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The British concentration camps for herding the Boers, are said to be veritable beds of miasma. England is determined to annihilate them somehow.

The great Bonine trial in which Mrs. Bonine was charged with murdering Ayers, a young cesus clerk in a Washington hotel, ended last Friday in an acquital for the defendant.

While we are rubbing our ears and rustling to keep from freezing, our neighbors in Pennsylvania and New York are experiencing the worst freshets that has visited them for a number of years. At Pittsburg, 175 loaded and empty barges, broke their moorings and went down the river to destruction.

The "Parent" who writes regarding the cleaning of the school house has a pretty good idea of the janitors duties, but the inconsistant part of it all is that he calls Benschoter, a member of the school board, a "coward" when in fact he is just coward enough to hide his own hand. Wonder if "Parent" ever stopped to think that people generally take more stock in such writings if he would come out over his own signature, that is if he has not been heretofore increditably mixed up in school matters himself. Come now, if you will let us know who you are we will promise not to hurt you.

The Schley court of inquiry have rendered their findings and have found adversly to the hero of Santiago in eleven counts. This is a majority finding by the court, but Dewey, the President of the court and the only real live hero of that august body, the only one of them who has ever been heard of outside of the records where their names appeared for promotion, the only man except Schley, in our navy who fought a genuine up to date modern naval battle, vindicates Schley and commends him for good judgement and merited success only second to that of his own at Manila. Dewey knows what a great naval battle is, and clearly indicates that Schley and not Sampson won the battle of Santiago. Dewey's findings are the verdict of the people and no kid gloved, band-box admirals can change it.

The Times-Independent, among its numerous foolish questions, ask us why Mr. Pearson did not use that $22,000 00 to pay off warrants, etc. Probably for the same reason that the present county treasurer has about the same amount on hand now, and very likely for the same reason that all of the county treasurers generally show a balance on hand of from $30,000.00 to $35,000 00 at every settlement, both annual and semi-annual. These balances are paid out as circumstance direct. Part of it may have belonged to the state, some to school districts. Some of it may have belonged to the interest bond fund, and at the proper time would have been paid out for that purpose. Exactly the same conditions regarding the balance on hand prevail now. $22,000.00 or therebouts on hand and the county treasurer informs us that no bonds are likely to be paid off now. The money doubtless belongs to other funds and at the proper time must be so disbursed, in other words it is on hand for other purposes. Can you see the point Brother Brown.

LETTER FROM THE NAVY.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL. Dec. 4,

DEAR FATHER AND ALL AT HOME.

I take pleasure in again dropping you a few lines to let you know that I am well and hope you are all the same at home. There was a terrible explosion of a powder mill at Berkley, just across the bay, a few minutes ago. We were looking out the window when it occured. There were two explosions but we have not yet heard the cause. We had just been looking at the mills when the first explosion came and when we looked more than half of them seemed to be gone and then the second one came and destroyed the balance. The same thing occurred three years ago. The French cruiser Guierra came in today and they fired a national salute of 21 guns and the fort at the Golden Gate answered it.

We are getting along fine and having a nice time. I received the papers you sent to-day.

The swimming tank will soon be done, the pump house is done and the condencer is in. The water will come from the bay and the pump will be run by electricity. The new dock is also under way. There was one of the heaviest fogs on the bay the other night that was ever experienced here. Two ferry boats colided at Alcatras island, and it is not certain how many lives were lost. The captains of the boats said they could not see 50 yards ahead. A train also run into an obstruction during the fog and was derailed in Oakland. Also on the same night a heavily veiled lady boarded the ferry boat Piedmont, and after the boat was well clear of the dock, she jumped overboard and gave a loud scream as she went. Life boats were quickly lowered and a search made but she was not seen again.

Two deserters who came from the east were caught and are here now. The authorities here thaught they had cought one of our apprentice boys that jumped some time ago, but when it came to identify him they could not do it and had to turn him loose. Captain Glass who was raised to a rear admiral last month has not got back yet but is expected soon. The captain of the French cruiser Guierra, is over to the Island to-day. Their sailors dress is altogether different from ours. It rained all morning here and we had scirmishing in the hall. The Ranger took 15 landsmen from here last week. We cannot tell when we will get off on our cruise, it may be soon and it may be a long time yet as things change rapidly in the navy.

We expect quite a time on Christmas. We had a good time Thanksgiving, but it rained and spoiled our fun in the afternoon so we had our foot ball game on Friday. We are getting a great many games both in and out door, now that the winter is coming on and it will rain most of the time. Suppose you are having snow at home by this time, we will not likely see any snow here. Some of the boys claim that it began to snow here once and the ladies ran out and held their apron to catch it, thinking it was sugar. Well I guess I must close for this time. Good bye.

CHAS. E. GIBSON.

U. S. T. S. Pensacola, Verba Buena Island, in San Francisco Bay.

A Culinary Note.

