

AN HOUR WITH UNCLE SAM
PERSONAL AND BUSINESS NOTES ABOUT THE RUSKY YANKEE.

Neighborhood Interest in His Doings—Matters of Moment and Merit Gathered From His Records.

Bank deposits in Montana have more than doubled in six years, while in Wyoming they have trebled.

The new census shows that the centre of population has moved but slightly since ten years ago.

The State of Ohio expends \$14,000,000 annually on its 1,000,000 school children. Of this fund Cincinnati pays \$1,900,000.

Philadelphia has secured an ordinance prohibiting the throwing of firecrackers and advertisements about the streets.

According to a San Francisco paper, children of James Watt, inventor of the steam engine, are now living in California.

The Government revenues for the fiscal year were \$57,240,852, the largest on record, and there was a surplus of \$79,577,000.

The latest statistics show that the United States has over 200,000 miles of railroad, and less than 20,000 miles of good wagon roads.

If expectations are realized, the output of copper for 1910 will reach \$25,000,000 pounds, valued at \$42,250,000, the largest on record.

Some 100,000 frogs are daily sacrificed to gratify the appetite of Greater New York, and are served at its hotels, restaurants and clubs.

There has been started at Steubenville, Ohio, the first American manufacture of glass marbles, which have hitherto been imported from Germany.

Edison, the inventor, was born in Ohio, on 11th February, 1847, his father being a graindealer of Dutch extraction, and his mother a Scotchwoman.

The valuation of copper mines in the Michigan peninsula has been placed at \$100,000,000. One mine alone this year has declared dividends of \$5,000,000.

The Adirondack Mountains embrace an area of over 2,800,000 acres, and in this great area fully 300 mountain peaks rise to altitudes ranging from 1,200 to over 5,000 feet.

David E. Thompson, one of the leading candidates for United States Senator for Nebraska, has maintained for years a system of relief work among the poor of Lincoln, Neb.

Frederick Winklemann, who has been selected by the New York Board of Education as lecturer on music, has never been able to read a note excepting with his fingers. He was born blind.

Prairie chickens are said to be more abundant in Western Kansas than for years, and the farmers show a disposition to give the birds a chance to multiply by keeping a check on the hunters.

Chicago now contains a greater population than all the cities of the United States contained in 1840, and New York now has a greater population than all the cities together had in 1850.

It is estimated that the average stipend of an American pastor in the large American cities does not exceed \$1,200, while in the country \$800 is an outside figure.

New York coroners, with their staffs, are expensive luxuries, and luxuries that might readily be dispensed with. Their department for the city costs the taxpayers more than \$150,000 a year.

There is such a great demand for farms in sections of Ohio that rents are extremely high; often two or three applicants. Men and women are contemplating going to the far west to take up homesteads.

Mary L. Oren has just been appointed manager of the South Florida Telegraph Company at the Plant system depot in Tampa. She is probably the only woman holding such a position in the world.

Congressman John Sharp Williams, of Mississippi, was a classmate at Heidelberg of the present Emperor of Germany. The two were personal friends, and Mr. Williams is still a great admirer of the Kaiser.

Kobeli Owa, a Japanese electrical engineer of considerable prominence in his own country, is travelling in the United States studying water power development with a view of introducing improvements in Japan.

On the Farm

HORSE COLLARS.

Broadly speaking, every implement designed for the use of man is provided with a handle and this handle is made to fit the hand. It is about a certain size, is rounded, smooth and hard, at least it is never made soft with the view of being easier on the hand. The qualifications just named should be present in the horse collar. If the collar is the proper length and fits the animal, and is stuffed full and round, it may be as hard as iron without danger of galling the shoulder. Of course, the harness must be drawn up high enough so that the draught will not centre on the shoulder point. The logic of this is simple. If the handle of a manual implement galls the hand, it is because of roughness or improper shape never because it is hard. If it is to be continually used, the man does not pull on a mitten in warm weather to overcome a defect in it; neither does he demand that the handle be made of something soft, but simply that it be shaped and hard. The collar, which is round and hard, rolls on the skin at every motion of the animal, something after the manner of balustrading, admitting the air and thus cooling the parts, but the flat soft collar sticks so closely that it compels the skin to move on the underlying flesh in such a way as to produce irritation and deep seated galls.

