

Take your old home and try a few of the old reliable remedies on it.

Now that Oregon has planted 15,000 prune trees, she ought to set some strawberry plants, besides.

There'll be no holy war in India, that's certain, where the fist of Kitchener's sword is in sight.

Castro seems to be losing his grip. He let that fleet go by without threatening it with a garden hose.

Latin America will be glad to look Alfonso over, but it wishes to warn him he'll waste his time by showing goods.

We are now sending radium to the Philippines. Could generosity to our colonial possessions be more marked than this?

That Pittsburg minister who refused the coin because of the inscription it lacked properly will have to stay in a class by himself.

A Dayton physician, sentenced to the penitentiary, was refused admittance by the warden. A proper rebuke to one who tries to but in.

Now that Mr. Lather Burbank has succeeded in evolving a cactus fruit that is nearly seedless, we wish that he would set to work upon the fig.

A Paris editor declares that the American is "a flirt, a hypocrite and a grocer, but has a proper flip back." Turned her back on him, evidently.

Richmond Pearson Hobson is going to take a hand at straightening out the naval tangle. Perhaps he can persuade everyone to kiss and make up.

That Pittsburg pastor who wouldn't take gold coins because the motto "In God We Trust" was not on them would make much of success in the grocery business, we feel sure.

At a cursory glance there is no good reason apparent on the surface why the members of the United States life-saving service should not be entitled to pensions the same as some others.

If walking from New York to Chicago curses the man of the hour habit he can recommend it to his friends, but he will never be able to put up his new discovery in bottles and sell it to sufferers.

The New York Times indulges in meriment at the expense of the lady who looked up bank checks for safety instead of depositing them. Still, she might have turned up at national conventions, to the grief and anger of the doorknockers, but to the substantial joy of hotel men and barkeepers.

With railroad passes abolished, it is not believed that the Republican or the Democratic party will be able to next year will be largely attended by outsiders. Hitherto fully 20,000 auditors other than delegates and alternates have turned up at national conventions, to the grief and anger of the doorknockers, but to the substantial joy of hotel men and barkeepers.

One night, says a writer in the Ladies' Home, the man of the hour duchess of Roxburghe was entertaining King Edward at dinner, the bishop of London, who was present, omitted to say grace. The duchess, who is remembered in some alarm, but his majesty soothed her feelings. Turning to her with a genial smile, he said: "Your Grace is sufficient."

Two interesting facts have been disclosed already by the coroner's report. Pullman car rates at St. Paul. One is that when upper berths have to be used, agents are instructed to allot them to persons of light weight, and to assign the heavyweight passengers to lower berths. The other is that the Pullman company pays for porters of long ago sent down to the car to talk to his wife for half an hour every day for a month, and another man was ordered to give a box of candy and a bouquet of flowers to a woman once a week for four weeks. The object was to restore harmony to unhappy homes, and according to the latest reports, it was successful.

With the ancient Greeks the hat was simply an appendage of the traveler. The free citizen preferred to go bareheaded and only put on his broad-brimmed petasos for protection against the sun when on a long journey. Indeed, the uncovered head was part of his dignity, for the slaves and poor men were always to be distinguished by the cap, the pilleus, which therefore stood for a badge of servitude. Much the same sort of a hat was worn by the head prevailed among the Romans. In England the hood was not given up until early in the fifteenth century.



DETSCH ACQUITTED BY JURY

STORY THAT HE THOUGHT FERREE A BURGLAR ACCEPTED.

Protects Wife's Name by Action and Refuses Opportunity to Plead "Unwritten Law."

Philadelphia.—After a trial of three days Andrew Jackson Detsch, who was charged with murdering Harry Ferree in boarding house in this city last Friday afternoon, was acquitted late Friday afternoon.

The jury was out nearly three hours. The announcement of the verdict caused an enthusiastic demonstration in the courtroom. The killing of Ferree was sensational, and owing to the peculiar circumstances, the case created great interest. Detsch claimed he killed Ferree in mistake for a burglar and the jury took this view of the case.

Detsch, who is 23 years of age, lived with his young wife and child in an uptown boarding house. On the night of November 5 policemen heard shots and traced them to the house. They forced an entrance and on the third floor hallway, in front of the door of the Detsch apartments, they found Ferree dead with three bullets in the body. He was in his stocking feet.

Ferree was about 50 years of age and had occupied a room on the second floor. Detsch and the policeman that he heard some one trying to get in the room and, thinking it was a burglar, shot four times through the door.

The police were inclined to accept this explanation, but in searching the effects of Ferree they found many letters that had passed between Ferree and Mrs. Detsch and a number of signed photographs. The police then charged Detsch with having deliberately killed Ferree. They contended that Detsch learned of alleged misconduct between his wife and Ferree, that Detsch caused his wife to lure Ferree to her room, and that Detsch fired the shots when he heard Ferree place his hat on the door knob.

