# ABOUT BASE BALL PLAYERS,

Some Thoughts and Suggestions Concerning the Game and the Public.

MANY ADMISSIONS TO PAY ONE MAN.

John Clarkson's Princely Salary-What Chicago is Looking Forward to-Down on the Double Schedule Scheme.

While the base ball magnates have been striving for years to bring players' salaries down to something like reasonable figures the ball tossers go right along drawing princely salaries and laughing at the abortive efforts of rulers of the game to check them, says the sporting editor of the Chicago Tribune. The reserve rule was a move in the direction of retrenchment, but in that line was a dismal failure. Then from the league brain was evolved the ridiculous classification rule with Nick Young as the arbitrator. This was even a more dismal fatlure, and since it was wisely applished the magnates have been scratching their heads in a vain effort to check ruinous salary-paying. If one will take a cursory glance over the sazary lists for next season he will find that the sataries are higher than ever before in the history of the games. Here is the way they run: Clarkson \$8,300; Rusie, \$6,250; Comiskey, \$6,000; Duffy, \$5,000; Ewing, \$7,000; Farrell, \$4,500 Kelly, \$5,000; McPhee, \$4,000; Connor, \$4,000 Richardson, \$4,000; Van Haltren, \$4,000; Glasscock, \$4,500, and so on.

Truly, the turnstiles will have to play a merry and continuous tune next year to bring in such amounts at the gate. Let some one figure how many "clicks" of the turnstile it will take to bring in \$3,300 at 25 cents a "click" and he will be astonished. Then, too, that is only one salary out of some four-

#### Chicago's Calculations.

Considerable local interest is being manifested in the make-up of the Chicago club for next year. The loss of Van Haltern and Duffy was not a pleasing beginning for a team, to be sure. Farrell will not be much missed, except as a hitter. The local club is to be congratulated that he was not saddled on it at \$4,500 salary. No man with as poor a head as Farrell has can commence to earn that much money with any club. Besides, the club does not need any catchers. Kitt ridge and Schriver can do all the work seeded. The club needs pitchers badly Vickery showed such a startling propensity to let down at a critical time last year that he should be left out of the calculations for next year. Then Gumbert is not a man to be depended on, and Luby's arm, which was sore all last season, may be no bet ter the coming one. Hutchison is a first-class man and cannot be improved on; but then, Hutchison cannot do all the work. The club recognizes its weakness in the box and has its lines out for two good men. If it se cures the men it is after the local patrons will have nothing to complain of. Ansor will of course be on first and Cooney at short. either Burns or Dahlon third base, the former most likely if his arm comes around all right. It is not yet known who will cover second base, and it is more who will cover second base, and it is more than likely that Pfeffer will be exchanged for some good man. There is no discount-ing Fred's ability, but he and Anson have never been able to get along together and so they might as well be separated. The club would be stronger with an inferior man at second base than with Pfeffer if he and Anson are to remain at daggers' points all the time. While the club is looking for a man to take Pfeffer's place it should not overlook the fact that a good hard hitter is needed. The club's weakness last season lay in the fact that it had few men who could be depended on to hit the ball in an emergency The most available and useful man would seem to be Glasscock. In his awkward way "Snapper Jack" can play a lot of ball in all departments of the game and his size and agility should make him an ideal second baseman. Then, too, he would be hitting the bail up around the 300 mark all the time. Ryan is the only certainty in the outfield. Wilmot goverts to the club under his old contract, but Anson would not be averse to replacing him with some better man, if he could be secured. Wilmot is a good hitter, and a base runner away above the average, but that lets him out. His reprehensible practice of 'cross-firing' a fly ball makes him by no means a sure fielder, and his nim by no means a sure fielder, and his weakness in throwing and on a ground ball is too well known to need comment. Still, he may be retained. The club has a good man in view to cover right field in place 'Farmer' Carroll, who goes to St. Louis.

#### in fielding to secure good batters. Games are won at the bat after all. Too Novel Entirely.

good hitter is promised and needed. In filling the vacant places on the Chicago team, the management should sacrifice some

The proposed forty of a double champion hip season is lively to add to the public dis trust of the managers of the game. Square base ball, run on business lines with pienty of players, does not need nursing on its playing side. The double championship seaso idea is one calculated to deceive the public and make it believe that there is a live contest before its eyes, when in real-ity no such spectacle is on. Two schedules and two pennants are modern base ball novelties not likely to "do," though they may keep some of the inevitable tail-enders in sight of the leaders a little longer thou they would naturally stay. To make the system consistent players must be shifted about after the first schedule is played out and the team strengthened up or weakened down to the first championship average.

The first serious difference in the new league is likely to come out of the 25-cent admission fee. It will be abused in the

smaller and ex-association cities, and the traveling men, ardent supporters of base ball, will scatter their kicks about prices broadcast Another difference is likely to come over the division of the spoils in the player line.

Unless all present signs fail and a wondrous change of heart has come to the men who are uppermost in base ball, the weaker clubs will have a hard time; first, in getting stars assigned to them, and, second, in landing the stars that are assigned.

