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TAGGART CHOSEN AS CHAIRMAN.

He Is the Political Leader of Indiana and the Democrats Made His Election Unanimous.

New York, July 27.—The national democratic committee met here yesterday and unanimously elected Thos. Taggart of Indianapolis chairman. Urey Woodson of Kentucky was elected secretary of the committee by a vote of 35 to 12, the selection being made unanimous. Edwin Sefton of the District of Columbia was made assistant secretary.

John I. Martin of Missouri was elected sergeant at arms and Samuel Donnelson of Tennessee assistant sergeant at arms.

The effort made to induce Senator Gorman to take the chairmanship of the democratic national committee was continued yesterday. There were busy scenes around the rooms occupied by former Senator Hill. While Mr. Sheehan and others sought Senator Gorman and urged him to stand for the chairmanship, Mr. Hill remained in his room. He said the head of the committee was a great responsibility and he did not feel like forcing a man to undertake the duties when so much depended on it. At the same time Mr. Hill had been subjected to pressure from New York to secure Mr. Gorman to manage the campaign if possible.

As the hour approached for the assembling of the committee the appearance of a real contest made the situation interesting. The friends of Taggart were conferring in the room of John W. Kern and were arranging proxies to be used for the Indiana man. In the rooms of Mr. Hill, Sheehan, Mack and others who were interested in the selection of Mr. Gorman some suggestion was made that Thos. F. Ryan be chosen for chairman if Gorman still persisted in his determination not to take the place. In order to continue the conference that was in progress it was suggested that the committee might take a recess until some time in the afternoon. The Taggart men said they would not consent to this, as the first thing to be done was to elect a chairman, and there had been conferences enough already.

ABANDON ALL HOPE.

No Signs of a Settlement of the Labor War Centering in Chicago.

Chicago, Ill.: The packers abandon all hope of peace and prepare for a life and death struggle. They say they have absolutely nothing to arbitrate. President Cohen of the Illinois Federation of Labor announces he will seek another peace conference with the packers. The belief is that he is inspired by high labor leaders, who desire a settlement. Pickets at the yards and all wagons loaded with meat for city consumption are turned back.

All trades at the yards excepting the teamsters are now on strike, and permission for them to strike is expected Wednesday.

As the conference about the chairmanship continued some time, the committee delayed in assembling and it was not until after noon that Jas. K. Jones called the meeting to order. Mr. Taggart was not present, but was represented by J. T. Fanning, who held his proxy. John W. Kern also had a proxy. August Belmont was there, receiving the proxy of Richard A. Billups of Oklahoma.

Senator Bailey of Texas had three proxies and represented Montana, Wyoming and Porto Rico.

William F. Sheehan then brought forward the plan for campaign management. He suggested that the chairman of the committee, in his discretion, be authorized to appoint an executive committee, to consist of not less than five nor more than seven members, and a finance committee of not less than three or more than five members. If these committees were to be amalgamated in an executive committee then the membership should consist of seven members.

Senator Bailey said that there was a probability of carrying Colorado, Idaho, Montana and Nevada, and he thought the executive committee ought to be enlarged so as to include representatives of those states.

Mr. Sheehan then modified his proposition so as to allow the chairman of the national committee and the executive committee to receive the selection of additional members who should have charge of the campaign in special localities or states.

As modified the proposition was adopted by the committee.

Mr. Sheehan then moved that the selection of a treasurer of the committee be left to the executive committee, and this was agreed to. It meant that August Belmont had not been persuaded to accept the position.

Under a resolution passed by the national convention the executive committee may be chosen from among the members of the committee or outside of it, in the discretion of the chairman.

The committee adjourned, after having taken a little more than an hour to transact the business.

Train Broke His Leg.

Hallettsville, Texas: Edmund Caesar, a negro, while attempting to cross the railroad track in front of the incoming 1 o'clock passenger train here Tuesday, was struck and knocked off the track, one of his legs being broken below the knee. The accident happened a few hundred yards east of the passenger depot, and those who saw it say he ran in front of the moving train as if trying to cross the track.

New Chwang Quiet.

Tien Tsin: Lloyd's agent at New Chwang wires that fifty Japanese cavalrymen have entered New Chwang. The French flag is flying from all Russian buildings. The town is quiet.

BIG BATTLE AROUND NEW CHWANG.

Russians Lost 700 in Friday's Fight, Which Was Seen from Housetops--New Seizures.

Tien Tsin, July 25.—News has reached here that a battle is raging outside of New Chwang. The fighting can be seen from the housetops.

In the engagement of yesterday, the Russian losses are reported to have been 700. The Japanese are slowly nearing New Chwang. Great excitement prevailed in that city during Saturday and Sunday's fights.

Battle Near New Chwang.

New Chwang: A battle was fought Saturday near Ta Tehe Kiao, attended, it is believed, with heavy losses. The progress of the battle was watched by many people in New Chwang from the roofs of the houses. The day was clear and the smoke of the guns could be plainly seen.

Was at Ta Hsui.

Tien Tsin: A report from New Chwang states that Saturday's battle was at Ta Hsui, six miles distant, and that the Japanese were successful.

Many Chinese refugees arriving at New Chwang have reported that nine Japanese guns from Port Arthur have arrived at Tah Tung Shan.

Japs Advance Toward Siakhotan.

St. Petersburg: Lieut. Gen. Sakharoff, in a dispatch to General Staff, dated July 23, reports skirmishes in the vicinity of Kai Chou on July 22.

Lieut. Gen. Count Keller's reconnaissances on the same day showed that the Japanese had only weak detachments at the Siakokao and Wangkau passes.

There was no change in the situation.

WAIVES THE RIGHT.

Power to Search Vessels Has Been Withdrawn.

St. Petersburg: Grand Duke Alexis presided at Sunday's council, which Count Lamsdorf, the foreign secretary, and Vice Admiral Avellan, chief of the admiralty department, and other high naval authorities attended. The result of the conferences removes all doubts concerning the present attitude of Russia with regard to the volunteer fleet. The validity of the view expressed in the British note regarding the irregularity of the position of the vessels was so far admitted that the council agreed to waive the right of search.

After a long discussion, in which Count Lamsdorf took a leading part, it was decided that the present status of the volunteer fleet was not sufficiently well defined according to international law to render further searches and seizures advisable, and that therefore Russia in the interest of friendly negotiations with the powers should withdraw the authority given the volunteer fleet in this respect.

Malacca's Liberation.

St. Petersburg: It is said that the liberation of the Pepinsular and Oriental steamship Malacca will occur at Agiers.

tion in the high road to Mukden, according to the report, but strong Japanese columns with thirty guns were advancing along the left bank of the Tai Tse river in the direction of Siakhotan.

Disposition of Japanese.

Liao Yang: The Japanese forces to the eastward are grouped at Liaokho, Fenshui and Sigowlin passes. The southern army is at Siuyen, in close touch, and apparently awaiting developments.

Yin Kow is quite free from Japanese troops who have made no attempt to occupy it.

Gone to the Bottom.

Tokio: The Russian Vladivostok squadron has sunk the merchantman which it captured off the coast of Idzu Province Sunday. The name of this ship and her nationality are not known, and nothing has been learned of the fate of her crew.

