IF SUBSCRIBER WERE EDITOR

What Changes He Would Like to Introduce in His Paper.

AMUSING ANSWERS RECENTLY RECEIVED

One Advises The Bee to Stop Abusing Queen Victoria—Another Offended Because Her Boy is Called Poor Ball Pitcher.

An inquiry through The Bee carriers to its subscribers to ascertain what fault they find with the paper and what suggestions they have to make has brought out some interesting as well as amusing answers. The answers cover a wide range of subjects. While most of them approve without qualification the policy and practices of The Bee as a newspaper, some of them impart useful suggestions, while others are interesting on account of their humor.

Several persons find fault with The Bee because it does not print cartoons, while others make it a "stand-off" by praising The Bee for its omission of the cartoon feature.

One man gives it as his opinion that news of prominence, such as murders and other sensational crimes, should be kept standing from day to day instead of being printed once and then dropped. On the other hand, several clergymen raise objections to The Bee because it publishes too much murder news and criminal reports and not enough of church affairs.

One subscriber praises The Bee because it is not addicted to "blowing its own horn." Another says The Bee carries too much advertising, thus making the paper too bulky.

"Just tell the editor that if he stops abusing the queen of England his paper will be all right," said one of the subscribers, but when and how and where The Bee has abused her majesty he failed to specify.

"The Bee is too partisan," is the complaint of one of its constant readers. "It does not announce in advance the speeches of men prominent on the other side—the meetings of such men as John Peter Attgeld, for example—until after they have gone." So he says. If this man will call at the business office of The Bee he will learn that John Peter will be allowed to advertise his meetings at the same rate given to other performers.

Grievance of a Loving Mother.

A woman who has taken The Bee ever since it was started has a grievance against the paper because in 1896 in the description of a ball game it stated that one of her boys was a poor pitcher. "The paper is unreasonable in its criticisms of persons," says this fond mother, basing her opinion on The Bee's criticism of her son as a base ball pitcher.

Equally to the point is the following complaint from some young and rising professional men: "We like The Bee. It is the most reliable newspaper; it gives the best and the most news; but we think that in mentioning business affairs it should be more liberal. For instance, in giving the details of a lawsuit it ought to publish the names of the attorneys, instead of referring to them simply as the attorney for the plaintiff and the attorney for the defendant. Again, when a surgeon saws off a leg or performs a successful operation for appendicitis, his name ought to be printed in connection with the item. Lawyers and doctors would appreciate some such liberal recognition from The Bee. We could then send the paper to our friends and college chums and thus let them know how we are rising in the world. Under the present conditions we have to write letters if we wish to inform them how we are prospering and we don't like to do that. It makes life worth living to see our names in print, especially in the best newspaper in the west."

These few sample answers show the character of the majority of the criticisms recently received.

ELEVATOR OPERATORS DANCE

Signal Success of the Annual Occasion at Thurston Rifles' Hall Christmas Night.

The elevator boys' ball at Thurston Rifles' hall Christmas night was the most signal success in the history of elevator organization in Omaha. The announcement which had been published several days before attracted a large crowd of friends of the young men who make it easy for people to get upstairs.

It was a merry crowd and everybody was in good Christmas raiment. Many of the social clubs of Omaha sent representatives to the ball. The program consisted of twenty numbers. Ambrose Ellington was the master of ceremonies. He performed his part with his characteristic grace. W. E. Cardwell was floor manager and his varied experience as a dancer was fully exercised.

The reception committee was Harry Brinkley, Clifford Huntley, Walter Hughes and P. H. Jackson. The success of the ball was largely due to Mr. Ellington, who took charge of the arrangements from the beginning of the preliminaries.

When at a late hour the orchestra played "Home, Sweet Home," it was a gladsome Christmas crowd that tripped out of the hall.

Dance at Patterson Hall.

Members and friends of Mondamin lodge, No. 111, Fraternal Union of America, had a great time Monday night at Patterson hall. The occasion for the merriment was a Christmas dance, which was largely attended. The music was of the best and the committees did their work so well that every thing went smoothly. Messrs. Doran, Erdman and Stryker arranged the ball.

