

AS THE WORLD REVOLVES

CLUB MAN'S TRAGIC SUICIDE.

Member of Ancient New York Family Ends Life in Disgrace.

Frank De Peyster Hall, forced to resign from leading New York clubs, compelled to give up his business, and shunned by his former friends, killed himself Oct. 10 in his apartments.

His suits for \$100,000 damages for slander against the president of the Calumet club and the secretary of the New York Yacht club were to have come up in court that day.

Hall was a member of an old New York family, and until recently was president of the firm of F. De Peyster Hall & Co., importers. His resignation as a member of the Calumet club was requested on July 28, 1903, and was immediately given. Hall was also a member of the St. Anthony club, the New York Yacht club and the Trinity alumni. He was 50 years of age.

The institution of the slander suits only became public recently. These were against Alfred H. Bond, president of the Calumet club, and George A. Cormack, secretary of the New York Yacht club. Hall alleged that both men, in conversation with others,



DISGRACED HALL

had accused him of disgraceful practices while he was a member of the Calumet club.

He alleged that the disgraceful charges against him had compelled him to resign the presidency of F. De Peyster Hall & Co.; that his business and social acquaintances refused longer to transact business with him or to associate with him; and that he had been obliged to abandon entirely his occupation.

The defendants in the slander suits declared that they were ready to prove their charges and Supreme Justice Levintritt signed an order requiring Bond to give a bill of particulars.

It is said that Hall had heard that the district attorney had started an investigation of the charges made against him with a view to possible action, and that this knowledge may have led to his suicide.

CHAFFEE CLINGS TO UNIFORM.

Only Officer on Duty in War Department Who Wears It.

War department officials and employees are unable to make up their minds whether the joke is or is not on Gen. Chaffee. While he is not in the far west last summer inspecting army posts the order issued during the Spanish war requiring officers on duty in the war department to wear their uniforms during office hours was rescinded, and since then the wearing of uniforms at the department has been abandoned. That is, it has with one important exception. The exception is Gen. Chaffee, the ranking officer of the army, who appears at his desk every day in his military attire, including the three stars on each shoulder, indicating his rank. Either he does not know of the latest order on the subject or he does not care. Naturally none of his subordinates feel called on to suggest a change, so that Gen. Chaffee continues conspicuous as the only man in uniform in the war department.

Russian Admiral Knows Men.

Admiral Robert Wren, who has been intrusted with command of the remnant of the Russian fleet at Port Arthur, has been before the public during the present war as commander of the cruiser Bayan, the one Russian vessel that has steadily distinguished herself. Though idolized by his men, brother officers do not approve his plan of collecting all sorts of scoundrels and making smart judgment of them. Nevertheless his judgment in this regard was vindicated on the occasion when he visited an English port about a year ago. He gave eighty sailors shore leave one Sunday, when no places of amusement were open. He told them "the honor of the Bayan" was in their keeping, and not a single man overstayed his leave or became intoxicated.

In English Harvest Fields.

Driffield, in Yorkshire, is probably the only place in England where the harvest bell is still rung. On each of these days, at 5 a. m., the church bell sends the harvesters to the fields, and at 8 o'clock in the evening sets them on their homeward weary way. In Hertfordshire the same signals are given by blasts upon a horn, which is blown at the farm house. In some rural districts the beginning of the harvest is still a little ceremony, the first sheaf being cut by the clergyman.

Confederates Mourned for Kearney.

The only thing that marks the spot where Gen. Phil Kearney fell in the battle of Chantilly, Va., is a rough cross of pine, and that was placed there by an old Johnny Reb—Capt. J. N. Ballard. Gen. Lee's old chief of scouts, Capt. Stringfellow, has told the story of how the tears came into the eyes of Lee and Stonewall Jackson when they heard of Kearney's death. He had been with them in the Mexican campaign and they loved him.

CHRISTIAN CHURCH CONVENTION

Thousands in Attendance at the Gathering at St. Louis—Short History of the Church.

(Special Correspondence.)

