

SCIENCE AVAILED HIM NOT.

When the Farmer Started for Him There Was Something Lacking. "There was a time in my life," said a Detroitite the other evening, as the subject of pugilism was being discussed, "when I rather expected to take and retain the heavy-weight championship against all comers. I was selling sewing machines in Indiana, having a horse and wagon and calling at the different farmhouses, and on several occasions I had to take 'sass' from farmers. After one of them had flung me over the fence and a second had run me out of his gate I made up my mind to learn a thing or two about boxing. I was at the home office all winter and I took twenty-four lessons from a 'pug' who knew his business. At the end of the term I could slam him all over the shop and he assured me that I could lick three sturdy farmers rolled into one and not half try.

"When I started out in the spring I had my hat on my ear, and I made a bee-line for the house of the farmer who had run me out in the fall. I calmly calculated to pick another fuss with him and knock his head off. He happened to be working about the yard as I drove up and as soon as he recognized me he called out:

"Didn't I tell you never to come here again? If you step foot on my land you'll get the boot!"

"You can't give it to me," I said as I got down.

"Don't give me no sass!"

"And you come out here and get your head busted!"

"He came," sighed the ex-agent. "I had driven eleven miles to lick him, and I felt sure I could put him to sleep in one round, but something happened—something I had not counted on.

"Did he have sons or a hired man who interfered?"

"No, sir. It was simply that I suddenly discovered I hadn't the grit of a grasshopper. The minute the man started for me with pounded glass in his eyes and his fists doubled up I went weak in the knees and began to chew on my heart. If he hadn't been in a hurry I should have tried to buy him off, but he didn't wait for cash offers. He came right out to me and let fly, and within five minutes I was the worst licked man Indiana ever saw. He gave me a thumping that laid me up for a month, and the only blow I got in simply knocked his hat off. I was taller and heavier than he was, and with my science I ought to have put him to sleep with the first swing, but I came out as I have told you.

"That ended my pugilistic career as well as my agency. I don't say I wouldn't fight if a man spat on my shoes or pulled my nose," concluded the Detroitite, according to the Detroit Free Press, "but you can take it that I doze on peace, and am not around looking for hornets' nests."

SHE LEFT HER BABY.

What Happened to a Forgetful Woman on a Street Car.

"Things have been rather dull of late in the way of experiences that set one thinking," remarked the conductor of the Georgetown and Tennyson railway who finds himself up against the real thing at frequent intervals. "I haven't had more than half a dozen fool questions put to me in as many days, and they were all of the inoffensive type, such as a woman asking me to please let her off when we reached her house, I not knowing her house any more than I knew her, as I never remembered having seen her before.

"I recall a funny incident back in the old days when I was running a horse car on the F street line," the conductor went on. "A woman carrying several bundles boarded my car uptown somewhere, but I didn't pay any special attention to her. She got off at 9th street to transfer. We jogged along and had almost reached 7th street when I heard a great commotion behind. I looked back and saw the bundle-laden woman, followed by a dozen other persons, coming toward me at a brisk run. She was noticeably excited. I signaled the driver to stop and waited for the pursuers, wondering what the trouble could be. As the woman came near she shook her fist and shouted to me: 'You've got my baby!'"

"I replied that I did not want her child, especially as I had three of my own at home. She jumped aboard the car and recovered possession of an infant that I had been in the act of unconsciously kidnaping. She again alighted," concluded the conductor, according to the Washington Star, "and I rang two bells to go ahead, glad that I was not called upon to turn in a human being as lost property when the end of the route was reached."

She Explained the Meaning.

One of the easiest ways for a lawyer to confuse a witness is to make him explain the meaning of a word. Few people can define a word satisfactorily, even if they know its meaning. A Western lawyer was cross-examining a young woman who had a very haughty temper. According to the Los Angeles Herald, she had testified that she had seen the defendant "shy" a book at the plaintiff.