SILVER SENTIMENT CHANGING

Colorado People Are No Longer So Intolerant of Opposition to the Free Coinage Hobby.

F. L. Webster, associate editor of the Denver Times, who is spending Christmas with his wife visiting in Omaha, calls attention to the marked change which has taken place in Colorado in reference to the silver question.

"In 1896 and until very recently," says Mr. Webster, "it was almost worth a man's life to express sentiments opposed to free silver coinage in Colorado. A business man could not tell where he stood and keep his business if he was not in line with the 16 to 1 people, and it was even carried into the schools, where the children of gold standard parents were reviled and sometimes assaulted by frenzied companions. That this extreme sentiment is dying out is plain now on every hand. We see it in the circulation of our paper, which is the only paper of state-wide circulation standing up strictly for the republican administration. We are extending our patronage in sections of the state where it would formerly have been considered treason to have a gold standard newspaper come into the house, and the same is true in Denver and the larger cities. Last summer a press association of republican newspapers was organized with some fifty members on the platform of fealty to McKinley and the republican party. This would have been impossible two years ago. The republicans in Colorado are hopeful because they have made substantial gains in the last two elections. While nothing is certain about carrying the state for the republican ticket next year, we are sure we will make a good showing and that no Colorado republican will have to be ashamed of the figures."

SOUTH OMAHA NEWS.

Considerable interest was manifest yesterday in the Derr-Flaherty shooting and a great many people called at the city jail during the day to obtain the details of the affair. Derr declined to talk for publication, saying that he had engaged an attorney and would therefore allow his counsel to do the talking for him. All of the facts in the case, he said, would be brought out at the trial.

From inquiries made it appears that Tom Conroy and William Ryan roomed in the flat in the Hunt block, which is occupied by Derr and his wife. These roomers came in late somewhat under the influence of liquor and brought two friends with them. Martin Flaherty was one of the friends and Al Keenan was the other. The quartet proceeded to have a good time and made considerable noise, which was not to the liking of Mr. and Mrs. Derr, who were trying to sleep. At the request of his wife Derr went to the apartments occupied by Conroy and Ryan and told them to keep quiet. Some harsh words passed and Flaherty left. Later on he returned and the racket was commenced again, this time out in the hall. Derr again made an effort to enforce quiet and the result was that he and Flaherty clinched. Derr told his friends that he was afraid Flaherty had a gun and was about to use it, so he let loose with his revolver, firing five shots. Two of the shots took effect in Flaherty's abdomen, while the others went wild.

The shooting tended to sober those engaged in the fracas and Flaherty was hastily carried to his room in the Pivonka block, across the street, where the police found him a little later. On account of the difficulty in securing a physician at such an hour in the morning Flaherty lay some little time without medical attendance. Dr. McCrann was finally found and after making a hasty examination decided that the patient should be removed to a hospital at once and arrangements were made for a trip to St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha. While a conveyance was being secured a priest was called to administer the rites of the church, as it was feared that Flaherty might not stand the shock of removal.

Flaherty's Death Probable.

Every attention is being shown Flaherty at the hospital, but it is feared that he is fatally wounded. One of the house physicians stated yesterday that the two bullets still remained in Flaherty's abdomen, no effort having been made to remove them on account of the patient's condition. Developments will be watched closely and later on, if it is thought advisable, the bullets will be located. Very little, if any, hope of Flaherty's recovery is entertained.

Within a few minutes after the shooting Derr was arrested and taken to police headquarters, where he still remains. Conroy and Ryan are also held, to be used as witnesses, if it is found that they were not closely connected with the shooting.

Flaherty had been employed at Cudahy's packing house for some time and formerly roomed with the Derrs in the Hunt block. Derr has been a resident of South Omaha for ten or twelve years and operates a barber shop on N street just west of Twenty-fifth street. He is a member of the local camp of Modern Woodmen and quite a number of the members of the lodge called at the jail yesterday to see him.

