

# Persons, Places and Things

## SIGNS USED ON RAILROADS.

Their Signals are Understood Everywhere on the Continent.

It is not deaf mutes alone who employ the sign language. Railroaders have a tongue of this sort that, since railroading began, has been growing until now anything that needs to be said in it can be expressed as perfectly as in words, says the Philadelphia Record. The signals of railroaders are made with the hands and arms in the daytime, and with a lantern in the dark, the lantern signals, by the way, being comprehensible at a far greater distance than the daytime ones. The latter are made with one arm or with both, at the brakeman's option. To go ahead, to stop and to back are the leading ones. The arms moved horizontally and vertically make the two first signals; the back turned and the arms pushed out makes the last one. The main lantern signals are an up-and-down, a crosswise and a circular movement. There are, of course, a hundred other minor signals, and these vary slightly in different parts of the country. But the main ones are as common and as intelligible everywhere among American railroaders as the English language itself.

## MAKES GIFT TO UNIVERSITY.

John Dwight Donates \$60,000 to Mount Holyoke College.

June 13 was a most notable day in the history of Mount Holyoke College. The day was celebrated by the dedication of the new Dwight Memorial Art building and the presentation by Miss Helen Miller Gould of \$40,000



to endow a chair in Biblical literature. At commencement, 1900, the announcement was made that John Dwight of New York had given \$60,000 for the purpose of erecting an art building as a memorial to Mrs. Nancy S. Dwight, his mother, and Mrs. Clara Leigh Dwight, his wife.

## The Manufacture of Ice.

Thirty years ago the census found only four plants in the whole country for the manufacture of ice and they were all located in the southern states. In 1900 the number had increased to 787 (not counting concerns which manufacture ice for their own use exclusively, and only about one-half of them are located in the south. Since 1890 the amount of capital invested in this industry has increased from \$9,846,468 to \$38,204,054, or by 288 per cent, while the value of the product has increased from \$4,900,983 to \$13,874,513, or by 183 per cent.

## FAVORITE OF THE KING.

Gen. Sir Dighton Probyn Carries His Majesty's Pocketbook.

Gen. Sir Dighton Probyn's title is "Keeper of the Privy Purse"—a title that can be taken pretty literally, for he really does carry King Edward's pocketbook and acts as his personal business manager. Sir Dighton will be 70 in another year, and has been a member of the King's household ever since his majesty took a liking to this veteran of the Indian Mutiny, some twenty-five years



ago. At present Sir Dighton comes nearer to being assistant king than the prince of Wales.

## Too Much Even for Him.

Senator Daniel of Virginia tells of a man down in his state who never could be induced to acknowledge that any brand of whisky was bad, though he was willing to admit the truth of the ancient saying that some makes were better than others. Some jokers induced him to try some of a most villainous compound which they had labeled as a popular brand. The man took a generous drink, made a wry face and said: "Well, all whisky is good, but that's a little the poorest good whisky I ever tasted."

# PEOPLE AND EVENTS

## WIFE OF ADMIRAL SCHLEY.

As Miss Anna R. Franklin, She Was One of Maryland's Belles.

It is now nearly forty years since Miss Anna R. Franklin stood at the altar with Winfield Scott Schley and



pronounced after the minister the words which united her to the man beside her till death should part. She was one of the fairest of Maryland beauties then.

To the woman whose husband is in business, and leaves every morning and returns every night regularly, year in and year out, a business trip of a week seems unbearable. But think of this woman who, a whole year at a time, would not see her husband. For many a cruise of a year or longer did Admiral Schley take.

For some years her little boy partly consoled her, but he grew up and would be a soldier. He failed to get the appointment to West Point, and his mother hoped that he would give up his ambition. But the boy came of fighting stock, and falling a commission, enlisted and rose from the ranks to a captaincy.

## Life of a Baseball.

"Five balls," said the baseball fan, "will usually last out a professional game. They will never be used afterward except to practice with. The record for the number of balls required for one game is held in Detroit, where a certain match required fourteen to see it through. A \$1.50 ball, if its cover rips or if it loses its shape, will be taken back and a new one will be given in exchange for it. The average sphere lasts through one game and two or three days of hard practice. Then it is pretty well used up, and the small boy takes possession of it.—Philadelphia Record.