The Russian warships were last reported at 11 o'clock Sunday morning to the southwest of Cape Iro, Idzu Province, steering to the west.

Cape Iro is about thirty-five miles southwest of Yokohama and about fifty miles from the entrance to the bay upon which Yokohama and Tokio are located.

A Probable Prize.

Tokio: It is reported that a merchant vessel is accompanying the Vladivostok squadron which was sighted Sunday morning sixty miles off Idzu. It is probable that the merchantman is a captive.

Mouth and Foot Disease.

Lubbock, Texas: Stockmen in the northeastern part of this county report a mouth and foot disease among their cattle which is causing some loss. The disease causes the tongue to swell and rot. The feet become tender and swell and the appearance while walking is as if the cattle were foundered. Some are using sulphur salt and saltpeter, while others are trying copperas.

The disease seems to be a new one, as none of them have seen it before. Our grass is fine and cattle doing well outside of this mouth disease, but many are uneasy for fear it will become general. Although it doesn't seem to be catching, as cattle in herds where the disease is are not affected. If the disease is known by any one and there is a remedy, the plains cattlemen would appreciate a remedy.

A Dallas Killing.

Dallas, Texas: Bert Kirkpatrick, a tailor, aged about 25, was shot five times and instantly killed in a saloon in the lower part of town late Sunday afternoon. Tom F. Hendricks, a bartender, aged 27, surrendered to the police. Hendricks talked only slightly about the matter, saying that he believed his action in the matter was justified. Both men live here.

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A shabbily dressed man, wearing a pair of army trousers, was arrested and fined in Stratford, England, for "bringing discredit on his majesty's uniform."

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In the thirty years from 1870 to 1890 the population of the country doubled, while its wealth more than trebled, the increase being more than \$64,000,000,000, or enough to create nearly 100,000,000 new millionaires.

Europeans have discovered that Patagonia is not an irreclaimable wilderness and the tide of immigration is turning that way.

Sleeplessness on a cold night is often caused by the head, which is exposed, being cold while the rest of the body is warm. In nine cases out of ten if a silk handkerchief is put over the head it will produce the much desired sleep.

When a man loses his hair he always consoles himself by thinking that being bald gives him a nice, fatherly, patriarchal sort of look.

The mean longevity of the poor in Italy is only twenty-eight years, while that of the well to do class is fifty-five years.

Two Baltimore firms have the handling of contracts for 10,000 pounds of Maryland tobacco for the French government.

AT THE AGE OF 13.

Interesting Relic of Musician Liszt Discovered in Paris.

An interesting relic of Liszt has been recovered at Paris. At the age of 13 he composed "Don Sanche," the libretto of which was written by Theaulon, who, in the course of his career, was the author of 250 pieces for the stage, and by De Rance, who is not known to have made any other effort in dramatic literature. After four performances "Don Sanche" retired into the obscurity which befalls the majority of literary and musical efforts. The MS. was believed to have been destroyed in the fire at the Rue Lepelletier, but M. Jean Chantavoine has found the score in the Bibliotheque de l'Opera. It fills two volumes and contains in all 837 pages. Apparently "Don Sanche" is not a very original production. The music even of Liszt at the age of 13 could hardly be more than an echo. Nor does the libretto exhibit any great amount of novelty, for the theme is taken from a tale by Florian who calls it Portuguese.

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Announcements.

FOR CONGRESS.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Jno. N. Garner for re-election to Congress from this district, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce M. P. Malone for re-election to the office of County Judge.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce E. A. Jones for the office of County Judge.

FOR SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Mr. Tom Perry for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector.

FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Ira Shely as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce O. F. Seargeant for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce H. Nutt as a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce H. Falcott for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1.

Corsicana, Tex., July 25.— Gabriel F. Caselle, formerly of San Antonio, but a student in Cincinnati for the past six years, is in this city as a guest of Prof. E. T. Croft. Caselle is called by his Cincinnati admirers, the second Jean De Rezke, and his magnificent tenor voice was heard at the Navarro club this evening where he sang for a few friends. His visit here is strictly a social one but the local musicians are endeavoring to induce him to give a few recitals in this part of the State.—Express.

Mr. Caselle is an old Brackett boy and is well remembered here. He served his apprenticeship at the anvil in the shop of our fellow townsman Wm. Kitch. Success to you Gabe.

A Special to the San Antonio Express from Laredo dated July 23, says: The Republican

Congressional Convention for the Fifteenth District was called to order this evening by Judge Luhy, district chairman, and J.M.Spann of Frio was elected chairman, and Harry Moore of Velasco, secretary. Dr. Moore of Guadalupe and J.S.Morin of Kinney were put in nomination for Congress. On call of the roll Morin received fifty-two and Dr. Moore forty votes. Morin's nominations was then made unanimous. C. C. Pierce of Webb was chosen chairman of the executive committee and Dr. Moore Presidential elector. Mr. Morin, the nominee, was recently district attorney of the sixty-first Judicial District. The Republicans claim to have the district thoroughly organized and propose to make a big fight and are enthusiastic over their prospects. The delegates were a

of Marfa was unanimously chosen chairman of the executive committee, and J. P. Sanford secretary. The Ninety-ninth Representative convention also met here. J. F. McKenzie of Pecos City was unanimously chosen."

A representative of the NEWS visited Mr. Sweeney's beautiful property this week. Mr. Sweeney is making extensive improvements. The gasoline engine is on the ground, pipes are being laid in every direction, the tank is finished, the garden spot is being grubbed, fruit trees will be planted and other improvements made. This will be one of the most desirable places in town when the various improvements are completed.

teen years. His first official duty was that of deputy sheriff, which he filled for two years. He was then elected County and District Clerk and for ten successive years has filled the office honestly and faithfully. This being the voice of the people, stands as an excellent record and if re-elected he will continue to give the office the same careful attention.

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- 3 In the Dusk of the Twilight, song, duet
- 4 The Tournament, mandolin, banjo, piano.
- 5 Berceuse, violin and piano
- 6 Het Klaver Rack, piano solo
- 7 The Lawn Dance, mandolin, banjo, guitar
- 8 Mary and Marie, song
- 9 Fancy Dances, violin 2 guitars
- 10 Guitar solo
- 11 Song
- 12 Banjo Duet
- 13 When 'tis moonlight, mandolin, banjo. Guitar.
- 14 Camp of Glory March, banjo mandolin, piano
- 15 La Serenade, violin, piano
- 16 Slumber Song
- 17 Sebastopol, three guitars

A very interesting game of base ball was played on the field at the Post Tuesday afternoon between I and M troop of the 1st Cavalry, resulting in a score of 1 to 6 in favor of troop I. I troop scored one run in the early part of the game and up to about the 6th inning it was a very pretty game of ball. M troop scored one run about the 6th inning but seemed to be weak the remainder of the game, and I troop scored five more runs.

Jim Clamp shipped out two cars of horses this week which he had sold to Nath Underwood of San Antonio,

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fine looking body of men and were hospitably entertained by citizens of Laredo.

