

Calendar for APRIL 1903 showing days of the week and dates.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

Nearest Our Thoughts.

It is time to abandon the movement for government ownership of coal mines and take up the cry of government ownership of ice factories.

Shipping Away From "Traditions."

An old-fashioned editor pleads for a return to hanging as a means of suicide instead of carbolic acid. But we are slipping away from all the good old traditions.

Not One Kicker.

The 240 voters of the village of Greene, N. Y., have decided unanimously for the municipal ownership of its waterworks and electric lighting plant. At last a place has been discovered without at least one kicker against everything.

Incredible Story.

The story that there is a person living in California 150 years old is incredible. Memory begins to fail seriously at 75, and at 100 it is practically obliterated. That extra 50 must be apocryphal.

Time Allowance Is Sufficient.

The Panama canal treaty allows the United States 14 years to complete a canal with locks and 12 years more in case of unforeseen delays or obstacles. If a sea level canal is constructed the total time allowance is 36 years.

Seasickness Will Be Rare.

The first voyage of the Cedric, whose length is 700 feet, tends to confirm the claim that seasickness will be rare on ships of this size. While the Cedric pitched to some extent, she did not roll even when a gale was blowing.

Increased Twentyfold.

In 1870 486 ships passed through the Suez canal and the gross receipts were \$1,270,000. In 1901 3,699 ships passed through and the gross revenue was \$20,000,000. The gross tonnage of the Suez canal increased more than twentyfold between 1870 and 1901.

Talked Out of a Job.

The United States consul at Montreal was fired for talking too much. Were that rule to be adopted generally in all the walks of life the employment bureaus would be rushed to death. It is significant that the vacancy left by the too-talkative gentleman was filled with the appointment of a newspaper man.

Will There Be Plumes in Heaven?

Will there be no plumes in heaven? It is the opinion of Rev. John Brown that there will not be. This worthy divine preached a sermon on "Earthy Follies" in Wabash, Ind., the other night; and among other things, he declared that no woman who wears plumes on her hat can ever get into heaven. Four of the women in his audience were so deeply impressed by his words that they tore the plumes from their hats and threw them in the stove.

Sentiment Pushed Aside.

Gen. Fred Grant has sold for \$60,000 the Washington house which was presented to his mother by friends of Gen. Grant soon after the latter's death. The house brought about the sum that was paid for it. It is rather strange, however, that a house that came into the family as that one did should be sold, particularly as the sale compels Gen. Grant's sister, Mrs. Nellie Sartoris, who is now a widow and in feeble health, to remove to an apartment house.—Jola (Kan.) Register.

The Earth Is "It."

Prof. Wallace, a noted astronomer, declares that it is proved to a certainty that our solar system is the very center of all the heavens, and that the earth is the best situated in the sun's system for the development of the highest forms of life. Therefore his conclusion is that on the earth alone does man exist, this being based on the theory that all of the spheres are part of a plan or aim which has for its culminating point the production of an intelligent being.

TRAFFIC IS STOPPED

Little Change in the Flood Situation at Greenville, Miss.

Relief Boats Continue to Scour the Overflowed District and Are Taking on Board All Who Desire to Leave Their Homes.

Greenville, Miss., March 31.—There is little change in the flood situation. The cutting of the protection levee at the northern border of the town has given no perceptible relief in letting out the water. On the contrary, a rise is still in progress generally throughout the city.

The crevasse below Greenville is about 2,000 feet wide and the water is rushing through at a rapid rate, overflowing Issaquena, Sharkey and a portion of Washington counties. So far as known not a single life has been lost as a result of the breaking of the levee and the subsequent flooding of the country. The negro woman and five children that were reported to have perished were rescued. Rescue boats are out in every direction and all refugees brought to the city are being cared for. In Greenville the water is causing endless inconvenience and much damage, but the city and its inhabitants are not considered to be in danger, even should the water go much higher.

Cribbing Carried Away at Hymelia Crevasse

New Orleans, March 31.—The carrying away of additional cribbing at the Hymelia crevasse early yesterday morning brought the forces that have been at work there to the verge of abandonment of the attempt to close the break. Later in the day, however, it was agreed to continue the undertaking, though all hands are likely to be called off if the terrific current washes out the new lines of cribbing which were started from both ends of the levee late yesterday afternoon. In no event can the work be completed inside of a week and unless ample money is given the next disaster to the cribbing is likely to mark the end of the struggle.

