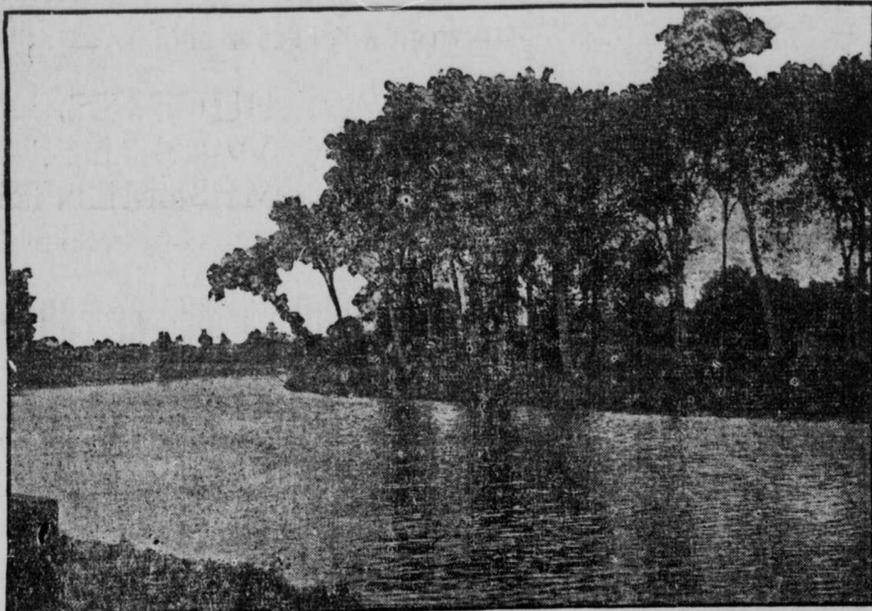


## AT THE BEND OF THE RIVER.



"At the bend of the river," a spot to charm equally the angler and the seeker after rest, is a gem of photographic art. The picture was made

### WHY HE WAS SHOCKED.

**Fact That He Had a Mortgage on the Cow Explained It.**

For many years there has lived in a South Dakota town a German who is familiarly known to his fellow-citizens as "the Baron." In his early manhood the baron became estranged from his titled relatives as a result of his marriage to a daughter of a London shopkeeper. He then came to this country and by his thrift acquired considerable wealth. Though a devoted husband and father, he has long been known as the town Shylock, and woe to the poor farmer who is unable to meet in full on the date agreed upon all claims upon him by the inexorable baron!

One day while several men were sitting in a general store, the baron entered and listened attentively to a story that was being told by an acquaintance. The young man was describing how, while coming to town that morning, he had seen several Indian girls cutting up a cow that had died of some bovine disease a day or two before.

"Well?" demanded the baron, when the narrator finished. "Well?"

"Well," replied the young man, "the heathens are actually going to use the flesh as food. What do you think of that, baron?"

An angry flush colored the German's face, almost purple, and his whole figure seemed to dilate with indignation.

"Vot do I think of it?" he cried. "It disgusts me mit human nature. I hadt a mortgage on dot cow!"

### TEA GROWN IN AMERICA.

**Japanese Government to Investigate South Carolina Gardens.**

According to a Charleston (S. C.) special in the Atlanta Constitution, Sinko Hatto, a wealthy Japanese now residing in New York, has been appointed by his government to make a thorough study of the tea-growing conditions in South Carolina. He will make a thorough inspection of the Pinehurst tea gardens at Summerville and will go from there to Rantowles, where the American Tea company has bought a big plantation. Mr. Hatto said that his government had been greatly interested in the published reports from the tea plantations in South Carolina and for business reasons it was desired to get facts as gathered by a personal representative.

The gardens at Summerville, which were planted more as an experiment than anything else, have since become a splendid paying investment and Dr. Shepard, the proprietor, has disposed of the home-grown teas at good profits. So impressed were eastern capitalists with the enterprise that a company was formed and 5,000 acres of land were purchased between Charleston and Savannah. On this plantation the plants have been set out and in the course of time the fields will have an enormous yield of fine teas.

