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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Railway Seares Lions.

Lions have been scared away from the shores of Lake Victoria-Nyanza by the newly-built railway.

Velocity of Wind.

At the height of one mile the average velocity of the wind is four times as great as at the surface of the earth.

Find Immense Vein of Coal.

Surveyors who are fixing the route for the proposed Alaska Central railway claim to have discovered on the proposed line the greatest field of hard coal in the world.

Coral Building-Stone.

Fossil coral, found in Fiji, is the best building stone in the world. It is soft when first cut, but hardens to the consistency of fire-brick after a few months' weathering.

To Use Loubet's Gift.

When M. Loubet, the French president, was in St. Petersburg, he left 25,000 rubles for the poor of that city. It has since been decided not to distribute this money, but to build with it a house in which poor families can live without paying rent.

Excellent Cemetery Promoter.

An investigation of suspicious mortality among children in Pennsylvania cities develops the fact that child insurance is an excellent "cemetery promoter." In certain localities, where the good die young, a large percentage of immature angels were insured by thrifty parents.

Doubled in Five Years.

In 1897 the net earnings of American railways amounted in round numbers to \$338,000,000 for the twelvemonth ended June 30. During the last fiscal year, according to the preliminary report, the net earnings were nearly \$667,000,000. Receipts available for interest and dividends have almost doubled in five years.

Inhumanity of Coal Barons.

No more damaging testimony against the anthracite coal operators has been adduced than that of a 12-year-old boy who produced due bills showing that he had worked several weeks at four cents an hour and was docked every cent of his pay on account of an old debt against his father, who had been killed in the mines.

One Preacher's Work.

Rev. C. A. Herriman, of Hamilton, O., has announced his retirement. While serving as a pastor in Hamilton he has baptized 2,782 infants, confirmed 1,716 children, solemnized 863 marriages, preached 1,796 funeral sermons, and has had over 25,000 communicants. He has truly been with many members of his flock from the cradle to the grave.

Early American Cities.

At the beginning of the nineteenth century there were 16 cities in the country which had a population of more than 4,000. Philadelphia was first in the list, with 69,000, with New York a close second, while Baltimore had taken third place from Boston by 26,000 to 25,000. At the same period the population of the country was 5,308,483, of which only five per cent. was urban.

Fruit Eating and Temper.

At a meeting of horticultural enthusiasts at Minneapolis (Minn.) the other day one delegate declared that the eating of fruit was conducive to equanimity of temper, and that children who were fed on fruit instead of meat could be easily distinguished by their agreeable dispositions. He accordingly urged that the consumption of fruit should be encouraged at home and in school and by all other means available.

Would Pay National Debt.

Pedro Alvarado, of Parral, Mex., said to be worth \$40,000,000, has offered his entire fortune to the government of the republic, the money to be used in liquidating a part of the national debt, which now amounts to about four times the sum named. Senor Alvarado explains that his wealth came from mines, titles to which were given him by the government, and he can well afford to gratify his desire. The government has declined his offer.

Get Back to the Land.

There is no cure for conditions of depression in either organized labor or organized capital. Both depend on the markets, and neither the one nor the other can command them. The real remedy for hard times, the enforced remedy for redundant labor, is a reversal of the downward tide of population. As a last resort men must dig to live, and they must go back to the land to dig. The reviving movement for the occupation of the public lands in the west is a healthy one.

DEATH CLAIMS HER.

Mrs. U. S. Grant Passed Away in Her Washington Home.

Body Will Lie Beside That of Her Husband in New York—Mrs. Sartoris the Only Child Present When the End Came.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, wife of President Grant, died at her residence in this city at 11:17 o'clock last night. Death was due to heart failure, Mrs. Grant having suffered for some years from valvular disease of the heart, which was aggravated by a severe attack of bronchitis. Her age prevented her rallying from the attacks. Her daughter, Nellie Grant Sartoris, was the only one of her children with her at the time of her death, her three sons, who had been summoned here, all being out of the city. There also were present at the bedside when the end came Miss Rosemary Sartoris, a granddaughter; Dr. Bishop, one of



MRS. U. S. GRANT.

the attending physicians, and the two trained nurses. Death came peacefully, the sufferer retaining almost complete consciousness practically to the end. Word has come from Jesse and Ulysses S. Grant, two of the sons now in California, that they have started on their way to Washington. The other son, Gen. Fred Grant, is in Texas and he will hasten here as soon as he receives a message telling him of his mother's death. The remains of Mrs. Grant will be deposited in the tomb at Riverside park, New York, where those of her husband now repose.