A special to the San Antonio Express from Alpine dated July 23, says: "The Democratic convention for the Sixty-third Judicial District was held here today. Walter Gillis of Del Rio was made temporary and permanent chairman, and W. J. Niggle secretary. H. H. Kilpatrick of Marfa, recently a candidate for district judge, nominated B. C. Thomas of Alpine, the present incumbent, for district judge. The nomination was seconded by J. G. Griner of Del Rio, and Judge Thomas was unanimously chosen. J. M. Price of Del Rio nominated George M. Thurmond of Del Rio for district attorney and he was unanimously chosen, J. A. Gillett

Miss Lucy Windus, the former teacher of the Spofford school is preparing for exhibition at St. Louis, a bit of work of one of her pupils, Master Zuehl, a son of our worthy friend O.W. Zuehl of Spofford. Three beautiful maps is the work referred to, the execution of which reflects the greatest credit on both pupil and teacher and we know that "agent" Zuehl is proud of the young branch. Miss Windus will be pleased to show this marvelous work to anyone wishing to see it. The age of Master Zuehl is fourteen years.

In this issue appears the announcement of O. F. Seargeant for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk. Mr. Seargeant is one of the best known men in Kinney county, having resided here for four-

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LOCAL.

R. V. Sauer has returned from a trip to Mexico.

H. C. Hunt made a business trip to Del Rio Tuesday.

A. Carlson left this week on a visit to the World's fair and other points north.

Mrs. James Ballantyne and daughter Miss Laura visited in San Antonio this week.

Mrs. A. M. Combs returned this week from a years visit to her daughter in New York.

Misses Lucy and Cora Windus returned Friday from a trip to the World's Fair.

Doc Fowler was in from the Vick ranch this week trading. Doc has about abandoned the well drilling business.

Al Brooks and Rufe McCarty were here this week and report good rains in the northern part of the county.

Geo. Petty and Wheat Yancey were here from Liveoak this week and say the rain was good in their section.

The glorious rain again visited Brackett this week and reports come from over the whole country that it was general. Vegetation was becoming very dry and the rain was a blessing to the country, coming at the right time.

W. G. Miller, foreman of the Vick ranch had the misfortune of breaking his leg the early part of the week, by falling from a gate while loading cattle

at Standart. He was brought to the Post hospital where the limb was set by Dr. Woodson and the News hopes he will soon be out again.

Romus Salmon visited the village Monday. Mr. Salmon not only looks prosperous but is so and says that everything out his way is in the same happy condition.

There was a game of baseball played Sunday afternoon between the colored boys and Mexicans which resulted in a score of 6 to 16 in favor of the Mexicans.

There is to be another grand time at Kickapoo Springs on the 4th and 5th of August. Everybody invited and all can feel assured of a good time. Barbecue and dances on the nights of the 4th and 5th.

Mr. Frank Reming and family after a pleasant visit to relatives and friends in our county departed for their home at Hammond, La., Wednesday. Miss Addie Rivers accompanied her sister to Hammond.

The Terrell hotel is in the hands of the carpenter and painter. We notice a great many other improvements around town, and Brackett will surely come to the front. Keep an eye on the old town.

Tom Whaley of Mud creek was in shaking hands with friends Monday. He reports things as booming out his way.

Munroe Washington, a colored boy from the Seminole camp below this place was killed at Del Rio the early part of the week by being run over by an engine. The body was badly

cut to pieces but there was something suspicious about the case and two other colored boys who were with him are being held pending an investigation.

The following lines are written, printed and dedicated to Col. J. C. Carr, of San Antonio, Texas, by his friend A. W. C., of Missouri:

I'm from Missouri, You've got to show me,
I've lately been to the World's Fair,
I've seen Santos Dumont's flying machine,
And the quaint little Pigmys so rare.

I've seen the Brown man of the Philippines,
Indians, Igarotes and Moros as well,
Have seen many people go up in the air
And the man in the deep diving bell.

I've rubbered and rubbered around the Pike
I've hunted the Cafe and "bar"
Something is lacking, I want to see
The great "Locomotive" Car.

I've read in the papers out in the West
The glorious deeds of this man,
And expected to find when at the Fair
J. C. Carr to be leading the Van.

I've hunted and hunted and rubbered,
And still not a trace did I see,—
One of the great Heroes of Texas
The home of the brave and the free.

I searched in the different buildings,
From the highest to the lowest spot
I searched in the Texas exhibit,
I searched, but found it not.

There's one thing surely missing,
I'm from Missouri, you've got to show me
'Tis the face of "Old Leather Breeches,"
The great "Locomotive" J. C.

But I have just heard that he's coming
To visit the world's greatest Fair,
And Dumont will not be in it
When the old Indian fighter gets there.

There'll be ladies and thousands to see him
To get a grip of his paw,
And hear him tell of Indian tales
In Texas before the war.

You bet I'll be there to see him
Along with thousands more,
He will be Texas' greatest feature,
He is a Texan to the core.

If there's anything there that's greater,
I'm from Mo., you've got to show me,
Than the smiling face of congenial Jim,
The great "Locomotive" J. C.

The many friends of Herbert Himes will be pleased to learn of his recent promotion to the

responsible position of Chief Clerk to the Supt. of car service, Mexican National Railway in the City of Mexico. Herbert has not yet attained his majority. He is a Brackett boy, graduated from West Texas Military Academy and is the only child of Mrs. Helen Himes of our town.

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Jack McCurley and wife from near Eagle Pass are visiting at the Mariposa farm.

The man who wrote "Dixie" is dead. An old-time minstrel, he passed away at his home in Mount Vernon, O., at the ripe age of 88. It is not known whether Dan Emmett ever composed anything else or not, but if he did it was lost in the tumultuous acclaim that greeted the stirring notes of "Dixie" from one end of the Union to the other.

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IN THE MIKADO'S EMPIRE.

Travelling is Not Altogether an Un-Mixed Delight.

A lady travelling in Japan gives the following sketch of an inn at which she stopped: "The landlord and his wife and the servants all come to talk to you and when you inform the company that you are sleepy and want your bed laid, everybody says at once, 'Honorable bed augustly is it?' but nobody does anything, and when at last you have achieved your desire you have to force apart, in defiance of police regulations, the wooden shutters which hermetically seal the house, in order to avoid being smothered with the fumes of charcoal and humans. As soon as things are quiet enough rats chase over the rooms and generally over you as well, and sometimes bite you. One o'clock in the morning, in the old Japanese reckoning, was called 'the hour of the rat,' doubtless for this reason. And all night long the watchman sounds his rattle to show that he is attending to his duties. You have to be up with the cock to get the first go at the bath, which is only filled once, and the wash hand basin, which is only as large as a cake tin, is always kept in the veranda."

Proved Beyond a Doubt.

