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# TALES FROM

# A NEWSPAPER TRUST.

# A PROJECTED COMBINATION FOR NEW ENGLAND JOURNALS.

& Proposed Combine With a Capital of ing Papers of New England.

tion by a number of capitalists of New York, Philadelphia and Chicago to seproperties in the New England states that are very valuable and profitable, but which under such a consideration as | was \$400,000 in debt. the one proposed will prove even more remunerative and influential by the reduction of the expense in operating, and by the purchase of supplies in quantities so large as to demand great reductions in the price of material used.

For years it has been recognized that most solid and stable investments that money can be put into, and the majority of the newspapers of the country, too gle owners, have been managed by stock companies.

This consolidation of newspapers under one management is not a particularly new idea. It has been very successful on a smaller scale in the west, where the Scripps league is widely known as a big syndicate, managing a dozen valuable newspaper plants.

It was one of the dreams of the elder Bennett which a number of years ago came near to realization. The New York Herald and The Times, the Chicago Times, St. Louis Post-Dispatch and the Boston Herald at one time came very near being controlled by a syndicate, with the elder Bennett at its head, but disagreements arose, and the negotiations came to naught.

The enormous earnings of big papers like the New York Herald, Sun and World, the Boston Herald and Globe are the natural results of serious and indefatigable efforts extending over a series of years. It is popularly reported that the income of James Gordon Bennett of the New York Herald from his paper is \$750,000 per annum. The World closely follows this with over \$500,000, while The Sun probably makes half that amount. The Boston Herald is supposed to divide \$300,000 a year between the owners, while The Globe pays at least 10 per cent net on \$2,000,000.

The proposed combine, however, deals with New England newspapers, and even this is a deal of immense magnitude. The capitalists alluded to propose to purchase the leading daily papers in New England, managing them of course as individual papers and preserving their separate autonomies, yet controlling them by a directorate, to whom the agent or manager in charge of each paper shall report directly. It is estimated that \$10,000.000 in capital will be required.

The plan is to purchase these properties by issuing bonds for \$5,000,000, preferred stock of \$5,000,000 and common stock of \$5,000,000, the bonds and the nmon stock to be sold for the pur-

### Stories of Great Luck.

Captain Ben Ferguson, collector on the ferryboat Hite, is always reminiscent. They Give Rise to a New Question of Eti-The other day the captain said to me: "You seldom hear of a man making

\$90,000 in one night in these days, but I know of such an instance. Mr. Coleman, who ran a foundry on Washington \$10,000,000 About to Be Formed to Con- street, near Brook, did it. In relating it the latest accounts it has broken out and trol the Business Interests of the Lead- to me he exhibited no delight whatever. His words were: 'Captain, I made \$90,-900 last night: went to bed early and The Providence News is informed by slept soundly. You know the price of an authority that has always been con- iron went up, and fortunately I had sidered reliable that another big finan- enough on hand, which I had purchased cial project is under serious considera- at a low figure, to net me a fortune.' As Captain Ferguson concluded the story he told another of how Dennis Long cure control and to manage a number of made \$200,000 because the price of iron dropped out of sight. It was just at a time when Mr. Long had failed in business and told Captain Ferguson that he

"Well," said the captain, "Dennis Long went up to Indianapolis to bid on the construction of the city waterworks. There was but one other bidder, and Mr. Long was awarded the contract. Not long after iron began fluctuating, and Long's estimate having been made a good paying newspaper is one of the on the basis that iron would advance still more in price, it already being high at the time, he of course found that as it decreased he was reaping a golden large to be the personal property of sin- harvest. Well, iron went down and down. When it stopped, it was worth hardly anything. Mr. Long, as I said, made \$200,000 by this, and he's been making money ever since."-Louisville Courier-Journal.

