

B'RER SUNDOWN WHITE.

FUNERAL ORATION BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE LIMEKILN CLUB.

A Plain Every-day Sort of a Man, but He Had a Lot of Horse Sense—Skilled in Woodpile Philosophy.

"In announcing the death of Brudder Sundown White, which took place last week," said Brother Gardner, as he arose at the last meeting of the Limekiln Club, "I wish to state that he was no hero. He was not known by sight or name to fifty people in all his world. Probably the greatest thing he ever did in all his life was to stop a runaway mule. Nobody heard of him in connection with Congress, or Legislature, or Common Council or any other public office. He nebbber published a book, wrote a song nor deliberated a leckter. If he ever took laughin' gas, rode on a lectric street car, or had a chimney on his house burn out. He was just a plain, every-day sort of man, an' strangers passed him by as they nebbber looked. A few of us in dis club, but only a few, knowed him fur what he was—a man of horse sense.

"Brudder White didn't know nuffin' 'bout de pyramids of Egypt, but he was de pussion who diskered dat salt would make cabbage head up a pokey airier dan usual.

"He nebbber read 'lines of poetry in all his life, an' yit in one year, he nebbber found three plaice of tobacco, two jackknives an' a \$3 bill on de sidewalk.

"He nebbber saw Niagara Falls nor heard de roarin' of de sea, an' yit de white man who loaded twenty different

CREMATION SCENES IN INDIA.

Dodies Rising to a Sitting Posture While Lying on an Open Fire.

In travelling through India large bonfires are frequently to be seen in secluded spots on the outskirts of cities, surrounded by apparently merry-making circles of natives. The scenes which greet the observer as they are often grand and impressive. Such was the one which it was the good fortune of a writer for The Boston Transcript to witness. One afternoon, while wandering through the suburbs of Bombay to escape for a while the bustle and confusion of this magnificent city, a temple and palaces, he discovered through the trees in the distance the familiar bonfire. Being an American, with the burning curiosity strongly developed, an irresistible desire to approach this particular spot predominated. The scene contrasted strangely with what was anticipated. A group of men sat piously guarding this sacred fire, for it proved to be that the last rites were being enacted to a kinsman. Among this particular caste the last tribute to the dead is one striking in its solemn originality. When life becomes extinct the body of the deceased, strongly impregnated with the odor of sweet spices, is swathed in the finest linen and permitted to remain a few hours in the midst of the bereaved friends, whose lamentations and strange utterances, as if from another world, are to be heard. In token of their intense grief each member of the family submits immediately to the operation of having the hair cut off the head. Should he be a widow who is left to mourn, her sorrow is still greater, her head is completely shaved. These daughters of the east overflow with pride for their beautiful tresses. Hence it is that it is sacrificed at the altar of the dead.

Meanwhile the remains, with much ceremony, are borne forth on a wagon, with an arch of rush matting of considerable height concealing it from the vulgar gaze. It is usually drawn by bullocks and accompanied by immediate friends only, to receive earth's last peace offering at the shrine of the gods.

Arriving at the holy place the deceased is taken from the bier and placed with much solemnity in the heat of the hot slowly kindling brands. The men, wrapped in the purest white sheets, withdraw to a little distance under the shade. Not a word is spoken, no religious services are performed, save at applications to the gods whose azen or stone figures stand near by in attitudes of the profoundest humility. At intervals raising their heads apparently, then falling to the earth on their faces, again standing with their arms extended, they offer their petitions. A few sit gloomily under the olive trees, whose duty it is to keep the fire up to a certain pitch, never seeming to relax a muscle.

Suddenly the gestures cease. An attitude of intense anxiety now prevails. The anxious eyes are fixed severally on the fire that is slowly consuming the remains of their fellow-man; they look expectant, or as if on the alert for something. Presently the body, released of its pinions, severed by the fire, moves, springs, perhaps to an upright position amidst the flames, scattering the fire in all directions. It is a sight most revolting and horrible to the eyes, causing even a little nervous among the natives. To the stranger the spectacle is agonizing to behold, for it seems a human soul urging and striving amidst a whirling mass of blue vapor, as if struggling in death's agony.