# Who Pays the Piper?

It would be interesting to the public to know how the \$130,000 paid or to be paid for base bail peace and several retirements will be settled. It is said that secured notes have been given to the retired ones, and that N. E. Young is to pay the notes out of the league emergency fund, into which 10 per cent. of the gate receipts of championship game The Columbus settlement is a case in The amount paid Born, Cohen, Lazarous & Co., was \$18,000 in notes to run two vears bearing the names of A. J. Reach and John I. Rogers, of Philadelphia, and A. H. Soden, W. H. Conant and W. C. Billings, of Boston. This paper is gilt-edged. Under the terms of settlement the Columbus people parred from again engaging in any ball enterprise.

# Bowen-Gibbons Mill.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 27 .- The glove contest between Andy Bowen of this city and Austin Gibbons, the Jersey boy, which was arranged by the Metropolitan club for December 29, is the talk of the town, from the fact that it is both Gibbons' and Bowen's first fight since their unsatis-factory fights with McAuliffe and Howen has fought both Carroll lyers, and is in the best of in. Austin Gibbons, who is in train-Myers, ing at Bayou St. Louis, reports that he is in the best of condition and that if he loses it will not be from lack of condition or training. The Metropolitan club has a seating capacity of 8,200 and is arranged in such a perfect manner that each will have an unobstructed which \$500 goes to the loser. Jimmy Carroll will second Giobons, while Billy Myers will perform a like office for Bowen.

Walt Whitman Improving. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27 .- Walt Whitman was said by his attending physicians to so somewhat improved, though he is still

Cattle Browned. LONG ISLAND CITY, N. Y., Dec. 27 .- A large transfer boat loaded with twelve cars,

carrying 190 head of cattle, while being towed up the East river to the abbatoir at the foot of Forty-fourth street today, ran on Black Rock. A large hole was stove in the float, which began to fill with water. Two turn putted the craft over the side of the river, when she sank off Tenth street docks. The cars were almost submerged and 143 head of the river, when the cars were almost submerged and 143 head of the river. the cattle were drowned. Loss, \$10,000. The cattle were consigned to Salseberger & Schwartz.

#### PORFEITED THE DEPOSIT.

Cincinnati Organization Refuses to

Accept a I event Purchase. CINCINNATI, O., Dec. 27 .- The organization committee representing the bond holders of the Circionati, Jackson & Mackinaw road have declined to complete their bid for the road and a re-sale has been ordered. This means that the committee now refuse to pay for the property the amount at which they bid it off at the recent saie. As security for their bid they deposited in court \$25,000. This is declared by the decree of yesterday to have been forfetted, and will be held subject to the order of the court. The second sale will include what is known as the Central division, and is to occur ten days after the publication of the notice. The cost of this sale will be taxed up to the defaulting purchasing committee and they will be new for the difference in the price re-ceived at this and the former sale, should a

ess sum be realized at the second than at the The attorney for the reorganization committee is Robert G. Ingersoli. The refusal to complete the bid was, no doubt, made after consultation with him. He may be able to defeat the order of court taxing the costs and loss on account of the second sale agoinst the reorganization committee. But a United States court is not a thing to be played with and the distinguished attorney may fail to save the committee from any part of the threatened loss.

#### SISTER OF MME: NILSSON IN WANT. Concealed From the Prima Dona-

Daughter's Voice Gives Promise. MILWAUKEE, WIS., Dec. 27.-In his Christ mas rounds among the poor, Agent Frellson of the Associated Charities, found a sister of Christine Nilsson the Swedish singer, in straitened circumstances. She is the wife of Nils P. Hvale, a Swedish teacher, who lives in the rear of No. 611 Eleventh street. Mrs. Heale is an elder sister of Christine Nilsson. and both she and her husband are people of education, but he has not been able to secure constant employment, and the family, which is a large one, has been reduced to actual want. Not long ago Christine Nilsson came to Milwaukee to sing at one of the Thomas concerts, and she visited her sister at that time, but out of pride the extent of the family's poverty was concealed from her, and she remained in ignorance of their real condition. Friends have interested themselves in their welfare, and an effort will be made to provide Mr. Hyale with a situation. Mrs. Hvale has a daughter who possesses a re-markable fine soprano voice, but her parents, who hope that she may some day be a prima who hope that she may some day de a prima donna like her aunt, are unable to give her a musical education. Musicians who have heard her sing were impressed by the quality of her voice and will render assistance in giving her a conservatory training.

#### STILL HANGING THE SIMSITES.

Determined Men Make Life a Burden for Mississippi besperadoes. Shubura, Miss., Dec. 27.-The lynching still goes on. Two more victims, John Sims, brother of Bob, and Mosely, nephew of Bob, were both hanged last night, and the avengers are in hot pursuit of a negro who was with the Sims gang the night of the massacre. They have burned Bob Sims' dwelling and all the houses on the place, and killed every hving thing to be found on the place except the family, and they had to es-

cape to a neighbor's house.

The Sims family say they are going to leave the country. The crowd continues to leave the country. The crowd continues to enjarge and is fully 500 strong and is hunting for Noel Sims.
It is reported that Noel Sims has gotten together about forty men and intends to burn up Womank Hill tonignt. The bodies Sims and the three Savages have been cut down and thrown over in the grave yard John Savage, the first hung, is still hanging.

# WILL TIE UP THE ROAD.

Employes of the San Antonio and Aransas Pass on a Strike.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 27.-At 5:30 o'clock tomorrow morning all the employes of the San Antonio and Arausas Pass Railroad company's operating department will strike, ticing up the entire system of 600 miles of road. The trouble dates back to the discharge of Conductor O'Brien by Superintendent Sands for an alleged violation o

The men are acting under instructions from the chairman of the labor federation

board. Receiver Yoakum has issued a telegraphic circular saying in effect that he is not willing to believe that the employes of the road have taken the action at their own volition, as all grievances heretofore have been satisfac orily adjusted after a conference between the employes and officials of the company.

