WILL BUILD A BELT LINE.

A NEW STREET CAR ROUTE AROUND THE CITY.

Residents of the Northern Suburbs to Have a Street Car Service Which Will Pass the Lacrosse Grounds and Traverse Moore Park—The Scheme Well Under Way.

It now looks as if before this time next fall residents of the northern suburbs would have a splendid street car service; the Toronto Lacrosse grounds would have increased patronage and the beauties of Moore Park and the district surounding Upper Canada College would be thrown open to the people of Toronto. This has been mooted for some time past, but numerous difficulties have arisen, and at one time it looked as if the scheme would drop.

To the Lacrosse Grounds.

The Toronto Lacrosse Club have fallen behind in their gate receipts ever since the grounds were moved to their present position away up at Schofield-avenue, the reason being that the grounds were so difficult of access and the public had either to walk or take busses. The directors of the club have long seen that their only salvation lay in a street car service right to the gates, but the largest ravine in Rosedale yawned between the present Rosedale terminus and the grounds. Only one bridge existed, and that was a private one owned by the Scottish Ontario and Manitoba Land Company. More than that, the property through which the road would run was owned by private persons and the aforesaid land company, so that it would not pay the street railway company to make the extension. The agitation was kept up, however.

What York Township Will Do.

The township of York, when the scheme was mooted, approached the Toronto Railway Company, who, seeing that it would be in their interest offered to make an extension which would give residents of the outlying district to the northwest, who had long been clamoring for a more convenient entrance by street car to the city than by going south to Queen east, and in over the Don, the facilities they desired. The company agreed to extend a loop north from the present terminous at Sherbourne-street and right up through Moore Park, turning west, crossing the Metropolitan road in Yonge-street, so as to strike just south of Upper Canada College; turning south there and coming down Avenue-road to Bloor-street, if the township of York would open a road through from the present terminus. The matter was referred by the township council to Engineer Gibson as to the best route, he having already reported adversely to the purchase of the Scottish Ontario Company's bridge, because it was not strong enough to stand trolley car traffic.

Will Sell the Bridge Reasonable

The land company have expressed their willingness for a year back to accept $6000 for the bridge, and the use of their roads and property to open up Glen-road, always providing that none of the cost of the purchase should be assessed by the township upon their land or lands already sold by them. It was proposed to strengthen this bridge and lower it 14 feet, grading the approaches. Mr. Gibson, however, reported against this, on the ground that the foundations were defective and would not stand the strain. Reeve William Hill, however, who is a practical builder, thinks it possible to strengthen the present bridge and lower it at less than the cost of building a new one, and so expressed himself to The World young man yesterday.

The alternative plan proposed is to build a low level bridge across the ravine, one end to rest upon a natural shoulder, which juts out into the valley, at a low level nearly opposite the lacrosse grounds. The cost of this would be assessed on the property-owners, who would, it is said, be glad to have the bridge, if the assessments were not too high.

Engineer Gibson's Report.

Engineer Gibson was to have reported upon a route at the last meeting of the Township Council on Sept. 2, but as it was not completed, the report did not go in, and was not discussed. It will, however, be presented at the next meeting, Oct. 7, and it is said on good authority that the engineer will favor a route, starting west of the lacrosse grounds, instead of east, as at first proposed. By reason of this route, only a small additional bridge will be necessary over the most northerly ravine, while if it ran straight, a large bridge would have to be built. Besides the property of the Scottish Ontario and Manitoba Land Company, there are only three properties to be traversed going north, viz., the Dickson, McLeish and Dunbar properties, when connection can be made with the Moore Park roads. Citizens of Toronto who love a beautiful trip through wonderful scenery, may well be thankful that the scheme seems likely to go through. Definite action is expected at the Township Council meeting on Oct. 7.

Perfection For Toronto Waterworks.

Editor World: If the present wood conduit is replaced by a steel one, the estimated cost of which is $75,000, with the joints properly made, and the intake protected from clogging with weeds, our supply of water will be pure, permanent and abundant. We don't require a tunnel, the estimated cost of which is over half a million dollars, the real cost of which will be from a million to a million and a half, if it pans out as the rest of our estimates have done.

