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THE OSCAR WILDE CASE.

MORE EVIDENCE ADDUCED BY THE PROSECUTION.

Young Parker Made to Appear in a Bad Light—Witnesses of all Kinds Take the Stand—Hearing Adjourned for a Week.

London, April 11.—Great crowds of people were gathered outside and inside of the Bow street police court this morning when Oscar Wilde and Alfred Taylor were brought from the prison in the black maria in order to be examined on the charge of having committed serious misdemeanors. The court opened at 11 o'clock with both prisoners in the dock. Wilde looked haggard and worn and was much subdued, although he smiled once or twice when certain questions were put to him, he seemed to realize the gravity of the situation in which he was placed. He was dressed as faultlessly as ever, carrying a shining silk hat in his hand and displaying on one of his ungloved fingers many sparkling gems. Taylor, Wilde's fellow prisoner, the man who is charged as having acted as procurer for the author and dramatist, behaved in a sneeringly indifferent manner, and was evidently not as deeply impressed with the seriousness of the charges brought against him as was his companion in the prisoner's dock. Sir Edward Clarke, formerly Solicitor-General, again appeared for Wilde, and reserved cross-examination of witnesses until the trial. Two lawyers acted for Taylor. The prisoners are evidently making a desperate fight. Taylor's lawyer said he would recall all the witnesses who were examined on Saturday last, as Taylor was not represented by counsel upon that occasion. Charles Parker, the 19-year old witness, was again placed in the witness box this morning. He was subjected to examination by Sir Edward Clarke, but his testimony was not shaken. The admission was wrung from him, however, that he had been guilty of heinous offences with other gentlemen besides Wilde. Parker also admitted that he received £20 by extortion from gentlemen. The proceedings were continued, and C. F. Gill, who acted as prosecutor for the Treasury department, and who, incidentally, was Edward M. Carson's junior counsel in the defense of the Marquis of Queensbury, placed on the stand a man named Fred Atkins, 20 years of age, and described as a variety singer. Atkins, in reply to questions put to him by Mr. Gill, said that Wilde took him to Paris in 1893. By Wilde's order he had his hair curled. Further testimony by the same witness was similar to that given by the young men and boys who had been previously examined in this extraordinary case. He added that Wilde gave him a silver cigarette case and money. Asked if he did any writing for Wilde, witness replied: "Yes, I wrote something about a woman of no importance." Edward Shelley was the next witness. He related how he had wine with Wilde in a private room and that Oscar kissed him. He remained throughout the night. Wilde gave him copies of his works with tender inscriptions, took him to theatres, to the Prince of Wales club and to other resorts. Witness also testified in detail as to Wilde's behavior to him. Then a number of disreputable lodging house keepers from Chelsea, the district of London in which Wilde's home is situated, and several servants testified to Wilde's visits to these houses in the company of youths. The proprietor of the Hotel Albemarle was also examined and he testified as to how he had became suspicious of Wilde and finally issued a writ for a week's bill in order to prevent him from returning to the establishment. Testimony was presented showing that the relations between Wilde and Shelly were brought to the attention of the latter's employers and Shelly was discharged. After the police had presented evidence concerning their arrests, Wilde and Taylor were remanded for a week, bail being refused. It is reported that Wilde has been ill since his confinement in jail.

CLEVER SWINDLERS.

Counterfeiters Operate In Bogus Postage Stamps.