"Shy? 'Shy' a book? What do you mean by that? Will you explain to the court what the word 'shy' means?"

The girl leaned over the desk beneath the witness-box, picked up a law book, and threw it so accurately and so forcibly at the lawyer that he had hard work to dodge it.

"I think the court now understands the meaning of the word 'shy,'" said the judge, gravely. The girl was allowed to finish her testimony.

No one can read the Bible out loud in the same voice in which he would read a selection from a newspaper.

HARD TO CONTROL

CHICAGO POLICE HAVE ANOTHER STIRRING DAY.

RIOTERS FULL OF DARING

CLUBS AND STONES USED WITH ENTIRE ABANDON.

A DOZEN BATTLES FOUGHT

Some of the Collisions Serious and Deaths May Result—Conference Looking to Strike Settlement.

Chicago, June 6.—Driven by men covered with dust and blood, many of them barely able from exhaustion to hold the reins in their hands, thirty-six meat wagons entered the main gate of the Union stock yards Wednesday amid a shower of stones, bricks, bottles and sticks.

The wagons guarded by five police wagons, filled with blue coats and two omnibuses, crowded to the full capacity with policemen, were on the return from a delivery of supplies to down town provision houses.

After one of the fiercest days in the strike of the beef packers teamsters. Many of the drivers, who are officials at the packing houses, were cut and bruised from head to foot. The police were in even worse condition.

The wagon drivers had been working from 5 o'clock in the morning, and their progress from the stock yards into the city's business district and back again had been contested by mobs of strike sympathizers.

At the very entrance of the stock yards Wednesday after all seeming danger had passed, George June, an employe of the Anglo-American Packing company was struck by a base-ball bat and knocked from his wagon seat.

He was picked up in an unconscious condition and, it is believed, he may die.

Many others were struck at the same time by a shower of stones, but the police were to much worn out to offer resistance.

More than a dozen battles were fought during the day between rioters and the police and the hospitals tonight are overcrowded with the injured. The fiercest battle of the day took place this afternoon at Sixteenth street and Michigan avenue. The rioters stood on the viaduct and hurled rocks at the meat wagons passing underneath.

The throng was the most formidable in numbers and in daring of any of the crowds gathered during the day. Before this mob could be dispersed the police were compelled to use revolvers. More than fifty shots were fired, bullets passing over the heads of the crowd, which finally became frightened and scattered, but not until many of the rioters and policemen had suffered serious injuries.

Runs into an Open Switch.

Redding, Cal., June 6.—The south bound Oregon express on the Southern Pacific road, which left Redding at 10:45 Wednesday, was wrecked about fifteen minutes later near Clear Creek, four miles from this city.

The accident was caused by a half-open switch, which had evidently been left in that condition by some unknown person. The train is a "double header" and was running down grade at great speed. Both engines were thrown into the ditch and completely wrecked.

Engineer J. M. White and Fireman Fred Taffel of the forward engine, were thrown under the wreckage and crushed to death, their bodies being fearfully mangled. The mail car was thrown across the track and all of the passenger coaches were dented.

A number of passengers were more or less injured, but so far as can be learned none was killed. The names of the injured passengers have not yet been ascertained.

Boy Drowned Near Burwell.

Burwell, Neb., June 6.—Charles, son of W. S. Hahn, a prominent farmer living two miles west of Burwell, was drowned Wednesday afternoon while bathing in the Burwell irrigation ditch. The boy was nine years of age.

Drowned in a Barrow Pit.

Gering, Neb., June 6.—The seven year old son of Will Hale, section foreman of the Burlington at Minatare, ten miles east of Gering, was drowned in a barrow pit beside the railroad track Sunday evening falling in by accident while playing there with another lad of his own age.

ISLAND FLOATING ON OCEAN.

CAPTAIN OF NORWEGIAN STEAMER VOUCHES FOR IT.