# APOPLEXY CAUSED HIS DEATH.

Autopsy On the Remains of the Murderer Sawtelle. Concond, N. H., Dec. 27 .- Au autopsy was made on the body of Isauc B. Sawtelle, the murderer, at the state prison this afternoon. The head only was examined, and when the bone was removed the dura mater was found largely disturbed with a fluid consist-ing of bloody serum. Carefully removing the brain it was found that the blood came from a small branch of the middle cerebral artery, forming a clot in such a position that pressure was primarily upon the covering o the cerebellum, causing paralysis nearly equal on both sides, and the diagnosis made before death took place is thereby sustained. This effectually disposes of the suicide theory and substantiates the opinion of the prison officials that apopiexy caused Sawtelle's death.

ITALIAN METHOD OF MURDER.

How a Kansas City Dago Made Away With An Enemy. KANSAS CITY, Mo., Dec. 27 .- An Italian vendetta today resulted in the death of Joe Mangiaraceua. Two weeks ago the sons of Mangiaraceua and Antonio Samson engaged in a quarrel on the river bank. The latter was drowned and Samson swore revenge. Today Samson enticed Mangiaraceus into s saloon, where four of the former's friends were playing cards. Suddenly a quarrel arcse at the card table. During the excitement Samson drew his revolver and shot his enemy through the head killing him in stantly. The four card players hustled the murderer out of the place and assisted him in escaping and he was not arrested until

#### late tonight. RESISTED ARREST.

One Drunken Finlander Killed and Another Fatally Wounded. LAKE LINDEN, Mich., Dec. 27 .- While two Finlanders were brandishing knives in the street, Marshal Mayatte and Justice Brule attempted to arrest them. The Fins stabled both the officers, when the marshal shot and

Funeral of John L. Miles, The funeral of the late John L. Miles was held at the late residence of the deceased, 518 South Twenty-sixth street, at 4:30

instantly killed Alexander Perola. Michael

Kotila, his companion, was also shot in the back and will probably die.

o'clock vesterday afternoon. After a brief service at the house the remains were taken charge of by the under taker and forwarded to Davenport, In., over the 6 o'ctock Rock Island train, where the body will be interred. The children of the deceased accompanied the body.

Missing for Over a Month. ASBURY PARK, N. J., Doc. 27 .- Silas E. Chefney, a large property owner in Asbury Park and Litchfield, Conn., and also a heavy stockholder in the New York Tribune, has been missing for over a month and his rela-tives are alarmed. The missing man was a brother-in-law of Horace Greeley.

## TO AMEND THE CONSTITUTION.

Proposal of the National League for the - Fro ection of American Institutions.

TEXT OF THE PROPOSED AMENDMENT.

Public Moneys Cannot Be Used to Aid Religious Bodies - Sectifian Appropriations to Be Prohibited.

NEW YORK, Dec. 27.-The National League for the Protection of American Institutions has prepared an amendment to the constitution of the United States which will be submitted to both houses of congress shortly after they resume their sessions. This amendment, which if adopted will be the XVI amendment, reads as fellows:

No state shall pass any law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the full exercise thereof, or use its property or authorize either to issue bonds for the purpose of founding maintaining or aiding, by appropriation, payment for services expenses or otherwise, any church, religious denomination or religious secrets or any institution. on or religious society or any institution, siety or undertaking which is wholly or in on or religious society part under sectarian or ecclesiastical contro The officers of the National League for the Protection of American Institutions are: President, John Jay; first vice-president William H. Parsons; general secretary, Rev. James M. King, D.D.; treasurer, William Fellows Morgan; chairman finance comnittee, John D. Slayback; chairman law com-

ropriations in their constitutions: Califorma, Colorado, Fiorida, Georgia, Idabo, Illinois, Indiana, Louisiana, Michigan, Min-Hampshire, North Dakota, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Washington, Wisconsin, Wyoming—twenty-one states. In California the legislature can make per capita grants to institutions. The constitu-Wisconsin covers only religious and theological institutions. Mississippi prohibits any testamentary devise, bequest, legacy or

nittee, William Allen Butler. The following states prohibit sectarian ap-

#### gift to religious, charitable or ecclesiastical corporations or societies. Kentucky has a revised constitution pending popular adap WEDDING OF ROYALTY.

Selection of Bridesmaids Who Will Attend the Princess Mary of Teck. Loxpox, Dec. 27.-The "White Lodge," the residence of the auke of Teck, is already astir with the preparations for the wedding of the Princess Mary with Prince Albert Victor, which has practically set the whole country agog, for on all sides one hears of the gifts which will add not a little to the display of the occasion. The wedding dress of the prin cess will naturally be a remarkably beautiful creation. It is to be embossed with silver illes of the valley and the work on it is be ing rapidly pushed forward, for it will have to be finished in less than ordinary time, as what would require three months to com-plete will have to be done in one. The brides maids will be eight in number, and will be selected in this manner: Two will be daughters of dukes, two of marquises and four of earls. Of these Lady Dorothy Murray, Lady Gertrude Molyneux, Lady Beatrice Grosvenor, Lady Eva Greville and Lady Victoria Leve-son Gower have already been selected. The princess will have two ladies in waiting in her suite, one of whom has already been chosen, namely: Lady Gertrude Eleanor Molyneux, the eldest daughter of the Earl of Sefton. The other will be a married lady

of rank, but no decision has yet been come to s to who it will definitely be. Already some magnificent presents have een received, some of which are purely personal, while others are sent to the happy couple. Lord Alington has presented the couple. duke of Clarence with a magnificent plate and a gold dessert service has been given to the Princess Mary by another friend. Among the first presents received by the princess since her engagement was a diamond bracelet from Sir Algernon Borthwick, the stones of

which are of great beauty and value.

