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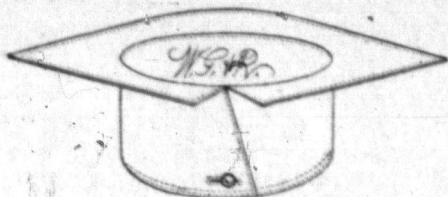
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DRESS GOODS

25 pieces black and colored Dress Goods, regular 50c per yd., for 25c. Kindly remember these prices for Tuesday only.

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IN FLAMES

Family Have a Narrow Escape.

Wake up to Find The House in Flames.

MR. A. J. WILSON BURNED AND HURT IN JUMPING FROM A WINDOW--FIREMEN'S GOOD WORK.

Between two and three o'clock of Sunday morning a fire occurred which gutted the residence of A. J. Wilson on William street. When the blaze was first noticed by Mr. Wilson he suddenly awakened to find his bed room wrapped in flames which were then within about four feet of the bed. Hastily rousing the family he got them all out of the house in safety, though not clothing enough was saved to go round.

Mr. Wilson stayed and with blankets and the little water that was at hand made heroic efforts to check the flames. While thus engaged he was quite severely burned about the face and hands; and when at last he was forced to give up the fight all avenue of escape was shut off except the window. From this he jumped, spraining an ankle.

As nearly as could be ascertained the fire originated with a stove pipe and caught the stairway first of all. Everything upstairs was completely destroyed, furniture, clothing, jewelry and all the house fared better, being but slightly burned. They are more or less damaged by smoke and water.

The firemen turned out without loss of time and handled the fire very well. Mr. Wilson's family found hospitable shelter at the residence of N. J. Bogart and John Northwood.

THIS SPIRIT WAS STRONG.

It Dislocated the Arm of a Lady Investigator--Now there is a Law Suit.

Laporte, Ind., March 15.--A sensation which will have its sequel in a suit for damages has been caused by the exposure of Joseph King, of Pipestone, Mich., who was invited to visit the town to lecture on spiritualism. King gave a seance, which was attended by Mrs. Coffey, a prominent society woman. The medium called up the spirits, among whom were relatives of Mrs. Coffey, who became considerably agitated. The determination to ascertain as to the realism of the visitation caused Mrs. Coffey to grapple with the spirit, with the result that in the tumultuous scene which followed one of her arms was dislocated. King, who was alleged to be using force to compel Mrs. Coffey to release her hold on him. King has considerable of a reputation as a medium, being widely known in Indiana, Michigan and Illinois, where he lectures, and, as it is alleged, materializes spirits.

BATTLE IN COURT.

Two Women Step Factors and Pull Hair--Scold Outside Engage in Lively Fight.

White Plains, N. Y., Mar. 15.--Mrs. Arabella Hyatt, of the village, and Mrs. John Hays, of Rye Lake, during a session of the supreme court, became involved in a quarrel and before the officers could interfere, Mrs. Hays slapped Mrs. Hyatt on the face. Mrs. Hyatt retaliated by grabbing a handful of the other woman's raven tresses, and scattering them about the floor.

The two boys of the Raven woman had just been acquitted of a charge of stealing the Hyatt woman's dog, and had gone outside where they met Eli Hyatt, and they engaged in a fierce battle at the same moment their mothers were fighting inside. The sheriff arrested the whole crowd, the judge fined the women \$10 each, and the boys were sent to jail.

SHE HAD NERVE.

Puckish New York Woman Catches Two Thieves Single Handed.

New York, March 15.--Mrs. Isabella Irwin, who occupies a flat at 644 Ninth avenue, yesterday saw John Conlin and Frank Mahon, two brawny young fellows, looting her rooms. "What do you want here?" she cried, as she seized them by the arms and yelled "thieves," "robbers," and "police!" Conlin struck her in the face and broke away. Mrs. Irwin darted after him, first looking Mahon in the room, and then she captured Conlin two blocks away on the street, after an exciting chase.

A Planet reporter on Saturday visited the home of the Quail on Foster street. When O'Brien, the proprietor, contemplating removal into the present roomy quarters it seemed as though the establishment, which had outgrown the line of the rooming house, would be lost in the two upper flats of the Ryan Block. But it is not. The business was growing and the place is fully occupied, twenty-five young men being seen in one room making up, as Jerry puts it, the best quality of brains and printers' ink, they attribute the continued popularity of Quail on Foster, for which the demand is constantly increasing.