We are told that, when the fire ceases, a particular portion of the back the contraction causes the body to rise to a sitting position. All the mourners stand in a circle, and in the name of the Most High, then rush to the spot and press heavily on the ghastly figure with great violence, until it resists no longer and sinks, to be finally laid amid the fury of the flames, the fire having by this time increased to its height.

Once more the mourners seek their retreat and prostrate themselves silently at the feet of the deities for some moments, then utter loudly ejaculations and supplications to the gods, this time, if possible, with greater solemnity and reverence. Then they resume their former positions, to keep again their vigil of the dead. The vigil is not interrupted until the embers smoulder away until all is over, and the ashes of the deceased are floating widely through the air.

Photographing a Battle-Ship. The snapshot photographer has often demonstrated his efficiency. But it has remained for Mr. O. V. Lang, the photographer of the Union Iron Works in San Francisco, to sight his "finder" and press the button in the face of what looked very like impending death. He attended the preliminary trials of the new battle-ship Oregon, and photograph her from all possible points of view that would seem to afford data for theories of wave resistance. Amongst others, a slight run right ahead was wanted, and it was agreed that the photographer's tug should steam across the Oregon's bows at a distance of about 200 yards.

Now it may seem an easy thing to a landsman to calculate distances correctly under such conditions, but sailormen know that it is not so easy as it looks, and Capt. Jansen, of the tug Rockaway, found himself 100 yards too near. "The miscalculation was probably due, in part, to the failure of the captain of the Oregon to favor the tug quite enough. At all events, Mr. Lang's camera, in hand, was suddenly aware of two great "feathers" of blue Pacific water, back- ed by the grim iron ram and topmasts of a modern battleship, rushing upon him at a speed of some 20 miles an hour, and close aboard. Capt. Jansen, too, saw the danger, and instinctively did the right thing—namely, rang four bells, and sent the tug ahead for her life. Then shea returned into Mr. Lang's artistic soul a sort of photographic berserker's rage. In his own words, "There came a determination to get that picture if it was my last." So the plucky fellow sighted, clicked his shutter, and ran to the nearest station just in time to feel the tug lifted and hurled aside by the great wave that surged away from the Oregon's bow.—Harper's Weekly.

Reckless Extravagance. "Jingle is running right through with his fortune."

"Spending it recklessly?"

"Great Scott, yes! he's done nothing but pay up honest debts for the last six months."

Truskey Will Hang. Ottawa, Nov. 5.—An order-in-council has been passed by the Dominion Government allowing the law to take its course in the case of the Sandwich murders, so that if the courts will not interfere by granting a new trial, Joseph Truskey will be hanged on the 14th of December next for the murder of William Lindsay.

Monumental. D. Macdonald & Son, the leading sculptors, have just designed and made complete facilities for turning out best work in monuments, etc., in the Dominion. Show-rooms, 624 Yonge-street; works, Yonge-street, near Park.

The "Oxford Press," late Thomas & Co., 23 Adelaide-st., ecclesiastical music and job printing. G. Parker, proprietor.

A MONTH AND STILL NO CLOVE

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By Barrister Holmes of 1 D'Amore-avenue, who testified that one night in September Mrs. Rice, a neighbor, had come to him and told him that there was a stone- booker out in the lake and that two men were trying to break into Mr. O'Brien's boat-house. Witness with sister and young Rice embarked in a canoe to Jansons-avenue, where they found two boats and some men, including two policemen, the stonebooker to it and roused up the crew. He told was close in shore and he paddled out them that they might get lost instead of stones if they went in shore that night. Barrister W. H. F. Clement continued previous witness as to the alleged attempt on his boat-house. He also recalled the fact that a man had sat in his place in Jansons-avenue on the day of the shooting, enquiring for the West- wood place. This is presumably the piano man, who also enquired his way of young Willie Westwood.