Detsch maintained during the trial that he did not know that the man outside the door was Ferree and that he thought he was shooting at a burglar. He flatly denied that at the time he suspected his wife's chastity, and refused the opportunity to plead the "unwritten law," preferring to risk his wife's reputation at the prospect of his neck.

MANIC-DEPRESSIVE INSANITY.

Thaw's Ailment, According to Experts for the Defense.

New York.—The Thaw defense closed its case Monday with "manic-depressive" insanity as the explanation of the shooting of William White at the hands of the young Pittsburg millionaire.

Mr. Jerome disappointed a crowded courtroom when he refrained from his tactics of last year in baiting the expert witnesses for the defense, three of whom—Dr. Wagner, Evans and Jelliffe—declared that Thaw, at the time he killed Stanford White was suffering from such a defect of reason as not to know the nature or quality of his act or that the act was wrong.

Nevada Miners Win a Point. Carson, Nev.—Members of the Nevada legislature who were interviewed in the hotel lobbies Sunday gave out information to the effect that a meeting had been held by prominent members of the Mine Owners' association and the abolitionists of the party with a view to the amendment of the constitution, and that it will pass the assembly practically by the test vote of 31 to 7.

Bank Cashier a Suicide.

Appleton, Wis.—A. L. Sloss, cashier of the First National bank here, was found dead Monday morning by blowing out his brains with a shotgun. No reason is known for his action, but it is believed that he was demented.

Marines Drowned at San Juan.

San Juan, Porto Rico.—A coal boat with a party of 13 marines on a pleasure trip was capsized off Morro castle Monday. Two of the party, Philip Nunes and Clarence Merritt, were drowned.

NEW CURRENCY BILL.

Measure Indorsed by Bankers Introduced in Congress.

Washington.—A currency bill was introduced in the senate Monday by Senator Hopkins and in the house by James McKelney of Illinois which bears the indorsement of the currency commission appointed by the American Bankers' association and of the executive council of the Illinois Bankers' association.

The bill is the result of the hearings and subsequent deliberations of the commission which was appointed by the association two years ago. The commission is composed of 15 of the most prominent bankers of the United States and they are from all sections of the country.

Explaining the bill, Mr. McKelney said that it has been sought to secure absolute safety for the issues of currency contemplated under it, so that the character of the notes issued could not be questioned. It provides for a guaranty fund to be placed in the hands of the treasurer of the United States resulting from the tax imposed on said circulation. In addition it gives the note issues a priority on the assets of any national bank that may fail.

It gives greater elasticity in the issue and redemption of national bank guaranteed credit notes over that granted to national banks at the present time. It is claimed that if the bill had been a law at the present time it would have given to the country \$330,000,000 to meet the recent crisis.

MILK WAR IN WISCONSIN.

Waukesha County Farmers Threatened in Anonymous Posters.

Milwaukee.—Farmers of Waukesha county are threatened with treatment similar to that given out by the night riders of Kentucky if they do not refuse to sell milk to Milwaukee dealers at the recent alleged low rate.

"If you sell another can of milk to Milwaukee we will blow up your place the first good chance. Beware, WE MEAN IT," reads the anonymous poster.

This is the threat, written so as to disguise the identity of the writer, being posted all over the Waukesha county district. The posters are making Milwaukee dealers pay an advance of ten cents per eight-gallon can. A number of them have written letters to the dealers in Milwaukee expressing their fear of personal injury if they ship milk.

THINK MISS MALONE MURDERED.

Physicians Say Marks on Neck Were Made by Strangling.

Janesville, Wis.—It is now thought to be proved conclusively that Miss Josephine Malone, whose body was taken from the Rock river Saturday, was the victim of foul play. Physicians who gave the body a careful examination Monday report that the red abrasion on the neck, which was at first thought to have resulted from the rubbing of the collar, are undoubtedly finger marks. This refutes the story that she committed suicide, and points to the fact that the woman was choked probably to insensibility before the body was given to the river.

Mrs. Eddy Quits Concord.

Concord, N. H.—Mrs. Mary G. Baker Eddy, founder and head of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, left her home, Pleasant View, in this city Sunday and by a circuitous route in a special train went to Chestnut Hill, Brookline, Mass., to a house recently purchased by the Christian Science denomination, where she will reside permanently.

Probe a Death at Pontiac.

Pontiac, Ill.—The board of managers of the Illinois state reformatory Monday afternoon, at the request of Superintendent Mallory, to investigate the death of William Hamlin, an inmate of the institution. Hamlin was placed in solitary confinement for an attempt to escape. He climbed on the bars of his cell door and precipitated himself to the cement floor with the shout of "Here goes nothing." He struck on his head and fractured a vertebrae of the neck, and died on January 18.

\$8,000 Fire at Beacon.

Beacon.—Fire originating from an unknown cause, destroyed the lumber yard of J. E. Huncroft, containing a loss of \$9,000. All the lumber in the yard was a prey to the flames. Some insurance was carried.

Illinois State News

Recent Happenings of Interest in the Various Cities and Towns.

SPIRITUALISM IN WILL SUIT.