Mrs. Grant, whose maiden name was Julia Dent, was born in St. Louis in 1826 and was the daughter of Frederick and Ellen Wrenshall Dent. She was married to Gen. (then Capt.) Grant in 1848. During the civil war Mrs. Grant was with the general much of the time and remained as near as possible to him when he was campaigning. She saw her husband twice inaugurated as president and accompanied him on his journey around the world.

As mistress of the white house she gave liberally to all the charitable institutions of the city. Four children were born to Gen. and Mrs. Grant, three sons and one daughter, all of whom are living. Miss Nellie, the daughter, who became the wife of Algernon Sartoris in 1874, has lived in Washington with her mother for several years. Frederick Dent Grant, the oldest son, is in the army and two other sons, Jesse and Ulysses Sherman, live at San Diego, Cal.

Must Have Better Roads.

Washington, Dec. 15.—The post office department has a scheme under consideration which, if adopted, will help to do away with the bad roads to be found in many parts of the country. The plan is to have inspectors appointed in the rural free delivery part of the service whose duty it shall be to determine whether the roads over which it is proposed rural carriers shall travel are fit.

Sac and Fox Indians Dying Off.

Guthrie, Ok., Dec. 15.—Dr. Wyman, the government physician at the Sac and Fox Indian agency in Oklahoma, announces that a large majority of the tribe are afflicted with tuberculosis, scrofula and other incurable diseases and adds that the tribe will be practically annihilated within a few years. The latest report says there are but 479 members of this once powerful tribe left.

Chairman A Bunch Serpiously Hurt.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 15.—While leaving his office in the state house Morton Albaugh, state bank commissioner and chairman of the republican state committee, fell on the stone steps at the south entrance of the building and his right thigh was broken. The physicians permit no one to see him and say his recovery is doubtful.

Caught a Golden Eagle in Kansas.

Emporia, Kan., Dec. 15.—Ray Waddington, on a farm near here, captured alive the largest eagle ever exhibited here. It is a golden eagle and measures eight feet five inches from tip to tip of its wings. Waddington shot the eagle in the tip of the wing.

A Factory in St. Louis.

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 15.—The Loose-Wiles Cracker company (anti-trust) will establish a \$500,000 plant in St. Louis, to be operated in connection with the Kansas City factory.

ARBITRATION MAY PREVAIL.

No Further Aggressive Movements in Venezuelan Waters Until Castro's Proposition Is Disposed of.

London, Dec. 16.—The Associated press has reason to believe that orders will or have been sent to the British commander in Venezuelan water to take no further aggressive action at present, pending a decision being arrived at on the proposal for arbitration. This came in the form of a proposal, through the United States government, to submit the claims of British and German subjects to arbitration, which Lord Lansdowne announced later in the day in the house of lords, is "now under consideration by the British government."

Lord Lansdowne added: "We are greatly indebted to the good offices of the United States minister at Caracas."

Italy Joins in the Blockade.

Berlin, Dec. 16.—The foreign office yesterday informed the Associated press that Italy will participate in the blockade by agreement with the allies and that a portion of the coast will be assigned to the Italian ships. The proceedings against Venezuela thus becomes in every respect tri-partite.

Want Castro to Resign.

Caracas, Dec. 16.—Inaction reigns in government circles here. The officials do not know what to do and are depending entirely upon the United States to assist them. A movement is on foot here, headed by prominent doctors and lawyers to request President Castro to resign and to ask Vice President Ayala to assume the presidency and form a cabinet without party tendencies. It is also proposed to summon congress to appoint a temporary president and arrange the questions in dispute in a manner satisfactory to all concerned.

WOULD-BE ROBBERS FOILED.