At this point in the proceedings, a gentleman in the court room interrupted a jurymen to pay him a bill. "Any man who is receiving money while the trial is in progress," said Mr. Dewar, and the jurymen calmly signed a receipt and pocketed the bill.

The Brother's Wife Testifies. Mrs. Bert Westwood was put on the stand, and added nothing new to the evidence already published. She first learned of the shooting on Sunday morning, after word was sent to her husband. The latter had never made any suggestion to her as to how the shooting occurred.

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Ex-Ad. DeLoe testified that at 12 p.m., on Oct. 5, he met Mr. Benjamin Westwood in Jansons-avenue, south of the bridge, and that he had been shot and had hurried on.

ON THE WAY TO THE GRAVE. Prince and Princess of Wales Go to St. Petersburg. St. Petersburg, Nov. 5.—The Prince and Princess of Wales will accompany the Imperial party on the way to St. Petersburg. It is likely that the body will be taken to Sebastopol instead of Odessa, and there be transferred to the Moscow train.

Moscow will be reached probably on the 11th and St. Petersburg on the 13th. The Imperial family will accompany the body from the beginning to the end of the journey. The intention of exposing the body in Livadia yesterday was abandoned because the process of embalming it had not been finished. It is said to have been necessary to summon more embalmers from Moscow and that when ready the body will be placed in the chapel at Livadia.

There are rumors of a plot to order the route of the funeral train and its entrance to the city, which has caused some trouble in several districts. The truth of these rumors cannot be ascertained. The goldsmiths of St. Petersburg are now receiving innumerable orders for gold and silver memorial crowns and crosses.

Gen. Yvanovsk, Minister of War and an officer under the late Czar at the capture of Rostchuk, has ordered a silver crown 24 inches in diameter. The inscription is to be: "To the Chief of the Army of Rostchuk from the Chief of the Staff."

Yvanovsk has obtained permission to place this crown on the Emperor's tomb.

Complimentary Smoker. The members of the Canadian Military Institute turned out at its rooms last night in large numbers to join in the complimentary smoker tendered to Capt. J. Macdonough on the eve of his departure from Toronto to his new station at St. John's, Que. The institute does not "go in" very much for that sort of thing, and the large attendance speaks well for the good name that the gallant captain will have behind him.

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TALKED OF LAW REFORM.

Lately Debate at the Young Liberal Club Last Night. President Stewart Lyon occupied the chair at the meeting of the Young Liberal club last night. An interesting and spirited debate took place upon a motion by J. E. Atkinson calling for the abolition of Divisional Courts of the High Court, to lessen the number of appeals in civil cases, also to restrict the appeal to the Supreme Court from the Court of Appeals of Ontario and to expedite the trial proceedings.

Mr. Atkinson spoke in favor of his proposition. He first pointed out that in the matter of percent officers of the court one set of officers would very well do. He talked of juggling by counsel to get their clients out of the court, which was aided by the system of subdivision of the court into Queen's Bench, Chancery and Common Pleas. He also suggested that in the matter of nisi prius appeals, there should be an appeal from the trial judge at the assize direct to one court of appeal, and that that should not be the case. The motion was seconded by Mr. Trethewey.

George Ross, while not entirely agreeing with Mr. Atkinson's motions, strongly favored an amalgamation of the courts, abolishing the divisions. J. E. Atkinson called for the motion, which was seconded by Mr. Trethewey.

James E. Day moved the following amendment: "That it is not wise for persons who have no practical and thorough acquaintance with the principles of the system of legal procedure to endeavor to force changes in its details; and that the Government should be urged to take any proposed changes considered in such a conference." The preliminary debate was adjourned until next week.

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