

Col. C. S. Ellsworth is about to start a newspaper at Sidney.

Kearney gets the next annual meeting of the state alliance.

The Beatrice starch factory has been closed until the stock on hand can be sold.

The village of Dodge, Dodge county, has an enrollment of 223 in its public schools.

The little town of Chappell, cut in Deuel county, has a coal famine to contend against.

Mrs. Thomas Judge of Greeley county shipped on the ice and sustained a broken arm.

The Dempster Mill and Manufacturing company of Beatrice has resumed operations with a full force.

Ninety per cent of the people who left western Nebraska during the drouth year are reported as returning.

The citizens have petitioned the county fathers for a bridge across the Republican river near Hardy.

A colony from Michigan has bought land in Kimball county and will come out and possess it in the spring.

Parties unknown to fame are talking of a starting democratic day at Norfolk. It is a dangerous undertaking.

C. C. Whipple has purchased the Dodge Advertiser and proposes to steer it entirely clear of religion and politics.

The merchants of Harrisburg are making fun for the general public by cutting and slashing prices on everything.

A skating craze has struck Fullerton and society closes its doors to those who refuse to take a hand, or a foot, in the sport.

Twenty-five tons of good hay belonging to C. S. Phillips, and stacked on his farm a mile from Tecumseh was burned.

Nuckolls county has a club of jolly bachelors who scorn the wiles of the fair sex and cling to single blessedness with both hands.

A horse belonging to John Cox of Sterling cut its throat against a wire fence and died on the spot without further ceremony.

The wolf hunt in Sarpy county resulted in rounding up three of the brutes. Two escaped and one was frightened to death.

Allen Ferris of Elm Creek has a week that yields warm water, and he judges from the temperature that hades is about a mile below.

Ex-Treasurer Cashman of Greeley county has gathered enough wampum to settle in full the amount of his shortage while handling the tax books.

A mirror fell on Mrs. Frederick Kuhlman at Nebraska City and a piece of glass penetrated the scalp, making an ugly wound. She will recover.

The Kimball Observer says there is more live stock in western Nebraska than ever before, notwithstanding the heavy shipments to eastern markets.

Pilger shipped the following carloads of grain during November, December and January, up to the end of last week. Corn, 182 cars; wheat, 14; oats, 6.

There is not room enough in the Baptist church at Broken Bow to contain the people who are anxious to attend the revival meetings now in progress there.

Frank Wallace, whose home is three miles south of Wallace, had his leg broken in two places. He was driving some horses when his own horse slipped on the ice and fell on him.

Harry Lewis, the Saunders county farmer who was shot a short time ago by J. H. Walkup, has recovered sufficiently to go to Fremont and buy a new suit of clothes in which to attend the hearing of his would-be slayer.

When the Nine-Mile canal is finished in Cheshenue county, Bayard will be in the center of the best irrigated portions of the Platte valley, and the prospect for its future was never brighter than now, according to Transcript.

The setting aside by the supreme court of the verdict in the murder case of George S. Arnold has caused consternation in Scotts Bluff county, as the costs have already footed up several thousands of dollars. For the murder of George Burton in 1888, Arnold was sentenced to forty-nine years in the penitentiary.

Joseph Zastera, a young Bohemian shoemaker, who set up shop in Niobrara last spring is missing. About the middle of last month he set out to visit his parents near Tyndall, but he never arrived there and it is now taken for granted that he was drowned while crossing the Missouri on the afternoon of December 16. He was about 25 years of age.

York people are being reminded that Mr. Damon, minister of finance in Mr. Deale's provisional government in Hawaii, is married to a niece of Mr. F. H. Baldwin and cousin of Mrs. W. W. Wyooff of that city. Minister of finance Damon was born in Honolulu and also was his wife, and they have a handsome home in the Kanaka capital. Mr. Damon is the resident partner in a large business firm.

Well, Johnny, how are you? Do you feel better, as usual, so every body else does?

I am worse of than that. I even had that diphtheria once. Diphtheria, you know.

It is a wonder of them that I even had that diphtheria once. Diphtheria, you know.

A State of Siege.