Middlesex, N. Y., July 25.—(Special.)—That Rheumatism can be cured has been proved beyond a doubt by Mrs. Betsey A. Clawson, well known here. That Mrs. Clawson had Rheumatism and had it bad, all her acquaintances know. They also know she is now cured. Dodd's Kidney Pills did it. Mrs. Clawson tells the story of her cure as follows:

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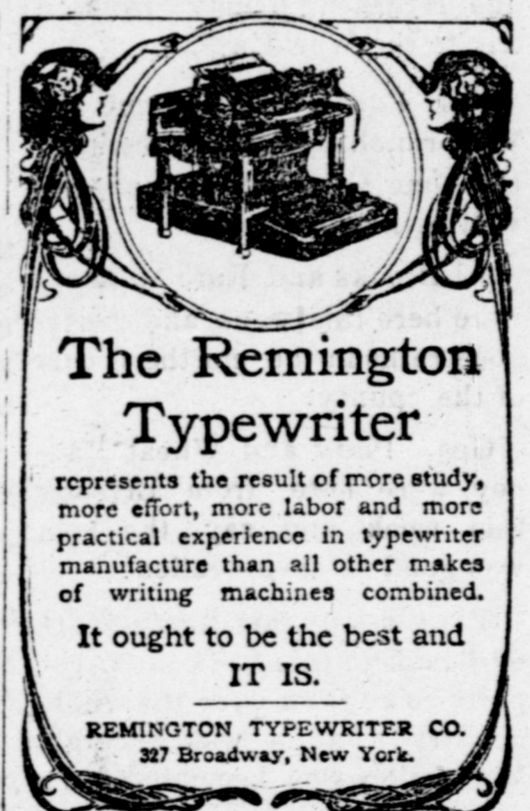
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Tien Tsin, July 25.—News has reached here that a battle is raging outside of New Chwang. The fighting can be seen from the housetops.

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Battle Near New Chwang.

New Chwang: A battle was fought Saturday near Ta Tche Kiao, attended, it is believed, with heavy losses. The progress of the battle was watched by many people in New Chwang from the roofs of the houses. The day was clear and the smoke of the guns could be plainly seen.

Was at Ta Hsui.

Tien Tsin: A report from New Chwang states that Saturday's battle was at Ta Hsui, six miles distant, and that the Japanese were successful.

Many Chinese refugees arriving at New Chwang have reported that nine Japanese guns from Port Arthur have arrived at Tah Ting Shan.

Japs Advance Toward Siakhotan.

St. Petersburg: Lieut. Gen. Sakharoff, in a dispatch to General Staff, dated July 23, reports skirmishes in the vicinity of Kai Chou on July 22.

Lieut. Gen. Count Keller's reconnaissances on the same day showed that the Japanese had only weak detachments at the Siakokao and Wangkau passes.

There was no change in the situation in the high road to Mukden, according to the report, but strong Japanese columns with thirty guns were advancing along the left bank of the Tai Tse river in the direction of Siakhotan.

Disposition of Japanese.

Liao Yang: The Japanese forces to the eastward are grouped at Liaokho, Fenshui and Sigowlin passes. The southern army is at Siuyen, in close touch, and apparently awaiting developments.

Yin Kow is quite free from Japanese troops who have made no attempt to occupy it.

Gone to the Bottom.

Tokio: The Russian Vladivostok squadron has sunk the merchantman which it captured off the coast of Idzu Province Sunday. The name of this ship and her nationality are not known, and nothing has been learned of the fate of her crew.

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A Probable Prize.

Tokio: It is reported that a merchant vessel is accompanying the Vladivostok squadron which was sighted Sunday morning sixty miles off Idzu. It is probable that the merchantman is a captive.

A Family Affair.

Knoxville, Tenn.: A special to the Journal and Tribune from Jonesboro, Tenn., says that Robert Keys has been shot and killed by his son in law, Joe Martin, at the Keys home, twelve miles from Jonesboro. No details are obtainable. Keys was a prosperous farmer and both families are prominent.

May Go to Manila.

Rome: The Giornale d'Italia says that it is likely that Mgr. Falconi, the apostolic delegate in the United States will be transferred to Manila to replace the late Mgr. Guidi.

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CHAPTER IX.

The Bellona.

The pleasure craft Pope had boarded was by no means a rich one. Her name was the Bellona; she was from Terceira; the countess and two nieces had been left to winter among the oranges and sweet winds of an island.

The Earl had several occasions to go home; one was a parliamentary need, and lo! behold his lordship's stately figure in the thick of his dastardly crew, being rowed away by pirates to a little armed brig, while the two captains sacked his vessel.

But they found very little. The hairy scoundrels grew wanton in disappointment and roared out blasphemies as they smashed the mirrors and ripped through the cushions with their cutlasses. It was almost dark when they had secured the available plunder, among which was a considerable store of provisions, fine wine, brandies, and champagne, and a small quantity of live stock, chiefly poultry. The booty was taken on board the brig by Crystal.

Pope remained with a few men to

course which John Spaniard was to traverse, and Captain Pope, stepping up to the Earl, made him a polite bow, and begged the honor of his company at supper in the cabin.

The nobleman followed the captain and they sat down to a meal of cold food which had been plundered from the snow. Champagne and wine were put upon the table by the cabin man; the Earl knew to whom those bottles had belonged.

"I would thank you, Captain Pope, as I gather your name is," he said, "to tell me how you propose I am to return home, and when?"

"We must wait upon the chances of the sea, my lord," replied Pope in his pleasantest manner. "Your person is safe."

The Earl made a stiff motion with his head.

"We're ill-used gentlemen," says Crystal, breaking in with a hiccup. "Would have us starve ashore when there are plenty of rich pearly oysters washing along at sea waiting for our cutlasses to open them?"

"You do not spare your fellow-countrymen?" says the Earl.

"We have none," answered Pope,



"You shall be sent home," said Pope.

provide for the extermination of the pleasure craft. In a small carpenter's chest in the forecabin they found an auger. With this tool one of the sailors who understood carpentry, was dispatched by Pope into the hold, there to drill to starboard and larboard, four holes under water in the vessel's side. While the wretch was thus employed, the others lighted a lantern and hoisted it by the signal halyards to the main topmast head.

After the holes had been bored, they all stood a minute at the coamings of the hatch to listen to the noise of the water running in. Then Pope sings out:

"In with us, men."

And dropping into the boat, they rowed aboard the brig.

The crew of the Bellona were massed in the forepart. It went swiftly about that the schooner had been scuttled; and the pirates overhung the bulwarks waiting for her to go down. At last she sank. She had filled rapidly, and the melting out of her shadowy shape, and the downward flight of her lantern and its sudden extinction in the smoky gloom which overlay the sea, made an ocean vision that had enough of awe, mystery and terror in it to subdue into brief silence even the swarm of rough blackguards who watched.

The brig was rounded away for the

grimly. "Poverty has no country. This is excellent champagne; let me fill your lordship's glass."

"Where are you bound to, gentlemen?" said the Earl.

"To the devil, I fear!" answered Pope. "Clear that stuff up," continued he, addressing the cabin man, "and put fiddles upon the table."

The supper was ended. Crystal, with a bottle of champagne in his hand, withdrew to his narrow couch. Pope said:

"I little thought this humble cabin would have been honored by the presence of so great a nobleman. You are doubtless fatigued after the events of the day; would your lordship like to withdraw?"

"Where am I to sleep?" says the Earl, with a start, revolving his great nose slowly in a survey of the plain interior.

"There," answered Pope, pointing, "is a comfortable little berth—your lordship is an old soldier—a bolster and a blanket—"

Lord Fitzgibbon waved his hand, upon which Pope, strangely enough for the first time, took notice of a very handsome ring.

