

HANGING IS A LUXURY, NISSEN TO SOUND NIAGARA

What an Execution Costs in Little Maryland. An Adventurer Has a Scheme to Plumb the River.

MANY ITEMS CHARGED UP.

Baltimore, Md., report: It is an expensive operation, when a man, convicted of murder or other crime punishable by death, is legally executed at the City Jail. The execution of the negro, Amos Smith, on August 3rd, for instance, was not a cheap affair by any means. The bills for the various expenses were turned over this morning to the Controller, where it was found that sending Smith into eternity had cost the taxpayers of the city \$785.05. The various bills were as follows:

The Expense Account.	
Erection, painting and removal of the scaffold	\$119.28
Physician's services	15.00
Hangman's rope	25.00
Suit of clothes, hangman's gown and cap	20.00
Tobacco, cigars, stationery, etc.	6.52
Death watch	399.00
Board of condemned man	50.25
Sheriff's services	150.00
Total	\$785.05

Death Watch Custom.

Two of Sheriff Schwatka's deputies, Messrs. Walter M. Gorsch and Leo Sylvester, were appointed as death watch, and either one or the other of the men was on duty at the jail every day from May 29th until August 3rd. Many persons failed to see any reason for turning the condemned man thus entirely over to the custody of the Sheriff's officer at extra cost to the city, and claim that the deputy wardens of the jail could have watched him just as well as the Deputy Sheriffs. It is the custom, though, to do the thing up in the more expensive way.

The condemned man was given better food than the other prisoners at the jail, and from the bill it is evident that Mrs. Doyle, wife of the warden of the jail, prepared his meals. Twenty-five cents per meal was her charge, and Smith probably fared very well at this rate. The charge for setting up the scaffold, which appears to be an item that appeals to many as capable of being cut down considerably. The cost of the hangman's rope was also not insignificant. At the rate charged for cigars, etc., Smith must have been pretty well supplied.

Sheriff Receives a Fee.

Custom has ordained that the Sheriff shall be paid a big fee for his part in the execution. Frequently his fee is \$300. Dr. Schwatka was more inexpensive, as he only charged \$150. At the last session of the Legislature an effort to abolish the payment of fees to the Sheriff was made, but failed. The fee for hanging a man is one to which particular attention was called, as being entirely illegal and unjust, as the Sheriff is required by law to perform this duty.

DYSPEPSIA AND HEADACHE.

An Elderly Lady Tells of Her Cure Through the Use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills After a Score of Other Remedies Had Failed.

Dyspepsia causes more genuine distress than most diseases that afflict mankind. In this country from one cause or another its victims are numbered by the hundreds of thousands, and those afflicted always feel tired, worn out and miserable, and are subject to fits and melancholy or ill temper without apparent cause. It is obvious that the human body, in order to perform its functions, must be properly nourished, and this cannot be done when the food is improperly digested. Those who suffer from indigestion should exercise care as to diet, and only easily digested foods should be taken. But more than this is required—the blood needs attention in order that the stomach may be strengthened, and the secretion of the gastric juices properly carried on. There is no other medicine offered the public that will act so promptly and effectively as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills. Proof of this is given in the case of Mrs. F. X. Doddridge, St. Sauveur, Que. In conversation with a reporter, Mrs. Doddridge said: "For quite a number of years I have been a terrible sufferer from dyspepsia, accompanied by the sick headaches that almost invariably come with this trouble. I suffered from terrible pain in the stomach, bloating and belching wind. All food seemed to disagree with me, and as a result of the trouble I was very much run down, and at times I was unable to get even light housework. I am sure I tried a score of different medicines, but without success, and as I am sixty years of age, I had come to believe that it was hopeless to expect a cure. A friend who had used Dr. Williams' Pink Pills with good results, urged me to try this medicine, and my husband brought home a couple of boxes. Before they were finished I felt much better, and we then got another half dozen boxes, and these have completely restored my health, and I not only feel better than I have done for years, but actually feel younger. I very cheerfully recommend Dr. Williams' Pink Pills to similar sufferers. If your dealer does not keep these pills, they will be sent post paid at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2.50, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

London's Vast Dock System.

London has a larger commerce than any other city in the world. Liverpool comes next and Hamburg probably ranks third, although Antwerp closely approaches her. The docks of London cover a greater area than those of Liverpool and some of them individually are, or were until recently, larger than any of the Mersey. The Victoria dock, opened in 1835, measures 3,000 x 1,050 feet. The Royal Albert, connecting with it and completed in 1880, is 6,500 feet long and 490 feet wide. The two, with their locks, constitute a chain almost three miles long, across one of the great horse-shoe bends in the lower Thames.

"BOWSER" TO TRY AGAIN.

Peter Nissen, the Chicagoan who, under the name of Bowser, recently shot the whirlpool rapids below Niagara Falls, is going to attempt the same feat again in the near future. This time Nissen is to make the dangerous trip in the name of science, for he will endeavor to ascertain facts in regard to the river which up to the present time have remained shrouded in mystery.

