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WITH PUBLIC SPIRIT.

His Worship Has Always Taken Part in the City's Affairs.

"I think, said Dr. Hall, to the Planet, that Mayor Smith will make an excellent run and ought to run. He has always been a good friend of the workingmen of Chatham, and I think the workingmen will be grateful to see him in the office. He has also been a staunch member of a number of fraternal orders for many years. Now is the chance for the brethren of those orders to show what fraternalism is worth. If a brotherhood is good for anything such an occasion as this ought to be for many of them. No more true lodge workers have I ever seen than T. A. Smith. In fact every way you take him the Mayor deserves the support of the citizens, as he said before, particularly of the working classes. When the G. T. R. trackmen were on strike His Worship was the man to propose a fund for them and headed which was a \$25 check. He was the man to propose a memorial for poor Private Donagan and offered his private subscription. When the citizens got up their first of July demonstration last year the Mayor headed the subscription list with \$25. He has always been ready to do his part with public spirit, and I think the citizens, aside from politics, will recognize that fact and support him."

AT THE GRAND TO-NIGHT.

The Port Huron News has the following to say regarding "A Breezy Time," which was there last Wednesday and appears at the grand here to-night.

A pleasing variety of specialties, excellent music and a number of laughable oddities, with just enough farce comedy to introduce them all nicely is the happy combination presented at the City Opera House on Wednesday night. The production greatly pleased the audience and there was continual laughter from the time the curtain went up with the first "breeze" until it came down with the last. The musical numbers were the especially good features of the program, the tenor soloist and the bell-ringing chorus being excellent. Al White as "Ambrosia Merrifield," is an excellent female impersonator. Cleo Benoit, the secretary of the company, is a dainty little actress and a good step dancer. W. E. Wims, the German comedian, furnished his share of the fun. Herbert Ingram in his dual role of tramp and artist was equally pleasing in each. The farce was all that the name portended, light and airy, not exceptionally excellent, but very good.

SCAVENGERS OF AFRICA.

Vultures Mark the Great and Horrible Field of Carcage

Julian Ralph describing recently a ride to Bloemfontein in the wake of Robert's victorious army wrote: "I saw ahead of me a thick cloud as if they had been moths. As I drew nearer I noticed that the bulk of each one's body was very great. On the ground, where there were two scores waddling about, there seemed even larger. They marked the outer edge of the great and horrid field of carcage. Many dead horses lay on the veid, and these birds were eating some and perching on the backs of others.

"Foul, nauseous, ugly, beastly birds are these. They were to be my constant companions for three days. I was to see hundreds upon hundreds of them, and never once, by day, fail to see them. Yet there were not enough of them to make away with all the food that war had given them." Natural as is the feeling of repulsion, which the presence of these scavengers of the battle field arouses, in the economy of nature they perform a most useful work. They lessen the danger of pestilence. They really make war less terrible to those who escape death by the enemy.

"Asvogels," which means carrion scavengers, the Boers call them. Of recent years it has been noticed, owing to the destruction of the big game, which greatly diminished their funeral banquets. But apparently the tiding that man's hand has turned against man in one small portion of Africa has traveled far and wide among them, and they have gathered together from great distances to participate in the feast.

A war correspondent also tells of seeing the secretary bird—a stately bird, holding himself proudly and stalking along with noble strides as he glanced about him for a breakfast of snakes. The secretary bird in appearance presents a striking contrast to the vulture. Man hunts it as a friend. Because of its usefulness in destroying venomous snakes it is protected in all parts of Africa.

As many as three large snakes have been taken from the stomach of one of these birds, besides lizards, tortoises and a quantity of grasshoppers. When attacking a cobra the secretary bird defends itself from the venomous fangs by holding its wing in front as a shield and strikes the snake down by vigorous blows of its feet. Frequently it kills a large snake by carrying it high in the air and then dropping it to the ground.

It is called the secretary bird, because of its fancied resemblance to a secretary, who is supposed to carry quill pens behind his ears.

Little Elmer—Papa, what's a stock company? Prof. Broadhead—A stock company, my son, is usually a small body of men, entirely surrounded by water.

ELECTRICAL STORMS.

THEY ARE THE MOST PECULIAR OF THE MOUNTAIN PHENOMENA.

There is No Lightning, Thunder or Rain, but They Make One's Hair Really Stand on End and the Hoars Crackle Under the Feet.

Perhaps the most peculiar of the mountain phenomena are the so called electrical storms. There is no precipitation, no lightning, no thunder and usually no wind, nothing to be heard and nothing to be seen except the gathering clouds. But much may be felt. Everything is charged with the electric fluid. The earth, the air, the very stones and trees and even human beings are full of it. A mining engineer visiting a tunnel located on a mountain side at an elevation of 13,200 feet describes his sensations during one of these storms. All alone he was climbing up the trail to the tunnel. Great black clouds began to gather on the horizon and were soon rolling about the mountain side below him. A calm prevailed; then an unnatural stillness seemed to be in the air. Steadily the clouds rolled up the mountain side like a flood of black water. The stones as he stepped on them began to crackle and snap like dry wood in a fire. Realizing these unusual conditions, he hurried to the sheltering tunnel above him. His hair felt as if a swarm of flies had settled in it. When he tried to brush them away with his hand, he found each hair standing almost straight. The stroking of his hair increased the peculiar sensations he experienced, and, tingling from head to foot, the now thoroughly frightened man ran into the tunnel.

