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A Columbia Heights woman, who is vouched for by the Washington Post as exceedingly fond of animals, had an odd experience with one—or two—while waiting at a city railway station for a belated train.

In the seat next to her sat a small dog, who evidently belonged to an elaborately dressed woman in the seat just beyond.

He was a friendly little dog, and looked up at the Columbia Heights woman with a wag of his tail, which was an outward and visible sign of a desire to make friends. She leaned down and patted him on the head.

His elaborately dressed mistress immediately reached out and took her precious pet into her lap.

"Pardon me," said she, apologetically, "but my dog is not allowed to kiss strangers."

Mark Twain as a Linguist.

Mark Twain said recently, in addressing an audience at Vienna, that he had not made the progress in learning the German language that he had hoped to, but he had got far enough to be able to speak English with a German accent.

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China's Amusement.

The chief amusement of the Emperor of China is the training of goats and monkeys. The former he has, by dint of much patience, taught to do tricks of every kind. One is to jump through the paper windows which are found everywhere in China, from the palace to the cottage. It is said that the Empress-Dowager complains of the expense of having daily to replace the breakage.

A Story of Sterility, SUFFERING AND RELIEF.

[LETTER TO MRS. PINKHAM NO. 69,186]

"DEAR MRS. PINKHAM—Two years ago I began having such dull, heavy dragging pains in my back, menses were profuse and painful, and was troubled was leucorrhœa. I took patent medicines and consulted a physician, but received no benefit and could not become pregnant. Seeing one of your books, I wrote to you telling you my troubles and asking for advice. You answered my letter promptly and I followed the directions faithfully, and derived so much benefit that I cannot praise Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound enough. I now find myself pregnant and have begun its use again. I cannot praise it enough."—MRS. CORA GILSON, YATES, MANISTEE, MICH.

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MR. ALGER RESIGNS.

THE SECRETARY OF WAR QUITS M'KINLEY'S CABINET.

Vice President Hobart the One to Convey the Request of the President—His Retirement Is Asked to Put an End to Friction.

Washington special:

Gen. Russell A. Alger Wednesday morning called upon President McKinley and handed him his resignation as Secretary of War, to take effect at the pleasure of the President. There was no comment except that the President asked if he wished to go at once, and the reply of the Secretary that he would remain until the assistant secretary returned, if his successor should not be chosen at once.

The story of the resignation is closely guarded in administration circles, but it is said that the President indirectly requested the resignation, and as soon as the Secretary was informed that the President wished him to retire he returned from Long Branch to Washington and placed his resignation in the hands of Mr. McKinley.

The politicians have for some weeks been anxious to get Alger out of the cabinet. The Pingree alliance was the excuse. They feared it, and they feared the hostility of Senators McMillan and Burrows if Alger remained in the cabinet. They urged the President to get rid of Alger, but McKinley said he could not ask for Mr. Alger's resignation with

GENERAL R. A. ALGER.

such an excuse. President Lincoln had refused to accept Secretary Chase's resignation from the cabinet, even after he knew that Chase was scheming to be a presidential candidate against him.

President McKinley said he could not ask Mr. Alger to leave the cabinet because he had announced his candidacy for United States Senator from Michigan. The members of the cabinet were more open to the argument of the men who wanted Alger out of the way of the success of the administration. They agreed that the Secretary of War must be sacrificed, and they expressed their views to the President.

At this stage in the developments, Attorney General Griggs was sent as a messenger to Vice-President Hobart, to ask the Vice-President to advise Alger to resign. Mr. Hobart agreed to undertake the delicate mission of saying to Gen. Alger what the President and other members of the cabinet would not say to him. He telegraphed Secretary Alger, inviting him to spend a few days with him at his Long Branch cottage. When the Secretary arrived and the two men had an opportunity to talk freely, Mr. Hobart advised Alger to resign, saying that the country was against him and that he might as well recognize that he must be sacrificed.

Gen. Alger asked if the Vice-President spoke only for himself or at the suggestion of others. Mr. Hobart had to tell him the whole story, that the President wanted his resignation, but did not wish to ask for it; that Attorney General Griggs had been the messenger of the President and the cabinet to him, and that he (Hobart) was merely the agent of the administration in advising Alger to retire.

