

The complete crank is a kind of collector of causes and it is difficult to discover the principle upon which he collects them. A new religion and underclothing and some insipid kind of diet are all the same to him, and he advocates them all with equal earnestness. He wants men to change their lives in every particular and portents against all the ordinary usages of the world, both in great and in small things. He does not believe that there is any instinctive wisdom in mankind or any value in past tradition and experience. For him wisdom has only just appeared among men and she has revealed herself to very few.

The story brought by Dr. Stout and his engineers from Brazil that quinine is often served there as the last course of a dinner, has been pronounced "absurd" by members of the Brazilian colony of New York. But medicine at dinner, he said, is not unknown here. "I often dine with a newly wed couple, and whenever the young wife serves a dish prepared by herself a tablet containing a few grains of quinine is supposed to aid digestion, and served with it. Of course, it is all done in fun, but we are always glad to help the little joke along by taking the tablet."

If the plentiful orange tide will continue to come from year to year it will be a measureless blessing to town folks and farmers, for no matter what rivalry is brought against it, winter or summer, the orange is just about the best before breakfast fruit that grows. It may be noticed that since the great flood of cheap tropical fruits, in the last 10 years people somehow or other are losing their appetite and relish for northern winter fruits, including the apple. Anyhow, the same consolation when good oranges are two for a nickel while apples are \$6 a barrel.

John Barker, the town marshal of Harrisonville, Mo., has averted the overheard conversation between two little girls who are not yet old enough to go to school: "What makes a horse act naughty when he sees an auto?" one asked. "It's this way," replied the other. "Horses are used to seeing other horses pull'n figs, and they don't know what to think of 'em goin' along without a horse. I guess if you was to see a pair of pants walkin' down the street without a man in 'em you'd be scared, too."

It was not until the American civil war of 1861 that any successful application of the torpedo to naval warfare took place. Its first invention, however, was made in 1776, in the person of this credit for the discovery being generally given to David Bushnell, an American, in 1777. In 1805 Fulton's torpedoes were successfully tried in Britain, but their use was declined by the government, and various other experiments were tried from time to time. Norway was the first country to order a fast torpedo boat, which was built in England in 1873.

At a garden party commemorating the 25th anniversary of beginning the work of the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children, of England, there were exhibited in a tent some of the instruments of child torture that had come into the society's possession. No child who was allowed the tent, round the walls were hung whips, iron rods, chains, sticks, ropes and other torture weapons used in the 64,499 cases of ill treatment and assault in the last quarter of a century.

As a South Jersey country physician was driving through a village he saw a man amusing a crowd with the antics of his trick dog. The doctor pulled up and said: "My dear man, how do you manage to teach your dog in that way? I can't teach mine a single trick." The man looked up, with a simple rustic look, and replied: "Well, you see, it's this way; you have to know more'n the dog, or you can't learn him nothin'."

The girls of the Boston public schools are to have an opportunity of taking part in outdoor sports on the same terms as their brothers. Outdoor games of the National Y. M. C. A. will be made a part of the curriculum just as soon as playgrounds for girls can be fitted up. Baseball, basketball, running, jumping and all sorts of other games will be taught.

The county judge of Cook county, Illinois, has recommended the appointment of a woman as inspector of all institutions to which delinquent and deficient children are committed. He suggests a salary of \$1,800 a year. Heretofore club women of the state have conducted examinations of such institutions and where remuneration was necessary the money came out of club funds.

The industrial census of Germany for 1907 (just published by the German imperial bureau of statistics) gives 4,025,591 industrial concerns employing 14,348,389 persons, of whom 3,510,466 were women. The increase in 12 years is 4,078,120—a ratio about four times as great as that of the employing concerns. These figures do not include railroad, postal, telegraph and telephone employees.

The ferry bridge continues to find favor in Europe. One of this type, with a span of 310 feet, is planned for erection across the Rhine at Koblenz, Germany. The floor, with its double track, will be carried by a steel arch. Another ferry bridge of even greater length is to be built at Bordeaux, France, over the Garonne, which at the point of crossing has a width of over 1,500 feet.

Miss Ivy E. Woodward, M. D., has been admitted to full membership in the Royal college of physicians, of London. It is the first time in its history that this body has conferred the coveted M. R. C. P. on a woman, although some women have obtained the L. R. C. P., which latter indicates that the holder has been licensed to practice the medical profession.

