

News in Brief

Manuscript copy of "Uralume" in Poe's handwriting was sold for \$1,000 at a New York auction.

Science hall at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Blacksburg, Va., was destroyed by fire, loss \$75,000.

The United States armored cruiser West Virginia was, at Newport, formally delivered to the government.

The senate passed the Cullom bill restricting the federal judiciary in Illinois and giving Chicago additional circuit and district judges.

Sir Henry Irving, who recently had severe chills at Wolverhampton, has suffered a slight relapse and has cancelled the remainder of his provincial tour.

Major James C. Carlton, president of the Mexican War Veterans association, was stricken with paralysis at Bedford, Ind., and is believed to be dying.

Governor La Follette's attendance at a dinner given to retiring governors is taken as an indication that he will retire on March 4 to become senator.

Louisville, Ky., is at present agitated by a remarkable religious revival movement. Thus far 4,000 converts have been announced. The revival began February 12.

William E. Curtis compares the import and export trade of the United States and Cuba, showing that the reciprocity treaty has stimulated the industries of both nations.

The George Washington university at Washington, which from 1821 until recently has been known as the Columbian university, was formally dedicated under its new name.

The president issued a proclamation convening the senate in special session at 12 o'clock noon on March 4 next to receive such communications as may be made by the executive.

Grove Walter, former assistant state attorney of Chicago, who mysteriously disappeared in Los Angeles several days ago, and whose friends feared he had committed suicide, was located in San Diego.

District Attorney Jerome of New York, speaking of the proposition to open the saloons part of Sunday before the People's Institute club, said: "There are some honest men on the police force."

The Mexican forces under General Torres, numbering about 400, have killed forty Yaquis and taken 167 prisoners in a two days' battle with the savages in the mountains east of La Colorado.

Rev. Diomedea Falconio, the apostolic delegate to the United States, was the guest of honor at Philadelphia at the annual dinner of the Alumni association of the Catholic university at Washington.

Emperor William has sent an autograph letter to Chancellor von Buelow congratulating him on his conclusion of the commercial treaties with foreign nations and tendering him a marble bust of the emperor.

In the course of an interview at Paris with St. Petersburg correspondent of the Matin, Count Leo Tolstol is reported to have expressed his repugnance to both the aristocracy and the revolutionists of Russia.

Importers of wines and liquors must pay duty on the full quantity shipped from abroad without regard to leakage or breakage "in transit" under a decision handed down by the board of United States general appraisers.

The Kansas house has refused to adopt a resolution providing for submitting to the voters at the next general election a proposition to amend the constitution so that the legislators will not be allowed railroad passes.

Nearly every shoe manufacturer of the middle states and middle west was represented at a meeting held in New York City for the purpose of organizing the National Association of Boot and Shoe Manufacturers of the United States.

That the best work of the world is accomplished by men under 40 years of age, and that men over 60 should be retired or chloroformed, are the startling declarations made by Dr. William Osler, on leaving Johns Hopkins University.

The Standard Oil company is said to have purchased two independent concerns in Kansas in an effort to buy up all firms outside the "trust" and acquire control of any evidence that might be damaging in the pending investigation.

The Missouri house has passed a maximum freight bill, making a material reduction in freight rates. The house also passed a bill amending the damage law so that relatives can recover \$10,000 for the death instead of \$5,000, as at present.

The Agra diamond, weighing thirty-one carats, was sold at London for \$25,500.

The house committee refused to reconsider the request for an appropriation of \$1,250,000 for the improvement of the Chicago river and outer harbor.

The action of the senate forces upon the president the disagreeable duty of reorganizing the Panama Canal commission.

Representatives of Illinois civil war veterans oppose a proposition to consolidate the commissions of the four soldiers' national parks.

IT IS IN THE BLOOD

Neither Liniments nor Ointments Will Reach Rheumatism—How Mr. Stephenson Was Cured.

