

THE TRANSVAAL.

"The National Magazine" has made a new departure characteristic of American enterprise and push. Staff representatives are sent to different parts of the world to obtain material that will be of interest to American readers, and observations made from an American standpoint based upon the fundamental purpose of human interest.

Nickel-Steel for Boilers. The results of recent experiments by Mr. A. F. Yarrow go to show that nickel-steel, which has proved so valuable for the armor of warships, is also an excellent material for boilers.

Seaport of the South. It has long been evident that the rapidly increasing movement of grain and merchandise towards the southern seaboard would demand an increase of shipping facilities on the Mexican Gulf.

A Western "Peach." Mr. Stubb—"Maria, what was that tramp after that was preaching so loud out in the yard?" Mrs. Stubb—"He was after dinner." Mr. Stubb—"Hm! One of those dinner speakers, I suppose."

If we may judge by the frequent conversations on the subject among women, there is today a marked revival of interest in embroidery—both in colors and in white, always a fascinating and beautiful employment. In recognition of this development, The Delineator now in its 53th volume introduces in the February number some dainty specimens of colored embroideries in an artistic plate, supplemented by designs and working instructions for the details.

The German empire had in 1898, 31,639 postoffices.

CHILD DEAD, WOMAN DYING.

Two Are Asphyxiated in a Room in a Milwaukee Hotel. Milwaukee, Wis., telegram: Mrs. Mary Vadoski, a wealthy Polish resident of Manitowish, is dying at the emergency hospital, and Mary Kanoczek, her 5-year-old niece, is already dead as a result of asphyxiation.

MASKED MEN USE EXPLOSIVES. Blow Open Vault of Commercial Institution at Silver Lake, Ind. The Commercial bank of the town of Silver Lake, Ind., was wrecked Jan. 29 by masked men, who blew up the vault and safe with nitroglycerine.

Pro-Boer Resolution in Iowa. There was a stir in the house at Des Moines Monday when Carter, republican of Sioux, introduced a resolution of sympathy for the Boers. Following a reading by the clerk, Carter moved the adoption of the resolution.

Take the Town of Taal. Two companies of the Forty-sixth infantry, under Major Johnson, and three companies of the Thirty-eighth infantry, commanded by Major Muir, defeated 800 insurgents at Taal, province of Batangas, taking the town. The United States gunboat Marietta shelled the place. The insurgents had four cannon, two of which were captured.

Death Revealed in a Dream. John Morrison of St. Joseph, Mo., dreamed that C. A. Reeves, a neighbor, had died suddenly. At breakfast he told the dream to his parents. Soon afterward a messenger called at the Morrison residence and informed the family that Mr. Reeves was dead. He had been a sufferer from cancer for the last six months.

Duke of Teck Is Dead. Francis Paul Charles Louis Alexander, duke of Teck, who in 1886 married Princess Mary Adelaide, daughter of Prince Adolphus Frederick, duke of Cambridge, seventh son of King George III., died Sunday evening at White Lodge, Richmond Park, in his sixty-third year.

Troy Traction Men Strike. The conductors and motormen on the Troy division of the United Traction company road struck Sunday morning and the line has been tied up. The railroad has made no attempt to reopen the line. Extra police have been provided in anticipation of trouble.

No Protests Are Reported. It can be stated on authority that no representations whatever have been made to the state department touching the Clayton-Bulwer treaty in connection with the pendency in congress of the Nicaragua canal bill.

Plague's Ravages in Hawaii. There have been twenty-seven deaths from bubonic plague in Hawaii. Of these sixteen have been Chinese, two Japanese, one a South Sea islander, and the remainder Hawaiians or part Hawaiians.

To Save Contractors Money. Only one member of the naval board on construction favors relinquishment of extending time for torpedo contracts, but Secretary Long is likely to endorse the minority, saving contractors \$750,000 penalty.

Farmer Killed by a Train. Rockwell City (Ia.) telegram: Nicholas Onlicker, a German farmer, who lived near Lohrville, was killed Sunday by a Chicago & Northwestern train. He was married and about 35 years old.

Advance in Prices of Oil. Lima (Ohio) telegram:—An advance of 4 cents a barrel for Lima crude oil came Monday. The increase in prices has stimulated work, but there is not much increase in production.

40,000 Miners on Strike. Forty thousand miners in the anthracite district of Pennsylvania, near Scranton and Shamokin, who have been in a restless state for some time, have decided to strike.