Americans have discovered a deposit of whiting in the state of Campeche, Mexico, which the Mexican Herald says is to be mined and shipped for refining to Mobile, Ala., where a factory has been erected. American imports of unmanufactured chalk amount to about 125,000 tons a year, mainly from England and Germany.

Stuyvesant Fish, Jr., began in the Illinois Central shop in Chicago at a salary of \$25 a month. Later he worked as station agent at \$60 a month in his eagerness to learn the work from the bottom up.

One of the great intellects of England has stated that not above 50,000 people in all Britain can read and understand the ordinary London newspaper.

Into the trade school at Liege, Belgium, there has been introduced a course in cigar making, fostered by government subsidy.

STATE COMMISSION AUTHORIZES ISSUE OF RAILWAY BONDS

Application of Northwestern of \$20,162,000 Refunding Bonds Granted.

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 12.—The state railway commission yesterday authorized the issue of \$20,162,000 general mortgage gold bonds of 1897 by the Chicago & Northwestern railroad. Most of the bonds are to be used for refunding the matured securities of roads that have come under Northwestern control.

Of the entire sum \$613,000, according to the representations of the company, is to be used to refund the expenses of retiring old bonds, \$8,549,000 will be used to take up bonds which will mature before January 1, 1910, \$9,000,000 will be used to cover improvements now made in the road and \$2,000,000 will be used to finance improvements and extensions now contemplated or under way. The bonds are to be sold for money early.

MIND UNBALANCED OVER HIS FAILURE TO DRAW A CLAIM

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 2.—The police last night picked up Alex S. Wilmot, of Casselmin, Pa., wandering on the street babbling about Indian claims and plainly out of his head. During the night the services of a physician were required to quiet him, and it was learned he came west to file. Failure to draw a number unbalanced him, but with rest and care will be all right in a few days.

HILLS SCORCHED BY FOREST FIRE

Whole Reserve Is Threatened With Destruction—5,000 Acres Now in Ashes. Rapid City, S. D., Nov. 2.—More than 5,000 acres of timber on the forest reserve, some of it new growth, has been burned over during the past 20 hours, but the fire still continues, although it has been brought under control in certain localities through the effort of companies sent out from here and Deadwood and Lead.

SAYS SHE GAVE HER HUSBAND POTION TO SOFTEN HIS TEMPER

York, Pa., Nov. 2.—When placed on the witness stand in her own defense, Mrs. Minnie E. Tracey, who is charged with the murder of her husband, Joshua Tracey, disclosed the most remarkable defense ever heard of in a murder trial in this country.

CHANGES IN ROADS DISPATCHING FORCE

Aberdeen, S. D., Nov. 2.—On November 1, M. J. Flannigan, who for the past two years has been chief train dispatcher for the Milwaukee at Aberdeen, was assigned the office of train master, succeeding T. H. Strate, who resigns owing to ill health. Frank McCormack will become chief train dispatcher after five years' service as operator in the offices here. Mr. Flannigan came to Aberdeen from Perry, Ia.

WABASH TRAIN GOES INTO MISSOURI DITCH

Chillicothe, Mo., Nov. 2.—Passenger No. 1 on the Wabash, bound from St. Louis to Omaha, was derailed 12 miles west of Pattonsburg, Mo., early today. A dozen persons were reported injured, none dangerously, it is said.

St. Louis, Nov. 2.—At the general offices of the Wabash railroad here, it was said that 10 persons were hurt, none seriously, in the wreck near Pattonsburg, Mo. The cause of the accident has not been determined.

TAILOR IDENTIFIES ROBBERS' CLOTHES

Boys Spot Three of the Men Who Are Accused of Holding Up Train.

Omaha, Neb., Nov. 1.—Evidence tending to connect William Matthews, alias W. G. Marvin, one of the men now on trial in the United States court charged with the robbery of the Union Pacific mail train in the suburbs of this city last May, with the other defendants, and to show that he was with them in April of this year, was introduced today.

Gus Bren, a tailor, of Kansas City, identified Matthews and Grigware as having visited his place of business on April 3, at which time he measured Matthews for a suit. The suit was introduced in evidence and identified by the witness, although the labels originally sewed upon the garments to show where they were made, had been removed, except one inside the waistband of the pants.