Some years ago Government engineers endeavored to take soundings in Niagara at the point where the Grand Trunk bridge crosses the river. As a plumb-bob they used a 700 pound chunk of lead, which they threw from the bridge. The lead floated off down stream like a pine shingle and when it reached the length of the cable to which it was attached, the latter snapped like a tow string from the force with which the lead was carried by the water. That experiment ended the efforts of Government officials, and all others as well, to ascertain the depths of the rapids. So to-day the depths of the upper and lower rapids, as well as the whirlpool, remain unknown. At only one point between the Falls and Lewiston, five or six miles below, has a sounding ever been successfully made. This was done by a plumb-bob attached to a cable, and just below the upper rapids the boat jangling. From that point on down to Lewiston the distance from the surface of the river to the bottom is unknown. Nissen proposes to go to the bottom, as it were, of this mystery.

Near the middle of September he is once more going to hop into his non-sinkable little twenty-foot boat at a point close to the mills and just below the upper "arch bridge," about where he entered the water before, and start in the direction of the whirlpool. The death-defying mariner will take with him in his boat the paraphernalia for taking soundings, and as he shoots down the rapids he will throw out his plumb-bob attached to many hundred feet of wire and do his best to measure the depth of the swirling river. Nissen says he is sure he can get a sounding 500 feet below the Grand Trunk bridge, but is not sure what his can do with the turbulent torrent near the bottom. If his boat shoots into the whirlpool from the upper rapids then the boatman will make strenuous efforts to sound that treacherous body of water. However, the boat falls to turn into the whirlpool, but if it does not, down into the lower rapids, Nissen will make a virtue of necessity and proceed to take soundings in that part of the river.

Expects Financial Aid.

"I will probably receive financial backing for my new scheme from a source concerning which I can say nothing at present," said Nissen. "I have received great encouragement from many people, including some government officials, and I will certainly make the venture along about the middle of next month. I will use the same boat which I used before, for she demonstrated beyond a question her ability to survive the terrific ordeal of a trip through the rapids and the whirlpool. Of course, as is well known, no one ever made this sounding with a 700-pound plumb-bob, so a complete failure because the attempt was made from a stationary point. Now, my theory is that if the boat is thrown from a boat that is flying along with the current, it will sink all right in a very few minutes. Of course it will be carried forward some distance by the irresistible force of the current, but the boat will also be carried along at the same time, and when at last it has reached the bottom it will have dragged out as much more than enough line to measure the depth approximately.

"I shall of course carry along as light a plumb-bob as I think can possibly be used. At present I am figuring that it may be possible to use a bob which will weigh not over 150 pounds, but it may require some experimenting to determine just how light a bob will fit the requirements of the turbulent stream. But, using a bob which will weigh of course be unnecessary to use as tremendous a weight as would have to be used if the bob were to be dropped from a stationary point.

"When the bob reaches the bottom as nearly as I can tell, I shall cut the line, and by measuring what I have left in the boat and subtracting that from the amount which I started, we will have the depth of the river as the remainder. I shall use wire for the plumb line and I will have it coiled on a number of different spools, so many feet on a spool, and this arrangement will facilitate measurements. I may find it advisable to cut a hole in the cockpit of my boat, through which to let the wire run, but I will determine that matter later. It would not endanger the safety of the boat in the least if a hole or two were made in the bottom of the pit, as the two air chambers—even one of them—would keep the boat afloat if the pit should fill with water to the brim. I shall begin trying to get a sounding when my boat enters what is known as 'snow drift.' This is about three-fourths of a mile above the rapids and a little way above the Grand Trunk bridge. Since I was so successful before in getting through all right I shall not have the least hesitation or fear in again shooting the rapids, and this time I hope to obtain facts of considerable value which no one has ever been able to secure before.

Idea an Old One.

"I first became possessed of the idea of shooting the rapids as long ago as 1897. It was when there was so much talk down east about the proposed Pan-American Exposition in Buffalo. About that time I was down at Niagara Falls, and while I was down at the rapids one day I thought struck me that it might be possible for people to ride down these turbulent waters as easily as they ride down the so-called chutes. I concluded that I would study the matter more thoroughly than was possible just then. I went home and waited until winter came. Then

when I thought it was about time for the ice in the river to break up I commenced daily trips down to one of the Chicago depots to ask the conductor on a certain train which passed Niagara each day if the ice had yet begun coming down the stream. At last, after many, many trips, the conductor told me that the ice had broken, and if I wanted to see it floating down the river, I would better hurry up. I took the next train for the Falls, and arrived in good time. For a great many hours I watched the cakes of ice as they came down through the rapids, and as they were thrown about in the whirlpool, I studied the eddies and the currents, and their effect upon the cakes of ice and the course they made the latter take.

"After I had studied the flow of the ice for a long time I found that I had not yet all of the information which I needed. I learned that a few months later, in the fall, would be replaced by a new and more modern structure and that the wooden parts of the old bridge were to be thrown into the water. That made me determine to come back once more to the river to watch the pieces of timber when they got into the rapids and the whirlpool. I did so and I then acquired a great deal of important information which was of great value to me in determining how I should make the plans for my boat and for the trip which I proposed to take down the stream." —Chicago Chronicle.

