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Sir Thomas Lipton is seriously thinking of becoming a good loser once more.

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While Mr. Chamberlain is framing a retaliatory tariff he should not forget to extend it over American athletes.

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Aug. 5, Coroner William A. Hollis rendered his verdict in the inquest held at Hartford City, Ind., to determine the cause of the death of Miss Crystal Krauss, who died suddenly. The verdict was that Crystal Krauss came to her death by strychnine poison administered by Rae M. Krauss, her stepmother.

Mystery in the Case. The poisoning of the girl, with its mysterious and remarkable features, has stirred intense local feeling.

The stepmother, accused of the murder of the girl by poison, sat in her jail cell cool and collected, talking freely of the tragedy, without a tear or a quaver. Though the chief figure in the absorbing tragedy, and accused of murder, she was utterly complacent. She denied everything and declared herself without fear.

In striking contrast, the father of the dead girl, though not accused or under suspicion, was in a state of utter collapse, nervous and physical.

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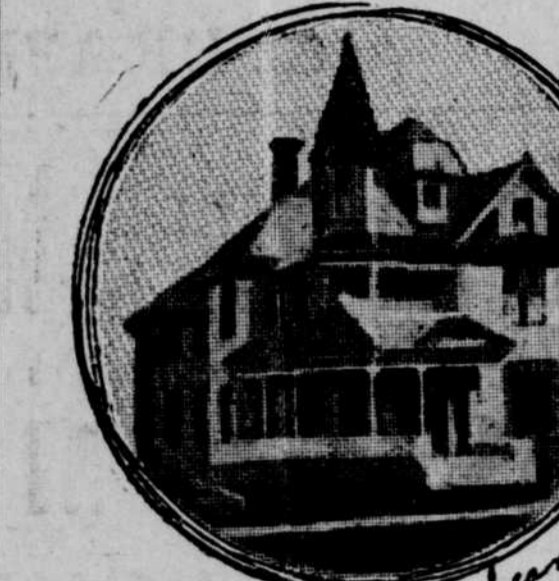
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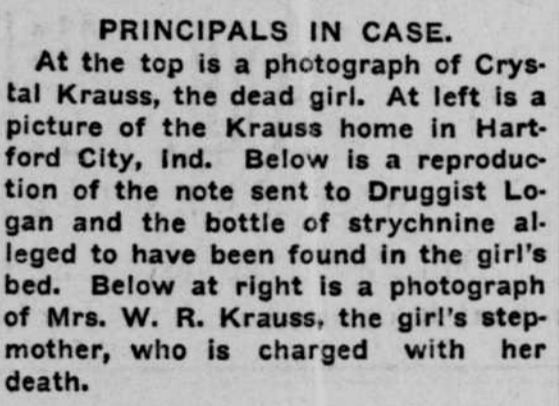
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smoothly. Crystal and I never had a word. I did for her all a mother could. I sewed for her and helped her all I could. Mr. Krauss will tell you that is the truth.

Krauss, the husband, who conducts a drug store, was seen and talked of his daughter's death and the accusation of murder against his wife.

He declared there was no truth in the report that the removal of the stepdaughter, Crystal, would give Mrs. Krauss \$2,000 additional of his estate. He said he and his wife had entered into a contract for the disposal of their property, and that he had made a will, neither of which could be affected by the daughter's death.

The \$2,000 addition to her possible inheritance was forwarded as a motive for the alleged poisoning of the girl by her stepmother. The police declare Krauss' explanation unsatisfactory, and say that the death can be proved to make a difference in the property interests.

"I don't know why Crystal should have committed suicide, and there was certainly no reason for my wife to poison her," said Krauss.

"It was I who found the bottle and note in Crystal's bed. I have forgotten whether I gave it to my wife or to the coroner."

Rich Man Shy of Matrimony. James Henry Smith—"Silent" Smith—is regarded as the most eligible bachelor in New York. He is worth about \$40,000,000, and although he is just 50 years old, he looks to be about 40—the right age. Mr. Smith recently bought the Whitney mansion and his social activities have been noticeably increased. This gives rise to the old report that he is about to marry. Society and the newspapers have had him engaged about twenty times in the last year, but the silent man of millions—the richest bachelor in the world—has always emerged unscathed and unmarried.

Bishops as Mountain Climbers. The bishop of Bristol, England, who has just been elected president of the Alpine club, is the first bishop to enjoy that honor, but not by any means the first prelate to be distinguished as a mountaineer. It was the bishop of Gork who made the first ascent of Gross Glockner, in Tirol, in 1800, and it was the bishop of Aire, in Gascony, who made the first attempt to climb the Pic du Midi, in the Pyrenees, in the sixteenth century.

Harvard's Crack Athlete. C. W. Randall, '05, first baseman and captain of the Harvard varsity nine, is a versatile athlete, being a crack basketball and football player a good oar and a fleet runner. Mr. Randall, who hails from St. Louis makes part of his expenses as a news paper correspondent, and at present is coaching some backward students down in Maine.

Woman's Brave Deed Recognized. President Loubet has given the Breton woman Rora Here a decoration for her bravery in rescuing fourteen sailors whose ship went down in a storm on the coast of Brittany last November. Wading into the breakers, chest deep, she threw the exhausted men a rope and dragged their lifeboat to the shore.