COSTLY BEEF.

Steak at \$48 a Pound in Alaska--Exciting Auction Sale Among Hungry Miners.

Tacoma, Washington, March 15.--The first beefsteak that ever reached Circle City, Alaska, sold for \$48 per pound. The steak consisted of a 10-pound piece, slaughtered at Forty-mile Creek and carried to Circle City, a distance of 250 miles, by Thomas O'Brien. When O'Brien reached camp the miners turned out en masse to see the steak. It was placed on exhibition and attracted much attention.

The price offered were such as would have resulted in bloodshed if it had not been decided to raffie the steak for the benefit of a hospital. At first \$8 per lb. was offered, for a slice of the steak, but the bidding became brisker as the meat was sliced, and as high as \$85 per pound was offered. Finally, to avoid complications, it was decided to sell tickets at \$2.50 for the privilege of drawing for a slice. After \$480 worth of tickets had been sold the drawing ended peacefully.

RUMORED JUGGLE

In the Selection of License Commissioners.

One Well-known Citizen Said to Have Been Thrown Down at the Last Moment.

There is a good deal of talk in Reform circles over the appointment of license commissioners. First thing Mr. Parlo knows he is going to get himself into a heap of trouble. It is said he promised the position to a well-known and respected citizen who subscribed liberally towards his election four years ago and also did good work personally. In fact the appointment was as good as settled. But something happened. What that something was the rumor doesn't say. However, instead of the first man getting it, it is now stated he has been dropped and Mr. James Holmes, the well-known book store man, selected in his place. Mr. Holmes said:

"I know nothing whatever about the appointment. Four or five people have congratulated me on it this morning, but they seem to know more about it than I do. There is nothing in the story. And that is the way matters stand."

THUMPED THE JUDGE.

Beaten in a Divorce Case They Retaliated--Constable Drives off the Women.

White Plains, N. Y., Mar. 15.--Justice Dykman, holding a special term of the supreme court, this afternoon had a very exciting experience at the end of a divorce suit when defendant and two other women attempted to attack him because of his adverse decision.

The suit which led up to the fracas was brought by Antonio Laccia, who is a saloon in Park Row, New York, against his wife, Ellen. The plaintiff and defendant came up from New York with a dozen friends and their lawyers, and drove to the court house in four carriages.

After hearing the story of a wife's faithlessness from the lips of Antonio, Judge Dykman granted the divorce. Besides other friends, Mrs. Laccia was accompanied by her sister, Mrs. Brady, and Mrs. Hedges, of No. 14 Jones St., and when the judge decided the case in favor of Tony the three women rushed upon him. Had it not been for the efforts of court officer George Lee, the court would have been badly used up by the enraged women.

RANGED TONY.

Finding that they could not maltreat the court, the women crowded Tony into a corner and repeatedly banged his head against the wall. Court officer Lee rushed to Tony's assistance and succeeded in dragging the women away from him, covering his retreat to the door.

As soon as the door was opened Tony ran for his life down the hall and out into the street. He did not stop running until he reached the depot. When officer Lee returned to the court room he saw the dignity of the court was in danger. There sat Judge Dykman, surrounded by three women, all talking at once and denouncing him in vigorous language for deciding against Mrs. Laccia. The judge ordered the officer to protect him and turn the women out of court.

CARRIED THEM OUT.

See had to carry each one out into the hall. They struggled and fought all the way. As soon as the room was cleared, Judge Dykman escaped through the District Attorney's room and started for home out of the rear door of the court house.

When the women arrived at the depot to take train for New York they copied Tony on the platform and started for him, but he was too quick for them and fled down the street. When the train came along he got into the smoker without being observed by his enemies.

WON HONORS ABROAD.

W. B. Wells Speaks of the Success of his Celebrated Canines at Chicago.

W. B. Wells, the Maple City veteran and successful sportsman, returned Saturday with his string of splendid canines from the Chicago bench show, where he carried everything before him. Interviewed by The Planet this morning Mr. Wells expressed considerable gratification over the success of his dogs.

"The sweeping nature of my success was a most gratifying surprise," said the sportsman. "Every dog I exhibited succeeded in carrying off an award. They are all excellent setters, but being pitted against the very best American dogs, I was not over-confident of the result. The show of English setters was the best held for many years, and the quality of the dogs may be judged by the fact that many past winners did not obtain a place."

