

Severe storms on the lakes have wrecked many vessels and a number of lives have been lost during the past thirty days.

A large German training ship was wrecked off Mallaga, in the Mediterranean sea last week and a large number of cadets were lost.

W. Jennings Bryan will be the founder of a paper called the Commoner, so says the press. The name is all right but it smacks of another grand stand play by Billy.

Rosewater Stock in Omaha, his home, is slightly above par, but it remains to be seen how it will be valued by the balance of the state after the legislature convenes.

That war that was over some time ago in South Africa is still making John Bull jump side ways at a very rapid rate, and prospects for Boer independence grows brighter as time rolls on. Dewet is making it rather damp for Kitchener.

The State fair association makes a modest demand upon the legislators this winter for a substantial increase in their cash allowance in support of the big show. State fairs and county fairs are dying out all over the country of their own weight, and most states are dropping the scheme. Why not start a street fair in the place of the big show.

The recent election frauds in South Omaha as developed by the investigation is the strongest smelling piece of cussedness Nebraska has been called upon to face in the history of the state. It has never been equalled north of Mason and Dixon's line outside of New York City where Tammany steals every thing political in sight.

And now the Nebraska Independent, the great populist organ, says that a large purse has been raised for the purpose of freeing Bartley from the penitentiary, and that Governor Poynter is to receive \$35,000 of it. It seems strange that a reform organ, like the Independent would have supported a man for chief executive that it thought would take money for favors.

Everything points towards the adoption of the Davis amendment to the Hay-Pauncefote treaty by the Senate, which means that Uncle Sam claims the right to fortify the Nicaraguan canal if he desires. England will most likely refuse the treaty if amended in which case the old obsolete Clayton-Bulwer treaty will remain. The Clayton-Bulwer treaty is a back number and has outlived its usefulness, and should be abrogated at the earliest possible moment. It doesn't seem as if it should be any of John Bull's business whether Uncle Sam fortifies his own property or not as long as it is in America at least.

For the past few years there has been a persistent effort made by the democratic party to imbue the people of this country with the idea that a secret alliance existed between England and the United States for just what purpose was not clearly stated, but the bugabo, it was apparently, hoped would cost the republican party enough votes to place the democrats in power. The peculiar feature of the whole matter is the position the democratic party holds as worshippers of "Boss" Croker, the leader of Tammany, the greatest democratic machine in the United States. Mr. Croker has been virtually a resident of England for some years. He maintains a private residence in that country and retired to it immediately after election this fall. He is taxed as a resident of that country and immediately upon his arrival there last month a tax of \$5,000 was levied upon him as the amount of income tax issued by that country upon its citizens whose annual income reaches \$100,000. England does not levy an income tax upon citizens of the United States who derive their income from the United States. That would be out of the question and if an English "prophet", according to Mr. Bryan, is the leader of democracy in the United States why should that party object to friendly relations between the two countries.

On the 10th of December, 1897, Rev. S. A. Donahoe, pastor M. E. church, South, Pt. Pleasant, W. Va. contracted a severe cold which was attended from the beginning by violent coughing. He says: "After resorting to a number of so-called 'specifics,' usually kept in the house, to no purpose I purchased a bottle of Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, which acted like a charm. I most cheerfully recommend it to the public." For sale by Odendahl Bros.

The "government canteen." What is it? During the past few years considerable capital has been made, or tried to be made, against the administration for favoring the "canteen" as it was claimed it was injurious to the morals of the soldier, and demoralizing to good order at the posts. An interview with three regular soldiers, Mr. J. Rost of near Albion, who has spent the past six years in the army, Mr. Chas. Hultman a member of the Sixth U. S. Cavalry for thirteen years, and Chas. Mohler who was a member of the First Nebraska and now a regular soldier, elicited the following facts: That the "canteen" meant a regular supply store where every thing commonly carried by the sutler can be purchased including beer and wine, but whiskey, they claim, is never sold. A superintendent is employed at \$45.00 per month and must correctly account for all transactions. A private soldier is selected from among the boys by their own choice to assist in the "canteen" and is given \$15.00 a month extra pay. The "canteen" belongs to the boy's virtually, and all profits is turned into a general fund and used for the soldiers when necessity demands. If one is sick his delicacies are purchased from this general fund, and all three of the above soldiers claimed that no whiskey was sold. Mr. Rost was the assistant in the "canteen" for a number of months and says he has saw a small amount of alcohol sold but never any whiskey. The boy's prize the system very highly and say it would be a bad idea to go back to the sutler system.

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Mr. Chas. Haller threshed corn fodder for Fritz Bickel last Thursday and Friday. The Ladies Co-operative Society met at Mrs. E. W. Gowers last Thursday. A royal good time was reported.

Rev. A. J. Stevens and family and A. W. Throckmorton and family, took dinner with Nelson Powell's family last Sunday.

Rev. Case the M. E. minister from Litchfield preached at the sod school house in district No. 74 last Sabbath, and will continue the services every other Sabbath for a while.