### Rats Are Great Travelers.

Rats do not, as one would suppose, remain on the ship, but get off at various ports, and after remaining a while ship on some other vessel for another voyage. The water rats or wharf rats are great travelers and make frequent voyages around the lakes and even around the world-the latter as I discovered while engaged in West India service. There are here now rats from almost every part of the globe. Why, I saw four colossal Jamaica rats, with their white bellies, skipping about in the moonlight a few weeks ago, and only yesterday I killed two Indian male rats not 200 feet from where we were standing. Rats are great climbers when they find it necessary to be so. Upon one of my voyages not long ago we had a long spell of warm weather, and there was no water in the hold which the small army of rats on board could get at. One night we put some water up at the cross trees and waited for the result. Well. the rats just swarmed up the ratines and went for the water. We killed as many of them as we could as they came down, and some of them jumped overboard and were drowned. But we could not kill them all, and a few made the ontire voyage with us.-Interview in Chicago Tribune.

### Bismarck's Advice to Students.

Only now, and in a roundabout way, via Bonn, has the text of the speech which Prince Bismarck made at the reception of Bonn students become known. The prince confessed that at the university he neglected study, but added: "The only thing that I am sorry for on looking back to those times is that I could not later on make up for what I had neglected then What one has learned aft- police station. The presence of a stranger erward does not remain so firmly in one's

#### WATERMELON PARTIES.

quette In Maryland.

One of the things in society is the watermelon party. The new diversion was indulged in in Howard county, just above Ellicott City, the other night, and from promises to become epidemic down in Anne Arundel, where the melons grow in all sizes, species and flavors. Just how a watermelon should be served at a watermelon party is a knotty question, and it has caused considerable debate and some little unfriendly controversy among the Four Hundred of the melon growing counties.

Some contend that it should be cut crosswise. Others say it should be split longitudinally and eaten without fork or knife. This diversity of opinion may relegate the melon party to the rear of the picnic for the present season, as the time of the fruit is limited now to a few weeks, but the latent element in favor of the pastime may break out again next season, just as the ague does every year down in Piney woods.

Another difficulty in the way of eating a watermelon artistically is to get clear of the seeds. It is said that on one occasion a guest at one of the parties insisted that it was proper to pick the seeds out with the right index finger, and if by accident one should get into a guest's mouth it should be swallowed. A debate followed the proposition, in which one man said he did not propose to make a watermelon patch of his internal makeup by planting seeds in it. The party broke up, and the hostess had a lot of melons and an antipathy to such parties left on her hands.

The outcome of the new fad is puzzling the people in uppertendom in the cities and villages and rural districts. From what could be gathered in the last few days on the subject, the watermelon party does not promise to be a pro-nounced success. One of the great objections is the uncertainty to what they may lead, for if the watermelon party takes with society it may in time be followed by a squash party, or a yellow pumpkin party, or a green tomato party, or a sassafras root or tea party, or some other thing just as erratic, and the Four Hundred it seems, would rather content themselves with the pink tea and other diversions whereof they are familiar than rush into new ones that might lead to an endless amount of unrest.-Balti-

#### A Bear, a Cab and a "Sergot."

more American.

On Sunday evening an amusing incident occurred in the Champs Elysees quarter. A man named Haja, employed by M. Marseille, a wild beast tamer, thought he had a right to add to his wages by exhibiting his master's bear in the streets. With this object in view Le installed the bear in an open cab, and taking his seat beside the animal told the coachman to drive to the Champs Elysees. The vehicle reached the Avenue Victor Hugo, followed by a crowd of boys and young men, who by their derisive shouts attracted the attention of two sergents de ville. They stopped the cab, and after ascertaining the truth one of them got into the vehicle and ordered the cabman to drive to the nearest

beside it so excited the bear that by its

### Even With the Lightning Rod Men. A gang of lightning rod sharks made

against his will Saturday, but got the morney the owner was, got a drink of water and to threaten most danger to the future. departed. The next day another called The country which is not governed by and proposed to make the farmer a pres- its ablest men is badly governed, and ent of 100 feet of rod, charging him 75 the inclination of the more cultivated cents a foot for 10 feet and charging him classes to abstain from extra for the necessary points, insisting liamentary machine does infinitely creatthat the farmer sign a contract for the er damage to the colonies than any atbalance. This he refused to do, and the tempt on the part of trades hall socialfellow left. Saturday two more men ists to "capture" it.

