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TOPICS OF THE DAY.

The Proprieties Violated.

If Dan Patch and Major Delmar had any idea of propriety and courtesy they would not persist in their efforts to snatch the blue ribbon from Lou Dillon.

Illinois Honors Miss Willard.

Gov. Yates, of Illinois, has appointed five commissioners to purchase a statue of Francis E. Willard, the temperance worker, to be erected in Statuary hall, Washington.

Cleveland's Boy.

Grover Cleveland wants his boy to be a bridge builder, rather than a politician. A politician may be all right, however, until he acquires a taste for the machine business.

The Army and Yellow Fever.

We found no difficulty in stamping out yellow fever in Cuba, but can't do it among ourselves. This is because we let the army do it for Cuba. Military government has many good points.

The Proper Cure.

Now it develops that laziness is a disease produced by a germ whose full name is "Uncinari Americana." Its only cure is the introduction into the system of the sufferer of another germ, fatally antagonistic to the first, the latter germ being scientifically known as workum hardibus.

Good Policy to Follow.

Benjamin L. Winchell, the new traffic manager of the great Rock Island-Frisco railroad interests, and Howard Elliott, the new president of the Northern Pacific, came up from the ranks on merit. They pursued the policy of always doing a little more than they were actually required to do, and of doing it well. No boy who adopts that policy will have to hunt for a job; the jobs will always be hunting him.

Average Marriage Age.

The average marriage age for men does not differ materially in countries which keep accurate marriage records. It is highest, 31 years, in Sweden, and lowest in the United States, 26 1/2. Among women it is also highest in Sweden, 28 years, and lowest in Russia, 22 years. Some countries fix a minimum marriage age, below which a marriage cannot be lawfully performed. In most parts of Germany it is fixed at 21 for the bridegroom and 18 for the bride. In England it is 16 and 15 respectively.

Yielding to Temptation.

One of the saddest instances of yielding to temptation known for many a day is the fall of the superintendent of the foreign mail branch of the New York post office. He had been in the service for almost 30 years and had worked his way up to an important and responsible position. After so extended a term of loyal and valuable labors he was detected in stealing money from letters. He was trusted so thoroughly that the evidence of his guilt amazed everybody who knew him.

Coming to Stay.

In 30 years 1,391,076 Italians have come to this country. This immigration has a very peculiar character. Until 1890 the percentage of women was less than 15, but now it has increased to 39. This indicates that the immigration has a marked tendency to become permanent. Thirty per cent. or more of Italian adults who have been in this country more than ten years went back at least once to Italy, and 80 per cent. of these came to this country again, bringing their families with them.

New York's Great Population.

New York city now contains more people than there were in the American colonies when they achieved their independence. It has 1,000,000 more inhabitants than the kingdom of Greece, over 1,000,000 more than the kingdom of Servia, is nearly equal in population to the kingdom of Portugal and lacks not much of equalling the kingdom of Holland. It has a larger population than any of the Central American republics and more than any South American nation, Brazil and the Argentine Republic excepted.

HUNT FOR INDIANS.

Five Hundred Men Scouring a Wyoming Country for Redskins.

Two Battles Have Been Fought, But in Each Case the Officers Were Outnumbered and the Indians Came off Victors.

Denver, Col., Nov. 3.—Five hundred men, including sheriff's posses, augmented by volunteers from the ranches adjacent, are scouring the country in the vicinity of Lightning creek, in eastern Wyoming, in search of the band of Indians which Saturday afternoon fought a battle with Sheriff Miller's posse, killing the sheriff and one deputy, named Fossenburg. The latest advices are to the effect that a second battle has been fought and ten Indians killed and 11 others captured, but this has not yet been verified. News from the scene of the trouble, which is 25 miles from telegraphic communication, is very meager.

The Indians, 75 in number, said to be under the leadership of Charlie Carries Elk, are supposed to be Slouy from the Pine Ridge and Rosebud agencies in South Dakota. They have been hunting in the Converse country, Wyoming, in violation of the game laws of the state. Sheriff Miller, with a posse, went to the scene of their depredations last Saturday and for the purpose of arresting the Indians. The Indians had received warning of the coming of the whites and prepared an ambush for them. The posse would have been entirely wiped out but for the fact they were proceeding cautiously and were in a measure prepared for some trick on the part of the Indians.