## CENSURED BY HIS SUPERIOR.

Capt. Dayton, Who Was Rebuked by Admiral Crowninshield.

In reviewing the findings of the



court of inquiry on the cruiser Chicago, which investigated the case of Lieut. Wynne and other naval officers who were convicted by an Italian court at Venice of disturbing the peace, Admiral Crowninshield partly blames the disgrace of the officers on Capt. Dayton because he did not personally look after their defense, according to custom and quashes the recommendations for court martials.

## From a "Hack" to a Coupe.

In the early days of his journalistic career the late Frank R. Stockton was standing with a group of newspaper men, listening to the eloquence of one of their number, who, on the strength of some small authority, was giving his views on "higher journalism" in a pompous and bombastic manner.

At the close of a sonorous period he paused for breath, when Stockton, speaking for the first time, ventured mildly to disagree with the opinion expressed.

"Who are you to dispute me?" blazed the great man. "Why you are only a literary hack!"

"Not even that," responded Stockton meekly. "I'm only a coupe."

## Career of Col. Lynch.

Col. Arthur Lynch, who is fighting in the London courts for his seat in parliament as member from Galway, is a native of Smythesdale, one of the numerous smaller gold fields in the vicinity of the famous Ballarat. His father held for many years the post of registrar at Smythesdale under the mining department of Victoria. At the University of Melbourne he took the degree of M. A. and C. E. He practiced in Australia as an engineer for some time and then transferred himself to London, where he became an author and journalist.

# Current News and Views

## NEW BANK FOR EGYPT.

Institution Intended to Aid the Poverty-Stricken Fellahen.

Mail advices from Cairo are to the effect that the negotiations between the Egyptian government, Sir Ernest Cassel, and the National Bank of Egypt for the establishment of an Agricultural bank have been practically concluded.

The new institution has a capital of over \$12,500,000, which will be used for making advances to the fellahen on easy terms. The government guarantees the repayment of the advances and 3 per cent interest on the capital. The object of this scheme is to help the fellahen to get out of the hands of the village usurers, who charge from 40 to 100 per cent on their loans.

Experiments have already been concluded on a small scale, and have proved successful. An extension of the plan is demanded by the people, and the new bank, it is believed, will be an immense boon to the agricultural population.

## NAVAL HERO TO HAVE SHIP.

Commodore Wainwright Has Been Promised Desirable Command.

Commander Richard Wainwright, superintendent of the naval academy and captain of the Gloucester at Santiago, does not desire to serve his full term of four years at Annapolis,



and is to be given a fine sea command. He may be relieved before the autumn course begins, Oct. 1, and then ordered to sea. President Roosevelt desires that he be given the largest ship his rank entitles him to, and if practicable he may be assigned to a battleship.

Capt. Wainwright was detailed superintendent at Annapolis March 15, 1900.

## Silver at \$290 Per Ounce.

In the Dunn-Gardner sale at Christie's in London, English and French dealers vied with each other in making astounding bids, and a silver-gilt Tudor cup was sold at the huge price of \$4,100. As the weight of silver involved is only 14 ounces 3 pennyweight, the rate works out at about \$290 per ounce. The cup is only 4 1/2 inches high and 4 3/4 inches in diameter. It is of the London hallmark, 1521—a Lombardic D, the leopard's head crowned—but the name of the maker cannot be deciphered. There are seventeen decorated bossettes on the bowl.

## DENVER GIRL IS HONORED.

Daughter of Mayor of Western City Christens the Denver.

In the presence of a distinguished company of naval officers, many leading citizens from Colorado and a large number of persons from New York and other nearby cities, the unarmored cruiser Denver was successfully launched at the Neale & Levy shipyards, Philadelphia. Miss Rob-



erta M. Wright, daughter of Mayor Wright of Denver, christened the vessel.

## Evidence of Great Wealth.

"Did you hear what young Mr. Softleigh gave his fiancée as an engagement ring? It was simply royal!" "No; what is it?" "Well, you see his father is a big stockholder in both the beef and the coal trust, or he never could have done it; but he gave her a ring cut from a soup bone, set with a big chunk of coal."—Baltimore American.

## The Penalty of War.

Gen. Delarey is one of the Boer leaders for whom every eye has felt a touch of sympathy, for like Lord Roberts, he has lost a son in the war—a bright youth only 15 years of age, who was laid low by a bullet that struck him while he was standing by his father's side at Modder river.

