

NO GOOD. SAYS ERWIN

Indian Agent Mercilessly Arraigns Young Red Men.

They Come Back from Government Schools, He Declares, Lazy and Worthless and with a Mania for Gambling and General Dissipation.

Washington, Nov. 1.—A severe arraignment of the Indians on the Ponca, Otoe and Oakland reservation in Oklahoma is made by Agent Erwin, in charge of the reservation, in his annual report to the commissioner of Indian affairs. The report says: "Hardly any of the young Indians, those who have graduated from non-reservation schools, as well as those who have attended for a number of years, do any work at all. It can be set down as a perfectly safe rule that as a class the young educated Indians are the most worthless ones in the whole tribe. Nearly all of the work done by the tribe is performed by the middle-aged, able-bodied ones, who cannot write or speak English. The educated Indian coming from the schools usually gives the excuse that he has nothing with which to work, neither money, implements nor stock of any kind. This is true, but I notice that they manage to live on their annuities and lease money and buy horses, buggies, etc., on credit and borrow money from the banks with but little prospect of ever being able to pay their debts. Any able-bodied man or woman is able to obtain work at fair wages. Many of the people are addicted to drink and both men and women are inveterate gamblers. They have practically nothing to do. Their days are spent in almost utter idleness and vice and debauchery are rampant. The degradation of these people will continue and increase until they are made to work and live by the result of their labors."

C. O. D. LIQUOR CONTRABAND.

An Important Decision Made by the Iowa Supreme Court in Regard to Original Packages by Express.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 1.—The Iowa supreme court has reversed two trial courts in Iowa on the question of the C. O. D. liquor sales by express companies. In both instances the express companies had liquors which they were transferring to purchasers in exchange for C. O. D. payments. Seizures were made and the cases tried in the district court, where the express company won. Both cases were appealed and both are now reversed. The holding of the court prevents express companies from handling liquor C. O. D. and makes such goods contraband and liable to seizure if found in the possession of the companies. The court holds that the privilege of original packages or of the freedom of interstate commerce does not apply to a business of this character.

PROGRESS HAS BEEN MADE.

Civil Service Commission Makes Its Nineteenth Annual Report—62,029 Examinations During the Year.

Washington, Nov. 1.—The nineteenth annual report of the United States civil service commission for the last fiscal year has been submitted to the president. It announces substantial progress in the competitive system and general observance of the civil service law and rules during the year. The inclusions in the competitive system during the year were the rural free delivery service, a considerable portion of the field services of the war department, the census office permanent employees and the employees appointed because of increased work during the war with Spain. There were 62,029 persons examined for places and 14,983 persons appointed, reinstated or transferred, a large increase over any preceding year.

James J. Hill's Great Enterprise.

Great Falls, Mont., Nov. 1.—James J. Hill has begun the development of a steel and iron industry in the west which will rival anything of the sort in the world. He arrived here Thursday to arrange the first definite project in his great enterprise, the transformation of the old silver smelter of the American Smelting and Refining company, which has not been in operation for three years, into an iron and steel mill.

Creseus Made a Wonderful Record.

Memphis, Tenn., Nov. 1.—Creseus, in his attempt to lower the two-mile record here Friday afternoon, made a wonderful performance, trotting two miles in 4:17 flat. The former was 4:28 1/4 and Creseus lowered this time by 11 1/4 seconds. The driver and Creseus received an ovation.

Gen. Miles Reaches Manila

Manila, Nov. 1.—The United States army transport Thomas, with Lieut. Gen. Miles and his party on board, anchored in Manila harbor to-night. The Thomas left San Francisco October 1 and called at Honolulu and Guam.

JEWEL FROM A BONE.

Great Opal from Australia Which is Said to Have Been Evolved from a Bone.

A rough opal that was once part of the backbone of a prehistoric animal, and is now one of the most remarkable specimens of its kind in the world, has recently been found in Australia, reports the New York Times. The stone, which is in the rough, is remarkable for its size alone, which is 2 1/4 by 2 1/2 inches. It weighs 1,150 karats. From a small piece which has been chipped from one of the edges it appears to be a stone of wonderful beauty, rich color and fire.

It is not, however, on these considerations that its claim to distinction is based, but upon the fact that it is an opalized fossil. A glance at it will convince even the lay mind that it is a petrified vertebra of some animal. The facets for the heads of the ribs are found to be perfect. By a careful examination under a strong magnifying glass it is possible in places to discover in the porosity of the stone even the cell tissue of the bone.

This remarkable specimen, which thus is of scientific as well as commercial value, was probably formed by silica operating upon the bone. It is well known that opal is formed by the deterioration of the rock in which it is found, the silica of which after first having been dissolved by superheated water has greatly cooled in fissures of the rock. By what chance this vertebra came in contact with this silica bearing water is a matter of conjecture.

