

Not all false attachment suits are breach of promise cases.

Truth is stranger than satire. There was a genuine Mark Twain duel in Paris recently.

One can always tell what time of year it is by looking at the open-faced pumpkin pie.

Says the Memphis Scimitar, "Hooray, hooray, and likewise yip!" Yes, certainly. Boy or girl?

It is Cupid's turn to laugh at Gen. Corbin. Most of us indulged in that diversion some time before.

Mexico has a dynamite trust, but the courts down that way seem inclined to let well enough alone.

John L. Sullivan is once more on the water wagon. Nothing like keeping in accord with the campaign.

No one should jump at the conclusion that allowing the milk of human kindness to sour is going to do any good.

Mrs. Patrick Campbell says she expects to come to America "ever so often." Another farewell tour artist, apparently.

A Chicago man who makes ghosts to order doubts very much whether spirits ever materialize, but he knows that dollars do.

"Undoubtedly the Lord hates a liar," says the Boston Herald. Isn't this open to argument? He may hate the sin, but love the sinner.

One of the doctors has found a serum for the prevention of hay fever. This being the case, let the poets come on with their golden rod poems.

When a woman can get a divorce in twenty minutes, why should we bother our heads with Mr. Meredith's theories about a ten-year marriage?

It is Dr. Gunsaulus who remarks that the day of the boy orator has gone. But there is nothing in this statement to arouse any deep regret.

Phillistines who have noted the athletic style of great pianists cannot be persuaded that there are usually only three or four movements to each sonata.

Jean De Reszke gets \$30 an hour for music lessons. Perhaps if Patti could do that she might forego the sweet sorrow of saying good-by to American audiences.

A Kansas judge holds that the courts offer no recourse when a dog bites a street-corn spellbinder. The services of poor dumb beasts never are properly appreciated.

These are the instructions for fitting the latest style of corsets: "Stand on the balls of your feet, stiffen your knees, and wiggle your shoulders." Wouldn't that give you a fit?

A Chicago judge has decided that hat-trimming is not art, but skilled labor. He probably arrived at this conclusion because of his inability to understand how art could come so high.

The dressmakers' edict that at least thirty yards will have to go into a dress hereafter convinces many husbands and fathers that their last year's suits will hold together one more winter.

The Columbus man who accuses his wife of throwing a big iron spoon at him and hitting him will have some difficulty in convincing twelve intelligent jurors of the truth of the latter charge.

Genius has yet before it the task of producing a pre-combusted coal that will produce neither ashes nor smoke and thus glad the heart of the hired-man-less householder, and eke his neighbors.

Dressmakers have decreed that the winter woman shall be broad-shouldered. Probably the better to enable her to stand the quips of the funny man who writes joculars about the cost of women's apparel.

J. Pierpont Morgan has within a month been almost run down in his launch, almost run over in an automobile, and almost hurt in a railroad collision. No wonder he is beginning to think of retiring.

A New York poet publishes some verses of which the repeated refrain is: "Blow, wind, blow!" Those who doubt the influence of modern poets have only to watch and see how obediently the wind is doing it.

J. Pierpont Morgan, Jr., will take his place at the head of his father's firm when "Jupiter" retires at the beginning of the coming year. And yet every little while you hear somebody say that there is no chance now for young men.

We are quite willing to believe that that telephone device invented by a man at Portland, Ore., to enable a person speaking to see the face of the person at the other end of the line already works successfully as far as the human eye can reach.

DRIVE BACK JAPS

RUSSIANS TAKE OFFENSIVE AND BREAK OYAMO'S LINE.

KUROKI MAKES FATAL MISTAKE

Russians Seize a Hill He Failed to Occupy and Fortify It—Japanese Right Also Turned and They Are Forced to Abandon Position.