## FARMERS UP AGAINST TRUST.

Confronted by Threshers Combine in Dodge County.

FREMONT, Neb., June 30.—When the farmers of this vicinity began to make contracts for threshing their grain recently they were much surprised to find an advance of about 20 per cent in the charges made by threshers, and it now appears that there is a threshing combine or trust in this vicinity which is likely to make the farmer pay more than usual to get his grain ready for the market.

In April last a meeting was held here which was attended by the principal owners of threshing machines in this and adjoining counties, at which it was decided that on account of the general advance in the price of machines, repairs, coal and other things they decided to advance the price. Committees were appointed and an organization perfected, which is likely to be a success. Last week another meeting was held at Hooper, which was quite well attended.

Farmers are satisfied that a combine exists, including practically all the machine owners in this vicinity and extending throughout this entire portion of the state, and are contriving some means to get their grain ready for market at the usual prices. Some say they will buy machines of their own before they will pay the prices charged.

## NEBRASKA MAN IS MURDERED.

Body With That of Companion Found on Indian Reservation.

WOOD RIVER, Neb., June 30.—John Donaldson, living two miles east of this city, but who has been in Idaho for the last two months looking after some mining interests, was found murdered on the newly opened reservation near Fort Hall, Idaho. Charles Fritz of Pocatello, Idaho, was found with him, he also having met death by the assassin's bullet. Mr. Donaldson had been shot twice. No motive is known for the commission of the crime, but it is supposed it was either for robbery or in a dispute over a mining claim. Mr. Donaldson came to Wood River in 1866 and has made this his home ever since. He left here May 7 and expected to return in the middle of July. He leaves a wife and four children. He was 64 years old and a member of the Modern Woodmen of America lodge of this city, in which order he carried \$2,000 insurance.

## School Warrants Worked Off.

NORFOLK, Neb., June 30.—A stranger giving the name of L. L. Winn was arrested here charged with issuing forged school warrants to the amount of about \$300. He claims to be selling supplies and exhibited a letter of recommendation from the county superintendent which has also been pronounced a forgery. The warrants were sold to the Norfolk National bank and their true nature was discovered soon after the transaction.

## Child Accidentally Shot.

THEDEFORD, Neb., June 30.—An accidental shooting took place at Brownlee, twenty-five miles north of here, Sunday evening, which may cause the death of Goldie, the five-year-old daughter of David Steadman, a merchant of that place. A gun was being loaded to shoot a cat, when it prematurely exploded, some of the shot entering the stomach of the child.

## Insane Man Hangs Himself.

OGALALLA, Neb., June 30.—August Tullberg of Edgar, Wis., a passenger on a Union Pacific westbound train, en route to Payette, Idaho, was found here in a demented condition. He was locked up in jail for safe keeping and was found hanging to the ceiling of the jail an hour afterward. He had hanged himself with his necktie.

## Hot After George Gould.

DAVID CITY, Neb., June 30.—George Gould has been arrested for the third time, charged with aiding and abetting Amos H. Gould in forging notes and mortgages which resulted in wrecking the Platte Valley State bank.

## Found Dead in Water Tank.

TRENTON, Neb., June 30.—The funeral of L. D. Jones, a well known farmer living south of Trenton, was held at his home. Jones was found dead in a water tank.

## International Money Orders.

OAKLAND, Neb., June 30.—The postoffice here has been designated as an international money order office, to take effect July 1.

## Bring Back the Remains.

PLATTSMOUTH, Neb., June 30.—The remains of Eli Bussler, whose death occurred at Shoshone, Idaho, arrived in this city for burial.

## Discovers Old Indian Village.

FORT CALHOUN, Neb., June 30.—Mr. Blackman, the state geologist, is here searching for old relics of the old Fort Calhoun camping grounds. He discovered remains of a deserted Indian village a few miles south of here. It was buried under several feet of dirt. He also found some curious bits of pottery and instruments. The camping grounds of Lewis and Clark were definitely settled. They are near the old fort.

## A TRAGEDY AT SEWARD.

One Man Dead and Another Not Expected to Live.