People with inflamed and aching joints, or painful muscles; people who shuffle about with the aid of a cane or a crutch and cry, Oh! at every slight jar, are constantly asking, "What is the best thing for rheumatism?"

To attempt to cure rheumatism by external applications is a foolish waste of time. The seat of the disease is in the blood, and while the sufferer is rubbing lotions and greases on the skin the poison in the circulation is increasing.

Delays in adopting a sensible treatment are dangerous because rheumatism may at any moment reach the heart and prove fatal. The only safe course for rheumatic sufferers is to get the best possible blood remedy at once.

Mr. Stephenson's experience with this obstinate and distressing affliction is that of hundreds. He says:

"About a year ago I was attacked by severe rheumatic pains in my left shoulder. The pains were worse in wet weather, and at these periods caused me the greatest suffering. I tried a number of treatments and ointments, but they failed to alleviate the pains."

Then he realized that the cause must be deeper and the pain only a surface indication. He adds:

"I had heard Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People recommended as a cure for rheumatism, and when I found that I was getting no relief from applications, I made up my mind that I would try them. Before the first box was gone I noticed that the pains were becoming less frequent, and that they were not so severe as before. After the second box had been used up I was entirely free from discomfort, and I have had no traces of rheumatism since."

The change in treatment proved by almost immediate results that Mr. Thomas Stephenson, who lives at No. 115 Greenwood street, Springfield, Mass., had found the true means for the purification and enrichment of his blood.

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills are without doubt the best of all blood remedies. They effect genuine and lasting cures in rheumatism. They do not merely deaden the ache, but they expel the poison from the blood. These pills are sold by all druggists.

Spread of English Language.

New Zealand, Samoa, Hawaii, most of Polynesia and various small states have permanently adopted our mother tongue, and there is every reason to believe that the 10,000,000 of Filipinos will be using it in the course of time. With the construction of the Panama canal Central America also will probably yield to its influences to a large extent.

Definition of Railway Ticket.

A little school girl's definition of a railroad ticket is worth repeating. In a composition written in one of the Boston primaries on "A Railway Journey," the little one says, among other things: "You have got to get a ticket, which is a piece of paper, and you give it to a man who cuts a hole in it and lets you pass through."

Have Strange Beliefs.

Strange beliefs linger in many out-of-the-way corners of Britain. In Devonshire, for instance, the country folk still make "cramp rings" out of old coffin handles; and bracelets forged out of nails on which suicides have hanged themselves are worn by gouty people, and deemed singularly efficacious.

Cured Her Diabetes.

Halo, Ind., Feb. 27th.—(Special.)—If what will cure Diabetes will cure any form of Kidney Disease, as so many physicians say, then Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure any form of Kidney Disease. For Mrs. L. C. Bowers of this place has proved that Dodd's Kidney Pills will cure Diabetes.

"I had Diabetes," Mrs. Bowers says, "my teeth all became loose and part of them came out. I passed a great deal of water with such burning sensations I could hardly bear it. I lost about 40 pounds in weight. I used many medicines and doctored with two local doctors but never got any better till I started to use Dodd's Kidney Pills. They cured me so completely that in three years I have had no return of the disease. I am a well woman now, thanks to Dodd's Kidney Pills."

Dodd's Kidney Pills cure all kidney ailments from Backache to Bright's Disease. Cure your Backache with them and you will never have Bright's Disease, Diabetes or Rheumatism.

Lake Chad is gradually drying up, and recent researches tend to show that its complete disappearance is only a question of time.

CUTICURA GROWS HAIR.

Scalp Cleared of Dandruff and Hair Restored by One Box of Cuticura and One Cake of Cuticura Soap.

A. W. Taft of Independence, Va., writing under date of Sept. 15, 1904, says: "I have had falling hair and dandruff for twelve years and could get nothing to help me. Finally I bought one box of Cuticura Ointment and one cake of Cuticura Soap, and they cleared my scalp of the dandruff and stopped the hair falling. Now my hair is growing as well as ever. I am highly pleased with Cuticura Soap as a toilet soap. (Signed) A. W. Taft, Independence, Va."