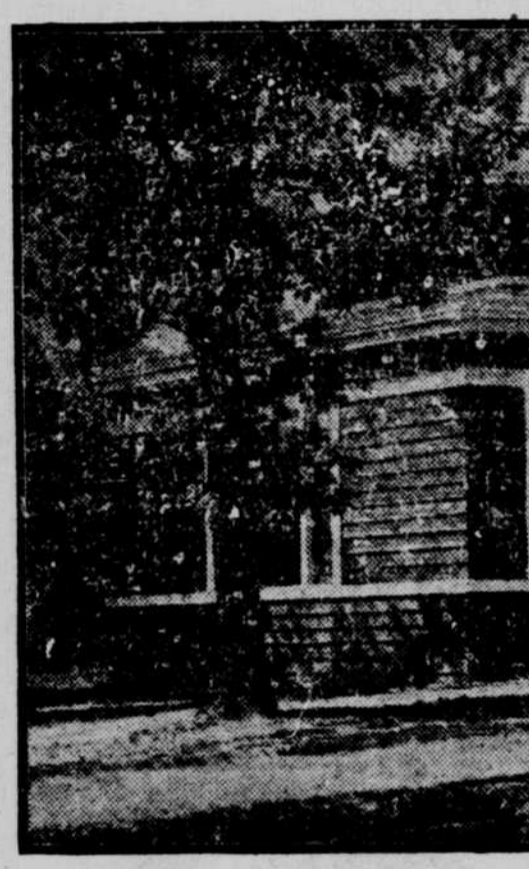
In 1804, just one hundred years ago, Barton W. Stone, an American, born in 1772, started a non-denominational church, calling it simply "Christian." After one hundred years of existence this distinctively American church numbers a million and a quarter members and has increased in the last decade, especially, at such a rate as to cause widespread comment.

The life of Barton W. Stone, the human founder of this church, reads



Mrs. Nancy E. Atkinson. President of the Christian Woman's Board of Missions.

like a romance. Though a village in Maryland witnessed his advent, his early years were spent in the backwoods of Virginia, whose quiet was disturbed now and again by the raids of contending armies. He resolved to "secure an education or die in the attempt," as he himself has declared. It is strange that with an ambition to practice law, and going with those students who made light of religion "in their jests at the pious," this



Christian Church Pavilion at World's Fair.

young man should ultimately prove the founder of a great religious reformation.

In the end he became the pastor of a Presbyterian church at Cane Ridge, Ky. It was here that he discovered he was not in accord with the religious ideas of that age.

Here, too, was held that remarkable revival in 1801. It almost gave at that time a national fame to this little place in the cane brakes of Bourbon county. Here is a description of one of the meetings, by an eye-witness.

"When the ground had been cleared, seats of roughly hewn logs were prepared; over these seats a roof of clapboard was erected, a rude stand constructed for the speakers, houses of logs or tents erected. The attendance at this meeting was enormous, having been estimated at twenty to thirty thousand persons. The religious duties were kept up day and night without intermission. There would be a half a dozen preachers at the same time in different parts of the grove. The hospitality was free and lavish. At night the scene was weird in the extreme, hundreds of candles and torches throwing their uncertain light upon the tremulous foliage, the solemn chanting of hymns, impassioned exhortations, earnest prayers, sobs, shrieks or shouts bursting from excited persons. The sudden spasms that seized upon scores and cast them suddenly to the earth, all conspired to invest the scene with terrific interest and to work up the feelings to the highest pitch of excitement."

This revival, whatever may be thought of its manifestations, produced another great crisis in religious history. Barton W. Stone had a

new vision which resulted in him and several followers rejecting the party name which they had so long worn and calling themselves simply Christians. Such was the origin of the Disciples of Christ.

But Ireland and Scotland had a great share in the development of this movement. Thomas Campbell, a Presbyterian minister, left Ireland to find health in the New World. A year later his son, on the way to join his father, was wrecked on the coast of Scotland, and entered Glasgow university. When the reunion came in 1809 father and son found themselves thinking very much alike. In that year the famous "Declaration and Address" was issued, in which Thomas Campbell and those associated with him declared their intention of taking the Bible alone as their rule of faith and practice. Such a stand naturally produced opposition that has not yet died entirely away. Alexander Campbell was at times bitterly received when he went back to Great Britain.