### WORKING ON POTATO PATCHES.

**On City's Vacant Lots a Big Source of Income to Philadelphia.**

One is accustomed to think of the vacant-lot potato patch as something belonging exclusively to Detroit, the home of the late Gov. Pingree, the originator of the idea. It appears, however, that the plan has been used with effect in other cities, notably in Philadelphia. Of the results there a competent observer says: "Each year we have saved the city of Philadelphia more than we have spent. We have saved it in the expenses of the police courts and jails. A man who has a garden for which to care has less time to hang about saloons. He has an object around which his thoughts and plans may center. An example of this is the case of a colored man, who asked for a plot when the land was being apportioned the first year. He was old, partially paralyzed and very drunk. It is the policy of the association to give land to any one who applies; whether a

man keeps his garden or not depends upon himself. The superintendent explained the conditions and assigned a plot to the man, who made many wordy and incoherent promises. The next day he appeared in a comparatively sober condition, but his right arm was almost useless, and he worked slowly and awkwardly. The next day he was too drunk to work at all. So it went on, almost constant drunkenness varied by occasional spasms of industry. Nevertheless, he managed to keep the garden. Gradually it became the intoxication which was intermittent, while the habit of working grew upon him, and exercise brought strength to the useless arm. He still has his garden and each year he finds progressive respectability more delightful."

### TACT OF A GENTLEMAN.

**How Frank Stockton Relieved Feelings of a Friend.**

Last winter, while Will N. Harben was writing Abner Daniel (Harpers), he often met Frank R. Stockton at the Author's club. One afternoon Harben told Mr. Stockton of his new book, and added that he had been trying to get up his courage to ask to be allowed to send it to him when it was published. Stockton assured Mr. Harben that he would be glad to see it, but just then another novelist sauntered across the room and said: "Frank D—— has just sent me a copy of his last book and wants me to review it. I suppose you are often bored with similar requests?"

It was an awkward moment for Stockton and Harben, but the former was equal to the emergency.

"Well," he said, carelessly, "it is rather hard to write reviews of books for friends when one is busy writing novels, but I do certainly like to read books written by men I know."

The conversation took a turn, and Harben walked away. He thought the matter had passed out of the mind of the genial humorist, but a few minutes later Stockton came to him and said:

"I don't want you to forget to send me that book. I am greatly interested in it." But Mr. Stockton never lived to receive the promised "first copy." He died while Mr. Harben was reading the proofs of the novel.

**Handle Much Gold.**  
About 45,000 sovereigns pass over the Bank of England counters every day.

**New Way to Aid Temperance.**  
Williamport clergymen are utilizing street car ads to fight the liquor evil.

## "MOONLIGHT ON THE LAKE."



## SERVING THE PUBLIC

**MMENSE SUMS EXPENDED TO SECURE NEWS.**

**Publishers of American Newspapers Spare No Expense in Gathering Information—Interesting Facts in Recent Census Bulletin.**

People who believe newspapers today are making money hand over fist and raking in unlimited numbers of shekels from their advertising can refer to the recent census bulletin on "Printing and Publishing" and get such valuable information.

It is asserted by Mr. W. S. Rossiter, the expert agent of the bureau, that the newspaper managers have made and are making daily large sacrifices for the public benefit, and the last ten years have been a period of important gain to the public at the expense of the publishers.

"At the close of the decade," says Mr. Rossiter, "the daffy newspaper was more of a public institution than ever before, because it sacrificed an increased share of its revenue for the public benefit, obtaining no compensating financial return from either purchaser or advertiser."

To the uninitiated this phase of the newspaper business comes as a puzzling proposition. They see that a newspaper increases in size, gets a wider circulation and carries more advertising, and they naturally arrive at the conclusion that the paper is making excessive profits. It rarely occurs to them to take into account that an enormous increase in expense is always incurred in this development.

