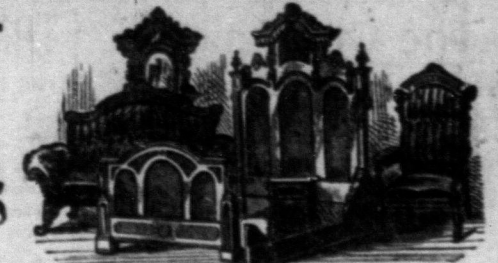


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THOUSANDS BLESS THEM.

Helen Gould's helpful hobbies, her work for crippled children, for the soldiers and for others, are too well known to demand mention in detail.

Miss Margaret Chanler has shown similar interest in philanthropies and public affairs, and received a medal for her services as nurse in the recent war.

Miss Margaret Long, the daughter of the Secretary of the Navy, not only served as a year nurse, but is studying medicine at Johns Hopkins, with a view to pursuing it as a profession for life.

Whether Mr. Hay is a poet who has a talent for statesmanship, or a statesman with a facility for literature, manly for a time an open question among his friends, but recent events have seemed to prove that his statesmanship is his predominating quality.

Stedman, the banker, has an ability for turning out verses.

Joseph Jefferson, veteran actor, has many side talents. He is a painter of considerable ability, an fisherman of unusual skill and a prince of good companions.

Lilli Lehmann's hobby, after singing, is the preservation of the songbirds, and she will give her services freely for the good of this cause when on any other occasion she would demand an immense sum of money.

Few socially prominent Americans have gone upon the stage. Perhaps Mrs. James Brown Potter is the most conspicuous. Mrs. Jack Bloodgood is a recent recruit of some note, and Mrs. Wilmerding, the granddaughter of a Vanderbilt, is said to be planning such a move.

The Hewitts get up some entertainments that, while not strictly theatrical, border upon it, and Mrs. Stuyvesant Fish has tastes along the same line.

POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Lots of animated thinkers are poor talkers.

Silence may be golden, but gossip gains currency.

A preferred creditor is one who never troubles you.

A coincidence is the antiquated plea of the plagiarist.

The anatomist ought to be able to furnish inside information.

Few men are born leaders, but lots of them grow up and become drivers.

Although the gas meter never fails to register, it isn't allowed to vote.

Truth lies at the bottom of the well, and anglers never go there to fish.

The best friend you have on earth is a better friend to himself than he is to you.

A man may dodge the earthly collectors, but he must pay the debt of nature as he goes.

Some people seem to know everything except the fact that they don't know how much they don't know.

We are told the cat has nine lives and we are inclined to believe it spends eight of them in vogue culture.

It is equally as important to be sure you are wrong before backing out, as it is to be sure you are right before going ahead.—Exchange.

SCIENCE NOTES.

After the "Britomart" is launched, Liverpool will see the last launch which will be made within the city limits. Seven miles of shore is now under the control of the Dock Board, which has set to work on the scheme of reconstructing the docks authorized by Parliament.

St. Lothaire, in the Jura Mountains, has erected a monument to Charles Marc Sauria, a country doctor who, in 1831, invented the lucifer match. Unfortunately, he was too poor to patent his invention and reap his reward. There are, however, Austrian and Hungarian claimants to priority in this invention.

Old Ben Bush, the giant half-breed Indian, was recently buried in his cabin in at his New Jersey home. It is believed that the cabin burning down was set on fire by the burning logs on the hearth. He was one of the most noted of the many strange characters of the wild Sour Land Mountain district in the Western part of Somerset County. He was seven feet in height and was straight and agile as many of the young mountaineers, notwithstanding the fact that he was a centenarian.

Prof. Angelo Hellprin, of the Philadelphia Academy of Sciences, has just completed his calculations of the heights of the five principal volcanic mountain peaks in Mexico. The result of his measurements are as follows: Orizaba, as measured by the Dejeux tables, 38,296 feet; Popocatepetl, 17,523 feet; Iztaccihuatl, 16,950 feet; Nevada de Toluca, 14,954 feet. It has long been said that Popocatepetl was the highest mountain peak in Mexico. According to Humboldt's measurement of Orizaba peak was 17,375 feet.

