

You should never argue unless you know that you are in the wrong.

Will Miss Japan have the goodness to slap China again and make it behave itself?

Hit's a long lane what's got no turn-in; but sometimes hit turns so short hit heels de wagon ober.

Senator D. B. Hill is entirely over-looking 1896. But there are indications that his eyes are set on 1900.

The ex-pugilist, John L. Sullivan, has applied for a saloon license in Boston. He will start in with one good customer.

Cleveland claims to have a river which smells worse than the Chicago river. We don't believe she nose what she's talking about.

An Indiana druggist has been sued for \$5,000 for making a man drunk. This illustrates the danger of winking the wrong eye in a drug store.

Corbett and Fitzsimmons met in a Philadelphia cafe and we regret to say that Fitz didn't strike the champion very favorably. He had no ax.

Two people, both men, became insuass at a camp meeting near Philadelphia last Sunday, and one of the reporters states that it was a very quiet day.

The commission sent out to view the Nicaragua Canal report its probable cost \$110,000,000. That is quite a raise above the \$64,000,000, as the first estimate.

One of the things that victorious Japan claimed to have done was "to open up China to foreign commerce." China doesn't seem to have understood that way.

Nations that have cast-off guns and ammunition that won't shoot can now have a chance to get clear of old stock. We are told "the Chinese army is to be reorganized."

Holmes hopes his life will be spared till he gets through writing the story of his earthly career. It would be rare reading if he would write the truth. Probably he will be given time enough.

Eight more skeletons have been taken out of the mounds near Maysville, Ky., by the New York scientists, making sixty-five in all. But this doesn't bother Mr. Holmes. Skeletons can't talk.

Another poor boy has fallen heir to a million. This time it is James Henry Scott, of Ottumwa, Iowa. The present season seems to be an unfortunate one for very rich people with very poor relatives.

There is nothing strange about the fact that a couple were granted a divorce on the train the other day near La Crosse. A train would seem to be the proper place to brake the ties that bind.

Why not give up John Chinaman's conversion as a bad job and come home? There are enough heathen in this country to engage the constant attention of all the missionaries who want to work.

It may not have any special significance, but it is just as well to observe that the young lady who drew a diamond ring for being the prettiest woman in a crowd of 7,000 people at Mexico, Mo., did not wear bloomers.

In 1893 Mrs. Barnum issued a little book descriptive of the last year of her husband's life. Its title was "The Last Chapter," and it was intended to complete Mr. Barnum's autobiography. A postscript must now be added, but this is a woman's privilege.

At last the life insurance companies have been compelled to pay the insurance on the life of Dr. Fraker, who was supposed to have been drowned at Excelsior Springs, Mo., in 1894, but whom the companies believe is still alive. The sum paid by the companies this week was over \$35,000, but they propose to keep up the search till they find him, if it costs them as much more. Many people think they will succeed.

Think of the sad plight of Edward Hayes and Miss Edmonio Burr. They eloped from central Kentucky to Jeffersonville, Ind., one day last week, and were to be married at once. It appears, however, that when Edward and Edmonio arrived they had only money enough to procure the license and they skipped out with it, leaving the young lovers without a cent. At last accounts they were looking for a letter from home. What if it should never come!

Miss Coleman, the Ohio girl who is said to have gone to church wearing a pair of red bloomers, has denied the story. They were blue bloomers, and were to be married at once. It appears, however, that when Edward and Edmonio arrived they had only money enough to procure the license and they skipped out with it, leaving the young lovers without a cent. At last accounts they were looking for a letter from home. What if it should never come!

The exposition relative is so considerable. Here is a sample of him: "Dear John: You need not engage board for me at the hotel, as that might prove expensive to you. I can put up with almost anything, so I'll just stay at your house."

FRAKER BETRAYED.

TELLS ABOUT HIS INSURANCE SWINDLE.

Denies That He Expected \$20,000 From His Heirs—Talks Very Freely About His Mysterious Disappearance—Executors Enjoined.

St. Joseph, Mo., Sept. 4.—A reporter met Dr. Fraker, the insurance swindler captured Sunday in the woods of Northern Minnesota, and his captors, Attorney Robert Herick and Chief of Police Wilkerson of Topeka, at Talmage, Iowa, on the Chicago Great Western railway at 9 o'clock this morning. Between Talmage and St. Joseph, which was reached at 1:50 o'clock this afternoon, the reporter talked with Fraker and the others and obtained the complete story of the chase and capture, now published for the first time.

Speaking of the capture, Mr. Herick said: "Wilkerson deserves great credit for his part of the work. For myself, I am the company's lawyer, and it is my duty to protect the company from any injustice through the courts. Of course, I shall get a good fee for this work and Wilkerson will get enough to justify him in making the trip. There is no stated reward out. All offers of reward have been withdrawn."

