Rev. Mr. Copen Had to Use a Megaphone to Carry His Voice

Downward.

Parkersburg. W. Va., Aug. 8.—"The Devil's Tea Table" was the queer pulpit from which the Rev. John Joe Copen preached yesterday to an audience of nearly 5000 persons.

From a point 500 feet in the air he discoursed on Paul's sermon on Mars Hill, using a megaphone to carry the sound of his voice to the throng below. As a means of attracting the crowds Pastor Copen had advertised for ten Gays that there would be tight-rope and trapeze performances and swimming contests before and after the sermons, and also a big picnic dinner for all that might come.

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"The Devil's Tea Table" is a freak of nature in Wirt County, twenty miles from any railroad, overlooking the Little Kanawha River. The rock, 200 feet high, rests on a hill 300 feet high, so that the preacher's pulpit yesterday was 500 feet above the congregation. The sides of the rock and hill are almost pit the preacher had to wind around the elevation for a distance of about a mile, and after he had climbed the rock, almost to the top he had to climb fully. 75 feet clinging to a rope which had been thrown over it in order to reach his pulpit.

This feat was one of the features of the day. The preacher remained on the rock between the morning and afternoon sermons, eating his solitary lunch so high in the air that he looked like a midget.

Trapeze and Tight-Rope.

Before the morning sermon, while the people were gathering, the trapeze and tight-roop performances were held according to program, and twenty-five small boys engaged in a swimming contest were there by hundreds.

With a megaphone borrowed from an Ohio River steamboat, Mr. Copen-taiked for an hour in the morning, and every word was distinctly heard by his immense congregation. Again in the afternoon he repeated the performance.

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After repeating the words of the apostle to the congregation, he spent some time in exhortation in his own peculiar manner. He is called "the cyclone exhorter of West Virginia."

An Old-Fashioned Exhorter.

The Rev. Mr. Copen is not an educated man, but his exhortation is very effective with the mountain folk, among whom his work lies. He is tall and gaunt and his hair falls over his shoulders. His manner and language are those of the backwoods revivalists of half a century ago. Like them, he dwelt much yesterday upon the awful fate of those who reject the gospel of Christ. Many conversions are reported as the result of his day's work.

In explanation of his unique methods yesterday, Mr. Copen said:

\*\*Montreal Live Stock.\*\*

East Buffalo Live Stock.

East Buffalo Aug., 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 5000 head; steady to strong; prime steady to \$5.50 to \$5.25; butchers, \$4.50 to \$45; modern to \$5.25; to \$4.50; to \$7.75; fresh cows and springers, \$2.25 to \$2.75; fresh cows an

will do not advertise these innovations for any purpose other than to attract and entertain a crowd. There are many persons who are not reached by many persons who are not reached by the church, for whom the church offers no attraction. These are the people I want to get at. It is not the good church people who go to the house of God regularly that I am after. The persons I want to reach are the sinners, and some means must be devised to get them into the church. If I can do that I care not what means I shall have employed so long as I save them. I see no harm in trapeze performances or tight-rope walking any more than in golf on Sunday. The people among whom my work lies need amusement and novelty to get them in reach of the word of God, and I believe I am doing a good work in providing these attractions.

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"I propose to continue my religious novelties until I have caused all the people of Wirt County to come within the sound of my voice."



## UNEXPECTED DECREASE

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Special prices right "down-the line" in our fine furnishings-

STRAWS Don't take too long guessing the reason of this reckless selling of our men's straw hats-but jump in and get some of benefits going FOR 1.00 Every Straw Sailor in the horse marked from 3.00 down
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Cheese Markets.
Lindsay, Aug. 8.—At Victoria County cheese meeting to-day, 2000 boxes of cheese were boarded: cleared at Sc: Fitzgerald 1100 boxes, Fiavelle 700; Whidden 200.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Aug. 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 19,000; Texans, 100; western, 500; market steady; good to prime, \$5.50 to \$6.40; poor to medium, \$4 to \$5; stockers and feeders, \$2 to \$4.25; helfers, \$2 to \$5.20; canners, \$1,50 to \$2.50; bulls, \$2 to \$4; calves, \$2.50 to \$5.25; cows, \$1.50 to \$4.25; Texas-fed steers, \$3 to \$4.25; western steers, \$3.50 to \$4.75. \$4.75.

Hors—Reccipts, 26,000; market steady to 5c higher: mixed and butchers', \$5.25 to \$5.80; good to choice heavy, \$6.30 to \$5.50; rough heavy, \$4.80 to \$5.20; llzht, \$5.30 to \$5.55; bulk of sales, \$5.30 to \$5.50.

