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WASHINGTON LETTER.

Washington, D. C., June 7, '84.

The failure of D. W. Middleton's bank here brings to mind the fact that the earnings of three generations of Middleton's have collapsed with the reckless management of this financial and over-confiding scion. This family has held the clerkship of the Supreme Court of the United States from the foundation of the Government, and held it too when there was no restriction or limitation upon the fee-bill, so that every year the office was made to yield just as much of an income as a serviceable conscience might dictate. At least, however, the extortions became so prodigious that Congress was obliged to step in and regulate matters, after which Middleton had nothing to live for, and died leaving the fortune that his son, with the aid of a Providential dispensation, has suddenly gotten rid of.

The country will hail with unalloyed satisfaction the adoption of the bill now pending in Congress that abolishes the fee system in the United States courts, and which has been a scandal upon the administration of justice in these courts throughout the country. Under this fee system the marshal's office has been turned into an engine of the most outrageous oppression, tyranny and injustice, because there was no limit to the exactions that these officers might demand under the present statutes. We all remember what an infamous history these officials made in the administration of the general bankrupt act a few years ago, and the same scamps who then filched fortunes out of the insolvent estates, by collusion with the equally rapacious assignees, have been here this winter lobbying for another bankrupt act just like the last, and against the abolition of the vicious fee system. So far they have been defeated by Congress, but no one knows here what may yet transpire to enable them to defeat Congress.

Another of Washington's society pets has gone to jail; the National Rifles, the crack company of the Washington's dude soldiery, is without a colonel, and the Government exchequer is short, nobody knows how much, through the speculations and peculations of Col. J. O. P. Burnside, Disbursing Officer of the Post Office Department. This Burnside was one of those self righteous sort of chaps who avoided the ways of the ungodly until petroleum with its fascinating "puts" captured him and the Government funds necessary to keep up his out of pocket speculation. To show how easy it is for these disbursing officials to get away with the Government funds and not get caught, the amazing fact is brought to light that Burnside's accounts with the Government have not been adjusted since June 30, 1881, a period of three years! How many more of these fellows may turn up defaulters, nobody can guess for nobody knows how their accounts stand, and nobody seems to be invested with the duty of finding out.

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FAST TIME.

WASHINGTON, June 8.—The special newspaper train over the Baltimore and Ohio road, carrying the Washington correspondents from the convention, left Chicago at 2:10 p. m. on Saturday (3:10 eastern time) and arrived here at 2 o'clock this afternoon, while the actual running time was but nineteen hours and thirty minutes. The time of the special from Chicago to Chicago junction, 273 miles, was six hours and thirty minutes; actual running time, five hours and thirty minutes, an average rate of upwards of fifty-two miles per hour, an unprecedented run for the distance. At one time fifty-seven miles were accomplished in fifty-nine minutes and frequently single miles in from fifty-six to fifty-eight seconds. The final twenty-seven miles from Barnesville to the Ohio river was made in twenty-eight minutes and six miles of the distance was run in four minutes, or at the rate of ninety miles an hour. Four hundred and sixty-three miles, from Chicago to the Ohio river, was run in eleven hours and twenty minutes, or the unparalleled average for the distance of fully fifty miles per hour.

It was true to feminine nature, the reason given by Miss Cotter, of Louisville, for accepting a man named Terry. She said Terry-Cotter was so fashionable it would give tone to the wedding notice.

Four prisoners have escaped from Sing-Sing—over the guardian wall.

The New York Tribune raises its voice against the foolish and wicked fashion of "banging" horses tails, so prevalent among the aristocracy of a certain order. The tail is cut short and the horse left without anything to switch with except the stump. This is, indeed, as the Tribune says, both idiotic and cruel in fact. It spoils the appearance of the horse, and it deprives him of the means of brushing flies from his flanks. The stupid servility which characterizes the followers of fashion was never more clearly illustrated than in the prevalence of this ugly and senseless practice. Hundreds of fine horses may now be seen in and around Central Park every day, made to look awkward, ungraceful and ridiculous by this vile docking of their tails. In the case of riding horses there is some consolation in the fact that the absurd appearance of the poor animal is communicated to the rider, and that it is quite impossible for any one to "witch the world with noble horsemanship" while bestriding a creature with a "banged" tail. But the wretch who invented this detestable fashion was no doubt equally capable of "shingling" a woman's head; and nothing worse than that can be imagined.

The educational interests of Nebraska have always received the closest economic attention all the way through their administration, from the state head of the department to the most rural board of directors. We believe there is not an instance on record of the misappropriation and loss of a dollar of school money in the history of the state. The permanent school fund is large and growing, and the temporary fund for annual distribution is sufficient to pay almost the whole current expense of the system. The duty of throwing further safe-guards about the lands belonging to the school system should not be neglected. Not an acre of those lands should be sold for years to come, unless at a price far beyond the present minimum, if ever at all. Land is a safe investment, and lease money is the safest and surest income for the state. A sound policy in this respect will eventually make the public schools of the state self-supporting in almost every district. The attention of the people should be drawn to this matter before the selection of the next legislature is made.