Two ridges between which the levee caved have prevented the water from spreading rapidly above and below, but the mighty torrent is filling the lakes and bayous to the rear, and in the next fortnight the whole basin from the La Fourche to the lower limits of cultivated land in Plaquemine is likely to go under water, causing inestimable damage and much suffering.

The Howell crevasse is beyond control and this has suspended all traffic over the Napoleonville branch of the Southern Pacific.

Mud Boils in Mayeraville Levee.

Vicksburg, Miss., March 31.—Mud boils appeared in the levee at Mayeraville late yesterday afternoon and last night almost the entire male population was working at the danger point. Telephone messages state that the danger is great and the citizens are complaining of the levee board's action in withdrawing the guards from the levees in that city. Mayeraville is the county seat of Issaquena county.

A WOMAN'S WAR ON SALOONS

Single-Handed Miss Carrie Styer Has Closed Thirteen Grogeries and the End Is Not Yet.

Kokomo, Ind., March 31.—Miss Carrie Styer, a popular society woman of this place, has, single-handed, undertaken the task of putting the 33 saloons out of business. She has already closed 13 and is in a fair way to abolish the others. A month ago Miss Styer headed a tour of the saloons on Sunday, finding many open. Miss Styer, who is a sister of ex-County Treasurer Charles Styer, was, at the request of the saloonmen, dismissed from her position as cashier in a clothing house. Then she began her crusade in earnest. She has worked through blanket remonstrance under the Nicholson law. Only legal methods are employed. The churches and police commissioners are in sympathy with her, and the prospects are that Kokomo, with a population of 16,000 and its factories working 6,000 men, will be saloonless in a short time.

INVESTIGATING HOWZE.

Former Lieutenant Colonel in the Philippines Is Charged with Permitting Outrages Against Natives.

Washington, March 31.—The war department is investigating charges filed against Lieut. Col. Robert L. Howze, who was in command of a post in northern Luzon in 1899. The charge relates to cruelties to Filipinos, allegations being made that Lieut. Col. Howze was cognizant of the fact that two natives were whipped to death and that no punishment of the offenders was ordered.

Thurber's Sentence Commuted.

Washington, March 31.—The president has commuted to imprisonment for 20 years the sentence of Thomas Thurber, convicted in Kansas of murder and sentenced in 1888 to be hanged. The prisoner has served nearly 15 years.

ONE PRECINCT COUNTED.

Chicago Election Commissioners Decide to Submit the Lorimer-Durbin Contest to the Courts for Settlement.

Chicago, March 31.—The board of election commissioners in the face of objections by Lorimer's attorneys decided to count the ballots in the Lorimer-Durbin congressional contest in one precinct and to make up an agreed case to be carried to the supreme court. Thereupon they began to count the ballots with locked doors. Judge Carter, as legal adviser for the election board, announced that the counting of one precinct would preserve the sanctity of the election law and the principle for which the commissioners were contending, and that in view of pressed matters in connection with the coming municipal election he was willing to postpone the counting of the remaining precincts. The counting of the ballots proceeded without interruption and when finished an adjournment of the hearing was taken until April 10. The election board, however, remained in session, and its primary object is believed to be the maintenance of authority over the police guard in anticipation of any move on the part of Judge Haney and the Lorimer supporters.

Gen. Booth Welcomed Home.

London, March 31.—London accorded William Booth, commander-in-chief of the Salvation army, a great welcome home at the Albert hall last night. The immense auditorium was packed from the floor to the roof. There was not a vacant seat in the building, which has a capacity of 9,600 persons, and in spite of the rainy night hundreds were turned away from the door.

City Elections Held in Iowa.

Des Moines, Ia., March 31.—City and town elections were held throughout Iowa yesterday, except in some of the larger cities, which are under special charters. The contests were in nearly all cases non-partisan, involving purely local issues, and the results are no indication of the trend of political opinion.

Great Colorado Tunnel Finished.

Leadville, Col., March 31.—The successful feat of completing the Yak tunnel from its mouth in California gulch, the silver section, to Ibox, No. 4 shaft, in the heart of the gold section, was completed yesterday. The tunnel has a length of 11,000 feet, with a depth at this point of 1,300 feet. The tunnel has cost \$1,000,000.

Gen. Jackson Dead.

