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Wine Culture in China.

It is announced that a Chinese syndicate intends to open at once in Northern China a large establishment for the production of wine.

Santa Fe Route—California Limited. Leaves Chicago 6 p. m. Wednesdays and Saturdays, reaching Los Angeles in 72 hours...

Equipment of superb vestibuled Pullman palace sleepers, buffet smoking car and dining car. Most luxurious service via any line.

Garden Spots of the South.

The Passenger Department of the Louisville & Nashville R. R. has just issued a hundred page book with the above title.

Negro and Mule Team

An old negro harnessed to a wagon with a mule, hauling two bales of cotton, entered Rome, Ga., the other day.

December 15th there will be homeseeker's excursions via the Missouri Pacific Railway and Iron Mountain route to the west and southwest...

BISSELL WILSON, D. P. A., 111 Adams St., Chicago.

California.

If you will send your name and address we will send a representative to your home to explain all about the advantages of Phillips-Rock Island personally conducted Tourist Car Excursions to California.

Think of the men you have personally known who have been ruined as treasurers of lodges!



Gladness Comes

With a better understanding of the transient nature of the many physical ills, which vanish before proper efforts—gentle efforts—pleasant efforts—rightly directed. There is comfort in the knowledge, that so many forms of sickness are not due to any actual disease, but simply to a congested condition of the system...

If in the enjoyment of good health, and the system is regular, laxatives or other remedies are then not needed. If afflicted with any actual disease, you may be comforted by the most skillful physicians, but if in need of a laxative, you should have the best, and with the most beneficial effects, Syrup of Figs, the most general and most beneficial.

TOOK HIS OWN LIFE.

REV. JAMES MILLER WAS NOT MURDERED.

Evidence Found That the Unfortunate Man Purchased the Revolver in Springfield on Monday—Had Worried Over His Affairs.

The Rev. James Miller, pastor of Grace Methodist church at Bloomington, and grand prelate of the Illinois commandery Knights Templars, found dead in the alley near the Catts residence at Decatur, Ill., Tuesday morning, was not murdered.

