# TOLD IN A FEW WORDS

## EVENTS OCCURRING IN ALL SECTIONS SUMMARIZED.

**Happenings From Home and Abroad Reduced From Columns to Lines—Everything But Facts Eliminated For Our Readers' Convenience.**

**Friday, March 5.**

Albert Ankers fell upon a revolving saw at Morton, Ill., and met a horrible death——An unknown man was cut in two by a train three miles south of Texarkana, Ark.——Nicholas Beonsales, Chicago, fell down stairs and lockjaw set in, resulting in his death——Thomas Q. Munce, chief of the postoffice department stamp division, has been suspended——The bill to allow the bottling of spirits in bond has been signed and distillers are greatly elated——Phil Delhay, who robbed J. C. Chrisheimer of $5,000 at Muncie, Ind., has been arrested at Montreal, Can.——While Mrs. H. Williams was burning brush at Tyler, Tex., her clothes caught fire and she was burned to death——The 2-year-old daughter of Charles Ullery at South Bend, Ind., accidentally swallowed a collar button and choked to death——James Russell, charged with being implicated in the murder of the Houghton family at Princeton, Ky., has been arrested at Elkton——Mrs. Nellie Frayer and her father of Daggitt Brook, Minn., have been arrested, charged with killing the 9-year-old son of David Maxwell——Mrs. William Baker, two sons and a daughter, of Lagrange, Ind., died under suspicious circumstances within a few hours of each other——An unknown respectably dressed man attempted to assault two school girls at Murray, Neb., but the girls opposed him and held their own. The stranger escaped——Auditor F. A. Borst, ex-Treasurer Sawvill and ex-Surveyor Jacob Hook, three county officials of Waterloo, Ind., have been arrested, charged with embezzlement and forgery——It has been discovered that certain drugs have been smuggled into this country from Canada through the Chicago mails, and customs officers have been notified to be on the watch.

**Saturday, March 6.**

Five large hounds, imported by Captain Carnsback to Vermillion, S. D., from Illinois to guard cattle from wolves, have disappeared and it has just been discovered that the dogs associated with the wolves and a new brand of wolves has appeared——Frank Lakes shot and killed Charles Drew with a Winchester at 125 yards' range near Pine Grove, Ky., in a duel over some domestic affairs——Two negroes went to the home of W. Schulmann at Wetmore, Tex., and shot him dead and fatally wounded Adolf Bever, who fired at the intruders——Mrs. M. Cicotte of Los Angeles, Cal., a guest of the Auditorium, Chicago, was robbed of her pocketbook, containing $1,000 and some valuable papers——Two Mormon missionaries, whose expenses are being paid by the church, are making a house to house canvass of Oshkosh, Wis., seeking converts——Rev. George S. Mallory, editor of The Churchman, died at N. Y., aged 55 years——Business men of Fremont, Neb., are giving a home factory exhibit which is proving very successful. More than 40 manufacturers are represented by attractive displays——William Smith, ex-deputy of marine and fisheries, died at Ottawa, Can.——Thomas T. Crittenden, United States consul general to Mexico, has sent in his resignation——The Washington legislature voted unanimously for a bill prohibiting hats being worn in a theater——Lyman W. Hall of Joliet, Ills., was sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of Constable Francis DeLong——The India famine fund at the Montreal Star office has increased to $42,000, including subscriptions from 100,000 Canada school children——The State Wholesale Grocers' association of Illinois, Michigan, Ohio and Wisconsin and yeast manufacturing firms are organizing a yeast trust——W. A. Heizer, representing a Rock Island grocery company, committed suicide at Memphis, Tenn., on account of financial trouble——Karl Vinton of Burlington, Ia., a man of good family, has been sentenced to four years' imprisonment for attempting to hold up and rob ex-Mayor Buttles——The grand jury of Boston has reported an indictment against Jose Iasigi, Turkish consul at Boston. He is charged with the embezzlement of over $100,000.