While Derr seems to regret the affair, he appears confident that he will get out of the trouble without much difficulty.

Conroy and Ryan tell about the same story that Derr does, their accounts differing only slightly. At first the impression prevailed that Derr shot at burglars, but such is not the case. The fact that Flaherty left the flat once and returned was construed by Derr to mean that he had gone to secure a weapon of some sort and that is given as a reason for his haste in shooting.

Wyoming Cattle Conditions.

In speaking of livestock conditions in Wyoming, J. A. Johnson, one of the best known cattlemen in that section, said yesterday:

"There will undoubtedly be a marked improvement in the stock marketed from Wyoming next year, as the herds have been well-trimmed up. All old cows and rough stuff have been disposed of, thus giving a majority of the herds a thorough cleaning up. Stockmen are arranging for better protection against the weather and are feeding more than formerly. In my opinion there will be a great stocking-up in Wyoming next year."

Mr. Johnson says that the small herd owners all over the state are in a good financial condition and are looking forward to a prosperous season next year.

Closing Saloons at Midnight.

There is some talk of requesting the mayor to issue an order closing the saloons at midnight. It is argued that if this is done the disturbing element will be compelled to retire more seasonably, and thus the number of fights and shooting scrapes will be decreased. Quite a number of saloon men have expressed themselves in favor of closing promptly at midnight, but if such an order is issued the liquor dealers want it enforced and no favorites shown. The police force is too small to make the rounds of all of the saloons at midnight, but if the order is issued and a few violators arrested and fined it is thought that those who show an inclination to disobey will soon be whipped into line.

Fyda's Condition Unchanged.

John Fyda is still at St. Joseph's hospital in Omaha and is not improving as rapidly as had been expected. The attending physician said yesterday that Fyda was not any worse, but, on the other hand, he was not getting any better. The bullet fired by Frank Pyszka is still lodged in the muscles of his back and no effort will be made at present to remove it.

Magic City Gossip.

George Dare left last night for Chicago to look after business matters.

Mrs. D. L. Holmes is going to Boone, Ia., Wednesday to visit Eli H. Doud and wife.

The mail carriers made one delivery yesterday and delivered many Christmas gifts.

A meeting of the Live Stock exchange will be held Friday to select delegates to the Fort Worth convention.

F. W. Sullivan has returned to Pittsburg, Pa., after spending several months with his daughter, Mrs. Ed Johnston, Thirty-sixth and F streets.

Miss Amy Johnston is home from school and is spending the holidays with her parents, councilman and Mrs. Ed Johnston.

By the retirement of Chief Carroll Captain Kelly becomes acting chief of police until an appointment is made to fill the vacancy.

H. L. Thompson, who was arrested here Sunday in a demented condition, has been taken back to his home at Talmage by relatives.

The packers say that they have more calls for bikinclaes now than they can supply. There is, however, little demand for the cheaper grades of meat.

THEATRICALS BY DEAF MUTES

"Count of Monte Cristo" Given to a Large Audience at the Institute.

The students of the Deaf and Dumb institute gave a dramatic presentation of the "Count of Monte Cristo" Christmas night to a large audience of pupils and friends. The cast contained over thirty-five. Although the sign language was the only communication, the pantomime was so perfect that the thread of the story was never lost by those unacquainted with that language and the interest in the plot never flagged for a moment. The leading parts were taken by W. H. Roberts, L. M. Hunt and Lloyd Blankenship. After the performance a one-act farce comedy was given in pantomime by a number of students. Santa Claus appeared after the closing tableaux and distributed a generous quantity of candy and presents.

HYMENEAL.

Furnas-Jamison.

BROWNVILLE, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Former Governor Robert W. Furnas was today, at high noon, united in marriage to Mrs. S. E. Jamison of this city. The impressive ceremony of the Methodist Episcopal church was performed by the Rev. James Marke Darby in the presence of only the immediate relatives of Governor Furnas and Mrs. Jamison. Following the ceremony, which took place at the bride's home, an elegant wedding breakfast was served at the home of the governor. Mr. and Mrs. Furnas expect to spend a part of the winter in Denver and the Yellowstone Park, after which they will make their home in this city.