"My lord," says the captain with a change of face, "I must trouble you to give me that ring."

It seemed for a moment as though the Earl would expostulate, then with

such a countenance as one might conceive on a judge who by some scurvy transition of fortune is convicted by the felon he should have sentenced, he drew off the splendid ruby, and Captain Pope with a bow put it in his pocket.

"See to his lordship's wants," said Pope to the cabin servant; "that's his berth," and he went on deck.

"Where are the schooner's people?" he asked.

"Some are below in the 'tween-decks," was the answer.

Some, including the lord's valet, were forward. The captain of the schooner had been knocked about.

"On an empty stomach, as I reckon, the bloomed cuss had taken in half a pint of gin, forced to it by the good nature of our men. This set him abusin' of our callin' and I hope his left eye ain't been quenched."

"Did he make a good stand?"

"As good as a man can make agin five too many, himself mucked up with liquor."

"He shall join us if he is a fighter," said Pope, "and we'll send John adrift. I want more men."

Crystal had been in charge from midnight till four. He was now turned in again, bravely snoring to the melody of the tiller ropes, and the ugly devil Grindal walked the deck. When the dawn broke he turned his gaze astern, and the first sight he beheld was a large ship full-robbed to the very height of her main-royal.

"Good thunder! A Yankee," says the boatswain; he had the most interpreting eye for a ship that ever villain winked. She was coming up hand over fist, a noble sight as her stirless sails, sweetly shadowed, soft as penciling at their leeches, by the growing light in the east, swelled like yearning breasts one above another, bowing stately to each white leap of water which blew in mist from the thrust of the stem, blackening the canvas forward. Many besides the boatswain were now watching her meteoric passage; among them was the Earl, who looked as if he had not slept, and Captain Pope.

"Captain Pope!" exclaimed the Earl, with majestic fervor, "would it not be possible for you to transfer me and my people to yonder vessel? She would receive me for the consideration I would offer."

"We will keep you for that consideration," answered Pope. "We are now your friends, and you know we are gentlemen in need of what yonder fellow has doubtless plenty of. Dollars, my lord, dollars! It shall not be long before you are sent home, and you are a man of great honor."

Lord Fitzgibbon stared at him like an eagle. He read some further intent in the tall and handsome pirate's face and his brows gathered into a bush over his great nose.

They could not walk that staggering, bounding deck, and a little before breakfast Captain Pope, grasping the Earl by the arm to steady him, conducted him into the cabin. Here they were joined by Crystal.

"You took a ring from me yesterday," said the Earl, at which saying Crystal glared. "It is an heirloom, and I treasure it. Will you suffer me to purchase it from you? I will write an order upon my bankers for a hundred guineas."

"For two hundred it shall be yours," said Captain Pope.

The Earl bowed. Piracy was on stilts this windy morning.

"What ring are ye talking of?" says Crystal jealously.

Pope pulled it out of his waistcoat pocket, and said: "Give it to his lordship when you have examined it."

"This is worth three hundred guineas," says Crystal, with greed in his eyes, while his strong jaws chewed like a bull's. Pope said nothing, and my lord, receiving the ring from Crystal, pocketed it.

"Who are your bankers, my lord?" said Pope, after a short silence.

The Earl, faintly smiling, answered, "Child's."

"I will at once," continued Pope, in his most affable manner, "explain Captain Crystal's and my intentions toward your lordship and your peo-

ple. Such of your crew as will not join us will be transferred to the first vessel that will take them; but it is our intention to keep you with us for the present, and to part with you only on condition that you give us a draft for two thousand guineas for your liberty."

"You shall have my draft," cried the poor old gentleman, suddenly losing his self-control; "but I implore you, for God's sake, not to detain me long in this miserable and terrifying situation."

"You shall be sent home," said Pope, "and we two captains will trust the eloquent Earl Fitzgibbon up to the very hilt as a man of the strictest honor."

The old nobleman bowed his white head with a gesture of dignity mingled with indignation and grief. This extraordinary conversation then terminated.

When Captain Pope went on deck he found the breeze moderating, and, after searching the sea with his eye, he ordered the boatswain to make sail.

Then, standing at the main rigging, and looking at the people in the forepart, Pope spied the skipper of the schooner. The man's left eye was black, his face showed signs of his having been savagely knuckled, and one arm was slung in a piece of rope round his neck. Pope roared out: "Send the captain and crew of the schooner aft."

They arrived presently, and made a group close abaft the mainmast. After a cool and critical survey, during which he molded a cigar with both hands, Pope sung out:

"You look a likely lot; do you know our character?"

The schooner's men made no answer, save that one broke into a low satiric grunt of laughter.

"Ours is a jolly roving life," continued Pope, while at this moment the Earl came out of the cabin and stood, holding on by the companion, looking and listening. "You were late captain of the schooner," he continued, taking no notice of the injuries the man had received; "will you join us—you shall hear the terms—"

"No, by h—!" roared the skipper.

Pope looked in silence with a red face at the livid-eyed master, turned his head with a gesture of withering contempt, and, catching sight of the Earl, called out, "He runs too fast to make a pirate, my lord."

"He has a wife and children," answered the Earl, swaying to his clutch of the companion.

"There's a man that should join us," said Pope, pointing with an ironical forefinger to the valet, who stood among the little crowd, limp, yellow and shuddering.

"I am not used to fight, sir," cried the poor wretch. "I am his lordship's servant, and cannot desert him."

Pope gave a short laugh, which was echoed among his men, and turning to the Earl exclaimed, "He'll not desert you, my lord." The contempt in his tone was perhaps reflected in his lordship's silence and gaze. But not a man of the schooner's crew would join the pirates, and when this was made clear, Pope swung on his heel and walked aft to Lord Fitzgibbon.

(To be continued.)

Back to the Sun.

"The mob must be cowed," says the New York Sun, and the Boston Globe says "this is bully." Whereupon the Biddeford Journal remarks, "To go at a subject in this manner is mere horse-play." It is to be hoped that these unkind speeches will go no further. They make one feel sheep.—Portland Press.

O, try and bear up with it; they're only kid-ding.—Fall River Globe.

The New York Sun is to blame for this.

Our Glorious Country.

Chain Tin Sin has left San Francisco for China, taking his family and \$1,000,000 with him. He was penniless when he came to the United States.

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Origin of Golden Bee Emblem.

It is said that when the tomb of Childeric, a king of the first Frankish dynasty in the fifth century, was opened in the seventeenth century hundreds of golden bees were found in it. So when the French empire was established the golden bee was adopted as one of its emblems.

Modern Foot is Smaller.

It is asserted by a sculptor that the human foot is becoming smaller. The masculine foot of twenty centuries ago was about twelve inches long. The average man's foot of to-day is easily fitted with a No. 8½ shoe, which is not above ten inches and seven-sixteenths in length.

"I am too ill to come to court to-day; I remand the case to tomorrow," was the excuse sent by a missing Kafir witness to the assistant magistrate at Kimberley.

Still More Evidence.

