

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

An Unpleasant Record.

In the period covered by the murders of Lincoln, Garfield and McKinley, but two reigning sovereigns in all Europe have been assassinated.

Applies to Modern Thieves.

"Moreover," observes Isaiah, "they that work in fine flax, and they that weave networks, shall be confounded." Likewise they that do fine work in Manila hemp.

When There Was No Ex-President.

Since the time of the second president there has been but one period when no ex-president survived, and that was during the last two years of Grant's second term.

Russia's Turn to Mock.

Three of our presidents have been assassinated during one generation, yet, while we mock at the despotism of the czar, only one czar has been killed during all that time.

Wail of a Pessimist.

The pessimistic Mr. Howe, of Atchison, Kan., says he will have to eat his church oyster twice hereafter—once to send a missionary aboard and again to liberate her from brigands.

Carries the Unity Further.

The Spanish war did much to unite American with American, both north and south. The president's death, in the outburst of sorrow from all sections, carried the unity and the union further on towards complete realization.

Related to Many Governors.

The mother of Gov. Beckham, of Kentucky, has a remarkable record. She has the unprecedented distinction of having been the mother of a governor, the daughter of a governor, the sister of a governor and the cousin of a governor.

Example of Petty Malice.

After 40 years of honorable distinguished service in the American navy Rear Admiral Schley was obliged to listen, on the day of his retirement, to the testimony of a naval subaltern accusing him of cowardice. Petty malice could scarcely go farther.

Schools for Cripples.

Schools are to be established in London for physically defective children. A scheme formulated by the school management committee provides ambulances to convey the children to and from the schools, where a midday meal will be served.

Increase of Railway Mileage.

Advance copies of the introduction of Poore's Manual for 1901 have just been received. There was an increase in mileage during the year of 3,500 miles, bringing the total on December 31, 1900, up to 194,321. The sheets show an increase in gross earnings of over \$65,000,000, and in surplus of \$24,000,000.

Rapid Growth of New Towns.

Gov. Jenkins, of Oklahoma, issued three proclamations creating the towns of Lawton, Anadarko and Hobart cities of the first class and calling elections in each city for the election of city officers who will hold until next April. Lawton has a population of 4,556, Anadarko, 2,733 and Hobart, 2,530.

When Earthly Greatness Fades.

Not a single president is buried at Washington. It is significant that none of these men lies at the place of his greatest political triumph. With the approach of death earthly greatness fades and there comes a longing for home. So Washington lies at Mount Vernon, Jefferson at Monticello, Lincoln at Springfield and McKinley at Canton.

A Startling Revelation.

A New York doctor says that women "the country over" are drinking more and more every day, while men are drinking less. The statement as to men is unquestionably correct, especially if limited to the more intelligent, better educated and more prosperous male members of the community. Is it really the case, however, that there is such an increase of drinking among women "the country over" as to be "an awful or vital danger to the well-being of the nation?"

The Delays of Justice.

The Molineux case is an admirable illustration of the delays of justice which are so often complained of. Molineux was convicted on February 10, 1900, of the murder of a Mrs. Adams in New York city and was sentenced to death. Not until early this year was his application for a new trial argued before the court of appeals. After thinking the matter over for several months, the court decided that a new trial ought to be granted. All the judges are of that opinion.

TRIALS BY COURT-MARTIAL.

Last Year the Number in the Army Aggregated 6,650 and Death Sentences Were Executed in 101 Cases.

Washington, Oct. 22.—Gen. Geo. B. Davis, judge advocate general of the army, has submitted to the secretary of war his annual report for the year ended June 30, 1901. It shows that during the year there were 6,650 trials by general court-martial, being 600 less than during the preceding year. Of these, 16 were trials of commissioned officers, of whom 10 were convicted. Of the enlisted men tried 4,805 were regulars and 1,167 were volunteers. The report says that the number of men sentenced to dishonorable discharge in the regular army was 1,895, and in the volunteer army 333, making a total of 2,228. Death sentences were imposed by court-martial in six cases of enlisted men, four of the cases on conviction of murder and two on conviction of desertion.