Sheep—Receipts, 20,000; market slow; good to choice wethers; \$3.75 to \$4.25; fair to choice mixed, \$3 to \$3.75; native lambs, \$4 to \$4.65.

## SIMOUCHENG FIGHT ECHOES.

tussians Put Up a Strenuous De-fence, But Were Forced Back.

Liaoyang, Aug. 8.—A correspondent of the Associated Press who was present with the Third Battery thruout the fighting at Simoucheng on July 31, says a Japanese battery in an early morning battle forced two of the Russian centre companies to retire, but the

sian centre companies to retire, but the heavy artillery fire of the Russians, together with a terrific cross fire from the Irkutsk and Yenisei battalions, prevented the enemy from occupying the vacated position.

The Japanese with several columns again tried to force the Russian centre at 10 o'clock, but the Russian batteries drove them back in confusion. At noon the Kosloff battalion attacked the Japanese positions in the hills on the Russian left under cover of a heavy fire from the third and fifth batteries. The Japanese met the attack with shraphel, but the Russian artillery temporarily silenced the Japanese fire and enabled the Kosloff battalion to carry the position. The Japanese commander-in-chlef's headquarters flag appeared on the left, but the Japanese were driven back by the fierce fire of the third battery and Savitski battery, the commander of which received a message of thanks for his services.

In the meantime the Kosloff battalion lost 50 per cent, of its men and called for reinforcements, which were sent from the Irkutsk and Yenisel battalions, who fought their way to the support of their comrades over a road which the soldiers sky was literally paved with Japanese corpses. The fifth battery then became an object of interest. A battery of heavy calibre Japanese guns was brought up from the rear and sustained an unequal action for some time, but lost two-thirds of its guns shot to pieces. These

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# THE SIMPSON COMPANY, ROBERT SIMPSON

STORE CLOSES AT 5.30 P.M.

Men's \$15 Tweed Suits, \$7.45

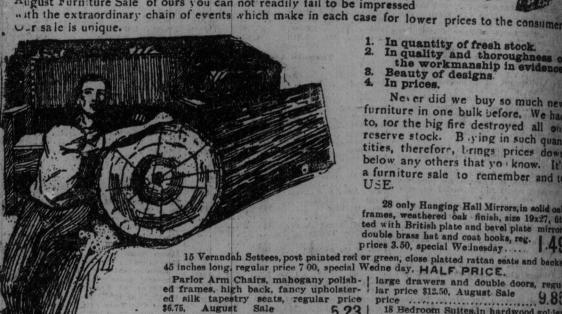
These are not necessarily hot weather suits. You can wear them without a vest if you like, and they'll do perfectly well for the hottest August day: we will get. But you'll wear them all fall, yes, and all the year round, for that matter. They're underpriced because they're a clean-up—part of the lot we sold Monday, and the best part at that. It'll pay you to get one and give your old suit a new lease of life by having it cleaned and pressed

## Men's \$1.00 Shirts for 60C

We've been making a great name for the Men's Store lately as regards big values in sh.rts, and no mistake. Here's another

## The Furniture Sale Wednesday

When you consider the exceptional features leading up to this August Furniture Sale of ours you can not readily fail to be impressed



In quantity of fresh stock.
In quality and thoroughness of the workmanship in evidence
Beauty of designs.
In prices

Never did we buy so much new furniture in one bulk before. We had to, for the hig fire destroyed all our reserve stock. B .ying in such quantities, therefore, brings prices down below any others that you know. It's a furniture sale to remember and to

Interesting Program for Their Two- Only 13 Deaths in July Out of Ove

PATIENTS IN THE HOSPITAL.

Canada, will be present at the opening of the Master Bakers' convention in Hamilton to-day, and will deliver an address.

The program to-day includes the reconstruction on July 31 (not including infants) number 18 convention on July 31 (not including infants) number 19 convention of convention of convention of convention of conventions of convention

reason of the fact that to-day is the lifth anniversary of the founding of the order.

Several applications for membership will be received. Of late there have been a large number of discharged men from the British army finding their way to Canada, and it is said that over 300 have come to Toronto. They are men in the prime of life, and most of them well equipped as mechanics.

Not a few officers have also given up army life for commercial pursuits in Canada.

Best Barn Burned.

Guelph, Ang. 8.—The barn of Alex. Brown on the Belwood road was structure by lightning at 5 o'clock Sunday after skoon, and consumed, together with thay crop. It was the best barn in East Garaffaxa, The loss has not been ascertained.

In Darkness All Night.

Belleville, Aux. 8.—During the severe storm on Sunday night a bif tree was blown down and fell across the wires of the Trenton Electric Co. As a result the wires were broken, and the city was in total darkness all night, the power from Trenton being cut off.

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