But Campbell's influence in history is unmeasurable. "Surely," said Geo. D. Prentice, "in his essential character he belongs to no party, but to the world." Gen. Robert E. Lee picked him out as one of the highest representatives of the race.

These men, with Walter Scott, related to the "great Sir Walter Scott," were the forerunners and leaders of a large number of preachers who went about the country preaching the Reformation of the Nineteenth Century.

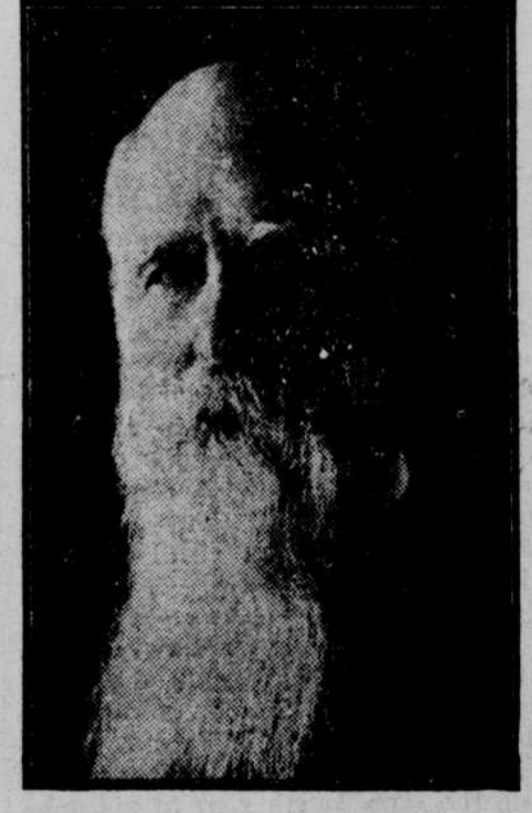
The convention will cover a week, beginning with a concert the night of Oct. 13, and ending with "Disciples of Christ Day" at the World's Fair the following Thursday. Noted speakers and leaders will be present from all parts of the United States and abroad.

The Disciples of Christ, when the World's Fair directors decided they could not have a building devoted to religion, determined to erect a build-



Dr. W. T. Moore.

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Returns Wedding Presents.

The wedding presents received in expectation of the marriage of J. A. C. McColeman and the daughter of the Lord Mayor of London, which did not take place because McColeman withdrew at the last moment, are being returned, to the number of 300. Among them is a superb diamond necklace from the London Court of Aldermen, and a pair of diamond earrings and set of table silver from the Common Council.

Reward for Saving Life.

August Lutken, who has been running a fish and oyster business in East St. Louis, has received word from a firm of reputable English lawyers that a Liverpool sea captain, recently deceased, has left him \$25,000. Eighteen years ago, while rounding Cape Horn in the British merchantman Westgate, he saved Capt. Watkins from being swept overboard in a fierce storm. The captain died recently and left the sum named to the man who preserved his life long years ago.

Asks Annulment of Divorce.

A San Francisco named Frederick Muller got a divorce from his wife several months ago on the ground of desertion and cruelty. Later she was committed to an insane asylum. Now he has had the decree of divorce set aside on the ground that he believed her mistreatment of him was due to the condition of her mind, and that he wishes to care for her during the period of her infirmity and afterward in the event of her recovery.

Sheriff Not Seeking Riches.

Sheriff Erlanger of New York caused a sensation in the board of estimates last week when it was found that the annual appropriation for which he asked was several hundred dollars less than that of last year. Mayor McClellan and the other members had difficulty in believing their eyes when they saw the figures. One Jocose individual moved for an investigation of the sheriff's office, but the others were too overcome by astonishment even to smile at the pleasantry.