ROME, Jan. 19.—A royal decree signed by all the ministers, was issued and proclaims a state of siege at Massa and Carrara. This is the outcome of a long discussion on the recent rioting by a full meeting of the cabinet yesterday. The government is seriously alarmed at the situation. It is considered not at all unlikely that the rioting will extend to other provinces. The Vatican is equally anxious with the quiral over the condition of affairs and those nearest the pope, it is asserted, believe that a revolution is at hand. General Zenchi, who has been appointed extraordinary commissioner, had reached the disturbed province and has proclaimed martial law at Massa and Carrara.

The day passed without disturbance in Carrara. The streets were deserted. Heavy and steady rain kept most persons indoors throughout the district, and caused a suspension of anarchist activity. Troops have continued, despite the storm, to pursue the bands of anarchists who have fled from the city. In one house near Carrara eight men were arrested. They all were revolutionists who had gone from Carrara and Massa to hide from the police.

Train Robbed.

ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Jan. 19.—Train No. 3, on the Kansas City, St. Joe & Council Bluffs railroad, was held up and robbed at 12:30 yesterday morning by five masked men at Roy's Branch, just above this city, the scene of the attempted robbery of September 25th last.

The train was stopped by a torpedo placed on the track, and when the engineer had slowed up he and the firemen were covered by revolvers and forced to the express car and demand admission. The express messenger, C. E. Baxter, was covered by revolvers in the hands of the robbers, and they proceeded to plunder the car. The safe was opened and the contents were transferred to a sack which was carried by one of the gang. The robbers then assembled all the train crew in a bunch, marched them about half way down the train and ordering them to stand still, made their escape in a westerly direction through the dense willows which line the track at that point.

The robbers could not all be described, but are supposed to be the same gang that held up and robbed the Chicago fast train, the "Eli," on the Hannibal, just a week ago. One of them used a red lantern in signalling to the engineer. Two of them answer the description given of two of the "Eli" robbers.

Sheriff Carson and a large posse of deputies are hot on the trail of the robbers, and every available man has been pressed into service. As soon as the robbers left the train it was backed down into the city, and the officials notified.

Nothing can be ascertained in regard to how much money the robbers secured, but coming on the heels of the last robbery it has created intense excitement all over the city.

Roy's Branch, where the holdup occurred, was the place where two train robbers were killed and four captured September 25, by a dummy train sent out by the officials of the road in place of No. 3, the train that was attacked.

The Annual Report.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 19.—The annual report of the World's Columbian commission was submitted by President T. W. Palmer. Detailed statements of the scope and various features of the exposition are left for the final report to be prepared by a special committee of the commission with President Palmer at its head, and which will be a work of great magnitude, practically a history of the fair to be completed next November. An estimate of \$42,000 to complete the work of the commission, not including the committee on awards, is made and congress is asked to authorize its transfer from the funds of the committee on awards and the board of lady managers. The commission has a balance of \$11,000 in the treasury, the committee on awards \$90,271, and the committee on awards of lady managers \$40,408, present board of lady managers \$51,196.

Important Secret Letters.

CHICAGO, Jan. 19.—A special to the Herald in Victoria, B. C., says important secret letters were sent to Honolulu by the steamers Warrimoo, which sailed Wednesday evening, concerning a body of armed men being recruited in Victoria to fight for the queen. The troop, which already consists of 200 picked men, was recruited by W. H. Samson, a well known business man of Victoria. The party, which is made up almost entirely of veterans of the northwest mounted police, will be in command of Captain McKean, sergeant of the mounted police. Transportation rates have already been secured for the small army via the Oceanic line and everything is in readiness awaiting the word from Honolulu.

Intense Excitement.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 19.—James Bright, who lives near Willow Springs, Covington county, reported that he awoke early in the morning and found his young wife in bed beside him dead. How or what hour her death occurred he did not know, he said. After telling the story Bright disappeared. As his baby was found dead a few days ago in a similar way there is intense excitement, and such strong suspicion that if caught Bright will be lynched.

A Mysterious Murder.

CHICAGO, Jan. 16.—A special to the Herald from St. Louis says: The police are investigating a mysterious murder. At 12:30 o'clock last night a police officer found clots of blood on the south side of Morgan street, one hundred feet east of Taylor avenue. He followed the trail to a vacant lot, where he found a hat with a hole in it and with bloody hairs clinging to it. Nearby were wagon tracks, which indicated that the murdered owner of the hat had been thrown in a wagon and carted westward. A little before the hour when the discovery was made the night watchman at James Hardy's livery stable on Delmar avenue, west of Taylor avenue, heard the cry from the lot where the hat was discovered: "Oh, don't murder me!"