The trouble with remorse is that it never turns up till next morning.

MEN WHO SOUGHT CONTROL OF EQUITABLE LIFE ASSURANCE FUNDS



President J. W. Alexander and Vice President J. H. Hyde of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, rivals for control of the company's millions, were re-elected to their respective positions by the directors Feb. 16 after a stormy session.

FIGHT FOR MANY MILLIONS.

Immense Sums Involved in Dispute Between Men of Finance.

Thirty-four executive heads of the Equitable Life Assurance society, constituting the whole active management of the immense corporation, with the exception of the vice president, Mr. Hyde, and the fourth vice president, W. H. McIntyre, signed an agreement declaring that unless Mr. Hyde resigned they would give up their positions in the company.

This agreement was signed by James W. Alexander, the president of the company; Gage E. Tarbell, the second vice president; George T. Wilson, the third vice president; William Alexander, the secretary; Joel G. Vance, the actuary; Thomas D. Jordan, the controller; M. Murray, the cashier; Francis W. Jackson, the auditor; S. C. Bolling, the superintendent of agencies; Arthur Pell, the medical director, and twenty-four heads of other departments. Had these men resigned in a body the company would have been left with only subordinates in charge.

When it is remembered that the Equitable Life Assurance society has in ready cash and securities which can be immediately turned into cash \$178,000,000, and when it is also remembered that some of these men who threatened to resign have been with the company since it was founded in 1859 by Henry B. Hyde, father of the young man who they now insist must resign, the motives which impelled them to take this extraordinary step can be readily understood to be exceptional.

BREAKING THROUGH ICE FIELDS.

Specially Constructed Boats Needed to Stand Strain.

No one who has not had experience in navigating through ice fields can realize the enormous pressure which they exert on an imprisoned vessel. Even the most powerful steamer can make but little headway through moderately heavy ice unless she can bring her weight as well as her power to bear. The famous ice breakers employed for keeping channels open in northern waters are so constructed that when they meet ice they ride out on it, breaking it down by their weight. In many cases these ships are provided with a propeller in their bow, and this assists in the breaking by drawing the water from under the ice. These ice-breaking ships are able to make their way through fields that would absolutely check such a ship as the modern ocean liner, even though the latter had far greater horse power. Her straight, sharp stem, with great draft of water forward, would not permit of her lifting out on the ice and she would be hopelessly blocked, if her bows were not battered out of shape.

FADS OF MEN OF MONEY.

Millionaires Have Many Ways to Dispose of Their Surplus.

These strong men of money have their weak sides; they have their fads and will spend money like water on them. Mr. Keene's weakness in the racehorse is pictures; the late Mr. Whitney's was rugs the said to have paid \$35,000 for one, and the transaction would have been all right had he left the two last ciphers off the price; Mr. Brady's of the tobacco trust, is black pearls; Mr. Adicks' of Bay State gas is emeralds; while Mr. Lawson travels beyond fads and owns to superstitions. He pins his faith to the numeral three and its multiples. His telephones are 3333 and 3339; his offices are 33 State street; one of his pet copper mines is the Trinity, and he begins his great enterprises on the third day of the month. His "big medicine" as the Indians would call it, is a chain of 333 golden beads, each with a gypsy girl's face enamelled thereon, and this fetish he consults and communes with in ways known only to himself.—Saturday Evening Post.

JAY COOKE'S LIFE ENDED.

Was One of the Most Brilliant of American Financiers.

Jay Cooke, noted financier, died at Philadelphia, Feb. 16. He was 84 years old. Mr. Cooke, in the years during the civil war and for a considerable time thereafter, was unquestionably the foremost of American financiers. He carried upon his shoulders vast responsibilities and his genius and quick resourcefulness were the marvel of the times and a household word in this country and even abroad.

