

The Iowa railroad commission has just made a ruling of considerable importance. The trouble arose over the railroad charge of \$1.80 per ton for hauling coal from Cleveland, in Lucas county, to Glenwood, 136 miles west, while the charge from Cleveland to Council Bluffs, twenty-one miles further west, was but \$1.25 per ton. At both Glenwood and Council Bluffs there are state institutions whose coal has been furnished by this road, and while visiting them Governor Larabee discovered the discrimination and referred the case to the commissioners for a decision. They decided that the discrimination was unfair and illegal and recommended that the rates be changed so that more should not be charged for the short than for the long haul. The railroad, thereupon, instead of reducing the Glenwood rate to the Council Bluffs figure, raised the latter to \$1.98 per ton, claiming that the \$1.25 rate to the Bluffs was not a fair rate, but was forced by the competition at that point. After full investigation, the state being represented by counsel and the road by Manager Potter and Freight Agent Ripley, the commission decided that \$1.45 was a proper charge to Council Bluffs. They allowed terminal charges, which are an essential element in railroad charges too often overlooked. The commission in this case allowed 50 cents per ton, or \$6 per car, showing a strong tendency not to err against the road.—Lincoln Democrat.

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Baton James Harden Hickey, the editor of Lo Triboulet, Paris, country and has been visited, his native place.

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MOUND BUILDERS OR WHO? Interesting Discoveries in Otsego County, N. Y.—An Ancient Village Site. A very remarkable discovery was brought to light a short time ago upon the well known Slide flats at the junction of the Charlotte with the Susquehanna, on the south side of the latter stream, at a point some two miles above this village. During the recent high water a broad current was in some way diverted from the main channel across a bench of alluvial land rising two or three feet above the general level of the neighboring bank. The field having been plowed last fall and the soil to the depth of two feet or more consisting mainly of a fine alluvium, a gully two or three rods wide and as many feet deep, to the clay subsoil, was cut clear across the field for some rods—to a "binnaele" or overflow putting out from the main stream at some distance below. The current does not appear to have been very swift, and in consequence objects of some weight contained in the soil were left behind as the latter filtered away. For ten days or a fortnight the plowed section was under water. When the flood subsided Mr. Slado and his son paid a visit to the place to ascertain the extent of the damage, when what was their surprise to note in the bottom of the new made channel many fragments of rude pottery mingled with flint chips, arrow and spear points and similar remains. They gathered many, and the news of the discovery spreading, the spot has since been visited by several persons. The site laid bare by the flood is unquestionably that of an aboriginal village. Altogether some 3,000 fragments of pottery have been taken from a few square rods of surface exposed, together with 100 spear and arrow points—many of them of unusual form—several flint drills, as many "sharpening stones," two small granite axes, numerous "sinkers," etc. Several ancient fireplaces, of river cobbles, bedded together, were disclosed, from one of which a peck of charcoal fragments was exhumed. The pottery, several pieces of which show an exterior surface of three or four square inches, is both plain and ornamented, the latter in most intricate design. One fragment shows a human face, but straight lines, variously combined, and curious patterned patterns are the prevailing type. Rims and edges, being the thickest and least perishable portions, abound in the collections made. The plain pottery is remarkably hard and well preserved, and in both plain and ornamented the inside surface is in most cases of a black color, in strong contrast to the brick red or chocolate hue of the exterior. Of the top soil in the neighborhood abundant Indian relics, arrow and spear heads, "hammer stones," and the like, but it contains no sign of this pottery. Tradition runs that there was an Indian village in the locality. But it might well have existed two feet above the level laid bare by the flood. For there is nothing to prove that the soil had before been disturbed for ages. If indeed this be the site of the Indian village, then is it to be said that there can hardly exist that difference between the Indians and the mysterious mound builders which has been commonly supposed, for the pottery obtained on the Slide flats is precisely the same as the pottery exhumed in western mounds.

It may be remarked in connection with this subject that a so called "Indian mound" excavated by Walling's Island not far below this ancient village site; that there is another near the mouth of the Otsego creek, a third at Sidney and a fourth in the Unadilla valley.—Oneonta Herald.