Hamilton, Ont., April 11.—The Canadian Novelty Co., which has an office in this city, is alleged to be counterfeiting United States stamps. The following particulars have been obtained: On April 1st a man giving his name as George Morrison, and who said he was engaged in buying and selling bankrupt stocks, rented desk room in the store of Arthur S. Fish, a painter, 22 King William street. Morrison installed in his office as his secretary, a woman named Mrs. A. T. Mack, recently of East 23rd street, New York. The woman was given instructions and then Morrison departed, ostensibly for the purpose of opening an office in Toronto. Following Morrison's instructions Mrs. Mack wrote out an advertisement which was inserted in Printer's Ink, 10 Spruce street, New York, offering to sell $115 worth of two cent stamps for $100, as the seller had no use for them. The advertisement was identical with the one which appeared in the Chicago Tribune, and they both brought numerous replies from would-be purchasers. Mrs. Mack was given several carefully sealed packages by Morrison, but claims she was not told what the packages contained. A few days ago she received a letter from Morrison from Buffalo instructing her to forward certain parcels to different addresses in Chicago. She complied with the request. Later on Mrs. Mack received another letter from Morrison saying that one of his agents would call on her and receive all money belonging to the firm, and that the agent would identify himself by asking for $6.25. Up to the present time she says the man has not called. It is certain that the Hamilton branch of the concern had been in operation for only a few days, and Mrs. Mack, who is in charge, was evidently unaware of her employer's illegal business. There is nothing about the premises to suggest a probability that stamps were manufactured there, although several two cent United States stamps were found lying in a pigeon hole of the desk. Mrs. Mack said she did not know whether they were genuine or not. Although the woman has apparently no connection with the concern other than being in the employ of Morrison she is very shrewd and will not divulge her address. While a reporter was conversing with Mrs. Mack a telegraph messenger arrived with a telegram addressed to the Canadian Novelty and Supply Co. Mrs. Mack received the message and paid 5 cents charges. She then immediately enclosed it in an envelope and went out to mail it, presumably to Morrison. Mr. Fish described Morrison as a man about 30 years of age, rather tall, with dark curly hair, dark skin and smooth shaven face. He paid for his desk room in advance and informed Fish that he bought and sold everything from a needle to an anchor. Postmaster Brown said they had been delivering letters to the Canadian Novelty and Supply Co., at 22 King William street, but he was certain that the concern had not been more than 10 days in Hamilton. Police Inspector McMahon interviewed Mrs. Mack, but could learn no new facts in relation to the business of the concern, or to the whereabouts of Morrison. It is said, however, that the woman had no previous knowledge of the counterfeiting business carried on by Morrison.

Last night two detectives connected with the Washington Secret Bureau reached here, and after learning all the facts in possession of the local authorities, interviewed Mrs. Mack at the office of the Canadian Novelty and Supply Co. The woman was not very communicative and the American officers became convinced that she knew more about Morrison's swindling schemes and his whereabout than she was willing to acknowledge. She was arrested. The Canadian Criminal code provides that anyone is guilty of an indictable offence, and liable to 14 years' imprisonment who fraudulently counterfeits any stamp used for the purpose of revenue by the Government of the United Kingdom, Canada or any foreign province or state. The same penalty is also provided for selling or offering for sale or having plates or dies for making such stamps.

NEARING CHITRAL.

Calcutta, April 11.—A despatch from Simla, dated noon to-day, says that Col. Kelly, commander of the British forces which have been attempting to reach Chitral from Gilgit since March 25th has succeeded in crossing the Spandar pass, with about 500 men, and was about 50 miles from Chitral on April 7th. The March of the troops was a most arduous and brilliant military exploit. The pass is 12,000 feet above the sea level and is impassable to beasts of burden, consequently the pioneers had to carry the field and mounted guns during the last seven miles of the route through deep snow and with the weather intensely cold. The troops suffered much from frost bites and were nearly all with snow blindness. When these advices were forwarded to Simla the enemy were in possession, 20 miles distant from the force commanded by Col. Kelly, and an engagement was expected.

It is reported that the followers of Urma Khan are deserting.

OUR CANADIAN BUDGET.

Ottawa, April 11.—Advance sheets of the April issue of the United States Consular Reports, just received, show that the exports from Canada to the States for the first three months of this year were about a million dollars greater than during the same period last year. This is due to the reduction of the United States tariff.