Tallman-Funk.

HARLAN, Ia., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Mr. James Tallman and Miss Mabel Funk of San Jose, Cal., were married today at the residence of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Tallman, by Rev. Miller of the Methodist Episcopal church. Mr. Tallman was bugler of Company C of the Fifty-first Iowa regiment. He made the acquaintance of Miss Funk in San Francisco while on his way to the Philippines. Miss Funk arrived in Omaha last Saturday, where she was met by Mr. Tallman, arriving here Saturday evening. They will make their home in Harlan.

Rosenbery-Grimes.

BEATRICE, Neb., Dec. 25.—(Special Telegram.)—Mr. Charles D. Rosenbery of Omaha and Miss Martha Almyra Grimes were married at noon today at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Grimes, Rev. W. A. Mulligan, rector of Christ church (Episcopal), officiated. The newly-married couple left in the afternoon for their home in Omaha.

SURE CURE FOR CROUP.

Twenty-Five Years' Constant Use Without a Failure.

The first indications of croup is hoarseness, and in a child subject to that disease it may be taken as a sure sign of the approach of an attack. Following this hoarseness is a peculiar rough cough. If Chamberlain's Cough Remedy is given as soon as the child becomes hoarse, or even after the croup cough appears, it will prevent the attack. It is used in many thousands of homes in this broad land and never disappoints the anxious mothers. We have yet to learn of a single instance in which it has not proved effectual. No other preparation can show such a record—twenty-five years' constant use without a failure.

Insane Man Leaps from Train.

The passengers on the outbound Missouri Pacific train were excited Monday evening about 5:35 o'clock as the train was pulling through Ruser's park, for a man ran wildly down the aisle and jumped from the moving train into the snow. He fell in a heap, but in a moment he was on his feet speeding away out into the winter night. A woman on the car run screaming after him, but she did not jump. The train was slowed down and she, too, disappeared in the darkness, looking for her demented brother. The man was H. C. Thompson of Talmage, who was arrested in South Omaha two days ago because of his strange actions and appearance. His sister, Miss Thompson, came after him Monday and was taking him to his home on the train, when he broke away from her and leaped from the train. The police were notified of the occurrence and were advised to keep a watchout for him, but up till a late hour neither the man nor his sister had been heard from.

"I am indebted to One Minute Cough Cure for my health and life. It cured me of lung trouble following grippe." Thousands owe their lives to the prompt action of this never failing remedy. It cures coughs, colds, croup, bronchitis, pneumonia, grippe and throat and lung troubles. Its early use prevents consumption. It is the only harmless remedy that gives immediate results.

Blaze in South Town.

Some hungry rats gnawed matches in the pantry at 1028 South Thirty-first street Monday afternoon and they soon had a fire started that singed their whiskers and spread to the walls of the room and soon had the house full of smoke and the human inhabitants wild with excitement. The fire department soon had the blaze under control and but very little damage was done. The house is occupied by Elbert H. Cochran.

Small Fire.

An overheated stove in the frame cottage occupied by Mrs. Lucy Graham, near Fifteenth and Jackson street, ignited the woodwork situated adjacently and the fire department had to take a run and use some water before it stopped blazing. The damage to the house and contents was very slight, the smoke and water doing the most of it.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

A. J. Smith, an employe of the McCormick Harvesting Machine company of Chicago, is in the city to spend holiday week with his relatives.

Artie A. Kelkenney has gone to Chicago to visit his grandmother and other relatives during the holidays.

Mr. and Mrs. E. Van Wagenen are spending three months in Velardena Estado Durango, Mexico. Mr. Van Wagenen goes in the interest of the Smelting works.

W. H. Bell, delegate of the Central Labor union to the Detroit convention of the American Federation of Labor, returned Christmas morning. His return was delayed by a visit he paid to the headquarters of the Lafayette faction of the national organization of painters at Lafayette, Ind.