The records of military commissions during the year show that 989 persons were tried, of which number 729 were convicted and 262 acquitted. The sentences in 49 cases were disapproved. Murder leads in the number of charges before these commissions, numbering 317. Violation of the laws and usages of war follows with 157 cases, while the charge of robbery comes next with 165 cases. Gen. Davis says that death sentences were imposed by military commissions in about 242 cases, nearly all natives of the Philippine islands, on conviction of more serious crimes, and the sentences were exacted in about 101 cases.

KANSAS GETS TWO.

State Divided into Districts and Elmer E. Ames and James T. Bradley Are Appointed National Bank Examiners.

Washington, Oct. 22.—The comptroller of the currency has appointed Elmer E. Ames, of Norton, Kan., and James F. Bradley, of Sedan, Kan., as bank examiners for the state of Kansas, vice Charles S. Jobes, who recently resigned to become president of the American national bank of Kansas City. The plan to divide the territory covered by Mr. Jobes has been in contemplation some time.

Work on a Granger Railroad Begun.

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 22.—Construction work has begun on the Atkinson & Niobrara railroad, running from Atkinson to Butte, Neb. The line is only 35 miles long, but is the first road to be built into Boyd county and reaches one of the richest agricultural sections of the state. The new line is a granger road and the capital for its construction comes from New York and Boston.

Mrs. Roosevelt on Woman's Toilet.

Washington, Oct. 22.—Mrs. Roosevelt was discussing the momentous question of the toilet, and she remarked that any woman who displayed common sense could be well dressed on \$300. The mistress of the white house further explained that hitherto she had never spent that a year, but she supposed that a greater outlay would now be necessary.

First Winner at Lawton Dead.

Lawton, Ok., Oct. 22.—James R. Woods, who drew No. 1 in the Lawton land district at the El Reno lottery, died Friday and was buried in the government cemetery at Fort Sill. Before his death all the contests against his claim were disposed of by the interior department and his widow will be in undisputed possession of his claim.

King Nebuchadnezzar's Throne Room.

Berlin, Oct. 22.—The German expedition investigating the site of ancient Babylon has discovered the throne room of the great King Nebuchadnezzar, an enormous place 600 feet broad and 170 feet long, the entrance immediately opposite the alcove in which the throne stood.

Campaign in Cuba for Annexation.

Havana, Oct. 22.—A petition asking that Cuba be annexed to the United States is being circulated among Cuban business men and every effort is being centered upon annexation, as business men generally, it is alleged, believe that the reciprocity movement will amount to nothing.

Secretary Hay Says No.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 22.—Secretary of State Hay, in a letter to State Superintendent of State Prisons Collins, declines the invitation of the latter to designate an official representative of the government to be present at the electrocution of Czolgosz, the murderer of President McKinley.

A Thousand Coffins a Day.

London, Oct. 22.—The Church Missionary society has received mail reports showing that the bubonic plague is ravaging Foo Chow (China) and vicinity. For a couple of weeks upwards of 1,000 coffins have been carried out of the city gates each day.

Staggering Loss to One Bank.

Lovell, Mass., Oct. 22.—The directors of the Merchants' national bank have announced that the deficiency in the funds of the bank, resulting from the defalcations of Teller Smith and Bookkeeper Swift, is \$115,000.

A DARING ROBBERY.

Burglars Loot the Stamp Department of the Chicago Post Office.

Vault Tunnled from Below—Work of Gaining an Entrance Had Evidently Been Going on for Many Days—Robbers Get \$74,610 Worth of Stamps.

Chicago, Oct. 22.—A sensational robbery which netted the perpetrators \$74,610 in stamps was discovered here Monday morning when the wholesale stamp department of the post office was opened for business. A rapid investigation developed the fact that the burglars had crawled under the flooring for about 300 feet, bored a hole in the bottom of the vault, secured the stamps and escaped, carrying their booty in a wagon. The work of forming an entrance to the vault had evidently been going on for many days. It is believed, however, that the intention of the thieves had been to enter the cashier's vault, in which there was \$35,000 in money and stamps valued at hundreds of thousands of dollars. The bottom of the vault is of steel, half an inch thick. In this 97 holes were bored until a space 18 inches square—just enough to allow the entrance of a man's body—had been so weakened that it was possible to take out the whole plate with little difficulty. A dry goods box stood over the hole thus made and concealed the work of the robbers while it was in progress. When discovered, the finger marks of one of the burglars were still discernible on the dust of the box which he had pushed to one side.

