

EUGENIE LOST HER WAGER.

Donned the Ears of a Royal Guard, but He Did Not Move.

Nothing could be more magnificent than the appearance of everything appertaining to the court on all public occasions. The balls, especially, in the various splendid rooms, particularly in the immense "Salle des Marechaux," were a sight not to be forgotten, from the first entrance, and ascent by the great staircase, adorned with flowers and shrubs, where on each step stood two of the "Cent-gardes" (the emperor's body-guard) as motionless as statues. Nothing was more remarkable than the drill which enabled these men on all occasions when on duty at the palace to remain without moving a muscle. The fatigue of this immobility is said to be so great that it could not be endured beyond a certain time; but it was so complete that to come suddenly on one of these guards in the palace was positively startling. It was scarcely possible to believe that they were alive. They were all remarkably fine men, sub-officers chosen out of various regiments, and when the war came they proved that they were not merely parade soldiers, for they figured among the best and bravest troops. One day the little prince, when a young child, in the hope of making the sentinel move, poured a whole bag of sweets into his boot, but without eliciting any sign of life from the military status before him. This play of the child being mentioned in the presence of Col. Verly, who commanded the regiment, he declared that nothing could make one of his men move when on duty. The empress would not believe this assertion, and finally laid a wager that she would contrive to make one of the guards move. Col. Verly having accepted the wager, the empress went with him into the neighboring gallery, where they walked backward and forward before the sentinel, the empress trying by every means to attract his attention. The guard stood as if turned into stone. Col. Verly smiled. The empress, with her characteristic impetuosity, then went straight to the soldier, and, according to familiar speech, "boxed his ears." Not a muscle moved. The empress then acknowledged that Col. Verly had won the day, and sent a handsome compensation to the soldier, who proudly refused it, saying that he was sufficiently compensated by having had his sovereign lady's hand on his cheek!—"Life in the Galleries Under the Second Empire."

SHORTER LIFE FOR LAMPS.

Incandescent Lights Now Run at a Higher Tension.

New York Commercial-Advertiser: A short life and a merry one is to be the guiding principle of the new order of lamp manufacture. At one time an incandescent lamp cost so much that it was made to last as long as possible, even if it had to be run at much below its nominal candle power. Now, lamps are cheap, and people insist on having light. A significant sign of the tendency of the times is that the twenty-five-candle power lamp is daily being put in place of the original standard sixteen-candle-power lamp. It is assumed that when Edison adopted his sixteen-candle power standard for his lamp he took what was probably a very good average of the illumination given out by five-foot gas burners the country over. But during the last fifteen years the gas standard has been raised through improvements in manufacture, and whereas twenty-candle gas was once seldom seen, the larger cities of this country now average well up to twenty-five-candle gas. The public has not been slow to see this, and now demands a unit of light at least equal to the prevailing standard gas unit. The central stations, fortunately for them, realize the situation, and the use of high economy lamps is growing. It is noted, too, that the time-honored 600 hours of life is not nearly so often insisted on as formerly. Indeed, the specific requirement now commonly made is for a lamp that will maintain its candle power at high economy for from 300 to 400 hours. The introduction of lamps of twenty-five-candle power, although already started upon, will doubtless be gradual, as it must naturally be accompanied by a corresponding change in the fittings, outlets, wiring, etc., if applied to existing installations.

Don't Be Too Critical.

Whatever you do never set up for a critic. We don't mean a newsy per one, but in private life, in the domestic circle, in society. It will do no one any good, and it will do you harm—if you mind being called disagreeable. If you don't like any one's nose, or object to any one's chin, don't put your feelings into words. If any one's manners don't please you remember your own. People are not all made to suit one's taste; recollect that. Take things as you find them, unless you can alter them. Even a dinner, after it is swallowed, cannot be made any better. Continual fault-finding, continual criticism of the conduct of this one, and the speech of that one, the dress of the other and the opinions of 't'other, will make home the unhappiest place under the sun. If you are never pleased with any one, no one will ever be pleased with you. And, if it is known that you are hard to suit, few will take pains to suit you.

The Threadbare Apology.

"The officer arrested you for being drunk," said the judge, severely; "very drunk indeed." "Yes, your honor," replied the culprit; "but there were extenuating circumstances." "What were they?" "Why, your honor, you see I was under the influence of liquor at the time." Washington Evening Star.

Berea Scrapings.

Mrs. Behm's baby is quite sick. Miss Minnie Vaughn is visiting with Edna Mastrud.

Miss Edna Johnson, who is teaching school near Running Water, spent the holidays at home.

Miss Lily Johnson, who has been teaching school near Lakeside, in the and hills, was at home during the holidays.

Mrs. S. A. Curtis has just closed a successful term of school in district No. 13. Mrs. Curtis is the best teacher we have had in this district for many years.

The Christmas tree at W. T. Johnson's place was a decided success. Fully fifty people were present, and everybody received a present of some kind, an enjoying themselves immensely. The festivals were under the auspices of the Berea Sunday School society.

Quite an interest is manifested in the county seat question, and many of our hard-working farmers are wondering how any sane man could for a moment consider the proposition of paying higher taxes on the already overburdened taxpayers. Let well enough alone, gentlemen, and let the county seat remain where it is, where it justly belongs, to say nothing of the expense it would involve in having it removed.

Postmaster General Wilson has been giving the fraudulent advertisers a shaking up, and the result is that quite a number of them have been shut out of the mail. The postoffice people do their best to keep the public from being defrauded by these sharks, but so long as there are people who will be caught by promises of \$50 worth for a dime, these frauds will continue to do business. As soon as they are shut out of the mail, under one name they take another, slightly change their scheme, and go right ahead again, until caught by the officials.