Indians to Be Watched. Further depredations by Indians in western Colorado will be prevented by the co-operation of the war and interior departments.

Miners Re-elect Chief Officers. John Mitchell, president, and W. C. Pearce, secretary, were re-elected by acclamation by the United Mine-Workers' convention.

Want Friars Expelled. Filipinos have petitioned Mgr. Chapelle to expel friars and establish native priesthood in the Philippines.

A MINNESOTA FARMER

Does Well in Western Canada. Virdean, Man., Nov. 18, 1898. Hon. Clifford Sifton, Minister of the Interior, Ottawa, Canada.—Sir: Thinking that my experience in Manitoba might be both useful and interesting to my fellow-countrymen in the United States who may be looking to Manitoba and the northwest with the intention of settling there, I have much pleasure in stating that through information received from Mr. W. F. McCreary, immigration commissioner at Winnipeg, I was induced to visit Manitoba in February, 1898.

To say that I am well pleased with the result of my first year's farming operations in Manitoba does not adequately express my feelings, and I have no hesitation in advising those who are living in districts where land is high in price to come out here, if they are willing to do a fair amount of work.

The cost of living here is about the same as in southern Minnesota. Some commodities are higher and others lower in price, but the average is about the same. I remain, your obedient servant. (Signed.) JACOB REICHERT.

From Puck.—Railway claims agent—So you claim \$40 for that old bag of bones that was killed, eh? Farmer Slyone—That's what, b'gosh. Railway claims agent—That's the third horse of yours that has been killed on our road, isn't it? Farmer Slyone—Yes—an' two good cows besides. Railway claims agent—Well, the next time you want any stock slaughtered, you'll oblige us very much by letting us know a few days previously, so we can send around an experienced butcher, and thus run no risks of derailing our trains!

Deafness Cannot Be Cured 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 constitutional remedies. 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.

A Pending Question. Old man—Why don't you marry? Young one—Do you think a man could procure all the necessities of life on \$1,800 a year? Old man—Of course, but not luxuries. Young one—Well, I haven't decided yet whether a wife is a necessity or a luxury.—Detroit Free Press.

Do You Suffer from Worms? Or other stomach troubles? SLOCUM'S ANTI-DYSPEPTIC WORM CAKES are sold under positive guarantee to cure or money refunded. At all druggists, 25c. Insist on getting the genuine.

Resisting a Slander. Guest—"Insomnia kept me awake all night last night." Landlord (indignantly)—"I'll give you \$5 to find one in the house."—Baltimore News.

\$18 PER WEEK. A salary of \$18 per week and expenses will be paid to man with one or two horses to introduce our Poultry Compound and Lice Killer among farmers. Reference required. Address with stamp. ACME MFG. CO., Des Moines, Iowa.

Weight of London Fog. Every day there hangs over London a vast smoke cloud that is estimated to weigh about 300 tons.

Reliable Help Wanted. (Either sex.) The Humane Home and Sanitarium for Invalids and Health Seekers, incorporated. Send 12c in stamps for full information. Address J. H. Teitelbaum, Treasurer, East Las Vegas, N. M.

In Tokio there are seven crematories and the cost of cremation is so low that several of the old-style undertakers have been forced out of business.

Unkind language is sure to produce the fruit of unkindness—that is, suffering in the bosom of others.—Bentham.

FITS Permanently Cured. No fits or nervousness after first day's use of Dr. Kline's Great Nerve Restorer. Send for FREE \$2.00 trial bottle and treatise. DR. R. H. KLINE, Ltd., 151 Arch St., Philadelphia, Pa.

Many a man who is not ashamed of his faults is ashamed to confess them.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY, Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. E. W. Grove's signature on each box.

It doesn't matter how healthy a blind man may be, he never looks well.

Two bottles of Piso's Cure for Consumption cured me of a bad lung trouble.—Mrs. J. Nichols, Princeton, Ind., Mar. 26, 1895.

The truly refined man is he who has been purged from the gross itself.

Coe's Cough Balsam is the oldest and best. It will break up a cold quicker than anything else. It is always reliable. Try it.

When the money market is tight the gold curb should be resorted to.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup. For children teething, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic. 25c a bottle.

A dollar dinner is an aggravation to the man with a 50-cent purse.

For More Than a Century Baker's Chocolate has been the standard. Made only by Walter Baker & Co. Ltd., Dorchester, Mass.

Contentment is the feeling that things might be worse.