ADMIRAL LONGNECKER SUED BY HIS BROTHER

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 1.—Admiral Edwin Longnecker, United States navy, retired, is being sued by his brother, Gustavus Longnecker, for \$30,000, alleged to be due him from the defendant on a partnership deal away back in 1873, at the old homestead in Cumberland county, Pennsylvania. The suit, which is on trial in the district court, was brought here for the reason that the family owns real estate in this city.

BECOMES PRESIDENT OF LINCOLN TRACTION COMPANY

Lincoln, Neb., Nov. 1.—After a long and bitter fight, W. E. Sharp, vice president of the Lincoln Traction company, is about to realize his cherished ambition, to be president of the corporation. At the annual meeting of the stockholders which is slated to occur on November 16, a board of directors will be chosen who will name Sharp for the head of the consolidated company.

WEDDING AT LYONS

Lyons, Neb., Nov. 1.—Lynce Spoffard and Miss Nellie Stass were married here Tuesday evening and went to Aurora, Neb., where the groom operates a farm.

FIERCE BLAZE BURNS BIG CLEVELAND STORE

Cleveland, Ohio, Nov. 1.—The S. S. Kresge & Co., 5 and 10-cent nation store on Ontario street was destroyed by fire early today. On July 3, 1908, eight persons were burned to death in a fire in the same store caused by an explosion of fireworks.

UNWRITTEN LAW GOES WITH VIRGINIA JURY

Farmer Who Slew Assailant of His Daughter Acquitted Promptly. Moundsville, W. Va., Nov. 1.—The jury in the case of John Sickles, aged 67 years, a wealthy farmer, charged with the murder of his nephew, Randolph Ritchey, returned a verdict last yesterday of not guilty, after deliberating 31 minutes. When Judge Harvey told him he was free Sickles burst into tears and sobbed:

PRESIDENT BADLY BEHIND SCHEDULE

Natchez, Miss., Nov. 1.—President Taft aboard the Oleander, left here for New Orleans three hours behind his scheduled time today. He will arrive there tomorrow, after a stop at Baton Rouge this evening.

FREIGHT AND IMMIGRANT TRAINS IN A COLLISION

Fort Wayne, Ind., Nov. 1.—In a collision between a westbound immigrant train and an eastbound freight train at Tocsin, on the Chicago & Erie railroad, this morning, 35 immigrants, men, women and children, were injured, some of them perhaps fatally.

CITY EMPLOYE IN CHICAGO ACCUSED OF THEFT OF \$450

Chicago, Oct. 30.—Benjamin M. Payne, until recently holding the responsible position of vault clerk in the office of the city comptroller, was arrested here today, charged with burglary and receiving stolen property.

NEBRASKA WOMAN'S SUIT FOR DIVORCE STUNS HER HUSBAND

Left Another Swain at Altar and Now Wants to Go Her Way Alone.

New York, Oct. 30.—Fernando Wan Benner, young president of the Benner Real Estate company of No. 49 Liberty st., was the most astonished man in the city last night when newspaper reports of the suit for divorce instituted against him in Omaha were shown to him.

He Will Fight the Suit.

"I shall go to Omaha and find out the actual reason for her suit. In the meantime of course I shall have my lawyer here and see that my rights are protected. I do not want my friends to believe false accusations against me, and as a business man I cannot afford to permit such charges to go unrefuted."

Lawyer Influenced Her.

It is her social set here her husband's belle, that some outsider had prompted her to bring suit against him was coincided in. This influence, it was said, comes from an aged lawyer, whose motive, it is assumed, is a desire to manage her estate.

SHOT BECAUSE OF OTHER MAN'S WIFE

Omaha, Neb., Oct. 27.—Nathan Kasal, the former St. Joseph, Mo., business man who was shot by Arthur Sturges, a young engineer of this city, while escorting Mrs. Sturges from the theater, was said to be resting easily, but the attendants would not say there was hope of his recovery. Charges. has not been apprehended.

CHARGES \$10 FOR BEARING FRIEND'S BODY TO GRAVE

Milwaukee, Wis., Oct. 27.—Although left \$500 by the will of Newton C. Brown, who died at the Railroad Y. M. C. A., John Davis, who made his home at the Y. M. C. A., put in a bill against the estate for \$10 for acting as pallbearer. So did the other pallbearers.