Nashville, Tenn., March 31.—William Jackson, a noted confederate cavalry leader and the proprietor of the Belle Meade farm, died at his home, Belle Meade, near here, yesterday afternoon. He was 68 years of age, and had been in failing health for more than a year and dangerously ill for several weeks past.

The Battleship Maine to Be Raised.

Washington, March 31.—The navy department has been notified that the wreck of the battleship Maine is to be raised in Havana harbor, thus making possible a final solution of the mystery surrounding the manner in which the vessel was blown up. The wreck is to be raised by Cuba, at its own expense.

Sending \$3,000,000 to the Philippines.

Washington, March 31.—The secretary of the treasury signed a warrant for \$3,000,000 for account of the treasurer of the Philippines to cover the appropriation for that amount made at the last session of congress for the relief of distress in the Philippine islands.

Restores 1,000,000 Acres to Domain.

Washington, March 31.—The secretary of the interior has issued an order restoring to the public domain nearly 1,000,000 acres of land in Natronia and Johnson counties, Wyo., that were withdrawn from public entry about a year ago as oil lands.

Germany Is Satisfied.

Berlin, March 31.—The foreign office here is fully satisfied with the explanations Admiral Dewey made to President Roosevelt regarding the interview with the admiral, in which the German navy and the German emperor were mentioned.

Vetoed Appellate Court Bill.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 31.—Gov. Dockery vetoed the bill passed by the recent legislature creating a new appellate court out of 22 counties in southwestern Missouri, with headquarters at Springfield.

Senator Stone's Private Secretary.

Jefferson City, Mo., March 31.—Senator W. J. Stone has appointed Joseph Tall, of Kahoka, Mo., to be his private secretary. Tall was chief clerk of the Missouri house during the recent session.

Named a Socialist for Congress.

Hutchinson, Kan., March 31.—Over 100 delegates from the 32 counties of the Seventh congressional district met here Monday and nominated C. B. Archer, of Hutchinson, for congress.

PACKER SWIFT DIES.

Internal Hemorrhage Results from a Surgical Operation.

A Fortune Estimated at \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000 Left—An Originator of a Method That Has Made Many Fortunes.

Chicago, March 30.—Gustavus Franklin Swift, president of the Swift Packing company, died at his home, 4848 Ellis avenue, early yesterday of internal hemorrhage resulting from a surgical operation. Swift was 63 years old.

Gustavus Franklin Swift began his business career as a butcher and died leaving a fortune estimated at from \$7,000,000 to \$10,000,000. This fortune was made in the course of 45 years. He was born at Sandwich, Mass., in June, 1839. He opened a small butcher shop in his native town. He removed to Boston when he was less than 30 years old. He remained in Boston until 1875, when he came to Chicago.

Mr. Swift was not only the oldest "packer" at the time of his death, but he was the originator of the method that has made many large fortunes. From the small plant started in 1877 has developed a great corporation with branches in St. Louis, Kansas City, St. Joseph, Omaha, St. Paul and Fort Worth, Tex., and with distributing offices in every important city and town in the United States and with representatives in the leading cities of Europe, Asia and Africa. Its employes number 22,607. Upon its capital stock of \$25,000,000 the sales of 1902 exceeded \$200,000,000.

RAN INTO A FREIGHT TRAIN.

The California Limited Meets with an Accident at Strong City, Kan.—Three Stockmen Injured.

Emporia, Kan., March 30.—Early yesterday morning the Santa Fe California limited ran into the rear end of a freight train standing on the main track in the yard at Strong City, injuring three stockmen, who were in the way car of the freight train. The injured men are: Jack Krause, of Eudora, Kan., head and hips badly bruised, eyes injured; Ed Humphreys, of Kansas City, back injured and injured internally; Arthur Ellis, of Great Bend, Kan., head cut and foot injured. Five cars were crushed to kindling wood, the way car caught fire and burned and the engine of the limited was considerably damaged. A car of cattle happened to be chained behind the way car of the freight or the train crew and stockmen who were asleep in the way car would certainly have all been killed.

STRIKE RIOT IN RUSSIA.

At Slatouk, the Chief Town of Mining District, 28 Persons Were Killed and 50 Wounded.

St. Petersburg, March 30.—A great strike riot, accompanied by much bloodshed, has occurred at the town of Slatouk, in the government of Oufa, among the Ural mountains. Twenty-eight persons were killed and 50 others wounded. Slatouk is the chief town of a mining district and is the center of the southern imperial mines. It has iron works and an extensive manufactory of damasked scimitars and articles of inlaid and embossed steel. Slatouk has an altitude of 1,343 feet and contains a population of about 21,000 souls.