The above contains both sound sense and good logic, but the analogy between the shoulder of the horse and the hand of the man should be carried a little further. They both require careful usage until they become hardened, for no matter how smooth and well fitted to the hand the implement may be, blisters are sure to rise in consequence of too close application on first commencing work. And right here is where a little neglect may cause a great deal of trouble. The green colt, and even the old horse after a few weeks, lay off, must have careful attention, until the parts become hardened by moderate work, not only must the collar be smooth and well fitted, but the harness must be taken off during the dinner hour, and the shoulders washed with salted water, and rubbed dry before the collar is put on again. A little care and attention at first may save a great deal of annoyance and probably loss of time later, and the pain inflicted on the horse while young frequently makes him unreliable, and many a promising colt has been per-

manently ruined through the neglect and carelessness of the driver.

MAKING HENS LAY.

A breeder gives his method of making hens lay as follows:

"First, make your hen or poultry house warm. This can be best accomplished by making it double walled. Cell it inside with inch straw or fodder or forest leaves; make it rat proof. Make the roof double and fill it in the same way. Then paper the sides with tarred or other thick paper, tacking tightly and closely so as to exclude drafts. Provide a ventilator made of a wooden tube four inches square inside, long enough to reach from the earth floor to one foot above the roof. Bore holes all around within six inches of bottom and same at top, covering the top to keep out snow or rain.

"Second, make a scratching pen, on south side if possible, with plenty of light at ends and in front, with wide doors which can be thrown open in fine weather or closed in bad weather. Plenty of litter, such as cut straw and leaves, must be given so that they will be compelled to scratch for all their grain. This gives them the exercise necessary for egg production. Arrange nests under the platform, also along sides of scratching pen, making them as dark as possible, as hens require seclusion in laying.

"Third, as to feed: In the morning give a mash of the table leavings, small potatoes and peelings thickened with corn meal and bran mixed crumbly, not sloppy. About 10 o'clock give a pint of millet or other small grains, screenings or wheat will do, to every twelve hens. Throw this among the litter and kick it under, making them scratch for it. This will keep them busy until 4 o'clock, when they should have parched corn, kicked under. If there is danger of 'overfat' make the evening ration one-half wheat. Give them all they will clean up readily of this, about a pint to ten hens, according to size and breed. Give enough, and keep it clean. Don't compel your workers to drink filthy water. They will drink lots of it if clean and not too cold.

"Fourth, cleanliness: Keep their quarters clean. Look out for lice and mites. Carbolic acid and white wash will clean them out of the house, while the acid and insect powder will keep them off the fowls."

A GIRL'S PERIL.

A BRIEF STORY OF INTEREST TO ALL YOUNG WOMEN.

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SOMEWHAT COSTLY.

"She's kill time!" exclaimed the fair young girl, as she gazed out of the window on the softly falling feathery snow.

"Kill time?" replied her steady company, inquiringly.

"Yes; sleigh it."

He had to do it, though it took all his accumulated self since Christmas.

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TRAINING BOYS IN GERMANY.

What the National Training School is Doing in That Country.

A writer describing the methods of schools in Germany, states that the manual training schools in Germany are especially intended for the class of boys who idle away their time before and after school on the street.

The regular session closes at half past two o'clock in the afternoon, and after this time the boys who, either through poverty or the indifference of parents, are not properly and healthfully employed must attend the industrial school for the rest of the day.

In the summer-time the boys, divided into classes, each under the supervision of a teacher, are trained systematically in all the branches of gardening. At other seasons of the year the boys are engaged at various light crafts in workrooms, such as the making of baskets, brushes and brooms, and plain carpentry, where the use of tools are taught. Typewriting and bookbinding are taught to the advanced and older classes.