New York.—The Norwegian steamer Donald, from Baner, with fruit, has arrived here. A Philadelphia special to the World says that Captain Warnecke told this remarkable tale:

"We were two days out from Baner and about thirty miles from Wattlins island, in the Caribbean sea, when we came upon a floating island. I, with the mate and several of the crew, rowed toward it. Thousands of little monkeys scampered all about the shore, and when we were in range they began a bombardment by shying coconuts at us. We captured two monkeys.

"The following day we discovered another floating island and landed. This time we were greeted by a covey of parrots of most brilliant plumage."

Captain Warnecke declared that the eruption in Martinique had shaken up the entire district and the small pieces of land had become separated from some uninhabited islands.

Minister Guilty of Arson.

Santa Cruz, Cal.—Rev. James Laurier Rogers, formerly a well known Baptist minister, who recently embraced Mohammedism, has confessed himself guilty of arson, and is now in custody.

He set fire to several buildings at a dairy, where he was working, for the benefit of his health, as he explained. His motive for the crime, he says, was revenge on those who had compelled him to do menial service.

The fire destroyed his library, three ministerial suits and a gold watch presented to him by his former congregation at Ocala, Fla. While in charge of a church at Jacksonville he taught English to many Cuban refugees. He will be examined as to his sanity.

Place Ida Lee in Custody.

Des Moines, June 4.—Local detectives captured Ida Lee here and turned her over to Deputy Sheriff Bartell of Oklahoma City, Okl., last night. The woman's assumed name, when masquerading as a man, is Lee Hale. Sometime ago the detectives received word to be on the lookout for a woman who had been suspected of having secured \$400 in cash, two diamond rings and a gold watch from a man who had been intimate with her.

Chicago Girl Dies in Cab.

Chicago.—Death overtook Mary Love, aged twenty-two, daughter of a farmer of Grant Park, Ill., Thursday night, while she was being conveyed in a cab from the house of Mrs. Mary Schuert, a midwife, to the home of her cousin, Mrs. Charles Rivers.

Samuel Conklin, driver of the cab, was summoned to Mrs. Schuert's house and received his instructions from the midwife. After traversing several blocks he heard the girl fall from the seat and drove to a drug store. She was dead when he opened the cab door and he continued to a police station, whence the body was sent to an undertaker's.

Detectives arrested Mrs. Schuert and her husband, Wilhelm, a member of the orchestra of a downtown theater. The woman attempted to take carbolic acid when arrested. At the station she said she had not treated the girl, stating that she had only rented a room to her a week ago.

Boy Dangerously Injured.

Plattsburgh, Neb.—While wading in the river channel opposite this city Wednesday James Gillman, a twelve-year-old boy, met with a peculiar accident. In some manner he stumbled and fell, striking a piece of glass or barbed wire, which cut a gash in his abdomen four inches in length and caused the intestines to protrude. The boy managed to reach the shore and procured a towel, which was tied about his body in such a way as to cover the wound and check the flow of blood. He then started for home in his crippled condition. It was nearly two hours after the accident before a physician was summoned, as the boy stopped at a pump on the way to wash the blood from his clothing. The intestines were replaced and the wound sewed up, but there is great danger that blood poison will set in.

The St. Louis Globe-Democrat warns the people in that city against raising rents in anticipation of the World's Fair. "Raising rents is an operation that should be cautiously indulged," it says. "Otherwise it will interfere with good times. Tenants have a memory and builders are numerous and energetic. A conservative course in this matter will best serve the interests of the city and property owners."

Crown Jewel is Missing.

New York.—A sensation has been caused in court circles, says the Stockholm correspondent of the American Journal, by the discovery that one of the crown jewels is missing from the royal treasury. It is a beautiful ruby of 225 carats and is a historic gem that formed part of the royal regalia. The police of all the European capitals have been warned to be on the alert.

MOB SPIRIT HIGH

RIOTOUS DEMONSTRATIONS CONTINUE AT CHICAGO.

