton, p	1	1	1	3	0	Flood, rf & p	0	1	0	2	0
Totals	12	11	21	9	1	Totals	9	9	21	7	6

BY INNINGS.

Milwaukee	1	6	0	4	1	0	0	—12		
Denver	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	—0		

SUMMARY.

Earned runs—Milwaukee 4. Two-base hits—Pettit, Dalrymple. Three-base hits—Alberts. Home run—Shoch. Bases stolen—Pettit, Shoch, Dalrymple, Kreig. Bases on balls—Milwaukee 4, Denver 3. Hit by pitched ball—Kreig. Struck out—Milwaukee 1, Denver 3. Passed balls—Kreig, Reynolds. Time—One hour and twenty-five minutes. Umpire—Cusick.

Among the Amateurs.

In the games at Grand Island the past week Beymer and Graver of Missouri Valley and Meller and Kittell of Loup City were the batteries for the Grand Island club. Kearney made eight base hits off Beymer in the first game and six in the third, and were credited with eighteen strike outs. In the second game they made four hits off Meller and also four in the fourth game, and he struck out twenty-one in the two games.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., Sept. 7.—[Special to THE BEE.]—The Models of Council Bluffs and the local team played a game of ball here today which resulted in a victory for the former by a score of 11 to 5.

Today's Tips.

AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY.

First Race—Drizzle, Madstone.
Second Race—Lord Harry, Eclipse.
Third Race—Bobby Beach, Worth.
Fourth Race—Ernest, Little Jim.
Fifth Race—Princess Bowling, Stockton.
Sixth Race—Young Duke, Frank Ward.

AT CHICAGO WEST SIDE PARK.

First Race—Annie Clark, Katie J.
Second Race—Miss Howard, Prophecy.
Third Race—Jed, Longlight.
Fourth Race—Tom Daly, Redstone.
Fifth Race—Sourire, Skobeloff.
Sixth Race—Winslow, Elfin.

Entries for Today's Races.

AT CHICAGO WEST SIDE PARK.

First race, one-half mile, maidens, two year-olds—Van Dorn, Iowa D, Charles Ford, Shiloh, Marietta, Clara G. Bernoine, Peristaltic, Katie J, Blue Bannock, Vulcan, Nettie Wolf, Tommy Magic, Annie Clark, Ida Beeswing, Cornie Buckingham.

Second race, one mile—Daniel, Barcarola, Prophecy, Lewis Clark, Lizzie B, Miss Howard, Red Leo, Harry Kuhl.

Third race, one and one-sixteenth miles, handicap—Prophecy, Jed, John Daly, Longlight, Blue Veil.

Fourth race, three-fourths of a mile, selling—Creole, Healy John, J B Freed, Tom Daly, Bolster, Faintlery, Lulu May, Piute, Jim Reel, Redstone, Elsie B.

Fifth race, three-fourths of a mile, selling—Gray Fellow, Surprise, April Fool jr, Skobeloff, Copperfield, John Red, James G Blaine, Miss McCullough, Rebound, Levering, Warren Leland, Haley, Bugle, Jackstaff.

Sixth race, short course, steeplechase—Winslow, Elfin, Gov. Hardin, Flip Flap, Joe D.

AT SHEEPSHEAD BAY.

First race, one mile—Macbeth, Madstone, Kyrle B., Drizzle, Eleve, Kingslock, Arundel.

Second race, one mile, on turf, Woodcock stakes—Thorndale, Eclipse, Zender, Grey Rock, Lord Harry, Woodcutter, Algernon, Sequence (colt), Lizzie.

Third race, three-quarters of a mile—Robespierre, Kyrle B., Foxmede, Worth, Bobby Beach, Drizzle, Phoebe, Gertie D., Longshore, Veronica, Costa Rico, Lady Jane (colt).

Fourth race, one and one-eighth miles, selling—Eleve, Barnside, Lacy Johnson, Red Leaf, Houston, Blackthorn, Sam Wood, Pantico, Brown Duke, Ernest, Birthday, Pocatello, Penzance, Rover, Little Jim, Watterson, Little Addie, Gendarme.

