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One of the mysteries of nature is the ease with which song birds and game can be exterminated as compared with the difficulty in getting rid of the boll weevil.

The decision of a Philadelphia court that a wife does not own her husband's pay envelope will not disturb the average wife. All she wants is the contents—Kansas City Journal.

The Englishman who has been investigating the question decides that there is a measure of stern reality in dreams. Any man who has paid for his wife's spring hat will corroborate this.

The news that a fortune of \$1,000,000 awaits one missing George Miller is calculated to raise false hopes. But it would have been still worse if the lost heir had happened to be John Smith.

In one block of twelve houses in New Brunswick there are six brides. That block is a good deal more desirable now as a place of residence than it will be a few years hence, if they all stay there.

The able but dyspeptic New York Post still sternly declines to point with pride at anything in this reprehensible country except the occasional imaginary fulfillment of one of its dismal predictions.

Novoe Vremya, which is the name of one of Russia's leading newspapers, means The Times and The Vsemirnaya means The World. It must be exciting when The World newsboys flock out with an extra.

One of the Japanese officers who were killed at Port Arthur has been elevated to the rank of war god in Japan. Still, comparatively few of us would care to be blown to pieces even for that high honor.

The eminent authority that described Uncle Russell Sage as a man who did not care for money for its own sake must have heard of the recklessness with which he sometimes spends \$7.98 for a suit of clothes.

It is to be hoped that the fact that a defendant in a breach of promise case used to send his sweetheart a million kisses in every letter will not be used as an argument against the feasibility of one-cent postage.

It would serve the convenience of editors, compositors, proofreaders and readers alike if the American newspapers would only agree upon a complete set of Yankee names for both the Japanese and the Russian warships.

If the Italian chemist who thinks he has discovered a chemical combination in liquid form that will prove a substitute for kerosene oil is right, he may be endowing universities or giving away libraries a dozen years from now.

Some genius has invented a machine to split wood, to be run by a three-horsepower gasoline engine. It isn't enough. Where is the man who can not at once recall splitting knots that would stop a three-horsepower engine as still as a clock?

An undertaker's rate war in North Yakima, Wash., has been carried so far that one may be buried out there for one cent. The bargain price is subject to change without notice, and anyone wishing to take advantage of it should time his funeral accordingly.

## TO BE EVACUATED

RUSSIANS HAVE DECIDED TO DEPART FROM NEW CHWANG.

### NEED MORE FORCE TO HOLD IT

Reported Wounding of Viceroy Alexieff Before Departure for Port Arthur—Russians at New Chwang Hurriedly Leaving.

NEW CHWANG—There is every indication that the Russians have decided to evacuate New Chwang. The troops have been leaving here all day long. Forts have been dismantled and all artillery has been placed on board trains. All the local transportation has been commandeered by the Russian authorities.

There is current here a native rumour that Japanese troops are in Foo Chau bay (on the west side of the Liao Tung peninsula, and about sixty miles north of Port Arthur), but this report lacks confirmation.

The fear is held here that if the Russians leave and the Japanese do not at once take possession of New Chwang the brigands, who are now across the river near Yin Kow, will pillage the place. The foreign residents are prepared to resist the brigands should they come over. The British consul has requested that a gunboat be sent to New Chwang. The Russians probably will destroy the gunboat Sivoutch before leaving. The vessel is at New Chwang.

It is reported here that Viceroy Alexieff was slightly wounded before his departure from Port Arthur. He barely escaped from there before the Japanese closed the lines of communication.

The Russian general staff has moved from Liao Yang to Mukden.

Russians here will not talk of the situation for fear that they may impart some information. They do not consider that their forces here are sufficient to hold this section of the country. It is probable that the Russian troops will withdraw to Harbin.

The Russian civilians at New Chwang are leaving hurriedly and many natives are fleeing from the city in fear that they will be subjected to maltreatment at the hands of the brigands.

### SETTLE GRAIN RATE WAR.

Through Rates to Be No Greater Than the Sum of the Locals.

CHICAGO—After many futile attempts the western railroads on Thursday succeeded in completing a final settlement in the grain rate war between Missouri river points and Chicago.

All have agreed to make proportional rates from all Missouri river points and have decided that the through rates from Nebraska points to Chicago shall not be lower than the combined locals excepting from certain Nebraska points tributary to the Sioux City gateway, the latter being a concession to the Chicago & Northwestern.

The rates on grain from Omaha and Council Bluffs will be the same as those from Kansas City. Heretofore the rates from the former points was 2 cents per 100 pounds higher.

### Trainloads of Wounded.

MUKDEN—The spirits of the troops here are not depressed because of the fighting on the Yalu and the investment of Port Arthur and they are eagerly awaiting an opportunity to meet the invaders. Wounded from the Yalu are passing through Mukden on every train on the way to Harbin. The last passenger train from Port Arthur before the line was cut arrived Saturday. The woodwork of the coaches was marked with bullets which struck as the train dashed at full speed past a critical point.

## THE SEASON IS TARDY.

Quiet Conditions Noted in Marts of Business.