ST. PETERSBURG—General Kuropatkin's order of the day announcing his determination to take the offensive is supplemented tonight by the news that an offensive movement has already begun and that the Japanese lines have been broken at Bentsiaputze. The Japanese occupied a front of about fifty-two miles, stretching from Bentsiaputze on the east through Yental and across the railway to the banks of the Hun river on the west. The Russian force has been moving south in close touch with the Japanese advance since October 4. The Japanese outposts were driven back in a series of skirmishes, and on October 6 the Russians reoccupied the station of Shakhe, fifteen miles south of Mukren, the railway battalion restoring the bridge across the Shakhe river the next day in order to facilitate the advance. Now General Mitchenko's Cossacks pushed southward as far as the Yental mines, defeating the Japanese in a series of warm skirmishes. The most important action, however, occurred at the Japanese right at Bentsiaputze. Here the Japanese held a strong and important position, but it seems they made the inexplicable omission to fortify a commanding hill which was the key to the whole situation. A portion of General Kuropatkin's force made a strong attack on Bentsiaputze, and taking a leaf from the Japanese book, occupied the hill from the east and flanked the Japanese out of the town, causing a serious loss in a rear guard fight. The Russian casualties have been inconsiderable.

While these operations are progressing south of Mukden, it is reported that two Japanese divisions, under General Fushima, are marching west up the Liao river and are now twenty-two miles south of Siamintin. General Kuroki is expected to make a similar movement eastward. This statement, if accurate, leaves the two armies in the anomalous position of threatening each other's lines of communication, the Japanese by a wide turning movement, while the Russians, pushing southward, have already inflicted a blow on the Japanese right and are crowding back their center along the railway.

While it is understood that Mukden is not heavily fortified, General Kuropatkin has a powerful force behind him strongly posted at Tie Pass, and he asserts the Russians are now powerful enough to assume the offensive. It is possible his aggressive movement will force the Japanese flanking column to withdraw in order to protect its own base.

COMMITTED TO THE GRAVE.

Last Services Over Body of George F. Hoar Held.

CONCORD, Mass.—The last services over the body of United States Senator George Frisbie Hoar were held Tuesday in this town, the place of his birth, and several hundred of the senator's former townsmen followed the body to the place of its burial in Sleepy Hollow cemetery. In the First Parish church service was conducted by the pastor, Rev. Loren B. McDonald. The pastor spoke no words of eulogy, reading instead James Russell Lowell's poem on Channing. At the grave brief services of burial were held and the body was committed to the grave.

Put On An Open Shop Basis.

CHICAGO—The Pullman company resumed work in its manufacturing department, putting on a small force of men. Three hundred workers were given employment in the mill and lumber yards and the number is to be increased as the work is developed, according to Vice President Wickes, until 1,500 or 2,000 men are again on the payroll. Those employed were required to sign an application promising to obey the rules of the company. "Signing of the application," said Vice President Wickes, "meant that resumption would be on the 'open shop' basis and that no union agreement would be signed."

Labor Federation Complains.

WASHINGTON—Frank Morrison, general secretary of the American Federation of Labor, has filed with the interstate commerce commission a complaint alleging discrimination on the part of the transcontinental passenger association against the federation of labor in the matter of reduced rates for delegates to the national meeting of that organization in San Francisco, beginning November 14.

Many Skirmishes Occurs.

Field Headquarters of the Second Japanese Army, Noon, via Pusan, Oct.—Daily skirmishing is occurring along the Japanese advance line. On Friday Japanese cavalry attacked two companies of Russian infantry and two regiments of cavalry with machine guns on the right flank of the River Run, southwest of Choran. The Russians were driven back to the northwest. The Russian casualties were fifteen. The Japanese sustained no loss. On Saturday the Japanese advance drove back the Russians.

GUARDING THE BATTLESHIP

Extra Precautions Taken in Behalf of Connecticut.

WASHINGTON—After delaying for some time in the hope that by working secret detectives might be able to discover the persons who have been making various attempts to damage the battleship Connecticut in the New York navy yard, the navy department concluded to publish the latest report in the case from William J. Baxter, the constructor in charge at New York, feeling that publicity now will make toward the protection of the vessel in the future from a repetition of such attempts. The report shows in detail how holes were skillfully drilled near the battleship's keel and how a ball had been placed as an obstruction to the launching.

Acting Secretary Darling endorsed the report as follows: "The precautions taken by the commandant and naval constructor are approved."

"The official report also shows that the efforts to ruin the battleship were persistent; that the attempts began six months ago, and that they continued since that time, notwithstanding the close watch kept on the vessel day and night."

"The recommendation of the bureau that special legislation be enacted which will provide adequate punishment for any person who may damage or attempt to damage maliciously, in course of preparation, is approved and the subject will be handled through the usual channel."

DECLINES TO VISIT OHIO.

Bryan Writes a Letter to the State Chairman.