His career was typically American. Born at Sandusky, Ohio, on Aug. 10, 1821, the son of a father who had fallen in business, the future engineer of gigantic financial schemes began to labor for a living at the age of 15. Leaving his home as a boy he sought employment in Philadelphia, and in that city entered the service, as a clerk, of the banking house of Clark & Co. Subsequently he became a partner in the firm, and twenty years after his arrival in Philadelphia he, with his sons, founded in 1858 the banking concern of Jay Cooke & Co.

The opening of the civil war found the firm of Cooke & Co. on the very crest of its advancing wave. The government needed money to carry on the war. National officers exhausted their ingenuity and the treasury was empty.

Mr. Cooke said he would undertake to raise money for the war if he were made sole financial agent for the United States. This was done, and in a short time a great stream was pouring into the treasury at the stupendous rate of \$3,000,000 a day. During the war the Cooke firm transacted a business for the national treasury involving—incalculable as it may seem—more than \$3,000,000,000.

Mr. Cooke then turned his attention to plans for building the Northern Pacific railroad, and through capitalists at home and in England had already secured backing in London to the extent of \$20,000,000 to complete the road. The scheme fell through, owing to the bitterness which had recently developed between the United States



The Late Jay Cooke.

and Great Britain. With the collapse of the plan came the failure of the house of Cooke & Co. in 1873, and the tremendous panic which followed.

It required five years of incessant work on the part of Mr. Cooke to clear away the wreckage of this disaster. He succeeded in doing it, however, and by 1880 he had accumulated a new fortune and had paid every dollar of his indebtedness.

Foremost in World of Music.

Dr. Cowen, conductor of the London Philharmonic society, is 53. He is a native of Jamaica, has traveled all over the world, speaks four or five languages fluently, collects first editions and has been so successful all his life as a composer and conductor that he never had to go through the drudgery of teaching. He won the Mendelssohn scholarship in 1865, in succession to Sir Arthur Sullivan, but his father objected to the conditions and sent him to Germany at his own expense. He was a composer at 6 and a piano virtuoso at 10. His "Song of Thanksgiving" he wrote for the Melbourne exhibition of '88, for conducting the orchestra at which he received the record sum of \$25,000.

Live Stock Markets

SOUTH OMAHA.

CATTLE—There was just a fair run and as all the packers seemed to be anxious for supplies the market ruled active with prices strong on all desirable grades. Buyers started out in good season and it was not long before a clearance was made. In the case of beef steers there was nothing choice on sale, but still buyers took hold with considerable life and the market could safely be quoted strong and active. Even the common cattle sold without a great deal of difficulty at fairly good prices as were paid yesterday. The light receipts the last few days have caused prices to advance quite rapidly, so that all of the decline the latter part of the week has been regained and the more desirable grades can probably be quoted around a dime higher than they were a week ago. The cow market was also quite lively with prices strong rather than otherwise. Buyers went around in good season and it was not long before practically everything in sight, with the exception of a few late arrivals, was out of first hands. There was no quotable change in the market on stockers and feeders, as there were not enough to make a market. The demand from the country has improved wonderfully the last two or three days and speculators have sold out practically all the cattle they have on hand, both light and heavy.

HOGS—There was a more moderate run of hogs than has arrived for the last few days, but all other markets were quoted lower and as a result prices caused off a trifle. The general market could be quoted 2 1/2 to 5 cents lower than yesterday's average. Trading was not particularly active at the decline, but still the hogs kept moving toward the scales, and it was not long before the bulk of the early arrivals was out of first hands. The light weights sold largely from \$4.60 down, butchers' and mixed \$4.62 1/2 to \$4.67 1/2, and heavies all the way from \$4.67 1/2 to \$4.80.