A. A. Herring of the Acme Sign company had his Christmas merriment painfully interrupted by sad tiding from home. "I never spent a happier Christmas in my life," said he. "Had I spent up to about 5:45 when I picked up a Chicago paper and read an announcement of my mother's death. About twenty minutes later I received a telegram to the same effect. I shall leave for Chicago Tuesday to attend the obsequies."

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The snow on the car tracks Christmas morning prevented a Harney street car from stopping before it crashed into a northbound Council Bluffs motor at Fourteenth street. No one was injured, but every pane of glass in the Harney car was broken and the occupants well shaken up.

Word received from Boston tells of the return from Puerto Rico of Prof. Frank A. Fitzpatrick, formerly superintendent of schools in Omaha. Prof. Fitzpatrick had been to Puerto Rico in the interest of the American Book company, with which he is now employed.

YOUNG MILITARY GOVERNOR

To Control Provinces of Northwestern Luzon with Headquarters at Vigan.

SIXTEENTH INFANTRY GOES TO APARRI

Establishing Civil Municipal Governments—Ports in Northern Luzon Will Be Opened for Trade About Jan. 1.

MANILA, Dec. 26.—8 a. m.—General Young has been appointed military governor of the province of northwestern Luzon, with headquarters at Vigan. His command includes the Thirty-third infantry, under Colonel Luther Hare, and the Third cavalry. He will establish permanent stations at San Fernando and Loang, with outposts wherever needed.

The Sixteenth infantry will proceed to Aparri, garrisoning such towns as may be deemed necessary in the provinces of Cagayan, Isabela and Nueva Viscaya, of which Colonel Hood has been appointed military governor.

General Young and Colonel Hood are establishing civil municipal governments and the ports in northern Luzon will be open for trade about January 1.

LAWTON FUND STILL GROWING

Committee Will Continue Work Another Week—Expect to Secure Fifty Thousand Dollars.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The total subscription to the Lawton fund up to noon of Christmas was $14,329.65. The committee have determined to continue to work at least until January 2, when it is hoped that a sufficient fund will have been subscribed to place the widow and children of General Lawton beyond the possibility of want and enable the mother to carry out the father's fondest wishes that his children should receive a proper education.

It is proposed to continue active work in raising funds during the present week and it is probable that the subscription list will be kept open until the return of Mrs. Lawton to this country.

It is not at all improbable that the fund will eventually reach the proportions of $50,000. The original intention was to raise only a fund sufficient to pay off the mortgage of about $15,000 on the Lawton homestead at Redlands, Cal., but the generous response to the appeal encourages the committee to believe that enough money will be subscribed beyond that sum to place Mrs. Lawton and her children above want for the rest of their lives.

Secretary Root and Adjutant General Corbin sent personal appeals to about 150 bankers and business men in New York, with the result of a large increase to the fund.

Among those who have promised subscriptions are: William K. Vanderbilt, $1,000; J. Pierpont Morgan, $1,000; C. P. Huntington, $1,000; Thomas F. Ryan of New York, $1,000, and Miss Helen Gould, $500. The committee expects to receive at least ten subscriptions of $1,000 each.

Alexander H. Revell of Chicago reports that $1,000 has been subscribed by the merchants of that city.

General Shafter reports that $830 has already been raised by the citizens of San Francisco.

General Corbin was also informed that the citizens of St. Louis had subscribed $1,200.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—Major General Shafter has received the following additional contributions to the fund for the relief of the family of the late General Lawton: John Jacob Astor, New York, $250; Hugh Tevis, San Francisco, $100; W. M. Cooke Daniels, Denver, $100.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—Alexander H. Revell, in charge of the Chicago fund for General Lawton's family, tonight telegraphed Adjutant General Corbin that the total amount raised here up to this evening is $2,102. Among the subscriptions today was $100 from Robert T. Lincoln.

BANDITS AS OUR HERITAGE

Under Spanish Rule They Thrived on Island of Negros—Americans Have Wrought a Change.