The total subscriptions to the Sir John Thompson memorial fund to date amount to $35,070.

George Chapman, of Toronto, a grain dealer, laid a charge of discrimination in rates against the Canadian Pacific before the railway committee. He argued the case himself, but could not cope with Mr. Clark, counsel for the company. The decision of the committee was that the case was one of breach of contract, and that they had no jurisdiction.

Sarnia, April 11.—West Lambton Conservatives nominated J. J. Hanna, a young barrister of Sarnia, to oppose J. F. Lister, the present Liberal member, at the general elections.

Brockville, April 11.—Word has been received here of the death at Ogdensburg of Ed Davis, director of the James Smart Company, of Brockville. He had charge of the road department of the company.

Montreal, April 11.—Shortis, the Valleyfield murderer, was brought up to court this morning on an application for release on a writ of habeas corpus. The application was dismissed and the prisoner sent back to jail. On Wednesday next counsel will make application to the court for the appointment of a roganitory commission to go to Ireland and take evidence as to insanity in the Shortis family.

Quebec, April 11.—Judge Andrews rendered the verdict in the case of Hon. A. R. Angers vs. Ernest Pacaud to-day. The plaintiff sued for $25,000 for an alleged libel published in L'Electeur of 1893 when it was charged that Hon. A. R. Angers used his position as Lieutenant-Governor to oust the Mercier regime, and bring about a preferment of his political friends, especially Hon. L. P. Pelletier and Senator Landry with regard to the Beauport asylum contract renewal, out of which deal Hon. A. R. Angers was alleged by the paper to have received $25,000, with which he bought his Ottawa residence. After a lengthy review of the case, His Honor dealt upon the gravity of the libel and the difficulty of overtaking such a story with the apology that afterwards was given publicity in the same paper. Defendant, His Honor said, had not proved that said libel was penned by a certain friend, who took the responsibility therefor. But the proprietor of the paper must in any case be held responsible. Judge Andrews condemned Pacaud to pay $5,000 and costs of the suit.

LONDON GOSSIP.

London, April 12.—The London press has had enough sensational matter during the last few days to satisfy any ordinary set of mortals. What with the Wilde-Queensberry and Russel vs. Russell cases in the court, the burning to death of a woman in Ireland under extraordinary circumstances by her husband and other relatives on the ground that she was bewitched, the shooting of a girl by her lover in the streets of London and the man's subsequent suicide, one would have thought that the English press had enough to do in correcting its own morals without moralizing on the depravity of other countries.

Sir Augustus Harris is having an Easter opera season at Drury Lane. The operas will be given in English and popular prices will prevail, the stalls being $1.75.

Among the artists engaged by Sir Augustus Harris for his forthcoming Italian opera season, which is to open at Covent Garden on May 13th, are Adelina Patti, Melba, Clive, Emma Eaves, Sofia and Giulia Ravogli, Olitska, Florence Montiethi, Hascella Simbrich, Ralph and Jauermeister. For the six performances in which Mme. Patti will appear she is to receive $12,000, rather moderate for Patti, whose ordinary terms are $2,000 for a single performance. She probably consented to a reduction on taking a quantity, and then the diva is sure of her money. To support Patti and the others Sir Augustus has engaged the following gentlemen: Jan and Edouard de Reszke, Messrs. Tamagno, De Lucia, Alvarez, Ancona, Corsi, Pessinal, Binanaldi, Pinkorsi, David Bispham, Plancon, Arimoni Richard Green Albers, Castlemary and Joseph O'Mara.

Litigation is promised, according to the papers, over the score of Teddy Solomon's last completed work. A lady who was in his confidence during the latter part of his life is in possession of the score and claims it. The composer's widow asserts the score to be hers, and is taking legal measures to obtain it.

A company is in process of formation with a proposed capital of $1,200,000 to run the Covent Garden Theatre as an opera house. If the money can be secured the Duke of Bedford, owner of the property, will probably take the chair.