SHEEP—Quotations for fed stock: Good to choice yearlings, \$6.25@6.50; fair to good yearlings, \$5.75@6.15; good to choice wethers, \$5.25@5.65; fair to good wethers, \$4.90@5.15; good to choice ewes, \$5.00@5.50; fair to good ewes, \$4.50@5.00; common to fair ewes, \$4.00@4.50; good to choice lambs, \$7.50@7.75; fair to good lambs, \$7.00@7.50; feeder yearlings, \$4.50@5.00; feeder ewes, \$4.25@4.50; feeder lambs, \$5.50@6.25.

KANSAS CITY.

CATTLE—Market steady to 10c higher, choice export and dressed beef steers, \$5.00@5.75; fair to good, \$3.75@4.90; western fed steers, \$3.75@4.25; stockers and feeders, \$2.00@4.25; southern steers, \$3.25@4.50; southern cows, \$2.25@3.25; native cows, \$1.75@1.25; native heifers, \$2.50@4.50; bulls, \$2.50@3.75; calves, \$2.00@3.75.

HOGS—Market steady to 10c lower; top, \$4.87 1/2; bulk of sales, \$4.55@4.80; heavy, \$4.80@4.87 1/2; packers, \$4.70@4.80; pigs and lights, \$1.00@4.70.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Market steady; native lambs, \$7.00@7.90; native wethers, \$5.25@5.90; native fed ewes, \$4.85@5.90; western fed lambs, \$7.00@7.90; western fed yearlings, \$6.00@6.90; western fed sheep, \$4.85@5.90; stockers and feeders, \$3.50@5.50.

LARGE PROPERTY TO BE SOLD

Great White Knob Copper Company Goes Under the Hammer.

BLACKFOOT, Idaho—Judge Stephens of the district court signed an order directing Receivers N. H. Clark and Wilbur L. Matthews to sell at public option all of the properties of whatsoever character, including water works, electric railway, smelter and mining property of the Great White Knob Copper company at Mackay, Idaho. The value of the property is estimated at \$2,800,000.

There is a mortgage on the property of \$1,000,000 and the court directs that the minimum bid be \$1,000,000. lien, but the court directs that all creditors shall be paid out of the proceeds of the sale. About \$50,000 of the claims are held in Salt Lake. Other creditors are Denver and Butte firms, whose claims aggregate \$70,000. The receivers have set the sale for March 18, at Mackay, Idaho.

Ewer Brings \$20,000.

LONDON—At an auction at Christie's an Elizabethan ewer of rock crystal, mounted on silver, only six and one-half inches high, belonging to the marquis of Anglesy, was sold to a London dealer for \$20,000.

For an Empire State Exhibit.

NEW YORK—A bill was introduced in the New York legislature appropriating \$32,500 for the New York state exhibition at the Lewis and Clark exposition at Portland, Ore.

Working on a Catechism.

CINCINNATI—The Union Catechism Mission of the Methodist Episcopal church, North and South, met here. This mission a year ago adopted a primary catechism. The purpose of the meeting at this time is the final revision of the principal or large catechism. A ritual that is agreeable to both churches will also be reviewed by the commission. Rev. J. W. Jennings, formerly presiding elder at Omaha, is one of the northern members of the commission.

William T. Reid of Belmont, Cal., has been offered and will, it is stated, accept the position of head coach for the Harvard football team.

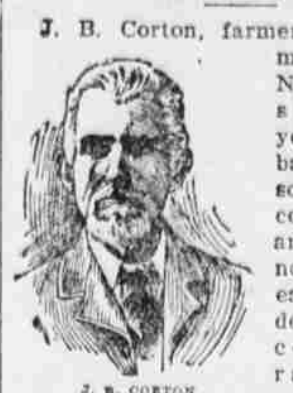
Adolph Weber was convicted of murder in the first degree at Auburn, Cal., for the killing of his mother. The jury was out fifteen hours.

May Have Bearing on Canal.