(Ills.) Cor. St. Louis Republic.

The Duke of York Is a Brick. Several weeks ago one of the boys attending the Queen Elizabeth grammar school at Kingston, Logan by name, wrote privately to the Duke of York and from Sir Francis de Winton stating that factured. his royal highness would be pleased if Nothing was known by the masters or

# Long Walk of a Somnambulist.

Telegraph.

Mrs. Jennie Finkin of Eighth and Spruce streets, Camden, was found wandering on the streets at 1 o'clock yesterday morning by Officer Frederick Voight at Broadway and Bridge avenue. The woman was attired in a wrapper, and her hair was hanging loosely down her back. She was walking slowly, and when the officer approached her side he was astonished to hear her snoring, although her eyes were open. He addressed her in low tones, but received no answer. He then grabbed her by the arm. This aroused her, and when she found that she was on the street she fell to the pavement from astonishment. She recovered in a few minutes and accepted the protection of the officer to assist her home. Mrs Finkin is said to be subject to attacks of somnambulism When she was found by the officer, she was nearly two miles from her home.-Philadelphia Press.

# Where the Blame Belongs.

One of the lovely nymphs who was

#### Australian Plutoeracy Nil.

With all its faults, with all its ignoan attempt to rod a farmer's house rance and with all its passions the deof Australia has a political worst of the bargain. The farmer is an ideal. The plutceracy has none. It is old soldier, living 10 miles south of this fully occupied with its own affairs. It city, named John Snyder. On Thurs- rallies to no public cry. This is the day one man called and inquired who feature of Australian life which seems

drove up to his place, threw out rods | But it does not follow that this attiand tools and proceeded to put up the tude is permanent! It is the fashion to rods. The farmer objected, but they say that the labor people have everyclaimed to have an order to do the work thing their own way and have made poland laughed him to scorn. Snyder got itics impossible. It was the fashion to his gun, and covering the man in the say the same in regard to industry bewagon, who had drawn a revolver, he fore necessity taught the employers to ordered him to clear out or he would let | unite. Let any political need press hard daylight through him. The fellow drove enough, let any political cause stir off at a lively rate, leaving his pal at the warmth enough, and the same ability, mercy of the farmer, who served him in the same energy, the same public spirit like manner, and now the farmer has 40 | roused again to union on a wider field feet of lightning rods to sell .- Warsaw are not likely to achieve a less result .-Melbourne Cor. London Times

### Small Demand For Shoes

People have not been lavish in their purchases of shoes of late years. The surplus of them is undoubtedly smaller than usual, and yet the quantities dissuggested that he should use his influ- tributed throughout the country have ence to secure the boys of the royal been sufficiently extensive to enable dealschool an additional week's holiday at ers thus far to meet all the requiremidsummer as an appropriate way of ments of their customers by simply buycelebrating the recent auspicious mar- ing a few stray lots here and there to riage. The Duke of York appears to piece out assortments. The accumulahave approved of the idea, for a few tions are dwindling, however, day by days ago the governors of the grammar day because there are more shoes being school were surprised to receive a letter consumed than there are being manu-

When the clouds vanish from the comthey would grant the asked for holiday. mercial horizon, as nobody doubts they will-and it does not look reasonable other authorities of the request made by | they should obscure the prospect much the boy till the letter was received from longer-there will be greatly enlarged Sandringham. At a meeting of the gov- markets all over the land for shoes. But ernors it was unanimously agreed to ac- for the present there is not much to be cede to the request. The announcement done except to get under cover, if there was received with ringing cheers for the | is any shelter anywhere, and wait until Duke and Duchess of York .- London the storm subsides .- Shoe and Leather Reporter.

#### A Junior Napoleon of Finance.

Who says that the African race is not going forward, that it is not saving, that it lacks method and economy and the desire to prepare for the rainy day? On Pennsylvania avenue is a bootblack who will be a millionaire if he lives long enough. A gentleman took his chair yesterday morning and requested that his "russets" be shined. The darky went across the street and returned with a banana.