Fifth race, one and three-sixteenths miles—Al Farrow, Stockton, Princess Bowling, Wilfred, Demuth, Anaconda, Ripah.

Sixth race, one mile, on turf—St. John, Lafitte, Benediction, Carnot, Frank Ward, Kismet, Donely, Lela May, Worth, Rosette, Little Crete, Little Jim, Young Duke, Gunwad.

SLIGHTLY DISFIGURED.

Drunken Indians Scalp a Northern Pacific Section Foreman.

SPOKANE FALLS, Wash., Sept. 7.—John Wolvertine, a section foreman on the Northern Pacific, while walking on the track last night, met two drunken Indians. They asked him for liquor, and when he told them that he had none they knocked him senseless with a club. When he recovered consciousness he found that his scalp had been taken by the Indians. He managed to crawl to a saloon and was cared for, but his condition is critical. The Indians escaped.

An Editor's Kicking Abilities.

GALESBURG, Ill., Sept. 6.—Editor Gersham Martin of the Press and People, is under arrest for kicking down a number of signs in Central park warning people not to walk upon the grass. Mr. Martin will contest the case, claiming that the parks are for the public and not for show. For years there has been a clamor here for seats and other conveniences in the parks, and the board has refused to supply them. Public sympathy is largely with Martin.

Serious Trouble Feared.

CHAMBERLAIN, S. D., Sept. 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Trouble is brewing on the Crow Creek reservation. Two settlers named Balch and Jankowski had some trouble over cattle this morning which resulted in Jankowski thumping Balch. Balch swears to retaliate and as both are determined men serious trouble is feared before the matter is ended.

THE CLEARANCE RECORD.

Financial Transactions of the Country During the Last Week.

BOSTON, Sept. 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—The following table, compiled from dispatches from the clearing houses of the cities named, shows the gross exchanges for last week, with rates per cent of increase or decrease, as against the several amounts for the corresponding week in 1889:

CITIES.	CLEARINGS.	Increase.	Decrease.
New York	$889,421,288		7.4
Boston	78,328,801	5.5	
Chicago	88,574,000	23.3	
Philadelphia	66,884,452	11.3	
St. Louis	22,003,611	18.2	
San Francisco	20,123,000	28.8	
Pittsburg	15,914,774	23.9	
Baltimore	14,382,585	31.1	
Cincinnati	11,098,050	22.3	
Kansas City	9,498,562	21.1	
Buffalo	7,091,743	15.0	
Detroit	6,491,125	27.8	
Louisville	7,581,587	2.1	
Milwaukee	8,063,000	38.5	
New Orleans	7,180,178	26.1	
Cleveland	6,056,394	60.3	
Minneapolis	6,845,966	41.3	
OMAHA	4,294,281	4.7	
Denver	3,001,225	25.1	
Providence	4,153,700	7.5	
St. Paul	4,093,822	29.0	
Columbus	2,970,600	4.5	
Duluth	1,999,886	39.4	
Richmond	1,911,695	3.1	
Memphis	1,618,806	17.7	
Dallas	1,897,540	10.8	
Indianapolis	1,914,569		17.3
St. Joseph	1,849,446	25.8	
Washington	1,448,597	45.9	
Peoria	1,256,139	18.9	
New Haven	1,177,223	3.7	
Portland, Ore	1,888,782	10.6	
Fort Worth	1,612,146	26.2	
Portland, Me	1,097,488	43.5	
Springfield	1,086,709		5.2
Worcester	970,000	11.5	
Hartford	1,541,650		6.7
Wilmington	744,006	2.1	
Tacoma	1,002,588	97.3	
Wichita	777,489	11.8	
Grand Rapids	686,183		0.7
Sioux City	937,224	80.5	
Galveston	6,159,838	215.7	
Birmingham	965,278		11.2
Norfolk	588,726	50.2	
Syracuse	601,553		6.7
Chattanooga	654,009	11.4	
Des Moines	612,293	2.5	
Lowell	540,251		12.2
Lincoln	610,508		5.2
Lexington, Ky	490,564	10.2	
New Bedford	321,098	3.7	
Los Angeles	705,298		5.7
Topeka	342,161		6.9
Montreal	9,930,859	10.9	
Halifax, N. S	1,394,056		7.4
Nashville	2,738,840		
Salt Lake	1,244,289		
Toledo	1,488,422		
Rochester	1,030,959		
Total	$1,099,720,739	3.1	
Outside of New York	510,299,398	18.1	

Not included in totals. No clearing house at this time last year.