STRENUOUS DAY FOR POLICE

STRIKERS AND SYMPATHIZERS KEEP THEM ACTIVE.

SOME SERIOUS COLLISIONS

Entire Reserve Force of Officers on Hand for Duty—M at D Moved in Spite of Obstacles.

Chicago, June 4.—Chicago's police were given a strenuous life today by the striking packing house teamsters. From daylight Tuesday morning until long after dark tonight the blue coats were kept busy dispersing trouble-makers, who congregated along the streets and in every conceivable manner placed obstacles in the way of the meat dealers who endeavored to move their supply wagons with non-union drivers. In spite of the striking teamsters and their friends, thirty-three wagon loads of meat were delivered from the stock yards to down town stations. Before the task was accomplished, however, a score of police and rioters had been injured and fully fifty persons had been placed under arrest.

Several of the injured were in such serious condition that they were taken to hospitals. Two of the injured may die.

When the procession of wagons left the packing district they were guarded by a heavy detail of police.

As soon as the wagons emerged at the entrance of the yards fully 500 enraged strikers' sympathizers made a rush to overturn the conveyances. The policemen drew clubs and after a hard struggle succeeded in scattering the mob. A fresh start was made but before the wagons reached the down town district the mob, augmented by hundreds of sympathizers, made another attack.

In the fight that followed revolvers were drawn. No person was shot, the police instead using their clubs indiscriminately and a dozen or more people were hurt before the march could be resumed. When the central portion of the city was reached clashes between the police and the crowd became numerous. Street car traffic was an impossibility and it was necessary for several squads of police to charge the crowds with batons before the wagons had reached the various down town houses.

To add to the burdens of the police department 1,300 drivers and their helpers employed by the state street general retail merchandise department stores went on a strike today. An attempt was made to deliver "department stores" goods in the down town district this afternoon with non-union drivers under police protection but so much disorder developed that the attempt proved futile. Before the project was abandoned several rioters were hurt and many arrests had been made.

Chicago's entire police force was on active or reserve duty today as a result of the serious aspect assumed by the stockyards teamsters' strike. Every patrolman on a furlough reported for duty today and many of the police on crossing duty in the down town district were held in readiness for riot calls.

Hundreds of officers assembled early in the morning at headquarters and were given definite orders to prevent disturbances such as marked yesterday's deliveries of meat by the packers.

The strikers have doubled their picket force to try and dissuade non-union men from carrying meat from railroad branch houses either to hotels and restaurants or distributing points of the "big eight" packing establishments.

All the buildings of the packers are under guard, the police assisting in many instances. The strikers deprecated yesterday's lawlessness and disclaim responsibility for it. They say in all instances the work of the mob was the work of sympathizers only.

Delivery drivers of the big department stores have become dissatisfied with their positions and threaten to make the teamsters' strike still more serious by tying up all delivery. Today the teamster employes of the Boston stores struck. The Fair teamsters already are out and other men who were pressed into service on the wagons today met with constant blockades formed by sympathizing teamsters in other wagons along their routes.

Volcano in Mexico.

Albuquerque, N. M., June 4.—Deputy United States Marshal McKeenan, who has just arrived from the west, reports the people of Grant are greatly excited over the appearance of activity in a volcano a few miles from that town.

Passenger trains observed smoke in the direction of the volcano and a man who was dispatched to the place says it was issuing from the crater of the largest volcano of the region.

NEBRASKA NOTES.

The state will distribute nearly \$118,000 among the schools of the commonwealth.

The Cass County Press association was organized at Plattsmouth. All but two papers were represented.

The Kansas negro regiment, the 23d infantry, will hold its annual reunion at Leavenworth, August 2 to 4.

International congress on workers' dwellings will be held June 15 to 19 in Dusseldorf.

The Conservative, the paper conducted by the late Secretary Morton, at Nebraska City, has been discontinued and is succeeded by the Nebraska City Weekly.