**Monday, March 8.**

The Indiana legislature has passed a compulsory education bill——Joseph Brucker of Chicago has invented a device for detecting all impurities in the air——A telephone war is on in Michigan between independent companies and the Bell company——One of the two negroes arrested at Elgin, Tex., for burglary, was taken out of jail by a mob and shot——There are rumors in London of a rupture of friendship between Sir Henry Irving and Miss Ellen Terry——The peach crop of Michigan, thought to have been badly damaged by cold weather, is found to be uninjured——Mrs. Nellie Frayer of St. Paul, Minn., who murdered Willie Maxwell, a 9-year-old boy, was sentenced to life imprisonment——The Missouri legislature has passed a bill prohibiting book making and pool selling, except by a license from the state auditor——About fifty of the men imported to take the places of striking freight men of the Flint and Pere Marquette railroad at Ludington, Mich., now refuse to work——Ex-Queen Liliuokalani endeavored to get an audience with President McKinley.——The Lotus club held its last "Saturday night" of the season in the club house in New York City——The British bark Silberhorn, Captain Gibson, from Liverpool, arrived at Barry roads, England, yesterday, and reported the loss of three members of he crew in a storm.——Parvin Wright of Los Angeles, Cal., has invented a new wave motor, so arranged that only a given amount of power or pressure can be accumulated during storm periods.——The rabbit pest is becoming an intolerable burden to the farmers of Northeast Missouri, and they are petitioning the legislature to put a bounty on rabbit scalps. Thousands of fruit trees have been ruined this season.

**Tuesday, March 9.**

Adolph Schmidt, a young farmer living in Kendall county, Texas, committed suicide by hanging——Mrs. Sophia Schultz, the wife of a policeman, took paris green and hanged herself at Pittsburg, Pa.——James B. Porter, secretary of state of Michigan during the war, died at Lansing at the age of 72 years——The freight and passenger station of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad at Xenia, Ill., has been destroyed by fire——About 2,800 Dunkards from all over the country will leave Chicago about April 1 to open up their new colonies near Devil's Lake, N. D.——Al Woods, a negro, was killed with his own revolver by Policeman McGaughey at Lawrenceburg, Ky., as he attempted to shoot the officer——Milburn Drake, a farmer living near Dexter, Mo., has been arrested, charged with stealing a pocketbook containing $400 from J. W. McCollom's drug store last January——Lucy Factor, an alleged witch, was killed by a man named Gilchrist at Stonewall, I. T. She was charged was causing the death of Gilchrist's wife through witchcraft——Henry C. Chapin, a prominent member of the Chicago board of trade, is dead——J. C. Moses, a former Presbyterian minister, died while attending communion services at Clinton, Ia.——The wagon works of Turney & Son at Fairfield, Ia., have been destroyed by fire. Loss, $40,000; insurance, $20,000——Hugh Smith, aged 75, has been arrested at Madison, Pa., for the murder of Matilda Snyder, an 18-year-old girl, 20 years ago——Dr. I. P. Kaster of Denver, chief surgeon of the Atlantic and Pacific railroad, has accepted a similar position with the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe——Albert Steel a foreman of the Homestake mills in Lead, S. D., shot twice at Chris Peterson, the latter asking to be given employment and threatening Steele——Pat Casey, a saloonkeeper, attempted to carve Captain Jewell of the Salvation Army at Deadwood, S. D., but Jewell is an ex-prize fighter and came out best——A strike has been ordered by a committee of walking delegates on the new Columbia building in New York city and over 500 workmen quit work. It is thought this is the first of a series of strikes which will involve over 1,000 mechanics.

**Wednesday, March 10.**

Editor O. N. Dunn killed himself at Mason, Ga.——Chicago detectives are making a raid on slot machines——Martin Bonfield was fatally injured in falling from a Chicago cable car——Fred Ryder, aged 10 was run over by a Chicago street car and killed——Burglars got $1,600 in jewelry by raiding the residence of C. B. Strahm, Chicago——James Powers, Chicago, became insane and murdered his wife, dying himself soon after——Charles Windermeyer of Peoria, Ills., committed suicide by jumping into the river——George E. Ruther at Evanston, Ills., went violently insane and seriously injured some fellow students——Several hundred fashionable ladies were stampeded and their silks ruined by a false fire alarm in Chicago——Miss Sadie Johnson, aged 17 years, Chicago, nearly died from the effect of hypnotism at a select party——St. Louis and Minneapolis base ball teams are in the courts endeavoring to secure the services of Pitcher Hutchinson——Norway now imposes a fine of $26.80 on each foreign commercial traveler remaining in that country a month or more——Peter Ross of Kankanna, Wis., shot and killed his wife and her sister and mortally wounded a bystander. He then gave himself up. Domestic troubles caused the tragedy——In the Argabright trial at Auburn, Neb., Attorney Burnahan stated the conversation in the grand jury room to the effect that the defendant did not threaten Smelzer, but that he could name two men who heard threats. The defense will try and introduce impeachment testimony——The Nebraska senate passed the stockyards bill——A crowd of 12,000 greeted W. J. Bryan at Little Rock, Ark.——Ex-Vice President Stevenson was given a reception by his friends at Bloomington, Ill.——Middle-of-the-road Populists nominated L. D. Reynolds for mayor of Chicago.