SEWARD, Neb., June 28.—This place is all worked up over a sensational shooting which occurred in the street here, resulting in the instant death of one man, prominent in business circles, and the probable death of another, who is also holding a respected position. The dead: John Hand, aged about 45. The fatally injured: Alex Lange, aged about 40. For some time past stories have been floating around connecting the name of Hand and Mrs. Lange in an unfavorable manner. Lange frequently heard of these tales but apparently paid no attention to them until a few days ago, when he began brooding over his family troubles.

Late in the afternoon he met Hand on the street and the two became involved in an altercation about the relations between Hand and Mrs. Lange. The meeting was a stormy one, but to the onlookers did not seem to portend anything more than a wordy battle. However, in a flight of anger Lange drew his revolver. Hand saw the motion and turned away. At that instant Lange fired. The bullet entered Hand's head, just behind the right ear, and he fell to the ground. Death was instantaneous. Examination showed that the bullet had crashed through his head, the ball coming out through the forehead.

Lange walked hurriedly away and disappeared in his barn. There he placed his revolver in his head and fired twice, the first bullet having done him but little damage. He was later found on the barn floor by a searching party. The physicians say there exists little chance for his recovery. He became unconscious soon after he was found and has not spoken of the affair since it occurred.

## SAVAGE TO SEE KEEL LAID.

Decides That Circumstances Do Not Warrant Heading Protests of Labor.

LINCOLN, Neb., June 28.—Governor Savage and his military staff will attend the laying of the keel of the battleship Nebraska at Seattle, in spite of the protests of labor organizations of that city, Omaha and other places. The party will leave either Lincoln or Omaha on the night of June 30.

The governor at first was inclined to take sides with the union men, but after investigating the trouble concluded that the fact that non-union men were employed in the construction of the battleship was no reason why he should join the boycott.

The governor will be accompanied by nearly all members of his military staff, as follows: Colonel George E. Jenkins, quartermaster and commissary general, and wife; Colonel Charles J. Bills, inspector general, wife and daughter; Colonel Carroll D. Evans, surgeon general, and wife; Colonel John H. Brown, judge advocate general; General Leonard W. Colby, adjutant general Nebraska National guard; Colonel H. P. Sutton and wife, Colonel C. F. Schermann, Colonel J. B. Watkins and wife, Colonel James G. Martin and wife, Captain George Lyons, Colonel S. M. Melick, wife and son, Colonel J. W. Thomas, wife and daughter, Colonel E. C. Bryson and wife, Colonel Frank E. Moores, F. M. Rublee, aide attached to military staff.

## Kick of Horse Proves Fatal.

EAGLE, Neb., June 28.—A fatal accident happened to Charles Rudolph. While he was doing his chores one of the horses kicked him in the abdomen. Medical aid was at once summoned and all that could be done was done, but of no avail. He died soon after. He was an old and highly respected German farmer and in good circumstances.

## Board Accepts Library Plans.

CEDAR FALLS, Ia., June 28.—The library committee has adopted the plans for the Carnegie library which were submitted by Architect W. A. Robinson of this city. Work will be begun as soon as the necessary preliminaries can be disposed of.

## Sham Battle on York's Program.

YORK, Neb., June 28.—The guards of Aurora will fight a sham battle with the company of this place as part of the Fourth of July celebration program to be held here.

## Harvesting Begins in Gage.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 28.—Farmers have begun harvesting their crop of wheat, which promises to be the largest raised in this section for many years.

## Gage County Wells Dry Up.

WYMORE, Neb., June 28.—Notwithstanding the recent heavy rains, a number of wells in this county are going dry. In Midland township a well on the Sallenbarger farm and another on the Ramsey place have dried up completely. Both wells were deep ones and had furnished an abundant supply of water for years. There is much speculation as to the cause of this phenomenon, but no satisfactory solution has yet been offered.

## THE LIVE STOCK MARKET.

Latest Quotations from South Omaha and Kansas City.

CATTLE—The market was in much the same condition it has been the entire week, that is, supplies were moderate and prices strong on good stuff and weak on grass cattle. The supply of beef was limited and did not include anything very choice in the way of day lot cattle. Some very fair loaves sold up to \$2.65, a good strong price, and other decent fed cattle were quotable strong. Short fed cattle sold at practically steady prices, the small number here selling early in the day. The market for cows and heifers ruled steady to strong where the quality was anywhere satisfactory. Prices on grassy stock showed very little change, but if anything, were weaker. Bulls, stags and veals, if fleshy, sold fully steady, but if thin were more or less of a drag on the market. Trade in stockers and feeders were devoid of sale, with only a moderate number of good heavy feeders in fair request, but in light cattle are slow sellers at recent quotations.

