Rest and Recreation the Order of the Day - Spiritualist's Chaufauqua at Lily Dale - The Ever Present Labor Question Considered.

August is the month of vacations and outdoor recreations. President Mc-Kinley and his party have chosen one of the most delightful spots in the country in which to pass their time while gathering health and strength for the exacting duties which will devolve upon them as soon as the long session of Congress convenes in December. The President and his party are now at Hotel Champlain, which is one of the most delightful of summer hotels, situated upon a bluff overlooking Lake Champlain, near the village of Plattsburgh, N. Y. Here the Presi-dent and the immediate members of his official household and transact such official business as cannot be intrusted to subordinates, and devote the remainder of their time to rest and recreations. At the hotel everything impels to recration rather than labor, and all the guests have turned their attenion in this one direction.

An interesting event is the daily review of the Twenty-first regiment, sta-



President McKinley and Private Secretary Porter.

tioned at the Plattsburgh Barracks, three miles distant from the hotel. The first review was so successful that the Secretary of War issued an order for its repetition daily.

▲ little incident which illustrates the thoughtfulness and courtesy of the President occurred the other day. A nortion of the hotel veranda had been set apart for the use of the President and those who accompanied him from Washington. In order to prevent persons from crowding about his chair, carpenters had erected a stout barrier of wooden beams about the place selected for the occupation of the President and his friends. Above this bar-rier there had been hung American flags, which inclosed the place to such an extent as to make it resemble a box. President McKinley, upon arriving, also observed that the flags effectually prevented several hundred persons assembled upon the veranda from seeing those who had accompanied the President or the President himself, and, moreover, seriously shut out from their view the soldiers engaged in the re-view on the lawn below. The Presi-dent at once directed that the flags should be removed, and this was done pefore he would pay any attention to the troops that were marching before The effect of the removal of the flags was to give every American citizen at the hetel an opportunity to see the head of the Nation. Upon every side Mr. McKinley was praised for this act of courtesy and kindness.

To the guests of the Hotel Champlain and the people of Plattsburgh and its vicinity the President and Mrs. Mc-Kinley gave an informal reception. It was held in the glass corridor of the Hotel Champlain. Mrs. McKinley sat in an armchair and the President stood by her side. At the right of the President were the Secretary of War, Mrs. Alger and Mr. and Mrs. Porter. Several hundred ladies and gentlemen at-

tended the reception. Summer echools and camp meetings are now at their height, and their number is on the increase. One of the most novel is that of the spiritualists at Lily Dale, New York. This began as an ordinary camp meeting in 1879. But is no longer a camp meeting with nothing but a platform and surrounding tents but quite a good-sized permanent village, with comparatively few of the summer sojourners using tents, and then only as a matter of choice. The association itself now has many thousands of dollars invested in buildings, and a system of sewerage, water works and electric lighting give vacation life here the conveniences

which are enjoyed at home. As to what life at Lily Dale is one not otherwise informed as to the place, other than through some of the ridiculous newspaper stories would know little as to its actual character. Lily Dale is a Chautauqua on a smaller scale, of course, with a permanent population, peramnent post-office, school, well appointed stores of supplies, etc. In the summer there are from 1,000 to 2,500 people on the grounds increased by excursions temporarily to 3,000, 4,-000 or 5,000. It is a regular station on the Dunkirk, Allegheny Valley and Pittsburg railroad, now operated by the New York Central. The Auditortum is capable of seating from 2,000 to 3,000 people, movable chairs being placed on the floor on every Wednesday and Saturday night till 12 o'clock, the chairs being taken out and music turnished for the dancers by a really fine orchestra of twelve pieces. The semi-weekly hops are very fine and en-joyable affairs. There are no restrictions as to full dress. Those who wish to wear party gowns and dress suits do so, but it is almost as common to see young men and women on the floor

The auditorium is used for the loctures and other public purposes generally. In the morning at 10 o'clock after a band programme in the grove. a number of selections are played by the orchestra. The subject being chosen at the time by vote is followed by the daily conference, a subject being chosen at the time by vote or previously announced by the chairman. These