The Marquis of Lorne has again appeared to the world of letters, not with poems or other products of fancy, but as the author of an accurate and reliable guide to Windsor Castle.

Henry Irving will shortly produce a triple bill, following the suggestions of the special torpedo boat board and his own inclination to secure at least one remarkably fast vessel, while keeping the cost of all three within the appropriation. A slight increase in the cost of the San Francisco boat is offset by the expense which would be caused by sending a boat from the Atlantic to the Pacific, as well as by the guarantee of extra speed.

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ITEMS OF INTEREST.

Cardinal Gibbons has been summoned to Rome and will sail in May.

Michael Davitt is about to start on a six months' tour of Australia.

An English court has decided that the copyright of a photograph belongs to the sitter when he or she orders and pays for it.

Four hundred miles or railroad has just been opened in French Tonquin. The line extends from Hanoi to the Chinese border.

One million dollars has been voted by the City of Manchester, England, for the construction and maintenance of a technical school.

A grand international race for men wearing wooden legs was recently hobbled at Nogent-sur-Marne, France. A French veterian of the Crimean war, M. Roulin, won.

Admiral Besnard reports that the newest French battle ships have undergone so many speed tests that in several cases their machinery was worn out before they were commissioned.

All vessels flying the Spanish flag or subsidized by the Spanish Government must hereafter carry Spanish engineers exclusively. Hitherto British engineers have been extensively employed.

Europe is beginning to take an interest in American colonial art. A set of 10 handsomely carved chairs sent from Philadephia to London 150 years ago changed hands recently for $75.

An army of 14,000 men, only about 500 of whom are Englishmen, has been sent against a potentate in a remote corner of the Hindoo Koosh Mountains, India. The mountain prince has demurred to certains demands of John Bull, and the latter is pursuing his time-honored course.

A number of patriotic Japanese in Tokio have decided to erect a tower a la Eiffel in honor of the national victory over China. It will be 1,000 feet high and will cost $250,000. This sum has already been subscribed and designs have been solicited from engineers in various European countries.

It is proposed to abolish the Prix de Rome, to secure which was at one time the dream of every art student in Paris. It carries with it a traveling scholarship in Italy, and it is claimed by the abolitionists that a student possessing it generally wastes his talent in slavish imitation of Italian masters instead of developing it by studying nature.

In Paris there is a theatre to every 23,000 inhabitants; in Berlin, one to $18,000; in Bordeaux, one to 24,000; in Budapest, one to 35,000; in Hamburg, one to 113,000; in Vienna, one to 138,000; and in London, one to 145,000. The proportion of theatres to population is greatest in Italy, however, where there is one for every 9,800 at Catania, in Sicily; 15,000 at Florence, 20,000 at Bologna, 24,000 at Venice, 30,000 at Milan and Turin, and 31,000 at Rome.

GOTHAM TALK.

New York, April 12.—The canvass of the Republican and Democratic national committemen was printed by the Evening Telegram to-day. McKinley and Stevenson lead the Republican and Democratic nominations. Of the Republicans 13 favor McKinley and Harrison and Reed have four each. Of the Democrats nine favor Stevenson and two Boies. Chicago is in highest favor as the convention city. The campaign issues will be tariff and finances.

Henry Villard arrived from Europe today. He confirms the statement that the Deutsche Bank will pay 93 coupons of Northern Pacific seconds deposited with that institution. He declares this is done with a view to getting control of the bonds. Referring to the reorganization of the Pacific road Villard said: Until times have improved it will be impossible to effect a reorganization. He thought there were too many transcontinental roads for the business.

The weekly statement of the Associated banks shows the following changes: Reserve increase $992,850; loans increase $584,800; specie increase $915,800; legal tenders increase $829,100; deposits increase $3,008,200; and the circulation increase $67,300; The banks now hold $14,922,775 in excess of the requirements of the 25 per cent. rule.

