

IMPOTANT DECISION.

The Supreme Court Makes an Important Decision—Eight Against Silver—Meat Exports.

WASHINGTON, April 16.—The Supreme Court of the United States rendered a decision in the insurance case of Emilie Moular, plaintiff in error, against the American Life Insurance Company, in error to the Circuit Court of the United States for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania. This was a suit upon a policy of life insurance, which contained as part of the contract the stipulation that "if the representations and answers made to the company in the application for a policy should be found untrue in any respect, the policy should be null and void." When the insurance was obtained the assured was asked among other questions whether he had ever had asthma, scrofula or consumption. His answer was "no." In the trial of the case in the court below there was evidence to show that deceased had had these diseases in an insipient form prior to the application for insurance, but there was also evidence going to show that he was entirely unaware of it. The court instructed the jury that it made no difference whether the assured was aware of it or not, if as a matter of fact he had had these diseases. His answers to the company, although made honestly and in good faith, were none the less untrue and the company was not bound by the policy. This ruling is here assigned for error. The court holds: First—That what the company required of the assured and what the latter agreed to as a condition precedent was that he should make full and honest answers to all questions without evasion, fraud or concealment. Second—That the fact that he had had certain diseases and said he had not had them did not necessarily invalidate the policy when there was evidence to show that the diseases were so latent that the assured was not conscious of them. Third—That it was an erroneous construction of the contract to hold, as the court below did, that the company was relieved from liability if it appeared that the assured had been in fact afflicted with the diseases mentioned. The jury should have been instructed that plaintiff was not precluded from recovery on the policy unless it appeared that he knew or had reason to believe at the time of his application that he was or had been so afflicted. The judgment of the court below is therefore reversed with direction to set aside the verdict.

STRUGGLING AGAINST SILVER.

A meeting of representatives of various Boards of Trade of the country was held at Willard's Hotel to urge upon Congress the policy of a discontinuance for two years, at least, of the coinage of the silver dollar. Delegates were present from the commercial bodies of Portland, Providence, New Haven, New York, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Cincinnati, Chicago, St. Louis and Minneapolis. Martin Cole, of St. Louis, president, and H. P. Bowden, of Cincinnati, was secretary. Resolutions approving the policy of discontinuance of silver coinage were read from the Boards of Trade of Mobile, New Orleans, Detroit, Louisville, Milwaukee, Buffalo, Memphis, Paterson, Cleveland and the Charleston and New York Stock, Cattle and Produce Exchanges. In every case with but one exception the resolutions were reported as having been adopted unanimously. A letter was read from Mr. H. H. Wood, of Cincinnati, strongly urging discontinuance for the present of silver coinage. A memorial signed by 2,600 citizens of New York was read favoring the same policy. Brief addresses were made by a number of gentlemen present, setting forth the thoughtful business men of the country are viewing with alarm the present and prospective effects of silver coinage, and that a serious recession in the popular sentiment on silver coinage is taking place in various localities of the West and South.

THE NATIONAL MEAT REPORT.

Values of exports of domestic cattle, hogs and beef, pork and dairy products for March, 1884, \$3,610,905; same month in 1883, \$10,434,322; three months ended March 31, 1884, \$11,657,882; against \$31,205,190 for the corresponding period last year. Beef and pork products for the five months ending March 31, 1884, \$38,421,000, against \$58,048,900 for the same time in 1883. Dairy products for the eleven months ended March 31, 1884, \$14,204,043, against \$2,093,974 for the corresponding month of 1883.

POOR POLAND.