HOGS—The market opened slow, a good nickel lower, but closed active, and firm. The weak close Wednesday was followed by a slow lower opening and as bearish reports from Chicago followed later on, the market here weakened and closing figures were 50c lower on fair to good hogs. Common packers and light stuff, unless even and smooth, got the brunt of the decline, and much of the common stuff shows around a dime lower than yesterday morning. Pigs show a few off from yesterday, while the bulk averages 50c lower.

SHEEP—Quotations for clipped stock: Good to choice wethers, \$4.50-4.75; fair to good, \$4.20-4.50; good to choice ewes, \$4.00-4.25; fair to good, \$3.50-4.15; good to choice lambs, \$4.50-5.50; fair to good, \$4.25-4.50. Woolled stock sells about 250,000 above clipped stock.

## KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE—Native steers, slow, steady to be lower; other cattle a shade higher; choice export and dressed beef steers, \$7.25-8.25; fair to good, \$5.00-7.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.75-5.50; western fed steers, \$5.00-6.50; Texas and Indian steers, \$2.50-5.50; Texas cows, \$2.25-3.00; native cows, \$2.00-3.15; native heifers, \$3.00-5.75; canners, \$1.50-2.00; bulls, \$2.50-3.75; calves, \$3.25-5.25.

HOGS—Market 5c lower, pigs, 50c lower; top, \$7.25; bulk of sales, \$7.00-7.75; heavy, \$5.50-7.50; mixed packers, \$7.00-7.50; light, \$7.25-7.75; pigs, \$4.50-7.25.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep 15c lower, lambs 25c lower; native lambs, \$4.50-6.50; western lambs, \$4.20-5.75; native wethers, \$4.50-6.00; western wethers, \$3.00-4.75; fed ewes, \$4.20-6.00; Texas clipped yearlings, \$4.20-4.80; Texas clipped sheep, \$3.00-4.40; stockers and feeders, \$2.00-3.00.

## Begin to Tire of Siberia.

ST. PETERSBURG, June 18.—Official figures showing the emigration to Siberia and the return of former immigrants to European Russia for the year 1901 are published.

The total movement to Siberia is given roundly as 125,700, comprising 94,700 emigrants, 25,000 pioneers or intending emigrants and 9,000 peasants seeking work. There returned 55,000 persons, including 31,000 emigrants, 18,000 pioneers and 6,000 working men.

The return movement is stronger than it was in 1900. The greatest emigration was from Poltava and other thickly populated central provinces, where the land allotments made after the emancipation were most unfavorable to the peasants.

## Soldiers in Good Health.

WASHINGTON, June 28.—Surgeon General Forwood has received a report from Lieut. Col. C. L. Heizmann, chief surgeon, division of the Philippines, in regard to the health of the troops in the archipelago for the month ended May 15 last.

According to it the percentage of sick is at the lowest figure yet reached in the division, 6.91 per cent, as compared with 6.24 per cent the previous month. A large increase is reported in the number of deaths, both from injuries and from diseases. The increase in the former class was due largely to the battle of Bayan, Mindanao, and in the latter class the cholera.

## No Trouble in Santiago.

SANTIAGO, June 28.—The reports circulated in the United States by a news agency of great agitation here among the negro element, who were said to be demanding that the revolutionary army be paid and approving of General Bandera's plan of taking to the woods are incorrect. The city and the province of Santiago are quiet. The press of both parties advocates paying the soldiers, but there is little discussion of the matter.

## Undesirable People Coming.

NEW YORK, June 28.—There has been quite an increase in the number of undesirable emigrants coming to this country within the last two months. In consequence the number of deportations by the bureau of Immigration at this port has greatly increased. Last year 1,101 were deported in May and June. Since May 1, this year, the number of deportations has been 1,742.

## Linden Tree May Die.

BEATRICE, Neb., June 28.—General L. W. Colby's famous Arabian stallion, Linden Tree, is sick and will probably die. The animal is 23 years old and was presented to General Colby by General Grant.

## Prince of Wales Receives.

LONDON, June 28.—The prince of Wales is holding a reception of the colonial premiers at St. James palace in behalf of the king this afternoon.