A conductor named Christy Smith, living at 450 Kennerly avenue, identified the hat as that of his brother Michael, who lived next door to him. Michael won \$5,000 in the lottery two weeks ago and had been on a prolonged spree for several days. Mr. Smith thought his brother had been murdered for his money. Drs. A. F. Barnes, Jr., and Given Campbell analyzed the blood and said that it was human. From indications it appears that Smith was murdered and his body dragged for some distance and loaded into a wagon. The tracks of the wagon were traced for 100 feet.

The hat found by Officer Craig was a black derby, so much worn as almost to look like a slouch. It was covered with blood. On top of the crown near the rear was a clear cut evidently made by a knife blade, and half an inch from it a jagged hole. Inside the crown was lined with clotted blood and a few brown hairs. The murdered man's brother says he is positive Michael was murdered for his money.

Captain Campbell of the Sixth district thinks it is a case of murder and that Michael Smith is the victim. He has retained two detectives to work on the case. They made inquiry at the dispensary and will investigate every case brought there after 1 o'clock in the morning. It is Captain Campbell's opinion, however, that Smith was murdered for the purpose of robbery and his assassin, through some strange freak, took the body off to dump it into some one of the numerous sewer inlets in the western suburbs.

Tried to Kill Them.

WICHITA, Kan., Jan. 16.—There was an exciting incident occurred in the United States court room, where Clyde Mattox, the noted Oklahoma killer, is on trial for murder. Deputy United States Marshal George Walker had just left the witness stand, where he had given some damaging evidence against Mattox, when he was accosted by a girl named Annie Edwards of this city, who launched a shower of abusive epithets upon him and then diving into her pocket said she intended to kill him. Bystanders seized her and her friends carried her away, but she soon returned to the court room and Judge Williams, having been informed of the occurrence, ordered her removed. She again signed her desire to kill Walker, and the judge sent her off to jail, where she was later released on the payment of a fine. Once more she returned to the court room door, but this time was refused admission and it has since developed that she threatened to make it lively for those who caused her arrest and imprisonment, so it is surmised that she intended to shoot either Walker or Judge Williams. The girl is not over twenty, but evidently belongs to the order of cranks. It seems she has been visiting Mattox in jail here and has become infatuated with him.

Poisoned Her Lover.

DANVILLE, Va., Jan. 16.—The poisoning case at Iriburg, in Henry county, is developing some sensational features. It now appears that William Stuart, the young man who took supper at Edward Harrington's and was taken sick immediately after tea and died the next day, was the accepted lover of Miss Eleanor Harrington, daughter of Edward Harrington, though the parents of the young lady objected to him. He ate heartily of an old-fashioned pound cake the night he took tea at Harrington's, and his illness and death followed. It is claimed that none of Harrington's family partook of the cake. A post-mortem examination convinced the doctors that Stuart's death was due to poison, and Edward Harrington, his son and his daughter were arrested and taken to Martinsville for examination. The examination has not yet been completed and Harrington and his son are in jail.

Will Relieve Them at Once.

DENVER, Jan. 16.—Yesterday Governor Waite sent a letter to Judge Hallett of the United States district court regarding the unfortunate plight of the employes of the Atchison road, appealing for prompt action. Mr. Colbran unofficially stated that the pay car will start out at once to relieve their distress, and that the delay was due to the inability of their receiver to get in touch with the business of the system within so short a time.

Struck Rich Ore.

GEORGETOWN, Colo., Jan. 16.—One of the most remarkable strikes of rich ore ever discovered in the Clear Creek country was made last week in the Independence mine in the East Argentine district. A six-inch vein of sylvanite was found at a depth of over one hundred feet and the assay shows it to contain 7,583 ounces of gold and 8,469 ounces of silver per ton. A quality test proved the remaining substance to be tellurium.

Stolen Goods.