**Thursday, March 11.**

St. Louis capital will build a new packing house in Kansas City——Reuben Jackson, colored, was asphyxiated by gas in Chicago——James Toomes and Alice Bland were married in a St. Louis jail——Fred Trostel of Elgin, Ills., calls himself Christ and has been adjudged insane——Governor Stephens has pardoned Fred Balsom from the Missouri penitentiary——Ex-Senator Ingalls will visit the Carson prize fight and write his views for an eastern paper——George McMullen is wanted at Chicago where he can have an estate of $80,000 by proving his identity——Miss Isabel Fulton, teacher in the Hammond school, Chicago, threw herself under a street car and was killed——Two hotel men of Sedgwick, Kan., fought over the right to entertain a patron and one of the men was fatally wounded——A negro tough fired three shots through the Nashville, Tenn., African church while meeting was in progress, killing a boy——John Garber, an old soldier of Brazil, Ind., is highly elated over a camp stool, the gift of President McKinley, who used it during the war——Ottumwa, Ia., is to have a $50,000 court house——At a Beardstown, Va., revival 350 people were converted——A rich lead mine has been discovered near Dubuque, Ia.——The Eureka, Ill., college gets an endowment fund of $115,000——An Iowa man claims to have found a sure cure for hog cholera——Charles I. Nash, the Boston murderer, is sentenced to hang June 18——A valuable mine of graphite has been discovered in Carroll county, Missouri——John Tindel, a farm hand near Louisville, Ky., hanged himself in a barn——Michael Thill, a miner at Butte, Mont., was caught in machinery and instantly killed——William Bachler, an inmate of the criminal asylum at Chester, Ill., committed suicide——At Washington, D. C., three men entered a jewelry store and fled with $3,000 worth of diamonds——A bill to exempt the Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance company from all taxation passed the Virginia senate——The Missouri legislature has passed a bill to remove the headquarters of the insurance department from St. Louis to Jefferson City.

## SHOT TO DEATH FOR WITCHCRAFT

**A Most Peculiar Incident Occurs In the Chickasaw Nation.**

KANSAS CITY, March 10.—A special to the Times from Guthrie, O. T., says: In the vicinity of Stonewall, Chickasaw Nation, there has occurred a most peculiar incident for these civilized times. Mrs. Mary Gilcreast, a daughter of Judge Collins died a few weeks ago. It was charged that her death was caused by witchcraft, Lucy Factor, a woman of the neighborhood, being named as the witch whose magic spells had done the evil. Mr. Gilcreast, the husband of the dead woman, and a friend, went to the home of Lucy Factor and shot her to death. All parties are Indians. Gilcreast and his companion were arrested by the tribala uthorities, but were soon released, not even being bound over for the trial.

**Carson Battle to Be Kinetoscoped.**

NEW YORK, March 11.—The Carson battle will be kinetoscoped. The three machines that were especially designed to make lightning pictures of the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight were shipped to Carson, the attachment which held them having been released.

**Skilled Nursing.**

Skilled nursing is now regarded as of quite as much significance as expert medical attendance. Those whose means will permit of it generally employ trained nurses, and between the professional assistant of the physician in the home and hospital treatment for various ailments the old conditions of the sickroom have almost passed away.—Baltimore Herald.

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# NEWS OF NEBRASKA.

**Death of James Dwyer.**

FRIEND, Neb., March 10.—James Dwyer, aged 54 years, one of the most prominent merchants in this city, died with inflammation of the stomach. The remains were taken to Mount Pleasant, Ia., for interment.

**Banquet Unseated Members.**

LINCOLN, March 6.—The Republican members of the house and senate last night banquetted the unseated Douglas county members at the Lindell hotel. The invitation list was confined to the Republican members.

**Will Not Mandamus State Board.**

LINCOLN, March 6.—The case brought in the supreme court by the Woodruff-Dunlap Printing company to compel by mandamus the state printing board to let the contracts for printing the reports of state officers was decided adversely to the printing company. The application for a writ of mandamus was denied.

**Quarantine Against Texas Fever.**

LINCOLN, March 9.—Governor Holcomb has issued a quarantine proclamation in conformity to that emanating from the agricultural department at Washington under date of Jan. 27 last, dealing with Texas fever and cattle from the infected locality. The governor's proclamation bears date of March 1, 1897.