Our waterworks have cost us from four to four and a half millions, and another $75,000 will give us a complete and perfect system, provided the work is properly done. Will it not be better for the city if Mr. Keating sees that this work is properly done, instead of recommending new schemes., which, if adopted, are likely to run into millions of dollars ere all of the necessary experimentations are practically proven?

We don't want to spend $15,000 on expert opinion; we don't want to spend $14,000 in putting sand on the present steel pipe; we don't require to spend $8000 in making a connection with the Toronto Junction system. These three sums aggregate $37,000, one-half of the estimated cost of the new steel conduit. What are our aldermen going to do about this matter? They should set the Engineer to work on the new conduit, and ask him to see that all of the connections are properly made. Keep the sand out of the pipes by good joints; the intake be properly protected, and we shall have a supply of as pure water as our lake can afford.

ISAIAH RYDER, M.D.

How To Cure Headache.—Some people suffer untold misery day after day with headache. There is rest neither day nor night, until the nerves are all unstrung. The cause is generally a disordered stomach, and a cure can be effected by using Parmelee's Vegetable Pills, containing Mandrake and Dandelion. Mr. Finlay Wark, Lysander, P.Q., writes: "I find Parmelee's Pills a first-class article for bilious headache."

Pure Water for Toronto.

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SAND-CLEARING GOES ON.

Good Progress Made Yesterday in the Work at the Island.

Engineer Williams last evening reported that the examination and caulking of the 4-foot pipe is nearly completed. Yesterday the whole of the sand in 120 feet of pipe was cleared out. Now the intake is quite clear between No. 1 manhole, the first south of Hanlan's crib, and No. 2 manhole, next further south. Divers are engaged uncovering the stone around the crib so that proper inspection may be made of those points which are suspected to be fractured. To-day the work of clearing the sand out of the wooden conduit will be commenced. Small sand pumps are being used, but are found more suitable for the work than the larger ones. On the whole, satisfactory progress is being made in the caulking, examination and clearing of sand from the pipes.

CHINA'S EMPEROR SPEAKS.

His Subjects Warned to Cease the Attacks on Christians.

Tokio, Japan, Aug. 27.—The Emperor of China has issued the folowing edict with reference to the recent anti-Christian outbreaks in that Empire: "Since the opening of international commerce with western countries, foreigners have always resided in the inland districts at peace and harmony with their native neighbors, and we in our imperial home, living for both native and foreigner alike, have time and again commanded our high provincial authorities to pay extra heed constantly to protect the latter from harm. Judge of our extreme indignation, then, upon hearing recently first of the riots in the capital, Sze-Chueng, where chapels have been destroyed and burned down by rioters, thereby fanning the flames of destruction far and wide in so much that a number of sub-prefectures and districts simultaneously followed in the footsteps of Chingtu, and now to receive news from Fu Kien reporting that evil characters have murdered and wounded a very large number of foreigners at Ku-Tien, going so far in their ruthless ferocity as to murder even women and children. Without reference to the Sze-Chueng riots, a number of rioters have already been arested and will undergo trial, but the chiefs and heads of the Fu Kien murders are still at large, and we command Plen Pas Chuan and Ching Yu (Tartar generals at Foo Chow) to set to work without delay at the head of the military and district officials and speedily arrest these wicked characters, nor shall any be allowed to escape the meshes of the law.

"Indeed, it is the manifest duty of the local mandarins throughout the empire to be always on the alert and prevent such worthless characters from manufacturing scurrilous tales and exciting the populace. They should crush all incipient risings at the slightest sign. What sort of frivolity and indifference to duty is this then that has brought about all these recent serious outrages? We would also command the various Tartar generals, Viceroys and Governors to impress upon all their subordinates the necessity of granting protection to all in the chapels in the city streets. They are also to issue proclamations exhorting the people to abstain from listening to scurrilous tales which excite unfounded suspicions in the breasts of all.

"If there be any who shall dare to raise disturbances in the future they shall be at once punished with the utmost severity of the law, and as to such of the local officials as may use subterfuge and craft to avoid their duties, they are to be most severely punished and no leniency shall be exercised in their cases. Let these commands be made known to all within this empire."