W. S. Howard, a traveling representative of an Omaha scrap iron and rag-picking establishment, paid this city a business visit a few days ago that resulted disastrously for him, and nearly so for other people. He had a tent pitched at the side of the blacksmith shop owned by Richard Bevins. During the afternoon he had a fire in the stove that was in his tent, and a supper time went away and left it. During the night the tent caught fire and was entirely destroyed, including Mr. Howard's extensive and various assortment of rags. Bevins' blacksmith shop would also have been destroyed had it not been for the timely arrival of Bevins, who extinguished the fire and also treated the men to a very interesting curtain lecture.

Speaker Reed was given a taste of the kind of a job he has on his hands when that bond bill was put through the house, and the result was probably one of the worst half hours in ever spent. He won, and the bill went through by a majority of thirty three, but if the vote could have been put off until today it is believed he would have lost, and the bill would have been defeated, instead of being set over to the senate to die by being smothered by amendments. It was not a coincidence that the revolt of republicans were mostly McKimleyites. It was, on the contrary, a very plain intimation to Mr. Reed that the McKimleyites intend to make things unpleasant for him whenever they get an opportunity. Another notable thing about this short, but sharp, skirmish was the indication of an understanding having been reached between the Reed and Allison republicans of the house. Mr. Reed is no doubt very glad that the house concluded to make this week a holiday. It will give him time to pull himself together and arrange his program.

Mrs. Wheeler expects to start for Illinois in a few days, to visit her daughter, Miss Gracie.

The "representative businessmen" of Alliance who jumped out on election day and fought the artesian well proposition by yelling BONDS, are the same gang who are now yelling county seat removal.

Ole Peterson died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Mai Rasmussen, Wednesday night. Mr. Peterson was about 70 years of age. Funeral will take place on Saturday. Rev. J. E. Thoen conducting the services.

Mrs. Bean and daughter returned home Tuesday morning from a few days' visit at Broken Bow.

Miss Collins was visiting friends in this city Friday and Saturday.

THE CITY

H. B. Austin returned from Deadwood Sunday night.

Herncall wants some dressed hogs.

Berea items were received too late for publication last week.

Wildy's received a new line of clothing.

E. C. Sheldon called Tuesday and renewed for THE HERALD.

Order your stove repairs at Anton Uhrig's.

Will O'Mara and Joseph Manion of Box Butte were in town Saturday.

A new lot of shoes just received by W. K. Herncall.

Mrs. H. N. Earnest returned Monday from a week's visit with Mrs. Ben Price.

20 lbs dried apples for \$1.00 at Wildy's.

Miss Rosa Parkin closed a successful term of school in the Scharff district last Friday.

California canned goods 15 cents a can at W. K. Herncall's.

George Goodenough, our efficient consorial artist, was on the sick list for a couple of days last week.

I want all the dressed poultry in the county. W. K. HERNCALL.

H. R. Green has purchased R. McLeod's fine residence. Mr. Green has taken in the future of Hemingford.

SKATES—A fine line of ice skates just received at H. R. Green's Hardware store.

Leora Rusin closed her school in the Hemingford district Friday. She gives good satisfaction as a teacher.

If you want a suit, overcoat, overalls, cloak, cape, or shawl, neap—a big line at Wildy's.

Attorney Tuttle spent several days with friends in Liberty precinct last week.

See Wildy before you sell your apples, poultry, butter, eggs, cheese or potatoes.

Haller, the dentist, will be here Friday, January 10. He will only stay one day.

SHOES of all kinds, styles and prices. Can fit any foot and pocket book. W. K. HERNCALL.

Ed. Kinsley attended the party at Mr. Manion's, near Box Butte Tuesday evening and reports a very pleasant time. A number from here intended going, but thought the weather a little too "fresh."

Paint, Glass and oils of all kinds sold according to the latest times cheaper than the cheapest, at ANTON UHRIG'S.

Prof. Worden, the noted free hand artist will give an exhibition of his wonderful skill in free hand drawings at the Methodist church this evening. All interested in the artistic are cordially invited to attend. The lecture is free, and as the Professor has no equal in his line in this country you will miss a rare treat if you fail to attend.

The HERALD and the Omaha semi-weekly World-Herald both one year for \$1.75.

Congress has, by a joint resolution, which passed without opposition, authorized the secretary of the navy to accept the ram, Katahdin, which was rejected by the president for failure to make the speed required in the contract, at the contract price, it having been shown that the builders were not to blame, they having constructed the vessel on government plans.

The genuine Round Oak costs no more than an imitation. Why not buy the one that everyone knows is right. Uhrig sells them.

President Cleveland will, on January 4, issue his proclamation declaring Utah a state, and the republicans expect its legislature, which will convene on the 6th, to elect two republican senators at once. They may wait for the arrival of those two senators before electing the officers of the senate.

You cannot find in these United States the equal of the genuine Round Oak. You may try; you'll get nett. Remember it's the combination of good points that makes the perfect stove. Buy the genuine and be satisfied. See the name on the leg. For sale at Uhrig's.

The reorganization of the senate committees has been all arranged, and this week the republicans will take charge, but it is not certain whether they will elect the officers of the senate until later.

W. K. Herncall, the Merchant.

Winter has come, we are aware, With its wind and drifting snow, And the place for such weather to prepare Is what we all want to know.

Where we can satisfactorily trade Our produce for coffee and bread, Hats, caps, mittens, gloves, silks, Boots, shoes, overshoes and quilts,

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