**Receipts of Sheep at South Omaha.**

SOUTH OMAHA, March 9.—The last week has been remarkable for the unprecedented growth in the sheep industry at this place. The receipts were nearly eight times as heavy as during the corresponding week one year ago. Last week 74 cars were received, 16,261 head, as against 13 cars, 2,134 head, for the same week last year. Everything has been disposed of most satisfactorily, and practically nothing that was offered for sale here has gone to Chicago in first hands.

**Exposition Promoters Back From Mexico**

OMAHA, March 9.—The band of exposition missionaries that has been touring through the southwestern states and Mexico for the past three weeks returned to Omaha yesterday. All the members of the party report a pleasant trip and are of the opinion that much good was accomplished in behalf of the exposition. The missionaries feel most encouraged over the success of their mission in Mexico, and predict that the building and display of that country will be one of the grandest features of the exposition.

## AMENDMENT QUESTION IN COURT.

**Brought Unexpectedly to the Notice of the Supreme Judges.**

LINCOLN, March 5.—The question as to whether the constitutional amendment relating to an increase in the number of judges of the supreme court was brought directly to the supreme court itself in a somewhat unexpected manner.

In a case pending in which the Tecumseh National bank is plaintiff, the court reversed the judgment of the lower court. The bank's attorney moved for a rehearing on the ground that the order of reversal was made "by a less number of judges than is required by the constitution." The claim is made that the amendment relating to an increase in the number of judges was submitted in legal form and that 122,475 votes were cast upon the proposition, of which 94,579 were cast for the amendment, and 37,896 against. It is further averred that by this vote the amendment was adopted, that Judges Kirkpatrick and Neville were elected, received their certificates from Governor Holcomb and that they have been since January duly elected and qualified members of the court.

## BARTLEY GIVES A NEW BOND.

**Judge Cochran Sets April 19 as the Day For Ex-Treasurer's Trial.**

LINCOLN, March 5.—At 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon the case of the state against Joseph S. Bartley, charged with embezzling state funds, was set for a hearing before Judge Cochran of the county court. Shortly after this hour Attorneys C. O. Whedon and E. F. Pettis, on behalf of Mr. Bartley, appeared and by agreement the case was continued until April 19. This date had been agreed upon between the defendant's attorneys, Attorney General Smyth and County Attorney Munger.

A new bond was filed in the sum of $50,000. Mr. Smyth objected to the bond being so low, but the court thought it sufficient. The following are signers on the bond: W. A. Dillworth, C. P. R. Williams, Benjamin R. Cowdery, J. A. Buckstaff, A. J. Billmeyer, W. A. Hackney, Webster Eaton, J. H. McClay, T. J. Majors, W. A. Paxton, R. H. Townley, J. B. Trickey and H. B. Sawyer.

The attorney general objected to the bond on the ground that the signers had not justified. Thereupon Mr. Pettis produced Mr. Paxton's justification for $25,000. The attorney general called attention to the fact that Mr. Paxton was not in open court and that the justification should be made there. This was also the opinion of County Judge Cochran. Mr. Paxton had justified before a notary public and taken the 2:15 train for Omaha. On this account it was agreed between all parties that the case would be held open to permit Mr. Paxton to justify.

Aside from the justification of Mr. Paxton, T. J. Majors justified for $20,000 and the rest of the signers for $5,000 each. The total amount of the bond is $50,000. Attorney General Smyth said that he thought Bartley would not waive examination on the 19th of April, but would plead and go into the case thoroughly.

LINCOLN, March 7.—As requested by Attorney General Smyth, W. A. Paxton appeared in Judge Cochran's court and justified on the bond of ex-Treasurer Bartley for $25,000. The bond is for Bartley's appearance April 19, the date set for trial.

Nearly all the royal personages of Europe are cousins, and not very far removed, as it has been laid down by a German genealogist has every crowned head of Europe, excepting Turkey, is descended from one or other of two sisters who lived about 150 years ago.

The people living at Peak's island, Me., are so healthy that the physician who attempted to make a living by remaining there failed, and the islanders, sick and well alike, contribute a certain amount yearly, outside that paid for services, to keep him there.

**Fatal Illinois Central Collision.**

CAIRO, Ills., March 11.—At 11:20 a. m. m. the St. Louis express on the Illinois Central, northbound, collided with a freight train at East Cairo. Fireman Walter Rogers of the express train sustained fatal injuries, both legs being crushed off. The mail car and engine of the express train were demolished. The engine left the track and ran into the depot, the telegraph operator, Godwin Boaz, having a narrow escape from death.

