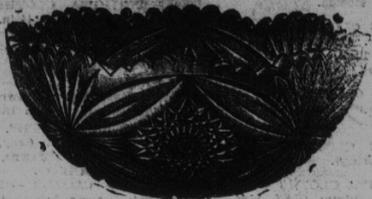


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(Detroit Free Press.) Jane—There's always one puzzling thing about bargains. John—What's that? Jane—Why, you never can tell whether a 49-cent plate is marked down from 50 cents or up from 48.

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MAY GO TO ROME.

Henry White May Succeed Meyer as American Ambassador.

NEW YORK, April 2.—Ambassador Choate is quoted in reference to the report that Henry White, of the London embassy will be appointed ambassador to Italy, as saying he has had no information on the subject. Mr. White's friends are incredulous as to the report, according to the Herald's London correspondent. They believe that he has no wish to leave London, even though it means preferment. He had lived here many years and has a fine country place and town residence. He has the largest acquaintance in England of any one American, and has many warm personal friends.

ROME, April 2.—The report that Henry White, secretary of the United States embassy in London, will succeed George V. L. Meyer, as ambassador of the United States, has been received with much interest in American circles in this city. Mr. White, who has just arrived at Florence, to take his family back to England, has heard nothing officially of the matter. It has been reported for some time that Mr. Meyer contemplated resigning his post.

AS TO LOCOMOTIVES.

Those of British Manufacture Are the Best.

LONDON, April 1.—A parliamentary paper issued this morning gives correspondence respecting the comparative merits of the American, British and Belgian locomotives, now in use in Egypt. In a despatch to the foreign secretary, Lord Lansdowne, Dec. 31, covering a number of reports received from railroad officials, the British diplomatic agent and consul general of Egypt draws the conclusion that the reason why so many orders for railroad equipment have recently been given to the United States is that American firms are able to execute them with extraordinary rapidity. As to price, Lord Cromer finds the British firms can hold their own where special designs have to be executed. With respect to the quality of British work, it is at least equal and often superior to American and Belgian work, while in consumption of coal, the British engines have a decided superiority over the American though not over the Belgian engines. The British manufacturer's weak point is delay in executing orders. The reports enclosed show that the American tenders promised delivery within one-third of the time required by the British firms, while they offered to supply standard locomotives of equal quality at 15 per cent. below the British, though the latter's tenders for "top" motives built on Egyptian specifications were lower than the American offers.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Particulars of the Railway Accident at Barberton.

LONDON, April 2.—It has been suggested that the train wreck March 30 in the Transvaal colony, resulting in the death of 39 soldiers and the wounding of 45 others, early all of whom belonged to the Hampshire regiment, was caused by the Boers, but Lord Kitchener reports that it was accidental. The train was descending a steep grade when the engine and five trucks jumped the track and turned over.

PRETORIA, April 2.—Details of the train wreck show that after leaving Barberton, the engineer lost control of the train on the down grade, and for three miles it went at the rate of eighty miles an hour. The engine jumped the rails at a sharp curve with five trucks filled with soldiers. A terrific smashup followed and the boiler of the engine exploded. The engineer and firemen were killed. Six of the injured soldiers have since died.

THREE PRISONERS ESCAPE.

CHICAGO, April 2.—Three prisoners under guard at Fort Sheridan escaped from their sentries today and gained freedom under exciting circumstances. One prisoner was shot by a crack marksman recently returned from the Philippines, and it was generally believed that he was badly wounded. Another was shot by a freight train going to the west and was not missed for some time. The third escaped without a scratch because the rifle which he was carrying snapped at him missing the mark. Whilden, a Kentuckian, was shot nine months in the guard house section, is the man supposed to have been wounded.

ANGRY AT TRINIDAD.

CARACAS, Venez., April 2.—There is great indignation in official circles here against authorities of the Island of Trinidad (British) on account of the hospitality shown the Matos revolutionary steamer Bolivas. A movement is on foot here to prevail on the government to impose an additional duty of thirty per cent on all goods brought to Venezuela by British steamers touching at Trinidad.

WANT \$5 PER DAY.

BUTTE, Mont., April 2.—Twenty-eight hoisting engineers have struck and, as a result, nine mines of the Amalgamated Copper Company are closed down and over 3,000 men rendered idle pending a settlement of the trouble. The engineers have been receiving \$4 a day and have demanded an increase of \$1 a day, which has been refused.

THE WEATHER.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Eastern states and northern New York.—Partly cloudy tonight and Thursday; brisk west winds on the coast.

OLD MEN, YOUNG WOMEN.

Report of a Mormon Meeting Held in New York on Sunday.

(New York Herald.) Elucidating the doctrines of Mormonism yesterday at a meeting of converts in the Hawthorne Building, No. 151 West 53th street, Apostle John Henry Smith, of Salt Lake City, declared a moment of exaltation that he could bear witness to the inspiration of the Book of Mormon, upon which the Church of the Latter Day Saints is founded.