(Correspondence of the Associated Press.)

BACOLOR, Island of Negros, P. I., Nov. 7.—The commercial interests of Negros and Panay are identical. Only twenty-five miles of water separate them, and Iloilo, on Panay, is the shipping port for all products of Negros.

Negros island was first garrisoned by the California volunteers, which regiment was replaced early in July, 1898, by the Sixth United States infantry. Brigadier General Smith, formerly colonel of the Californians, is military governor of Negros and since last July affairs have been advanced rapidly and well under his direction.

Last July the situation had two sides, the military and civil. The Sixth infantry had before it the duty of suppressing the interior mountain bandits as well as the scattering of the revolutionary party, which was operating under instructions from Aguinaldo in Luzon.

As to civil matters, General Smith had in view the establishment and maintenance of a civil and elective government, which would ultimately serve to show the other revolting islands what good things could be enjoyed under American rule. Negros was selected as the most promising field for this experiment.

The mountains of Negros run down its center and length and between the foothills of this range and the sea there is a belt of lowlands averaging in width from five to twenty miles. On these lowlands are the farms and plantations producing the island's yearly crop of sugar, all of which is sent to Iloilo for shipment.

In the lowlands are found almost all the important towns and villages as well as most of the roads. This geographical distribution of low, productive lands on the coast and mountain fastnesses in the interior was the comfort of the early bandits and marauders and had much to do with making their profession possible and profitable on Negros island. There were always, under Spanish rule, bandits in the mountains, who lived by raiding the valleys, and when we possessed Negros they were part of our heritage from our predecessors.

Transport Westminster Returns.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—The transport Westminster, which sailed from here Sunday with 400 horses and mules and a cargo of fodder, put back into port today, having met with a slight accident to its machinery. The vessel will probably go to sea again tomorrow morning.

Spain's Greatest Need.

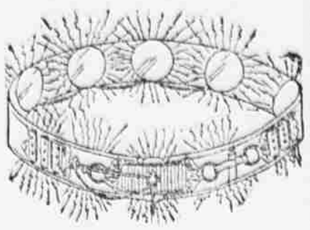
Mr. A. P. Alivis of Barcelona, Spain, spends his winters at Aiken, S. C. Weak nerves had caused severe pains in the back of his head. On using Electric Bitters, America's greatest blood and nerve remedy, all pain soon left him. He says this grand medicine is what his country needs. All America knows that it cures liver and kidney trouble, purifies the blood, tones up the stomach, strengthens the nerves, puts vim, vigor and new life into every muscle, nerve and organ of the body. If weak, tired or ailing you need it. Every bottle guaranteed, only 50 cents. Sold by Kuhn & Co., drug.

President Pardons Hoshall.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 25.—John S. Hoshall, who was sentenced about a year ago in the United States district court to two years' imprisonment in the city jail for a violation of the postal laws, has been released from jail, his sentence having been commuted by President McKinley. Hoshall was a medical student at one of the colleges here at the time of his arrest.

30 Days' Trial.

Dr. Sanden's Electric Belt.



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TEXAS ARRIVES WITH BODIES

Remains of Men Who Lost Their Lives in Havana Harbor to Be Interred at Arlington.

NEWPORT NEWS, Va., Dec. 25.—The battleship Texas, in command of Captain Sigsbee, arrived here shortly before noon today with the remains of the men who lost their lives by the destruction of the battleship Maine in Havana harbor. The bodies of the Maine heroes which were brought up on the Texas will be transferred to a Chesapeake & Ohio train tomorrow at 12 o'clock and will be taken to Washington for interment in Arlington cemetery next Thursday.

The Texas left Havana last Thursday. It encountered a gale off Hatteras, but had good weather until it reached that point. It anchored in Lynn Haven bay last night and came up to Old Point this morning. After the quarantine regulations had been complied with it proceeded to this city.

Chaplain Chidwick, who was chaplain of the Maine, is in charge of the remains of the dead heroes and will accompany them to Washington. Not more than a score of the bodies on the Texas were identified. The names of these are inscribed on the coffins which inclose their mortal remains. There were no ceremonies here today over the dead, but impressive exercises will take place tomorrow when the bodies are transferred from the ship to the train.