A Strange Meeting. There was a strange meeting in the thronging mass in front of the Royal exchange the late night in a constant procession of people. There is no place in London where the crowd is so dense or where there is such a variety of people to be met. Right in the heart of this throng at 1 o'clock the other day a brother living in Egypt met a brother living in New York. The brother living in Egypt was on his way to call at a banking house in the city, while the New York brother was on his way to the continent. Neither knew that the other was in England at the time, and their meeting in the midst of this great struggling crowd upon a line where a second difference would have resulted in their passing by each other is a marvel of accidental meeting which I do not think can be very easily matched again.—London Letter.

The Parson's Story. The Rev. Dr. Forbes, of St. Paul, a plain spoken person and a practical Christian, tells this story: "A young man of the Young Men's Christian association gave a starving woman a tract and nothing more, and told a lawyer afterward that he had never seen such a spirit of Christian resignation as that woman manifested in receiving the tract. Then the lawyer swore at him. I think that if there was ever a time for swearing then it was. God would surely pardon it. If I am hungry and a fellow offers me bread and prayers, I will take the bread and do my own praying."—New York Sun.

Mrs. "Jennie June" Croly. Jennie June has stepped into her new place as editor of Godey's Lady's Book and begun her task as energetically as if she had not thirty years or more of busy pen labor behind her. "I have never known from the beginning," she said a few days ago, "what it was to have difficulty in finding work, but if editors and newspaper readers have liked what I wrote, it must have been of their own kind-ness, for I have never set any value on it myself." Mrs. Croly's daughter, Vida, is one of the most promising pupils of the Lyceum theatre school of acting.—New York Mail and Express.

A Man with an Appetite. There is a funny little old man in Essex, Mass., who is always eating. Three meals a day are only an aggravation to his appetite. He will rise at 2 o'clock in the morning and eat a slice of meat, some eggs, several pieces of bread, cut of ham and perhaps a few potatoes. At 7 o'clock he eats a hearty breakfast. At 9 he has another. About 10 he begins to grow hungry again. And so, like an avenging Nemesis, hunger chases him day and night. He is always craving food, and yet more than one reputable physician says the man is perfectly well.—Boston Transcript.

Driving Up the Chickens. Charles Deubler, of Dawson, Ga., has a shepherd dog that drives his chickens up at night. About sundown the dog begins his rounds over the premises, and never stops until every fowl is driven up and is in the hen house. If a chicken shows a disposition not to retire to its roosting place the dog drives it in the hen house and stands guard at the door until the chicken takes a perch on the roost.—Chicago Herald.

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THE ORNITHOLOGICAL PUZZLE.

Death of a Thousand Dollar Bird—Startling Conversational Powers. Jack, the nondescript, one that has sorely puzzled the greatest ornithologists of America, and for which the sum of \$1,000 has frequently been offered and refused, died on a small, vicious gray eye of peculiar shape. He was the size of a kingfisher. Many fancied that he was a Pagoda mynah (Temenuchus pagodarum), but the best authorities repudiated the suggestion. Capt. Perkins received the following from Professor J. B. Holden, of the Central park zoological collection, after sending a detailed description of the bird and asking for its tribe: "Dear Sir—I have looked over several works that we have and find nothing concerning the creature. Wood's Natural History of Birds I thought would contain the most particular account, but find that it only repeats what we all know about mynahs. It says that the mynah is thought to be equally intelligent with the gray parrot, that is equally able to talk with any other bird. I don't know of a work so recommended to your general works on birds as your own. I wish that I could direct you further, but I doubt any one's ability to find a book with a reference to the subject matter of your inquiry. I believe that because of the startling intelligence and apparent conversational (not merely verbal) powers of the bird it was supposed of evil spirits. His knowledge of Chinese was unbounded. Among his mimetic powers were accurate imitations of coughing, sneezing, crying, laughing, sharpening of knife, drawing nails, grating nutmegs, sawing wood, filling a vessel, barking of a dog and other sounds, given with wonderful precision. It actually conversed with Capt. Perkins, and apparently was made aware of the approach of his master by instinct. So soon as the captain came near his home the bird would screech a welcome of 'Hello, Cap, dinner is all ready' or, 'This way for Rockaway, Cap.' He imitated an air like a human being, and the house would respond to his call. He understood everything that was said to him. The captain, in pleasant weather, would take Jack into the street perched upon his shoulder, but his affection for his master was so strong and so wonderfully manifested that the latter had no fear of his eloquent 'Ah.' He called the captain to a hunt, and 'I almost feel as if I had lost a child. Talk about his value—no one could name his price to me!'—New York Times.