Invention Will Render Obsolete Present Day Type of Engines

The man who has built a steam engine which will render obsolete all existing steam power plants, railway and marine engines, sat on the other side of a table from me in the Hotel Lafayette in Buffalo the other night. Triumphant at the end of a thirty years' struggle with crushing defeats and wretched failures, standing on the threshold of millions in wealth and of such fame as is Stevenson's, Edison's or Marconi's, yet he merely chatted in an easy, commonplace way of his invention, putting into the terminol-



WM. M. HOFFMAN

ogy of the unmechanical the fascinating story of his wrestle with the archimedeian problem and his victory.

Across the room sat two massive, bearded men, glum and silent over their coffee. They were two Russian naval officers who had that afternoon received his refusal of a dizzy figure for five years' complete and secret control of his engine for their navy. They wished to exclude the United States, as well as all other nations, from the benefit of that engine, and William M. Hoffman, the man who has given the best years of his life to build it, told them they did not have enough money in all Russia to induce him to cripple his native country in any way for one minute. That is the sort of a man he is.

Telling his own story over that table, Mr. Hoffman said:

"The object of any engine or motor which is used for the purpose of developing power is to secure the greatest power with the least consumption of fuel and lowest possible cost for maintenance, together with a minimum space occupied by the engine or motor. Great progress has been made in the past few years in the development of high speed reciprocating engines. Invention has greatly reduced the floor space occupied for a given horse power.

"The reciprocating engine must

be in the geometrical center of the cylinder, and the distance from the center of the shaft to the bisecting at right angles of the line of the circumference of the 'throw' of the ellipse is equal to the radius of the cylindrical cavity, so that the ellipse on the 'throw' side is in flush contact with the cylinder and on the other side there is a space or chamber, into which protrudes the first segmental blade fitted to a housing in the cylinder and guided by a crank. Diametrically opposite is a duplicate blade, but the 'throw' of the ellipse presses it back into its housing.

"The ellipse is practically the steam chest. Steam is admitted at the end of the hollow shaft into the ellipse, and by a port into the part of the chamber on the convex face of the segmental blade. The steam expands against three faces of resistance, the outer surface of the ellipse, the inner surface of the cylinder, and the convex surface of the blade. Two are unresponsive; the third and last, the blade, recedes before the pressure and pushes the cylinder into revolution.

"Now, the first segmental blade, approaching the greater dimension of the ellipse, is forced back into its housing, and the second segmental blade, relieved of the pressure of the greater dimension of the ellipse, comes out of its housing and when protruded steam again issues from the part in the ellipse into the newly formed chamber, the first segmental blade now acting as an abutment, and the cylinder is driven on until the first blade comes out again, and so on the alternating process goes.

"Steam is admitted only during two separate sixths of the revolution, and the control is centered in a device which is also my invention and whose purpose and effect only need be described. No free steam engine is economical. The exhaust part of my engine is constantly open to the atmosphere in an uncompounded type.

"In compounding I can get results that are more marvelous to the engineer than the engine itself will be to the public.

"An engine must run according to the work it has to do. I can automatically control my engine so that if it makes one more revolution a minute than a given number steam will be cut off until the engine drops to its desired pace. There are few reciprocating engines but can do the same thing, but there is none that by the same device can cause an engine overcoming a friction load of one hundred horse power to drop almost instantly to one-half or less horse power. My rotary engine will do it.

"In railway use the center of gravity can be lowered one-half and the long dreamed of single crank propulsion is within reach. A freight hauling engine would be in shape more like one

Then He Sat Down.

A lawyer was examining a witness in a case where the question involved was as to the mental condition of the testatrix. The witness under examination, herself an aged woman, had testified to finding the testatrix falling childish, and that when she spoke to her she looked as though she did not understand.

"The cross-examining attorney tried to get her to describe this look, but she didn't succeed very well in doing so. At last, getting a little impatient he asked:

"Well, how did she look? Did she look at you as I am looking at you now, for instance?"