OMAHA, Neb., Jan. 18.—Within a week two tailor shops have been robbed and several hundred dollars' worth of goods stolen. Several houses have also been robbed of jewelry and clothing. An overcoat was stolen from a man on a Council Bluffs motor car. The Council Bluffs authorities informed the Omaha police of the theft of the overcoat and furnished a description of the thieves. A detail of police visited the various lodging houses and dives and finally located the two men in a room at 402 north Fifteenth street. At the police station they gave the names of Charles Austin and J. C. Jackson. The police found several pawn tickets among the men's personal effects, one of which was for a gold watch and chain and another for a suit of clothes stolen from Mr. McClure of 520 South Twentieth street. Charles Austin wore a pair of pants identified by Mr. Martin, the Farnam street tailor, whose store was robbed last Friday night, as stolen from him. The police are positive that the prisoners are bad men. When arrested both men were armed with revolvers. They are suspected of having committed the numerous hold-ups which have occurred recently.

Called for the Defense.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 18.—Ex-Mayor Cregier was a witness at the Coughlin trial. He was called at the instance of the defense, to throw some light, if possible, upon the disappearance of the short-hand notes and transcript taken during the defendant's examination at the city hall the day he was arrested. The witness admitted having received the documents from his private secretary, but did not know what had become of them. He explained that they were probably destroyed during the transfer of his private papers from the mayor's office to his residence at the expiration of his term.

William J. Hynes, the noted lawyer and enemy of the infamous "triangle," who assisted the state at the first trial, was called in the same connection, he having been present at the police examination of Coughlin. He did not recollect receiving a copy of the transcript.

That ended the effort of the defense to get the much wanted evidence into court.

Died at the Lodge Rooms.

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 18.—The cathedral of the Michigan sovereign consistory thirty-second degree Masons was the scene of an incident not often seen in Masonic circles. While the degree of Prince of Jerusalem, sixteenth degree, was being worked, William H. Boothroyd, for forty years a prominent book publisher and dealer here, started to cross the floor. He had taken less than a dozen steps when he tottered and fell. Two doctors were by his side in ten seconds, but he was dead of valvular rheumatism of the heart. The work was immediately called off, and the silent watch of the dead began. Before the body was removed from the cathedral a solemn service for the dead was held. Boothroyd was born in Poughkeepsie in 1832, and had been a high degree Mason for years. He leaves a widow.

On a Strike.

ROME, Jan. 18.—About 5,000 workmen have struck in Massa and Carrara. Both towns are occupied by troops. All the shops are closed. The inhabitants are frightened and many families are provisioning their houses as if for a siege. Bands of revolvers parade the streets making requisitions on the people for arms and bread. Troops guard the railway at all points to prevent the tearing up of the rails. Some soldiers are in active pursuit of bands in the mountains. The cabinet council has given Premier Crispi a free hand as to the time when he shall declare the province of Massa Carrara a state of siege. The proclamation will probably be issued unless the situation improves soon.

Escaped the Hand of the Law.

WICHITA, Kan., Jan. 18.—Clyde Mattox, the notorious Oklahoma desperado who was being tried for murder, and found guilty in the federal court, had not been returned to his cell over two hours before he had cut his way through the iron bars of a third story window and made his escape. A large posse is scouring the town and surrounding country, but without hope of catching the young outlaw, who was evidently aided by friends on the outside and provided with ample means of escape. Mattox, naturally a desperado, was made more desperate still by his conviction and the chances are he will never be taken alive.

A Band of Anarchists.

LONDON, Jan. 18.—A dispatch to the Central News from Rome says: "A squadron cavalry patrolling Massa and Carrara had an encounter with a band of anarchists five hundred strong at Fassalio bridge. The anarchists stood their ground until several were killed or wounded and then fled. They were pursued by the cavalry and finally dispersed. Eight persons altogether were killed and a number were wounded. Among the wounded are several Czechs. Many arrests were made."

The Prussian Diet Opened.

BERLIN, Jan. 18.—The Prussian diet was opened by the emperor in person. In his speech his majesty declared the deficit in the Prussian finances amounted to 25,000,000 marks. This was due to a decrease in railway earnings and an increase in matricular payments made by the kingdom. An organic financial reform, he declared was necessary. Difficulties arising from agrarian distress must first be relieved.