The Nebraska City Daily Tribune has changed its name and will hereafter be known as the Nebraska City Daily. It will be run by the same management as before.

The Farmer's Elevator company at Benedict met and made their temporary organization permanent. They have about \$3,000 subscribed and are pushing ahead and expect to be ready for business with the coming crop.

One of the Burlington's bridges, between Pacific Junction and Plattsmouth was damaged by fire last night. Three spans of the bridge were burned, and traffic over the line was blocked for five hours.

Miss Addie M. Swan, aged 22, and living eight miles southwest of Syracuse, died from an overdose of carbolic acid, taken with suicidal intent. Temporary insanity is given as the reason for the act.

The citizens of Wisner have decided to have a Fourth of July celebration and will seek to make it the best ever held. The committee on finance reports that it has already \$800 in sight for amusements.

A new financial institution, at Lincoln to be called the Bank of Commerce, has been organized by M. Weil and M. I. Aitkin. It will do a general banking business under the state laws, and will be the sixth bank in Lincoln.

Winter wheat has made favorable progress in the states of the Missouri and upper Mississippi valleys and in portions of the lower Ohio valley. The crop has made splendid growth in Nebraska and again improvement is reported from the upper lake region.

In the case of the State of Nebraska against J. C. Johnson for alleged fraud in the sale of mining stock to J. J. Gallentine of Kearney, the examination in progress before Justice Reilly was concluded and the defendant was bound over to the district court in the sum of \$500.

The following mortgage record of Dodge county for the month of May. Farm mortgages recorded 12, amount \$35,700; released 18, amount \$22,174.34. Town and city mortgages recorded 13, amount \$5,686.42; chattel mortgages recorded 74, amount \$13,289.08; released 37, amount \$10,956.30.

The Fremont Mutual Fire Insurance company of Fremont, has consolidated with the Nebraska Mutual of Lincoln, which assumes all its risks and will pay all losses as they may occur. The Fremont company did a paying business, but following the general tendency of the times decided to consolidate.

G. Treat, the weather observer at Weeping Water, has made the following report for the month of May: Maximum temperature, 82, 18th; minimum, 27, 7th; total precipitation, 3.93 inches; precipitation fell on fifteen different days. Light frosts the 7th and 27th; hail the 22d. The precipitation for May, 1901, was 1.79 inches.

At a meeting of the citizens and Grand Army veterans it was decided to hold the reunion of the G. A. R. for the eastern district of Nebraska in Weeping Water August 19 to 22, inclusive. This is the fourth time Weeping Water has been honored with the eastern reunion. Otoe, Lancaster, Sarpy, Saunders and Cass counties are included in the eastern district.

Harry Wilson, a one-legged man, recently sentenced in Colfax county to three years in the penitentiary, escaped from the sheriff, who was bringing him in. Wilson went to the toilet room of the chair car, near Havelock, and from there escaped through the window. He was later arrested for beating his way on a train and was recognized as the missing man.

Dr. C. H. McDowell, a young physician of Pawnee City, was found dead in his room at the hotel having retired in apparent good health. The coroner's jury held an inquest but the verdict will not be made public until the relatives of the dead man can be notified. His relatives are supposed to reside in Omaha and Council Bluffs.

On the largest bell in the McKinley chimes for St. Paul's Methodist Episcopal church, in Lincoln, is the inscription, "Presented by the citizens of Lincoln and Vicinity in Memory of Our Beloved President, William McKinley, March, 1902." Below this inscription is the Scriptural quotation, "Know ye not that a prince and a good man has fallen this day in Israel." Omaha will build a \$15,000 market house.

HANDS OF GREAT PIANISTS.

They Need Muscular Development All the Fingers.

