

SOVEREIGNS.

SCHEME TO GET TOGETHER.

Em-Nicholas think it is of continuation of...

Various rumours regarding the project of the emperors. It is supposed that Emperor Nicholas will visit William at Wiesbaden...

CATCHING RAT.

and Trained to Make War on Rodents.

of Steuben, Me., has a most remarkable mousetrap. It is a rat, and all the rats and mice premises, the rat is a job for the neighborhood propensities are no more a big malleable cat. Baker and rated the rat in Steuben. Last winter a young rat and took kittens. Mr. Baker summed up his first lesson in the rat, but the old cat, instead of the helpless creature, she had made a factor in her household. The rat, and the cat with them, ate along with them, they accepted brother, and were content later the mother cat each her children to catch rats, as a means of livelihood entered with much gusto. Finally the old rat, but the adopted child was most ardent rodent hunter, despite his ancestry. He was satisfied and, at once all out to make their own world. Mr. Baker disapproved the kittens, but kept the rat. The rat has a merciless war on the kindling in Steuben. He is the old cat about the two are as attached and child.

YOR DIXON DEAD.

Resident of London Passes Away.

Ont., July 21.—Major Dixon died at the city hospital of a lingering illness, aged 70. Major Dixon was born in England and practiced law here for 25 years. At the time of his death he was in the 15th battalion. Fifteen years ago he was removed to the northwest, where he was collector of customs at St. Vincent, Manx, returning to London two years ago, when failing health forbade him performing the duties of his office.

CAT KILLED THE BABIES.

Family Pet Left in a Room With Twins.

Vienna, July 21.—The feline pet of many homes has appeared in a new and dreadful character at Markgrastadt. Little twins, a few months old, were there left in a room with the cat, which had long been the pet of the family. The horror of the mother may be imagined when, on coming back, she found that the cat had killed both babies. One had been smothered, and the other had been killed by the shock caused by the wounds which the cat had inflicted.

Liases and Professor.

British Medical Journal. Prof. Gustavo Pisente, of Perugia, lately had a thrilling experience in extracting a cataract from a powerful lioness, while the illustrious patient was apparently in a condition of deep coma from chloroform. She was bound and gagged and placed on a table. But she awoke, struggled violently, and rolled to the floor, where the medical men held her down while her head was wrapped in a towel steeped in sulphuric ether. The lioness, however, managed to free herself from the gag and partly from her bonds, and gave a roar which made the majority of the spectators leap a hasty retreat. But the other operators and Prof. Pisente operated with brilliant success.

Saved Their Plant.

Owing to a frosted of the river on which the Gildersleeve-Cameron party are seeking gold in the Athin gold fields, many of the miners holding claims lost considerable money through having their works carried away. Through strenuous efforts the Gildersleeve party managed to save their plant and dam, though destruction was everywhere wrought around them.

Big Vessel Deal.

Buffalo, July 21.—Corrigan, McKimney and Co., of Cleveland, have Chief and Iron Duke, and the schooner Iron Cliff, from Parker and Hillen, of Detroit, for \$150,000, also the schooner F. D. Ewen and John Hutchison. The latter will be owned by the Iron Age and Iron Duke. The Hutchison brought \$100,000, but the price of the Ewen was not given out.

A Female Geologist.

"It is rather odd," says the Philadelphia Press, "that the next geological survey of Chester county is to be made by a woman—Florence Bassom, now a professor at Bryn Mawr college. She has been employed by the national government to supervise this work, and it is said no complete survey of this county has been made since 1840."

Normal School, Toronto, Ont.

Toronto, July 21.—The appointment of a principal of the new normal school at London, Ont., has fallen on F. W. Merchant, principal of London college institute. Mr. Merchant will have associated with him as vice principal John Dawson, inspector of public schools, London.

The Kingston Gun Club Will Meet.

The Kingston gun club will meet for a final match for the club cup on Monday evening. The members will endeavor to arrange for a district tournament before the summer closes.

AT THE BOX OFFICE.

A Woman Arrested at an Understanding Regarding Two Tickets.

There was a long line of ticket buyers in front of the box office. At the head of the line, examining the plat, stood a richly bedecked woman with a poodle under her arm. "Now, are you right sure," she asked, "there isn't a post in front of either of these two seats?" "There isn't a post in that part of the house, madam," replied the man in the box office.

"I don't know about that,"—and she drummed with her fingers on the framed plat—"I've been fooled that way so often. Many a time I've bought seats they said were all right and found out after I got there that a great big post stood right in front of me. When you pay your money for theater tickets, you want—What did you say these would be?"

"Dollar and a half each, ma'am. Will these two?" "I thought you told me a minute ago they were dollar seats?" "No. These are the dollar seats over here."