**Makes a Personal Assignment.**

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 11.—William Dawson has assigned to A. B. Stickney and William Dawson, Jr., assigned to Thomas D. Blood, both being personal assignments resulting from the failure of the Bank of Minnesota, of which they were president and cashier respectively. No figures were given, but a personal statement published several weeks ago by the elder Dawson gave his liabilities as $1,621,792, of which $865,993 was his personal indebtedness.

**Cablegram From Lee.**

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Secretary Olney received the following cablegram from Consul General Lee, at Havana: "All quiet. No excitement here now. I hope to secure prompt trial of all Americans imprisoned. Those found innocent to be released, and those guilty sent out of the island."

**A Hindoo Made of Rubber.**

A Hindoo named Bava Luchman Dass is attracting the interested attention of the London medical profession. Mr. Dass is a Yogi, and if all Yogis are like Mr. Dass the ordinary treatises on anatomy must be subjected to revision. He was exhibited to the Students' Anatomical society of St. George's hospital and introduced by the lecturer as "an unusually complicated specimen of the Indian Yogi—a Brahman, namely, of a very high caste—who goes through certain religious exercises with a view of qualifying himself better for paradise." These religious exercises seem to take a physical form, and Mr. Dass, a little, dark gentleman, sat upon the table and proceeded to exhibit a selection from the 84 abnormal positions which he has put in 40 solid years in learning.

He seemed to have ligaments of the gutta percha persuasion, while his joints evidently work on all bearings. He formed his legs into a cravat and tied them about his neck. He hopped about on one hand and strolled about jauntily on his knees, a position which is said to greatly assist thought, though the thoughts of a white man in such a position would hardly be fit for publication. He folded his legs tightly around his body and stood thoughtfully on his finger tips for several minutes, in which posture he declared he was able to remain for seven days. However, as the medical students did not wish to carry out this particular experiment to its bitter end, Mr. Dass proceeded to tie himself up in a knot and to go to sleep on one leg like a flamingo. Then sitting down suddenly he brought the soles of his feet together, his knees being at such an acute angle that nothing short of complete dislocation could have made the performance possible. The lecturer endeavored to follow his movements on an extremely suggestive looking skeleton which he had by his side and finally came to the conclusion that Mr. Dass had no ligaments at all.—London Graphic.

**Treacherous Cape Cod.**

Nobody knows how many vessels have been wrecked on Cape Cod since the bleak December day when the Mayflower rounded Race point and sought shelter in what is now the harbor of Provincetown. The number is very great, however, and the loss of life on this most dangerous part of the whole New England coast has been something appalling. A list, admitted to be incomplete, of the wrecks since 1873 shows that 151 vessels, including three steamers, have gone to pieces on the pitiless sands of the cape, and, had not the waves always hastened to remove the evidences of their work, the shore all the way from Chatham, at the elbow of Massachusetts' elbow, to the crook of her bent hand would be piled high with the ribs and planking of shattered vessels. A large proportion of the cape's victims are coasting schooners, with only an occasional bark or brig. These disasters, therefore, rarely attract much attention, but they are tragical none the less, and almost every storm adds to the number of dreadful stories which the lighthouse keepers and members of the life saving service have to tell.—New York Times.

**English as a Cursing Medium.**

A pleasing testimonial to the resources of the English language was given at Manchester. An inquiry was being held as to a house reputed to be used for gambling. It was frequented by poor Jews, and they were stated in a general way to have spoken their own Yiddish—except when they wished to swear. Then they used English. Our oaths appear to be simpler and stronger than those of any other tongue. The Spaniards', though it must be admitted they are coarser, are too elaborate. They swear, not in words, but in sentences. The same may be said of Italian execrations. French oaths are a failure. They beat us in slang, but in simple objurgation they are nowhere. German imprecations mean a good deal, but that is just where they fail. The essence of a good round oath is mystery. And that is why American swearing, though sonorous, misses its mark. There is too much thought in it.—St. James Gazette.

**Hairpin Motor.**

A fuse burned out in one of the Wethersfield cars, and the car at once came to a standstill. After a moment the motorman opened the front door, and, putting in his head, inquired, "Can any lady lend me a hairpin?" His singular request was at once complied with, and in a short time the car was again under way. "What did you want that hairpin for?" asked the woman who had supplied it of the conductor when that official came to collect her fare. "To make a fuse out of," was the reply, "and I guess you are entitled to ride free this trip." And she did, while the other passengers applauded heartily.—Hartford Post.