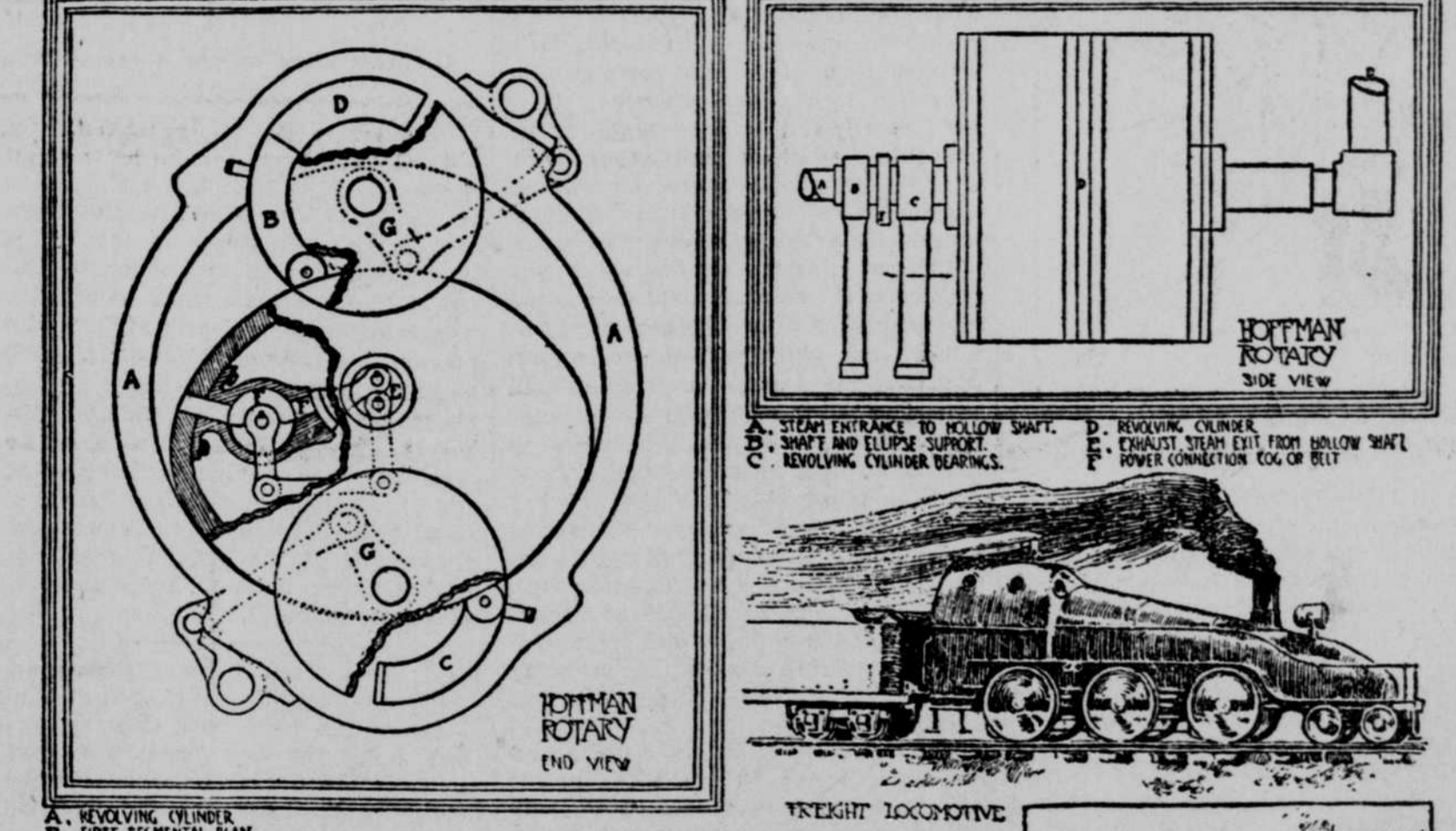
"Well, yes," replied the witness softly, "kind of vacant like."

Fairly Warned.

One of the inhabitants of the city of Posen found himself a few days ago in a delicate situation, as is shown by the following signed advertisement which appeared in the columns of the local paper: "Know! The name of the gentleman who, on Tuesday evening, as I was walking with my bride in the gardens in the Wilhelmplatz gave me a box on the ears is known to me. Unless before Sunday evening next he has called upon me and apologized I shall place the matter in the hands of the police. He is well aware of my address. My bride also knows him, as he formerly annoyed her with proposals of marriage and met with a rebuff. That is why he gave me the box on the ear. He is known!"