An event of the week was Grace Hawthorne's effective impersonation of Nancy, in the American version of "Oliver Twist," at the Olympic. Mr. Cellier's iliness and consequent inability to finish the orchestra tion have compelled the postnonement of the dress rehear at the Lyric of "The Mountebanks," the opera which is the collaboration of himself and Mr. Gilbert. This rehearsal, however, is at last fixed for today, and the first performance of the work for Vednes

Mrs. R. A. Atwater of Omaha, who has been studying for some time in London and Paris with a view of singing opera in France and England, is now in Paris and expects to make her debut in concert this month. Mrs. Atwater's stage name is Regina. Negotiaons are in progress to have Mrs. Atwater ing in Italian opera next season at Covent

Mrs. Frances Hodgson Burnett, the author of the immensely popular "Little Lord Fauntieroy," has taken the Theater Royal for the production of her new play, "The

Showman's Daughter." Johann Strauss, in the presence of several friends Thursday, played the music for his new opera, "Ritter Passman," which will be heard for the first time at the Vienna opera house, New Year's day. Judging from the piane rendering of the music the opera is a work of exquisite melody and skillful orchestration, the parts for the batlet displaying all he composer's unique talent for writing Rudyard Kipling, the popular story writer,

is engaged to be married to the sister of Wol-cott Balestier, the young American novelist who died at Dresden recently.

# LOST IN THE MOUNTAINS.

Nevada Men Go Astray During a

Severe Snow \* torm. CARSON CITY, Nev., Dec. 27 .- Joseph Klein and George Bosworth left Placerville two weeks ago to walk to Carson over the mountains. Henry Barton met them and advised them to turn back, but they decided to push on to the next station, eleven miles north. Since then nothing has been heard of them. Three other men started over the summit the Sunday previous, and one of them has been found dead twelve miles from Lage Tahoe. Further search showed nothing of the others. All the stations have been visited, but none of the wanderers were found. Storms in the mountains for the last week have been terriie. It seems certain that all have perished. Another search party is about to start out.

Death Rott. ADRIAN, Mich., Dec. 27.-Thomas S. Applegate, proprietor of the Adrian Times, died auddenly of heart disease at 10:30 this morning. He was one of the most prominent

republican politicians of the state and for many years a member of the state beard of control of the state school for the blind. Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Frederick G. Appleton died suddenly this morning at 9 o'clock of cancer of the atomach at the residence o his son-in-law, William D. Meeks, 5514 Har vard avenue, this city. Mr. Appleton was a wealthy ranchman of Camp San Saba, Tex.. and came here November 11, accompanied by his wife. Since that time he has been under medical treatment for stomach trouble which began last August. Rev. Drs. Edward and Samuel Appleton of Philadelphia, prominent divines of the Episcopal church, are brothers of the deceased. He leaves a widow and three children.

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 27.— William H. Churchill died here today of pneumonia induced by la grippe, aged 78. He was part owner of Churchill Downs, where the Jockey Club race track is located. He leaves widow, who was formerly the wife of Clarence Prentice.
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 27.—Charles Mayer, a pioneer of Indiana and millionaire vholesale merchant, died today, age 70.

Evading the Agreement. MONTHEAL Dec. 27-Two of the trunk lines, parties to an agreement by which tourist or second class sleeping cars were discontinued after December 1, between New England and the west have been found to be evading the agreem or, in consequence, General

Manager Seamcoant decided last night that the Grand Trunk vallway would resume the hauling of such bars forthwith.

IMMERSION NOT INTENDED. Rev. Mr. Crime Speaks of the Fallacy

of the moctrine. "Why I am'Hot a Baptist," was the subject of Rev. H. A. Crane's discourse last night at the Seward Street Methodist church. His argument was that there was no immersion. With the Baptists there was a prejudice that was hard to eradicate. People of the church who had been im-

mersed by the oaptismal theory he had known to have their children sprinkled. The Rev. Mr. Crane spoke of some of his ongregation being disturbed. "I have known parents that have been baptized to have their children springled," said he. "Their minds get upset on that theory and they think their children should

Mr. Crane then pointed out several instances where men had gone to the bad who had been baptized. He knew of a Baptist minister who had preached twelve years and then came back to the Methodist Episcopal "There is no evidence-historical or bibli-

rai-to prove that Christ was immersed." As a matter of fact the water was poured upon the head. Immersion did not signify. He held that the word baptism was generic and not specific, It signified the wetting or moistening of the different methods of bap-

The new testament contained, he said, the working of the Jews. The Jews were different now. When Jesus went into the water he came out immersed. The wording of it then was "Baptism with water." It should

have been "in" water.