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Official advices from Japan indicate that an understanding will be reached between the Japanese and Chinese plenipotentiaries and that the news of the definite conclusions of peace may be expected at any moment. The exact particulars of the proposed terms of settlement could not be learned, but it is understood that in response to urgent repeated requests of the Chinese plenipotentiary for the abatement of demands originally made, the Japanese plenipotentiaries have granted important concessions.

Much satisfaction is expressed here at the information that peace is practically concluded between China and Japan. There is a possibility, however, that Li Hung Chang may object at the last moment and no other postponement be necessary. It is believed that the concessions made by Japan is a decrease of indemnity.

The interest aroused by the report of the American consul at Berlin that Dr. Waldstein, an American, has discovered a cure for consumption and cancer, has caused the State department to make public more detailed information in regard to this important discovery. Some time ago Dr. Waldstein had his attention called to the effect of pilocarpine, an extract from a Brazilian plant, in lymphatic glands. By successive injections of pilocarpine into the veins the lymphatic system is gradually stimulated, and white corpuscules in the blood increased. Dr. Waldstein strongly advises physicians to try pilocarpine in the early stage of consumption, and, indeed, in all cases where the lymphatic system is involved. He declares that lupus is readily carried by injections of pilocarpine. A case is cited where a young Berliner, who had lupus on the back of his right hand for 22 years, was cured by pilocarpine. This cure, he consul says, caused a sensation among medical men at the time, and some hope that the road to the cure of cancer can also be entered.

The mystery as to the request for the recall of Thurston, of Hawaii, has not yet been solved. Secretary Gresham's letter of instructions to Willis on Thurston's case ought to have reached Honolulu about March 15th.

Secretary Herbert has decided to award one of the torpedo boats to the Union Iron Works of San Francisco. It will be constructed on a slight modification of the department's plans with a guaranteed speed of 26 knots, and will cost $125,000. In reaching this decision Secretary Herbert has followed the suggestions of the special torpedo boat board and his own inclination to secure at least one remarkably fast vessel, while keeping the cost of all three within the appropriation. A slight increase in the cost of the San Francisco boat is offset by the expense which would be caused by sending a boat from the Atlantic to the Pacific, as well as by the guarantee of extra speed.

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A FRESH COMPLICATION.

St. Petersburg, April 11.—The Novoe Vremya says that Great Britain has approved the territorial demands of Japan in regard to Manchuria and Corea. Russia will consider herself relieved of the obligations of common action and will oppose Japan on land and on sea.

DILLON REFUSED IT.

Dublin, April 11.—United Ireland learns on the highest authority that John Dillon, member of Parliament for East Mayo, after the last election, was offered the position of Chief Secretary for Ireland.

WANT ITALY'S PROTECTION.

Rome, April 13.—The inhabitants of the Tigre region of Abyssinia, having asked Italy for protection, Italy has ordered its forces to continue to occupy that country.

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WORKMEN OVERCOME BY SEWER GAS AT LONDON.

Getting Ready for the Session of Parliament—Foreign Secretary Grey Must Have Made a Mistake Concerning Our Sealers' Claims.

Ottawa, April 13.—A cable message has been received from the High Commissioner stating the possibility that Postmaster-General Ward of New Zealand, will return home by the Canadian route. In that event he will visit Ottawa and discuss with Sir Mackenzie Bowell the possibility of a preferential trade arrangement between the two colonies.

The executive of the Canadian Military Rifle League has decided that there shall be four matches this year, the same as in 1894. It will be optional to use either the Snider or Martini. The Military department will supply free ammunition as usual.

The report of the Indian department places the total Indian population of Canada at about 100,500.