The progressive newspaper of our day gives its readers the news regardless of cost, with the result that the public is always the beneficiary in the transaction. The telegraph news service of a first class paper is most elaborate, and is obtainable only through heavy expenditures on account of telegraph tolls and the pay of correspondents.

The bill for the white paper used is a heavy and ever increasing expense, and each additional page means additional outlay. As the circulation grows, so does the bill for the white paper. To print all the news and give space to advertisements at the same time becomes to publishers a serious problem.

In giving some interesting facts along this line, Mr. Rossiter says that on a certain New York paper, whose circulation is much over 300,000, the advertising entails a cost of 21 cents a line for the white paper alone, and he adds:

"The publisher who secures a circulation of huge proportions confronts the necessity of securing from his advertising patrons a return of the cost of his paper space they occupy, with a margin of profit."

There are a number of American newspapers, according to this authority, whose expenses in the actual cost of white paper threaten to exceed the returns from advertising.

In the decade on which Mr. Rossiter based his statistics advertising has shown no remarkable rate of increase, while the expenses of the papers have grown enormously. A better instance where papers spared no expense in securing news cannot be cited than the Mont Pelee affair. The American public was kept thoroughly posted in every detail of the great catastrophe, and to do this thousands of words were cabled to the press at a cost of from \$2 to \$4 a word.

So far, then, as benefits are counted, the public has been the gainer in the newspaper business, and in many instances at the expense of the publisher.

### WHERE GEMS CAME FROM.

**Mystery Surrounds Original Repositories of Many Precious Stones.**

The natives of India, up to the beginning of the eighteenth century, referred to rock crystal as "an unripe diamond." At that time India was thought to be the only land which produced that precious stone. It was not, therefore, until the discovery of India that the diamond was known to us. Yet as far back as 500 B. C. a "ditactic history" of precious stones was written, and in Pliny's time the supply must have been plentiful, as he wrote, "We drink out of a mass of gems, and our drinking vessels are formed of emeralds." We are also told that Nero aided his weak sight by spectacles made of emeralds.

But it is very difficult to determine whence all the gems came, as discoverers took care to leave no record. The nations who traded in them were afraid of their whereabouts being known, and even the most ancient merchants would not disclose any definite locale. All sorts of myths have accordingly sprung up concerning the origin of gems. "Diamond" was the name given to a youth who was turned into the hardest and most brilliant of substances to preserve him from "the ills that flesh is heir to." Amethyst was a beautiful nymph beloved by Bacchus, but saved from him by Diana, who changed Amethyst into a gem, whereupon Bacchus turned the gem into wine color and endowed the wearer with the gift of preservation from intoxication.

The pearl was thought to be a dew drop the shell had opened to receive. Amber was said to be honey melted by the sun, dropped into the sea and congealed. According to the Talmud Noah had no light in the ark but that which came from precious stones.

### DON'T GIVE UP.

Don't be discouraged by past efforts to find relief and cure from the myriads of ills that come from sick kidneys. You may pass nights of sleepless tossing, annoyed by frequent urination. Your back may ache like a toothache or sudden twitches and twinges of backache pain make life a misery. Perhaps you have nervous spells, are weak, tired-out, depressed. There is a cure for all of this and for every trouble of the bladder and kidneys. Read this case and note it tells how well the cure was tested:

Charles Lindgren, sealer of freight cars on the L. S. & M. S. R. R., La Porte, Ind., says: "I have greater faith in Doan's Kidney Pills to-day than I had in the fall of 1897 when I began taking them and made a public statement of the result. At that time I had suffered with lameness and soreness of the back, which was so excruciating that I could scarcely turn in bed, and Doan's Kidney Pills completely cured this trouble. I am always ready to endorse Doan's Kidney Pills personally to anyone requiring a kidney remedy. After a lapse of three years I make this statement, which shows my undoubted faith in the preparation."

A FREE TRIAL of this great kidney medicine, which cured Mr. Lindgren, will be mailed on application to any part of the United States. Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all druggists, 50 cents per box.