Mr. Crane held that there was no record, nor could it be proven that a Christian was ever baptized. The matter of fact of put-ting people under the water was nonsense. Christ was never baptized in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Christ, according to Mr. Crane's version of the matter, gid not intend for anybody to be nmersed. Even the Jews did not practice "If I believed in immersion I would preach

### t," said he. "I would stand by it. But as a matter of fact people don't believe that per-sons have to be baptized in that sense to be

WHAT WATSON WANTS.

He Tells of His Ambition for Nebraska City. Attorney John C. Watson of Nebraska

City is at the Dellone. He positively asserts hat he is not a candidate for congress. "All I want," said Mr. Watson to a BEE representative, "is an opera house, an elecric street railway and a new distillery. That's all I am working for, and Nebraska City wants them, I am not in politics. I am not supporting anybody, and I am not out for congress; my prophecy is, however, that Mr. O'Brien will not be his own successor Among the probable winners are Church Howe, Judge Chapman and Judge Pond. "But I am not in it as far as politics are I want, as do others, an electric street railway, an opera house, and other business houses,"

#### WANTED TO KILL CHILDS.

Attempt on the Life of the Philadelphia Publisher by a Crank. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 27. - A crank who gave his name as J. Bonaparte entered the private office of George W. Childs in the Ledger building, by Saturday afternoon, and old the clerk at the door that he must see the publisher.

When asked to state the nature of his busness the man simply said: "I intend to cill him." The clerk intercepted Bonaparte, who drew a murderous looking knife. The other clerks hurried in at this moment and the man

made his escape. 1: 1

The occurrence was reported to the police nere and they, late in the atternoon, arrested a man in the Red Lion botel and took him to the city hall, where camination satisfied them that he was fisane. He was sent to a hospital.

Testimony in the Childs Case. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 27.-No delay was made on account of Sunday by District Attorney Carter in taking depositions of offeers and sailors of the steamer Kowanee, regarding the attack on Fireman Patrick

Shields by the Valparaiso police. Charles R. Malcom, first engineer of Kewanee, testified that Shields was a quiet, sober, respectable man, who would give no reason for the quarrei. The terrible beat-ings he had received seemed to have impaired his reason. The testimony may be com-pleted tomorrow and sent to Washington in the evening.

His Mind is Hopelessly Wrecked. New York, Dec. 27.-The condition of William J. Scanlan, the actor, remained unchanged tonight. Today the demented actor's manager, August Pitou, caused Scanan to be moved from his apartments at the Hotel Imperial to his own residence, 18 West Ninety-fifth street. He has canceled all en-gagements for the season, and has disbanded the company, as he believes the actor's mind s hopelessly wrecked.

For Passing Counterfeit Money. MISSOURI VALLEY, Ia., Dec. 27 .- [Special Telegram to Tug Beg. |-Two parties named Fisher were today captured at Modale in the act of passing counterfeit money, of which they had a considerable amount. One of them has for a long time been suspicioned of being one of the gang of crooks that has been working this and adjacent towns. They were taken to Logan and lodged in jail to await a preliminary examination.

Movements of the San Francisco. SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Dec. 27.-It was rumored that the cruiser San Francisco, which left here at 1 o'clock yesterday with sealed orders, would stop at Monterey, Cal., only a few hours, sail from here, for target paractice. A dispatch from there says she is not there. She has not been sighted, and it is now believed she has gone directly to Acapulco.

Left With a Large Mail. LONDON, Dec. 27 .- The steamer Botania sailed from Queenstown today. The Bothnia's mails, which include those of the steamer Germanic, amount to 1,757 sacks, the largest quantity of mail matter that has ever crossed the Atlantic.

The Germanic Broke her crank shaft while

coming to anchor at Queenstown on the 24th and has been towed back to Laverpool and Cotton Burned.

Sr. Louis, Mo. Dgc. 27 .- Sixteen hundred bales of cotton ware destroyed by fire tonight in the railroad wards at the foot of Rutga street. The loss is astimated at \$50,000. The cotton was the property of the George Taylor Compress company.

Fighting the Rebels. LONDON, Dec. 3737 Dispatches from Singa-pore say that official advices from Pekin report severe figuring with the rebels from December 3 to December 7, in which 2,000 rebels were killed and fifty leaders be-

Killed Himself and Children. VIENNA, Dec. 27. - A wealthy aquire named Hambeck, living at Gratz, shot two of his sons, 6 and 7 years of uge, respectively and then committed suicide. He had an idea that his son's stammering was a hereditary taint.

Will Treat With Germany London, Dec. 27.-The Chronicle's Berlin correspondent states that Russis has informally intimated her readiness to negotiate a treaty of commerce with Germany

Steamer Arrivals. At Havre-Steamer La Bourgogue, from New York.
At New York-La Champagne,
Havre. European, from London.

The delicious fragrance, refreshing coolness and soft beauty imparted to the skin by Pozzoni's Powder commends it to all ladies.

# AFTER A NEGRO MURDERER,

One Thousand Flerida Men Searching for a Color d Gentleman.

HE KILLED A. PCPULIR CONDUCTOR.

No Question as to What His Fate Will Be When Caught-Mry Cause a Race

War.

LEESBURG, Fis., Dec. 27 .- Nearly 1,000 armed men in Lake county on the Florida Central & Peninsular railroad and on the shore of Lage Harris are in search of a fugitive negro murderer, and about as many negroes with Windhesters are scattered about this city and suburbs proclaiming that they will protect nim from lynching if brought in here.