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PIPES OF ORIENTAL RULERS.

Shahs and Sultans Indulge in Costly Smokers' Articles.

The shah-in-shah, or padishah (king of kings), the present ruler of Persia, owns the costliest pipe. It is the kallian, or state pipe, and is used on special occasions. It is valued at \$100,000 and is ornamented with diamonds, rubies and emeralds. The long snake-like stem and the bowl are of pure gold.

The Sultan of Turkey also possesses pipes of great value. In 1862 when the Prince of Wales was on a visit to Turkey, he was invited by the Sultan to smoke a narghile, an oriental pipe, in which the smoke passes through water. This pipe was studded with diamonds and was worth \$15,000. It was given to the Prince as a memento of his visit to Constantinople. Another pipe made entirely of meerschaum and amber, and belonging to Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria, is reported as costing \$3,000.—New York Press.

Too Far.

"I think that my husband carries his business pretty far, so far," said Mrs. McBride to Mrs. Darley. "How so?" "I had a birthday last week, and he gave me a \$20 gold piece. He also asked me to give him a present. I gave him 25 per cent. of the gold piece. He said that year's birthday present was the same time. I told him I would do so such thing."—Detroit Free Press.

When children are pale, peevish, and restless at night, they require a dose or two of Miller's Worm Powder.

It Was Shy.

Miss Wunder—My goodness, do you call that a modest bathing suit? Miss Gabby—Of course! It has such a shrinking disposition.—Baltimore American.

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A Matter of Custom.

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Minard's Liniment Cures Colds, etc.

Queen Victoria has at her disposal when she wishes to take a ride innumerable carriages. Of these the coronation coach is first. This carriage is unknown to the present generation, as it has never left the royal mews at Buckingham Palace since 1861. It is lovely, but cumbersome, was designed for George III., and every portion is richly decorated and gilded. Outside its panels are pictures painted by noted artists.

Minard's Liniment Cures Diphtheria.

"When," shouted the orator, "when will come that blessed day when every man shall get all his ears?" "It'll come along about the time," fiercely back-answered the man in the crowd, who was there for that purpose, "it will come when every man earns all his ears."

Minard's Liniment Cures Distemper.

The Ameer of Afghanistan is said to be mobilizing his infantry and artillery preparatory to an advance on the Russian frontier.

Good Plain English.

"The man whom you saw me talking with this evening dared to kiss me. I can assure you I spoke my mind to him in good plain English."

"What did you say to him?" "I warned him that the next time he did I should be obliged to rebuke him."—New York World.

Minard's Liniment Cures Garget in Cows.

A man finds no sweeter voice in the world than that which chants his praises.—Fontenelle.

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A YEAR OF 364 DAYS.

Swiss Professor's Plan to Improve the Gregorian Calendar.

Professor Gioseclaude of the University of the Watchmaker's Art, in Geneva, has suggested a novel way of reforming the calendar, says a Berlin despatch to the New York Journal. The purpose of the projected reform is to abolish the most mischievous point of the existing system, which renders it impossible to tell the day of the week on which any given date falls. The cause of this is the fact that the number of days in a week (seven) is not a prime factor of the number of days in a year (365). If the year contained only 364 days it would consist of exactly 52 weeks, and could be divided into four equal quarter years of 91 days each.

The first two months would then each contain 30 days, the third month 31 days. Naturally the 26th day cannot merely be dropped without carrying confusion to the Gregorian system, and Gioseclaude would have it inserted between December 31 and January 1st, giving it no date, but calling it the "year's day." In leap years another day would, of course, have to be added, and the most opportune dates for the insertion are deemed by Gioseclaude to be June 30 and July 1. This day is to be called "leap day."

This suggested mode of reforming the calendar may at first sight be condemned as a futile huzzar. In reality it has many excellent points to recommend it. For instance, the week-days would fall upon the same dates in successive years. Thus, if the year were to begin on a Monday the Sundays of the first quarter would be the dates 7, 14, 21, 28; the Sundays of the second quarter 5, 12, 19, 26.

For the commercial world a change of this kind would be an inestimable advantage, as the business month would invariably be calculated at 30 days, for inasmuch as only every third month has 31 days the thirty-first day would always fall upon a Sunday.

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A Mooted Point.

Some time ago, at a certain village in Berkshire, an old man of 80 was engaged to a sweet young thing of 78. After a betrothal of some six months, it was reported that the couple had quarrelled; the rector, on hearing this, went to the old man to speak to him on the subject.

"Well, Baldwin," he said, "I am sorry to hear your engagement with Betty is broken off."

"Yes, sir," said the old man, "we found that we could not agree who was to eat the crusts."

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An Object of Interest.

"Are you still resolute in your idea of being a singer?"

"I am," answered the young man.

"Are you attracting any notice?"

"Some. While I was practising yesterday two of the neighbors stopped at the door to ask what was the matter with me, and to enquire if they could be of any assistance."—Washington Star.

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