HOT BY HUSBAND, SHE MAY RECOVER

Washington, Oct. 27.—Slowly recovering from the injuries inflicted yesterday by her infuriated husband, whose body still lies unclaimed in the morgue, Mrs. Evelyn Louise Short, will be operated on today for the removal of the two bullets which lodged in her back. At the hospital this morning she was reported as improving.

BALTIMORE SECURES W. G. T. U. CONVENTION

District Banner Goes to 13th Iowa—Ohio Leads in Increased Membership. Omaha, Oct. 30.—The main part of the delegates to the 36th annual convention of the Woman's Christian Temperance union, which closed last night, are today on their way home.

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YOUNG MAN SHOOTS SWEETHEART AND SELF

Bodies Are Found in Buggy by Roadside—Case of One-Sided Affection.

Clay Center, Neb., Oct. 27.—A double tragedy, accepted by the authorities as a murder and suicide, was disclosed yesterday when a farmer four miles from Clay Center found the dead bodies of Leroy Foster and Miss Inez Cox in a buggy near the roadway adjoining his farm. Apparently they had been dead a number of hours. Both were shot in the region of the heart, and near the man lay a revolver. Leroy Foster was a rural mail carrier, 23 years old, and Miss Cox was a stenographer, a year or two older than the man. They had gone riding together Saturday night following an invitation of the young man.

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Hastings, Neb., Oct. 27.—Hector McLean, of Brush, Colo., a brother of the late Charles McLean "Schlatter," arrived in Hastings today in response to a telegram from County Judge Butcher. McLean had pictures of his brother at the ages of 3, 40 and 60. Compared with the features of the dead man they revealed his identity.

STEARNS IDENTIFIED AS CHARLES M'LEAN

Bloomfield, Neb., Oct. 27.—W. T. Carson and James Gray, two young men who attempted to get into the moving picture show business by stealing two trunks of films, had their theatrical ambitions nipped in the bud by Judge Welch, in the district court of Knox county, who sentenced them to two years in the penitentiary.

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BIG BATTLESHIP ON A TRIAL TRIP

Super-Dreadnaught North Dakota Steams Out From Ways at Quincy.

Quincy, Mass., Oct. 30.—Slowly and cautiously today the United States battleship North Dakota, America's second super-dreadnaught, crept away from the docks of the Fore River Shipbuilding company, maneuvered through the narrow windings of Weymouth, Fore river and Hull bay, and then headed for Provincetown. Several thousand spectators cheered the great war vessel as she left the yard of her builders.

Her trip to the tip end of Cape Cod was for the purpose of giving her a "builders' trial, in the course of which her turbine engines, the first installed in any dreadnaught battleship, will, it is hoped, send her through the water at a speed in excess of her contract requirement of 21 knots an hour.

The North Dakota will run tonight or tomorrow to Boston harbor and will go into drydock at the Charleston navy yard to be prepared for her official trial off the Maine coast next week.

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The decision making this possible was rendered in the appellate court today when Judge Grosscup denied the petition of the government to have the Walsh bond of \$50,000 canceled. Mr. Walsh, hitherto allowed to travel about the country, must now, however, remain in Chicago.

He Agrees to Surrender.

In answer counsel for the defendant, among other things, pledged Mr. Walsh's word that he would not attempt to leave the United States, and that should his petition for a rehearing by the appellate court be denied and the supreme court go against him, he would at once surrender himself.

Judge Grosscup said: "Nothing is brought to our attention in the petition that shows any greater likelihood that the plaintiff in error will not remain in the jurisdiction of the court to answer to the final order of the court, than ordinarily exists in criminal cases at this stage of the procedure."

"To sustain, therefore, the prayer of this petition would be to say that no convicted man, whose conviction has been affirmed, shall be allowed to be out on bail, pending a petition for a rehearing, or an application to the supreme court, for writ of certiorari.

"This action does not, however, preclude the government from keeping plaintiff in error under such surveillance as it may deem proper, nor for asking for increased bail. The matter of increased bail is not before us on this petition."

Mr. Walsh is said to have been placed under constant scrutiny of five government agents last night.

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Patrick McMahon, who has been detained at the penitentiary with his brother as a material witness was given his liberty today, the authorities declaring they had no reason to connect him with the murder. He returned to Kansas City with his brother.

Immediately after his release, Patrick, who is a lawyer, announced he would act as the attorney for his brother. The defense will be that James McMahon was insane when he committed the triple crime.

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