

Andover News.

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Milwaukee contains 2 1/2 square miles of territory—probably the smallest area of any city in the United States of equal size.

A Berlin Judge recently held that nobody has a right to say anything against the Emperor, because his person is sacred.

Here are some of the little things, mentioned by the New York Commercial Advertiser, that Great Britain has on her hands at present: Turkey, China, Ashantee, South Africa, Venezuela, the Alaskan border question and Ireland. These are enough to make every day a working day for the new Prime Minister.

Says the Baltimore American: Women reformers have their partisans, but there is generally a party against them. But there is one woman reformer in New York who will not have a dissenting voice raised against her crusade from Maine to Mexico. She is trying to teach the women of the land how to make good, digestible pie.

Harold Frederic, who isn't given to circulating reports of a purely sensational character, cables over to the New York Times that "Queen Victoria is passing again through one of those phases of semi-insanity which recall that she is George III's grand-daughter. Rumors began to circulate in London a week ago that things were wrong, and a modified form of them has been printed in Dublin, but nowhere else, although private letters from Scotland show that it is a common knowledge there. It seems to have had its origin in the death of a young nephew of John Brown, who had some obscure post about Balmoral, but for whom the Queen burst forth in a vehement mourning which took all by surprise. Since then she has been going to his grave and to Brown's in all weathers, and doing other extraordinary things, which it is impossible any longer to ignore."

The Macon (Ga.) Telegraph is credited with the story, now going the rounds, that a terrapin about the size of a silver dollar came down in a rainstorm at Valdosta, the other day; and since that curious occurrence the people in that section believe firmly all the reports they have heard relating to showers of frogs and fish. In a land so justly noted as this for miscellaneous weather and climatic freaks, the most credulous person may come to believe firmly in the gastronomic and epicurean conditions of the elements. Pink snow is not unknown, and it is quite possible that hailstorms of two-grain quinine pills will shortly break our parlor glass, and play a weird tattoo upon the roof. When such things come to pass, the community will demand a new kind of weather prophet, that economic householders may not be put to the expense of laying in a cube of corned beef on the approach of a terrapin shower, or a fish cyclone, which would be rare blessings during the season of Lent. A weather report of the future would then read something like this: Scallops fell yesterday on the Atlantic coast from South Carolina northward, in which region they were greatly needed. Frogs are falling in Michigan and the Lake regions; a trifle over three inches are reported from Marquette. A cold wave of fresh mackerel is moving rapidly eastward from the Dakotas. Then the weather forecast will be: For New England, New York, Eastern Pennsylvania and New Jersey, fair weather, with occasional showers of oysters and clams in the afternoon. Then will the Frenchman bid him forth to gather the hinder members of the batrachia so dear to his heart. Umbrellas will be used to protect heads against the descending porgie or soft-crab. During a drought farmers will pray for showers of fish to fertilize their land, and replenish their depleted larders. When that time shall arrive, people who are now sceptical on the subject of plain and fish falls, will only look with a doubt upon the report that is known to the world a shower of salmon or a hailstorm of squatters.

THE NAVY DEPARTMENT

Secretary Herbert Asks for More Ships and Men.

He Recommends the Construction of Two Battleships and at Least Twelve Torpedo Boats—The Establishment of a Reserve System Advocated.

Washington, Dec. 2.—Advocates of continuing the increase in the new navy will find gratification in the annual report of Secretary Herbert to the president. The secretary recommends the construction of two battleships and at least twelve torpedo boats. The country is not in want of ordinary unarmored cruisers or of gunboats, but we are lamentably deficient in torpedo boats and we certainly need more battleships, according to the secretary. An inspection of the building programme of other nations will demonstrate that the lessons taught at Yalu and Wei-Hai-Wei have tended to confirm the belief of naval experts throughout the world in the efficacy of these two classes of vessels. That gunboats and torpedo boats may be built cheaply, the secretary points out briefly. The gratifying progress by our manufacturers of steel and our shipbuilders and the competition among them has enabled the department during the past two years, he says, to contract for gunboats and torpedo boats at a very large reduction from former prices.