The funeral train will arrive in Washington tomorrow night.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 25.—The remains of the dead of the Maine will arrive here tomorrow and be interred at Arlington cemetery Thursday at 11 o'clock in the presence of President McKinley, most of the members of his cabinet and a large contingent of army and navy officers and others. The funeral rites over the dead will be performed by Chaplain Chidwick, who was attached to the cruiser when it was blown up in Havana bay. The chaplain of the naval academy will assist him.

A pretty grassy knoll near where the Santiago dead rest has been selected as the final resting place of the remains of the dead seamen. Relatives and friends have claimed twenty-two of the bodies and will give them private interment under an arrangement with the Navy department, which has taken charge of the burial of all the bodies, either unidentified or unclaimed.

Assistant Secretary Allen today, in explaining the course of the department, said:

"It is the desire of Secretary Long that the wishes of all the relatives of those who died on the Maine to give them a private burial be complied with and Chaplain Chidwick, who superintended the disinterment of the bodies, was instructed to prepare a list of the identified remains in order that this might be done. There are 166 caskets and many of them contain bodies which have been identified and will be sent to those claiming them. The unidentified and unclaimed bodies will be buried at Arlington and the graves of those identified will be marked by headstones."

STILWELL IS ON THE OUTSIDE

Former President of the Gulf Road Retires from Presidency of the Guardian Trust Company.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 25.—Announcement was made here today of the retirement of A. E. Stillwell from the presidency of the Guardian Trust company. This corporation, which was formerly known as the Missouri, Kansas & Trust company, had its headquarters in Kansas until a few months ago, when the name was changed, the capital increased from $1,250,000 to $2,500,000 and the general offices removed to Chicago. Most of the new stock was taken in Chicago by men of large wealth, including John W. Gates, John Lambert, A. L. Singer and T. M. Thadbourne, jr.

Stillwell's retirement is said to be due to differences of opinion between the president and a majority of the board of directors as to the policy to be pursued by the company. It was through this trust company that Mr. Stillwell built the Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf railroad, now in the hands of receivers and about to pass under a new management, and he is said to be practically out of both corporations. It is stated that Stillwell will return to Kansas City.

CHICAGO, Dec. 25.—The Times-Herald tomorrow will say: Mr. Stillwell's retirement was brought about at a meeting of the executive committee of the $1,500,000 concern held Saturday. While the officers of the company stated tonight that Stillwell's resignation was voluntary and was given in order that he might obtain a much needed rest, it was learned that the meeting at which the matter was considered was a stormy one.

John W. Lambert of the American Steel and Wire company, who was mainly instrumental in bringing about the retirement of Stilwell, said that no name had been considered and that Stilwell's successor would not be selected until the right man was found.

THERE IS A CLASS OF PEOPLE

Who are injured by the use of coffee. Recently there has been placed in all the grocery stores a new preparation called GRAIN-O, made of pure grains, that takes the place of coffee. The most delicate stomach receives it without distress, and but few can tell it from coffee. It does not cost over ¼ as much. Children may drink it with great benefit. 15cts. and 25 cts. per package. Try it. Ask for GRAIN-O.

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METEORIC DISPLAY AT SEA

Witnessed by Captain and Crew of Steamship Grossmont While on the Run from Java.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 25.—Captain Fleetman and the crew of the British steamship Grossmont, which is now lying at the Delaware breakwater, after a successful run from Java, witnessed a splendid meteoric display on December 9, when the vessel was in latitude 33.14 and longitude 32.51.

A brilliant meteor was sighted in the heavens toward the southwest. It ascended to an altitude of 10 degrees, where it remained an instant and then shot away in a northerly direction, followed closely by a dozen other meteors of the brilliancy of the planet Venus.

A peculiar part of the display was the non-appearance of the fiery tails usually seen with meteors. Instead of these there was a brilliant show of exploding electric balls.