SOLD LOVE FOR A FARM.

Mrs. Lillie Long, an Iowa Young Wife, Wants Legal Relief from a Bad Bargain.

Des Moines, Ia., Nov. 3.—Mrs. Lillie Long, a handsome young woman of 24 years, related on the witness stand before Judge Howe in the district court here, on a chilly October night at a lonely country schoolhouse, near Polk City, she bartered and sold herself to Nelson Long, a man of 65 years, for an Iowa farm. Now she says to the court that she made a bad bargain and wants to have it called off. But she wants more than this. She wants a large portion of her husband's fortune, which he has cleverly transferred to his son, as alimony.

SEED DISTRIBUTION.

Uncle Sam Begins Giving Away Forty-Five Million Packages of Garden and Field Seeds.

Washington, Nov. 3.—The largest congressional seed distribution ever made by Uncle Sam was begun yesterday. Within the coming three or four months over 1,000 tons of garden and field seeds will be distributed among the people of every state and territory in the union, at a cost of \$270,000, the amount appropriated by the last congress for this purpose. The total distribution this year will amount to about 45,000,000 packages.

FAINTED WHEN SENTENCED.

Marie Layton Will Go to State Prison for Embezzling \$35,000 from a Card Company.

New York, Nov. 3.—Marie Layton, who pleaded guilty here to two indictments of larceny from the local office of the United States Playing Card company, of Cincinnati, was given an indeterminate sentence of not more than five years and not less than one year in the state prison at Albany. She fainted when sentence was pronounced. The total loss to the company is said to have been in the neighborhood of \$35,000.

TWO FREIGHTS COLLIDE.

Seven Carloads of Stock Killed and Seven Men Injured Fifty Miles West of St. Louis.

St. Louis, Nov. 3.—While running at a high speed an inbound Wabash fast freight crashed into a freight ahead in a dense fog yesterday, 50 miles west of here, injuring seven men, two of whom may die, and killing seven carloads of stock. The caboose of the train ahead was split open and seven stockmen were hurled through the debris. The injured were taken to hospitals in Moberly.

Madden Is Being Investigated.

Washington, Nov. 3.—Postmaster General Payne admitted that an investigation is being made of charges involving the office of Third Assistant Postmaster General Madden in connection with the speculation of Philatelists in certain valuable specimen postage stamps.

Kidnaped a Female School-Teacher.

Norfolk, Neb., Nov. 3.—A sensational kidnaping is reported from Petersburg, where Edith Reynolds, an 18-year-old school teacher, who has been in charge ten miles east of town, is missing and is supposed to have been stolen and taken to Colorado by an aunt.

GOVERNMENT FINANCES.

Deficit of Five Millions for the Month—Public Debt Correspondingly Increased.

Washington, Nov. 3.—The comparative statement of government receipts and expenditures show that for the month of October, 1903, the total receipts were \$46,963,213, and the expenditures \$51,901,478, leaving a deficit for the month of \$4,947,265.

The Public Debt Statement.

Washington, Nov. 3.—The monthly statement of the public debt shows that at the close of business October 31 the total debt, less cash in the treasury, amounted to \$920,402,501, which is an increase for the month of \$2,649,956.

Coinage for October.

Washington, Nov. 3.—The total coinage executed at the mints during October, 1903, was \$3,872,220, as follows: Gold, \$1,540,000; silver, \$2,324,000.

STRIKE DECLARED OFF.

Messengers of the Pacific Express Company Advised to Return to Work by Their President.

St. Louis, Nov. 3.—The strike inaugurated by the messengers of the Pacific Express company on October 15 for a ten per cent. increase in wages, which resulted in a general walk-out of the employees here and in other parts of the country, was yesterday officially declared off by President F. E. Modie, of the Brotherhood of Railway Expressmen. Mr. Modie issued an order rescinding the strike and advising the strikers to act as they see best in returning to work.