Three Men Come to Grief in an Attempt to Hold Up the First National Bank of Alvard.

Alvard, Tex., Dec. 16.—Three men made a daring attempt to hold up the cashier and rob the First national bank of Alvard yesterday. One of the would-be robbers, Frank Martin, was killed. Another, John McFall, is desperately wounded and the third, Claud Golden, is in custody. The bank officials had been notified by Constable John Dobbs, of Chico, that an attempt would be made to rob the bank yesterday and the officers arranged a reception for them.

Defeated Candidate Charges Bribery.

Salem, Mo., Dec. 16.—Mason Cape, the defeated democratic candidate for the legislature from this (Dent) county, has commenced contest proceedings against W. P. Elmer, the republican nominee. Cape charges his opponent with violating the corrupt practice act by spending a larger sum of money than the act allows, \$500 of which is alleged to have been sent to bribe the voters of Dent county.

To Sidetrack Fowler Bill.

Washington, Dec. 16.—Efforts to pass the Fowler currency bill, which was introduced at the last session and made the subject of elaborate discussion by the press of the nation, will be abandoned by the republicans of the house. In its place will be pushed the asset currency bill prepared by Comptroller Ridgely.

Would Grade Normal Institutes.

Topeka, Kan., Dec. 16.—State Superintendent Nelson thinks it would be a good thing if the county normal institutes were graded. Mr. Nelson believes better results will be achieved if the inexperienced teachers are given an elementary course, and the experienced teachers more advanced subjects.

Kicked the Sheriff's Revolver.

Columbus, Kan., Dec. 16.—While in a store here, Sheriff O. W. Sparks was approached by a friend who playfully kicked him, striking the sheriff's revolver in a back pocket. It was discharged and the ball ranged upward into the sheriff's right shoulder, inflicting a wound from which he may not recover.

Every Taxpayer a Stockholder.

Ottumwa, Ia., Dec. 16.—Every taxpayer in Ottumwa is to be made a stockholder in a waterworks company if the plans now on foot in this city are carried out. It is said to be the second time in the history of the United States that such a scheme has ever been suggested.

Bryan Wants to Know

Austin, Tex., Dec. 16.—William J. Bryan will arrive here Friday. He will go from here to Mexico, where he will spend the Christmas holidays and make a personal investigation of the existing conditions brought about there by the tremendous decline in the price of silver.

Douglass Succeeds Judge Henry

Kansas City, Mo., Dec. 16.—Gov. Dockery has appointed Shannon C. Douglass judge of division 4, of the Jackson county circuit court, to succeed the late Judge John W. Henry.

She Was Not Superstitious.

During a marriage ceremony at Northeast Harbor, a week ago, the long veil of the bride in some unaccountable way became loosened, and fell. A superstitious bride would have been horror-stricken at such an occurrence—perhaps would have fainted, perhaps postponed the event. Not so this bride. She just stopped the proceedings long enough to readjust the refractory adornment, glanced smilingly at the groom, and then, with a let-the-procession-move look toward the minister, resumed her position at the altar. The reverend gentleman proceeded, and it was noticed that he gave an extra tug at the nuptial knot.—Kennebec Journal.

'Frisco System—New Observation Cafe Cars.

In addition to through chair car and Pullman Sleeper service the Frisco System operates on its trains out of Saint Louis and Kansas City very handsome Observation Cafe Cars, under management of Fred Harvey. These cars are equipped with every convenience, including large library observation room and platform; the former supplied with easy chairs, writing material, latest newspapers and periodicals. Electric lights and electric fans add to the comfort of the passengers. These trains leave Saint Louis and Kansas City daily via the Frisco System.

She—"Cholly is always running after an heiress. He has a passion for gold." He—"He inherited it. His father died of yellow fever."—Indianapolis News.

Many of us might be happy if we did not suffer from disorders of the liver. Then we ought to use Dr. August Koenig's Hamburg Drops, which cure the disorders and bring the whole system to a healthy condition.

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We can't help but feel very often that the advice we give is much better than the advice we take.—Indianapolis News.

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Whatever enlarges hope will also exalt courage.—Johnson.

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