"The other clues have generally been fakes and we did not get Fraker until we found some one who knew him and knew where to get him. It is useless to ask who that person is, because I shall never tell."

The man under arrest is Dr. G. W. Fraker, by his own confession and by the positive identification of Judge M. W. Sullivan of Excelsior Springs.

Any stranger who had never seen him before, but had seen his picture, would be struck with the resemblance to the pictures, though he now wears short burnside with a short mustache, a mixture of red and yellow. His trousers are patched, his brown wool shirt shows evidences of wear and his slouched hat has seen long and rough service. In short, he looks very much a hermit, who had lived a long time in the woods.

When asked to tell the story of his wanderings, Dr. Fraker said there was not much to tell.

"I did fall into the river the night we were fishing," he said, "and came very near being drowned. However, there was driftwood floating in the stream and I caught a log and floated down the river for a considerable distance. Finally I found a place where I could touch bottom and waded out on the land. I laid there all that night and all the next day."

When reminded that the current at the point where he disappeared formed a whirlpool where the best of swimmers would not think of venturing, he said he knew it was a terribly dangerous place and considered his escape from drowning a miracle.

No amount of questioning or argument could make him change this part of the story in the least.

"I don't know just when it was," he continued, "that I left the river, but with my clothing muddy and bedraggled, my hat lost my hair full of sand, I was in no condition to go back to the Springs, and accordingly I came to Kansas City. I had formerly stopped at first-class hotels, but this time, because of my appearance, I did not want to go to one of them, and so went to a rooming house on Grand avenue south of Fifth street, almost diagonally across from the Centropolis. I stayed there four days. On the second day I went to Twelfth street near Walnut street, and bought a razor, and then I shaved off all my beard, and if anyone in Kansas City who knew me had seen me on the streets he did not recognize me."

"At the rooming house no one asked my name, and I did not volunteer to tell it. Then I went to Chicago. While there I think I saw Dr. I. N. Love of St. Louis, but he was talking to some ladies and I did not approach him. From Chicago I went to Milwaukee and stayed most of the fall of that year. By that time the name of Fraker had been too much advertised, and I told a roommate that I was from Denver and that my name was William Schnell. I went by the name of Schnell from that time on."

"How about your being called Quick?" was asked.

"You don't understand German, then?" he replied. "Schnell is the German for Quick, and a few people used the English word for it, that is all."

"I lived in Wisconsin and Minnesota ever since."

"Were you in the timber or the towns?"

"I stayed most of the time in towns. There are no big towns outside of Milwaukee in that country. I went from one place to another. No, I won't tell you what towns we visited. You must excuse me now."

"Why did you conceal your identity?"

"I didn't."

"Yes, but the assumed name and the fact that you kept out of sight when the companies were looking for you proves the contrary."

"Well, I had not decided to stay away until the papers said all kinds of things about me. Then I knew I was in disgrace and could not make a living if I came back. It was you newspaper boys who got me into it."

"Then after a long pause he said: 'No, it was my own fault and no one else's. I have wanted to come back a thousand times, and came near coming, but the disgrace and what people were saying about me kept me from doing so. This living death is horrible and I am glad now I am going back.'"

"It was telegraphed from Duluth that you expected a share of the insurance money."

"That was not true. It was all to go to my heirs."

"Were you not planning to buy some land with springs and spend \$20,000 making a resort of it?"

"The way that came to be told was that I said the springs had good medicinal qualities and it would take \$20,000 to fix them up right. I never said I had that much money, or would develop the springs. I stayed in the woods in that part of the country for the last six months to get the benefit of the springs, because my health has been bad. I have been sick nearly three years now and nothing did me any good until I reached those springs."

CAUSED BY VACCINATION.

(From the Journal, Detroit, Mich.)

Every one in the vicinity of Meldrum Avenue and Champlain street, Detroit, knows Mrs. McDonald, and many a neighbor has reason to feel grateful to her for the kind and friendly interest she has manifested in cases of illness.

She is a kind-hearted friend, a natural nurse, and an intelligent and refined lady.

To a reporter she recently talked at some length about Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, giving some very interesting instances in her own immediate knowledge of marvelous cures, and the universal beneficence of the remedy to those who had used it.

"I have reason to know," said Mrs. McDonald, "something of the worth of this medicine, for it has been demonstrated in my own immediate family. My daughter Kittie is attending high school, and has never been very strong since she began. I suppose she studies hard, and she has quite a distance to go every day. When the small-pox broke out all of the school children had to be vaccinated. I took her over to Dr. Jamieson and he vaccinated her. I never saw such an arm in my life and the doctor said he never did. She was broken out on her shoulders and back and was just as sick as she could be. To add to it she had a neuralgia set in and the poor child was in misery. She is naturally of a nervous temperament and she suffered most awfully. Even after she recovered the neuralgia did not leave her. Stormy days or days that were damp or preceded a storm, she could not go out at all. She was pale and thin and had no appetite."