The Imperial proposal to appoint colonial representatives on the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council occasions no surprise here, though curiosity exists respecting the details. Three years ago the British Government made an offer of colonial representation, providing the colony nominating the judge paid his salary and expenses. The Dominion Government would not entertain such a proposal. If the salary had to be voted annually it might lead to criticism in Parliament and probably party strife, and the conduct of the judge might be unjustly criticised and his motives impunged, with the result that his influence would be weakened. It was felt that whoever went from Canada to the Judicial Committee, whether Sir John Thompson or Hon. Edward Blake he should be removed altogether from the domain of party politics. Consequently the Imperial proposal was rejected.

Government officials say that England's Foreign Secretary Grey, must be misinformed when he made the recent statement in the House of Commons that no application had been made by Canada to the Home Government for an advance amounting to the sum awarded by the Paris tribunal to Canadian sealers as indemnity.

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THIS YEAR'S RAILROADING.

"Any one may predict," said Chauncey Depew in a recent interview, "but who can fulfil? I might tell you a dozen things that will make the year 1895 historical in railroading, but they may not materialize. Take, for instance, the New York Central Railroad. You know what its achievements have been. And yet how essential it is that we should be continually looking out for improvements. The roadbed must be studied, the coaling stations need attention; in a word, we must never be satisfied with the results that have been attained, no matter how good they are. So much for detail. Now for the general. You know that engine 999 of the New York Central road has attained a speed unheard of in kind of the history of travel. Our trains might almost be termed flashes of lightning, but their rate is not a circumstance to the speed we are now aiming at. Then there is the matter of safety. I need not assure you that the safety of the passengers is the most important thing a railroad man has to do with. The coming year we expect to attain what some people may consider a chimera—namely, perfect freedom from risk in the transportation of human beings by rail. We have, we believe, solved the problem, and that, I should say, will make 1895 an unequalled year in railroading.

EARTHQUAKE SHOCKS.

Rome, April 15.—Shocks of earthquake were experienced at Venice and Verona yesterday. Many buildings were damaged and several persons injured.

At the first shock of earthquake in Venice the people fled to the open places.

During the earthquake at Treviso the audience of a theatre fled to the street. Many were crushed in the panic.

Vienna, April 15.—Shocks of earthquake occurred throughout southern Austria last night. At Liabach 31 shocks were felt. All the churches, public buildings, business houses and residences in the town were damaged. Several persons were killed by falling walls, etc. A large number of persons were more or less seriously injured. At Veldon 10 shocks were felt, and at Trieste four. Shocks were also felt at Abbazzia, Arco, Gorizia, Cilli also felt at Abbazzia, Arco, Gorizia, Cilli and other places, at all of which buildings were damaged. Slight shocks were also felt in this city. In many districts the people are camping out.

CAUSE OF GREEN HAIR.

Baltimore, April 15.—At the meeting of the Medical Society of the Johns Hopkins University hospital Dr. Arthur Oppenheimer made a report of the case of a patient who died recently at the hospital. The man's hair was of a distinctly green color. This was the color not only of the hair, but of his beard, not only of the hair of his head and beard but all over his body. Copper was easily demonstrated chemically. Boiling in water did not remove the color. It was found that the man was a coppersmith, and on going to the place where he worked Dr. Opperheimer solved the mystery. The majority of workmen are free from coloration of the hair. They state, however that it is only by scrupulous cleanliness that they avoid it. They must wash their hair daily in a solution of soda, as ordinary water is ineffectual. The first part apt to be affected is the moustache, and the head, though if the latter is protected with a thick cap it will be free. The color appears a few days after starting work and is more apt to come in the summer time.

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NICARAGUA CAVES IN.

London, April 13.—An answer to the British ultimatum to Nicaragua has been received at the Foreign Office. It is understood that the reply is so satisfactory that the action which the Government threatened to take on Monday next will not be taken.

A Shanghai despatch says that a telegram from Pekin states that Japan has presented her ultimatum, giving China one day to accept or refuse it. Japan has reduced the indemnity by one million yen. The Government is divided as to the acceptance of the Japanese proposals. The peace party is willing to accept but the Honan party is holding out. The position is critical.