It was the largest stamp robbery ever done in the history of the postal service of the country. The stamps were arranged in 20-pound bundles, and the weight of the load they carried off must have been 500 pounds. Evidently one man handled the packages down to others waiting below. As their progress must have been slow carrying even one bundle through all those tunnels, crawling on all fours, they worked for hours getting their booty to the wagon. Evidently they felt perfectly secure, though somewhat disappointed at missing the cashier's vault where there were \$35,000 in cash and a great quantity of stamps. Postmaster Frederick E. Coyne is responsible for the loss until an act of congress frees him from it.

BY FORCE OR DIPLOMACY.

Miss Stone Will Be Released from Brigands, But by Which of Two Methods It Both Not Yet Appears.

Washington, Oct. 22.—There has been no report since Saturday at the state department from Turkey or Bulgaria touching Miss Stone's case. The officials, however, are by no means discouraged and are still confident that they will succeed in saving her life, but whether by diplomacy or by force is not clear. It is gathered that the friendship of the Russian government has much to do with the confidence of the officials here. That government has responded in the most cordial spirit to the appeal of the state department which, unable itself from geographical and political reasons to exert pressure upon the government of Bulgaria, has been pleased to avail itself of the powerful influence of Russia on that government. The Turkish government has for its part responded in the same spirit to the appeal of the United States and altogether the two governments, Turkish and Bulgarian, probably have been put to a degree of expense equal to the amount of the ransom demanded by Miss Stone's captors in the military operations they have already directed in her interests.

OFF FOR NEW HAVEN.

President Roosevelt Left the White House Monday Afternoon to Attend Bicentennial Celebration at Yale.

Washington, Oct. 22.—President Roosevelt, accompanied by Secretary Cortelyou, Assistant Secretary Barnes and one or two members of the white house staff, left Monday afternoon for Farmington, Conn. The party traveled in a private car. The president will spend a brief time in Farmington with his sister, Mrs. Cowles, before going to New Haven, where he is to receive the degree of LL. D. from Yale during the bicentennial celebration of the university which began Monday. Inasmuch as the trip is a private one, no details concerning it were made public.

STREET DUEL AT WACO.

Family Trouble Between the Harris' and Lovelaces Resulted in Sanguinary Struggle with Sixshooters.

Waco, Tex., Oct. 22.—A desperate duel with sixshooters was enacted on Austin street, the main thoroughfare of this city, Monday afternoon, with ex-Sheriff Harris and son on the one side and Dr. Lovelace and son on the other. As a result both of the Harris' are dead and Dr. Lovelace and son are locked up, charged with the killing. Family troubles are supposed to be the cause.

The New Fire Net

Recently adopted by one of the metropolitan fire departments has proven a wonderful success as a life saver. Every one takes special interest in any invention that will save or prolong life. This is the reason so many people have been praising the merits of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters during the past fifty years. It cures dyspepsia, indigestion, biliousness, nervousness, and liver and kidney troubles. Many physicians prescribe and recommend it. Do not fail to try it.

Popular Belle.

Tom—And you say she is a great belle? Jack—You bet. Why, she actually has four silk pillows stuffed with hair from four different football players.—Philadelphia Record.

Best for the Bowels.

No matter what ails you, headache to a cancer, you will never get well until your bowels are put right. Cascarets help nature, cure you without a gripe or pain, produce easy, natural movements, cost you just 10 cents to start getting your health back. Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the genuine, put up in metal boxes, every tablet has C. C. C. stamped on it. Beware of imitations.

Fall Wear.

Chrysanthemums and the chrysanthemum style of wearing the hair on football fields will soon be equally popular.—Baltimore Herald.

You Can Get Allen's Foot-Ease FREE.

Write to-day to Allen S. Olmsted, Le Roy, N. Y., for a FREE sample of Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder. It cures sweating, damp, swollen, aching feet. Makes new or tight shoes easy. Always use it to Break in New Shoes. At all druggists and shoe stores; 25c.

Rage is essentially vulgar, and never more vulgar than when it proceeds from mortified pride, disappointed ambition and thwarted willfulness.—Coleridge.

To Care a Cold in One Day. Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund money if it fails to cure. 25c.