RIOT OVER TRACK LAYING.

Employes of a Property Owner Attack Bridge Builders.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Sept. 7.—Workmen employed by the Louisville & Jeffersonville bridge company in laying tracks, supposed to be for the use of the Big Four railroad, over the right-of-way owned by the bridge company in this city, were assaulted last night by a mob of workmen employed at the Dennis Long Pipe works, who believed the tracks would be laid across Long's property. A desperate fight ensued and a number of the participants were injured, one of them, John Kelly, being fatally hurt. A large force of police finally quelled the riot and the track laying was resumed. The Vanderbilt lines will be extended to this city upon completion of the new bridge.

Steamship Lines Boycott Cattlemen.

NEW YORK, Sept. 7.—The riotous conduct of cattlemen on ocean steamships returning from Europe has been the theme of many complaints made at the Barge office. These men go to Europe to take care of large consignments of cattle, and on the outward voyage are kept busy and out of mischief, but when they return home, with nothing to do, trouble begins. The latest case of disturbance raised by the cattlemen was on the steamship Amsterdam, which arrived today. There were sixteen in the crowd and their actions were so outrageous that the steamship company has decided not to ship any more of them as passengers. Lines that sail from England also have boycotted them.

Words of Praise from William.

BERLIN, Sept. 7.—[Special Cablegram to THE BEE.]—At the banquet given by Emperor William to the officers of the fleet at Gravenstein last night he praised the seamanship and the proficiency in gunnery and torpedo work displayed at the naval maneuvres yesterday. He added that he believed that the fleet was equal to the most trying work that could be required of it. This morning all the members of the imperial family, with the generals in attendance, were present at services on board the Herzogshregel. Subsequently the emperor started for Glucksberg.

The Forest City & Sioux City Railroad.

HURON, S. D., Sept. 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Advices are received from Forest City to the effect that the last rail on the first section of the Forest City & Sioux City railroad was laid last evening. This connects Forest City with the Chicago & Northwestern system at Gettysburg. It is understood that the Northwestern will extend the service to Forest City immediately, and it is believed that the management of the Forest City & Sioux City road will now start a line from Gettysburg to Huron so as to begin grading this fall.

The Presidential Party.

CRESSON SPRINGS, Pa., Sept. 7.—The presidential party, with the exception of Mrs. Harrison, attended divine services this morning in the large parlor of the Mountain house, the services being conducted by Rev. George Rodgers, Episcopal minister from Verona, Pa. Miss Jeanetta Halford, daughter of the president's private secretary, assisted in the singing and sang as a solo the beautiful hymn, "Angel of Charity." Mrs. Harrison was somewhat indisposed this morning, but revived in the evening and walked with the rest of the party to supper at the hotel.

Well Known Michigan Politician Dead

FLINT, Mich., Sept. 7.—Sumner Howard, one of the best known politians in Michigan, died yesterday. He was a criminal lawyer of great ability. In 1876 he was appointed by President Grant district attorney for Utah and conducted the trial of John D. Lee for complicity in the Mountain Meadow massacree. Subsequently he returned to Michigan. President Arthur appointed him chief justice of Arizona, which position he resigned in 1886.

Death of Lillian Grubb.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 7.—Lillian Grubb, a well known actress and singer and wife of David Hayman, manager of the "Shenandoah" company, died at the home of her father in this city this morning. The immediate cause of her illness was malnutrition, and for three or four years there has been a gradual decay of the vital powers.

Burial of General Noyes.

CINCINNATI, O., Sept. 7.—The funeral services of the late General E. F. Noyes were very largely attended today. Among the honorary pall-bearers was ex-President Hayes. Eight members of the general's old regiment were active pall-bearers.

Hit Him With a Wrench.