Just before daylight this morning J. F. Parramore, a well known conductor on the Florida Central & Peninsular road was shot and lostantly killed while on his train, not far from here, by Thomas E. Mike, a negro who keeps a colored barber shop in this city. It was one of the most unprovoked, brutal and cowardly murders over committed in this state. Mike got on the train here with a ticket for Oriando and took a seat in the white passenger coach. When Conductor Parramore came through the car to take up tickets and fares he approached Mike and asked for his ticket, took it, and then politely requested him to go into the colored car. Mike was surly and refused, growling out some insulting language, half under his oreath. Then the conductor ordered him out of the car peremptority and the negro

Five minutes later Parramore entered the plored coach and when he was about five feet in front of the negro's seat Mike sud-denly jumped to his feet, pulled a revolver from his pocket, took a step toward Parra-more and then took deliberate aim and fired at aim. The ball entered Parramore's head just behind the right car, and he fell forward dead. Mike rushed to the platform, jumped from the train and disappeared in the woods The train was stopped and run back to the station. An inquest was held, and then Sheriff Galloway secured a posse to search for the fugitive. They have six bloodhounds with them, and it is the general opinion here that Mike can't escape. He ran south from the railroad toward Lake Harris. In almost any other direction he could perhaps have eluded his pursuers, but he is penned in between the railrond and has only a small three cornered piece of country to conceal himself in. The people still in town feel sure the murderer will be caught and tynched before midnight, unless the negroes succeed in taking him from the sheriff, in which event a bloody conflict will be sure to follow.

The Leesburg rifles, about sixty in number, have been ordered out to preserve peace in town as the negroes threaten it.

## String ly Birthmarked.

There is an interesting phenomenon at Milluale, says tve Pittsburg Chronicle. It exists in the form of a Pittsburg girl baby, born perfect in both with the exception of one arm, which terminates abruptly between the elbow and wrist. Apparently there is nothing phenomenal about this fact, for children born with bodily deformity are numerous. But to the medical profession the case is exceedingly interesting. The cause of such freaks in human nature was once considered inexplicable. When one occurred it was simply termed a "freak' and allowed to go at that. But now

they can be explained. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ginter are the parents of the child. They keep a butcher shop in the north end of Milivale Borough at a little place called Bowerstown, Eight other children are in the family.

sound and healthy. One day, some months ago, the father was called away on business, and, as usual, left the shop in charge of his wife. The shop adjoins the kitchen. Hearing a knock at the kitchen door. Mrs. Ginter proceeded to answer it. Opening the door she found awaiting her an old peddler familiar to that neighborhood. The peddler was a foreigner, by no means a hand-some man, and having but one arm. The other was but the stnmp of an arm, which the man always carried exposed to excite the sympathy of the people. Yarns for knitting purposes constituted the wares of the peddler. He was informed that nothing was wanted, but like other representatives of his trade

he insisted that a purchase be made. The misfortune of the man was empeasized by a special exhibition of his arm. The lady of the house became very much terrified, and finally to get rid of the peddler she made a purchase. The hus-band learning of the affair became indignant, but as time passed by the in-

cident was forgotten. It had almost passed out of recollection when on last Saturday it was vigorously brought back to memory. A little daughter was added to the family, and, strange to relate, it had but one arm. the other ending just below the elbow joint. In every other respect the babe was sound and perfect. Still stranger is the fact that the deformed member is on the right side of the body, which corresponds to that of the peddler.

# Ten Truthful Thoughts.

Ladies Home Journal: When we feel the narrowness of these lives of ours, in its own small circle, we are conseled by knowing that every star must move within its limits, though space be around it.

The rich are only enviable in one at tribute—their power to help the poor.
It is only in looking on death that we comprehend immortality, and only utter weariness gives promise of perfect rest. The triend who becomes a lover continues still to be a friend; but the lover who becomes a friend ceases forever to

e a lover. When it is said of a man that he treats men and women just alike, you may be sure he treats them all as if they were

Sufficient unto the day is the evil thereof; but sufficient unto a lifetime is ofteo the evil of a single day. Children are taught more than they ever learn, and learn more than they

are ever taught. Our bodies live in houses, because our souls live in bodies. Wisdom, like many other human attrsbutes, is only for the time. We are wise today, that tomorro — we may look back and say, "How foolish we are!" The desire to teach is stronger—than the desire to learn. We only study that we may be enabled to impart again.

They wanted to get married, but had on money to pay the preacher. The girl was equal to the occasion. She took the preacher aside and stated the case. She had no money, but she did have a bottle of Haller's Sure Cure Cough Syrup. Would be marry them for that?

The preacher would and two hearts beat as

A Natural Phenomenon.

In the extreme eastern edge of Arizona, some forty miles southwest of the remote and interesting Indian pueblo of Zuni, N. M., says St. Nicholas, is a strange phenomenon—a great, shallow salt lake, at the bottom of a bowl-like depression some hundreds of feet deep and about three miles across.