Mr. Taschoff and family of Colorado, son-in-law of Nelson Powell, came overland to make a visit with friends.

Mr. J. W. Stewart and family and L. E. Sadler and family visited with Wm. Garnet last Sunday.

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COPPER TOE NOW EXTINGUISHED.

How the Boot Protector Was Invented by a Maine Farmer.

Children kick out the toes of their boots now just as much as they ever did, but the copper toe has gone out of date too long ago to talk about. It was fine, though, in its day. How the copper did wink and glitter in the firelight! Away up in the Maine woods a farmer who could not bear the thought of giving the shoemaker all he earned took an old copper washbottle and cut it into strips, which he fastened on the toes of the boots of Elbridge and Elmer, Ellsworth and Eddie.

"There now!" said he. "Less see you git through them in a hurry. Laws! I never see boys so hard on shoe leather!" It was a bright idea, and the more he thought about it the more it was borne in on him that it was a bright idea. He got a patent on it. Elbridge and Elmer, Ellsworth and Eddie were kind of ashamed to be seen in their copper toes at first, but when the other boys all crowded around them at the district school and said: "Gosh! Woosht my pa would fix my boots that way!" they felt more comfortable and rather happy. From that it went on till, for the sake of peace and quietness in the house, if for no other reason, fathers had to buy copper toed boots for their boys. The Maine farmer got rich and had pie three times a day and moved to town and had a halcloth sofa in the front room and a marble topped center table with wax flowers in a glass case on it and everything that heart could wish.

But foolishness is bound up in the heart of a child, and it is part of his nature to be hard on shoes. You may beat the laws of the universe for a little while when they are not looking, but not for long. The day came when the child woke up and realized that it was being robbed of its rights guaranteed under the constitution. Something like this, eh, "We, the children of the United States, in convention assembled, do hold these truths to be self evident?" Not at all, not at all. They said: "Hee! Coppertoes! Coppertoes!" And the coon came down.—Harvey Sutherland in Ainslee's.

REPEATING A GOOD STORY.

She Was Not a Drinker and Missed Its Point.

"My wife has just heard that old story about the man on the train and the corkscrew," said my neighbor. "The story goes this way: Man rises in a car and says, 'Is there a man from Bangor, Me., in the car?' 'No other man gets up with an inquiring look on his face, 'I'm from Bangor,' says he. 'Well,' says the first feller, 'let me take your corkscrew.'"

"My wife thought the story was pretty good. The other night I was out in the sitting room reading, and she was in the parlor talking with the woman from over the way. I had to stop reading and listen to this:

"Oh, say," says my wife, "I heard an awfully funny story the other day. Now, let me think a minute. Can't be that I've forgotten it. Let's see. Oh, yes. This is it. The other day on the train a man got up in the car all at once and shouted just as loud as he could, 'Is there a man from Bangor, Me., in this car?' Every one jumped and looked at the man. One person down near the door stood up and said, 'I'm from Bangor, sir.' The other man then said, 'Will you be kind enough to let me take your screwdriver?' There! Isn't that funny?"

"He, he, he," snickered the other woman a little easy. "Yes, that's a real cute story; just as funny as it can be. But what did he mean? I guess I don't understand what it is about."

"I could almost hear the wife thinking. Then she says: 'Well, my gracious, that doesn't sound so funny now. I wonder what the trouble is with it? Guess I didn't tell it right. But no matter. Oh, you were going to tell me about that new ribbon cake that'—and then I continued with my literary studies."—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

How Would You Have Said It?

There is much in the way a thing is said. "Your cheeks are like roses," said Aunt Flora when Lois came in from a January walk, glowing from the cold and exercise. Lois smiled and looked lovingly at Aunt Flora. Aunt Margaret entered the room a minute later and glancing at Lois as she stood by the fire said: "My! Your face is as red as a beet!"

The red grew deeper on Lois' face, while unconsciously she turned petulantly away from Aunt Margaret, who prides herself on being "plain spoken." Aunt Flora's way is best. She can say the right word at the right time, too, even the word of admonition and reproof, but she says it in such a manner that one can think only of the Scriptural "apples of gold in pictures of silver."—Ada C. Sweet in Woman's Home Companion.

Brief and Pithy.

An American law journal has quoted the charge to a jury delivered by a certain Judge Donovan as the shortest on record. The judge said:

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Department of the Interior. Land Office at Lincoln, Neb. November 14, 1900. Notice is hereby given that the following-named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county Judge of Sherman county, at Loup City, Nebraska, on January 2nd, 1901, viz: Nickola Hansen Homestead Entry No. 1742 for the North East fourth, Section 25, Township 15, north of Range 15 west, 6th p. m. He names the following witness to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said land, viz: W. H. Cooger, E. E. Tracy, Peter Thode, an Jacob Albers, all of Loup City, Neb. J. W. JOHNSON, Register.

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