### Old Maids' Insurance.

Women insure against being old maids in Denmark. If they marry before they are 40 what they have paid in goes to the less fortunate, and these last are pensioned for the remainder of their lives.

One of nature's remedies; cannot harm the weakest constitution; never fails to cure summer complaints of young or old. Dr. Fowler's Extract of Wild Strawberry.

A proud heart and a lofty mountain are never fruitful.—George Elliot.

RUPTURE permanently cured in 30 to 60 days; send for circular. O. S. Wood, M. D., 521 New York Life bldg., Omaha, Neb.

### Deserved His Fate.

There are several ways of killing cats, and even a moderately ingenious person might be expected to discover some means of putting an objectionable dog to death without bringing himself into serious danger. But the Pennsylvania miner who tried to end the existence of a mongrel cur by fastening a slow fuse dynamite cartridge to his tail, only to be pursued by the affectionate creature and overcome by a dual disaster, deserves little sympathy. He was simply too stupid for ordinary tolerance.

### Low Rates to the Northwest.

Commencing September 1 and continuing until October 31, 1902, second-class one-way colonist tickets will be sold by the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y from Chicago to all points in Montana, Idaho, Utah, California, Washington, Oregon, British Columbia and intermediate points at greatly reduced rates. Choice of routes via St. Paul or via Omaha.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul R'y is the route of the United States Government fast mail trains between Chicago, St. Paul and Minneapolis, and of the Pioneer Limited, the famous train of the world.

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Facts form the soil from which fancies are grown.

## PHONOGRAPHS

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**NEBRASKA CYCLE CO.**  
Cor. 15th and Harney, Omaha.

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Associated with Thompson's Eye Water

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**ARE YOUR CLOTHES FADED?**  
Use Red Cross Ball Blue and make them white again. Large 3 oz. package, 5 cts.

The subtle mind is only submissive when submission obscures its interest.

Takes the burn out; heals the wound; cures the pain. Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, the household remedy.

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### GREATLY REDUCED RATES VIA

#### WABASH RAILROAD.

**HALF RATES**, round trip (plus \$2.00) to Sandusky, Columbus, Toledo, Cincinnati, Indianapolis, Louisville and many points in INDIANA, OHIO AND KENTUCKY. Tickets sold September 2, 9, 16, 22.

**LESS** than half rates to Washington, D. C., and return. Tickets sold October 2, 9, 16, 22.

**HALF RATES**, round trip, to Buffalo, Toronto, Niagara Falls, Pittsburg, Detroit, Cleveland, Columbus and many points in MICHIGAN, INDIANA, OHIO, PENNSYLVANIA, WEST VIRGINIA AND KENTUCKY. Tickets sold October 2, 9, 16, 22.

**HALF RATES**, Boston, Mass., and return. Sold October 6, 13, 20 and 27.

**LONG LIMITS** and **STOPOVERS** ALLOWED at Niagara Falls and Detroit on above tickets.

For rates and all information call at Wabash New City Ticket office, 1601 Farham St., Omaha, or write Harry E. Moores, Gen'l Aet. Pass. Dept., Omaha, Neb.

Even the panhandler can become strenuous long enough to raise the price of a drink.

Pico's Cure is the best medicine we ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. Endsley, Vanburen, Ind., Feb. 10, 1900.

There is a way out of every difficulty without dying, and it pays to find it.

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If "Defiance Starch" does not please you, return it to your dealer. If it does, you get one-third more for the same money. It will give you satisfaction and will not stick to the iron.

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Prayer is only efficacious when backed with good credentials.

**HAMLIN'S WIZARD OIL**  
SORE THROAT  
ALL DRUGGISTS SELL IT

**SAWYER'S EXCELSIOR BRAND Pommel Slickers**

Keep the rider perfectly dry. No water can leak in on the saddle, cut extra wide and long in the skirt. Extra protection at shoulder, waterproof. If your dealer doesn't have them write for catalogue to H. H. SAWYER, a box, Sole Agent, East Cambridge, Mass.

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