The basin is dazzlipg white with a crust of white crystals. About in the center rises a small black volcanic peak; and if one will take the trouble to ford the salt lake-which he will find a dis-

agreeable but not dangerous task-and imb the peak, he will find its crater half filled by a lakelet of pure, fresh

"Fritz, Let Fly." The great fifty-ton hammer in the Krupp gun works at Essen, Germany, gainee its name and the inscription it bears, "Fritz, let fly!" in the following manner. In 1877, when old Emperor William visited the gun works this great steam trip-hammer was the first thing to attract his attention. Krupp then introduced the veteran emperor to the machinist, Fritz, who, he said, handled the giant hammer with wonderful precision; that he was so expert with It as to drop the hammer without injuring an object placed in the center of the block. The emperor at once but his diamond-studded watch on the spot indicated and beckoned to the mahinist to set the hammer in motion. Fritz hesitated out of consideration of the precious object, but Krupp and the Emperor both urged him on by saying: "Fritz, let fly!" Instantly the hammer was dropped, coming so closely to the watch that a sheet of writing paper could not be inserted between, but the ewel was uninjured. The Emperor gave

Even More Exciting then Foot Ball, Foot ball and chopping wood are dead easy" when compared with bowl fights at the University of Pennsylvania, says the Philadelphia Record. A man in a foot ball game has a chance of escaping with his life and canvas suit. The wood chopper-even an amateur at it-gets off with the loss of a toe or a finger, but the poor fellow who is the object all intent" in a bowl fight has little chance for his life and none at all for his clothes. It is only a short time since a howling mob of university students chased a fellow student, entirely nude save for a stocking and his collar, all the way from the university grounds to Thirtieth and Locust streets, where he sought refuge in a store. The pedestrians who passed on the way did not notice his nakedness because of the great crowd surrounding him, but naked he was all the same.

it to Fritz as a souvenir: Krupp added

1,000 marks to the present.

#### One Test in Buying a Horse.

When examining a horse with a view of purchasing always have him led down steep or stony descent at the end of a halter and with no whip near him. Many horses when brought out of the stable are excited by the presence of strangers, and become still more so at sight of a whid.

A slight lameness may therefore be momentarily overlooked by the horse himself just as a man, under strong excitement, will sometimes forget a sore foot. Leading the horse down a slope will show any defect in his forequarters, and running him back will develop any weakness that may exist in his hind

Horse sharpers know these facts as well as anybody, so if the horse is in the least affected, they will generally avoid a hill when showing off a horse to a probable purchaser.

Stronge Coincidences,

"Born and died on the same day" was true of the following conspicuous men: Shakespeare was born April 23, 1564, and died April 23, 1616. Raphel Segio d'Urbino, the great artist, was born on Good Friday, 1483; died on Good Friday, 1520, aged 37. Good Friday is a movable feast, so the day of the month may not have been the same, but the "Encyclopædia Britannica" says "he died aged exactly 37." Sir Thomas Browne, author of "Religo Medici," was born October 19, 1605; died October 19, 1682. Swan, composer July 23, 1758; died July 23, 1842. St. John of God, one of the most eminent of tee Portuguese saints, was born March died March 8, 1850. Sobleski, king of Polaud, who delivered Vienna from the Turks, was born June 17, 1630, and died June 17, 1696.

Mouse Hunting. The Canadian papers give accounts of the opening of the moose hunting season in the forests of the province of Quebec. It is said that the game is plentiful this winter, and that the stalkers look for good returns from their rifles. The sport of moose hunting in Canada requires hardihood, alertness and skill, for the game is wary and sometimes dangerous while roaming through the brush and among the rock and snow. The meat, the skin, and the horns of the animal are valuable in the The male moose often weighs

# from 1,000 to 1,200 pounds.

Invited to the Funeral. In England a rich man died recently, and 400 invitations were issued to his 'intimate friends'' to attend the funeral. Only twenty-nine came. Eight days afterward these twenty-nine, faithful till death, received a letter to call on the deceased's lawyer. They did so, and each received, according to the will, £320 if a lady, and £200 if a gentleman. The testator further directed that the names of those who received his be-quests should be published in the journals to punish those who had not put themselves out of their way to attend

# his funeral.

His ! usy Howe. Life: Editor-in-chief (from the foot of the stairs I say, Johnson, can you spare Miss Shith to shorthand some letters for me?

City editor-Don't see how I can and go on with what I am doing-I have both hands full as it is, with her assistance. Chief-How is the work coming on? City editor-In great style made up, and are just going to press. I'm holding one form, so that if some thing comes in I can let it go-but it will

be a tight squeeze if there is anything more Russia's Standing Army. The Russian standing army consists of 410,952 infantry, 84,926 cavalry, 67,976 artillery, 19,325 engineers and 35,180 ordnance, a total of 619,178 enlisted men, and 28,000 officers. The Cossack strength in peace, besides the Cossacks in the above total, is 19,418; there are 72,634 officers and men of the

reserve, and 105,000 officers and men of the local and auxiliary forces, a total, that is, of about \$14,000 officers and The war footing is 2,220,798 commen. batants, officers and men. A Juvenile Fem de Footpad. A girl highwayman has appeared at Astoria, Ore. She is 9 years old. other day she met a child on her way from school, and with great coolness forced the little one to take off her shoes

and stockings and hand them over.

fender be made to admit ner guilt. This is not her first offense. Drunkenness. The Keeley Institute at Blair is able to receive a limited number of patients. Dr. Keeley's bi-chloride of gold is the only cure for drunkenness that is sure and permanent.

child reported the robbery at home, but

only after severe threats could the of

For further particulars address. The Koeley Institute, Blair, Neb. Bringing the Moon Pretty Close. The most powerful telescopes now in use magnify 2,000 diameters. As the moon is 240,000 miles from the earth, it is thus, to all intents and purposes, brought to within 120 miles of the earth.