Reserve System Advocated. Toward this proposed increase of the navy Mr. Herbert estimates that \$1,638,383 is necessary, and inclusive of that amount, his estimate for the complete expense of the naval establishment for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1897, aggregate \$29,311,166. Out of the appropriation for the current fiscal year—amounting to \$14,212,801—there remains \$942,286. With the exception of the appeal for more ships, the most important topic treated by Secretary Herbert is that of a reserve system. He prefaces his suggestion that such a system be established with some comment on the necessity for having more enlisted men and recommends that the enlistment of 1,000 more be authorized. Giving figures to show how small our enlisted force is and how large those of European countries are, he makes a comparison of our 13,450 blue jackets and marines with Germany's 21,487. Germany's available men, while not all at one time in actual service on board ship, would in case of war furnish no lack of trained and drilled material for the imperial navy, "and," says the secretary, "in case of a naval war, readiness, other conditions being equal, means victory."

More Men Wanted. We have, he says, a magnificent squadron if armed and manned; but, he adds, we have not a man to put upon one of them and no authority of law to accept the services of a single one of the thousands who in case of war would volunteer to serve. But congress should not stop here, he says, and therefore suggests that, in order to be able to man our reserve fleet and such naval vessels as may not have full crews, the president be authorized to enlist in the naval service upon exigencies to be judged of by him such of the naval militia and other men, not to exceed altogether the number necessary to man all the ships of the navy and such ships as under the laws now existing or hereafter to be enacted, the government may have the right to call into its service for a period of, say, two years, the government reserving the privilege of discharging when the exigency may have passed.

Guns and Smokeless Powder. The department has fixed upon the 13-inch calibre for the main battery guns of the new battleships, tests at the naval proving grounds on the side armor of the Iowa having conclusively demonstrated the superiority of this calibre over the 12-inch. The secretary mentions that a satisfactory smokeless powder is now manufactured at the government torpedo station. He also says that it is gratifying that during the year both the Bethlehem Iron company and the Carnegie Steel company have received large orders for armor from a foreign country, and this is convincing proof of the excellence of their product.

STABBED BY HIS FRIEND.

Baron Lionel Raphael Wounded in a Quarrel. San Francisco, Dec. 2.—Baron Lionel Rothschild Disraeli Raphael of Surrey, Eng., was stabbed under the right shoulder by a penknife in the hands of his roommate, Throp Browning, shortly before 1 a. m. Baron Raphael has resided in San Francisco for some months and is engaged in the study of surgery. Browning is his most intimate friend. The two quarrelled over a \$3 gold piece which the baron missed. The wound is not fatal.

The Marlboroughs at Madrid. Madrid, Dec. 2.—The Duke of Marlborough and his bride, formerly Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt of New York, arrived here yesterday.

CARS STALLED BY LAW.

Rolling-Freight Stock Not Fitted with Safety Rails Detained. Somerville, N. J., Dec. 2.—The United States law relating to grab rails or hand rails for the safety of train men on freight cars, which went into effect yesterday, resulted in the stalling of 100 cars attached to the fast freight lines to the west. The cars, which are the property of the Baltimore & Ohio Railroad company, were side-tracked at the junction of the Philadelphia & Reading and Central railroad of New Jersey. The new law imposes a penalty of \$5,000 on railroads running cars without grab rails. Many inspectors were stationed at the junction of the two roads at midnight with instructions to detain all cars not fitted with rails in the manner prescribed by law. A large force of workmen have been at work fitting up the stalled cars. There is much delay because of the scarcity of rails.

WRECK NEAR SYRACUSE.

Engineer and Fireman of a D. L. & W. Train Killed. Syracuse, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The New York and Philadelphia express on the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western railroad, which leaves Syracuse at 10:10 p. m., was wrecked one-half mile north of Preble station, twenty-six miles south of this city, at 12:30 this morning. The engineer, George Young of Syracuse, was instantly killed. Webster Roof of Syracuse, the fireman, was taken from beneath the wreck of the engine and died soon afterward. At least a dozen passengers were badly injured. No sooner had the wreck occurred than the baggage car, which was reduced to kindling wood in the collision, caught fire from the engine. The panic-stricken passengers hardly had time to get from the cars before the whole train was ablaze.

MINE VICTIMS BURIED.