A Terrible Wreck.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Jan. 17.—Two passenger trains on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad were wrecked while crossing Hackensack bridge, and twelve or fifteen people were killed. The Dover express slowed up just before crossing the bridge, and at the time of the accident was going at the rate of six miles an hour. The fog was thick and the South Orange train, which was running about twenty miles an hour, crashed into the rear of the Dover express, telescoping the rear combination baggage and smoking car, and carrying death and destruction to the bewildered passengers. All the killed, with one or two exceptions, were in the combination car.

The dead and injured were piled up along the high embankment at the side of the track.

Engineer David Hoffman of the South Orange train was seriously injured. His fireman said the first intimation of danger was the sight of the red lights on the rear car of the Dover express only twenty-five feet ahead. Before the brakes could be applied the collision occurred. No one on the South Orange train was killed.

The first bulletin to President Sloan of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western was an official notice that twelve persons had been killed and twenty injured. The conductor of the Dover express was Jeremiah George. He refused to make any statement, as did also the fireman and engineer of this train. The accident occurred at 8:30 o'clock.

As soon as the forward cars of the Dover express could be cleared away from the two wrecked cars and the engine of the South Orange train, the dead and wounded were placed in them and taken to Hoboken, where medical attendance from the hospitals had been asked for. Some of the injured were taken to the Young Men's Christian association rooms at the Hoboken station.

WARNING COME TOO LATE.

The brakeman of the rear car of the Dover express discovered that a wreck was inevitable, and shouted at the top of his voice, "Jump for your lives! The train is coming behind and will be on us in a minute."

This warning cry was enough to put the entire rear car of the express in a commotion. Passengers rushed pell mell for the nearest means of exit. Some jumped through the windows in their haste, while the majority rushed to the doors. In the excitement some fell on the floor, while others tumbled over them. Before all the frightened passengers could make their escape the Orange local crashed into the rear car, telescoping and driving the car into the car ahead, dealing death on all sides. A passenger who reached New York said he had counted fifteen dead bodies on one side of the wreck and others were thought to be dead.

Confessed a Murder.

MILWAUKEE, Jan. 17.—Rudolph J. Peschmann, lessee of the Cream City hotel bar, has confessed to murdering Mrs. Annie Schrumes last Friday morning for her money. Mrs. Schrumes boarded at the hotel and was supposed to keep \$30,000 or \$40,000 in her room. She was eighty years old and weighed about two hundred pounds.

Peschmann went to her room, choked her to insensibility, threw her on the bed, bound her hands and feet and then ransacked the room for money. He says he did not find any. Then, fearing detection, he threw Mrs. Schrumes' lamp on the floor, setting the room afire and went down stairs.

After the fire had burned awhile Peschmann succeeded to send in an alarm and save some of his furniture, as he had no insurance. The fire was soon put out. Mrs. Schrumes had a large sum of money and search is being made for it.

The Coughlin Trial.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 17.—The Coughlin trial opened with a lively contest between the prosecution and defense over the attempt to introduce as evidence for the first time stenographic reports of P. O'Sullivan's examination by ex-State's Attorney Longenecker behind closed doors in the Lake View police station, May 24, 1889, previous to his arrest without the protection of legal counsel.

Judge Tuthill reserved his decision until Judge Longenecker testified to the facts surrounding the examination. Lieutenant George Hubbard related the conversation he had as chief of police with Coughlin before his arrest in regard to his whereabouts May 4, 1889, his connection with the white horse episode and his relations with Cronin and the Clan-na-Gael. The detective's answers were so unsatisfactory that he was promptly arrested on the charge of murder.

Two Cases of Smallpox.

CHICAGO, Jan. 17.—But two cases of smallpox were discovered. Both of these were in the quarantined lodging house at 134 West Madison street. The names of the victims are John Cronin and William Decker. Commissioner Reynolds felt much relieved to learn that no new outside cases had been discovered during the day.

Brothers Have a Sermon.

LAWRENCE, Kan., Jan. 17.—The members of the Zion Baptist church in North Lawrence had an exciting scene at their services yesterday morning.

Rev. Henderson, the regular minister, thought some of the remarks of Brother Cox, who was doing the preaching, were too personal and started for Cox with a chair. The congregation took the matter up and after a time separated the brethren.

A New England Miracle.

A RAILROAD ENGINEER RELATES HIS EX-ERIENCE.

The Wonderful Story Told by Fred G. Vose and His Mother-in-Law to a Reporter of the Boston Herald, Both are Restored After Years of Agony.