Bay City, Ill., August 8 (Special).—Mr. K. F. Henley of this city adds his evidence to that published almost daily that a sure cure for Rheumatism is now before the American people and that that cure is Dodd's Kidney Pills. Mr. Henley had Acute Rheumatism. He has used Dodd's Kidney Pills. He says of the result: "After suffering for sixteen years with Rheumatism and using numerous medicines for Rheumatism and more medicines prescribed by doctors, I at last tried Dodd's Kidney Pills with the result that I got more benefit from them than all the others put together.

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Miss Beatrice Tomasson, an English woman, accompanied by guide Joseph Demarchi, has made a successful ascent of Mont Blanc, in spite of a heavy fall of snow.

Many Good—One Best.

"So many Oils and Liniments are advertised it is hard to decide which to buy. I tried a number before using Hunt's Lightning Oil. After using it once, however, I realized I had found the best there was, and it was useless to look further. If it fails its 'all off.' No other liniment will hit the spot if Hunt's Lightning Oil fails."

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The facade of the Milan cathedral, which was completed in great haste in 1813 by order of Napoleon, and which has always been a blot on the building, is now to be entirely renovated.

As to Eyebrows.

"I always look at a man's eyebrows before employing him," says a successful tradesman. "If they meet I know I am getting an active, shrewd, calculating, determined, ambitious and generally successful employe—one who will rise."

To Grow Cotton in Africa.

Germany, following the course of the English and French cotton manufacturers, is agitating a movement to cultivate cotton in German Africa, with the idea of securing a source of supply independent of the American market.

Loss Due to Fire.

A Birmingham, England, insurance office recently received a claim for compensation from a woman for the loss of a joint of meat which was burnt in the oven. She informed them that the loss was due to fire.

As to Proper Marrying Age.

"My dear sir," replied Max O'Rell to a correspondent who wrote asking him at what age he considered he should marry. "Some people should not marry until they are 470 years old. I should say in your case between 230 and 280 would do excellently."

First Real Use of Torpedoes.

Though the Russians employed stationary mines in harbors during 1854-5, torpedo historians date the real start of the weapon from the outbreak of the American civil war. It was used with considerable effect during that struggle.

Every housekeeper should know that if they will buy Defiance Cold Water Starch for laundry use they will save not only time, because it never sticks to the iron, but because each package contains 16 oz.—one full pound—while all other Cold Water Starches are put up in ¼-pound packages, and the price is the same, 10 cents. Then again because Defiance Starch is free from all injurious chemicals. If your grocer tries to sell you a 12-oz. package it is because he has a stock on hand which he wishes to dispose of before he puts in Defiance. He knows that Defiance Starch has printed on every package in large letters and figures "16 ozs." Demand Defiance and save much time and money and the annoyance of the iron sticking. Defiance never sticks.

In Japanese public schools instruction is given in hygiene and physiology. A Berlin newspaper remarks that in this respect educational Japan is ahead of Prussia.

Italian small coin no longer circulates in France, having all been returned to Italy some year back, since when it has been demonetized in France.

Henry Rosenberg, of Galveston, Texas, bequeathed funds for the erection of a library to be used for negroes exclusively. This is said to be the first instance of the kind in the South.

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Announcements.

FOR CONGRESS.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Jno. N. Garner for re-election to Congress from this district, subject to the action of the Democratic party.

FOR COUNTY JUDGE.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce M. P. Malone for re-election to the office of County Judge.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce E. A. Jones for the office of County Judge.

FOR SHERIFF & TAX COLLECTOR.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Mr. Tom Perry for the office of Sheriff and Tax Collector.

FOR COUNTY AND DISTRICT CLERK.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce Ira Shely as a candidate for the office of County and District Clerk.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce O. F. Seargeant for re-election to the office of County and District Clerk.

FOR JUSTICE OF THE PEACE.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce H. Nutt as a candidate for the office of Justice of the Peace Precinct No. 1.

THE NEWS is authorized to announce H. Falcott for re-election to the office of Justice of the Peace, Precinct No. 1.

The question of wages and hours of work has cropped out in Alabama where some six thousand miners have struck. Possibly this madness is partially due to the hot weather.

The United States Steel Corporation reports a business of \$20,000,000 for the past three months, or 1,000,000 more than was necessary to declare a dividend. This is certainly as tangible an evidence of general prosperity as any optimist could wish.

Few people, outside of the railway operatives and the packing house owners, realize how serious an interruption to business a great strike is; the loss of tonnage to Western railroads from suspension of shipments by the butcher's strike is about \$100,000 a day. The main loss in receipts from the

West was 2,000,000 pounds of dressed beef daily. There has been a loss in shipments of dressed beef in one week of 8,875,000. Add to this the loss in wages, and the total extra amount paid as the result of high prices, and the figures would run into the millions.

How much capital have you invested in the worrying business? Some folks put everything they have into it and never draw out a cent. All they get in the end is crow's feet around their eyes, sour faces and dried up souls. Does it pay?

Up to July 23rd, the attendance at the world's fair in St. Louis aggregated 5,105,735. This includes many free passes. The daily attendance is now over

thirty-seven mills closed down. This is thought to be the beginning of a determined contest. There are those who fear the strike will extend all over New England.

The Floresville Chronicle thus comments:

"Hon. J. S. Morin an attorney of Brackett, Kinney county, was nominated at Laredo last week as the Republican candidate for Congress from this, the 15th Congressional district. This writer is personally acquainted with Mr. Morin, and is of the opinion that the Republicans have done him an injustice. He is entirely too good a man to be led to the slaughter. Mr. Morin has lived in Brackett ever since he was a boy, and was a good cowboy, and later was a deputy sheriff

be sacrificed just to hold the party organization together.

Both Republican and Democratic politicians are now conjuring with the electoral votes, each claiming enough to put their candidate into the White House. In Pennsylvania the Secretary of the State Republican Committee predicts a plurality for Roosevelt of 300,000. This is certainly enough to carry the State, provided there is not another strike between now and November. Representative Hull, of Iowa, gives it as his opinion that all the states west of the Mississippi will go for Roosevelt. On the other hand, the Democrats claim that many of the great states east of the Mississippi river will cast their vote for Parker. There may be such a thing as geographical politics, but much depends upon the labor situation during the ensuing six months.

Last week the News made mention of the killing of Monroe Washington at Del Rio. He in company of two other colored boys, all from the Seminole camp at this place, were at work on the big irrigation ditch Del Rio. They went to town that night and when returning to the camp they became involved in a quarrel. Between them they killed young Washington and left him on the railroad track, and a train coming by shortly afterward cut the body to pieces. Something looked suspicious about the case and the other two boys were jailed. On being closely questioned they admitted the crime.

At the beginning of the season a number of farmers in this section planted cotton as an experiment, and so far everyone reports their experiment very satisfactory. Alec Galimore, on Liveoak, has in about 20 acres and has already had a part of it ginned. On Mud Creek the fields are beautiful and there is no doubt but that it will all make fine crops. So far there has been no sign of the dreaded boll weevil.

Stratton & Co., offer for sale for agricultural purposes, in tracts to suit the purchaser, the 4428 acres Karnes county School land, situated in Kinney county, adjoining the town of Brackettville. If you want a farm on easy terms, now is your chance.