Burial Procession Nearly Half a Mile Long. Brewster, N. Y., Dec. 2.—The funerals of five of the men who were killed in the disaster at the Tilly Foster mine were held at St. Lawrence's Roman Catholic church in this village yesterday. The men who were buried were Patrick H. Murtha, John Fagan, Michael Gannon, Thomas Dennis and an unknown Italian miner. Hundreds of miners and farmers from the country hereabouts attended, the funeral procession being nearly half a mile in length. The funerals of James Fox, James Clarke and three of the Italians were held to-day at noon. The work of recovering the bodies still in the mine was resumed this morning. It is probable that Coroner Penny will not hold an inquest until all the bodies have been taken out.

THE SCHEME FRUSTRATED.

Notorious Bank Burglars Attempt To Break Jail at Albany. Albany, Dec. 2.—An attempt was made to break jail here yesterday. Included among the conspirators were "Count" Mark Shimburn and William Brown, the notorious Middleburg, N. Y., bank burglar. The scheme was discovered and the men placed in guarded cells. A table knife tempered and notched was being used as a saw to good effect on the iron bars when the scheme was frustrated. Shimburn and Brown are to be taken to Middleburg to-day for trial.

RAIDED THE TOWN.

Tramps Threatened to Destroy Cumberland, Wis. St. Paul, Dec. 2.—Sixty-two tramps raided the city of Cumberland, Wis., last night, demanding food and shelter and threatening destruction to the town if refused. A posse was organized and three of the ringleaders were locked up in jail. They soon broke jail and another chase was given by the officers and several shots exchanged before the tramps were recaptured. Much excitement prevails on account of threats made.

TO INVADE ECUADOR.

An Army Organized to Overthrow President Alfaro. Panama, Dec. 2.—A number of Ecuadorian emigrants at Pasto have publicly organized an army to invade Ecuador for the purpose of overthrowing the recently established government of President Alfaro. The revolutionists are within sight of the garrisoned towns of Tulcan and Ibarra and an attack is expected hourly.

SENATOR HILL ILL.

Compelled to Cancel All His Lecture Engagements in the West. Duluth, Minn., Dec. 2.—Senator Hill, while here contracted a severe cold, which has compelled him to cancel his remaining lecture engagements in the West. He left for the south yesterday for the benefit of his health, and will return to Washington as soon as his temporary indisposition will permit.

Gold for the Government. New York, Dec. 2.—The banks of Pittsburg will ship tomorrow \$1,000,000 in gold to the sub-treasury in New York to relieve the stringency caused by the outflow to Europe. Pittsburg will have \$2,000,000 left, and it will be sent if necessary.

GEN. GOMEZ ROUTED

Death Blow to the Rebel Cause in Cuba.

The Insurgent Leader's Forces Dispersed with Great Loss—They Fled to the Mountains—Lieut. Feijoo's Sentence Not Yet Confirmed by Capt.-Gen. Campos. Havana, Dec. 2.—Details of the victories of Gens. Luque and Oliver on Nov. 20 and subsequent days now are complete. Maximo Gomez and his army have utterly failed in their attempt to reach Las Villas. His forces sustained great loss, his ranks were broken and his men were dispersed. They abandoned their supplies and fled to the mountains. This most important victory is a death blow to the rebel forces. This news is official.

THE CUBAN REBELLION.

Lieut. Feijoo's Sentence Not Yet Confirmed by Gen. Campos. Madrid, Dec. 2.—A dispatch to the Imperial says that Captain General Campos has not yet confirmed the sentence of imprisonment for life in a military prison passed by a court martial upon Lieut. Feijoo, who surrendered Fort Pelayo to the insurgents under Gomez. Sergeant Canovas, who was tried on the same charge, was acquitted. Gen. Valdes has defeated the insurgents in the Villas and Camaguez districts. The rebel leader Maceo has passed Troncha. Serious fighting is said to have taken place between his band and government troops, but the result of the engagement is not known.

RIOT AT A DANCE.

Santiago de Cuba, Nov. 31, via Key West, Fla., Dec. 2.—Col. Rotger, with a Spanish column 1,000 strong, arrived at Guantanamo on the 10th inst. after being out on war operations for four or five days. When the Spaniards arrived in the suburbs of Yateram they met the rebel leader, Gil, and his party, who immediately attacked the van and rear guards of the Spaniards, firing for more than an hour and a half. The column answered the fire, but at last were obliged to retreat to Guantanamo. The Spaniards had ten killed and four wounded and left several prisoners in the hands of the rebels. The insurgents had four killed and seven wounded. The rebel Brigadier Rabi, one of the bravest leaders of the Cuban army, has been raised to the rank of major-general as a reward for the victories he has obtained in the present campaign.