"The Chicago bench show is the leading event of that nature in America, and it is exceedingly pleasant to have taken the first notch."

NICE PAIR

The Pugs Wouldn't Shake.

Just "Sassed" Each Other as They Passed.

CORBETT SAID HE WOULD SHAKE HANDS IF FITZSIMMONS THRASHED HIM AND FITZ PROMISED TO DO SO.

New York Journal.

Corbett invaded Fitz's territory this week on one of his morning walks and a chance meeting between the two pugilists was the result. Corbett was accompanied by Ryan, Jeffries and another man, while Fitz had only Hickey with him. Both were going in the same direction and as soon as the Fitzsimmons party saw the other they put in their best looks and tried to overtake Corbett, and his companions. Jim sprinted, but Fitz and Hickey soon came up to them. Fitz made as if he would pass close to Corbett, but Hickey attempted to shoulder him over toward the other side of the road.

A New York Journal correspondent was the only outside witness of the chance meeting and he thus describes it:

"Good morning, gents," cried the Cornishman's sparring partner.

"Good morning, good morning," replied Corbett's three companions, turning their heads.

"Good morning, everybody," chimed in Fitzsimmons, and there were more "Good mornings" from the opposition.

"Good morning, Jim," added Fitz, ranging up alongside Corbett.

"Good morning," responded Jim in sonorous, long-drawn-out tones, which had a decided footling smack to them.

Fitzsimmons pushed his hand sideways over to Jim, and looked down at it.

"Oh, no," said Jim. "I'll shake hands with you if you lick me over there on the 17th, not before."

Fitzsimmons was apparently dumfounded. He went on a couple of steps and then stopped and turned about.

"What was that?" he asked of Corbett.

"I said I'd shake hands with you if you lick me on the 17th," Fitzsimmons did not catch the words or pretended he didn't.

"What?" he repeated.

"The 17th, the 17th," repeated Corbett testily, frowning and bending over until his face almost touched Fitzsimmons. The Cornishman had a leer on his countenance and it looked as if another word from either would have caused fists to fly.

"Jim," said the man from San Francisco, in a low, warning voice, and the danger point was passed. Corbett straightened himself up and the Cornishman turned and walked on.

"Oh, see," said Fitzsimmons, "Fitz will be a live one on the 17th."

"I am glad of it. I hate to have to go against a dead one," replied Corbett.

"You thought I was about dead or you would not be here now."

"You are nearly dead as it is," shouted back Fitz, over his shoulder. "You will be a regular dead one after St. Patrick's day."

"You just keep right along practicing at that stuffed man," yelled Corbett in return. "And say, Fitzsimmons, don't forget to bring the dog with you."

Bob, who had taken to the sidewalk, and resumed his usual stride, eschewed further back talk, but Corbett kept up his badinage as long as Fitzsimmons was within hearing distance.

"Look at him," yelled Jim. "Why, he looks like a lightweight! The fellow is worrying himself to the bone, and if he fights, he'll come off soon he will be a shadow."

In another moment the Cornishman was out of range, and the distance between the factions increased in the proportion that it had diminished previously.

SHERIFF GEMMILL AT WORK.

He Contemplates No Special Changes in the Affairs of His Office.

Sheriff Gemmill this morning assumed the duties of his new office. There is no special activity in this department at present and the Sheriff had a little leisure to devote to a Planet reporter who dropped in to see what a real live newspaper man looked like who, after so many years of life spent in journalism, dropped the quill and severed all the old ties in accepting his well merited recognition at the hands of the party in power. There was no change. His surroundings are not precisely as they have been in years gone by, but this did not seem to be a subject of keen regret. The appointments of the office are more modern and up-to-date than those of the average newspaper establishment. They are not the surroundings of a newspaper man at work. This and the change from "Mister" to "Sheriff" Gemmill were the only changes wrought by the appointment.

Contrary to old established precedent the new incumbent's official signature was not first placed upon a document that was to stir up the community. The paper to which his signature was first affixed "officially" was a little matter of no public interest.

Sheriff Gemmill expresses himself as highly pleased with his new suite of offices and of the condition in which everything was found.

"No changes are contemplated" said he, "and any further change or appointment that may be made will depend wholly upon circumstances as they arise. The only office whose appointment is in my hands is that of my deputy and no change is contemplated."

HOLY TRINITY.

During Lent there will be service in the church every Wednesday evening at 7:30, and the litany will be said every Friday afternoon at 5:15.

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15 Cents

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