

"THE BLACK DEATH."

FAMOUS PLAGUE OF HISTORY IN LONDON.

Has Brought Death to Millions Awaiting Ravages of a Disease Which It is Feared May Spread to America Through the Persons of Travel.

The awful bubonic plague, which has been ravaging India, where its victims have been numbered by scores of thousands, has invaded London, according to a report made to the Marine Hospital service at Washington by our representatives in England, and fears are felt that it may be transmitted to America through the persons of travelers or shipment of merchandise.

The bubonic plague is the same disease that has been known in history as the Levantine plague, the Oriental plague, the Black plague and the Black Death. It has raged repeatedly in Asia, Africa and Europe in the last 18 centuries.

The first well authenticated invasion of Europe occurred about 543-546, the pestilence appearing at Constantinople and spreading to Italy and Gaul.

The next great inroad began about 1346, and proceeded from Tartary to the Crimea and Sicily, whence it reached Europe and across into England.

Among the most impressive death records of that period are the following:

Table with 2 columns: Year and Deaths. 1427-Dantzic 80,000; 1466-Paris 40,000; 1570-Moscow 200,000; 1572-Lyon 50,000; 1576-Venice 70,000; 1556-Naples 200,000; 1664-65-London 68,596.

The last item in the table gives the figures in the London plague so prominent in English history. It is known that this number of deaths was out of a population of 460,000, and that nearly one-third of the denizens of the English capital fled from the city in fear of death.

In the eighteenth century the plague prevailed extensively in Europe, the most notable epidemic being in Marseilles in 1720, when from 40,000 to 60,000 persons were carried off.

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sea and the Pacific, in China, India, Arabia, Persia, Mesopotamia, Russia, Caspian sea, Afghanistan and Tripoli. There have been since 1850 but nineteen years when it has not been recorded in one or the other of these countries.

The plague broke out in virulent epidemic form in 1893 in Tonkin and Hongkong. Within a short time it reached and laid firm hold of Bombay, Kurrachee and Poonah.

After appearing at Suez, Alexandria, and Port Said, it finally reached Europe. In Vienna, in October, 1898, occurred the deaths of Herr Barisch and Dr. Mueller, of the Vienna Bacteriological establishment.

It reached the Brazils last year, claiming victims by the hundreds. Modern science has so advanced, however, that in countries with proper sanitation the plague is not so greatly dreaded as in days of old.

UNAFFECTED GIRL.

A Tribute to Helen Gould by a Congressman.

Would you have an idea of her personality? If so, think of a good young woman in your own town who loves her parents and her home, who is devoted to the church, who thinks of the poor on Thanksgiving day and Christmas, whose face is bright and manner unaffected, whose dress is elegant in its simplicity, who takes an interest in all things, from politics to religion, whom children love and day laborers greet by reverently lifting the hat, and who, if she were graduated from a home seminary or college, would receive a bouquet from every boy in town.

If you think of such a young woman, and nearly every community has one (and 99 times out of 100 she is poor), you have a fair idea of the impression made on a plain man from a country town in Indiana by Miss Gould, Helen Miller Gould is just at the threshold of her beautiful career.

What a promise is there in her life and work for the coming century! She has pledged her fortune for a Hall of Fame on the campus of the New York university, overlooking the Harlem river. It will have tablets for the names of 50 distinguished Americans, and proud will be the descendants of those whose names are inscribed thereon.

The human heart is the tablet upon which Miss Gould has inscribed her name, and her "Hall of Fame" is as broad and high as the republic itself.

Old Saw That Is Senseless. In olden times when a person died it was customary to toll the church bell a certain number of times to indicate whether it was a man, woman or child.

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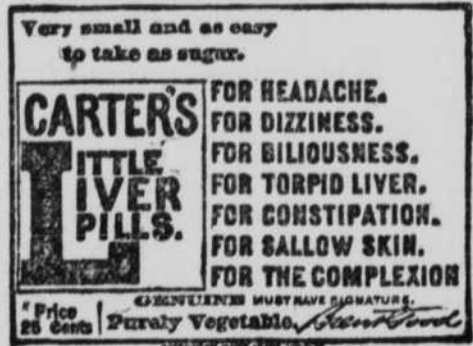
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BOSTON IDEA OF HUMOR. Mrs. Gray—He isn't compelled to visit such places.