ANOTHER DISTILLERY SOLD.

Important Step in Settling the Whiskey Trust Affairs. Chicago, Dec. 2.—Receiver McNulta has effected another settlement in the affairs of the old whiskey trust involving the sale of the third distillery he has disposed of since eighteen principal properties were purchased by the American Spirits Manufacturing company. The house sold is known as the "Old 76 Distillery," and is located at Milldale, Ky. It was leased by the old trust. Under the settlement the receiver was paid a sum in cash, and Robinson & Stegman, former owners, withdrew all claims and took the house.

HALF A COUNTY SECEDES.

Seventeen Townships in Minnesota Object to a Bond Issue. St. Paul, Dec. 2.—Seventeen townships of Cass county, comprising in population more than half the county, have seceded and will be annexed to Crow Wing county. This is done under a new law and the government will shortly issue the proclamation announcing the new deal. The seceders opposed a bond issue which Cass county officials had ordered. Hence the secession.

CHARGED WITH ROBBERY.

Newark, N. J., Dec. 2.—James Malone an ex-policeman of this city, is locked up at police headquarters on suspicion of having been implicated in the robbery of the Summit postoffice several days ago.

SUSPECTED MURDERER ARRESTED.

Newtown, Conn., Dec. 2.—There is now locked up in this place a half-witted mulatto who is supposed to be John Henry Baker who in September last murdered his wife in White Plains, N. Y.

MARKET PRICES.

Table listing market prices for various commodities including Butter, Eggs, Beans, Peas, Apples, etc.

AN AWFUL DEATH.

Baltimore, Dec. 2.—Robert Janssen, 30 years old, an employe of the Monumental Chemical works at Fairfield, Anne Arundel county, met a horrible death yesterday. He was making some repairs to machinery, when he fell sixty feet into a vat filled with nitric acid. He crawled out of the receptacle, but fell unconscious beside it. His clothing and chunks of flesh dropped from his body when the unfortunate man was picked up by fellow workmen. Death followed in a few minutes. Janssen came here six months ago from Gustrow, Germany.

RIOT AT A DANCE.

Six Men Injured in a Meloe at Shelby, Ind. Crown Point, Ind., Dec. 2.—During a dance at Shelby John and Frank Latte were shot and probably fatally wounded. Frank Fuller, who shot them, was in turn clubbed unmercifully and is in a critical condition. Six men were injured in the meloe and the scene in the dance hall was one of carnage. Three of the desperadoes are in the county jail. Two have escaped. The cause of the trouble was the culmination of an old family feud.

CAL MCARTHY DEAD.

The Ex-Featherweight Champion Succumbs to Consumption. Jersey City, Dec. 2.—Cal McCarthy, the pugilist, who for several years was the featherweight champion of the world, who died from consumption in St. Mary's hospital last Friday night, was buried from his father's home yesterday. He was 30 years old and leaves a widow, but no children. McCarthy was champion until defeated by Dixon at Troy four years ago. He had previously fought a seventy-two round draw with Dixon.

RICHARD BURNS CAPTURED.

One of the Gang of Athol Safe Blowers Wounded. Athol, Mass., Dec. 2.—One of the gang of robbers that blew open the safes at the Athol and South Athol depts Friday night was captured near South Athol Saturday night, after being fired upon and wounded. He gives his name as Richard Burns. He will have a hearing in the district court sometime to-day.

FRENCH ARTIST DEAD.

Paris, Dec. 2.—Pierre Charles Comte, a well known French painter, died on Friday last at Fontainebleau. He was born at Lyons, April 25, 1828, and studied painting under M. Robert Fleury. M. Comte was awarded many medals for his works, and in 1857 was made a member of the Legion of Honor.

FIRE AT CORRY, PA.

Corry, Pa., Dec. 2.—Fire, originating in a cigar store, broke out at Corry, Pa., on Friday night. The fire was extinguished by the fire department. Loss \$2,000.