Negro Mortally Wounded.

HANNA, Wyo., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—A fatal duel was fought at a grading camp on the Hanna-Dana cut-off of the Union Pacific yesterday. A colored man named Lucias Miller got on a rampage and swore he would kill every man in the camp. He armed himself with a pitch-handle and started out to keep his word. He cracked the heads of several graders and was having things pretty much his own way when he went to the contractor's supply wagon where he met Troy Pendleton, a white man. Miller got in a couple of swings with his club before Pendleton could do anything. Seeing his chance, he whipped out his gun and discharged full in the face of Miller, who fell to the ground mortally wounded. The coroner's jury excused Pendleton from all blame, the killing being held as justifiable.

Size doesn't indicate quality. Beware of counterfeit and worthless salve offered for DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the only original. An infallible cure for piles and all skin diseases.

Killed by a Train.

CHEYENNE, Dec. 25.—(Special.)—Bob Allen was run over and killed by a train near Medicine Bow some time during last night. His mangled body was found on the track this morning, pieces of flesh being strewn along the rails for over 300 yards. Allen had been drinking yesterday and it is supposed that he either fell asleep on the track or attempted to board a train while under the influence of liquor.

F. B. Thirkield, health inspector of Chicago, says: "Kodol Dyspepsia Cure cannot be recommended too highly. It cured me of severe dyspepsia." It digests what you eat and cures indigestion, heartburn and all forms of dyspepsia.

Disastrous Snow Slide.

SARATOGA, Wyo., Dec. 25.—(Special.)—A disastrous snow slide occurred in the mountains near Battle Lake last Thursday, which came near resulting fatally. While Al Dancer, driving a six-horse sled loaded with ore from the Rudefeha copper mine, was coming down the mountain at a point about two miles below Battle Lake, an avalanche of snow, rocks and trees came down the mountain side and carried Dancer and his team over an eighty-five foot cliff to the bottom of a deep ravine. Two horses were killed and Dancer severely bruised. He was rescued nearer dead than alive, but will recover.

Announcements.

With the conclusion of the performance tonight at Boyd's, Hoyt's "A Trip to Chinatown" will close a most successful engagement. At the two performances Christmas the house was crowded to its utmost.

Wednesday afternoon Mme. Emma Nevada, with her accompanying artists, will give a grand concert at Boyd's. Thursday, Friday and Saturday Frohman's "A Colonial Girl," with Howard Gould as the star, will occupy the theater.

Coal Fund for the Poor.

The Associated Charities appeal to our benevolent citizens for funds to purchase coal for distribution among the aged and sick poor, deserving widows and deserted wives with families. The calls are numerous and require immediate attention.

Checks payable to the Associated Charities will be thankfully received at 1810 St. Mary's avenue.

JOHN LAUGHLAND, Secretary.

Accidental Christmas Murder.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 25.—Maggie Drayer, the 13-year-old daughter of John Drayer, was shot and instantly killed at 6 o'clock this afternoon by Mrs. William S. Taylor. A number of children, including Maggie Drayer, were at the Taylor house playing with popguns, when Mrs. Taylor, saying she had something that would beat their popguns, picked up an old musket, which she accidentally discharged. The entire load of shot entered the girl's breast. Death resulted immediately. It is feared Mrs. Taylor will lose her reason.

Hannan Denies Identity.

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 25.—H. J. Hannan, who was arrested early Sunday morning on a telegraphic request from the police superintendent of Pittsburg, Pa., stating that he was wanted on a charge of murdering John Craig, his gambling partner, at Greensburg, Pa., May 23 last, still denies his identity, but he was fully recognized today by G. C. Judy, who knew him in the east.

DIED.

WRIGHT—E. O., aged 28 years, December 23, 1899. Mr. Wright was the union Pacific brakeman killed at Ames, Neb. He was a Royal Arch Mason, a member of the Knights of Maccabees and Royal Highlanders, all of Grand Island. Funeral from 1423 North Nineteenth street at 1 p. m. Tuesday, December 26.

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