The hands of celebrated pianists afford a very interesting study to most people, but especially to those who know something about pianoforte playing. Speaking in a general way, we may group the hands of pianists into two classes, (a) the broad hand with short fingers; (b) the narrow hand with long fingers. Von Bulow's and Tausig's hands would come under the heading of class A. In fact, Tausig's hands were so small that he was unable to play octaves correctly. The higher note usually followed the lower instead of both being struck simultaneously.

The hands of Liszt and Mark Hambourg belong to class B. Those who are acquainted with Liszt's arrangements of Beethoven's and Berlioz's symphonies know that he expanded the chords to dimensions which for the majority of players are absolutely impossible, yet Liszt could play them with ease.

Mark Hambourg is the possessor of wonderful pianoforte technique. Each day he commences work with Sandow's exercises and then practices on the pianoforte for four or five hours. He has never indulged in what are called "finger gymnastics," neither has he used a digitarium or technicon.

How few people who listen to the performances of a celebrated pianist or violinist realize the amount of hard work he has had to do in order to overcome all the technical difficulties of his instrument. Years of daily grind are absolutely necessary for getting the fingers into a condition of complete obedience to the will. Schumann in trying to improve his technique became impatient and overworked his fingers, with the result that he had to abandon pianoforte playing.

Von Bulow used to say that three things are necessary for a good pianist: "The first, technique; the second, technique; and the third, technique." Possibly this was said so as to impress upon the beginner that intellect and emotion were of no use unless he had the means of expressing them in a fluent way on the pianoforte.

In the present day considerable muscular power is required in pianoforte playing. To some extent this is owing to the fact that each note when struck possesses a certain resistance, but the resistance is not equal throughout the keyboard. The bass notes offer more resistance to the fingers than the treble and consequently more attention should be paid to the strengthening of the muscles of the left hand.

The pianist's hands can be developed at the instrument or away from it. If away from the pianoforte then "finger gymnastics" may be used or an apparatus called the "technicon." "Finger gymnastics" are exercises which can be practiced evidently at any time or in any place, for you find people even in street cars and trains indulging in the exercise of their finger joints and looking anything but sane in their efforts to rival Paderewski in feats of digital strength.

ADULTERATION OF FOOD.

Some Things that Are Used by Dishonest Manufacturers.

The Senate Committee on Manufactures recently caused an investigation by the Department of Agriculture on the subject of adulteration of articles of food and that report being made has caused surprise to every one because of the extent to which all articles of food are more or less tampered with.

Adulteration does not necessarily mean that food is rendered less healthy. In many cases the adulterated food is as wholesome as would be the pure article, but the fraud practiced on the consumer is in selling at the price demanded for one food product a substitute that is cheaper and not desired by the purchaser.

It will be surprising to learn that soap is frequently used as an adulterant for distilled liquors. It is added in very small amounts to produce a "head." Glucose plays an important part as an adulterant for many articles of food. It is frequently used in wine, for fruit syrups, in connection with whole preserved fruits and with jams and marmalade.

Lemon extract is sold that has no oil of lemon in it. Mustard is made of a score of things that never laid claim to the name of mustard until they had been boxed ready for sale. Clay has been found in some samples of mustard, but not frequently. Of 102 samples of pepper examined by the Connecticut experiment station thirty-two contained no pepper at all. It has been shown, says the Washington Star, that cottonseed oil is extensively used for lard, olive oil and cheese. The extensive substitution of oleomargarine for butter is well known. The Pennsylvania department of agriculture in 1,777 samples found 1,033 to contain oleomargarine.

A Promise with Limitations.

"Charley, dear," said young Mrs. Torkins, "I want you to promise that you will not lose any more money on horse races."

"I won't bet a cent."

"Now, that's just sheer contrariness. You know if you don't bet you can't win."—Washington Star.

No Room for Dearest Mamma.

"But there isn't a spare bedroom in the house."

"Oh, that's all right, my dear."

"Why do you say it's all right?"

"I was thinking of your mother, my dear."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

People are so anxious to see something for nothing that they will run a couple of miles to see a little shed burn down.