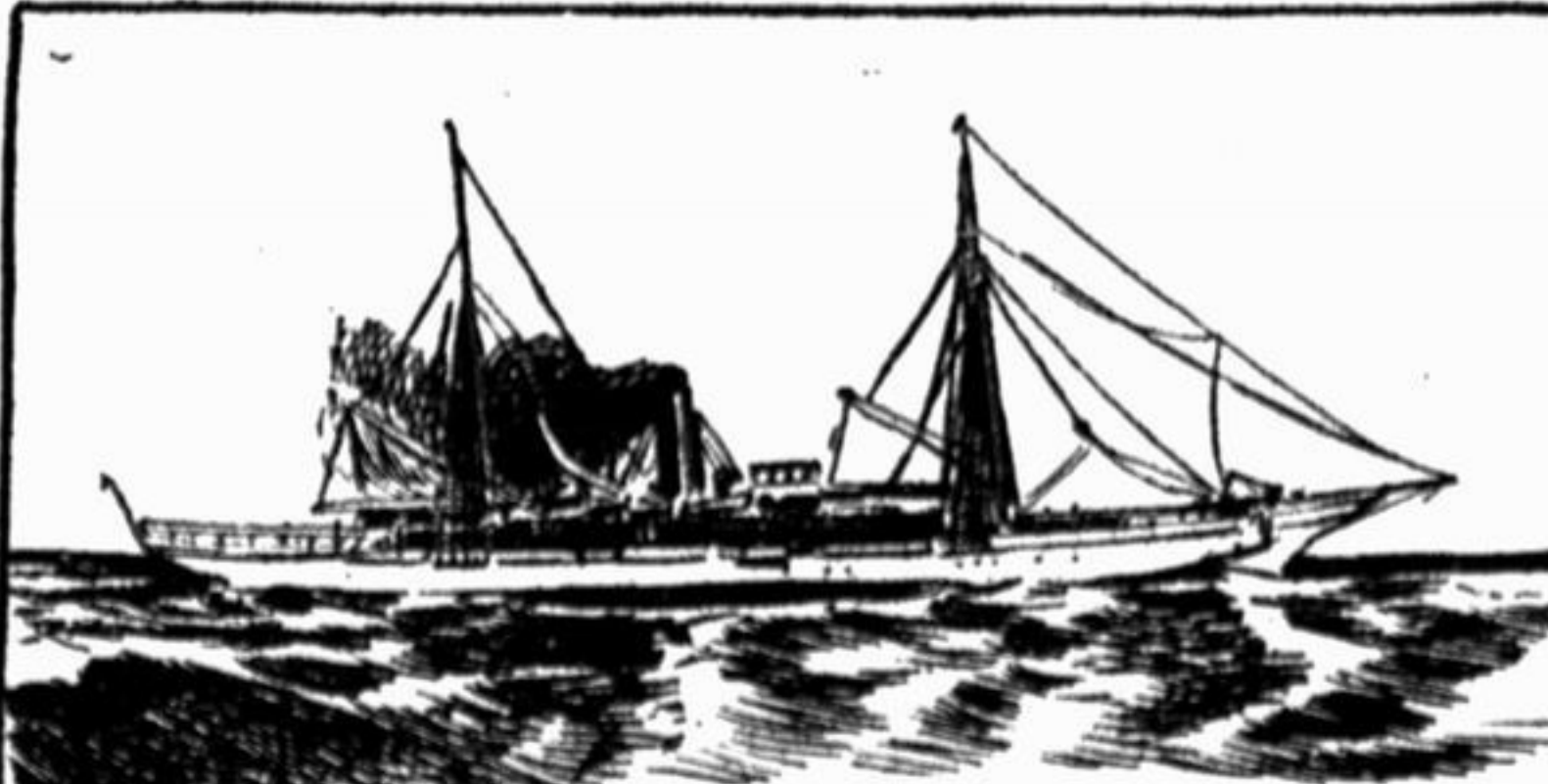
The formal verdict of the coroner's jury was as follows: "We find that the deceased came to his death by a pistol that was fired by his own hands with suicidal intent on Nov. 23, about the hour of 11 p. m."

It was the conclusion of several of the close friends of Mr. Miller, and also the theory of the coroner and police the morning the body was found, that it was a case of self-destruction. There were no blood spots on the clothing, and no mud. It seemed as though Mr. Miller had deliberately lain down and shot himself intending to leave the impression that he had been murdered and robbed. His watch and chain were gone, the empty pocketbook lying at his side and close by was the revolver. One pocket of the pantaloons was turned inside out.

The factory number on the revolver was used to prove the theory of suicide. Monday afternoon, the investigation proved that the Rev. James Miller in person bought the revolver at Springfield. Miller came to Decatur that night, and contrary to his habit, walked up town, was seen by no one, and when next heard of was found dead in the alley as already described.

The evidence of suicide is nearly as crushing to the friends of the minister as the original story of the murder. No man had a greater number of warm personal friends in this community. There is everything to show that when he left Bloomington he was the victim of a diseased brain. Mr. Miller made a slip in his sermon at Bloomington Sunday night and offered an apology to his congregation for the lapse of memory. Decatur friends state that he was worried to some extent over a financial obligation, and that he was much concerned over the material welfare of a member of his

A PHILADELPHIA BANKER'S FLOATING PALACE.



Philadelphia Special: The finest pleasure craft afloat is owned by Colonel Anthony J. Drexel, a son of the late noted banker. The boat is 278 feet long, 35 feet beam and carries 330 tons of coal. There is nothing in the yacht line like the interior of Margarita II., for that is the name of Mr. Drexel's floating palace. The dining-room is a dream of beauty and luxury. Within its mahogany paneled sides, embellished, or offset rather, by a border of garnet velvet brocade on cream satin, fifteen people may be fed in such state as would credit an emperor. Mrs. Drexel's boudoir, aft, is as richly decorated an apartment as anything in France before the revolution. The ground-work of the decoration is rose-colored velvet with designs in pale green. The ceiling is paneled in white and gold and studded with electric lights. Margarita II. was designed by the famous yacht architect, Watson, and was built in Glasgow. She carries a crew of fifty-four men, twenty of whom are in the engineering department and six who are under-stewards. Mr. Drexel is going to take a cruise on the Mediterranean this winter. He and his wife have invited a number of their friends to go along, and the invitations have been accepted. The Margarita II. will touch at Bermuda and the Azores, and then will stop at all the ports in the midland sea. After that she will pass through the canal, visit Bombay, Colombo, Calcutta, Singapore, Hong Kong and Japan. She will arrive at Nice next summer in time for the yacht races.