Each boy receives a small remuneration for his work when it is faithfully and obediently performed. The money, however, is not paid to him directly, but is put into a savings-bank for him, and from time to time he receives his certificates of deposit.

The girls are taught knitting and all kinds of sewing in the same systematic manner. Every lesson is made a class drill. The children work by dictation, all in the room doing the same work at the same time.

A FARMER'S STORY.

SHORT, STRAIGHTFORWARD, EARN-EST AND TO THE POINT.

Mr. John Fletcher, of Granton, Tells How He Was Cured of Lumbago by Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Granton, Ont., Feb. 25, (Special).—There are few people in this county who do not know Mr. John Fletcher, farmer, of Granton. Mr. Fletcher is not only well known but highly respected, and his many friends will rejoice to hear that he has entirely recovered from the very severe attack of Lumbago, which almost prostrated him last year. He has given out the following statement of his case and its cure.

"I have been troubled for over a year with Lumbago also Kidney Trouble. My urine was of a very dark red color, and my back was fearful bad. I could get nothing to help me. Dodd's Kidney Pills cured me. I am well, Lumbago all gone, and urine natural color."

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YOUR BODY AS A TIMEPIECE.

How You May Tell an Egg, Make Tea or Time a Race Without a Watch.

You can measure time, in the absence of a watch, by the beating of your heart. In most adults the heart beats about 70 times per minute. If you are boiling an egg, making tea or watching a 100-yard race, all you have to do is to put your finger on your pulse, and you have a first-rate stop watch. But the pulse is not the same in all people. It beats as slowly as 60 to the minute in some, and as fast as 75 in others. It would therefore be necessary to know at what rate your pulse usually beats.

Another way of measuring time with tolerable accuracy is by the breathing. Most people breathe 15 times per minute, or once every 4 seconds. So that in boiling an egg for 3 minutes you would count 45 breaths.

The writer once experienced being confined in a coal mine for three days in consequence of an explosion occurring while he was attending a badly injured workman. When his watch stopped he had no means of telling how the time was passing. Remembering that he had a clinical thermometer with him, he was, however,

able to count the days, and even to tell the hour of day or night with tolerable accuracy in the following way. The average temperature of the body is 98.8 degrees. But it rises and falls at certain hours of the day with perfect regularity. At about 6 in the morning the temperature is at its lowest, being only 98 degrees. Three hours after breakfast it touches the mean or average point. At 12 noon it is up to 98 degrees or a little over. All day it continues to rise, and it is at its very highest at about 6 o'clock in the evening, or from that to 7—namely, 99.4-5 degrees. Then it gradually falls throughout the night, going very low about 3 a.m., when most deaths occur from this cause, and touching the lowest point between 5 and 6.

THE HARVEST OF WAR.

America's Casualty List in the Philippines Totals 5,919.

The losses of the American troops in the Philippines since August 6, 1898, are as follows:—

Killed.....	711
Died of wounds and accidents.....	446
Died of disease.....	2,184
Total deaths.....	3,341
Wounded.....	2,578
Grand total.....	5,919

These totals are already many times larger than were the American losses in the original Spanish-American war.

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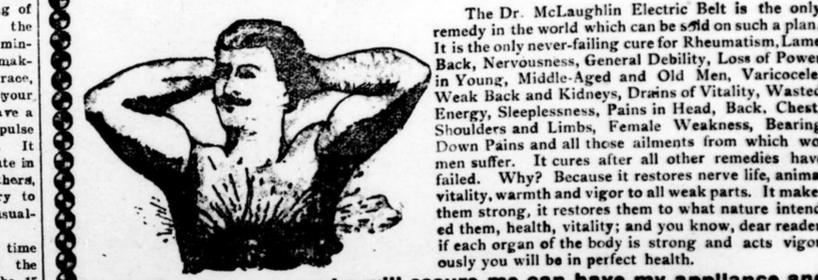
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