Ferdinand Pogelet of Millard was brought to the city last night and lodged in the county jail on a warrant that charges him with assault with intent to kill. Ferdinand had a row with a neighbor's boy, and during the fracas beat him over the head with a monkey wrench.

The Usual Result.

PARIS, Sept. 7.—Mermeiux, the alleged author of the charges against Boulanger, fought a duel today with Lalouvrer of Gil Blas. The latter was slightly wounded.

John L. Sullivan's Father Dead.

BOSTON, Mass., Sept. 7.—Michael Sullivan, aged sixty-five, father of John L. Sullivan, the pugilist, died this morning of typhoid pneumonia.

STARVATION AND HEALTH

A Cure for Unfortunates Who Are "Too Too Fleshy."

GOING TWENTY DAYS WITHOUT FOOD.

Only a Secret "Nutrient"—In Case of Shipwrecks on Desert Islands the Process Will Be a Great Boon.

There is something new under the sun—a new way to make youth and health and beauty perpetual. Not a new method of physical culture, not a new dietary scheme, nor yet a new application of that subtle principle by which the mind rules the body. None of these, but a measure so novel, so original, and withal so economic that it finds favor with many who would none of all the other fads.

A new Hypatia has arisen in the person of a New York lady physician, and the doctrine of physical immortality which she teaches is to fast. The modern philosopher is a well known woman physician, who is fifty years of age and looks twenty-five. Her form is as supple, her eyes as bright and her skin as clear as a healthy schoolgirl's.

"How did it come about," she said to a writer on the New York Herald. "Why, in the most natural way. The human system is not a machine—it is a live thing, and so it gets tired and needs rest. I discovered this many years ago, and began resting mine systematically. When I find the physical machinery becoming clogged and heavy I abstain entirely from food. Several times I have fasted for twenty days, and every month I take a three days' fast.

"But is it not very exhausting?" I asked.

"No," replied the doctor. "On the contrary, it is very exhilarating. Of course it is necessary that the stomach should have a tonic, and I have prepared one," showing a bottle containing a dark brown fluid.

"What is it?" I asked.

"I call it a nutriment," said the doctor, evasively. The taste and smell of the preparation indicated that it was mostly of cocoa and wine.

The doctor claims that a teaspoonful of this mixture, taken at the regular meal time, will not only do away with all desire for food, but will prevent any bad results from the long fast.

"I drink large quantities of hot water every day," she said, "because I believe that the inside of the body needs washing as much as the outside."

Every year the doctor makes a trip to Europe, and she says that never since she began putting her pet theory into practice has she experienced a qualm of seasickness. And she believes that the same emancipation will be the reward of every one who follows her example.

The first disciple of the new doctrine was the adopted daughter of William H. Seward, the lady who was his constant companion and amanuensis during his trip around the world, and whose assistance was so valuable in the preparation of his book. The inactivity of the life she led caused Miss Seward to become very fleshy—so much so that, as she expressed it, her body was a burden.

She heard of the doctor's theory. She tried it, and she pronounces it a complete success. Within three months she reduced her weight fifty pounds, and by a regular system of fasting three days each month she manages to retain all of the advantages thus gained.

Another firm believer in the new doctrine is Mrs. Bergholz, the custodian of the world famous Sorosis club of New York.

"You ought to have seen me," said Mrs. Bergholz as she related her experience. "I looked just like this," and the merry little lady puffed out her cheeks and tried to swell herself up to what she claimed was her original size. "I couldn't walk a block without getting all out of breath."

"When I heard of the fasting scheme I said: I'll begin right away. I won't eat another mouthful.

"And I didn't either," she said to me. "I didn't eat another thing for twenty whole days. And I presided at my table at every meal during the time. You know what sort of a cook I have, and you may judge of what was set before me. I never touched a crumb."

"But wasn't it torture to see the food when you must have been so hungry?"