"I see. Well, I don't want any over there. You charge too much for!" A loud cough, evidently forced, came from an impatient man about half way down the line.

She looked placidly at him and resumed her conversation with the ticket seller. "If anything happens that I can't use these, can I return them and get my money back?" "I don't like to sell them on any such understanding as that, ma'am."

Mutterings of discontent were heard along the line, which was growing momentarily longer. "Oh, yes," said the ticket seller hastily. "If you can't use them, bring them back."

"Suppose I couldn't bring them myself. I might be sick, or something." "That's all right. Send them back. Shoot them back. Always glad to refund money on tickets," he said recklessly. "Will these two seats?"

"Those are not the ones I picked out, are they? It seems to me—" "Oh, wrap the flag around me, boys! To die were far more sweet!"

He sang an exasperated man near the other end of the line. "Those are the ones, madam," said the man in the box office wearily. "Will they?"

"I thought they were farther toward the left. Let me look!" "Bow! wow!" barked an imitation dog near the street end of the line.

"Meow! Meow! Spft!" answered an imitation cat, with startling emphasis. "Keep quiet, Fido. They shan't hurt you, darling. Well, I suppose I'll have to—you said \$2 for these two seats, didn't you?"

"Three dollars for these two. The dollar seats are back here." A deep groan ran along the line.

"I think these men are very rude," she said. "Would seats in the fourth row in front of these come any higher?" "No, ma'am, but those are all taken, as I explained awhile ago. They're still taken. These are the nearest stage of all we have left."

"Well, I believe I'll—are you sure there are no posts in front? Oh, I believe I did ask you about that! Three dollars? Here it is."

"This is a \$2 bill, ma'am." "Is it?" she gasped. "It was a five when I left home. Let me see it. So it is. I'll have to pick out a couple of dollar seats unless—"

"That's all right, ma'am!" exclaimed the ticket seller, with the eagerness of a drowning man grasping at a straw. "I'll save these seats for you till 7 o'clock this evening."

"Thanks, ever so much!" With a beaming smile she clasped her poodle closer, slowly withdrew from her place at the head of the line and marched serenely away, ignoring the long drawn sighs of relief that accompanied her departure, and business was resumed at the box office.

Napoleon at St. Helena.

His hair of a brown black, thin on the forehead, cropped, but not thin in the neck, and rather a dirty look; light blue or gray eyes; a capacious forehead; high nose; short upper lip; good, white, even teeth, but small (we rarely showed them); round chin; the lower part of his face very full; pale complexion; particularly short neck. Otherwise his figure appeared well proportioned, but had become too fat; a thick, short hand, with tapering fingers and beautiful nails and a well shaped leg and foot. He was dressed in an old threadbare green coat, with green velvet collar and cuffs; silver buttons, with a breast engraved upon them; his habit dechasse (it was buttoned to the neck); a silver star of the Legion of Honor; white waistcoat and breeches; white silk stockings and shoes, with oval gold buckles.

She was struck with the kindness of his expression, so contrary to the fierceness she had expected. She saw no trace of great ability; his countenance seemed rather to indicate goodness. At a second interview she remarked that it would change with his humor.—Diary of St. Helena, by Lady Malcolm.

The Duke's Full Name.

The Duke of Veragua, who lost an annual pension of \$6,000 through the cutting off from Spain of the Cuban revenues, does not appear to have much idea of the value of money, at least when it is the money of other people. When he was in this country during the Chicago exposition, he complained of the cost of a telegram he wanted to send, but when he learned that he signed himself thus: Christopher Columbus de Toledo y Lara, conde de la Cerda, Ramirez de Barquedano y Gante Almirante, Duque de Veragua y de la Vega, Grande de España, Senador del Reino, Caballero de la insignia Orden del Toison de Oro, Gran Cruz de la Concepcion de Villarissima, Gentil Hombre de Camara del Rey Don Alfonso XIII.

A Slight.

Lizzie—I'm as mad as I can be with Tom. Bessie—Why, what has Tom been doing now? Lizzie—It's what he has not been doing. He has never told me I am the only girl he ever loved, and he has told all the other girls. I don't care particularly for Tom, but one doesn't like to be discriminated against, you know.—Boston Transcript.

A Frank Explanation.

First Citizen—Sir, your watch chain hangs loosely from the buttonhole. When did you last see your watch? Second Citizen—As I turned away from the pawnbroker's counter.—Jeweler's Weekly.

F. C. Reid has returned from spending

about three weeks with friends in New York city. He visited New York city, Rochester, Waterson, Syracuse, and many other places. The summer resorts, he says, are crowded with summer tourists.

THESE ARE MEN OF MARK.

ALGER WAS ORIGINALLY INTENDED FOR THE BAR.