Gen. Alger remarked that he would hand the President his resignation as soon as he returned to Washington. He said he had supposed that he and the President were on terms of friendship justifying frankness regarding this situation, but all he desired was to know the President's pleasure. He returned to Washington and handed his resignation to President McKinley.

ALASKAN DISPUTE HOPELESS.

Indefinite Postponement of High Joint Commission Likely.

A Washington dispatch asserts that the administration has practically abandoned hope of a settlement of the Alaskan boundary question, and the indications are that the meeting of the joint high commission will be indefinitely postponed. Definite action on this point, however, will not be taken until after the arrival of Senator Fairbanks. A conference will then be held by Senator Fairbanks, Secretary Hay, John Foster and John A. Kasson, and the boundary question discussed at length.

The best the authorities hope for now is that there will be no clash in the remaining few weeks of the mining season. The situation is grave, with the American miners on one side in a state of irritation and the Canadian constabulary on the other in a very aggressive mood. Should the clash come it will not be through the fault of this Government. Everything has been done to prevent action which will cause bloodshed.

News of Minor Note.

Texas floods damaged railroads $2,000,000.

Essex Hotel, Bloomfield, N. J., was destroyed by fire. Loss $100,000.

Nonantum Block, Newton, Mass, destroyed by fire. Loss $20,000.

Reinard Oliver, 22, Newark, N. J., killed his wife by shooting, then escaped.

Chas. Jones, New York porter, fell down an air shaft and was killed.

Dan L. Davis, Wayland, Ohio, while intoxicated, fell under a train and was killed.

SIX MORE KILLED IN A FEUD.

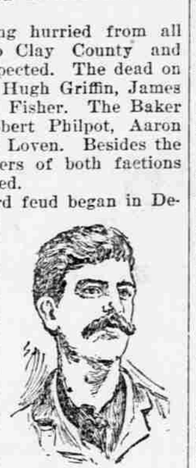
White-Baker Trouble the Direct Cause of Another Tragedy.

As a result of the White-Baker feud, six more victims have been found dead in the mountains near London, Ky. All are allies of the two factions, and the direct cause of the present is assigned to the fact that the Griffins took the side of the Whites, and that the Philpots, the strongest faction in the mountains, numbering 750 votes, sided with the Bakers. "Bob" Philpot was arrested one morning recently and was shot while giving a bond. A general fusillade followed, in which five men were killed, and the sixth, Richard Loven, was found three miles from town with his head severed from his body.

TOM BAKER.

Deputies are being hurried from all over the State into Clay County and more shooting is expected. The dead on the White side are Hugh Griffin, James Griffin and Edward Fisher. The Baker allies dead are Robert Philpot, Aaron Morris and Richard Loven. Besides the dead several members of both factions are seriously wounded.

The Baker-Howard feud began in December, 1897, over the purchase by Tom Baker of a judgment for $40 that had been handed down against A. B. Howard. Baker had some of Howard's goods seized, and thus originated a bad feeling which developed into quarrels. From quarrels it went to fist fights, then clubs, then revolvers and rifles and knives. Tom Baker is the eleventh man to lose his life in the feud and the end is not yet. It is said there are not twelve men in Clay County who are not personally interested in the feud to the extent of doing desperate deeds if the occasion seemed to demand it. If the trouble is not soon straightened out it looks as if Clay County would, before long, be the



SHERIFF WHITE.

CLAY COUNTY COURT HOUSE.

scene of a small but bloody war. Judge Onear of Mount Sterling says troops will have to be withdrawn, and that the only way will be to let the Howards and Bakers fight it out among themselves.

MOVE TOWARD PEACE.

Aguinaldo and Some of His Leaders Make Overtures.

A Washington special on Tuesday says: Important cablegrams have been received at the State Department from the Philippine commission and at the War Department from Gen. Otis concerning a new move in the direction of peace. These dispatches have been in the hands of the President for several days, but he has declined to make them public because the ultra optimistic views heretofore received from the same source have not been borne out by subsequent events.

The latest dispatches, however, are more encouraging than the previous ones, but the President wishes to have some positive results before making them public. All that can be learned definitely about them is that direct overtures for peace have been made to Gen. Otis by Aguinaldo and some of his principal leaders. It was said by a cabinet official that if the promises are fulfilled the volunteers now being enlisted will not be needed.