Japanese Are Apt Scholars.

The Japanese began the study of



Hoffman's rotary engine diagrams showing side and top views with labels for various components like the revolving cylinder, segmental blade, and shaft.

have a flywheel of great weight in order to carry the crank over the dead centers, and this flywheel causes increased friction on account of its great weight, and requires the power necessary to keep such a weight in motion.

"The eighth principle used in the building of the tenth and eleventh engines is simple in the extreme. The steam is introduced through a hollow shaft, which is stationary and enclosed in a steel jacket of elliptical form, whose greatest diametrical dimension is a fraction less than the diameter of the steel enclosing cylinder; so in reposing the cylinder is supported on the ellipse.

"The hollow steel shaft is not in the center of the elliptical jacket, but

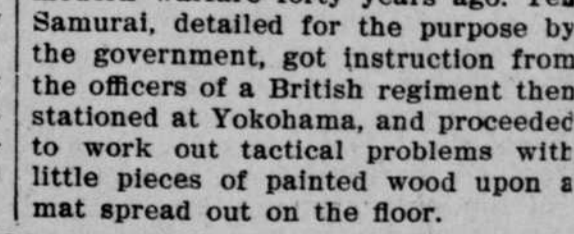
of the long, low, auto touring cars than anything else, with a conical boiler, on the apex of which, as it is turned to cut the air, would be a mobile headlight. One of the combination carriages and engines for single car propulsion would be pointed like a covecather in front, and the roof would shape backward and upward to utilize the air pressure in holding the car more steadily on the rail.

"Travel at the rate of one hundred miles an hour would be just as safe and practicable as an ordinary journey to-day at a forty-mile rate.

"A man in a hurry can go from New York to San Francisco in a few hours more than a day. There is an unlimited field for speculative thought in this feature.



Weight locomotive illustration.



Applied to single-car propulsion illustration.

Irish-French Trade.

At present all trade between Ireland and France is done by means of trans-shipment at an English port. So it is small in volume. As the result of efforts made by the French consul-general in Dublin arrangements have been made for a semi-monthly service of steamers direct between Treport and Dublin.

Independence for Negroes.

An Afro-American stock company, composed of negroes, has been organized in San Bernardino, southern California. It proposes to bring to that part of the state all the Southern negroes who have the will and the money to make themselves independent as ranchers and orange growers.

Divorces in Prussia.

The number of divorces in Prussia in 1902 was 5,278. The percentage was from twice to ten times as high in Berlin as elsewhere.

Canadian Grown Tobacco.

Winnipeg is about to manufacture tobacco grown in Canada.

Reindeer Thrive in Alaska.

Dr. Jackson's experiment in acclimatizing the Siberian reindeer in Alaska, at first thought a failure, is proving a great success. The animals have taken to the Alaskan moss, of which there is an inexhaustible supply, and are multiplying fast. They are useful as pack or sledge animals and yield a rich milk.

Monument to Dan Emmett.

Adelaide Thurston, the actress, has started a movement in Memphis, Tenn., to erect a monument to Dan Emmett, author of "Dixie," who died recently at Mount Vernon, O. It is proposed to raise sufficient funds by benefit theatrical performances in five Southern cities with the co-operation of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Indians Play Lawn Tennis.

British Columbia Indians have become enthusiastic lawn tennis players from seeing some hotel guests playing near hop fields in which the Indians were picking the crop. Now every chance returning up the Fraser river from the salmon fisheries carries a tennis outfit.

GULLS FOLLOW SHIP.

SEA BIRDS KEEP IN WAKE OF ARMY TRANSPORTS.

Soldiers Make Pets of Their Feathered Companions to Vary the Monotony of the Voyage—Fly for Miles Without Ever Seeming to Tire.

"To sailors it does not seem very marvelous that birds are able to fly from America to Asia and back again. But, if one pause to consider it, the feat is really something after all.