TERRIBLE EARTHQUAKES.

Three Hundred and Fifty Persons Killed in Persia and a Number of Others Injured.

London, Nov. 3.—A dispatch to the Daily Mail from Simla says terrible earthquakes have occurred at Turshiz, near Turbat-i-Haidari, in Persia, in which 350 persons were killed and numbers were injured. One hundred and eighty-four carpet factories were destroyed and only 32 stalls were left standing in the great bazaar. The entire town was practically demolished.

A Base Deceiver.

Abilene, Kan., Nov. 3.—A young woman and a man who gave their names as Mary Compton, of Ottawa, and Daniel Gordon, of Emporia, were married by the probate judge here yesterday morning and, as they were boarding the Rock Island train for Salina, the groom leaped from the platform and ran into a nearby cornfield and has not been heard from since. It is said Gordon has been married four times, having deserted all his former wives after getting money from them.

Land Withdrawn from Settlement.

Washington, Nov. 3.—The general land officers have withdrawn from settlement four townships in the Waterville, Wash., land district and 12 townships in the Spokane, Wash., district, both for extension of irrigation work. Orders also have been issued for the withdrawal of 93,600 acres of unsurveyed land in the Helena, Mont., district, for the proposed Castle mountain forest reserve. The tract embraces townships 8 and 9 north, ranges 7 and 10 inclusive east.

To Build a "Mother" Church.

Kansas City, Mo., Nov. 3.—The Methodist Church society is negotiating for the sale of the valuable property it owns on Walnut street between Ninth street and fire headquarters. With the \$100,000 or more it realizes from the sale it intends to erect a church to take the place of Central Methodist church, Ninth street and Lydia avenue, which will be the "mother" church for the other nine southern Methodist churches in the city.

Kidnaped His Own Daughter.

Springfield, O., Nov. 3.—Oliver Gilson, a wealthy real estate dealer of Pasadena, Cal., successfully kidnaped his 12-year-old daughter at the temporary home of his young wife in this city. He was detected in the act by his wife and her screams aroused the neighborhood, but Gilson succeeded in bearing off the child bareheaded to his hotel. Gilson's wife was Miss Florence McGuire, who is said to have separated from him recently.

Postmaster General's Estimates.

Washington, Nov. 3.—Postmaster General Payne, in his estimates forwarded to the treasury for transmission to congress for appropriations needed during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1905, calls for an aggregate of \$168,085,770 for the postal service. The deficit for the year ending June 30, 1905, calls for \$8,613,709. The free delivery increase is \$3,163,700.

A Negro Savings Bank.

Richmond, Va., Nov. 3.—A savings bank for negroes, with a colored woman for its president, began business here yesterday. It is under the auspices of the Colored Order of St. Luke and members of that order from New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Maryland and other states were on hand to make deposits. The aggregate of the deposits yesterday was about \$75,000.

SORROW AT PERDUE.

Football Team of Famous University in a Fatal Wreck.

On the Outskirts of Indianapolis a Big Four Train Carrying 1,000 Persons Hit Some Coal Cars with Terrible Result.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 1.—A special train on the Big Four bearing 954 Lafayette passengers, including several hundred students of Purdue university, was wrecked near Riverside park at the edge of the city. Fifteen dead were taken from the wreck and 40 passengers were injured, 24 of them seriously. Among the dead are several members of the Purdue university football team which was to play Indiana university for the state championship here.

The crash of the two trains threw the coal cars through the first two coaches in which were many of the players and substitutes. The engine, two coal cars and two coaches were crushed into a confused mass of wreckage. Under this pile of debris were 50 or more students of the university. The uninjured in the rear coaches hurried to the aid of the victims.

The scenes following the rescue of the dead and injured were distressing. Strong men wept when they looked upon the faces of their dead and injured classmates. Many of the girls knelt at the side of the victims and bathed their wounds until the services of a surgeon could be secured. The women on the train did everything possible that their limited means would permit. All the young men killed were in the first coach which was reduced to kindling wood. They were found lying mangled and bleeding with the injured pinned against them.