THESUMMERCAPITAL subjects embrace an endless variety of topics, some good talks are given, with some not so good. It was in these conferences that the National Spiritualist Association originated; also an organization of mediumship. Occassionally, and this was the case last year, politics will creep in and some acrimonious discussion results, but as a rule the debaters agree to disagree good natured-

> Since the expose of Hugh Moore and Mabel Aber two years ago, by official action of the board of trustees, some sorts of fakery have not been so ac-These alleged mediums were giving the most bare-faced seances with the aid of properties and confederates to the great delight of a number of seance-mad people, who were willing to swallow anything, and who were highly indignant when the authorities put an end to the business. Off in the grove is a small cleared place with a few seats where those who cultivate the departed red man congregate. This is not a part of the programme at all, but serves to amuse those who witness the affair, though many of the latter are rather disgusted than otherwise. The mediums engaged say that this is natural where the object is not understood. They say that in development of mediumship the first possessing spirits are usually Indians and that is a sort of necessary prelude to further growth and higher gifts.

> About a mile north of the village of Newark, in a little settlement called Hydesville, is a small wooden house pointed out as the spot where modern spiritualism had its birth. Here some fifty years ago lived a family of the name of Fox. In March, 1848, the father, mother and two daughters, Margaret and Kate, girls of about twelve and fourteen years, were first startled by strange rappings heard at night in various parts of the house, All efforts to learn the cause of these sounds were in vain. Becoming convinced that the raps had no earthly origin, a means of communication was established, a single rap meaning "no," three raps "yes," and other informa-tion was obtained by repeating the let-ters of the alphabet, the sound occuring at the required letter, and thus spelling out words.

The family then moved to Rochester, the raps following them. There the sisters gave public exhibitions, and great excitement arose. Hate and Margaret Fox were the first "mediums," but hosts of others quickly followed. In all parts of the country persons were claiming supernatural powers, and performing wonders. From Rochester the Fox sisters went to New York, continuing to carry on their exhibitions, until the enthusiasm grew throughout America and spread to Europe.

But in commenting upon the events of the day as they crowd thick and fast upon us, we are compelled to look away from the pleasant and restful scenes of summer life, recreation and information, to the great industrial conflict now in progress, where it is claimed that 300,000 men are idle on account of the miner's strike.

This industrial upheavel has brought to the front a great number of writers on the relations of capital and labor, and curious, if not startling, is much of the reasoning put forward to justify one side or the other. It is indeed a great question and one not easily settled. Perhaps the readlest explanation of the present strike is found in the claim that the coal operators pay their miners only starvation wages, and these miners believe that if prosperity is coming, the men who furnish the brawn and muscle are entitled to their fair share of it. While this explains the present strike, it does not settle the labor question.

The student who has probed deeper than the surface has found that in the very nature of things, peace between labor and capital is a truce needed to cover an abnormal condition, and that conflict is the natural result of such



Birthplace of Modern Spiritualism.

condition. Is not the division between labor and capital in itself a change from the way God first arranged mat-Our first parents, when driven from Eden were compelled to work. They did not look for some one to give them employment. There was no trouble about the scale of wages. There was no complaint about the capitalistic class, and the tyrany of capital. Jacob was the first capitalist of whom there is a record. He bought his brothers birthright and has been condemned for it ever since. He successfully cornered the pottage market, and did what others are doing to-day. There is no very authentic record of the first employment of man by man. Superior intelligence then, as now, must have given one man the advantage over another. At all events, it changed the original plan, and the angel with the flaming sword stands ready to drive us from a retturn to primal conditions of equality.

Into this new life and into these new conditions came the wage question—the question of recompense. What wages should be paid? The question has been asked and answered over and over again for 6,000 years. and it seems no nearer the solution now, than when the Egyptian taskmasters commanded the Israelita bondsmen to make bricks without

During all these centuries of time each side has been trying to make the question of personal service as profitable to itself as possible. From this has some the constant struggle. It is an seconomic war carried on by individuals, continually broadening out at times, as in the present strike when men similarly situated are drawn together by natural sympathy and self interest and agree to make the cause of one the concern of all. F. C. ROBINSON.

HOW TO QUIET THE BABY. The Best Way Is to Gently Shut Off on Infant's Breath.

An infallible method for quieting a crying baby probably will never be discovered.