"Dese ig'nunt cornfiel niggers," he said, "rub on lemon peel. Day ain't in it wid dis."

Stripping the rind from the fruit and using it as a towel, he imparted some sort of gloss to the shoes and received his 19 cents. Then he made his breakfast off the banana. Breakfast for a cent, with shoe polish thrown in and 9 cents to the good, is not bad financiering at a time when the banks are breaking .- Washington Post.

#### Pathetic Ignorance.

Thoughtless persons may be moved to floating about among the sylvan woods | laughter by the report that an inhabitant

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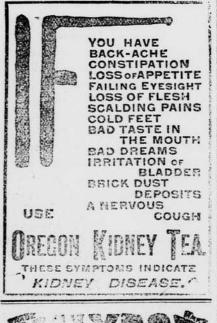
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chase money, the bonds to carry an 8 per cent guarantee, the preferred stock to be a 7 per cent stock, and the common to declare whatever dividend might be left over after an allowance for a sinking fund. At the present cost of operating the common stock could declare a 10 per cent dividend and carry 5 per cent to the sinking fund.

The cost of operating would be greatly reduced. Take for example the Boston dailies or the two big Sunday issues. The Herald and Globe each run trains out over the roads leading from Boston Sunday morning, seven trains each. One of them could be cut off and a joint train run, saving at least \$30,000 per year. By purchasing paper in such immense quantities the very lowest possible price could be obtained, and a very small fraction of a per cent saved would in the aggregate amount to an enormous figure, and as with paper so with type, presses, ink and all other materials. In the matter of distribution of papers in Boston alone an

enormous saving would be made. By the control of all the newspaper properties in New England by one concern a new era in the collection of news would at once follow. A system of leased lines, with operators in the employ of the combine, would be inevitable. The New England Associated Press would either be merged in it or go to the wall, but this system of leased wires would bring a saving of such proportions as to be absolutely startling and which is at present impossible by any one paper. It is expected that expenses of operation would be reduced fully 25 per cent.

The plan is not a political one and has no political significance. The combine is said to be evenly divided between both the great political parties; otherwise this absorption of such papers would give a political influence that would be so powerful that it could not be tolerated. Agents of the syndicate are now in New England making inquiries and investigations. The successful management of the Standard Oil company, of the big street car combines and other trusts seems likely to be followed by a newspaper trust .-Journalist.

# Banks In the United States.

There are 3,700 national, 3,000 state and 1,300 private banks in the United States, a total of 8,000, somewhat diminished since May by isolated suspensions and insolvencies, but still in excess of 7,800, several suspended banks having after suspension resumed. The gross deposits in national banks of the United A FULL ON .... FOR SET OF LETH RUBBER\$5.00 States amount to \$1,500,000,000, in state banks to \$650,000,000 and in private banks to \$100,000,000, a total of \$2,250,-Work Guaranteed. Teeth extracted in the morning, new ones inserted evening of same day. Teeth filled without pain, latest method. Finest parlors in the west. Paxton 900. The gross deposits in American banks are 50 per cent greater than the actional debt and equal to about 60 per Bid., elevator 16th street cn-trance. DR. R. W. BAILEY, OMAHA, .... NEB. tent of all the gold coin in the world .-New York Sun.

memory. 1 do not dissuade you from working, but I am not horrified if my sons commit studentlike excesses, and above all things I believe that the student's life in corporations has this advantage-that it somewhat steels the character by subjecting each to the criticism of his comrades. This is a great thing. As long as one belongs to a corporation, to the opinion of which one attaches much importance, one does not easily go astray. The same thing plays an important part later on in life. What is it that is the backbone of German officials? The university and the swordknot."-Berlin Cor. London News.