Little Value Attached to the Edict

Little value is attached by foreigners to the edict. It is now well understood that the orders of the Emperor of China have virtually no force outside the walls of Pekin. It is generally believed that the action of the British Government has fallen short of requirements of the occasion. Instead of dispatching a consul to investigate the circumstances connected with the Kuching atrocities, the task should have been entrusted to a secretary of the legation, and instead of a Chinese escort, the commissioner should have been accompanied by 500 red coats and blue jackets. If the brutal massacre of English women, girls and children may be condoned by the payment of a few dollars and the execution of a half a dozen men who probably had no hand in the crime, but have sold their lives to explate it, the Union Jack will soon cease to be a genuine protection to British subjects. That is what Englishmen are saying everywhere in the far East, and it cannot be denied that there is much truth in the complaint, seeing that two of the incriminated officials in Chengtu have bee n placed on the commission of enquiry, and the chief of police, who issued a placard declaring the crime of kidnapping children to have been proved against foreigners has been promoted to be a Taotai.

CHINA'S FINANCIAL BACKERS.

Russia and France to Guarantee a Second Chinese Loan.

Berlin, Sept. 18.—The correspondent of The Cologne Gazette in St. Petersburg informs his paper that a second Chinese guarantee loan by Russia and France will be concluded in November, France undertaking to find the money.

German financiers refuse to take any part of the loan. Russian agents have gone to Pekin to negotiate for the establishment of a Russo-Chinese bank in that city.

The Mishap at the Michigan Soo.

Sault Ste. Marie, Mich., Sept. 18.—The break which occurred in the mitre sill under the upper guard gates of the new lock last Friday, while the gates were being tested, is apparently not as serious as at first supposed. It can be quite easily repaired, as the masonry did not shift any. The filling valves, which are laid on top of the sill, will not have to be taken out to allow the bolting of the masonry together, and the work can be done without great expense. That the bolts were not placed there as was done in the lock now in use was an error in judgment, and it was a lucky circumstance that the defect became apparent while the test was being made, otherwise untold damage might have resulted. The other sills wfll be bolted. Uneasiness is manifested by the officials of the Canada lock since the accident as the sills there were not bolted, and it is likely that this will be done at the earliest moment.

They Never Fail.—Mr. S. M. Boughner, Langton, writes: "For about two years I was troubled with Inward Piles, but by using Parmelee's Pills I was completely cured, and, although four years have elapsed since then, they have not returned." Parmelee's Pills are anti-bilious and a specific for the cure of Liver and Kidney Complaints, Dyspepsia, Costiveness, Headache, Piles, etc., and will regulate the secretions and remove all bilious matter.

Rafts Adrift.

Alpena, Mich., Sept. 18.—A heavy wind and rain storm set in last night. The steamer Michigan, which arrived this morning, reports a large amount of logs adrift off Thunder Bay Island. Tugs Niagara and Charleton, with Canada rafts for Bay City, are supposed to be in that vicinity. The schooner Kitchen of the Garden City tow, reports seeing a vessel founder in Saginaw Bay yesterday. There was too much sea to render assistance.

True Bill Against McMillan.

A true bill was returned by the Sessions grand jury yesterday in the charge of arson against William McMillan.

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OWNER OF NO. 19 GUILTY.

A JURY OF FARMERS LISTEN TO THE PHONOGRAPH

And Just Take Ten Minutes to Arrive at the Conclusion That the Man Who Operated It at the Fair Was Guilty of Disseminating Indecent Literature.

When George Barry and Mamie Barry were placed in the dock to stand on their trial at the Sessions yesterday on a charge of publishing indecent, wicked, lewd and obscene matter, Crown Attorney Curry and Detective Duncan headed a procession, emerging from Judge McDougall's room, bearing photograph, electric batteries and a box containing 28 cylinders, among which was No. 19. The jury were sworn in and the phonograph arranged on a table before them. Mr. Curry acted as electrician and operator, placing the batteries in position and adjusting cylinder No. 19, to its place.

Mr. T. C. Robinette, who defended the prisoners, took objection to the indictment, and asked that it should be quashed. His Honor thought the offence came within the clause under which the indictment was laid, and ordered the case to proceed, in the meantime granting a reserve case.