family. He had not been in good health and was easily cast down.

The funeral Friday afternoon was in charge of the grand lodge officers of the Illinois Knights Templar. The Rev. Dr. Wilder of Bloomington delivered the sermon. Several Knights Templar commanderies and many ministers of the Illinois conference were present.

Navy Short of Men.

There are not enough men available in the navy to man the ships in commission and in consequence many of the vessels are in a crippled condition. Recruits have been so slow that not a sufficient number of men could be got together to make up the deficit caused by the large number of desertions.

George Dixon Defeated at Last.

Frank Erne of Buffalo Friday night won the title of feather-weight champion of the world by being awarded the decision in a twenty-round contest with George Dixon, the clever colored boy who has for so long held undisputed claim to that pugilistic honor.

Deficit in Iowa's Treasury.

The state of Iowa has about \$450,000 in warrants outstanding. They are stamped "Not paid for lack of funds." The state treasury is empty and there is no money with which to pay them.

Lorena, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Rogers, while playing with her five-year-old cousin, Nellie Redlich, at Quincy, Ill., was struck by a knitting needle in the hands of the latter, inflicting a wound which caused death. The needle penetrated the base of the brain.

BANK DOORS CLOSED.

Missouri National, at Kansas City, Falls—Was a Strong Institution. The Missouri National Bank at Kansas City, Mo., closed its doors Monday morning. It was classed as one of the strongest institutions in the southwest. The immediate cause was the withdrawal of \$50,000 in one lump by Heim, the wealthy local brewer, whose action was quickly followed by others.

The last statement issued by the bank showed deposits of \$1,561,000, and cash and exchanges amounting to \$546,000. In the panic of July, 1893, the Missouri National was one of other local institutions to go under, but it soon reopened.

The bank had between 2,200 and 2,300 depositors, most of them for small amounts, and there are probably 120 stockholders of the concern.

COOK FOR THE CABINET.

Author of the Filled Cheese Bill May Be Secretary of Agriculture. The latest cabinet report is to the effect that the portfolio of agriculture will go to Wisconsin, and that Cook



HON. S. A. COOK, congressman S. A. Cook, of the Sixth district, and the author of the filled cheese bill, so satisfactory to farmers, will be named for the place.

Women Admitted to the Bar. The Alabama senate Monday, by a majority of two, passed a bill permitting women to practice law in all of the courts of Alabama.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by the use of medicines. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed, you have a rumbling sound, or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Against Mixed Schools.

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MRS. JOHN BEARD WAS AT ONE TIME VERY NEAR DEATH'S DOOR.

Neuralgia of the Heart and Stomach and Sleeplessness Made Her Life One of Misery—After Suffering Ten Years and Given Up to Die by Physicians, She Finds a Cure.

From the New Era, Greensburg, Ind. Mrs. John Beard, of Jackson, Mich., was for many years a great sufferer with neuralgia of the heart and stomach, and was considered hopelessly ill. A reporter of the New Era called on Mrs. Beard, who stated as follows:

"I have been a sufferer from neuralgia of the heart and stomach for many years, originally brought on by exposure. It is just ten years ago since I experienced the first neuralgia twinges when my screams could be heard for several blocks.

"These attacks usually lasted about two hours and came very frequently. Morphine was my only standby, I had no appetite, I could not walk, and at times my jaws became so firmly set that they could not be opened.