H. le Chatelier gives in the Comptes Rendus tables showing the increase of resistance of steel after tempering at various temperatures ranging from 710 de to 1,100 de. The samples tested consisted of two pieces of ordinary steel, and three of chrome steel. At a high temperature chromium adds to the carbon alone; tungsten, on the other hand, diminishes it. In all cases the resistance increases with the increase of temperature up to a limiting value depending upon the constitution of the steel.

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LOCAL BRIEFS

The Gas Company presented each of its employees with a turkey for Christmas.

John H. Sullivan, fishery overseer, St. Thomas, is in the city attending the funeral of his brother Charles.

Post office store to rent in the village of Port Alma. No opposition. Box C, Port Alma, Ont.

Mrs. Ben Allison, Harvey St., and Mrs. Terry, South Street, were quietly married in Port Huron on Christmas day.

Miss Carrie E. Morton, of Lacroix street, will return to Hespeler to attend the wedding of a friend on Dec. 28th.

Wm. A. Morton, of Lacroix street, is spending Xmas holidays in Toronto with relatives.

The latest report of small-pox in Essex county shows that there are 218 cases and no deaths.

The Poole Comedy Club will present their thrilling romantic play at the Grand on Friday evening.

The regular meeting of Wellington Masonic Lodge will be held this evening, when the installation of the recently elected officers will take place.

The Ontario Government's detectives believe that the two tramps who were arrested at Godrich last week are members of the gang who murdered a tramp whose body was found a few weeks ago at Mount Forest, and the prisoners will be held.

The great amount of design work done at the Victoria Avenue Green House is sufficient proof of the excellence of the work. Nothing but the best at the lowest prices. Phone 181.

There will be a full practice of the chorzes and drills of the William Street Baptist S. S. children Wednesday and Friday nights of this week and full practice of the young ladies' chorus after prayer meeting Wednesday evening. Choir practice after the children's practice Friday evening.

Dr. Jas. W. Rutherford, who is continuing his studies in London, England, sent a number of his Chatham friends post cards from England with the compliments of the British Museum or some other prominent London building.

"If your eyes could talk," what a story of suffering and of abuse they could tell. How we strained them, how we taxed them with overwork, and then, because they were tired we rubbed them to make irritation worse. And to think that the most they need is a rest, and that they were asking for in their quiet way, was a rest, a little help in the shape of a good pair of glasses, properly fitted. I can help other tired eyes. I can save your examination free. E. J. MacIntyre, leading optician, opposite Grand Opera House, Chatham.

A CHRISTMAS TREE. Yesterday afternoon Mr. and Mrs. S. Barfoot gave a Christmas tree to the members of the Baptist Sunday school. There were about 125 present and all the children had a great treat. The tree was festooned with strings of popcorn, and hung with bags containing candies, raisins, figs, dates and nuts. Each child was also given an orange. The time was pleasantly spent in games and music.

Mrs. Cathart and Misses Minnie Barfoot, Pansy Barfoot, Effie Lafferty and Dr. Hannon were present and assisted in giving the children a good time.

The habitual use of tea as a means of relieving headache is says a doctor, without doubt an efficient cause of rheumatism in numerous ways.

TELEGRAPH NEWS.

Ninety-three men have deserted from the United States cruiser Dixie in three weeks at Norfolk and New York.

The Washington authorities laugh at the idea of a Fenian raid on Canada. They say they would sharply repress any such move.

SAVED FROM EXECUTION.

Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 26.—William Scarborough, of this city, a private of Company B, Third United States Infantry, who was tried by a military court in the Philippines on a serious charge and sentenced to death, has been saved from execution by President McKinley. The president has commuted his sentence to dishonorable discharge and twenty years imprisonment. Scarborough is little more than a boy.

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AN ELIXIR OF LIFE

Prof. Metchnikoff's Wonderful Discovery in Paris.

Lymphs to Check Tissue Decay—Extraordinary Results have been Obtained, but the Discoverer is Careful to say Little.