The Crown Attorney as a Witness

Mr. Curry was the first witness for the Crown. He detailed the circumstances of the arrest, and at the request of Mr. Robinette, reproduced as nearly as possible what he had heard from the objectionable cylinder. The story was of a man's experience in spending $2.80 in the New York Bowery. The words were of a most obscene character. A few sentences sufficed the court, and His Honor ordered the recital to close.

Couldn't Cross-Examine the Machine.

Mr. Robinette objected to the testimony of the machine, on the ground that he could not cross-examine it. "All we want is to hear what the machine produces," said His Honor. The jurymen, composed largely of elderly men, surrounded the machine, and each adjusted a pair of tubes to his ears. There were two pairs to spare when the jurymen had been supplied, Mr. Robinette stepped forward and was followed by the court stenographer, who recorded what he heard.

When the Crown's case closed, Mr. Robinette asked for the discharge of Mrs. Barry. His Honor thought there was no evidence to connect her with the offence and ordered her release. Mr. Robinette again urged his objection to the indictment, but His Honor replied: "If the law does not cover the case, it should be made to."

After 10 minutes' absence, the jury returned a verdict of guilty, with a recommendation to mercy.

DIPHTHERIA EPIDEMIC.

Numerous Cases and Many Deaths in Essex County.

Dr. P. H. Bryce, Secretary of the Provincial Board of Health, has received word from Essex county that since the opening of the school session diphtheria has broken out in the townships of North and South Gosfield and in Colchester. So serious is the outbreak that in one school section alone there are 25 cases, and 8 or 10 deaths have already occurred.

The Visit of the British Association.

At the meeting of the Astronomical and Physical Society, held Sept. 17, the subject of the visit of the British Association in 1897, was discussed, with a view to an early preparation of a detailed plan of action. In order to make the visit a thorough success it will be necessary that all societies interested in the various branches of scientific work should co-operate, and the indications are that the heartiest support will be forthcoming, Dr. McCallum, president of the Canadian Institute, was president and addressed the meeting at some length upon the subject, receiving the assurance of the society that sub-committees would be appointed in accordance with whatever may be the views of the general committee, composed of delegates of all bodies interested.

Small Outgo of Gold To-Day.

New York, Sept. 18.—The gold engagements for Thursday's steamers amount to $250,000, which is considerably below expectation. William H. Crossman and Bro., it is said, are figuring on shipping $2,000,000, but up to a late hour the firm had made no announcement as to their action. During the day, the sub-treasury received $400,000 from outside banks, which offsets to-morrow's shipment, There was the usual talk about a bond issue, but nothing definite resulted. Assistant Secretary Curtis visited the sub-treasury again to-day and met Assistant Secretary Jordan.

State of the Reserve

Washington, Sept. 18.—The Treasury gold reserve to-day with all exports out, and deposits up to date in is $95,456,954, against over yesterday of $74,000. The People's National Bank of Pittsburg deposited $100,000 in gold exchange for currency.

To Coin Double Eagles.

Philadelphia, Sept. 18.—The work of coining double eagles will begin tomorrow at the Mint on an order from Superintendent Kretz. Several million dollars' worth of gold bars have been rolled into sheets in readiness for the processes. These have been running on eagles and half eagles recently, and $1,000,000 worth of these coins were shipped to the New York sub-treasury to-day. There is now $40,000,000 worth of gold in the Mint ready for coinage.

Michigan Miners' Strike Collapses.

Ishpeming, Mich., Sept. 18.—Between 100 and 200 men applied for work at the Ishpeming mines to-day. Section 16 mine of the Lake Superior Iron Co. will start a large force of men underground to-morrow. The mining companies have ordered the changing houses prepared to receive the men to-morrow. The strike leaders and small politicians of the Populist order are making desperate efforts to keep the men from going to work, but are powerless to stem the tide of deserters from the union. The whole country is delighted at the news that the end of the strike is at hand.

Very many persons die annually from cholera and kindred summer complaints who might have been saved if proper remedies had been used. If attacked do not delay in getting a bottle of Dr. J. D. Kellogg's Dysentery Cordial, the medicine that never fails to effect a cure. Those who have used it say it acts promptly and thoroughly, subdues the pain and disease.