NEW YORK—R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says:

Somewhat better retail distributions followed improvement in temperature, but it came too late to recover and realize part of the tardy season's injury to spring trade. Quiet conditions are noted in practically all lines of wearing apparel, with the exception of specialties, such as tan shoes, that cannot be delivered with sufficient rapidity. Operations for future requirements are carried on with caution, and this disposition to avoid excessive commitments will do much to reduce the number of failures. Some improvements in collections, particularly at the south and west, will also strengthen weak concerns. The percentage of idle factories has increased, especially in textiles and footwear, and a change in style has rendered unavailable much silk machinery. Structural work is increasing, but dealers had accumulated large supplies of building materials, and prices lack reasonable firmness. Commodity prices declined slightly during April. Railway earnings in April were 5.8 per cent less than last year.

Recovery in the iron and steel industry is again retarded by the unexpected dissolution of the ore association. Prior to that event there was increasing confidence in the stability of quotations, the railways were at last seeking rails in moderate quantities and fair activity prevailed in tin plate, sheet, pipe and wire products. Fuel conditions are unchanged, anthracite continuing active, while coke and bituminous coal are dull and weak.

After last week's exceptionally heavy transactions it was natural that the western hide markets should be come inactive. Prices remain firm, however.

Commercial failures this week in the United States are 206, against 202 last week, 241 the preceding week and 145 the corresponding week last year. Failures in Canada number 27, against 16 last week, 12 the preceding week and 22 last year.

### DECIDES IN FAVOR OF BANK.

Ruling of Judge in Phillips Case a Blow to Small Creditors.

CHICAGO.—The suit brought by the trustee of the George Phillips company to recover from the Bank of Montreal \$200,000, which the members of the firm had deposited shortly before the collapse of the corn corner in 1902 came to an abrupt ending in the United States circuit court today. Judge Seaman took the case from the jury and announced a decision in favor of the bank.

The court held that a bank was not in the same class as other creditors of a bankrupt. The decision practically means that the small creditors of the Phillips company will receive but a slight percentage on claims, while the banking institution comes out almost entirely whole.

### IOWA MAKES GREAT RECORD.

Old Guns Equal Record Made by British in 1902.

WASHINGTON—Remarkable records were made by the Iowa's guns in the annual record target practice just completed. The Iowa's twelve-inch guns made forty-two shots and thirty-four hits. The best twelve-inch gun made eleven shots and eleven hits. The hits per gun per minute for the twelve-inch guns were 0.75. This equals the record made by the British ship Ocean in 1902, when it broke the world's record and in the case of the Iowa the record is all the more creditable because its guns are of an old type. The Iowa's eight-inch guns made 1.20 hits the gun each minute, the best gun making eight hits out of eight shots.

## Free to Twenty-Five Ladies.

The Defiance Starch Co. will give 25 ladies a round trip ticket to the St. Louis Exposition, to five ladies in each of the following states: Illinois, Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri who will send in the largest number of trade marks cut from a ten cent, 16-ounce package of Defiance cold water laundry starch. This means from your own home, anywhere in the above named states. These trade marks must be mailed to and received by the Defiance Starch Co., Omaha, Nebr., before September 1st, 1904. October and November will be the best months to visit the Exposition. Remember that Defiance is the only starch put up 16 oz. (a full pound) to the package. You get one-third more starch for the same money than of any other kind, and Defiance never sticks to the iron. The tickets to the Exposition will be sent by registered mail September 5th. Starch for sale by all dealers.

### An "Angry Tree."

There has just been discovered in the far east a species of the acacia tree, which closes its leaves together in coils each day at sunset and curls its twigs to the shape of pigtails. After the tree has settled itself thus for a night's sleep, if touched the whole thing will flutter as if agitated or impatient at being disturbed. The oftener the foliage is molested the more violent becomes the shaking of the branches, and at length the tree emits a nauseating odor, which, if inhaled for a few moments, causes a violent dizzy headache. It has been named the "angry tree."

### Mexican Minister's Promotion.

It is said that Senor DeAspiroz, the Mexican ambassador, is to be recalled probably in June. It is understood that it is the purpose of the Diaz government to appoint him minister for foreign affairs. He will succeed Senor Mariscal, who is a candidate for vice president. The latter office is a new one in Mexico, created to relieve President Diaz in part of the onerous responsibilities of his office and to prepare the way for his retirement. Mariscal is expected to succeed Diaz as president in due time.

The four biggest fools in the world are the fellow who thinks he knows women thoroughly and three other fellows just like him.

A man loses all respect for a wife who thinks she can select his cigars.

### IN AN OLD TRUNK.

Baby Finds a Bottle of Carbolic Acid and Drinks It.

While the mother was unpacking an old trunk a little 18 months' old baby got hold of a bottle of carbolic acid while playing on the floor and his stomach was so badly burned it was feared he would not live for he could not eat ordinary foods. The mother says in telling of the case:

"It was all two doctors could do to save him as it burnt his throat and stomach so bad that for two months after he took the poison nothing would lay on his stomach. Finally I took him into the country and tried new milk and that was no better for him. His Grandma finally suggested Grape-Nuts and I am thankful I adopted the food for he commenced to get better right away and would not eat anything else. He commenced to get fleshy and his cheeks like red roses and now he is entirely well.

"I took him to Matamoros on a visit and every place we went to stay to eat he called for Grape-Nuts and I would have to explain how he came to call for it as it was his main food.

"The names of the physicians who attended the baby are Dr. Eddy of this town and Dr. Geo. Gale of Newport, O., and any one can write to me or to them and learn what Grape-Nuts food will do for children and grown-ups too." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

Look in each pkg. for the famous little book, "The Road to Wellville."