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80,000, and last Saturday the highest figure was reached being 102,000. The prospect now is that the attendance will gradually increase until the close. In this event the fair will be a financial success.

The cotton industry is having more than its share of ups and downs. The great disturbance began with the reckless speculation on the Cotton Exchange in New York, followed by the failure of Sulley. Then came the cotton boll weevil fight, the insect threatening to destroy all the cotton in Texas. Following all this has come a great depression in the market for cotton goods, with an attempt to reduce the wages of operatives in New England. Thirty thousand hands are on strike in Fall River, Mass., with

—but spoiled his start in life by putting in spare time studying law. Since then he has been prominent in Republican councils of Brackettville, and even then had a showing to do something in the legal line, had he not listened to the enthusiasm of Joe Veltman and Tom Martin (two personal friends of this writer too) who, it seems have persuaded him to accept the nomination for Congress—only to be politically annihilated by our little Jho. N. Garner, of whom the people of the 15th are justly proud. Of course the nomination for Congress would put Mr. Morin in line for "something just as good" at the pie counter should Teddy be re-elected, but even that chance is awfully slim. Yes, we are put out with our Brackett friends. Mr. Morin is entirely too good a man to

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Miss Flory Dooley has returned from School at Denton.

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Born to Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Little, July 31st, a son.

W.A. Bonnet and family were here Monday from Eagle Pass.

Use Holmes mosquito lotion. It drives the pests away.

C. M. Moody is here from Arizona on a visit to his family.

Miss Birdie Fisher of St Louis is here visiting her mother Mrs. H.C. Neer.

Prof. Horn and family have returned from a visit to Del Rio.

Geo. Windus recently returned from a month's visit to the World's Fair.

O. F. Seargeant and family returned Sunday from a visit to Mr. Seargeant's parents at Liberty Hill, Texas.

A. V. Boyce of Del Rio, was in Brackett the latter part of last week renewing acquaintances.

The Hon. Commissioner's Court of Kinney county met in regular session Monday the 8th. Full proceedings of the court, also quarterly report in next issue.

Misses Mary Dooley and Agnes Windus have returned from a visit to the World's Fair.

Dr. Gilson of Houston, arrived in Brackett last week, and has his office at Holme's Drug store. The Doctor comes highly recommended.

The many friends of J. H. Pratt will regret to learn that his illness prevents him from going on his trip East. He was to have left this week for Boston, Mass., to attend the encampment of the G. A. R.

Miss Katie Hudson, after a two week's visit in Del Rio, has returned to her home, the Hudson Ranch, accompanied by her sister-in-law, Mrs. George Hudson and children, and Misses Eda Zuercher and Nora Townsend.

Tom Martin and Nevada Whiteley came over from Spoford Sunday evening. Mr. Martin was suffering from a broken and dislocated thumb, the accident having occurred while catching a base ball. Dr. Woodson dressed the broken finger and it is now hoped that Tom will leave such things as base balls alone.

A large crowd from Brackett attended the barbecue at Kickapoo, and as usual everyone spent a very pleasant two day's visit. People were there from all the neighboring towns and country, and the several committees worked hard to see that everything went through as scheduled. There was music, dancing, refreshments and barbecued meat and coffee for two days and everyone had a royal good time.

Tuesday evening the music loving citizens of Brackett were treated to a splendid concert by the Grove Sisters of Eagle Pass. All the pieces on the program were excellent and their performance showed that they were thorough masters of their instruments. They played to a good sized audience and the music and singing was highly enjoyed by all.

BRACKETT'S LATEST SENSATION.
By J. M. Baugh.

Are you on to the latest sensation? It's now all the talk of the day, It's now that Fort Clark reservation Will sure be abandoned, they say.

Some say that the story is fiction, Beyond the least shade of a doubt, And the same people make the prediction That "Brackett will go up the spout."

But if it be true, as they tell it, Let's just let the old matter be, For sure, Uncle Sammy will sell it, And then we will get the S. P.

The S. P. is anxious to get it, Their offer is standing today, And if Uncle Sammy will let it, Then things will be coming our way.

So dont let your thoughts be deceiving, There's not any use feeling blue, No matter which side you'r believing, We'r sure to get one of the two.

Brackettville, Tex., Aug. 8th, 1904.

Sunday evening a part of the old Brackett base ball nine met the famous I Troop nine on the post diamond and a very interesting game of ball was played, resulting in a score of 1 to 3 in favor of I Troop. This was good playing, taking into consideration the fact that the Brackett team disbanded last year and have never touched a ball this season. At the expiration of thirty days they are to play a picked nine from the 1st Cavalry for \$100 a side, this being the time asked by the Brackett team.

Brackett High School will open on Thursday, Sep. 1. We hope to get through with all entrance examination and begin more regular work by the following Monday. Let every pupil expecting to enter come in promptly Sep. 1. This is the surest way to get a good seat and the best way to get started for the sessions work. All who failed in last sessions work and who have been studying this summer to take another examination, should by all means be present the first day. In the mean time they should be reviewing and getting ready. The entrance examinations will be equally as hard as at the close of last session and if pupils delay coming in and are not there Sep. 1, the questions will probably be harder.

The teachers for next session will be placed as follows:

Grade 1. Miss Mittie Jones. Grades 2 and 3 Mrs. Bessie Severns, Grades 4, 5 and 6, Miss Agnes Windus, Grades 7 and 8, Mr. A. H. Stevens, Grades 9 and 10, Prof. A. H. Horn. The Supt. will also spend as much time as can be spared from his own grades in hearing classes from other rooms and in visiting the assistant's rooms.

All pupils who were promoted last session should present their promotion cards on Sep. 1. In case a card has been lost the pupil should apply to Supt. who has copies of all the cards and the records of the grades in each branch, for both session and examination.

Let us educate our children. In ten or twenty years from now it will be an actual necessity for a man to have at least a good practical education in order to maintain a good position in society and in business.



Mrs. Hughson, of Chicago, whose letter follows, is another woman in high position who owes her health to the use of Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

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Mrs. Lelah Stowell, 177 Wellington St., Kingston, Ont., writes:



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Defiance Starch should be in every household, none so good, besides 4 oz. more for 10 cents than any other brand of cold water starch.

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Freight trains carry 1,250,000,000 tons per year.

It is estimated that less than one in one thousand of the rifle balls fired in a modern battle hits anybody, and if one is hit the chance is but one to five that the wound will be fatal.

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Bicyclist Bumps a Deer.

Sporting items from Caribou: A boy by the name of Peikey, while riding down—from Van Buren on a bicycle Tuesday, took a "header" from a very unusual cause. While coming down a hill he ran into a deer, smashing the wheel and throwing him several feet. The deer escaped without injury so far as known, at least it made its way into the woods, but the boy and wheel weren't so lucky.—Lewiston Journal.

Public Labor Exchanges.

France is going to try the experiment of suppressing paying employment agencies and to conduct a public labor exchange in connection with the local municipal government, a register setting forth the offers and demands for work and situations to be maintained at the mayor's office in each community of less than 10,000 inhabitants, and larger communes are to conduct free municipal agencies.

Factories for Mexico.