MINISTER MCKENZIE REACHES LIMA.

Lima, Peru, Dec. 2.—James A. McKenzie, minister from the United States to Peru, has arrived at Lima. He was conveyed to the United States legation in a government carriage.



CHAPTER XXI.—Continued.

The truth was Paxton's assistant had tapped upon the door, and he alone was here. When the old woman had unlocked the door, Paxton opened it, and as he was about to leave he said, mockingly: "Good evening, Mrs. Kittis, I trust you will find your accounts all right." And turning to the man he added: "Much obliged to you, my friend, for your kindly intention of plunging your knife into my back, but I've a constitutional prejudice against such little pleasures."

"The next moment the door closed behind Paxton, and he and his assistant hurried away.

"Defeat, defeat, nothing but defeat!" muttered the detective disconsolately.

But when they were at a safe distance, he asked of his comrade:

"In the name of all mundane wonders, how came you to discover that my disguise was penetrated?"

"There is a window in the side of the room back of the one in which you were. When the old woman went into the room I was at the window, and through an opening in the blind I saw her tell the man who was there something.

"He sprang up, and drawing his knife, started for the door. Though I couldn't hear a word, I knew well enough that the old woman had discovered you were not Crawley, and told the man, who, acting upon the impulse of the moment, meant to attack you.

"As the man sprang forward, the old woman caught his arm and spoke to him, so I knew she objected to an immediate or precipitate attack.

"I gilded to the window at which you were seated beside the desk, and telegraphed you when I saw the wretch crawling behind you with his knife drawn."

Thus Paxton's assistant explained.

"You saved my life," answered Paxton, gratefully, and he continued: "It is interesting to find that all my care and labor in perfecting the disguise, in creating this character, is lost. I begin to think that in this case an adverse fate shadows my every step; I am at least experiencing a run of ill-luck."

As he spoke the detective paused under a street lamp, and producing the letter which he had found in the house from which he had just escaped, he told his companion how he came by it, and then proceeded to read it.

The letter ran as follows:

"Mrs. Kittis: If anything should occur to make you think the girl is not safe with you, get her to Malvin's, your friend, L. K."

"L. K., Levi Kredge. This is too good to be true. I recognize the rascalous handwriting, and Kredge wrote this note, I am sure of that. By the girl he means Marion Oakburn. Since she is no longer at Mrs. Kittis's, I suspect she has been sent to Malvin's, in accordance with the jailor's instructions."

Thus said Paxton:

"Malvin's! Malvin's!" muttered his comrade, reflectively.

"Do you know the place?" asked Paxton.

"The name sounds familiar."

"Hansack your memory. Try and recollect if you have any knowledge of the party called Malvin."

Paxton's companion was silent for a moment, and then he exclaimed:

"I have it! I know where Malvin is. This concerns me and my suspicion of mine."

"Explain. Who is this Malvin? Where does he dwell?"

"He is a man lately from my native city, Philadelphia, who was formerly a criminal. He was said to have reformed, and he came to New York."

"I haven't heard his name in a long time until the other day, when I chanced to see it on a ball-bond in the Criminal Court. I asked some questions, and learned that Malvin was in the habit of going ball for criminals. It is my suspicion that he is still secretly leagued with the dangerous characters of this and other cities. He lives in Harlem, No. 5— street."

"Food. This is most fortunate. My disguise may serve me well after all. Now I remember when I called at Ajax Crawley's office, and found a letter on his desk addressed to Wilkes Malvin, Harlem, but I do not recollect the street and number," said Paxton.

"Wilkes Malvin is our man," answered the other.

"Then Ajax Crawley has business with him or he would not have addressed him a letter. No time like the present. I'll visit this Malvin as Ajax Crawley," continued Paxton.

"The two detectives took a car to Harlem, and soon reached the residence of the man they now believed to be in league with Levi Kredge.

"After giving his associate some instructions Paxton rang the bell, and he was admitted to Malvin's house."

Paxton's assistant experienced some pleasurable as he saw the door close behind him.

Malvin himself admitted Paxton, and received by his perfect disguise, ushered him into the house, addressing him as Ajax Crawley.

The man led the party to a parlor, where he seated them on a sofa.

At one corner of the sofa sat a