London, Dec. 27.—The Paris correspondent of The Morning Post describes one of the greatest discoveries of modern science, which has just been made at the Pasteur Institute. He says that Prof. Metchnikoff is engaged in seeking accurate doses of a series of lymphs, each of which will rejuvenate a particular organ of the human body. The professor objects to premature publicity and insisted that your correspondent only say he had hope, but the explanation of the discovery may be taken to show that the main problem has been solved. The correspondent says:

"Prof. Metchnikoff's experiments show that the explanation of senile atrophy has hitherto been erroneous. The theory was that certain blood cells devoured others and the vital functions began to weaken. The organic poisons thrown off energetically in youth were believed to remain in the cells of old age, or at least to be less energetically ejected. These poisoned the finer cells, while without action on those of the conjunctive tissues. The noble cells, however, become the prey of the other, or plebian cells, thus bringing atrophy to the organ where the metamorphosis occurred. Prof. Metchnikoff has proved conclusively that the noble cells are not dead in the organs atrophied by senility.

"Moreover, they may be multiplied. If assisted in their struggle with the plebian cells, they continue to live actively, the organism will cease to grow old and life will be prolonged. Professor Metchnikoff has found means of refreshing this resistance, and the results already obtained are extraordinary.

"The discovery was made in the following manner: M. Bordet, one of the professor's pupils in 1897, published the results of a curious experiment, which consisted of injecting the blood of a rabbit into a guinea pig. Later he injected the blood of this guinea pig into a rabbit, and the latter died. Prof. Metchnikoff sought the causes of the phenomenon and was soon convinced that the blood of the guinea pig, injected into the rabbit or other vertebrate animal, elaborates the poison that weakens the red globules of the blood and makes them the prey of the phagocytes.

"Starting from the fact that the poison elaborated in the guinea pig is fatal in large doses, Prof. Metchnikoff argued that the action in small doses must be stimulating. On this basis the action of medicines, such as arsenic and strychnine, and others, he therefore began to inject into rabbits feeble solutions of previously injected guinea pig's blood. A cubic millimetre of the blood of the rabbits thus treated contained before the injections 3,000,000 red globules. In three or four days the number increased to 8,000,000.

"A sovereign remedy against anaemia has been discovered, and the theory concerning the red globules has been confirmed. An entire section of the Pasteur Institute is now working to find the specific serums for each particular organ. If the blood serum acts on the red globules of the liver the serum must have a similar effect on the cells of the liver, that of the brain on the brain, and so on. The experiments have demonstrated this.

"A specific kidney serum was found some days ago. The professor is now determining the exact dose for medicinal purposes. The discovery has now passed the period of mere laboratory experiments. The celebrated Dr. Veronal is now at work on human serums.

"The correspondent draws attention to the obvious result, the great prolongation of human life, if every thing is successful.

THE MESSENGER FROM KHARTOUM.

Extract from serial story, The Messenger From Khartoum, the publication of which The Planet will begin tomorrow.

He means to take a hand in the game if it shows signs of reaching a point where blows must be exchanged. Gordon's messenger is full of fight; he always was; and the fact that he is about to be considered a street brawl does not once enter into his calculations.

It is the smaller man who rushes things and brings matters to a focus. "You shall apologize or fight, sir! Do you think I am to be insulted with impunity? You are a big coward! I will show you how we do these things where I come from! Defend yourself!" he shrieks.

The big man is thus forced to an issue. He gives a roar as the other kicks at his shins, and looks as if about to hit his avoirdupois upon his diminutive antagonist, when a hand clutches his shoulder, and Mynheer Joe steps between them, brushing back the little bantam cock and facing the Bwana.

"If you must fight, take a man of your size. Take me, for instance. Now come on," he says quietly.

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36th-Half Yearly Dividend—36th NOTICE is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of SIX per cent annum upon the paid up capital stock of this company has been declared for the current half year, ending December 31st, 1899, payable at the Company's office, on and after January 2nd, 1900.

The transfer books will be closed from the 21st to 31st December, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board, S. F. GARDINER, Manager.

NOTICE TO TAX-PAYERS.

Two per cent will be added to all taxes unpaid up to 31st inst., after which date 5 per cent will be added. Wm. Reardon, collector.