COLUMBUS, O.—William J. Bryan, in a letter to Chairman Harvey C. Garber of the democratic state committee, declining to visit Ohio during the present campaign, says: "While Judge Parker announces himself as unqualifiedly in favor of the gold standard, he is no more objectionable on this question than President Roosevelt and he does not stand for many things in which the silver democrats are interested."

"The election of Parker and Davis would remove from the arena of politics the questions which stand in the way of the consideration of economic questions, and for this reason I believe that every democrat who supported the ticket in 1896 and 1900 should interest himself in the success of the ticket this year."

"When the election is over I want to renew the fight for economic reform and I believe that we will be in better position to do this with Judge Parker elected than with Roosevelt at the head of the nation. It is also important to secure congress, for without the house of representatives the president could not carry out his policies."

PORTER EXPRESSES SORROW.

Ambassador of United States Writes Letter of Condolence.

PARIS—Acting on instructions from Washington Ambassador Porter sent Mme. Bartholdi the following letter: "Madame: The death of the eminent sculptor who had always aimed at giving to his works the expression of some great idea or noble aspiration has profoundly moved the American nation, which has received from him lasting proof of his sincere admiration. As the interpreter of these sentiments the government of the United States has bidden me to say to you that the statue of liberty enlightening the world has rendered the name of Bartholdi dear to all my countrymen, who join in your grief and that of the artistic world. In acquitting myself this duty allows me to express my personal sympathies and those of all the members of the embassy who, like myself, had with Bartholdi friendly relations during the last twenty years which have left in our hearts sorrows we never shall forget. I have the honor to be, your respectful servant, HORACE PORTER."

FUNERAL OF DEAD STATESMAN

Simple, Private Service Over Sir William Vernon-Harcourt.

LONDON—The remains of Sir William Vernon-Harcourt, who died on Saturday, were buried in the family vault at Nuneham, Oxford, with the utmost simplicity and privacy. Only the family and tenantry were present. Simultaneously a memorial service was held at St. Margaret's church, Westminster, where representatives of King Edward and the prince of Wales were among the immense congregation, which included Ambassador Choate, Mrs. Choate, John R. Carter, second secretary of the American embassy, and the other ambassadors and ministers, cabinet ministers and personal and political colleagues of the deceased statesman.

Election of Harry Marks.

LONDON—Editorial articles in the morning newspapers chorus expressions ranging from regret to indignation at the election of Harry Marks to parliament in the Thanet district. The conservative Standard says: "In the interests of purity of public life we hope before Marks is allowed to take any active part in parliament work he will be afforded an opportunity by the house of commons to clear his character of the grave aspersions cast upon it by a judge of the supreme court."

INTO DEEP WATER

THE NEBRASKA LAUNCHED WITH SHOUTS AND BOOMS.

CHRISTENED BY MISS MICKEY

Daughter of Nebraska's Chief Executive Stands Sponsor for the Vessel. Ship Supports Weakened Too Quickly and Boat Takes the Water.

SEATTLE—Special to the Omaha Bee: Impatient of restraint and eager to rush into the arms of Old Ocean, the Nebraska broke through the stays that held it and at 2:02 p. m., amid the shouts of 50,000 people, the booming of great guns of the monitor Wyoming, the blare of bands and the hoarse shrieks of all the whistles of all the ships in the harbor, the great hull glided down the ways and into its natural element.

Miss Mickey was not unaware, and as the first tremor of the starting ship was noted, she broke the brightly decked bottle of champagne across the massive steel nose of the vessel, a new ship was born and christened.

The day was dark and foggy, but the citizens made a holiday of it. All banks and other business houses were closed from noon until 3:30 p. m., that everybody might have an opportunity to attend what is here looked on as one of the most important events in the history of the city. At the shipyards every inch of room was occupied and on the adjoining wharves the people swarmed to the danger point. Sound steamers and tugs were fitted up as floating grandstands and many thousands were thus given a chance to see the new warship take its dip into the water.

On the launching stand had assembled the officers or the states of Washington and Nebraska and representatives of the army and navy of the United States, together with many distinguished citizens who were invited by the Moran Bros. company to grace the occasion with their presence. Bands from the navy yard, from Fort Lawton and from Vancouver barracks furnished the music, among the pieces being a spirited march dedicated to Nebraska by a local composer, and played publicly for the first time today.