OPPOSED TO UNION.

Halifax, N. S., April 11.—A despatch from St. John's, Nfld., says that the people of Outer Cove, Middle Cove, Flat Rock and Torbay, outlying settlements near St. John's, at public meetings adopted resolutions declaring themselves as unanimously opposed to confederation with Canada, and agreeing to use all lawful means to oppose it. Petitions to the Governor-in-Council to that end were signed.

Henry B. Hyde is president of a New York life insurance company which can afford to pay him a salary of $100,000 a year. This is the highest salary known to the American business world.

An order from headquarters has been received at London permanently closing the G. T. R. shops, to take effect about the beginning of next month. About 150 men, mostly married, will be effected.

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TOLD IN A FEW WORDS.

THE NEWS FROM MANY LANDS TOLD BRIEFLY.

Odd Occurrences, Notable Events and Timely Facts Interspersed With Observations Wise and Otherwise.

Charlemagne was fond of hunting.

England supports 200 daily papers.

Tamerlane was an expert chess player.

Bach's favorite pastime was gardening.

The widow is not always as mournful as she is dressed.

Temptation is the beautiful doorway to a wrecked interior.

It is easier to be polite to our creditors than it is to our debtors.

Sulphate of zinc is used to render molasses a pure amber color.

Virgil, during the summer season, filled his house with butterflies.

It isn't what we think we are that other people think we are.

We always find wit and merit in those who look at us with admiration.

A great many people are in such a hurry that they have no time to live.

There are 1,100 students at Leland Standford, Jr., University this year.

A British commander-in-chief when on active service receives $375 a week.

So few women are great geniuses because so many women are so nearly that.

Genoa is the largest walled city in the world. It is at least 2,500 years old.

Some men would rather not pray than to have their trousers bag at the knees.

There is not a wide margin between saying a mean thing and doing a mean thing.

Queen Elizabeth was very profane and when angry would kick and cuff her maids.

Aristotle found amusement in walking on the seashore and collecting specimens.

There is always a hand of welcome ready to be offered to the strange umbrella.

Many of the applicants for divorce acknowledge that they have made a sour mash.

The Mexicans eat salt with their oranges, because they prefer the fruit so seasoned.

The physician is the man who tells you you need change and then takes all you have.

Wisdom does not always come in the yellow leaf, but you'll generally find it in the seer.

Something more than finite power is needed to prepare mankind for an infinite condition.

The speaker of the house is in deadly peril when every member of the floor wants to get his eye.

Men who declare the world owes them a living are usually too lazy to hustle around and collect it.

Of all the reigning sovereigns of the earth the Czar of Russia possesses the greatest number of titles.

Deception has been beggared so often that it ought to have gone into the hands of a receiver long ago.

It isn't always the man who has money who has a smiling countenance; it's the man who wants to borrow it.

A man will follow a word with a blow, while a woman will follow a blow with a great many words.

A woman sets her mind to do a thing without thinking whether other people's minds are set that way or not.

The income tax of England has changed 18 times since 1842, varying from two-pence in the pound to 16 pence.

Our resources are still incalculable as its wealth, the United States paid Russia for it less than 1-2 cent per acre.

A combination lock is of no use to a man who forgets his combination. He has to pick his lock before it is ripe.

The wings of the owl are lined with a soft down that enables the bird to fly without making the slightest sound.

It is curious how a woman who screams at a mouse is not startled by a millinery bill that makes a man tremble.

Senator Carey, of Wyoming, defeated for re-election for voting against free silver, weighs 300 lbs. He was once squelched in debate by Senator Wolcott, who quoted the Spanish proverb, "It is a waste of lather to shave an ass."

In order to help alleviating the terrible distress existing throughout London and the Provinces, the Church Army has organized a special system of relief whereby assistance is given in food, clothing, coals and money to deserving persons.