Seagulls are especially fond of the army transports, for these ships carry many men who, denied the taste for books, which renders an ocean journey less tedious, and having limited facilities for deck sport, take to feeding the gulls as a pastime. When one of the big vessels leaves the Golden Gate and passes the Farallone Islands, a hundred or more brown bodies with long sweeping wings leave their resting place and start in the wake of the transport.

Then some soldier who has made the trip before says: "Here comes the seagulls. We'd better feed them, if we want a quick passage this trip." Many soldiers invade the steward's premises and gather up the waste bread and victuals.

The birds seem to know when they are to be fed, for they come flying in ever narrowing circles until they are within a short distance of the ship. Then the food begins to fall on the waters and the brown-winged forms swoop eagerly down upon the waves and seize what has been thrown out. This is continued until the gull is exhausted.

The birds never seem to rest. Day after day they follow the ship, cleaving the air with swift wings, flying easily and without apparent effort.

On a recent trip of the transport Logan one of the gulls had its wing muscles injured and dropped fluttering upon the deck, its wide, goose-like bill open, and strange squawks coming from its throat. A soldier spied it and took it to his bunk, where he fed it daily until it became strong again. Then he allowed it to fly away.

But the bird had not forgotten its benefactor. Every day it would alight on the deck and allow none save this particular man to feed it. It followed the boat to Honolulu, to Guam, and finally to Manila.

Where it rested during the two weeks the Logan lay in Manila is not known, but when the vessel turned on its homeward course, bound for Nagasaki, the first day out found this gull, easily distinguishable by a fleck of white on its neck, resting on the stern.

As its favorite soldier did not appear, the gull graciously allowed others to feed it and continued its trip with the ship until the Logan passed the Farallone Islands.

A peculiar incident occurred on the steamer Athenian on a trip from Yokohama to Vancouver. Five days out, 1,000 miles from land in any direction, a little owl alighted on the deck and was captured by the second steward. It was a baby owl, a little bundle of brown and white feathers, and it blinked its eyes in the daylight as it rested contentedly in the cage, which the steward provided.

Stewart Edward White's Honeymoon.

Stewart Edward White, who last spring "achieved the climax of a life of hazard and wild experience by marrying a Newport girl," as a newspaper observed, has been enjoying the unique honeymoon after "The Virginian" pattern.

He and his wife have been camping alone, far from any sort of civilization, in the wilds of the Sierras. Although this is Mrs. White's first experience in out-of-door living, she sends back word of enthusiastic delight with it all. She sleeps on the ground, eats camp fare with relish and thoroughly enters into the spirit of the life so vividly described in her husband's books.

Wind Favors the Methodists.

Recently the Methodists of Issaquah, Washington state, found that they had inadvertently built their church on a lot that did not belong to them. The owners of the building, the Methodists could not afford the money to move it. But a windstorm moved the church on its own lot and all the Methodists had to do was to put jack-screws under the building and construct a foundation.

Now is the Time.

A new game has cropped out. It is called "Tackle the Editor," and is as follows: Take a sheet of ordinary writing paper, fold it nicely, enclose a bank note sufficiently large to pay all arrears and one year in advance and hand it to the editor. Keep an eye on him and if a smile adorns the face, the trick works fine. Now is the time to play the joke. It beats "flinch" and "blit" hollow.—Logan Journal-Gazette.

Mansfield's Counter Offer.

Most playwrights and play agents consider themselves fortunate if they succeed in getting Richard Mansfield to examine their wares. Not so the agent of the French dramatist, Jean Richelieu. She sent Mr. Mansfield a note a few days ago.

"I will let you read Richelieu's play, 'Don Quixote,'" it read, "for \$500, and I will give you a two weeks' option on it for \$2,000."

The actor was so astounded at this audacious offer that he began to rub his eyes to find out if he was awake or asleep. When he gathered himself together he reached for pen and paper. And this is what he wrote to the play agent:

"Dear Madam—I will consent to read 'Don Quixote' for \$5,000—cash in advance. Yours truly, Richard Mansfield."—New York Times.

Boy Anarchist.

Among the many anarchists arrested in connection with the bomb explosion in Barcelona is a 14-year-old boy named Neeloes, who is described by the police as a "preocious propagandist."