Some entirely new methods have recently been introduced in some of the New York hospitals which prove succossful in a larger percentage of cases than the old-fashioned ways.

The new scientific method for quieting crying babies proceeds, upon an entirely new principle. It disregards Greeks and Romans ate from a kind the cause or source of irritation, but on the other hand tries to train the buby to practise self-control.

The scientific method is based upon the theory that the average baby is strong enough to control itself in all but cases of very severe illness. It is, incidentally, very much more digniteenth century B. C. The knife, fled and entails far less effort than the though very old, had not come into attempts most people make to quiet their children. The old plans of trying to catch the baby's attention by standing on one's head and by similar violent methods are quite discarded.

Instend, as soon as the child cries the nurse catches it up, and, holding it gently, places her hand over its mouth and nose so that it cannot breathe. The crying will obviously soon come to a stop. The hand need not be held very tightly over the face, since the object is merely to produce a slight smothering. As soon as the crying ceases the hand is removed. If the crying recommences, as it is very likely to do, the same operation is instantly repeated. This is continued until the baby imagines that the more or less painful stoppages of the breath are caused by its own efforts to scream. As soon as it grasps this idea it is careful to keep quiet. It is claimed that the plan works like a charm, and that wonderful self-control is exhibited by infants treated in this way, even when less than three months old .- New York

Origin of the Three Good Balls.

People who are compelled to go to their "Uncle" for temporary advances on personal property have often speculated as to the origin and significance of the three balls which are the most conspicuous exterior advertisements of the establishments appertaining to the aforesaid "Uncle." The pawnbroker's sign was, originally. the arms of the famous family of the Medici in Italy, whose ancestor was a physician and adopted as his device three pills. The Medici became bankers and money lenders, and amassed enormous wealth from lending money at the high rates of interest prevailing in their time. When banks were established in other cities than Florence, the Medici sign of three sus-

pended balls became the mark of a bank, and the practice spread into France, Spain and Germany. By and by, however, as this sign was adopted by a lower class of money lenders, who made advances on personal property, it fell into disrepute among the higher grade of financiers, and, being dropped by the bankers, was still continued by the lower class, and finally was restricted entirely to such money lenders as received pledges as security for loans.-St. Louis Demo-

He Was Made a Sergeant.

A pretty story, savoring of the romantic, is told in the French press about the kaiser. Recently his majesty went to the Berlin barracks alone. The corporal on guard recognized the kaiser immediately, and saluted him. The kaiser was pleased, and, approaching the soldier, said: "Why do you look so sad, corporal?" The corporal did not reply. The emperor then asked if he was disappointed in love. At this the corporal found his tongue, and replied that he wished to marry Marguerite, the daughter of his sergeant-major, but that her father would not give his consent until he became a sergeant. "And do you love her very much?" asked the kaiser.
"Oh, yes," was the reply. "Then,"
said the emperor, "go and tell your future father-in-law that William II. makes you a sergeant."

He Took Advice.

M. du Maurier, his son tells us, had no idea of appropriateness in dress, and did not know one fashion from another. "My sisters," said Mr. du Maurier, "looked to it that he got the right things in his pictures. He would come home sometimes and sketch something which had attracted him in a passer-by on the street. Often it would be some impossibly queer arrangement, and my sisters would protest: 'Why, father, you mustn't use without stopping for 40 days. During that in Punch. Nobody wears those things now; they are dreadfully oldfashioned,' and he would give in immediately to what he recognized as their superior judgment," This will be a blow to the hundreds of people who modeled their dress upon that Du Maurier's men and women. His fashlons, however, were correct, for his family saw to it that they should be.

A Bostonian's Neglected Education. "Browning, dear," said Mrs. Emerson to her husband, "what is a cu-

taneous pastime?" "A cutaneous pastime, love? never heard of such a thing." "Well, I heard two men on the street car talking, and one of them spoke of a skin game."—Brooklyn

Didn't Have to Walk.

Banks-"And because you couldn't find a penny to pay the fare, did the conductor make you get off and

Jenkins-"No, he only made me get off; I could have sat on the road all day if I'd wanted to."-From the

Origin of Table Utensils.