Mrs. Roosevelt Starts for a Cruise.

Washington, March 30.—Mrs. Roosevelt and her children will take their projected cruise on the president's yacht, the Mayflower, during the coming week. They bade good-bye last night to the president, who leaves on his western trip Wednesday morning, and they then boarded the Mayflower. Mrs. Roosevelt expects to be absent about a week.

Winfield Girls as Joint Smashers.

Winfield, Kan., March 30.—Winfield had a joint smashing Saturday night. The two daughters of John Osborne armed themselves with pistols and hatchets and made the rounds of the joints, looking for their brother, Ed Osborne, an employe at the Baden mill, who receives \$18 a week. The girls were finally taken home by a relative.

A Plot to Free a Condemned Murderer.

St. Joseph, Mo., March 30.—A plot to blow up the county jail with dynamite for the purpose of securing the release of Charles May, the double murderer, sentenced to be hanged here April 27, was discovered by Sheriff Spencer, who intercepted a letter from May intended for friends on the outside of the jail.

\$25,000 Fire at Sturgeon, Mo.

Sturgeon, Mo., March 30.—The building occupied by Todd, Lightner & Co., as a general merchandise store, and Benson & Rucker, opticians and jewelers, burned this morning. The upper story was occupied by the Masonic lodge. The total loss is \$27,000.

An Adjustable Limit.

It was a Maine girl of whom the story is told that she refused to marry a most devoted lover until he had amassed a fortune of \$10,000. After some expostulation he accepted the decree and went to work. About three months after this the vivacious young lady, meeting her lover, asked: "Well, Charley, how are you getting along?" "Oh, very well, indeed," Charley returned, cheerily. "I've saved \$18."

One Answer for All.

Lancaster, N. Y., Mar. 30th.—Postmaster Remers is still in receipt of many letters asking if his cure has held good.

It will be remembered that some time ago the particulars of Mr. Remers' case were published in these columns. He had been very low with Diabetes. Physicians could do nothing to save him and he grew worse and worse till some one recommended Dodd's Kidney Pills. A treatment of this remedy was begun and when eight boxes had been taken Mr. Remers began to see an improvement which continued as the treatment proceeded till he was completely restored.

He has since enjoyed perfect health and is as robust and able a man as any in Lancaster. Interviewed the other day he said:

"Many people wrote to me when the story of my case was first printed and some wrote to me yet asking if the cure was only temporary and if the diabetes had returned. I have only one answer to everybody. Three years ago I was very low with Diabetes. The best physicians failed to help me and Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me. I am well and strong, and have not had the slightest return of the old trouble."

Success is sweet; the sweeter if long delayed and attained through manifold struggles and defeats.—A. Bronson Alcott.

Explosions of Coughing are stopped by Hale's Honey of Horehound and Tar. Pike's Toothache Drops Cure in one minute.

The braggart deceives no one but himself.—Ran's Horn.

I am sure Piso's Cure for Consumption saved my life three years ago.—Mrs. Thos. Robbins, Norwich, N. Y., Feb. 17, 1900.

A gent is an abbreviated gentleman.—Chicago Journal.

June Tint Butter Color makes top of the market butter.

Nothing is more unjust or capricious than public opinion.—Hazlitt.

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What SHE thinks of Dr. Caldwell's Syrup Pepsin

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CONSTIPATION AND INDIGESTION

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If you want to know what others think of it write for our book of testimonials.

Mrs. R. H. Fritzler, No. 3228 Cook Ave., St. Louis, Mo., under date of Oct. 15, 1901, writes: "I have been constipated for the past two years and your Syrup Pepsin is the only remedy I have tried so far that has any decided results. My son and I have been troubled with our hearts all summer and have taken treatment from one of the best physicians here, but the Stomach Trouble was no better. We will certainly do all we can to place your goods among our friends, as we know the merits of Syrup Pepsin."

Your Money Back If It Don't Benefit You

PEPSIN SYRUP CO., Monticello, Ill.

Advertisement for Montgomery Ward & Co. featuring 'WE WANT YOUR TRADE' and 'The house that tells the truth.'

Advertisement for 'POTATOES \$2.50 a Bbl.' from the largest growers of seed potatoes in America.

Advertisement for 'PILES ANAKESIS' and 'DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY' with details on relief and cure.