The Comic Side of The News

Oom Paul will doubtless feel a little sheepish when he lies down with the lion.

It is understood that rain only made Gen. Funston's swims the more agreeable.

When the war is over, Aguinaldo should form a baseball team. It's the runs that count.

They say the electrical show is the most shocking thing on the boards in New York.

New York's last horse show was a failure. That city should now hold a horseless show.

Soldiers in the Philippines are to wear tan shoes. Corbin desires to match their complexions.

Why should any one want to cause Congressman Roberts trouble? He has three wives.

The Boston Globe asks how it would feel to be run over by an automobile. Probably it would produce that rubber tired feeling.

Thirty people at Detroit were poisoned by ice cream. This is enough to make one shiver with horror.

The Pittsburg Telegraph calls Aguinaldo a dictator. He is certainly a great chap for running things.

The sublime porte distrusts the peace conference. Things may be coming His Convalescency's way, but it looks Armenia.

Of course, there will be people mean enough to call attention to the fact that those Western cyclones sneaked in on the weather bureau.

CHICAGOAN A FUGITIVE.

School Board Secretary Graham Is About $34,000 Short.

After five years of service as clerk, secretary and school agent for the Chicago Board of Education, W. A. S. Graham has proved faithless to his trust and fled the city, a confessed defaulter. His shortage is believed to amount to $34,500, although in a statement left behind he estimates it at $23,000. In his flight he left behind to suffer for his misdeeds his wife and three little children.

To cover his shortage he left a schedule of his real property in Chicago and Evanston, estimated by himself to be worth $25,000, and which he wished turned over to the School Board or the surety company which was on his bond. With the schedule was a confession of his guilt.

The last trace of Graham was his appearance in New Orleans less than a week ago, accompanied by his wife and three children. This was the initial step in his flight, the family having hurried to the Southern city while Graham's friends thought he was touring westward in search of rest and quiet. It was his intention to keep his family together, but the illness of Mrs. Graham and her baby precluded this and the family returned to Chicago after Graham had written a complete confession, turning over all his property for the benefit of the school fund that had suffered from his peculation and had worded a faltering declaration that he hoped to live to undo the wrong he had accomplished. This done, the defaulter departed. Where he went or what his intentions for the future are no one knows, but the surety companies that are upon his bond and will have to make good the shortage are hot on his trail.

BIG STRIKE SPREADS.

New York Traction Employes Quit Work in Sympathy.

Wednesday brought two startling sensations into the great New York traction strike. Brooklyn strikers or their sympathizers destroyed a part of the Fifth avenue elevated road with dynamite, and about half the men on the Second avenue line of the Metropolitan system in New York City struck in sympathy with the Brooklyn strikers.

The strike on the Metropolitan system was not authorized by the leaders. Some of the more enthusiastic men who attended the Cooper Union meeting got together and decided that the only thing to do was to strike. They formed themselves into a committee and went to the Second avenue car stables early in the morning and asked the men to come out. Every car was stopped as it reached the stables, and each man on the car was asked to quit work. The strike spread to the Sixth avenue line of the Metropolitan company, where a number of motormen quit work. The conductors refused to strike.

General Master Workman John M. Parsons of the Knights of Labor, who presided at the meeting in Cooper Union, did not want the men to strike. There were disturbances at several places and four men were arrested. It was said that those who were trying to get the men out were discharged employes. During a conference the men told Mr. Parsons that this was only the start of a general strike of all employes of the Metropolitan Railway system.

At Cleveland, Ohio, the most serious violence since the street railroad strike was renewed was the blowing up of a switch with dynamite and the burning of a small office and waiting room at Murray Hill Tuesday evening. No one was injured. No clew to the dynamiters could be found.

RECRUITING IS UNEQUAL.

It Need Not Be Confined, However, Within State Limits.

The fact that some regiments are being recruited so much more rapidly than others—the Thirty-first, Fort Thomas, for instance, had nearly 600 men, while the Thirty-fifth, Vancouver Barracks, had but about twenty-five—has been the cause of many inquiries directed to the Adjutant General.