Cannibal King's Chamberlain—Your highness, this missionary hopes you will spare him. He claims he is a great cook, and a genius at making up new dainties out of his head. Cannibal King—You inform him I intend having some soup made out of his head, this noon.—Brooklyn Eagle.

PUCKER UP AND WHISTLE.

Doctors Declare the Practice Is Promotive of Good Health.

Another prescription for promoting the health of the general public has been given out by German and Swedish doctors, who declare that nothing tends more to a robust physical frame than the practice of whistling. But they insist upon a systematic and constant effort on the part of the beneficiary. Drill schools have been formed where one of the chief exercises consists in lying flat, back downward, on a table and simply breathing and expelling air from the lungs with regularity and vigor. Dumb-bells and Indian clubs have been discarded by the advanced health culturists in those institutions. As a method of prolonging life and strengthening the human frame against sickness whistling is said to be beyond compare. Development of chest and neck muscles is one of the special advantages claimed for the exercise. Long, deep breathing is an essential for a good whistler, as it is not permissible to draw in the breath except during the intervals of the sound production. Besides the good that accrues to the performer's general health, there is an advantage in knowing how to whistle well. It is recognized as a certain form of musical art and as such is capable of giving pleasure to the listener.—Chicago Chronicle.

A TALE OF WOE OR THE WAIL OF A BATCHELOR.

Man that is married to a woman, is of many days and full of trouble. In the morning he draweth his salary and at even' behold it is gone. It is as a tale that is told; it vanished and no man knoweth whither it goeth.

He riseth up in the early morn' clad in the habiliments of the night to seek after the somnolent paragoric, that he may sooth therewith the offspring of his loins. He goeth forth as the ox and draweth the chariot of his offspring. He spendeth his shekels to cover the bosom of his family with fine linen, yet, he is seen even at the gates of the city with one suspender. Yea verily, of a truth his days are many and full of trouble.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF

THE FIRST BANK OF LOUP CITY.

CHARTER NO. 250, INCORPORATED

At Loup City in the State of Nebraska, at the Close of Business, December 10th, 1901:

RESOURCES.

Loans and discounts		46,236 49
Overdrafts secured and unsecured		396 40
Stocks and securities		2,537 61
Banking house, furniture, fixtures		1,952 50
Other Real Estate		400 00
Current expenses and taxes paid		1,523 85
Checks and other cash items		
Due from National, State and Private banks and bankers		13,834 45
Cash. Nickles and cents	$	
" Currency	5,388 00	
" Specie	1,610 56	6,998 56
Total		73,879.86

LIABILITIES.

Capital stock paid in		$20,000 00
Surplus fund		1,700 00
Undivided profits		4,113 29
Individual deposits subject to check	38,687.81	
Demand certificates of deposit	9,378.76	
Due to National Banks		
Due to state and private banks and bankers		48,066.57
Total		$73,879,85

State of Nebraska, } s s
County of Sherman. }

I, L. HANSON, Asst. Cashier of the above named Bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is correct and a true copy of the report made to the State Banking board.

L. HANSON, Asst. Cashier.

ATTEST:
W. F. MASON, Director.
L. HANSEN, Director.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 17th day of Dec., 1901.

J. S. PEDLER,
SEAL.) Notary Public.
My commission expires November 17, 1904.

Says He Was Tortured

"I suffered such paine from corns I could hardly walk," writes H. Robins, Hillsborough, Ills., "but Bucklen's Arnica Salve completely cured them." Acts like magic on sprains, bruises, cuts, sores, scalds, burns, boils and ulcers. Perfect healer of skin diseases and piles. Cure guaranteed by Odendahl Bros. 25c.

Burlington Route

TIME TABLE.

LOUP CITY, NEBR.

Lincoln,	Denver,
Omaha,	Helena,
Chicago,	Butte,
St. Joseph,	Salt Lake City.
Kansas City,	Portland,
St. Louis,	San Francisco,
and all points East and South.	and all points West.

TRAINS LEAVE AS FOLLOWS:

GOING EAST

No. 52 Passenger.....8:05 a. m.
No. 60 Freight.....12.50 p. m.

GOING WEST

No. 51 Passenger..... 4:32 p. m.
No. 59 Freight.....12:50a. m.

Sleeping, dinner and reclining chair cars (seats free) on through trains. Tickets sold and baggage checked to any point in the United States or Canada.

For information, maps, time tables and tickets call on or write to R. L. Arthur Agent. Or J. FRANCIS, Gen'l. Passenger Agent, Omaha, Nebraska.

U. P. RAILWAY.

No. 86 leaves daily except Sunday (passenger). 8:00 a. m.
No. 88 leaves Monday, Wednesday and Friday, (mixed) 12:20 p. m.
No. 90 leaves Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, (mixed) 2:55 p. m.
No 87 arrives daily except Sunday (mixed 12:05 p. m.
No. 85 arrives daily except Sunday (passenger) 7.35 p. m.
First class service and close connections east, west and south

W. D. CLIFTON.