

MARCONI'S COMING WONDER

All the World Agog Over the Development of Wireless Telegraphy.

DOES IT FORESHADOW A REVOLUTION?

Speculations on the Possibility of Success—Extent of Telephone Business in the United States—The Greatest Heat.

Wireless telegraphy commands the ears of the world at the present time. Electricians and laymen are equally interested in the experiments going on. Like all electrical discoveries, it excites much adverse comment among experts, while the unlearned in the science appear ready to believe all the claims made by the supporters of the Marconi system.

It has been claimed that any man with a receiver could intercept any telegraph messages within a certain radius. This would, of course, make the system valueless, especially in military or naval operations.

It is now proposed to set up a station at Sanly Hook and to send the news of the cup race to another station near Waterbury, on the Irish coast, 3,000 miles away.

If that experiment succeeds even moderately well, it intelligible electric impulses are transmitted between the two stations.

Theoretically the thing looks possible. There is no known limit to the distance to which an ether wave will travel.

What Success Means. "If he does succeed in sending a message across the ocean without a wire his method must come at once into universal use.

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Use of the Telephone.

In spite of the disappointments and dissatisfaction, says the New York Sun, America is the foremost country in the world in the art of telephony, and in many particulars it has so far surpassed European countries that no comparison is possible.

Last year the exchange operated under the Bell patents employed 1,251,846 instruments, an increase of 205,725 over the previous year, and a gain of 992,154 telephones since the present organization was effected in 1889.

The most interesting statistics up to the telephone industry are those which mark its gradual development since 1854, when a systematic collection of data pertaining to the subject was begun.

It must be remembered, too, that the independent movement which began in 1876 and culminated in the expiration of the fundamental Bell patents, six years ago, has assumed important proportions and that its promoters and supporters have established in the neighborhood of 3,000 exchanges throughout the country.

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KERR ON THE WITNESS STAND

His Memory is a Blank Regarding the Killing of Reid.

SHOWS NO INSANITY WHILE TESTIFYING

He Answers All Questions Readily and Intelligently Except Those Directly Bearing on the Murder at Valley.

The presence of John Kerr on the stand in his own behalf interested some additional interest in the proceedings in criminal court yesterday. Kerr's testimony occupied nearly all the forenoon and, while it added no new element to the case, his version of the incidents before and after the murder was heard with marked interest by the twelve men on whose verdict his life depends.

Nothing could be more foreign to the conception of a murderer than the demeanor of the defendant while he was on the stand. He spoke in low tones at first, but after he had been enjoined to speak up his testimony was clearly audible. He was perfectly collected in his manner and intelligently, except those that related to the murder or his previous fight with Reid. Of these he denied the slightest recollection.

Further inquiry in regard to the condition of the defendant at that time brought out that he had a partial paralysis of the right arm and hand. This, in the opinion of the witness, was due to an injury to the brain caused by a blow on the head. The witness believed that there had been a hemorrhage of the brain, the serum matter finding its way out at the ears and nose.

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Plumbing Law Violated. Arrest of Plumbers for Not Taking Out the Required Permits for Work.

The first arrest under the new plumbing ordinance which went into effect April 1 occurred yesterday, when Free & Black and Otto Wagner notified agents in police court and pleaded to the charge of having violated the law in failing to take out a permit. The complaint was made by Plumbing Inspector Hinton, and the house on which the work was being done is in the block of Mrs. Hannah Johnson on Dodge street, between Twenty-sixth and Twenty-seventh.

Memory Fails Him. From that time the memory of the witness became a hazy blank. He remembered seeing Elkhorn and asserted that he knew nothing more until he met Sheriff McDonald in the jail in Valley. He declared that he did not know anything that happened between those incidents.

Dr. Kerr's Mental Condition. Dr. Kerr was recalled, and stated that when he examined Kerr in the county jail his eyes were bloodshot and the pupils were dilated. He ascribed this to an irritation of the brain caused by an interruption of the circulation.

EXPOSES THE HOLD-UP GANG

Inside Operations of the Omaha Gambler's Clearing House.

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FILES PLAT OF BOULEVARD. City Engineer Rosewater Shows Route of Proposed South-west Driveway.

CITY OFFICERS DISGUSTED. Council Fails to Provide Money for Publishing the Annual Reports.

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