No sooner had he passed the entrance than the peculiar sensations ceased. After resting awhile he went to the opening and discovered himself entirely surrounded by clouds so black and dense that he could scarcely see five feet away, although the hour was not far from noon. Stepping outside to investigate, he received a shock that sent him reeling back into the tunnel, where he remained for over an hour before the storm passed.

Such electrical storms seem to be formed in a strait. If a human being should make such connection as to draw the charge from one of the layers, he would instantly be incinerated. This accident, however, has never been known to occur. The most destructive of these storms of the mountain region, but the severest storms of this nature are met only at the great altitudes.

With all the severity of electrical storms and thunder showers, it is a fact that human beings are seldom struck by lightning in the mountains. Death from that cause is much more frequent on the plains bordering the ranges than in the mountains themselves. The most destructive form of mountain storm is the so called cloudburst, when the rippling brook suddenly becomes a roaring river, carrying death and destruction in its path. The noise made by a cloudburst has no parallel. Above the rumble and roar of a mass of rushing water is heard a grinding, groaning sound of falling trees, of slipping earth and rolling boulders, while the banks of the stream far above the danger line tremble as if in an earthquake. The senses are numbed by the awful cataclysm, and it seems to the spectator, although he is on the high banks and out of actual danger, that the very foundations of the earth had burst and judgment day was come. The flood tosses about mighty trees and rocks as if they were straws, the banks of the stream seem to dissolve before him and the very air is filled with the irresistible power of nature steals over the observer. Once witnessed, a cloudburst is never forgotten.

In point of fact, however, there is no such thing as the bursting of a cloud. The term "cloudburst" is a convenient expression by which the result of a very heavy rain is designated. Nearly all the surface of the earth in the mountain region is made up either of rocks or adobe soil. The latter in most cases has never been broken up and is almost impervious to a sudden heavy downpour of rain. The consequence is that the mountain courses and in the course of unnumbered ages into mighty canyons which surround the tourist.

In an unusually heavy rainfall the great mass of water spreads over a large area, instead of sinking into the ground, is quickly accumulated in the beds of the streams, which rise many feet in a short time. When this accumulation is rapid enough and the "ray of the land" is just right, the water rushes down the bed of the stream in a solid wall and is called a cloudburst. The same precipitation in an open country or in one in which the soil has been broken up by cultivation would be called heavy rainfall and would do no damage unless continued long enough for the streams to rise out of their banks and flood the country.

One of the most destructive storms of this nature, so far as its manifold consequences are concerned, took place in the spring of 1864, when a cloudburst occurred at the headwaters of Cherry creek. This is a small stream, dry most of the year, but notorious for its eccentricities. It flows through Denver and empties into the Platte river within the confines of the city. Just at nightfall the water swept down this dry creek in a wall said to have been ten feet in height, carrying everything before it. Many people were drowned, and many buildings were washed away. All night long the creek flowed bankful of water that was thick with wreckage. People were rescued during the night on rafts and improvised boats.

The most serious loss was the city hall, which was swept away by the water, together with all the records on file there. These records included not only those of the state and city, but also the United States land filings. The flood was followed by an era of land jumpings, and a good many of the present fortunes in Denver date from that event. The safe of the city hall was never found, although some relics of the flood, including a portion of the press of The Rocky Mountain News, are now in the rooms of the State Historical society.—T. C. Knowles in Ainslee's Magazine.

The Robin. Each infant robin, it is estimated, requires for its proper maintenance about 14 inches of tender wormwood every day. As a robin family averages four, the mother is obliged to provide 56 inches of worm daily. Considering the difficulties and dangers of getting worms, these statistics throw an interesting light on the industry and courage of the mother robin.

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SIDE VIEWS OF LIFE.

The man who makes a fool of himself usually turns out a good job. The average wife knows the prick of conscience is productive of piety. A woman who suffers untold agony is an exception to the rule. As an aid to cutting one's eye-teeth a gold brick is more effective than a rubber ring. It sometimes happens that a man of resources is one who has ingenious methods of contracting liabilities. A man learns a good many things from his children until they get old enough to know as little as he does.

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ALEX. GREGORY, Sec.

Members, Attention!
THE ANCIENT ORDER OF UNITED WORKMEN will hold a September Social on Friday evening, the 21st, at their Lodge Room. A number of candidates will be admitted and we trust a goodly number of the membership will make it their business to be present to welcome them and enjoy together things good for head, heart and stomach.

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