A writer attempts to trace table utensils-most of them of recent introduction-to their origin. The Romans, he declares, took their meals lying upon very low couches, and it was not until about the time of Charlemagne that a stand was used around which guests were seated on cushions, while the table made its appearance in the middle ages, and with it came benches with backs. The of porringer, yet during a portion of the middle ages slices of bread cut round took the place of plates. The spoon is very ancient, and many fine specimens are in existence that were used by the Egyptians in the sevencommon use as a table utensil in the tenth century. The fork was absolutely unknown to the Greeks and Romans, appeared only a curiosity in the middle ages and was first used upon the table by Henry III. Drinking cups-in the middle ages made from metal more or less preciousnaturally dated from the remotest antiquity. The use of glasses from Venice began to be general in the fifteenth century. Saltcellars appear ed at a very early date and occupied the place of honor at the banquets of the Greeks and Romans, many of them being made of gold and silver and richly chased .- Jewelers' Circu-

Health Broke Down.

"Last summer my health broke down entirely. My stomach was in a bad condition, and I had no appetite and became very weak. My husband procured a bottle of Hood's Sarsaparilla and I began taking it, and in a very short time I felt better. I continued its use, and it gave me strength and enabled me to go on with my work." M. C. FICKEE, Mountrock, Pa

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Open for a Settlement.

An old Swede farmer who lives on the Baltimore and Ohio road, a few miles out of town, had the misfortune to lose a valuable colt the other day. The animal jumped out of a pasture, ran down upon the railway and was caught in a cut by an express train. The claim agent went out to effect an amicable settlement if possible with the old man.

"We are very sorry, of course, that this affair happened," said the railway man, "and I hope it will not be necessary for us to go into court."

The old farmer looked at him suspiciously and shifted about uneasily, but said nothing.

"You must remember," continued the claim agent, that your colt was a tresspasser on our property when the accident occurred. We don't want any litigation, however, if we can help it, and we'd like to arrange a settle

ment with you on a friendly basis." "Vell," slowly said the Swede, "ay tal you. Ay bin sorry das fool colt runned on the railroad track, but ay bin poor man. Ay skal give you two tollar!"- Chicago Times-Herald.

St. Swithin of blessed memory must be flattered at the frequent reference to him the present summer. For the past month there has not been a day when his name has not been on somebody's tongue more than once or twice in the eastern and middle states. Hundreds have called to mind the old doggerel weather prediction for St. Swithin's day, "If St. Swithin's day be tair, then 40 days it will be clear." If, on the other hand, it rain on the good saint's day, then the prediction says there will be falling weather every day Digestive Cordial, strengthening, nourfor 40 days. The saying has proved true for nearly the allotted time in the eastern part of the country at any rate. does this by strengthening the stom-Who was St. Swithin anyhow? He was a devout English priest who died after his death they made a saint of him. He was to be canonized July 15, but on that day there came terrible rainstorms, and they continued all that time the body of poor St. Swithin had to wait before it could be sinally buried in Winchester cathedral. This long wait gave rise to the famous weather prophecy.

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Decline of Profanity

The habit of swearing is dying out-It was within the memory of those who do not like to think themselves old very common. I have heard on what and renews strength and health. It I am sure is trustworthy authority of a clergyman of the last generation, ach, by helping it to digest your food. who, summoned to breakfast while at It nourishes you. Shaker Digestive his morning devotions, turned upon 1,035 years ago this July. A century Cordial is made of pure herbs, plants the unfortunate messenger with the and wine, and is perfectly harmless exclamation: "-you! How date and will certainly cure all genuine stomack trouble. Sold by druggists, price 10 cents to \$1.00 per bottle.

you interrupt my prayers! Much less extreme instances are known to many of us which would now be simmany of us which would now be simply impossible.

Are we becoming more pious? That is not the general impression. Is It is stated that the management of the fiber of the race softening? That the Pennsylvania Railroad has issued is often maintained, but I do not tnink successfully. The civil war is throwing rice at brides and grooms there to disprove it for Americans at who take their trains. The Lancaster least. Or are we, as French men and women did long ago, learning more adequately to master the resources of police and public opinion will support our own tongue and becoming independent of this crude and rather stopid-to call it nothing worse-

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