This to Be Basis of Contest for the Bradley Millions.

Peoria.—Practically all the heirs of the late Mrs. Lydia Bradley have organized to break her will. They base their claim on the alleged fact that she was devoted to spiritualism, and that she believed the spirits of her dead husband and children were present with her. In the opinion of the court she was the victim of every traveling spiritualist who visited Peoria. Should the court sustain the will of the Bradley Polytechnic Institute of this city would be virtually cut off without funds. Mrs. Harriet W. Griffith, one of the heirs, who is a inmate of the Proctor Endowment home, has filed application for release from that institution so that she should be in a position to benefit in case Mrs. Bradley's will is set aside. Mrs. Griffith, on entering the home, agreed to the usual requirement of assigning to it any funds which she might later gain possession of.

INDICTS MAYOR OF "OPEN TOWN."

Jury Hears Hook Was Interested in "Chuck-Luck."

Chicago Heights.—Lee H. Hook, mayor of Chicago Heights, was indicted at a special return of the grand jury in Judge Windsor's court. He was charged with misconduct in public office. The indictment contained six counts. The action of the grand jury was caused by the wide open condition of the suburb since Hook's election in 1906. The indictment was returned on evidence presented by the Municipal league of Chicago Heights. It charges Hook with permitting the operation of a game of "chuck-luck" on November 23 in the Victoria hotel. Charges were made before the grand jury that the mayor was interested in the conduct of the game. Further indictments against other officials were expected.

SHOOTS NEIGHBOR AND SON.

Arcola Man Angered at Attention to His Sister-in-Law.

Arcola.—Owen Devere, a young farmer, shot and perhaps fatally wounded James Hickey and his son, Ed. Hickey, as they were driving by his farm on a load of corn. They had quarreled over the fact that Ed. Hickey had left a brewing company with Miss Stabler, a sister of Devere's wife. Young Hickey was shot in the chest, and as he fell to the ground his father stooped over him. Devere then shot the old man in the neck and shoulders. Devere made his escape, but later came to Arcola and surrendered himself to the marshal, who was taken to Tuscola and lodged in jail.

Form Anti-Sullivan Club.

West Chicago.—The Bryan Anti-Sullivan club has been organized here by James O. Monroe, chairman of the Democratic county committee and leader in Dupage county politics, as the head. Mr. Monroe has been prominent in Democratic state conventions for many years, and has always lined up with the anti-Sullivan forces. At Peoria in 1906 he was known as the "Illinois kicker." The club has started with 100 members.

Reads; Goes to Similar Death.

Kewanee.—Just after he had read of a fatal burning in his old home in Canada, Illinois, Milton C. Deane was the victim of a similar accident, from which he died. He went into the wood shed to gather cobs and his lantern exploded, setting fire to his clothing. He ran into the yard, where the fire was finally extinguished in the snow, but he died in a few minutes.

Farm Students in Debate.

Urbana.—Congressional seed distribution is understandable, decided the debaters before the Corn Growers and Stockmen's club. The agricultural students of the University of Illinois debated the question. C. D. Smith of Grand View talking on "The Oats Crop with Clover Following." N. H. Harms of the agronomy department discussed the same topic.

Souls Saved; Fire Bell Rings.

Urbana.—The entire population of Mahomet was routed out of bed at midnight by the ringing of the fire bell. The villagers, in scanty attire, faced the snow and chilling blasts only to find out that Evangelist Beck was celebrating the death of a hundredth soul by ringing the bell.

Prohibitionists Name Candidates.

Do Quin.—The Prohibitionists of the Twenty-third congressional district met in this city and nominated Sam F. Hrusch as a candidate to succeed the late George W. Smith.

Slayer is Sentenced.

Collinville.—Gonetti who, in an effort to win a local girl's love, murdered two men with a mine here with an infernal machine, was sentenced to 15 years' imprisonment.

Jealousy Causes Girl's Death.

Stirling.—Joyous because she was to be married, a girl here, the daughter of Catherine Loren of this city, contracted brain fever before school opened and died.

Hurts Fatal to Bloomington Man.

Bloomington.—William Scott died of injuries received when nominated Sam F. Hrusch as a candidate to succeed the late George W. Smith.

Pana Poultry Show Draws Well.

Pana.—Good crowds attended the annual show of the Pana Poultry association. The number of entries surpassed expectation.

Escaped Lunatic is Captured.

Jacksonville.—Eugene Casavan, who escaped from the Central hospital here, was captured by Sheriff Kirkeville, Mo., and will be returned to the institution here. Casavan is from Adams county.

Fire Makes 20 Men Idle.

Springfield.—At the Standard Wash company's mill at Hsall destroyed the engine room and boiler house. Twenty men were thrown out of employment for a month by reason of the fire.

Havana Boy Saved from Drowning.

Havana.—Ralph Harpham, son of Postmaster Harpham, narrowly escaped drowning while skating on the Illinois river here. He was rescued by Joseph Butler, a companion, who was skating nearby.

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