Uncle George—You seem to have no trouble eating that bread and milk, Johnny, although you said this morning you'd rather starve than eat it.

Little Johnny—Uncle George, I am surprised at you. You ought to know that one's opinions change with a change in the point of view.

It is ever a cause for alarm lest the infant in his predilection for putting things in his mouth will put something into it that will do him a serious injury.

Mrs. Greene—No, I suppose not, except in a conventional sort of way. But, as I said, I don't think he enjoys entering saloons.

Mrs. Greene—Yes, young Stoughton does frequent drinking saloons, but I don't think he does it because he likes it.

There has been the usual summer drop of two and one-half feet in the level of the Brooklyn bridge span, due to the heat, which has, as usual every summer, expanded the cables.

JAPAN VS. RUSSIA

The Former Preparing for any Outbreak by the Latter

In spite of denials to the contrary and assurances of good feeling among the allied Powers, the fact that jealousy and suspicion exist is proven by several more than suspicious incidents in the far East.

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Another "Humane Ostrich" Dying. John Fasel, "the humane ostrich," is dying in a Brooklyn hospital. Last January he was operated on and 128 pins, twelve horseshoe nails, twelve ring nails, five files, three keys, one ring, three brass chains and a thirteen inch iron chain, removed from his stomach.

Did a Hornpipe at 103. Dancing is not an amusement monopolized alone by the young and frivolous.

Held Him a Bogus Workman. A curious illustration of the sharpness of class lines in England came up the other day, when a small florist going to London for purchases, was arrested for traveling on a "workman's ticket."

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The great wall of China, portions of which are still in evidence, was completed 211 B. C. So His Sign Said. George Hamel, of Jenkintown, pa., is a justice of the peace, conveyancer and notary public.

George Hamel, of Jenkintown, pa., is a justice of the peace, conveyancer and notary public. A few days ago he was approached by a well dressed woman, who said that she wanted some baggage hauled to the station.

Lovelessness needs not the aid of foreign ornament, but is, when unadorned, adorned the most. At Los Angeles, Cal., Rev. A. H. Houghton, who, it is understood, is a brother-in-law of Jay Gould, is dead at the age of 70 years, from paralysis.

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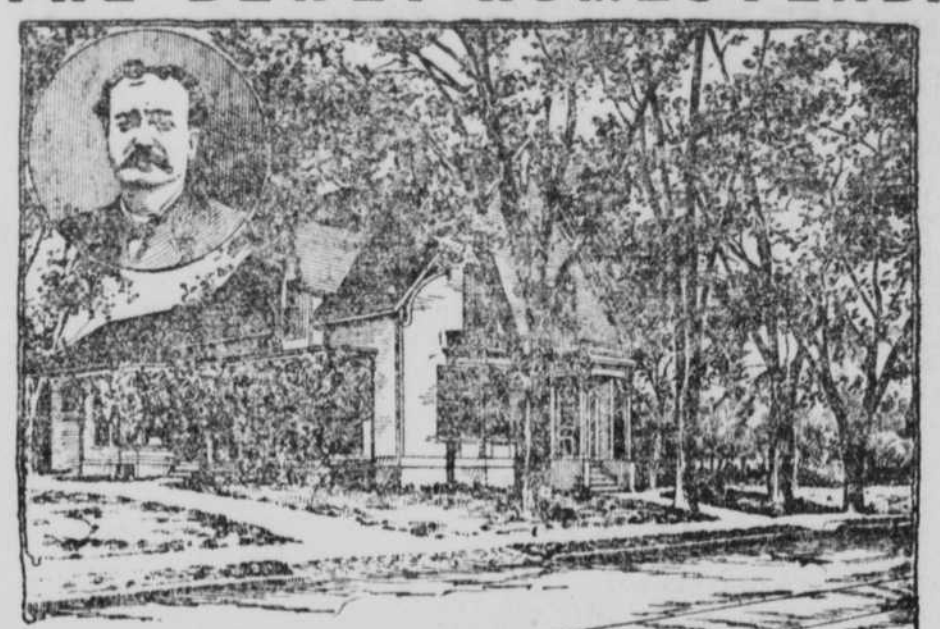
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