Ask Hammerstein's Extradition.

Berlin, Sept. 18.—The German Government has asked Austria for the extradition upon a charge of forgery, of Baron Von Hammerstein, formerly chief editor of The Kreuz-Zeitung.

Vesuvius in Eruption.

Naples, Sept. 18.— Mount Vesuvius is becoming more actively eruptive and the volumes of lava thrown out threatens to overflow the roads leading to this city.

Steamship Movements.

Aurania, at Liverpool, from New York.

Lahn, at Southampton, from New York.

Westmoreland, at New York, from Antwerp.

Saller, at Bremerhaven, from New York.

Hekla, at Copenhagen, from New York.

Dresden, at New York, from Bremen.

New York, at Southampton, from New York.

To remove bad breath from catarrh, bad teeth, etc., use Odoroma.

WANTS THE RIDER WITHDRAWN.

Otherwise James Tucker Cannot Continue His Academic Course—His Experience in San Francisco.

The authorities of Leland Stanford University at San Francisco have refused to permit James A. Tucker to attend that institution as a regular undergraduate. He may attend lectures as a special student, but will be deprived of a degree. This action is owing to the rider that the Senate attached to Mr. Tucker's certificate of attendance at Toronto University, which recited the faculty's grievance against Tucker in full and concluded with the statement that the Senate did not wish to interfere with his future academic career. The rider was added chiefly at the instance of Hon. S. H. Blake and has interfered with M. Tucker's future academic career, and the young man has written from San Francisco petitioning the Senate to withdraw the rider. If this is done the Leland Stanford authorities are quite willing, he states, to admit him as a regular student.

U.S.- HAWAIIAN CABLE.

Hawaii Said to Have Promised a $40,000 Twenty Year Subsidy.

London, Sept. 19.—The Morning Post prints a despatch to a news agency saying that American planters have secured a concession from the Hawaiian Government and a contract has been signed granting an annual subsidy of $40,000, with exclusive rights for 20 years, to lay a cable from the American Continent, which shall extend only to Hawaii. The Government agrees not to permit the laying of any other cable to Hawaii. The contractors stipulate that the line shall not be constructed until arrangements have been made for an annual subsidy of $175,000 from the United States Government. The line must be begun in 1897, and be completed by November of the following year. The negotiations were conducted with the greatest secrecy, and when they were completed the British and German members of the Chamber of Commerce protested against the exclusive right given to the contractors for the laying of a cable to Hawaii. The promoter of the scheme is Col. C. S. Spalding.

"FOOTLESS BICYCLES."

Petroleum Wheels are to Follow the "Horseless" Carriages.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Consul Chancellor at Havre has supplied the Department of State a report on horseless carriages. He says that bicycles and tricycles with the petroleum motor added weigh less than 100 pounds. The price is $250. In order to get the machine in motion the rider after mounting turns a tap to admit the petroleum, which at the same time turns on an electric current which ignites the vapor. He then propels the machine with his feet until he finds the motor is working. There is also in course of construction a somewhat similar machine to carry two persons.

For the propulsion of ordinary carriages a kind of steam horse is used. The front wheels are removed and an extra wheel attached to a projecting platform of the steam horse. In these engines coke is used for fuel, and there is no noise, smoke or steam. The weight is not increased greatly. Prices range from $1,800 to $2,500. Smooth roads are essential to the use of the carriages.

Sovereign Oddfellows.

Atlantic City, N.J., Sept. 18.—The Sovereign Grand Lodge, Independent Order of Oddfellows, resumed its sittings this morning. Resolutions providing for a revision of the ritual of the Patriarch Militant and for the amendment of the insurance law of the Order were introduced and referred. A committee was appointed to take action relative to the purchase of property in Baltimore for the use of the Sovereign Grand Secretary. Sovereign Grand Treasurer Isaac A. Sheppard of Philadelphia, who has filled the office 19 years, presented a letter announcing his resignation in consequence of failing health. The resignation was accepted. Mr. Richard Muckle of Pennsylvania was elected to fill the vacancy. He will be installed on Friday.

Viceroy Murderer Goes Free.