When All Else Fails, Try Yi-Ki. Cures Croup and Whooping Cough. Never fails. Drug stores or mail to Yi-Ki Co., Crawfordsville, Ind.

A stingy man flatters himself that he is an economist.

Brown's Teething Cordial cures all diseases peculiar to babies when teething.

Java furnishes two-thirds of the quinine used.



REGISTERED TRADE MARK. Knoxvile, Iowa, Nov. 23, 1898. I, the undersigned, being benefited by the use of Zaegel's Swedish Essence of Life, invariably recommended it to my friends. Last spring I visited a cousin whom I had not seen for many years. When I last saw her the family consisted of mother and three daughters. She told me her mother and sisters were all dead, having died from consumption, and now she is in very poor health, the doctors telling her she would soon die, as she also had the same disease. She was very despondent, knowing her doom. I questioned her as to her condition, and made up my mind I would be the means of curing her. I told her to quit all doctors and send for a package of Zaegel's Swedish Essence of Life and give it a fair trial.

Two Weeks' Treatment Free. The great blood purifier Zaegel's Swedish Essence of Life is to be given away to readers of this paper. This medicine cures Rheumatism, Stomach, Liver and Bowel Complaints, by removing disease germs from the blood.

A book telling all about its wonderful cures and a free sample, large enough to convince you of its merits will be mailed to all who write to M. R. ZAEGEL & CO., P. O. Box 831, Sheboygan, Wisconsin. A 2-cent stamp should be enclosed in your letter to pay the postage on this free sample. Write for it to-day.

CARTER'S INK. W. N. U. CHICAGO, NO. 4, 1900. When Answering Advertisements Study MENTION THIS PAPER.

Facts For Sick Women

First—the medicine that holds the record for the largest number of absolute cures of female ills is Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

Second—Mrs. Pinkham can show by her letter files in Lynn that a million women have been restored to health by her medicine and advice.

Third—All letters to Mrs. Pinkham are received, opened, read and answered by women only. This fact is certified to by the mayor and postmaster of Lynn and others of Mrs. Pinkham's own city. Write for free book containing these certificates.

Every ailing woman is invited to write to Mrs. Pinkham and get her advice free of charge.

CONSUMPTION.

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Personally Conducted California Excursions

Via the Santa Fe Route. Three times a week from Chicago and Kansas City. Twice a week from St. Paul and Minneapolis. Once a week from St. Louis and Boston. Improved wide-vestibled Pullman tourist sleeping cars. Better than ever before, as soon possible taken. Experienced excursion conductors. Also daily service between Chicago and California. Correspondence solicited.

Advertisement for FARM SEEDS, including text about quality and contact information for J. A. Grady.

LAPORTE TEXAS

Situated at the head of Galveston Bay, is the most beautiful and healthful location in the Gulf of Mexico. It possesses unequalled advantages, geographically and from every point of view. Its future as a great city is assured.

Advertisement for AMERICAN LAND CO., featuring 'FARM WESTERN CANADA FREE' and 'WHEAT'.

Advertisement for OSTEOPATHY, describing the method of treatment and its benefits.

I Had a Bad Cough

"I had a bad cough for six weeks and could not find any relief whatever. I read that a wonderful remedy Ayer's Cherry Pectoral was for coughs and I bought a bottle. Before I had taken a quarter of it my cough had entirely left me."—L. Hawn, Newington, Ont., May 3, 1899.

Quickly Cures Colds

Neglected colds always lead to something serious. They run into chronic bronchitis which pulls down your general health and deprives you of sleep; or they end in genuine consumption with all its uncertain results. Don't wait, but take Ayer's Cherry Pectoral just as soon as you begin to cough. A few doses will cure you then. But it cures old colds, too, only it takes a little more time. We refer to such diseases as bronchitis, asthma, whooping-cough, consumption, and hard winter coughs.

If you've just taken cold a 25 cent bottle is all you'll need. For a harder case a 50 cent bottle is better. For chronic troubles, and to keep on hand, the \$1.00 bottle is most economical.

DROPSY NEW DISCOVERY. gives quick relief and cures worst cases. Book of testimonials and 10 DAY TREATMENT. DR. R. H. GREEN'S HOME, 108 E. Adams St., Chicago.

LADIES Why suffer at certain periods from severe cramps and headaches? ANTICRISP'S NEW method, 125 E. 12th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Large advertisement for CASCARETS featuring the headline 'BOWEL BREATH!' and an illustration of a man in a top hat. Text describes the benefits for constipation and includes contact information for Sterling Remedy Company.