A boy's idea of revenge on his parents is to refuse to get his lessons at school.—Aitchison Globe.

I do not believe Piso's Cure for Consumption has an equal for coughs and colds.—John F. Boyer, Trinity Springs, Ind., Feb. 15, 1900.

Affection marks the absence of affection.—Kam's Horn.

POTNAM FADELESS DYES are fast to sunlight, washing and rubbing.

The Stuggard.

At considerable length the superintendent of the Sunday school had set forth the culpability of the stuggard, who, he said, needed only the spur of a worthy motive to become a useful member of society. "Now, then, boys," he asked, in a more animated manner, "what is the matter with the stuggard?" "He's all right," yelled the boys, in chorus.—Montreal Star.

Not Painful.

"Here," cried Oldham to his fellow-lodger, who was starting for his holiday, "that's my brush and comb you're putting in your portmanteau."

"Well, let me have 'em. You won't need 'em; you've grown so bald lately."

"That's just it. I can't part with them."—London Answers.

Information Wanted.

Miss Citybred—What are those queer-looking animals? Farmer Hayrix—They are the cows that supply us with milk and cream.

"Oh, are they? And where are the cows that give the beef tea?"—Chicago Daily News.

No Escape.

Mrs. Oldboy—Oh, you needn't talk, John. You were bound to have me. You can't say that I ever ran after you. Oldboy—Very true, Mariah. And the trap never runs after the mouse, but it gathers him in all the same.—Baltimore American.

"No, sir," exclaimed the loud-voiced drummer in the smoker, "I'm proud to say that no house in the country has more men pushing its line of goods than ours." "What do you sell?" asked a curious one. "Baby carriages."—Syracuse Herald.

The wage-worker who wants a raise should invest in an alarm clock.—Chicago Daily News.

When a man's honesty is only protected by a policy it will be held at a premium.—Kam's Horn.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

Table with market prices for various goods in Kansas City, St. Louis, and Chicago. Columns include item names and prices per unit.

Advertisement for St. Jacobs Oil. Includes an illustration of a man carrying a large fish on his back. Text: 'The Past GUARANTEES The Future The Fact That St. Jacobs Oil Has cured thousands of cases of Rheumatism, Gout, Lumbago, Neuralgia, Sciatica, Sprains, Bruises and other bodily aches and pains is a guarantee that it will cure other cases. It is safe, sure and never failing. Acts like magic. Conquers Pain Price, 25c and 50c. SOLD BY ALL DEALERS IN MEDICINE.'

Advertisement for MRS. DYER'S HEART. Text: 'McCarron, Mich., Oct. 21st.—In April last the sensational case of Mrs. Samuel G. Dyer, of this place, was reported in these columns. Mrs. Dyer has suffered for years with a very bad case of Heart Trouble and was cured in a few weeks by Dodd's Kidney Pills. Since then Mrs. Dyer has received hundreds of inquiries as to her condition and many are interested to hear that she is at present enjoying the best of health and has not had the slightest return of the Heart Trouble. Formerly she had to sit up in bed for hours to get relief; now she goes about as smartly as any lady of 62 years in the State. Dodd's Kidney Pills have made many friends in Chippewa County through their cure of Mrs. Dyer's case, and have proven beyond doubt that their cures are not only very complete, but absolute and permanent.'

Advertisement for ABSOLUTE SECURITY. Genuine Carter's Little Liver Pills. Must Bear Signature of A. J. Tower. See Fac-Simile Wrapper Below. Very small and as easy to take as sugar. FOR HEADACHE, FOR DIZZINESS, FOR BILIOUSNESS, FOR TORPID LIVER, FOR CONSTIPATION, FOR SALLOW SKIN, FOR THE COMPLEXION. Price 25 Cents. Purely Vegetable. A. J. Tower.

Advertisement for TOWER'S FISH BRAND. WHAT IS A SLICKER? IF IT BEARS THIS TRADE MARK TOWER'S FISH BRAND IT IS THE BEST WATERPROOF OILED COAT IN THE WORLD. MADE FOR SERVICE IN THE ROUGHEST WEATHER. TAKE NO SUBSTITUTES. CATALOGUE FREE. SHOWING FULL LINE OF GARMENTS AND HATS. A. J. TOWER CO., BOSTON, MASS. 49