The Russian Government Encouraging a Revolt as an Excuse for Tyranny. LONDON, April 16.—Russia's tyranny in Poland is becoming more and more intense. Its present extreme brutality has given rise to a report, which receives credence, that the czar is contemplating one of the blackest of political crimes—that of fomenting a rebellion against his own authority for the purpose of diverting the attention of the Russian people from the growing strength of nihilism, and affording a pretext for a reign of blood and terror which it is hoped may crush the nihilists. This policy is said to be the outcome of the military council recently held by the czar and the rulers of the various Russian Governments. It is said that General Albedinski, the Governor General of Russian Poland, left the council armed with authority to disorganize all military societies and revolting in that he has found a willing lieutenant in executing this order in Major General and Baron Meisler, the Governor of Warsaw. The visible indications of this alleged imperial conspiracy are a sudden increase in the number of police spies, who now swarm in every part of Poland and have had frequent collisions with the people, notably at Paderkoff, where one spy and several citizens were killed; the frequency of midnight arrests without warrants, and without giving the accused any notice of the offense with which he is charged; the imposition of new taxes, and especially the revival of the system of revenue farming, with its attendant exactions and vexations, and the shameful brutalities perpetrated by the police upon women and young girls during their frequent domiciliary visits. A rigid censorship of the press has been established throughout Poland, and but few hints of the real condition of affairs can be obtained from Polish papers; but these hints, coupled with diplomatic reports from Warsaw to Vienna, serve to reveal what seems to be the monumental outrage of the tottering autocracy.

Found Guilty.

SANTA FE, N. M., April 16.—During the present term of the United States Court Antonio Jiron was arraigned, and after a two days' trial, was found guilty of murder in the first degree. The sentence, which under the law is hanging, has not yet been pronounced. Jiron was indicted April 3, 1883, for the wanton murder of Freeman Bugla, at Donna. He was captured on the same day, after being shot in the hand and placed in the Mesilla jail. From this jail, in company with other desperate characters, he escaped and fled to Mexico. He was soon recaptured, and after much wrangling between the two Governments about the extradition papers, was placed in the new jail in Las Cruces.

JOHN BROWN'S SCAFFOLD.

An Eastern Yankee Thought There was "Millions in It," But It Proves to Be "Another Speculation Busted"—The Disposition of the Original Structure.

FOUND DU LAC, WIS., April 15. An article in an eastern paper, stating that the scaffold upon which John Brown was hanged has been purchased by an Eastern speculator, has created considerable more interest in Fond du Lac than in some parts of the Union, though wherever there are survivors of General Patterson's command of 30,000 men there the same interest in the speculator's purpose obtains. It is given out that the purpose of the alleged purchaser of the John Brown scaffold is to cut it up into very diminutive pieces and sell the same as relics. A very interesting enterprise this is, to be sure, to people generally, but especially engaging to survivors of Patterson's division, who remembered that between the 15th and 21st of July, 1861, they were participants in a raid on the only original John Brown scaffold, and that as a scaffold it was then demolished and its fragments scattered. The soldiers of this command were years ahead of the speculator, the paper refers to in cutting the scaffold into fragments for relics. The purpose was so strong to have a piece of the timbers, and the pursuit so searching, that when Patterson's division marched away not a splinter of the dimensions of a very much abbreviated lead-pencil was left of that scaffold which the eastern fraud is to sell so fast. Colonel C. K. Pier, Colonel T. H. Green, Captain M. E. Ewen, David Babcock, and T. F. Strong, Jr., are among the Fond du Lac boys who can testify to the truth of this report, and the two first named gentlemen have recounted the history of that raid on the John Brown scaffold very graphically in recent conversation. Each of these gentlemen and other soldiers of Company I of the First Wisconsin, display relics of the early visit to Charleston, from which Patterson's command carried the scaffold piecemeal, but entire.

DESTRUCTIVE STORMS.

Portions of Georgia and Mississippi Visited by Destructive Wind Storms—Houses and Other Property Destroyed and Many Persons Seriously Injured.

COLUMBUS, GA., April 16. A violent wind and rain storm passed over the city Monday night. Rain fell 3.1 inches in three hours. Lands were badly washed, but there is no serious loss of property and no lives lost. Much damage to property is reported from Auburn, Alabama.

A special from Chipley, Ga., says a disastrous cyclone swept over Harris County Monday night. The wind storm struck Chipley about 2:30 p. m. The first damage done was at the residence of George Williams and Mrs. Babbs, three miles southwest of Chipley, and from there to Mr. Cupepper's and T. J. Jenkins' places, where houses were blown down. Lee Alford was instantly killed at the latter place and his wife and three children badly hurt. Alford's body was found 150 yards from the house.

Outhouses on Samuel Goodman's and Jno. B. Hastey's places were demolished. John Langford and son were badly hurt, and wife and child killed. Mrs. Mary Davis' residence was demolished.

In the town of Chipley the residences of J. M. Rees, E. F. McGee, Dr. J. E. Thornton, A. J. Irwin, B. B. Wagoner, R. A. Berner, A. P. Hampton and Layfield were blown down or badly damaged.