Shanghai, Sept. 18.—Notwithstanding the efforts of the British Consul the authorities refuse to punish the Viceroy and other exalted officials who are deemed responsible for the Ku-Cheng massacres. No atetmpt was made, however, to hinder the execution at Zu-Cheng yesterday of the seven prisoners who had been convicted of participation in the massacres.

Queen's Own

The initial parade of the season of the Queen's Own Rifles last night was largely attended. Six companies marched to old U.C.C. grounds, where company drill was performed. The remainder drilled at the Armouries, joining the main body of the regiment at Simcoe and King, for a route march via King, Yonge, Queen and University to the Armouries. The regimental orders contain notice of 21 men discharged and three promotions. The annual regimental rifle match will take place on Saturday, Oct. 5.

The brigade orders contain a garrison order referring to bicycling in the drill shed. The order reads: "No bicycle riding in the New Armoury is to be permitted, during drill or parade hours."

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Plunged Into a Flywheel.

Utica, N.Y., Sept. 18.—Chauncey Bowman, an inmate of the State Hospital in this city, was out walking about the premises of the hospital with an attendant this morning. They had completed their walk and were returning to the building, when they passed the door of an engine-house. Bowman started for the door, and plunged head foremost into the huge fly-wheel of the engine, which was making nearly a hundred revolutions a minute. He was carried around in the wheel a moment and then fell to the floor lifeless.

These two desirable qualifications, pleasant to the taste and at the same time effectual, are to be found in Mother Graves' Worm Exterminator. Children like it.

From Hornets to Fire.

Millville, N.J., Sept. 18.—To escape the stings of a swarm of yellow jackets near Newport yesterday, Stephen Spencer and Thomas Bowe set fire to a bunch of pine needles. The hornets disappeared, but the fire burned two acres of valuable pine timber before it could be put out.

The Jewish New Year.

Last evening was the eve of the Jewish New Year. Strictly orthodox Jews observe the celebration for two days—Thursday and Friday—because in some time long ago there was or may have been a miscalculation in fixing the date of the holiday.

Filibuster Schooner Sold.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Despatches were received at the Spanish Legation this morning from the Spanish Consuls at Key West and Tampa, Fla., announcing the seizure of the schooner Lark for engaging in a filibustering expedition.

Soldiers Evacuate Fort Mackinac.

Mackinac Island, Mich, Sept. 18.—The last step in the total abandonment of Fort Mackinac has been carried into effect in the transfer of the troops under Lieut. Geary to Fort Brady.

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PESTH'S TELEPHONE NEWSPAPER.

It Has 6,000 Subscribers and Has Been in Operation Two Years.

The telephone newspaper organized at Pesth, Hungary, has now been working sucessfully for two years. It is the only newspaper of the kind in the world. It is called The Telephone Hirnondo, or Herald, costs 2 cents, like a printed paper, and is valuable to persons who are unable or too lazy to use their eyes or who cannot read. It has 6,000 subscribers, who receive the news as they would ordinary telephone messages. A special wire 168 miles long runs along the windows of the houses of the subscribers, which are connected with the main line by separate wires and special apparatus which prevents the blocking of the system by an accident at any one of the stations. Within the houses long, flexible wires make it possible to carry the receiver to the bed or any other part of the room.

The news is not delivered as it happens to come in, but is carefully edited and arranged acording to a printed schedule, so that a subscriber at any one time knows what part of the paper he is going to hear. It begins with the night telegrams from all parts of Europe. Then comes the calendar of events for the day, with the city news and the list of strangers at the hotels. After that follow articles on music, art and literature. The staff is organized like that of any other newspaper, and is on duty from 7.30 in the morning until 9.30 at night. After the copy has passed through the editor's hands, for the paper is subject to the same restrictions as ordinary newspapers and is liable for its communications, it is given to the "speakers." These are ten men with strong voices and clear enunciations, who work in shifts of two at a time and talk the news through the telephone. There are twenty-eight editions uttered a day. Additions to the first edition are announced as news items.

To fill up the time when no news is coming in the subscribers are entertained with vocal and instrumental concerts. These were at first given for them especially in the office of the Hirnondo, but now the wire is in communication with the opera house and the music halls, and on Sundays and saints' days with the churches. The music is transmitted at times to other places in Austro-Hungary, and recently the Hirnondo michrophone was connected with the circuit going from Trieste, through Vienna, Bremen and Pesth, to Berlin, the music being heard in all these places with equal clearness and force. The happy Hungarian can lie abed all day and hear everything that is going on in his town.