"Several specialists and many physicians were consulted, but to no purpose. I had almost lost hope, when I read a testimonial of Mrs. Henry Oatling, of Sunman, whom I knew, regarding Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, and decided to give them a trial. The first box had not been used when all the pain left me, and after using the rest of the half dozen boxes I was as well as ever I was in my life."

Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood, and restore shattered nerves. They are sold in boxes (never in loose form) by the dozen or hundred) at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, and may be had of all druggists or direct by mail from Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

Thankful It's Not Worse.

Shortly after the American colonies had achieved their independence George III. issued a proclamation commanding general Thanksgiving. A noted clergyman visited his majesty and desired to know what there was to be thankful for, now that England had suffered the loss of its fairest possession. The king replied that it was proper to be grateful that things were no worse. The relation of this incident may help some silver democrat to enjoy his Thanksgiving turkey.

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WAS A GREAT SUCCESS.

In the agricultural line, Texas leads all other states in the variety of its products. Cotton, corn, and the orange grow and are raised in every section of the state and in the central and southern portions sugar cane and sugarcane are profitably cultivated. On the Gulf Coast two or three crops of vegetables are raised each year. Berries are shipped six weeks in advance of the home crop in the north. Peaches, peaches, plums, oranges, figs, olives, and nuts all grow abundantly and can be marketed from two to three weeks in advance of the California crops. Large quantities of rice are now grown. If the land seker, the home seker, and the settler desires to secure a farm larger than the one he occupies, on vastly more reasonable terms; if he wants more land to cultivate, a greater variety of crops to harvest, with proportionately increased remuneration, at a less outlay for cost of production; if he wants an earlier season, with correspondingly higher prices; if he wants milder winters, all the year pastured for his stock, improved health, increased bodily comforts, and wealth and prosperity he should go to Texas.

Send for pamphlet descriptive of the resources of this great state (mailed free). Low rate home seker's excursions via the Missouri, Kansas & Texas railway on Tuesday November 17th, December 1st and 15th, 1896. E. A. Cherrier Northern Passenger Agent, 226 Marquette Building, Chicago, Ill.

The Point of the Problem.

"So that is what they call a problem play?" "Yes."

"I suppose the problem is how long the public will stand that sort of thing."—Puck.

Are You Going to Florida?

For rates, time cards and descriptive matter for Florida and all points in the South and Southeast, address the following agents of the Popular Big Four Route: J. C. Tucker, General Northern Agent, or H. W. Sparks, Travelling Passenger Agent, 234 Clark St., Chicago.

No Ear for Music.

"Miss Yam isn't at all musical." "How do you know?" "I offered to sing 'O Promise Me' last night and she said she'd promise me anything if I wouldn't."—Philadelphia North American.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY.

Dr. Kay's Lung Balm. All Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. See One of the sure fool tricks in reading continued stories.

Dr. Kay's Lung Balm is the safest, surest and pleasantest cure for all coughs.

It takes some worms a terribly long time to turn.

Advertisement for St. Jacobs Oil for Neuralgia, featuring a fisherman logo and text: 'NEURALGIA, and you'll find out how quickly and surely it SOOTHES and CURES.'

Advertisement for Cascarets, featuring a large 'STOP!' graphic and text: 'STOP! ... Don't Let ... Constipation Kill You! CASCARETS CURE CONSTIPATION. THE MOST WONDERFUL, RELIABLE AND EFFECTIVE MEDICINE EVER DISCOVERED.'

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Advertisement for RHEUMATISM, NEURALGIA, GATARRH, ASTHMA, HEADACHE, featuring a large '5 DROPS' logo and text: 'OVER 200,000 PEOPLE CURED. In the last year without a single failure by "5 Drops".'

Advertisement for Blood Pure, featuring a woman's face and text: 'Blood Pure? Is it? Then take Ayer's Sarsaparilla and keep it so. Isn't it? Then take Ayer's Sarsaparilla and make it so. One fact is positively established and that is that Ayer's Sarsaparilla will purify the blood more perfectly, more economically and more speedily than any other remedy in the market. There are fifty years of record no other remedy can show. You waste time and money when you take anything to purify the blood except Ayer's Sarsaparilla.'

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