Thomas Champion was badly wounded and Mrs. Champie slightly. E. F. McGee received severe internal injury and his son was fatally wounded. Mrs. Layfield and sister were slightly hurt.

A. J. Irwin received severe internal injuries. Mrs. Langford was badly hurt. Dr. J. E. Thornton was slightly hurt. Ben Powell and son are reported killed. The storm passed in a northeast direction from Chipley, and outhouses and part of Joe Dumas' residence were blown down.

R. S. Parkman's place was demolished. Jake Powell's place was wrecked. Outhouses and residences on Rev. Jas. P. Jones' and Thos. L. Bowden's places were badly damaged. The last named places are near Warm Springs, where Bowden and wife were slightly wounded. The destruction of property can hardly be estimated. The cyclone swept everything in its path, and many miraculous escapes are reported.

NEW ORLEANS, LA., April 16.

A Times-Democrat's Valden (Miss.). Special says: Blackhawk, eighteen miles west of here, was struck by a cyclone Monday. W. W. Brewer's and Z. Chippen's dwellings and out-houses were totally destroyed. Brewer's daughter was seriously hurt. Dr. Ben F. Kittrell's office was demolished. J. B. Streator's dwelling and saw-mill were unroofed and his stables and out-houses destroyed. J. Jones' house and J. D. Purcell's shops were destroyed. The residence and shops of D. H. Jordan, the Methodist District High School buildings and Methodist Church were considerably damaged. Mrs. Hutchinson's house was destroyed and her collar-bone broken. Much other property was destroyed, and a number of other persons were also seriously injured, but names are not given.

A Tempest in The Tea-Pot.

LONDON, April 16. The greatest consternation and excitement prevails throughout China, and a general levy of Chinese troops has been ordered. The Empress has ordered the commander of the Chinese troops at Bac Ninh, together with the officers of his staff and leading line officers to be headed for disobeying the orders of the War Department in not fortifying their rear so as to prevent a flank movement, and in not communicating to the department that their force was not sufficient to cope with the French troops.

Easter Eggs.

There are but few Americans who, upon the approach of Easter, can tell why in many of the larger confectionery stores eggs are seen surmounted by a rabbit. The legend is this: On the Continent, especially in Germany, the patron saint, as it were, of the Easter eggs, is the rabbit. Children are taught to believe that these lively little animals lay the varicolored eggs, just as they are told the story of Santa Claus at Christmas time. The evening before Easter Sunday they are sent to bed early, when the older people make nests around the ground near the house, and in the morning the youngsters hunt for the beautiful eggs laid by the rabbits the night previous.

With every recurring Easter, the contests in egg decoration increase, and so does the demand for them. Confectioners were the first to introduce the Easter egg in this country, and this was followed by the Easter card. The varieties in the market are really too numerous to mention. Eggs cost from one cent up to twenty dollars apiece. They are in all conceivable shapes, fancies and designs, and novelties are continually appearing. The larger quantity are imported from Germany and France, but the work of designing is growing rapidly in the United States. They are made of sugar, gum paste, paper mache, chocolate, bronze, gold, silver, glass, wood, wicker, etc. Natural eggs decorated are worth from five cents to one dollar apiece, and the reporter who asked how it was possible to sell such beautifully hand-painted eggs for so little was answered that the work was done in Europe, where such labor was very cheap. There are eggs from which may be seen coming through the shell birds, mice, pigs, elephants, frogs and children. Then there are feathered and from China an extraordinary egg containing a dozen others which run down to the size of a pea. Dresden and French China figure largely in some of the most beautiful designs. Some of the eggs are large enough to hold a pound of candy, and are made of almost all kinds of material, some being covered with hand-painted designs on silk. Again, there are kaleidoscope eggs and panoramic eggs, showing through a glass aperture various appropriate Easter scenes.

Within recent years it has become possible to hatch chickens, ducks and geese by artificial means. This method of rapid hatching has been utilized by those who cater to the Easter trade. When the chicks, or geese, or ducks are a day old they are killed and their bodies stuffed and they are thus sold singly or attached to an egg or card as the case may be.

In Germany the stork figures as the natal bird, and to it is blended a legend somewhat similar to that of the rabbit and Santa Claus.—Chicago Tribune.