The discovery of Dr. Koch and his two assistants that the germ of the cholera which spread through Egypt and parts of Europe last year had its origin in a cistern or something of the sort, just out of Calcutta, has aroused great interest in Germany and the faithful investigators are being besieged just now to an extent which must at least be fatiguing. Better still, Dr. Koch has been given \$25,000 by the government and his assistants about \$5,000 each. There has been a good deal of heroism in the work of these men; in fact they took their lives in their hands, studying under circumstances of the gravest danger. The enthusiasm called forth by their return now can well be pardoned for this reason and for the importance of the discovery itself. This last can hardly be magnified; it seems to have put in the hands of the medical world the key to the suppression or at least the modification of this dreadful scourge.

A FOURTEEN-YEAR-OLD girl has been exciting the greatest wonder at Frankfort, Ky., by lifting chairs by the tips of her fingers or her open palm, notwithstanding three or four able bodied men tried to hold them down. Putting one end of a walking cane against the palm of her hand, without closing her fingers over it, three strong men were unable to draw it away. She dragged them all over the stage. There is nothing so very strange about the matter, however, when the full truth is known. That fourteen-year-old maiden is Mr. Tilden in disguise.

The young Grants have met their financial reverses with a splendid spirit. They do not propose to reserve a dollar from their creditors. They may never again rise a bewildering height in social or moneyed circles, but they will always stand on the safe footing of the honest and industrious private citizen. There is nothing better.

MONDAY was a bad day for Colorado editors. Two had a mutual fist-cuff; one looked down the barrel of a 45 calibre Colt; one assigned for the benefit of his creditors, and nine telegraphed from Chicago for funds. Verily the apostles of sweetness and light have troublesome times in the American Switzerland.

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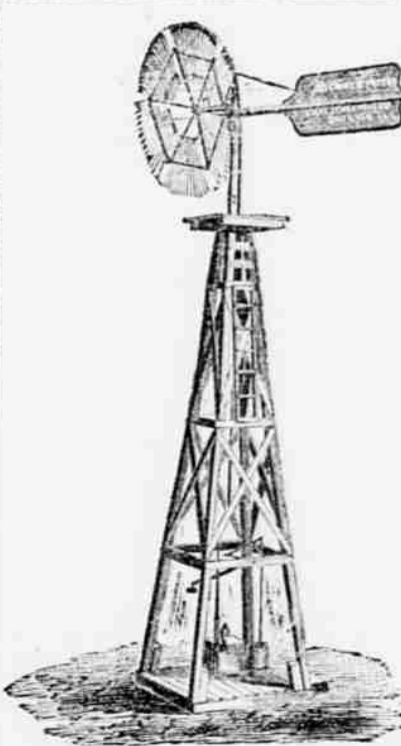
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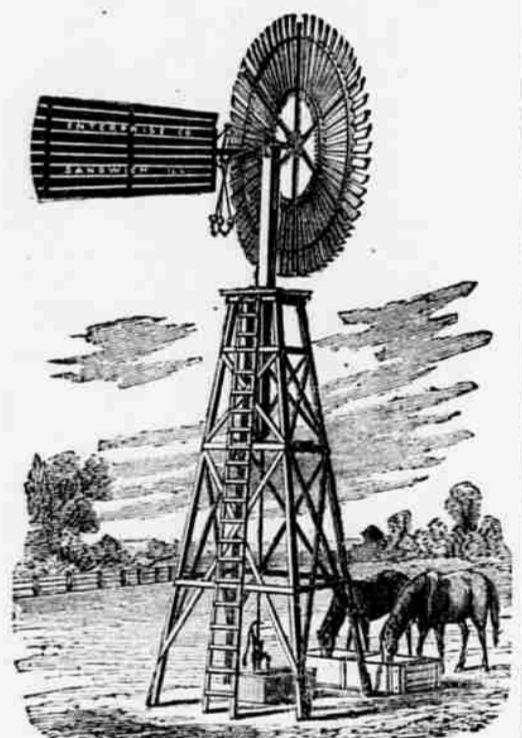
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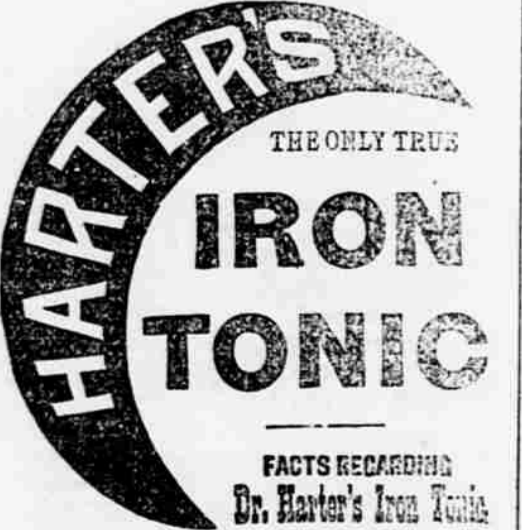


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