Russian alcoholic spirits destined for export to Asia are to be relieved from payment of excise duties. This step is due to the keen competition which exists between Russian and foreign distillers in the supply of spirits to Asiatic markets.

Some idea of the expense of maintaining royalty may be gleaned from a recent report of the expenses of Queen Victoria's household for the last year. They amounted approximately to $865,000, and upwards of $655,000 went into salaries.

A peculiarity of the rooks of England is that, while those of other parts of Europe retire to the wildest solitudes when the time comes to build their nests, the former gather round the stateliest of human habitations to rear their noisy squabs.

The death is announced from Paris of Auguste Vacquerie, a dramatic author, poet and journalist of considerable distinction. He was one of Victor Hugo's intimate friends, his literary executor, and one of the guardians of his grandchildren, George and Jeanne.

From the Swiss meteorological records since 1853, Dr. C. Heiss finds that hail is more frequent in valleys than on mountains, that it occurs oftener near the shores of its lake valleys than over wooded country, and that river valleys in the path of thunder storms favor its formation, while cultivated land and hilly forest reduce the intensity of hailstorms.

M. Ernest Legouve, poet, novelist, playwright, lecturer and authority on fencing, who is nearly 88 years old, and who entered the Institute so far back as 1855, when he succeeded Ancelot—is the dean of the French Academy. The Benjamin of the illustrious family of bards, dramatists, historians and men of science is Paul Bourget, who is only 43.

Charles F. Kline, a life prisoner under the Habitual Criminal law in the Ohio penitentiary, and an expert electrician, who has already patented some important inventions in at work upon an acoustic battery, of which he expects the most important results. He claims that by the use of loud sounds an excitant a current might possibly be generated which would be of the required force and quantity to operate motors.

Rev. Father Talbot Smith is said to be the most prolific writer among the Catholic clergy and perhaps the only one who writes for pay. Although still on the sunny side of 40, he has found time, despite his many clerical duties, to turn out six or eight works of fiction. He is now busily engaged, at the request of the Christian Brothers and of Father Mullaney, of Rochester, in preparing a life of the late gifted Brother Azarias.

The nursery tale which has charmed generations of children and their elders, known as Blue Beard, was written by a French author. The original of the character of Blue Beard was a marshal of France, who lived in Brittany, and who was charged with murdering several wives and over 100 children. Being convicted of sorcery he was burned. A singular peculiarity of his hair and beard was its inky glossiness, which, in a certain light appeared of an indigo tinge, and so won him the appellation which has rendered him immortal.

Maurice Chaper has communicated to a French scientific paper some notes of a recent visit to the western portion of Borneo. He ascended the river Kapaesa for 400 miles. It is narrow and winding, and a thick population subsists on rice and bananas. Animal life is conspicuously absent. The Dyaks have suffered much through contact with Europeans, and vices and diseases before unknown have appeared among them. Much land has gone out of cultivation, arts and industry have fallen back and the population is diminishing.

CABLES AND WIRES.

Good Friday Despatches Condensed Into Paragraphs.

The steamer Coptic arrived at San Francisco yesterday from the Orient. Two firemen having small-pox, the vessel was quarantined.

Good Friday was more generally observed in New York than ever before in the history of the day.

A despatch from Manila in London from Pescadores says that cholera is abating at Making, where there are 457 old cases, 28 new ones and 24 deaths.

Nenty, the man who killed Madge Yorke, at Philadelphia, has been formally remanded to await the action of the grand jury. His defence will probably be insanity.

"Kid" Lavigne has been arrested at Ann Arbor for participating in a prize fight with Eddie Meyer at Dana, Ill. Bail was refused.

A conference has been held at New York between the representatives of several trans-Atlantic steamship companies to discuss the subject of the 2 per cent. exaction on incomes, and it was thought best by the majority to organize for the purpose of attacking the constitutionality of the new law. The principal complaint, longing to foreigners, it is contended, the tax cannot