It was found by a man in Australia who stumbled over it accidentally. Its brilliancy and peculiar shape attracted his attention, and after a careful examination he came to the conclusion that it was an opal. He took it to a lapidary and his suspicions were confirmed.

It is now the bone of contention between the scientific and the commercial world. The scientists want it badly, but they do not want to pay for it what the stone is worth commercially, and the persons who own it won't part with it, even for scientific purposes, unless they receive its full commercial value.

It is now locked in the safe of a Maiden Lane jeweler awaiting the outcome of the wrangle.

Dr. O. P. Hay, assistant curator to the Metropolitan Museum of Natural History, after a careful examination of the vertebra, pronounces it undoubtedly that of a marine animal, of the family of Plesiosaurs, and believes from its shape that it formed part of the Cimoliosaurs, an animal which attained a length of possibly 40 feet, fossils of which are now being found frequently in Australia.

Sliced Cucumber Relish.

While very simple, this relish is generally a prime favorite for winter use, being especially nice with cold meats, porkchops or sausage. Purchase large green cucumbers, pare them and slice in rounds as for the table. To four quarts of cucumbers, measured after slicing, add one-fourth of a cup of salt, let stand five or six hours, or over night, then drain in a cheesecloth bag, pressing out well. Cover a fourth of a cup of yellow mustard seeds with boiling water, let stand 15 minutes, then drain. Put the cucumbers, mustard seed, a rounding teaspoon of celery seed, a level teaspoon of white pepper, a shaking of cayenne, a quart of good cider vinegar and one-fourth of a cup of brown sugar all together in a granite kettle, and heat slowly to boiling. Let boil up well, then bottle and seal immediately.—Good Housekeeping.

THE GENERAL MARKETS.

Kansas City, Nov. 4.	
CATTLE—Beef steers	45 @ 6 05
Native steers	3 25 @ 4 50
Western steers	2 75 @ 5 00
HOGS	5 75 @ 6 52 1/2
SHEEP	2 10 @ 3 75
WHEAT—No. 2 hard	64 @ 69 1/2
No. 2 red	65
CORN—No. 2 mixed	42 @ 45
OATS—No. 2 mixed	29 @ 31
RYE—No. 2	42 @ 44
FLOUR—Hard winter pat.	3 25 @ 3 50
Soft winter patents	2 25 @ 3 50
HAY—Timothy	6 50 @ 10 75
Prairie	4 50 @ 9 50
BRAN	74
BUTTER—Choice to fancy	21 @ 24
EGGS	18 1/2
CHEESE—Full cream	11 1/2 @ 12 1/2
POTATOES	30 @ 55
ST. LOUIS.	
CATTLE—Beef steers	4 40 @ 7 50
Texas steers	2 50 @ 5 20
HOGS—Butchers	6 40 @ 6 70
SHEEP—Natives	3 25 @ 4 00
FLOUR—Red winter patents	3 30 @ 3 50
WHEAT—No. 2 red	65 1/2 @ 70
CORN—No. 2	45 @ 47
OATS—No. 2	28 1/2 @ 29 1/2
RYE	48
BUTTER—Creamery	18 @ 25 1/2
DRY SALT MEATS	11 3/4 @ 11 62 1/2
BACON	12 3/4 @ 12 62 1/2
CHICAGO.	
CATTLE—Steers	3 50 @ 6 85
HOGS—Mixed and butchers	6 35 @ 6 70
SHEEP—Mixed	2 50 @ 3 50
FLOUR—Winter patents	3 40 @ 3 50
WHEAT—No. 2 red	72
CORN—No. 2	54
OATS—No. 2	29
RYE—December	49 1/2
LARD—November	10 50
PORK—January	15 15 @ 15 45
NEW YORK.	
CATTLE—Steers	3 75 @ 6 35
HOGS	6 75 @ 6 80
SHEEP	2 25 @ 3 00
WHEAT—No. 2 red	75 1/4 @ 77
CORN—No. 2	65 @ 66
OATS—No. 2	34

THE BATTLE OF TAKU.

German Officer Writes a Book and Tells How Anxious the Americans Were to Get Into the Fight.

The advance sheets of Josef Herding's book, "The Battle of Taku," of which engagement he was an eyewitness, says, discussing American non-participation:

"The Monocacy, called by the Chinese the jinrikisha of the sea, because it was a sidewheeler, was anchored off the railway depot at Tong Ku before the bombardment. The last train from Tientsin brought hundreds of fugitives, many of whom were taken on board the Monocacy, it having received orders from Washington not to take part in the fighting.

"This displeased the American officers. When mingling with the officers of other nations on the wharf on the Pei-Ho the Americans expressed dissatisfaction. The foreign officers generally sympathized with the feelings of the Americans, who did not want to see the fight without taking a hand in it. Capt. White did not share in this public discussion of the United States' action, which was confined to the juniors.