OLD "AURORA" MISBEHAVING.

Serious Weather Disturbances Throughout the Country Said to Be Due to the Northern Lights.

Chicago, Nov. 1.—Serious electrical disturbances, said to be due to the aurora borealis, or northern lights, caused great inconvenience to telegraph and telephone companies. Telegraph wires in all directions from Chicago felt the effect, in some localities causing a total cessation of business. Long distance telephone wires were similarly affected, communication being entirely suspended at times. One report stated that huge waves of electric force passed through the earth, paralyzing the strength of the currents in the wires.

Brilliant Display in New York.

New York, Nov. 1.—A brilliant display of the aurora borealis interfered with telegraphic service in this vicinity. All cablegrams were accepted subject to heavy delay.

EXPLOSION SHOOK CITY.

Two Miles from Crestline, O., Dynamite Bored a 40-Foot Hole and Destroyed 500 Freight Cars.

Crestline, O., Nov. 2.—A car containing dynamite exploded from a supposed collision or jar with another car here last night, setting fire to every car within a quarter of a mile. These set fire to adjoining cars and at 11 p. m. at least 500 loaded and empty box cars were burning. The explosion occurred at the west end of the immense Pennsylvania yards in this city and about two miles from the city proper. A hole 40 feet deep was blown in the ground and the track wrenched into all kinds of shapes for a long distance. The explosion smashed thousands of window glass, both plate and pane, and made many people sick because of the concussion. Railroad ties were blown a quarter of a mile.

TWENTY-TWO PERISHED.

Terrible Result of Tenement-House Fire in New York Where Property Loss Is Only \$7,000.

New York, Nov. 2.—Twenty-two men, three women and a ten-month-old babe were burned to death or suffocated in a fire that started early yesterday morning in the House of All Nations, a five-story tenement house at No. 426 Eleventh avenue, and which the police and coroner believe to have been of incendiary origin. Some of the peculiar features of the disaster in addition to the startling loss of life are that the fire was practically extinguished in 20 minutes, that the police could learn of but one person being injured, other than those who lost their lives, and that the property loss was only \$7,000. The dead are mostly Italians.

Iowa Stock-Raiser a Bankrupt.

Creston, Ia., Nov. 1.—H. C. Sanders, one of the best-known stock raisers and shippers in this state, has filed a petition in voluntary bankruptcy. Liabilities, \$45,337; assets, 260 acres of mortgaged land and other real estate valued at \$4,800.

Deadly Storm at Cushing, Ok.

Cushing, Ok., Nov. 1.—A disastrous wind and hailstorm here damaged several houses and stores. In one house which was set on fire by lightning and destroyed a woman, name unknown, was burned to death.

AN ERRAND TO DO.

Traveler Asked to Stop in Texas on His Way from Chicago to New York.

One brother is a rich merchant in the Straits settlement on the Malay peninsula. The other brother was, until a few weeks ago, the cook in a cheap restaurant on South Clark street, says the Chicago Tribune.

The merchant sent to the cook a draft for sufficient money to pay his expenses out to Asia, and the cook gave up his job and started for his brother's home. The interesting thing about the whole incident is the letter, written by the wealthy merchant, which accompanied the draft.

In the first place the draft was made payable in New York. "I send you the money in a draft payable in New York," wrote the brother from far-off Asia. "You can go over and get it cashed there. On the way I wish you would stop at Texas and see brother Thomas. I haven't heard from him for two years now, and I'd like to know how he's getting along."

Money in Shoes.—Shoe Dealer—"It won't pay me to handle these shoes on such a small margin." Drummer—"I know the profits are small; but, my dear sir, just look at the shoes, and see how they are made." "Humph! They are made very badly, miserable stuff, too—won't last a week." "That's it, that it. You'll sell five pairs of these shoes to one of any others."—N. Y. Weekly.

Pearl Peach—Here is 10 cents, but I hate to encourage you to drink." Weary Walker—"All I need is de money. De encouragement is not necessary."—N. Y. Sun.

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