How to Live if You Wish to Live Long. Aside from the very important and controlling influence of inheritance, of diet and of temperate habits, the points to be learned from the few statistical data attainable are that longevity is promoted by a quiet, peaceful life in a retired and rural community, where there is freedom from nervous strain and worrying and excessively laborious toil. The business man, with increasing cares and responsibilities, the mill operative toiling hard to keep together the souls and bodies of himself and his family, the politicians, the hardworking professional men, are not the chief contributors to the centenarian ranks. Dr. Holyoke indeed became a centenarian, but his ex- He got it from the bureau of admissions ample has rarely been followed by his at the fair on demand for the return of and Surgical Journal.

#### Where "Sterling" Came From.

Sterling signifies money from the legalized standard of coinage of Great They paid under protest and got a re-Britain. According to one theory the ruption of Easterling-a person from Europe, and therefore from the east in office inspector had to pay to get into a geographical relation to England. The postoffice."-Chicago Times. Easterlings were ingenious artisians who came to England in the reign of Henry III to refine the silver money, and the coin they produced was called moneta Easterlingorum-the money of the Easterlings .- New York Evening Sun.

#### Lightning and Rain.

It is popularly supposed that the sudden downpour which usually follows a bright flash of lightning is in some way caused by the flash. Meteorologists have proven that this is not the case and that, exactly to the contrary, it is not only possible but highly probable that of 2:081. The piece is to be presented at the sudden increased precipitation is the a coming banquet in New York. real cause of the flash.-St. Louis Republic.

#### Why Fogg Is Puzzled.

"There are two things," remarked Harrison went fishing recently with his Fogg in a contemplative mood, "that I grandson, there stand two lighthouses of don't understand. One of these is how the world got along before I came into known familiarly to dwellers on the it and the other how it is going to get north shore as "Mr. and Mrs. Baker."along after I have left it."-Exchange. | Boston Transcript.

swaying backward and forward it very and streams during the summer has of the city really supposed that he had caused by the sight of the cabman, the sergents de ville and the tamer sprawling on the ground, with the bear almost under the upset cab, can easily be imagined .- Paris Cor. London Standard.

#### Old Songs Before the Queen.

A very pleasing innovation was introduced in a musical programme rendered before the queen at Osborne house a night or two since which deserves note. Mme, Nordica and Mr. Plunket Greene were the vocalists, with Sig. Tosti as accompanist on the piano, and in addition to the accustomed repertory there were given two old Irish songs arranged by Dr. Villiers Stanford, an old Scotch song arranged by Miss Lucy Broadwood and an old Cornish song, "Where Be Going?" arranged by Mr. Arthur Somervell, all being sung by Mr. Greene. The introduction of this last into a royal programme may be considered due to

the labors of the Rev. Sabine Baring-Gould, the well known novelist, whose collection of the words and tunes of the half forgotten songs of the west country deserves all praise.-Birmingham Post.

Inspectors Pay to Enter a Postoffice. Postoffice Inspector Fleming has a \$1 bill which he says he will have framed. month ago the inspector and Andrew call from the office inside the grounds. ceipt.

#### A Silver Statuette of Sunol.

The Ames Manufacturing company of Chicopee, Mass., has completed a coin sulky, upon which is seated an equally is one-fifth life size and is mounted upon a bronze standard. The sculptor is C. E. Dallin of Salt Lake City. The whole piece of statuary was molded from silver dollars. It required 331 ounces of silver. The sulky is an exact facsimile of the one in which the mare made her record

### Mr. and Mrs. Baker.

On Baker's island, where ex-President irregular height and clear white light

at the door of the modiste when the death. The owner of the "creation," should place the blame where it belongs -on the modiste of the fashionable horse.-New York Times.

# A Query About Electrocution.

It is a noteworthy fact that post mortem examinations have been held on the bodies of electrocuted criminals in a very short time after they were shocked Who among us all can positively and certainly declare whether life has left 120,000. The next 10 years at the same the body after a passage through it of an electric current? A shock of 2,000 among the 10 leading cities of the counvolts will undoubtedly kill some men try. This is not visionary or speculaand may only stun others. Is there a tive, but is based upon the natural adcompetent physician who will state upon vantages of the place and the quality and his honor that the criminals who have were dead when they were carried from | north than any other city south of Washthe chair?-Electrical Review.