Gen. Miles' Profitable Investments. Gen. Miles has been inspecting gas fields in Indian Territory and elsewhere in the southwest with a view to investing. The general is understood to have done well with some ventures in the Texas oil country.

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The next advance in comfortable livelihood which science has in store for humanity is the abolishment of noise. We expect to see in the near future the ingenuity and skill of man displayed in an attempt to still the roar and crash of city life.

What a beneficence it would be if noise could be dispelled, or even mitigated, in city and town! The rumble of wagons of every description, the grind and jostle of street cars, the screech and toot of horn and whistle, all this din that makes it necessary for vendors of all sorts to shriek in order to attract attention.

The noise of the city is driving thousands of people mad and shortening the lives of a multitude of others. It is the noise of the city that gives the country its chief attraction. The stillness of the country, what a beneficence it is after months of city experience! To sleep in a country house where all is still, where silence is unbroken save by the baying of a dog or the cry of some night bird! Stillness is a marvelous luxury to the denizens of the city. There must be some way to put a quietus to this intolerable pandemonium. — Medical Talk.

VALUE OF A SUNNY SOUL. The world is too full of sadness and sorrow, misery and sickness; it needs more sunshine; it needs cheerful lives which radiate gladness; it needs encouragers who will lift and not bear down, who will encourage, not discourage.

Who can estimate the value of a sunny soul who scatters gladness and good cheer wherever he goes, instead of gloom and sadness? Everybody is attracted to these cheerful faces and sunny lives, and repelled by the gloomy, the morose and the sad. We envy people who radiate cheer wherever they go and fling out gladness from every pore. Money, houses and lands look contemptible beside such a disposition. The ability to radiate sunshine is a greater power than beauty, or than mere mental accomplishments.—Success.

MACAULAY ON SUNDAY REST. Speaking on "The ten hours bill," Lord Macaulay said: "We are not poorer, but richer, because we have, through many ages, rested from our labor one day in seven. That day is not lost. While industry is suspended, while the plow lies in the furrow, while the exchange is silent, while no smoke ascends from the factory, a process is going on quite as important to the wealth of nations as any process which is performed on more busy days. Man, the machine of machines—the machine, compared with the Watts and Arkwrights are worthless—is repairing and winding up, so that he returns to his labors on the Monday with clearer intellect, with livelier spirits, with renewed corporal vigor."

ORATORY IN THE CAMPAIGN. Oratory as a compelling force in a political campaign is duly appreciated by the party managers, who are on the lookout for every resource that will add to their vote-getting power. The "spellbinder" who is clever enough to size up the temper of his audience and who knows just what to say to the ones about him on any and all occasions is supposed to be worth all his services cost the campaign committee. As a student of the subject has put it, the most convincing address is one that has "profundity without obscurity, perspicuity without prolixity, ornament without glare, terseness without harshness, comprehension without digression, and a great number of other things without a great number of other things." But a speaker with and without all these things is a rare specimen. There is never near enough of him to go around.—Boston Herald.

CHARACTER TO THE FRONT. The keynote of all the addresses that have been made lately at college commencements and at meetings of business men's associations has been the development of character. It is remarkable how this word "character" runs through all the recent speeches and papers. It is as if, by common impulse, our intellectual leaders had stopped talking about this or that economic problem, this or that political issue, and this or that means of attaining success in life, and had returned to the development of character as the one solution of all national problems.—Wall Street Journal.

LEARNED ITALIAN ORPHANS. There are in Rome nine orphan asylums which accommodate about 1,800 children, ranging from three to six years. Those of three or four years must learn the alphabet and to read the simplest books, they must know Arabic numbers and to count up to 100, besides which they must learn poetry and prose by heart, and imbibe the religious precepts. Those from four to five years must read and write well, count unlimited thousands and do sums, besides knowing their catechism and Bible, the division of time, the parts of the body, the senses, some geography and astronomy, to say nothing of many other details too numerous to mention. Then come those between five and six—if they arrive at that age. They must read and write fluently, and learn by heart the greater part of the New and Old Testaments, write dictation and have some idea of geometry and Roman history. At six years of age! The brain reels at the idea. What must the poor mites grow to be!—Rome Correspondent Pall Mall Gazette.

DANGER OF CONSOLIDATION. That is the most serious danger of the consolidation movement. It means putting a community's eggs all in one basket. A strike in the coal mines or the packing-houses stops the whole coal or meat supply. If this is hereafter to be the normal organization of business, if every industry is to operate as a single machine, and the individual desire for profit from continuing business when others stop and for wages from work which others will not do ceases to be a force regulating and steadying production, then the community must devise new methods for safeguarding its own interests. It cannot let itself be sacrificed between warring hosts, like the women and old men who in mediaeval sieges were driven from the city walls and driven back against them to starve by the attacking army.—New York Times.

More Girls Than Boys. "Superfluous women" are increasing in number. The births in England and Wales last year numbered 947,919—482,181 males and 465,738 females—and the deaths 514,450—266,338 males and 248,112 females. Thus, though there were more boys than girls born, the higher mortality among men more than restored the balance, the ranks of "superfluous women" being thus strengthened by 1,793 recruits.</