If out or order use Beecham's Pills.

# FOUGHT THEM AT LONG RANGE

Mexican Troops Engage the Revolutionists From Across the River.

THEY CAPTURE SOME OF GARZA'S MEN.

Movement of United States Troops -Orders from the Secretary of War-Not Anxious to Come to Close Quarters.

Larroo, Tex., Dec. 27. -It is reported that the four prisoners, Garza's men, who were captured near El Vargo, Moxico, by the government troops, were prought to New Laredo today. It is understood that the federal authorities will endeavor to secure some kind of a confession from these men in order to implicate the leaders of this revolutionary movement. As they are traitors, if they do

not confess they will probably be shot, The state rangers, under Captain Brooks, who left Laredo yesterday, joined Captain Hardie's command of United States troops today. No news that was obtainable by reporters was received today further than above stated. It is probable now that this last effort of the revolutionists will dwindle out like the one which occurred only a few weeks ago, and will break out in a new place

hereafter. A United States government wagon came into the city today from Captain Hardio's troops after some supplies, but nothing could be learned from the officers as to whether they brought news or not; and the supposition is that Hardie has not yet been near enough to the revolutionists to see the color of their hair.

#### Fought at Long Range.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Dec. 27 .- Dr. Plutarco Ornelas, the Mexican consul here, today re-ceived a dispatch from Laredo which stated that an engagement at long range took place last night between Garza's followers and the Mexican troops at San Ignacios ranch on this side of the border between Carrizo and Laredo. According to the dispatch the revolutionists were assembled in a large orce on the Texas bank of the river, having been driven across by the Mexican troops. Upon reaching the United States side the nsurgents opened a steady fire at the troops across the river, which was returned. The battle continued for some time, and resulted in one of the Mexican soldiers being killed, a number on each side being also wounded. The fact that a force of Garza's toen are in that locality is evidence that the movement is spreading rapidly, and as the smaller detachments of the revolutionists seek safety on the other side of the border when closely pursued by Mexican troops, the necessity of better military protection for the Texas frontier is made more apparent. The military authorities here realize that the 700 soldiers are insufficient to properly guard 1,000 miles of the Rio Grande porder in the time of peace, not to speak of the turbulent imes that are now in progress. There is a large force of troops at the post here, but they will not be ordered out unless their presence on the scene of the trouble becomes absolutely necessary.

No Word from Captain Boarke.

There has been no report or word of any kind received from Captain Bourke of the Third cavalry at military headquarters here for the past forty-eight hours.. He is the commander of Fort Ringgold, which Garza has threatened to capture if it becomes necessary for his men to secure supplies. It is the belief of General Stanley that the telegraph wires are down between Fort Ringgold and Brownsville, and that Captain Bourke is also in pursuit of the revolutionists.

A telegram from the secretary of war, ordering that every one at the fort be sent to bring the border difficulties to an end as quickly as possible and that the federal troops make as many captures of revolutionists as possible was received by Stanley today. Acting upon this order the general immediately telegraphed the different commanders along the border to secure the names of as many of the revolutionists as was possible and to have warrants issued for their arrest.

Indirect word concerning the movement of Captain Hardie was received at boadquarters this morning and relieved the anxiety as to his safety. He is pushing hard after a detachment of 100 of Garza's men, and will either have them chased across the river into Mexico or brought to a more critical situa-tion than that within the next forty-eight

# Tired of Life.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 27.-W. Burke McGregor, a newspaper reporter, and Leab Benjamin, aged 17, whom he secretly married two months ago, attempted suicide last night. McGregor is dead. The girl may recover, No cause other than the secrecy of the mar-riage is known for the act.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

J. C. Root of Lyons, Ia., is at the Midard. J. A. Fleming of Kearney is at the Arcade, Mrs. James Dahlman of Chadron is stopoing at the Murray. H. R. Jackson of Hastings is at the Do

J. L. Baker of West Point is stopping at the Dellone. S. B. Smith of Missouri Valley is stopping at the Millard. George A. Hicock and wife of Fremont are at the Millard.

J. A. Abbott of Lushton, Neb., is stopping at the Arcade. F. S. Clinton of Weeping Water, Neb., is at the Arcade. H. E. Gerssmann of Norfolk is registered at the Arcade. Colonel E. D. Wobster of Stratton, Neb.,

s at the Paxton. D. Kemp, a stock dealer of Madison, Neb., is at the Arcade. L. F. Steinboch, station agent at Mindon, Neb., is at the Arcade.

John J. Roche, a banker of Neligh, Neb., is stopping at the Paxton. E. A. Richardson and wife of Clarks, Neb., are guests at the Dellone. J. S. Hockley, manager of W. S. Harris' distillery at Louisville, is at the Dell-A party composed of Thomas C. Patterson, D. A. Baker, John Bratt and James Suther-

land of North Platte is at the Murray. William M. Spence, J. S. Sizer, H. J. Hull, W. A. Downing, C. P. Snier, J. W. Holmes and S. M. Nevins, all of Kearney, are at the William Pilaczeny, assistant fire chief of Nebraska City, and Colonel W. L. Wilson, president of the First National bank of that

city, are at the Deilone.

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