"I have forgotten just who told me about the Pink Pills, but I got some for her and they cured her right up. She has a nice color in her face, eats and sleeps well, goes to school every day, and is well and strong in every particular. I have never heard of anything to build up the blood to compare with the Pink Pills. I shall always keep them in the house and recommend them to my neighbors."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are considered an unfailing specific in such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after-effects of la grippe, palpitation of the heart, pale and salivary complexion, that tired feeling resulting from nervous prostration; all diseases resulting from vitiated humors in the blood, such as scrofula, chronic erysipelas, etc. They are also a specific for troubles peculiar to females, such as suppressions, irregularities and all forms of weakness. In men they effect a radical cure in all cases arising from mental worry, overwork, or excess of whatever nature. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are sold by all dealers, or will be sent post paid on receipt of price (50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50—they are never sold in bulk or by the 100) by addressing Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Schenectady, N. Y.

Did She Mean It?

Young Lady—Oh, I don't see your argument at all. But then, you know (with intention) I am next door to a fool.

The Poet—Oh, no! You must be beside yourself to say so!

(Young lady wishes she hadn't attempted the ancient witticism.)

NEBRASKA STATE FAIR.

Special Rates and Trains via the Burlington Route.

Round trip tickets to Omaha at the one way rate, plus 50 cents (for admission coupon to the State Fair), will be on sale September 13 to 20 at Burlington Route stations in Nebraska, in Kansas on Oberlin, Concordia & St. Francis lines, and in Iowa and Missouri within 100 miles of Omaha.

Nebraskans are assured that the '95 State Fair will be a vast improvement on its predecessors. Larger—more brilliant—better worth seeing. Every one who can do so should spend State Fair week, the whole of it, in Omaha.

The outdoor celebrations will be particularly attractive, surpassing anything of the kind ever before undertaken by any western city. Every evening Omaha will be aflame with electric lights and glittering pageants will parade the streets. The program for the evening ceremonies is:

Monday, Sept. 16th—Grand Bicycle Carnival.

Tuesday, Sept. 17th—Nebraska's Parade.

Wednesday, Sept. 18th—Military and Civic Parade.

Thursday, Sept. 19th—Night of Ak-Sar-Ben Parade, to be followed by the "Feast of Moutanin" Ball.

Round trip tickets to Omaha at the reduced rates above mentioned as well as full information about the Burlington Route's train service at the time of the State Fair, can be had on application to the nearest B. & M. R. K. agent.

STONE SILVER WORK.

The Governor Confers With Bland Committee for Four States.

St. Louis, Mo., Sept. 4.—Governor Stone, who had a conference last night with ex-Congressman R. P. Bland on the silver question, said today: "We merely talked over in an informal way the work of organization of the friends of silver in accordance with the general plan adopted by the recent conference at Washington. At that conference I was appointed a member of the provisional committee, with instructions to confer with the leading free silver Democrats in Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska and Iowa with regard to the selection of a committee-man in each of those states to take executive charge of the work. I have opened correspondence in pursuance of that idea and as soon as the free silver Democrats in the states named indicate to me the men for the work I will report the names to chairman Harris of the national committee, who, I suppose will issue a call for another meeting of the friends of silver in order to perfect the organization of the silver forces in the Democratic party for an aggressive campaign."

Quarrel Ends in Death.

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Sept. 4.—News reached here last night of a murder in Camden county, just across the river from the town of Brumley, Miller county. Alex. Hall and Smith Hill, two farmers quarreled and Hill drew a revolver and shot Hall three times, killing him instantly. The murderer then fled, but the officers are in pursuit, and it is believed that his capture is a sure thing. Great excitement is said to prevail in the community where the killing took place.

An Iowa Bank's Doors Closed.

STORM LAKE, Iowa, Sept. 4.—The Buena Vista State bank, the depositors of which are largely people of moderate means, was closed yesterday morning. There is great excitement here. The failure is a bad one.

THE DURANT TRIAL.

Prosecuting Attorney Barnes Makes the Opening Appeal.

SAN FRANCISCO, Sept. 4.—The trial of the Durant case began this morning. District Attorney Barnes in his opening statement for the prosecution said:

"We will show you that in the month of September, 1894, Blanche Lamont, a young girl of about 20 years of age, came to San Francisco from her home at Dillon, Mont., in the hope that the mild climate of California might benefit her health. She went to reside with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Noble, and from the time of her arrival here until April 3 she was engaged in attending school. She was not a society girl in any sense of the word. She was of a quiet disposition, homekeeping and religious. She never attended parties nor theaters or other places of amusement except in company with her relatives. We will show that Blanche Lamont in her lifetime was well, too well, and yet not well enough acquainted with the prisoner, Durrant; that he was in the habit of accompanying her home from church and prayer-meeting; that he was a caller upon her at her aunt's house; that upon the only occasion upon which she ever went anywhere with any young man as far as we are informed, she visited the park one afternoon in company with Durrant. We will give you a history of her life and of her movements as far as we are able up to the 3d of April, 1895, in order that you may form a just appreciation of the character and habits of this unfortunate young girl."