Labouchere on Grammer.

What have I done that I should be regarded as an authority on points of grammar or literary pedantry? Much against my will I am constantly invited to determine disputes on such matters. The latest instance comes from Liverpool, where two clubmen were at issue as to whether it is more correct to say "There are a lot of cigars," or "There is a lot." The matter has already been referred, I am told, to "a supposed authority," and the "supposed authority," replies in the effect that a noun of multitude in the singular may have a plural verb after it, but that both singular and plural are used, though the preponderance of usage is in favor of the plural.

This being deemed unsatisfactory the disputants come to me. I am sorry that I can add nothing to the opinion of the other "supposed authority." Personally, I should prefer "there are a lot" to "there is a lot," but I regard it, like the spelling of the name "Weller," as a matter of purely taste and fancy. Whether I say "there are a lot of fools in the world," or "there is a lot of fools in the world," the meaning is equaly plain, and the statement equally incontrovertible. What more do you want?

I would remind the Liverpol disputants that grammar is made from speech, and not speech from grammer. All the grammarians do is to deduce rules from the accepted usage. If usage is divided what can any rule be worth? It is reported of the company assembled on a famous occasion that "regardless of grammer, they all cried that's him!" In other words, on the impulse of the moment, the speakers expressed themselves naturally, instead of studying the artificial rules prescribed by schoolmasters. Their utterance was consequently a thousand times more forcibly and eloquent than if they had simpered "that is he." I have no doubt that as long as the language has existed Englishmen have cried out "That's him!" and, in spite of board schools and free education, they will doubtless continue to do so. If this or any other natural and universal form of speech is contrary to the rules of grammar, so much worse for the rules of grammar.—London Truth.

General I.

The shortest name in the world has been developed by the war between China and Japan. t is that of Gen. I, a Tartar commander, who has, perhaps, distinguished himself above other Chinese generals, having conducted a campaign—though a losing one—of some effectiveness.

The French are supposed to have a monopoly of surnames, names which consist of one letter. A considerable number of such names have been cited in the French press from time to time. Mademoiselle O, for instance, keeps a grocer's shop at Louviers, and Monsieur A is rural guard in the department of Cote-d'Or. A family named Y is the pride and joy of a Belgian town.

In the United States given names—they could hardly be called Christian names—consisting of a single letter, have not infrequently been bestowed. A western business man bore the given name of P—no more, no less—through a long life, and a certain New England boy is named J.

No name so short as that of Gen. I has yet been discovered, however, as I is certainly the thinnest letter in the alphabet.

Business.

Bell Boy—Guest down by the shore's got the jim-jams.

Summer Hotel Proprietor—For heaven's sake, call a notary and get an affidavit before he recovers.—Detroit Journal.

National Purity Congress.

New York, Sept. 18.—A National Purity Congress under the auspices of the American Purity Alliance is to be held in Baltimore, Oct. 14, 15 and 16.

The Jury Disagreed.

The case of Frank Smythe, charged with receiving stolen property, was concluded at the Sessions yesterday, and resulted in the disagreement of the jury. Smythe was liberated on bail.

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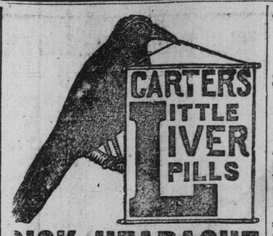

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Inconsistent Citizens.

Editor World: I was astonished to see that the people who clamored the most for water carts on Sunday were the very individuals who a short time ago voted against a real necessity (Sunday cars) in this city. Any fair-minded person will agree that water on Sunday was not an absolute necessity. Could not our goody-goody friends have washed their potatoes on Saturday and baked them instead of boiling them on Sunday? As to their thirst, could they not for the sake of humanity, to relieve these now overworked men and horses, have drank lager or bottled mineral water, or even if they had gone thirsty, would they have suffered more than thousands do through being stuffed up in back yards? It is a poor rule that does not work both ways.

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