#### All the Comforts of Home.

Funny sights are often seen in the professional brethren.-Boston Medical money paid at the gates. Nearly a Pullman train tourist cars as they pass through the city nights, and curious Irle of the inspector's office had a special noises are often heard. One sight that attracted considerable attention on train It was a case of stay out or pay to get in. 71 Wednesday morning was a good sized washing hung out on the starboard "This bill is a curiosity," said side of the car. It is only one more eviterm originated as follows: It is a cor- Fleming as he opened a letter from dence of the many conveniences fur-Horace Tucker, "because it represents | nished its patrons by the Maine Central. | enthusiasm as to the advantages of little north Germany, on the continent of the first case on record where a post- Experts, all of whom are married men, testify that the articles were those worn only by infants.-Kennebec Journal.

### Sparrows Killed by Lightning.

The electrical storm on Sunday morning killed many sparrows in the vicinity silver statuette of Sunol hitched to a of the navy yard in Brooklyn. In the hospital grounds was a wheelbarrow full wellknown driver. The piece of statuary of their bodies. They had fallen from a tree.

> In front of the house of Commander White, in Officers' row, Flushing avenue, 210 dead sparrows were found under a tree. There was no mark on the trees to show that lightning had struck them .- New York Herald.

Suffering From Too Much Currency. C. H. Boston, an employee of the United States Express company, had his left foot badly mashed in front of the treasury building yesterday afternoon. He was assisting several other express employees in moving a safe full of money slipped, and one corner of it fell on Mr. Boston's foot.-Washington Post.

soon upset the vehicle. The merriment among her belongings a gown which the been divorced from the bonds of matriprosy man who pays the nymph's bills mony by an unjudicial person for the considers not a dream, but a very sub- sum of \$2. But the fact is really paraetic stantial reality, as it cost him \$500 over rather than jocose. It is probably only and above the original price. That was a single example of the large and multithe sum he paid for one of the horses farious ignorance prevailing in some that took cold while the carriage waited parts of the community. It would be sufficiently distressing if the ways of gown was being fitted. He had been these uninformed persons lay among a clipped, and the illness resulted in his pure and pastoral simple people, new disposed to take any advantage of the however, thinks the unreasonable man unskillful. When in these metropolitan districts so many ravenous wolve. of all sorts are abroad intent upon preying on few and hard earned dollars, the philanthropist and educator may well bestir himself .- Brooklyn Eagle.

#### Atlanta's Half Century.

Atlanta is about to celebrate her fiftieth anniversary. By that time her population will be in close neighborhood of temper of its citizenship. Already Atbeen electrocuted in New York state lanta is more extensively known at the ington. She has more energy, more purpose and a more resplendent future than any city of her population in the land. There is every reason why the mounts of Atlanta should not be despondent over the situation.-Atlanta Constitution.

A Disgusted Questioner.

There was a new arrival at Pauline's house, but to her disgust, not to say wrath, it was a girl. Three din Thr occurrences have taken the edge off her sisters, and she stood glowerin -- t the little bundle of wails and inquired, "How much you gave for it?" "Tweaty-four dollars," she was told. "Humped and Polly's disgust deepened. "While you were about it, why didn't you give \$1 more and get a boy?"-Exchange

The cornerstone of the national capitol was laid Sept. 18, 1793. It is proposed to celebrate the centennial anniversary of this event by a parade, addresses, nreworks and a night illumination of the capitol by means of 24 searchlights.

ASt. Louis woman has lately perfected an invention for making sweet potato flour. The process includes peeting the potato and drving the peel as a most for live stock, drying and grinding the potato into three grades of flour.

It is said that the Duchess of York has spent a good many hours of her noneymoon "knitting comforts of a weally from a wagon into the building when it nature" for her proteges. The juke meanwhile read aloud to his bride, completing a charming tableau.