"Not a bit of it. I wasn't hungry. I hadn't the slightest desire to eat, and I never felt so well in all my life. I wanted to skip about like a little girl all the time. My mother was here ill, and I used to run up and down two flights of stairs dozens of times a day to carry her things. I did it from choice. It was fun to run up-stairs. A week ago I would have stood and looked at a pair of stairs in blank despair, wondering if I would ever get to the top. While my mother was asleep I would run twice around the grounds, and that's a mile, you know. Why, I felt like a bird. I reminded myself," went on the vivacious little lady, "of my sewing machine after it had been standing idle for months. You know it gets all clogged up and wont go at all. But I put on some kerosine to cut off the sticky substance, polish it up with a bit of flannel, and bizz, away it goes without any help at all."

"Well, but don't you feel that awful gnawing sensation in your stomach?" I questioned.

"Why, no. The tonic does away with all that. I take a teaspoonful three times a day and at bedtime. I don't know what it's made of, but I know the business."

"How much flesh did you lose during the twenty days?" I asked.

"About fifteen pounds. At first I lost a pound a day." "I slept like a baby and was just as well and happy as I could be.

"The first meal I ate," she continued, "was on the occasion of Leo's birthday dinner." Leo is Mrs. Bergholz's big bearded son, the ex-consul to China. "I did not feel any more hungry than if I had had lunch six hours before, and after I had eaten I felt no different than when I had risen from the table without having tasted a mouthful."

Mrs. Bergholz has continued to fast from time to time and as a result she is so sprightly and bright that it is almost impossible to believe that the handsome, foreign-looking gentleman, who nearly always accompanies her, is her son.

Mrs. Bergholz's experience, however, is not universal among the fasters. Virginia Vaughn, the well-known poet and author, who resides in East Twentieth street, began to fast a week ago and continued it four days. I called upon her last evening and was surprised to see an erect, well-proportioned lady, whose bright, black eyes indicated the most perfect health and vigor.

"I cannot understand," said I, "why you should undergo the fast; you have no superfluous flesh and you seem well."

"I am well," replied Miss Vaughn; "my physical health is perfect, but do you know I was fascinated with the idea of living without food. Just think if one could do it without discomfort what a boon it would be. One could work without any interruption and be absolutely independent. So I thought I would try it just for fun, but I did not enjoy it at all," said the poetess ruefully. "My system became very much disturbed. I could not do my work at all, I could not sleep at night and on the fourth day I gave in. But then they say that the fourth day is the worst and after that one is very comfortable."

"How did you feel?" I asked. "Was the sensation one of hunger and weakness?"

"No," she replied, "not that, but a general feeling that there was something wrong, and on the last day I had severe pains in my limbs. I had a friend here from Boston—who went through the fast for fifteen days and she suffered very much from it."

"Then you do not believe that the theory is a good one?" I said.

"Yes, I do," replied Miss Vaughn. "I think it is a very great discovery and points to future possibilities that are almost beyond comprehension. It is wonderful that one may sit down and eat as if nothing had happened. Usually, you know, one must be fed very carefully, but I, with all my discomfort, ate after my four days' fast exactly as I should have done ordinarily, nor was I unusually hungry."

"Then you would commend the system to your friends, would you?"

"Yes, I would," persisted Miss Vaughn. "I think it is a great thing to know."

Mrs. Kendall, the popular actress, on her departure to England told of her experience.

"I am delighted with America and all that is in it," she said, enthusiastically. "I have learned a great many things while here, but the most useful of all is the knowledge that one can reduce flesh at will. I have tried it and I am delighted with the result. I have an English woman's tendency to grow fat and all of a French woman's horror of such a condition. The only trouble about it," went on the merry English woman, "is that when you are paying $6 a day at a hotel you like to get something for your money, and you can't if you don't eat. And then I have been so charmingly entertained at your lovely American homes, and of course, you know one can't go out to dinner and not eat; but when I get home I shall practice it, and keep myself young and slender and beautiful always."

Mrs. Langtry, too, has tried the fast, and likes it better than her system of rigorous exercise; "only," she says, "one does not get thin in the right place. I don't care to lose flesh around my neck and shoulders; but I do want to keep my arms the size they are now. I have a perfect horror," said the lady, with emphasis, "of 'hammy' arms."

Here, then, is a solution of the problem which often vexes benevolent organizations when needy districts are heard from. It will not be necessary to send freight trains loaded with provisions. A few gross of the nutrient will be ample provision and will serve as food, drink and medicine. There is no reason in the world why the question of subsistence should not be well answered by the development of this new discovery.