He Admires His Picture. A singular story was told me of the way in which a great mastiff who had never been in the city manifested his opposition to being "taken." After some little trouble he was placed in position facing the instrument, and remained quiet till the photographer pulled the cloth from in front of his lens and let the big glass eye stare at the huge dog. This was two much for the mastiff, who at once sprang at the machine and pulled it down before his owner could interfere to prevent his doing any further damage. Then, after quieting the animal and letting him see what was being done, he looked calmly at the camera, "taken," and was so pleased with his photograph that a copy is kept in his kennel firmly fastened by a frame and covered by a glass, which prevents him from exercising his propensity to lick it with his tongue.—Boston Post.

Two Little Executioners. The World tells a story of two youthful Bostonians of "good families," aged 8 and 9 years, who were so impressed by that famous work, "Fox's Book of Martyrs," that they determined to imitate the events therein narrated. Did they sit upon a pile of straw, griddons, or to twist each other's noses with pincers? Not much. It was not the martyrs but the executioners they wanted to emulate. They accordingly captured two pet pullets belonging to a neighbor, and "tying them to a stake, built a fire and roasted them to death." It is stated, but it is most sincerely to be hoped, that the parents of these youths treated them to a little martyrdom on their own account.—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

Signs of the Summer Exodus. "Travel to Europe will be very heavy this summer," said a trunk manufacturer. "I am sure of this, because there is such a big demand for trunk, steamer chairs, traveling rugs and all the other paraphernalia common to fashionable and wealthy tourists. Young women particularly are evidently going abroad quite numerously. They come in here every day for small trunks, hand satchels and steamer chairs. The demand for these latter articles is great, and every trunk store nowadays has a number of them setting around for sale."—New York Sun.

Miss Wolfe's Kindness. It would be interesting to know how many young women Miss Catherine Wolfe assisted through Vassar, and how many of her beneficiaries were as ignorant of the source of their help as a girl student whom the writer ran across the other day. A petite little senior just home for her Easter vacation, she only learned on the day of Miss Wolfe's funeral how it came about that she had so mysteriously been able to give her a college education and meet the constantly recurring tuition bills.—New York Mail and Express.

Selected for Policemen. The police department of New York is not prejudiced evidently in the matter of selections for "the finest." Thirty-seven additions to the ranks were made recently on probation. Four of the number were machinists, four were clerks, ten were conductors or drivers of cars or trucks, three were teamsters, two were blacksmiths, two were agents, one a printer, one a butcher, one a rigger, one a watchman, one a newsman, one a gateman, one a bookkeeper, one an undertaker, one a freeman, one a milkman, one a cutter, and one a stairbuilder.—Chicago Times.

The "New England" Colony. It seems rather a pity to draw off some of the best and most enterprising elements of our population to western colonies, but the formation of such colonies continues at more or less regular intervals. There is now forming one which is now called the New England colony, and which proposes to found, in western Dakota, a town to be named New England City, where the streets will be called after the names of New England states and our public men.—Boston Transcript.

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RUSHING TO DEATH

In the attempt to swim the Niagara Whirlpool Rapids is no more reckless or dangerous than to trifle with disease which each day secures a stronger hold and hastens the end of life. This is especially true of rheumatism, neuralgia, sciatica, and nervous headache, which though perhaps slight at first are extremely dangerous, and steadily secure a firmer grip until at last the agony is unendurable and sudden death brings relief. These diseases can be cured by the use of Athlophoros which, in connection with Athlophoros Pills, never fails when properly used. Read the following from those who have tested it. John S. Kennedy, Spearville, Kansas, says: "Nearly two years ago, four bottles of Athlophoros cured me of rheumatism, and I have had no return of the old complaint since." Mrs. A. Newton, wife of ex-Mayor Newton, Des Moines, Iowa, says: "I had been a great sufferer for years, and had resorted to many remedies, but nothing would do what Athlophoros did for me. Athlophoros took the stiffness out of the joints of my fingers, which I had been troubled with so long."

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