

The Flood of Laws.

Press dispatches carried out of Washington the other day a statement from Col. W. M. Palmer, in charge of the enrolled bills of the senate, regarding the marked increase in the number of acts passed by congress during the past few years.

Not the least of the benefits derived from the rural mail by any means is the responsibility it creates for the maintenance of good roads in communities that desire the service.

Inoculation is now suggested as a cure for typhoid, and some experiments to that end have answered satisfactorily.

It is announced that the package freight steamers running in the lake trade in connection with railroad lines will start two weeks earlier than they did last season.

The strike of 4,000 Canadian coal miners, reported from Winnipeg, is a more serious development than that of the 400 anthracite miners at Pittston, who have laid down their picks and retired to the surface.

Dr. Ferrero, the Italian historian now lecturing at Lowell institute in Boston, says the odes of Horace were not written as a striving for literary merit or to express thoughts that demanded utterance.

It is well, wise and commendable to seek to spread intelligence in savage lands, but there are still men and women in the crowded centers of civilization who look for gas leaks with a match.

The American flag has been hauled down in Cuba. And never was it lowered with more credit to itself or in a better cause.

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" isn't the play it used to be. The actors who take the parts of the cakes of ice do not seem to put the same enthusiasm into their work that characterized their predecessors of a generation past.

Strikes are costly affairs. It is especially estimated that the losses sustained by France through the late postal strike amounted to \$100,000,000.

Mexico's smelly oil well, which tarnishes metal 65 miles away and kills men, animals and birds at smaller distances, must be considerably more so than our own home institution, the stockyards odor.

HOW SITTING BULL MET DEATH

BY EDWARD B. CLARK ILLUSTRATIONS BY DEARBORN MELVILLE

WASHINGTON.—Memories of Indian wars fade rapidly from the minds of all persons who were not actively engaged in the hostilities. In the east the troubles in the past on the frontier held the attention and the interest but for the moment.



THE DEATH OF SITTING BULL

the death of the great Sioux chief. Philanthropists in the east who never had seen an Indian tepee insisted that Sitting Bull was murdered and that the blood of the savage was upon the head of the nation.

It was left to Col. Edward G. Fehet, now professor of military science at the University of Illinois, to learn the truth of the shooting of Sitting Bull and to give knowledge of it to the people.

Sitting Bull's home was in a log hut on the Standing Rock Indian reservation of North Dakota. In the summer of 1890 he gathered many of his braves about him and told them in picturesque Sioux language that a Messiah was to come who would lead the Sioux nation to victory.

When Gen. Miles learned of the teachings of Sitting Bull and of their rapid spread, the chief's arrest was ordered. Accordingly Indian police led by Lieut. Bull Head and Sergt. Shave Head were dispatched from Fort Yates to arrest the chief at his log hut miles away.

Fehet's soldier instinct told him at once that there must be trouble. His men had had the hardest kind of a night ride, but they were willing, and he pushed forward rapidly.

ONE WAY TO CATCH COYOTES

Indian Strategem Secured More Than Army Officer Needed to Make Carriage Robe.



tion of a part of the people who preferred death to exile.

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The trail led to one of the low hills that chain the reservation. The Cheyennes had taken refuge near the summit in a natural hollow. The sides of the hills rose sheer and slippery to the lurking place of the savages. It was a place admirably adapted for defense. A few men could hold it against a regiment.

All things were prepared for the charge, when to the amazement of the troopers, the whole band of Cheyenne warriors, naked to the waist and yelling like devils, came dashing down the hillside straight at the body of cavalry.

When the time came for the burial of the Indians, Tea Kettle, a chief, was found to be alive, but unconscious. Tea Kettle was carried back to the fort and there made comfortable.

ERECT IMMENSE STEEL SHED

It is the usual custom to build vessels under a shed, that the work may proceed without regard to weather conditions. The steel framework under which the 900-foot White Star liners are to be built has just been completed.

WHAT COLORS SHALL I USE?

This Question is Important in Painting a House or Other Building.

A proper color scheme is extremely important in painting a house. It makes all the difference between a really attractive home and one at which you wouldn't take a second glance.

As to the exterior, a good deal depends upon the size and architecture of the house, and upon its surroundings.

You can avoid disappointment by studying the books of color schemes for both exterior and interior painting, which can be had free by writing National Lead Company, 1902 Trinity Building, New York, and asking for Houseowner's Painting Outfit No. 49.



Another Boring Question.

"I say, pa, is a man from Poland called a Pole?"

"Yes, my son."

"Then, pa, why isn't a man from Holland called a Hole?"

CURED ITCHING HUMOR.

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"Little black swellings were scattered over my face and neck and they would leave little black scars that would itch so I couldn't keep from scratching them.

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MADE NEAT BIBLICAL RETORT

Writer Who Expected to Score Off of Editor Met with a Feally Witty Counter.

Few editors have the humor and good nature which characterize Robert H. Davis, chief of the Munsey staff and author of the play, "The Family."

"Dear Mr. Davis: "Psalms 118:22. See —'s announcements in the current issue."

The Scriptural reference was: "The stone which the builders refused is become the head of the corner."

"The next mail brought Mr. Davis' answer: "Dear —: "Psalms 118:23."

The chagrined writer found that the fatal juxtaposition reads: "This is the Lord's doing; it is marvelous in our eyes."

A DOUBLE EVENT.



Mrs. Highfly—And has she really got two servants?

Mrs. Flutter—Yes—one coming and one going.

HIS CONSCIENCE.

"Will you have a cocktail, Mr. Snidgerly?"

"No, my wife does not permit me to drink intoxicants of any kind."

"Let me buy you a cigar."

"My wife has made me promise that I will never smoke any more."

"Well, well, I wish there was something I could do to make it pleasant for you."

"Is there a naughty show of any kind in town? If so, take me to it. My wife will not be able to smell it on my breath."

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