**Billiard Balls.**

Billiard balls are first roughly turned by a lathe from the tusk, then left from six months to a year in a room about the temperature of an ordinary billiard hall. This length of time is necessary because the ivory shrinks more in one direction than another, and the seasoning must be complete before the balls are finished and polished.

**A Sermon to Husbands.**

The average man eats only two meals a day in his own house, and these meals are the opportunities for social and domestic talk, delightful to the wife, who has no such opportunity as her husband of rubbing against other minds all day, and important to the children in widening their horizon, their views of life.

At the first meal of the day most women like to talk to their husbands about the plans of the day, but the woman who has once received the distrait, self absorbed growl which emanates from a male disturbed in the reading of his newspaper does not again attempt to ask her husband this or that on a subject of domestic interest. The back of a newspaper is not a pleasant thing to contemplate across the breakfast table.

Think of this, husbands, when you look round for the castors or other suitable prop for the lack of your paper, and for the sake of good manners, for the sake of your wife's feelings and the example to your children, remove your newspaper, reserving it for the train, omnibus or tram car.

Of course there are occasions when matters of absorbing interest must be looked to at once—telegrams of thrilling import. Why not glance at the paper five minutes before the breakfast bell rings if it is really essential that such news should be seen at once? Special occasions sometimes justify special behavior, but of your mercy let the newspaper be banished from the breakfast table on ordinary occasions.—English Exchange.

**On American Hotel Clerks.**

L. F. Austin, in London Sketch, supposes that "the American hotel clerk is still the dread of the inexperienced traveler. When you stand in his presence, you become at once aware that you are a hardened offender and that here is the magistrate who will appoint a fitting punishment for your crimes. He growls the number of your room as if it were the condemned cell, and you are a little surprised that he does not assume the black cap and invoke the divine clemency on your soul. I used to think he suffered from overstudy of the rights of man and regarded them as a social pyramid with himself as the apex.

"In the European hotel the traveler is accustomed to be treated with consideration. He stays in the house for his own pleasure and looks upon the administrators as designed for his service. Such a theory is hateful to the peculiar republicanism of the American hotel clerk. He is something more than a man and your brother, for he does not recognize equality, much less deferential civility. The hotel is a house not of entertainment, but correction, and if you do not care for the discipline you can go elsewhere without exciting in the clerk the slightest emotion of surprise or even of inquiry. Should America ever be disposed to try the experiment of an oligarchy a junta of hotel clerks might conduct the business of the country with an impassive severity which would have astonished the council of ten."

**Combinations and Wages.**

In what lines of industry are the wages lowest and the abuses greatest? Is it in those where modern methods have been most extensively employed, and where machinery, with its attendant concentration of power, has made the most progress, or is it in those whose methods are survivals from an earlier stage of industrial order?

To this question there can be but one answer. The lowest wages, the most unsanitary conditions, the grossest abuses and oppressions are not to be found in factories, but in tenement house industries. It is among the cigar makers, or among the workers in certain branches of the ready made clothing trade that these matters are at their worst. Yet it is just here that the conditions of employment are most like those which prevailed in earlier industrial periods.

The sufferers under the sweating system are not, as is so often charged, the victims of the present industrial order. They are the victims of a survival of past labor conditions into an age which has become familiar with better ones.—Professor Arthur T. Hadley in Atlantic.

Why is it that a common poet, when he wishes to compose a beautiful poem on any subject, as Venice or youth, always instinctively begins, "O Venice," or "O youth," when it is well known that no line beginning in that way is worth a cent?

It is strange, too, that when a beginner at story writing wishes to make a sad scene, he always brings in "bitter tears" and "breaking hearts," when it has long been known to the trade that the reading public can read about bitter tears and breaking hearts all day and never miss a meal.—Detroit Free Press.


# Beware Of the Knife.

Mr. Lincoln Nelson, of Marshfield, Mo., writes: "For six years I have been a sufferer from a scrofulous affection of the glands of my neck, and all efforts of physicians in Washington, D. C., Springfield, Ill., and St. Louis failed to reduce the enlargement. After six months' constant treatment here, my physician urged me to submit to a removal of the gland. At this critical moment a friend recommended S.S.S., and laying aside a deep-rooted prejudice against all patent medicines, I began its use. Before I had used one bottle the enlargement began to disappear, and now it is entirely gone, though I am not through with my second bottle yet. Had I only used your S.S.S. long ago, I would have escaped years of misery and saved over $150."

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