"The spirit of God," he said, "has declared to me the truths contained in this book. Mormonism as here set forth cannot be overturned by any human agency. Its influence is constantly broadening, and day by day the prophecies of its founder are being fulfilled."

With this declaration Apostle Smith closed an address in which he traced the history of Mormonism. He made no reference to polygamy, but throughout the discourse there was a note of defiance of the federal authorities, and he recalled with pride how in the early days of Mormonism the followers of Joseph Smith, who was his instructor, expelled the federal troops from Utah.

About two hundred persons, many of them women, listened attentively to the Salt Lake apostle, who is one of twelve charged with the direction of the church's affairs. In the gathering there was decided responsiveness in old men and young girls. An artist from the Herald, who sketches types of these converts, was intercepted as he left the hall by an elder.

"It is all right to sketch the men," the elder said, "but we would prefer that you destroy the pictures of the women." It was apparent that the missionaries who are about to begin a campaign in Harlem did not relish the idea of having the woman converts exploited in the newspapers.

George A. Goff, of the Brooklyn conference of Latter Day Saints, introduced Mr. Smith. Nearby sat John G. McQuarrie, president of the Eastern States Mission, and half a dozen young men from Utah, whose mission here is to spread the Mormon doctrine.

"Upon the soil of New York State," Apostle Smith said, "what the world calls Mormonism had its birth. He then described how the Book of Mormon had been revealed to Joseph Smith."

"Joseph Smith said that Mormonism would become a national question," the Apostle added, "and the prophecy has been fulfilled. It is today an international question. I have preached the doctrine in England, Ireland, Scotland, and Wales and on the continent of Europe, and in these lands thousands of converts have been gathered."

After reading from the testimony of Oliver Cowdrey, Martin Harris and David Whitmer that they had seen an angel deliver to Joseph Smith the original engraved plates of the Book of Mormon, and from the testimony of eight others who asserted these plates were of gold, Apostle Smith declared he, too, could vouch for the accuracy of the statement.

After a conference with the local missionaries Apostle Smith will return to Salt Lake City to prepare for the reception of converts.

Mr. McQuarrie, of the Eastern Conference, comprising the states lying north of Virginia and east of Ohio, said there had been two hundred baptisms in the territory in the last year, and that one hundred elders were at work making converts.

Speaking of polygamy, he said it was beneficial, in that it preserved the virtue of the community and gave a home to every woman. Polygamy being prohibited by law, and Mormons being a law abiding class, there had been, he said, no polygamous marriages during the last ten years. There were instances, he admitted, where family relations that existed prior to the date that polygamous marriages were made illegal were continued, but he was positive there had been no polygamous marriages during that period.

HE TAMED THE SHREW WELL.

Hanford Got a Little Careless With the Whip and Struck Miss Grantly.

(Tacoma Ledger.)

Actor Charles Hanford carries out his shrew-taming methods too vigorously in his presentation of The Taming of the Shrew, and as a result Helen Grantly, his leading woman, fainted under blows from a lash which she received from him last night.

Miss Grantly, who is famous as having received the award of English artist, is a beautiful woman in the Greek type, has not been in the theatre since the accident. In fact, showing the taming of the shrew, Hanford employs himself most vigorously in belaying his retinue of servants with a long whip which he carries.

While lashing right and left he struck his beautiful leading woman square in the face. She reeled and almost fell, but managed to keep her feet until the curtain fell to close the scene. Then she swooned away and there were lively times on the stage until she was finally brought back to her senses.

DIGGING FOR KIDD'S TREASURE.

NEW YORK, April 1.—A gang of Italians at work on New York Central improvements near Anthony's Nose, three miles north of Peekskill, have, it is reported, unearthed an ancient chest filled with silver coins of small denominations. The discovery led to a fresh outbreak of the search for Capt. Kidd's alleged buried treasure, the search for which has at various times caused the upheaval of large tracts on Long Island and along the Hudson.

The fact that the coins just found bear a date subsequent to the execution of the notorious pirate at London in 1701 apparently has had little effect in checking the lust for gold and the demand for picks and shovels is said to be insatiable in the vicinity of Peekskill.

FREDERICTON.

Married Today—Goes to Halifax—The Water Rising.

(Special to the Star.)

FREDERICTON, N. B., April 2.—Mabel A., second daughter of Prof. John Brittain of the Normal School, was married at noon to Rev. Frank H. Bigelow, Anglican, of Natick, Mass. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Canon Roberts at St. Ann's church. After luncheon at the home of the bride's parents the couple left by the C. P. R. for their future home at Natick.

Mont. M. Wiley, teller of the Royal Bank of Canada here, and a very popular young man was ordered today to report at the head office in Halifax, and leaves on the evening train. It is presumed he is to enter the head office.

Great quantities of ice and logs are running today. The water came up four inches last night.

A DEFAULTER.

Who Says He Will Return and Square His Accounts.

