

A FIGHT FOR LIFE.

Senator Davis Holding His Own, but In a Critical Condition. ST. PAUL, Nov. 21.—A quiet day was passed by United States Senator Davis...



SENATOR CUSHMAN K. DAVIS. never fully restored. However, his strong will is battling with the disease, and hope has not been abandoned...

KENTUCKY BANK WRECK.

The Shortage of Brown \$191,500. How He Managed the Steal. CINCINNATI, Nov. 20.—The experts who have been working with Receiver Tucker on the books of the German National bank at Newport...

No Rise in Meat Prices. CHICAGO, Nov. 16.—Absolute denial is made by Chicago packers of a report to the effect that the packers had advanced prices on all sorts of meat...

ARRIVAL OF BERNHARDT.

The Great French Actress Comes to America to Tour with M. Coquelle. NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Angular as ever, but if anything younger looking than when she last visited the United States...

General Lee in New York. NEW YORK, Nov. 21.—Major General Fitz-Hugh Lee has arrived at this port from Cuba on the Ward line steamship Moro Castle...

White Fish After a Shower. JOLIET, Ills., Nov. 20.—After showers a large number of small white fish were found in different parts of the city...

New York Markets. FLOUR—State and western unsettled and still weak with buyers indifferent...

Not to Be Trusted. Wife—Let me send for Dr. Killman. You said some one recommended him highly...

A Quiet Future in View. "Noiseless pneumatic tires are put on rocking chairs now."

Artistic Periods of Time. "It takes four persons a whole year to make a high-grade cashmere shawl."

Failed in Her Mission. "So her foreign trip was not a success?" "Oh, dear, no. Why, she didn't even become engaged to a man with a title and a bad record."

FREE MAIL AT FARMS

Extension of Rural Delivery System Urged.

PROVED A SUCCESS WHEREVER TRIED

First Assistant Postmaster General Johnson Says the Change Can Be Effected Without Excessive Cost to the Government.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 21.—An enthusiastic plan for a wide expansion of rural free delivery is made in the annual report of W. M. Johnson, first assistant postmaster general...

Under ordinary conditions a full route is considered to be 25 miles, so devised that the carrier does not pass over the same ground twice in the same day...

Bearing on the question of cost, a statement compiled from the books of the office shows that from December, 1899, to Nov. 1, 1900, 439 star routes and mail messenger services have been discontinued or curtailed...

A Long Distance Photograph. MINNEAPOLIS, Nov. 16.—Professor F. P. Leavenworth photographed the asteroid Eros through the telescope at the State university observatory last evening...

STOWAWAYS THAT WERE PETS

An Interesting Pair That Came Aboard to City of Rome on a Recent Trip.

A pair without money, passage tickets or luggage boarded the steamship City of Rome on her last trip from Glasgow to this port just at the closing hour for sailing...

Birth Rate in Europe. The most recent statistics show a decrease of the birth rate in every European country, the average decrease being three per cent, since 1891...

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A War Office Secret

"WALLINGFORD shoot?" said Sergt. Harding. "Of course he can. A man on the staff at Hythe has a rifle in his hand all day and every day..."

"Now, you all know why foreign military attaches are in England. They are here to see the rights of all improvements in the army—in men, in tools, in the handling of either..."

"That's my business." "Well, you must give it up." "Oh, no, I shan't." "But you must."

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"That very evening I was sitting among a lot of other men who were swotting for exam. I had a sheet of foolscap and was busy making a sketch of the action in Indian ink."

"Hallo, young man," said the instructor, who had been looking over my shoulder, unbeknown to me, 'what have you got there?' "You ought to know as well, if not better than I, sergeant-instructor."

"I do know. But where did you get it?" "That's my business." "Well, you must give it up." "Oh, no, I shan't."

"But you must." "It's mine, and you can't take it from me." "We'll see what Lieut. Brown says about that."

"If Lieut. Brown says I must give it up, I will. But not unless." "Come along, then, to his quarters." "This is Sergt. Harding, duke of Cornwall's light infantry, sir," said the sergeant-instructor, when we reached Lieut. Brown's room...

"He has a sketch of the Maxim secret action and refuses to give it up." "How's this, Sergt. Harding?" asked Lieut. Brown.

"The sketch is my own, sir. I refused to give it up to the sergeant-instructor, but said I would give it up at once, if you ordered me. But I have made one sketch, and if you take that away from me, I have the action in my mind, and can always make another sketch."

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CHINESE JUSTICE.

The Prisoner Must First Confess Before He Can Be Punished by Law. "June 27, at ten o'clock," says the late Admiral John W. Philip in his diary...

"The business to-day consisted in comparing the English and Chinese records of the case and making them agree. They reexamined the two leaders, who are the Chung brothers, and occupied nearly the whole day in trying by different tortures to make these fellows confess to their guilt."

"One proceeding rather amused me, although it was barbarous. The leading mandarin had asked one of these brothers several questions, to which he would not answer to the satisfaction of the court, so the mandarin wrote out the evidence as he thought the criminal ought to speak it, and then told him to acknowledge that it was correct; and when the poor fellow refused to comply with the court's request, he was tortured until he fainted in the courtroom and had to be removed. By the Chinese laws they cannot punish a person until he confesses to everything. If the court thinks the prisoner is telling lies they torture him for the truth; or, if he does not speak as they wish him to and will not confess his guilt, they torture him in the most cruel manner until he does as they wish. As soon as he confesses, he is beheaded, frequently in one hour. I was told in court that very often a criminal would die under his tortures rather than confess himself guilty. These, I suppose, are rare cases, where the man is really innocent of the crime charged. I have seen enough of Chinese jurisprudence to disgust me with it for the future."

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LITERARY NOTES.

Rudyard Kipling's new novel, "Kim," will begin in the December issue of McClure's Magazine. This is a tale of life in India, and in it the literary genius gives a profound study of Oriental life...

One of the most extraordinary, yet permanent, successes of contemporary literature was that made by Anthony Hope in the "Dolly Dialogues." America and England alike rejoiced in the refined and subtle humor, the clear insight, the pervasive human interest of these conversations...

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RAILROAD NOTES.

PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD. PERSONALLY CONDUCTED TOURS VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD. SEASON 1900-1.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company announces the following personally-conducted tours for the season of 1900-1901:

California.—A thirty-five-day tour will leave New York, Philadelphia, Harrisburg and Pitsburg, February 14. The party will travel over the entire route by the "Golden Gate Special," the finest train that crosses the continent.

Florida.—Three tours to Jacksonville will leave New York and Philadelphia February 5 and 19 and March 5. The first two of these admit of a sojourn of two weeks in the "Flowery State." Tickets for the third tour will be good to return by regular trains until May 31, 1901.

Tickets for the above tours will be sold from all principal points on the Pennsylvania Railroad. For detailed itineraries, giving rates and full information, address Thos. E. Watt, Passenger Agent Western District, Pitsburg; B. Courlander, Jr., Passenger Agent Baltimore District, Baltimore; C. Studis, Passenger Agent Southeastern District, Washington; or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Philadelphia.

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