Juice of the Sapota Tree.

In the basement of a substantial four-story brick building in Murray street a Times reporter was shown the other day a great heap of what seemed to be broken pieces of putty. Barrels and boxes around the room were filled with the substance. "That," said the proprietor of the establishment, "is chicle. It is the dried juice of the sapota tree, of Mexico. Seventeen years ago, when General Santa Anna was in this country, his secretary had with him a piece of this chicle. I saw the stuff and believed I could use it as a substitute for caoutchouc, or india-rubber. I spent \$30,000 trying to vulcanize it, and then gave it up. Meanwhile, I had learned that the natives chewed the gum. I concluded that I would begin the manufacture of chewing-gum. We have built up a large business—probably the largest of its kind in the world. We call the manufactured article 'rubber chewing-gum,' or rather that name was promptly given it as soon as we put it on the market. It won't wear out like spruce or paraffine gum. It tastes like rubber, and to people who want to chew gum it is just as satisfactory as any other kind. A great many persons chew it—adults as well as children. We import 200,000 pounds of chicle every year."

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"The rubber chewing-gum is pure 'chicle' and nothing more?" "Nothing more. We put up a kind which we recommend for colds. That contains a little horceice. When that is extrated pure chicle alone remains."

THE GENERAL MARKET.

Table listing market prices for various commodities like CATTLE, HOGS, WHEAT, CORN, etc., with prices per bushel or hundred.

ST. LOUIS.

Table listing market prices for various commodities in St. Louis, including CATTLE, HOGS, WHEAT, CORN, etc.

NEW YORK.

Table listing market prices for various commodities in New York, including CATTLE, HOGS, WHEAT, CORN, etc.

—The Scotch terrier that took the death of its mistress, at Stapleton, so much to heart is dead. It had collected several articles that belonged to her in one corner of the room and guarded them night and day, allowing no one to come near them. From the day she died it took no food whatever. Its dead body was found stretched out on the shoes, gloves and fan that it had been guarding so vigilantly.—N. Y. News.

LETTER FROM MRS. HENRY WARD BEECHER.

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A GOOD many who invest in distant bonanzas find themselves afflicted with a sickly mental infirmity—absence of mind.—N. Y. Ledger.

"A Single Fact Is Worth a Ship-load of Argument."

Mr. W. B. Lathrop, of South Eastern, Mass., under date of Jan. 7, 1884, says: "My father had for years an eating cancer on his under lip, which had been gradually growing up until it had eaten away his under lip down to the gums, and was feeding itself on the flesh of his cheek and the surgeons said a further death was soon to come. We gave him nine bottles of Swift's Specific and he has been entirely cured. It has created great excitement in my section."

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"WHAT'S the difference," asked a teacher of arithmetic, "between one yard and two yards?" "A fence," said Tommy Beales.—Boston Post.

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The adoption by most of the prominent dairymen and farmers of the United States, of the Improved Baster Cook made by Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt., is a proof of its superiority as a business point of view. Nearly all winter butter is colored in order to make it marketable, and this color is the best, in regard to purity, strength, permanence and perfection of tint.

When does a horse become a book-keeper? When he becomes a "charger."—New-York Independent.

The testimony of many who long suffer from a blood ailment, caused by an impure state of the blood, goes to prove that the best remedy for making the blood rich, red and pure, for beautifying the complexion, for curing sores, pimples and other skin diseases, for removing nodes, pains, stiff joints, rheumatism, etc., for increasing the power of endurance, for giving health and strength to every weak portion of the body, is Dr. Cassell's, Yellow Lock and Sarsaparilla. Its effect pleases the user in every instance. No other remedy equals it.

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The more you contract a cold the greater it becomes.—Drake's Traveller's Magazine.

ABERNETHY, the great English surgeon, asked a lady who told him she only had a cough: "What would you have?" The lady answered, "Only coughs." The doctor said, "Coughs, however, are cured by Dr. Wm. Hall's Balsam for the Lungs. In Whooping Cough and Croup it is sure to prevent a fatal termination."

Glove fighting is called manly sport, probably because women do their fighting without gloves.—Phila. Chronicle.

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SOMETHING that should never be lost, yet seldom kept—a bad temper.—N. Y. Journal.

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