The only hitch in the program for the launching was that caused by the impetuosity of the ship itself. Apparently imbued with the spirit of the occasion and eager to show that it could keep up with the pace set by the great state for which it is named, the Nebraska started eleven minutes before the time set.

The tide was still rising, but the water was sufficiently high to avoid danger of an accident. Congressman Humphrey of Washington had just begun his speech, which was to have been followed by an invocation by Rev. Dr. Matthews of Seattle, when a crash was heard as of breaking planks, and the great bulk trembled for an instant. All eyes seemed to have centered on the ship rather than on the speaker, for a whisper, "She's moving," turned instantly into a tumultuous cheer, and the Nebraska was on its way to the water.

Miss Mary Nain Mickey stood ready, a charming sponsor for a magnificent craft, coolly awaiting the word. As she saw the vessel starting she quickly grasped the bottle by the neck and broke it over the stem of the vessel, pronouncing the conventional formula as she did so. Her words were never heard, even by herself, for the signal service had been so accurate and the lookout so keen that the vessel had not moved a foot along the ways till the great guns of the Wyoming began to thunder a greeting to the newest sister of the navy and all the joyous pandemonium of the affair broke loose.

Mayor Balling of Seattle made the opening address, telling of the importance of the occasion to Seattle as well as to Nebraska and the nation. He was followed by Secretary of State Sam H. Nichols, acting governor of Washington, who welcomed Governor Mickey and the Nebraska visitors.

The Ship Nebraska.

SEATTLE, Wash.—The battleship Nebraska, which was launched here on Friday, has a displacement of 15,000 tons. Its contract price is \$3,733,600; length, 411 feet 3 inches; beam, 76 feet 2 1/2 inches; draft, 23 feet 9 inches; displacement, 15,000 tons; weight at launching, 14,500,000 pounds; speed, 19 knots; indicated horse power, 19,000; engines, two four-cylinder triple expansion; boilers, twelve water tubular. Its main battery consists of four 12-inch guns, eight 8-inch and twelve 6-inch guns.

David Auld Drops Dead.

ATCHISON, Kan.—David Auld, president of the First National bank, and a pioneer Kansan, dropped dead here Friday, aged 89 years. Mr. Auld built the Hannibal road into Atchison.

Uprising in China is Feared.

SHANGHAI—Numerous reports received from the interior telling of the activity of secret societies at points widely apart are causing serious uneasiness. It is known that the officials everywhere are displaying great anxiety and are procuring the most modern arms and munitions of war for the purpose of equipping the soldiery. There is no certainty as to whether the anxiety of the officials is directed against anticipated risings or as to whether it is a precautionary movement against possible danger.

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

THE NEWS IN NEBRASKA. CUDAHY-MORTON NUPTIALS.

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NEBRASKA CITY—Historic Arbor Lodge, the beautiful home of the late Hon. J. Sterling Morton, was the scene of a pretty wedding, when Mr. Joseph Cudahy of Omaha and Miss Jean Morton of Chicago were united in marriage by Bishop Spalding of Peoria.

At the hour set for the ceremony, 4 o'clock, the bridal party descended the stairway to the music of the Lohengrin wedding march, rendered by an orchestra placed behind a screen of palms and ferns. From the stairway an aisle, marked by larger wicker vases, each containing 100 Bride's roses and connected by wide white satin ribbon, led the way to the living room, where a magnificent altar of mahogany and white enamel had been constructed.

Before the altar was a raised platform of mahogany and overhead a natural arbor, formed of vines and ferns, under which the bride and groom stood while Bishop Spalding read the solemn marriage ceremony of the Catholic church.

Miss Morton presented an ideal picture of beautiful young womanhood, gowned in pure white, with a long veil, and carrying orchids and lilies of the valley. Her dress was of imported lace over white silk.

After the ceremony a buffet luncheon was served in the dining room.

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STORY OF NEBRASKA WEALTH.

Surplus Farm Products Shipped Out in the Last Seven Years.

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DAKOTA CITY—William Stangone and Bud Peterson, two farmers of Thurston county, residing about ten miles south of Homer, were arrested by Deputy Sheriff John Klotzer of South Sioux City, as being fugitives from justice, on complaint of C. J. O'Connor, banker of Homer. When arrested Stangone and Peterson were in the act of driving thirty-five head of fat cattle onto the bridge into Sioux City to place them on the market. They were taken to Emerson for trial.

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