"We will show you her connection with the defendant and we will show you the reason why, when the murdered body of Blanche Lamont was found in the darkened belfry of the church and the question sprang from the lips of every resident of this city and of this country, 'Who is the murderer?'—why it is that the state answers that he who was responsible for the slaughter of this young life is William Henry Theodore Durrant, Durrant, once the friend of Blanche Lamont; Durrant, once in charge of the Sunday school library; Durrant, once assistant superintendent of Emmanuel Sunday school; Durrant, once the electrician who knew the ins and outs of the great building; Durrant, once the handy man and jack-of-all trades of the church, and now Durrant, the prisoner now on trial for his life. We shall show Durrant's connection with the crime and shall demonstrate by irrefutable and unanswerable evidence that he, and he alone, committed the murder."

"If we show you these facts; if we show you that Durrant met this ill-fated girl on the day of her death; that he accompanied her to the church; that he was seen to enter the church with her; that he was seen afterwards in the church alone; that Blanche Lamont was never again seen by human eyes, from the moment she entered the portals of Emmanuel Baptist church with the defendant; that in the church was found her dead body; her clothes, her school books—showing that she had never been home, and that she had gone straight from her school to her death; if we show you as we confidently expect that no one but the prisoner could have committed this outrageous and horrible crime, we shall look to you as citizens of this great state, whose reputation for justice and for enforcement of the laws, we as its officers are trying to uphold, to render your verdict that the prisoner at the bar is guilty of murder in the first degree."

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

The deficit in the treasury so far this year is \$13,000,000.

A "test case" prize fight was stopped at Dallas by the police.

Archdeacon Wolf cables that there has been no riot in Foo-chow.

There is \$51,000,000 of gold in the treasury, \$101,000,000 of it reserve.

The demand on the treasury for small bills to move crops is increasing.

Henry H. Wolfe & Co., wholesale clothiers of Louisville, Ky., assigned.

A Tennessee attorney contracted a serious disease of the ear as a result of surf bathing.

The Southwest Missouri G. A. R. association is holding annual reunion at Appleton City.

Isaac Lewis was murdered by Marion Beardon and his sons in Taney county, Missouri.

The German newspaper Vorwaerts has been confiscated because of unpatriotic utterances.

Fort Worth, Texas, Methodists have begun to denounce the Corbett-Fitzsimmons prize fight.

The sultan's decree of reforms throughout the empire, that was promised, has not been issued.

Senator Voorhees scored the supreme court and praised Debs at a labor day celebration at Indianapolis.

Governor Culberson appointed fifty delegates to represent Texas at the Teoga deep water convention.

The president has pardoned Binford Foreman, convicted of assault with intent to kill in the Indian territory.

All gossip about the presidency of the Santa Fe is premature. There will be no appointment for at least three months.

It is believed Commander Sumner of the Columbia will be convicted of negligence in docking the Columbia at Southampton.

Justin McCarthy has issued a manifesto denouncing the candidacy of a Healyite against a McCarthyite in Kerry to be treason.

Lightning ran down the chimney of Albert Lewis' house at Orange, N. J., and cooked his breakfast which was standing on the stove.

There is dissatisfaction among the shareholders of the Oregon Railway and Navigation company, and further litigation is not improbable.

The Georgia Holiness people say that the wreck of Knights of Pythias exorcismists on the Georgia Southern was a direct answer of the Lord to their prayers.

It is reported that President Cleveland has changed his mind about federal officeholders taking part in politics to the extent of what he used to term perjuriosities.

WHY THE MAJOR RAN.

His New Man at the Dynamite Dryer Was Greatly Puzzled.

Major McLaughlin of San Francisco put a new man at work at his mine the other day drying out dynamite. "Now," said he, by way of explanation, "you've got to keep your eye on the thermometer in the heater. If it gets above 85 degrees you're liable to hear a noise around here. When it reaches 82 degrees you've got just three minutes in which to work, for it takes three minutes for it to raise to 85 degrees." An hour later the major returned to see how the man at the heater was doing.

"Well, how is it getting along?" he inquired. "Oh, first rate." "Do you watch that thermometer?" "You bet your life I do, and I'm keeping her down." He reached into the heater and pulled out the thermometer. "What! She's up to 84," he remarked. "There, that'll fix it." He jammed the thermometer into a bucket of water and hung it back on the heater. Then he wondered what McLaughlin was running for.

Tickets at Reduced Rates.

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