[From the Boston Herald.]

The vast health-giving results already attributed by the newspapers throughout this country and Canada to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People have been recently supplemented by the cases of two confirmed invalids in one household in a New England town. The names of these people are Fred C. Vose, his wife and his mother-in-law, Mrs. Abby C. Holt, of Peterboro, members of the same household. To the Herald reporter who was sent to investigate his remarkable cure Mr. Vose said: "I am 37 years old, and have been railroading for the Fitchburg for 15 years. Since boyhood I have been troubled with a weak stomach. For the past 7 years I have suffered terribly and constantly. My stomach would not retain food; my head ached constantly and was so dizzy I could scarcely stand; my eyes were blurred; I had a bad heartburn, and my breath was offensive. I had physicians but they failed to help me. My appetite gave out, and four years ago I developed palpitation of the heart, which seriously affected my breathing. Had terrible pains in my back and had to make water many times a day. I finally developed rheumatic signs and couldn't sleep nights. If I lay down my heart would go pit-a-pat at a great rate, and many nights I did not close my eyes at all. I was broken down in body and discouraged in spirit, when some time in February last I got a couple boxes of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Before I had finished the first box I noticed that the palpitation of my heart which had bothered me so, that I couldn't breathe at times, began to improve. I saw that in going to my home on the hill from the depot, which was previously an awful task, my heart did not beat so violently and I had more breath when I reached the house. After the second and third boxes I grew better in every other respect. My stomach became stronger, the gas belching was not so bad, my appetite and digestion improved, and my sleep became nearly natural and undisturbed. I have continued taking the pills three times a day ever since last March, and today I am feeling better than at any time during the last eight years. I can confidently and conscientiously say that they have done me more good and their good effects are more permanent, than any medicine I have ever taken. My rheumatic pains in legs and hands are all gone. The pain in the small of my back, which were so bad at times that I couldn't stand up straight, have nearly all vanished and I find my kidneys are well regulated by them. This is an effect not claimed for the pills in the circular, but in my case they brought it about. I am feeling 100 per cent better in every shape and manner. The reporter next saw Mrs. Holt, who said: "I am 57 years old, and for 14 years past I have had an intermittent nervous trouble. Three years ago I had nervous prostration, by which my heart trouble was increased so badly that I had to be down most of the time. My stomach also gave out, and I had continual and intense pain from the back of my neck to the end of my back bone. In 14 weeks I spent \$300 for doctor bills and medicine, but my health continued so miserable that I gave up doctoring in despair. I began to take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills last winter and the first box made me feel so much better. I have taken the pills since February, with the result of stopping entirely the pain in the spine and in the region of the liver, my stomach is again normal, and the palpitation of the heart has troubled me but three times since I commenced the pills."

An analysis of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills shows that they contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headaches, the after effect of grippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexion, all forms of weakness either in male or female, and all diseases resulting from vitiated humors in the blood. Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price (50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50)—they are never sold in bulk or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams Medical Co., Schenectady, N. Y., or Brockville, Ont.

Salt for Corpses.

The practice of placing a pewter plate containing a little salt on a corpse may possibly have originated in salt being considered an emblem of eternity. In Scotland the custom has generally been to place both salt and earth, separate and unmixed—the earth being an emblem of the corruptible body, and the salt an emblem of the immortal spirit. Salt has also been used to preserve a corpse. The body of Henry I, who died in Normandy, was cut and gashed, sprinkled with salt, wrapped in a bull's hide, and brought to Reading abbey to be buried.

Aggressiveness.

A successful man of business said the other day. "The policy of this world is to be aggressive, and you will never succeed until you acquire it." The advice was accepted in the kindly way in which it was given, but deep down in one's heart you feel that there are enough battles that must be fought without needlessly getting into any more by constantly going about with a chip on your shoulder, daring others to knock it off.—Buffalo Express.

Taking Him Up.

A student had been bragging of his various accomplishments until one of the company, losing his patience, said, "Now we have heard quite enough of what you can do—just tell us what you can't do, and I'll undertake to do it myself."

"Indeed. Well, I can't pay my bill, and I am very glad to find that you can do it," replied the student.

Amid the hilarity of the company the wren redeemed his rash promise.