Mexico is bidding for industries and she is getting them on a large scale. Great factories are being erected in every part of the republic and their products are being protected by the laws of the country. Hundreds of thousands of people who were once idle have learned to work in the mills and factories which have been started.

OLD FASHIONED.

But Still in the Fashion.

It is an ever new and interesting story to hear how one can be entirely made over by change of food.

"For two years I was troubled with what my physician said was the old fashioned dyspepsia.

"There was nothing I could eat but 20 or 30 minutes later I would be spitting my food up in quantities until I would be very faint and weak. This went out from day to day until I was terribly wasted away and without any prospect of being helped.

"One day I was advised by an old lady to try Grape-Nuts and cream leaving off all fatty food. I had no confidence that Grape-Nuts would do all she said for me as I had tried so many things without any help. But it was so simple I thought I would give it a trial she insisted so.

"Well I ate some for breakfast and pretty soon the lady called to see her 'patient' as she called me and asked if I had tried her advice.

"Glad you did child, do you feel some better?"

"No," I said, "I do not know as I do, the only difference I can see is I have no sour stomach and come to think of it I haven't spit up your four teaspoons of Grape-Nuts yet."

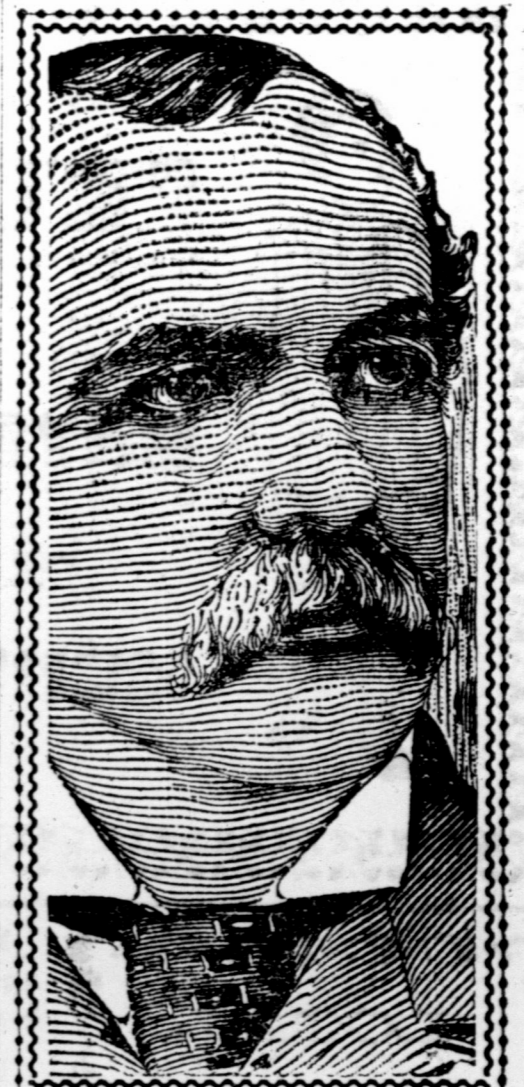
"Nor did I ever have any trouble with Grape-Nuts then or any other time for this food always stays down and my stomach digests it perfectly; I soon got strong and well again and bless that old lady every time I see her.

"Once an invalid of 98 pounds I now weigh 125 pounds and feel strong and well and it is due entirely and only to having found the proper food in Grape-Nuts." Name given my Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich.

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Quilca House, County Cavan, where Dean Swift wrote part of his "Gulliver's Travels," has been sold in the Irish land judge's court, together with the demesne.

Insist on Getting It.

Some grocers say they don't keep Defiance Starch. This is because they have a stock on hand of other brands containing only 12 oz in a package, which they won't be able to sell first, because Defiance contains 16 oz. for the same money.

Do you want 16 oz. instead of 12 oz. for same money? Then buy Defiance Starch. Requires no cooking.

A Japanese bride gives her wedding presents to her parents as a slight recompense for the trouble they have had in rearing her.

During August the visitors to the World's Fair, St. Louis, can stop at the great Hotel Napoleon Bonaparte for \$1.00 per day. Hotel accommodates 1,600 guests, is electric lighted and strictly first-class in every respect. Located only two blocks north of main entrance World's Fair. Take Wabash shuttle trains or through Olive cars from Union Station. Hotel Napoleon Bonaparte, St. Louis.

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Stone Churches Crumble.

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Little Rheumatism in Japan.

Rheumatism is almost unknown in Japan. The Japanese escape the malady to a great degree by avoiding the excessive use of alcohol and tobacco.

Paper Made from Refuse Hops.

The discovery has been made that good paper can be produced from the refuse hops that have hitherto been thrown away in breweries.

Books Are Utilized.

The inhabitants of Mainz, Germany, are great readers. Of the 200,000 volumes in their library, 40,000 were used last year.

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The latest fad among the fashionables at Newport is to cut from the newspapers all that is printed about one's self and then to paste the clippings into scrapbooks. Of course, it is clearly understood that the fashionables themselves do not do the work.

Mr. Claus Spreckles is going to send an Ohio man over to Hawaii to look for an insect that will eat the bugs that eat the sugar cane. It is understood, however, that no effort will be made to kill the trust bug.

Mr. David Miley of New York, 103 years old and good for twenty more, attributes his longevity to his simple habits of life. He eats nothing but stale bread and weak soup, puts sugar in his beer, never visits the barber and never uses soap. Under these circumstances we should think he would pray for an early death.

Just why even an Indiana scientist should care to manufacture more insects will remain a mystery to those of us who know how vain all mosquito dope is where the fish bite best.

It has been discovered that the Marquis of Anglesey had \$200,000 worth of paste gems, which were so well made that even experts had to examine them twice before they were able to detect the counterfeit. Why not have the real thing when paste costs nearly as much and looks the same?

Some scientific fellow has discovered that gasoline automobiles run better at night than in the daytime. This may be because they don't have to run over so many people and dogs.

Swimming Harder Than Climbing.
An Austrian physician, Dr. F. Mueller, has made experiments which demonstrate that swimming is harder work than mountain climbing.

Bronchitis Most Fatal Disease.
Bronchitis is the most fatal disease in England, next consumption, and then heart disease, pneumonia and scarlatina.

Japanese Adieu.

The Japanese word of parting is not "So long" or "See you later," but "Sayonara"—"if it must be so."

Dogs in Funeral Cortege.

At the burial of a South London man his six dogs, draped in black, followed the cortege.

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Greece's Population Increasing.
The population of Greece is said to be increasing faster than that of any other country in Europe at present.

British Drink Much Beer.
The British people drink more beer than the Germans, while the Germans drink more spirits.

High-Power Incandescent Light.
The manufacture of high-power incandescent lights is making progress at Coventry.

Tamalpais.
Tamalpais is Spanish for "The Tamal country." The mountain of that name was so called because it is in the country that was at one time occupied by the Tamal Indians.

English is Optional Study.
English is in the future to be an optional subject in all public schools in Saxony on the ground that it is "the most widely used civilized language in the world."

Advertising Thread.
As an advertisement of its thread a well-known firm has, after several attempts, connected Europe and Asia across the Bosphorus with 1,250 yards of cotton.

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