"During the bombardment the Monocacy was struck by two shells from the forts. Capt. White would like to have gone into action then, but could not do so because his vessel was crowded with noncombatants."

AIRSHIP AND A TRAIN.

Come Near Colliding in England During Flight of Aeronaut Stanley Spencer.

"Stop your train," yelled Stanley Spencer as his airship was rushing head on toward an approaching express train near Preston, England, the other day.

"Stop your airship," yelled the engineer.

Mr. Spencer proved that his airship is dirigible by dodging the express train, ramming a tree, and ending his 26-mile voyage in its branches. He was uninjured.

Spencer, who recently made a successful trip over London, rose to-day from Blackpool, but, finding the north-west breeze too strong to make headway against it, he proceeded in a southwesterly direction and landed in the open country.

There was a good breeze when he ascended. When he was 1,000 feet high he made several evolutions against the wind and finally sailed off in the same direction the wind was blowing.

When he was descending he found he was over a railroad, with his trailing rope dangling among the telegraph lines along the line. His dialogue with the engineer followed.

CLIMAX IN MEN'S DRESS.

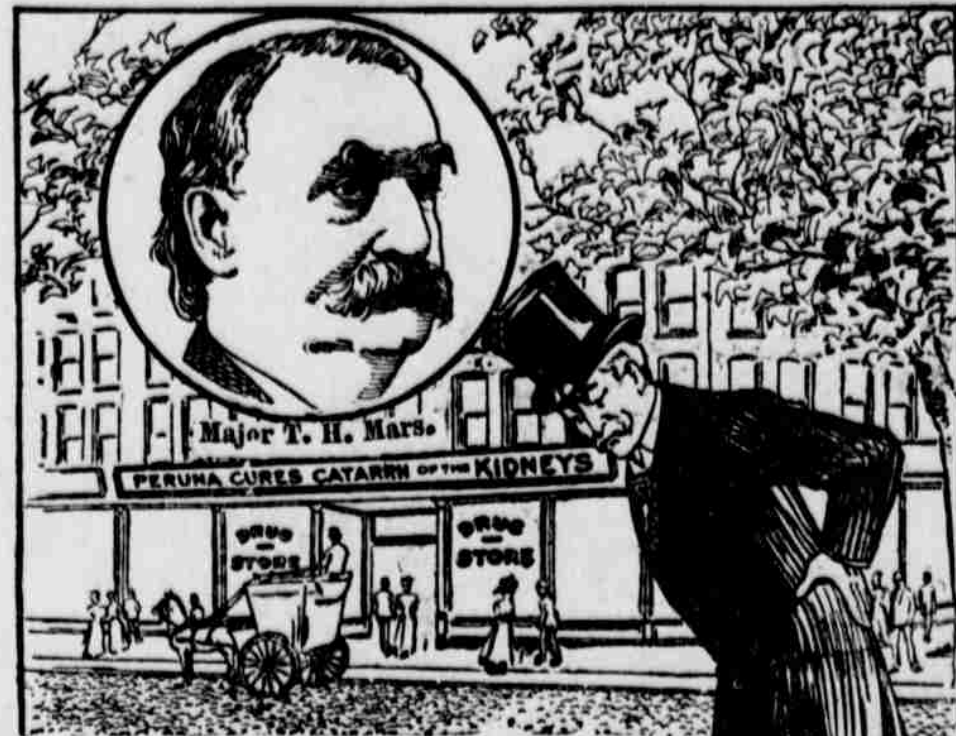
Editor of the London Tailor Declares That No More Changes for the Better Need Be Expected.

That man's style of attire is now practically unchangeable, was the ground taken by M. T. H. Holding, editor of the London Tailor, in a lecture at St. James hall the other night.

"We have," he said, "reached finality as far as the dress of the English gentleman is concerned. The trousers of to-day will not only be the trousers for the next 50 or 60 years, but of the next million."

Mr. Holding has nothing but praise for modern man's clothes, the Chesterfield coat coming in for special praise. "The Chesterfield is the permanent coat," he assured his hearers. "The motto for to-day, for ages to come, is ease, grace and common sense. We cannot change anything for the better."

PE-RU-NA CURES CATARRH OF KIDNEYS EVERY TIME.



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Major T. H. Mars, of the First Wisconsin Cavalry regiment, writes from 1425 Dunning street, Chicago, Ill., the following letter:

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Mr. John Vance, of Hartford City, Ind., says: "My kidney trouble is much better. I have improved so much that everybody wants to know what medicine I am using. I recommend Peruna to everybody and some have commenced to use it. The folks all say that if Dr. Hartman's medicine cures me it must be great."—John Vance.

Mr. J. Brake, of Petrolia, Ontario, Canada, writes: "Four years ago I had a severe attack of Bright's disease, which brought me so low the doctor said nothing more could be done for me. I began to take Peruna and Manalin, and in three months I was a well man, and have continued so ever since."—J. Brake.

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