DIED FOR LOVE.

A Relentless Father's Ruling Drives a Lover to Suicide.

CHICAGO, Sept. 4.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—Robert Hillebran, the poor young man of Kensington who shot himself because a wealthy father objected to his marriage to his daughter, cannot recover. Jacob Gohring had told his daughter Nora that she must not see Hillebran again and Friday evening the young man met the girl at the postoffice. She told him what her father had said as they walked toward home and when he left her at her father's door he told her she would never see him alive again. He went to his home and wrote two letters; one was addressed to the girl and the other to his two brothers. When this was done he deliberately lay down upon his bed and placing the muzzle of a revolver over his heart pulled the trigger. The bullet entered the left breast and ranged upward, coming out at the other side of his body. The wound was mortal.

When Nora Gohring heard what had happened she became violently ill and passed from one swoon into another, until a physician had to be called to resuscitate her. The girl declared that she too would take her own life, and is now being watched.

Hillebran is still alive, but there is no hope of his recovery.

Desperate Work of Chicago Hoodlums

CHICAGO, Sept. 7.—"A pipeful of whiskers" was the singular demand made upon Bernard Cohen by six young rowdies passing through the Hebrew colony on South Union street this afternoon. The six made a dash to secure the whiskers, plucking wildly at Cohen's ample beard, but were desperately resisted by Cohen and his wife, who were speedily reinforced by nearly 100 other Hebrews. The leader of the reinforcements was Jacob Siff, a neighbor of Cohen's, just returned from a ranch in Montana. The cowboy Hebrew made things lively for the hoodlums during a brief space, but rashly believed that a revolver in the hands of one of them merely meant a bluff. Attempting to completely vanquish the six, Siff received a bullet in his forehead. He was taken to the hospital in a dying condition. Four of the hoodlums—John Foss, Henry Clark, Frank Petzer and Frank Morgan—were arrested, but the identity of the cowboy's slayer remains a mystery.

Shot His Wife and Mother-in-Law.

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 7.—A shocking tragedy was enacted at Wauwatosa, a suburb of Milwaukee, this afternoon. Mrs. Edward Reininger had left her husband on account of brutal treatment and returned to her mother's home. She and her mother were sitting on the porch today when Reininger came to the house. He asked his wife if she would return to him. She refused, and without a moment's warning he pulled a revolver and shot her three times, fatally wounding her. Her mother interfered, and she, too, was shot twice. Mrs. Raymer's wounds may not prove fatal. Reininger was arrested.

Salt Lake Happenings.

SALT LAKE, Utah, Sept 7.—[Special Telegram to THE BEE.]—President John W. Young of the Utah Central has returned from Europe with three hundred thousand dollars and will extend his line fifty miles this fall.

Enrick A. Holbrook of Bountiful, Davis county, confesses, on arrest, to burning his house to get $3,500 insurance and to have been the cause of numerous other fires that have happened recently in Bountiful.

Arrangements are already being made for a great Salt Lake regatta next May under the auspices of the Mississippi Valley Amateur Rowing association.

A Missouri Tragedy.

PLEASANT HILL, Mo., Sept. 7.—John Parker and A. D. Wells, young farmers, made applications late yesterday for admission into a disreputable house. They forced their way into the house and became engaged in a quarrel with seven other men there. During the quarrel revolvers were drawn. Parker was shot through the head and instantly killed. Oliver Hughes was shot in the neck and mortally wounded. Wells and six inmates of the house were arrested.

The Waters Subsiding.

LONDON, Sept. 7.—The Elba is still sixteen feet above its normal height at Dresden, but it is gradually falling, and it is believed that the danger is over. A slight subsidence was noticed in the main branch of the Danube at Vienna today. The Austrian government has granted $1,000,000 for repairing the damage done by the floods and assisting the sufferers.

O'Brien's Advice to Tenants.

CORK, Sept. 7.—William O'Brien, speaking at a meeting in the county Cork, said it would be Ireland's own fault if a single child starved. Tenants ought not to pay a penny of rents until their families were provided for. They had no business to make begging appeals to