Balfour Does Not Read the Newspaper—A Chinese Was in a Whiff After Dinner Speaker—Celebrated His One Hundredth Birthday.

Collis P. Huntington started his superb art collection years ago with the first \$5,000 he saved.

Ex-Speaker Reed writes home that he is enjoying his European tour as he never enjoyed a vacation since his school days.

Pittsburg newspapers say that D. T. Watson, a lawyer of that city, has an income in excess of \$100,000 a year from his legal practice.

Russell A. Alger, secretary of war, was originally intended for the bar, but his close application to his books so undermined his health that he ceased study.

Horace Nicolas, tribal representative of the Oldtown (Me.) Indian reservation in the state legislature, leads the only Indian brass band in the country and is a composer of note.

Mr. A. J. Balfour scarcely ever reads a daily newspaper. Two secretaries prepare a kind of news summary for him every morning, and he peruses that at the first free moment.

President Eliot of Harvard says he considers Herbert Putnam, librarian of congress, not only one of the best librarians in the country, but one of the best that ever lived anywhere.

The Chinese minister at Washington has proved himself a witty after dinner speaker. Being told of this, Senator Depew quoted Bret Harte's line, "We are ruined by Chinese cheap labor."

Director of the Census William R. Merriam was educated at a Racine school modeled on English lines. He there became an expert cricketer and still retains a great interest in the game.

Lieutenant Governor Worthington of Kentucky, during Governor Bradley's recent two weeks' absence from the state, broke the record by exercising executive clemency in 40 cases, including those of five murderers.

Phillip D. Armour was asked by an American friend who met him at Baden how much he made or lost in opposing the Leiter wheat deal. "The public will never know exactly," said Mr. Armour, "for I don't exactly know myself."

Almost any day Dr. Richard Garnett, the recently retired keeper of the printed books in the British museum, may be seen sitting among the ordinary readers in the great rotunda and getting the books he requires by the recognized routine of the establishment.

Major Apostolos Mavroyenis of Athens has just celebrated his one hundredth birthday. He studied medicine in Italy, but returned about the time of Byron's death to fight in the war for Greek independence. When he settled in Athens in 1827, the Piræneus was but a collection of squalid hovels.

Tom Mann, the English labor leader, has become landlord of a London tavern. His new venture has created considerable excitement in labor circles. A few years ago he thought of entering the church and actually made his appearance in the pulpit at St. Thomas' Square chapel, Mare street, Hackney.

Walker Whiteside, who has been selected to play the part of Ben-Hur when the dramatization of the book of that name is presented, is a son of Judge Thomas C. Whiteside of the supreme court of Indiana, and Logansport, his native city, is not far from Crawfordsville, where General Wallace wrote his famous novel.

THE BEE KEEPER.

Honey may be taken from the hive at any time while the sun shines. Honeybees are unable to work in red clover, but can work very well on alfalfa.

Sections filled with foundation are practically as good as those with empty comb.

When you wish to swarm bees use a little smoke. Then they will generally cluster.

Extracted honey requires less skill, but there is more profit in producing the best white comb, for which there is always a demand.

The best time to introduce a queen is in the middle of the day, when the greater part of the bees are at work, full of honey and in good humor.

It is always best to have some extra hives on hand, according to the number of colonies kept, so that a swarm may be hived as soon as it settles.

If a colony becomes queenless and it is not desired to unite it with another, give it a frame of brood from another colony containing brood in its first stages.

In the heat of the day, when the air is full of them on the wing, is the best time to work with bees. They will sting less and the work may be done better than at any other time.—St. Louis Republic.

HUMAN NATURE.

A sick man never looks as sick as a sick woman. Some men have a way of being mean that counts double.

Very few men can tell of a halitum without exaggerating. When an old bachelor who has been good to his sisters marries, how they criticize his wife!

When a girl has a new engagement ring, she finds many occasions for feeling if her back hair is in good order.

Every one wonders why those ten years older than himself don't put their affairs in shape to be ready when death comes.—Atchison Globe.

QUEER.

Well, where are we at? Here's Pagitt Jeffries declaring for total abstinence and an Episcopal minister denouncing Sunday schools as instruments of the devil.—Boston Herald.

Primitiver Jeffries declares for total abstinence, and in the same paper a preacher maintains that the Sunday schools are instruments of the devil. Without making a careful analysis we venture to say that the pagitt is the more honest man of the two.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

J. R. Stratton, M.P.E. for West Ferris, has been ill in bed for five weeks, and has submitted to a painful and delicate operation, which he has fortunately come through successfully. Mr. Stratton is looking somewhat paler down from his illness, but he is gaining strength every day.

A couple of young negroes struck the city today. They made things lively at the Windsor, and were with songs and music. They are very clever musicians.

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