The people want to know whether the regiment must be recruited within the State limits originally set forth, or whether the recruiting in the more populous districts will be kept up with a view of furnishing recruits for regiments which have not been so successful, even after the quota for the regiment shall have been obtained.

The Adjutant General says that the latter will be the case, and that recruiting will continue everywhere until the total number requisite for the ten new regiments has been raised.

CHINAMEN ARE CANNIBALS.

So Say Laborers at Work on Mexican Central Railway, Near Tampico.

San Antonio, Texas, advices state that great excitement prevails in the seaport of Tampico, Mexico, over a brutal act of cannibalism which was committed by some of the laborers on the Mexican Central Railroad near Tampico Saturday last.

The Chinamen who were recently imported to work on the railroad are charged with having murdered a female Mexican child and are said to have eaten its flesh.

The child was the daughter of a Mexican section foreman. The affair has incensed the Mexicans against the Chinese, and the celestials are flocking into the city for protection. It is reported that the Mexican rurales have arrested the criminals.

'MID FLAMES AND DEBRIS.

Burning Hotel Collapses, Hurling Firemen Into the Ruins.

While Milwaukee firemen were swarming up the walls and over the roof of the burning Hotel Grace, the structure suddenly collapsed and twenty firemen were precipitated into the ruins. Of this number one is dead, eleven are in hospitals and several are so badly injured there is little chance for their recovery. About twenty other firemen narrowly escaped being carried down, but saved themselves by jumping from the south wall to an adjoining building.

HOSPITAL STORES FOUND.

Boxes Intended for Porto Rico Turn Up at Manila.

On Sept. 5 last the ladies of the Army and Navy League of Portsmouth, Ohio, sent to Company H of the Fourth Ohio, then in Porto Rico, two large boxes of hospital stores and other supplies. In the boxes were also some private packages. The boxes never reached the Portsmouth company.

A letter from the physician in charge of the hospital ship Relief, now at Manila, says the boxes were found and all except the private packages will be used.

Gave Baby the Wrong Name.

A young girl had an amusing experience at a baptism the other afternoon. She was occupying the exalted position of sponsor for a little girl baby, and never having served in such a proud capacity before, she was slightly nervous and perplexed.

"What is your name?" demanded the clergyman performing the ceremony.

"Mary, sir," she replied at once, and "Mary" was accordingly written in a tiny book and the minister passed on to the next applicant for baptism.

The worried sponsor listened eagerly to what was demanded of her next neighbor, and to her horror she found that the question was not at all intended to learn the name of the sponsor, but was solely concerned with the name of the infant. The agitated godmother hurriedly approached the clergyman, interrupting the ceremony to exclaim:

"Oh, sir, Mary isn't the baby's name at all. The baby's name is Rebecca Elizabeth."

And amid the irrepressible laughter of all assembled the baby was christened Rebecca Elizabeth.

"I should never have dared to face its mother," the sponsor said later, "but I think the baby would have forgiven the mistake and blessed me for it."

No Disqualification.

Maj. Whipple, of the Second Massachusetts Regiment, had been a soldier and an officer in the civil war, and in the meantime had seen much service in the Massachusetts militia. When the Spanish war broke out, he wished to go to the front with his regiment.

But all the officers, as well as men, had to undergo a physical examination at Worcester. Maj. Whipple was a man of great bodily strength and perfect health and activity, but the lapse of time had left him a little deficient in the matter of teeth. An examining surgeon proposed to exclude him on that account.

Then the major, who could not stand being shut out from the chance to serve his country in such an emergency, waxed wroth.

"Look here," he exclaimed, "I'm going down there to shoot Spaniards! I don't propose to eat them!"

We do not know what answer, by word of mouth, the surgeon made to this protest, but the fact is that the major went to the war and distinguished himself in it, even eating his share of hardtack with the rest, and escaping all the illnesses that fell to the lot of younger men.—Youth's Companion.

Kilts in the Mosquito Season.

Out of the 400 men required for the Victorian Scottish regiment only sixty-four have been enrolled, and on the third occasion of receiving applicants only eleven entered their names. So bare legs during the coming mosquito season are too much for the Victorian Scotsmen's endurance.—South Australian Critic.

REGISTER OF TREASURY.

Hon. Judson W. Lyons, Register of the United States Treasury, in a letter from Washington, D. C., says:

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