NEW YORK, April 2.—William Schriber, who disappeared in October 1899, under charges of misappropriating \$128,000 belonging to the Elizabethport Banking Company, by which he was employed as a clerk, is reported to have been heard from in Honduras. According to a letter said to have been received in this city, Schriber is engaged in raising bananas and shipping them to this city. He says he is doing well and expects eventually to return and re-pay the bank. He insists that he was short only \$15,000. Schriber is said to have disclosed his whereabouts through a desire to learn the details of the death of his sweetheart, which occurred in this city several months ago.

SIXTEEN WERE KILLED.

CHATTANOOGA, Tenn., April 2.—The total of killed in the explosion in the mine at Dayton, Tenn., will reach 16. Thirteen bodies have been recovered, and three more are known to be dead. It was discovered yesterday that the mine is on fire, the rescuing party distinctly felt the heat and was driven back in its attempts to reach and rescue the three remaining bodies in the mine. An inquiry will be demanded by the miners to fix the responsibility. The explosion is believed to have been caused by the untimely and unintentional firing of a shot by Lark Hunter and John Horney, two of the experienced fire bosses, who were killed by the explosion.

CLARK-BLAIR.

(Special to the Star.)

OTTAWA, April 2.—At two o'clock this afternoon Miss Marion Ethel Blair, daughter of Hon. A. G. Blair, and T. Walter Clark, of Halifax, son of C. P. Clark, of St. John, were united in marriage. The ceremony was performed in the Presbyterian church at Ottawa by Rev. Dr. Herring in the presence of quite a number of friends of the parties. Miss Mabel Thomson and Miss Amy Blair attended the bride and the groom was supported by Rev. Charles Schofield, of Hampton. Mr. and Mrs. Clark leave this evening for a short visit to New York and other American cities.

SIX HUNDRED ON STRIKE.

STAMFORD, Conn., April 2.—Six hundred painters and carpenters in Greenwich and Port Chester went on strike this morning on account of the failure of the building trades council and the builders association to agree on a new contract for the coming year. The question of wages presented little difficulty, but the master builders wanted the union men to insert in the contract that no union men in Greenwich and Port Chester shall work on any job unless the contractor is a member of the builders' association. This the union refused to do, and, as the contractors would not sign the agreement unless this clause was inserted, the building trades council ordered a strike.

WANTS LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

(Special to Star.)

FREDERICTON, April 2.—Prof. Davidson, of the U. N. B., has applied for one year's leave of absence to take effect at close of the present term. He wishes to devote his time to literary pursuits and research.

WHERE FOOD COMES HIGH.

Much of the beef, mutton, pork and lamb in Manilla comes from Australia, and is sold at the following prices: Sirloin steak, 75 cents a pound; mutton, 40 cents; fresh pork, 23 cents; lamb, 55 cents. Other prices are: Smoked cod, 60 cents a pound; bacon, 80 cents; ham, 65 cents; cheese, 50 cents; lard, 40 cents; turkey, 65 cents; salmon, 35 cents; mullet, 30 cents; lobsters, \$2 each; butter, \$1 a pound; grouse, \$2.50 each; rabbits, 50 cents; sheep, \$1.25; fowl, \$1.50; tame duck, \$1.35; concentrated milk, 75 cents a pint. All game is hung until soft before dressing for cooking.

METHODISTS RAISE \$70,000.

(New York Herald.)

Methodists of this city spent a busy Easter Sunday, and in three churches contributed a total of \$70,000 toward wiping out debts. The Union Methodist church gathered in \$35,000, St. Paul's raised \$25,000, and the Bushwick Avenue Central Methodist church of Brooklyn, got \$10,000.

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SEE'S 98 AND LIKES HER PIPE. Aged Peggy O'Neil, Living With Her 81 Year Old Son, Says It Would Be Dangerous to Stop Smoking.

(Bangor Commercial.) For nearly ten years it has been the boast of James O'Neil, a farmer, who lives just outside the village of Clinton, that he is the oldest man in Maine who has a living parent. Mr. O'Neil was 81 years old last December, and, living in his house, still lively and as smart as the proverbial cricket, is Mrs. Peggy O'Neil, who is 98, and has been the mother of eight children, one of whom is her aged boy "Immy."

Mrs. O'Neil is a very small woman, weighing only 80 pounds, but she bears her age jauntily, doing all the housework for a family of three, and having time between whiles to smoke her pipe for a few minutes after each meal. She learned to smoke in Ireland more than 80 years ago, and has never abandoned the practice, asserting that it would be dangerous to her health to try the experiment at her advanced age.

James O'Neil is badly crippled by rheumatism, but his general health is good and he does a little farm work every day. Two years ago his wife died, and as his children were out of the state, he asked his mother to come and be his housekeeper. Mother and son occupied the house alone until last fall, when one of James' granddaughters came from Boston to help. Mrs. Peggy O'Neil is 18 times a great-grandmother, and has a big household of other descendants.