WASHINGTON—The state department received the following cablegram about the completion of Simpson tunnel from Consul Washington, "Simpson pleased, Nega resolved with general rejoicing and belief of solution." The successful outcome of this engineering feat may have an important bearing upon the project of Chief Engineer Wallace of the Panama canal to make that waterway a sea level canal by driving a tunnel four miles long under a mountain to divert surplus water of the Chagres river.

COULDN'T LIFT TEN POUNDS.

Doan's Kidney Pills Brought Strength and Health to the Sufferer, Making Him Feel Twenty-five Years Younger.



J. B. Corton, farmer and lumberman, of Deppo, N. C., says: "I suffered for years with my back. It was so bad that I could not walk any distance nor even ride in easy buggy. I do not believe I could have raised ten pounds of weight from the ground, the pain was so severe. This was my condition when I began using Doan's Kidney Pills. They quickly relieved me and now I am never troubled as I was. My back is strong and I can walk or ride a long distance and feel just as strong as I did twenty-five years ago. I think so much of Doan's Kidney Pills that I have given a supply of the remedy to some of my neighbors and they have also found good results. If you can sift anything from this rambling note that will be of any service to you, or to anyone suffering from kidney trouble, you are at liberty to do so."

A TRIAL FREE—Address Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. For sale by all dealers. Price, 50 cents.

To the receptive soul the river of life pauseth not nor is diminished.—George Eliot.

Billion Dollar Grass.

When the John A. Salzer Seed Co., of La Crosse, Wis., introduced this remarkable grass three years ago, little did they dream it would be the most talked of in America, the biggest, quickest, hay producer on earth, but this has come to pass.

BILLIONS GRASS

Agricultural Editors wrote about it. Agr. College Professors lectured about it. Agr. Institute Orators talked about it, while in the farm home by the quiet fire-side, in the corner grocery, in the village post-office, at the creamery, at the depot, in fact, wherever farmers gathered, Salzer's Billion Dollar Grass, that marvelous grass, good for 5 to 14 tons hay per acre and lots of pasture besides, is always a theme worthy of the farmer's voice.

Then comes Bromus Inermis, then which there is no better grass, or better permanent hay producer on earth. Grows wherever soil is found. Then the farmer talks about Salzer's Teosinte, which produces 100 stocks from one kernel of seed, 11 ft. high, in 100 days, rich in nutrition and greedily eaten by cattle, hogs, etc., and is good for 80 tons of green food per acre.

Victoria Rape, the luxuriant food for hogs and sheep, which can be grown at 2 1/2 a ton, and Spleet at 2 1/2 a bu., both great food for sheep, hogs and cattle, also come in for their share in the discussion. JUST SEND 10c IN STAMPS and this notice to John A. Salzer Seed Co., La Crosse, Wis., for a big catalog and many farm seed samples. [W. N. U.]

We are too apt to throw bouquets at the dead and mud at the living.

STATE OF OHIO, City of Toledo, D. C.

FRANK J. CHENEY makes oath that he is senior partner of the firm of F. J. Cheney, Inc., doing business in the City of Toledo, Ohio, and that he has read and understands the contents of the above and every case of CATARRH of the bladder, cured by the use of BULL'S CATARRH CURE.

Honesty is the best policy, provided you keep your premiums paid up.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in 8-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 oz." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

The older some women get the more girlish they try to act.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch because they have a stock in hand of 12-ounce packages, which they know cannot be sold to a customer who has once used the 16-ounce package. Defiance Starch for same money.

Crime is sometimes only the labor of genius misapplied.

Piso's Cure is the best medicine ever used for all affections of the throat and lungs.—Wm. O. ENSLEY, Vanburn, Ind., Feb. 10, 1905.

Sentiment cherishes as truth many a pretty fable.

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For 20 years has made a specialty of DR. MCGREW'S KIDNEY, Bladder and Urinary Pills. His Home Treatment is a permanently cured chronic disease. His Home Treatment is a permanently cured chronic disease. His Home Treatment is a permanently cured chronic disease.

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