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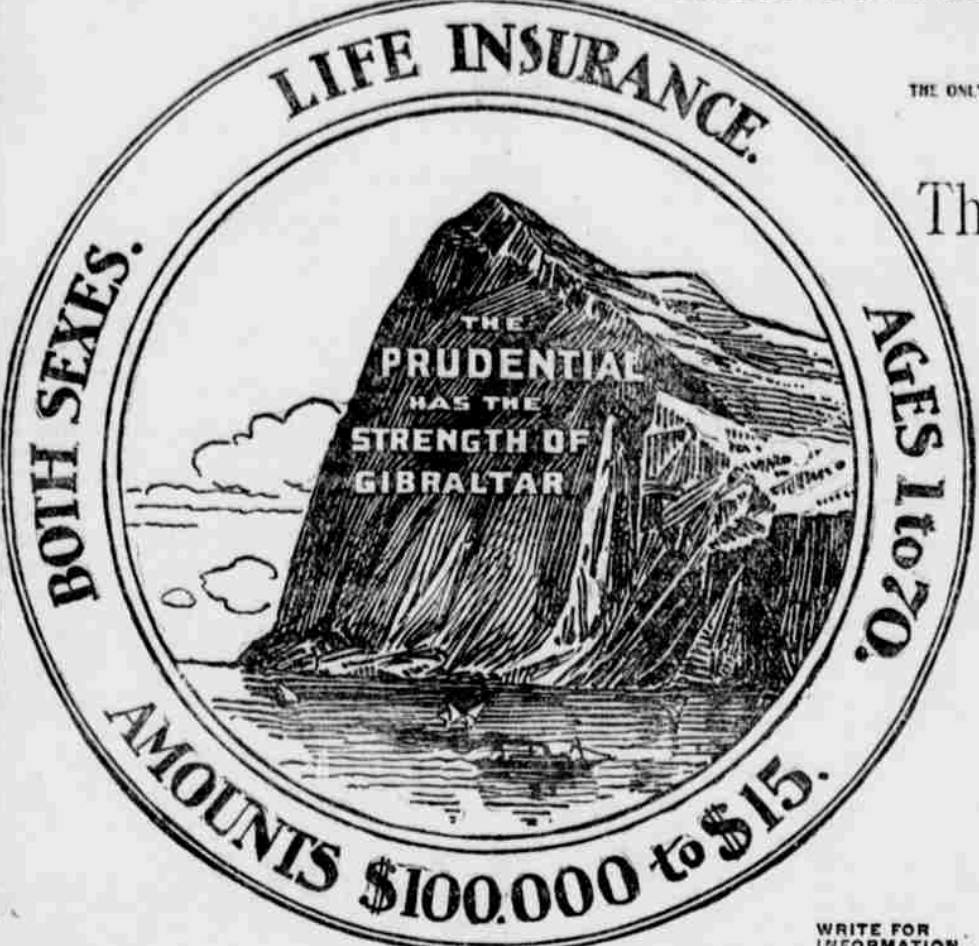
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| INSURANCE IN FORCE, end of 1900, over | 604 MILLIONS |
| INSURANCE WRITTEN AND PLACED, during 1900, over | 249 MILLIONS |
| PAID POLICY-HOLDERS, in 25 years, over | 49 MILLIONS |
| ASSETS, end of 1900, over | 40 MILLIONS |
| INCOME, during 1900, over | 24 MILLIONS |
| PAID POLICY-HOLDERS, during 1900, over | 7 MILLIONS |
| SURPLUS, end of 1900, over | 6 MILLIONS |
| POLICIES IN FORCE, end of 1900, over | 4 MILLIONS |

Twenty-fifth Annual Statement
January 1, 1901.

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| ASSETS. | |
| Bonds and Mortgages, | \$11,377,631 07 |
| Real Estate, | 6,892,770 35 |
| R.R. Bonds and Stock (Market Value), | 12,950,000 50 |
| Municipal Bonds (Market Value), | 3,757,066 35 |
| U. S. Gov. Bonds (Market Value), | 116,750 00 |
| Cash in Banks and Office, | 2,534,110 34 |
| Interest and Rents, due and accrued, | 333,007 21 |
| Loans on Collateral Securities, | 807,000 00 |
| Loans on Policies, | 471,891 63 |
| Premiums Deferred and in course of collection (net), | 1,357,872 48 |
| Total, | \$40,599,091 93 |
| LIABILITIES. | |
| Reserve on Policies, | \$33,724,303 00 |
| All other Liabilities, | 465,467 04 |
| Surplus to Policy-holders, | 6,410,131 92 |
| Total, | \$40,599,091 93 |



THE ONLY AMERICAN LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY AWARDED A GOLD MEDAL AT PARIS INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION, 1900.

The Best in Life Insurance, Absolute Protection, Profitable Investment, The Most Liberal Conditions ARE OFFERED BY

THE PRUDENTIAL

INSURANCE CO. OF AMERICA. Home Office, Newark, N. J.

BRANCH OFFICE IN BLOOMSBURG, PA.,

JOHN J. MALANEY, ASSISTANT SUPT.,

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BLOOMSBURG, PA.

Main and East Streets.

A HEROIC DEATH.

Lieutenant Commander Roper Perished in Fire on Gunboat.

CAVITE, April 1.—At 7 o'clock yesterday morning a fire was discovered in the saloon of the United States gunboat Putrel, Lieutenant Commander Jesse Mims Roper commanding. The saloon is a small compartment adjoining the magazine. The heat was intense, the smoke suffocating and the flames difficult to extinguish.

Lieutenant Commander Roper was the first to descend into the hold, but he was forced to return to the deck. Others then went down. Seaman Patrick Toner was prostrated and about to perish when Lieutenant Commander Roper endeavored to rescue him and was suffocated in the attempt.

Lieutenant Josiah Slutte McKean and Cadet Lewis suffered severely in bringing the body of Lieutenant Commander Roper to the deck.

Twenty-two of the crew were prostrated. Toner, Evans, Flaherty, Larson, Kessler, Cabey, Burton, Smith, Sullivan and Forsborn seriously, but all will recover.

The contents of the saloon were destroyed, but the damage to the gunboat was slight. The origin of the fire has not been ascertained. Possibly it was a case of spontaneous combustion.

American Beet Sugar Company.

NEW YORK, April 3.—At a meeting of the stockholders of the American Beet Sugar company held in Jersey City the board of directors was re-elected. The annual report showed that the amount of sugar produced was 33,351,000 pounds and the net profits \$55,344.7. The preferred stock drew dividends amounting to \$240,000.

Earthquakes in Hungary.

BUDAPEST, April 3.—Earthquake shocks yesterday visited a wide region in southeastern Hungary, and several houses were shaken down.

New York Markets.

FLOUR—State and western ruled dull and lower to sell. Minnesota patents, \$4 1/2; winter straight, \$3.40; winter extras, \$2.45; winter patents, \$3.60. **WHEAT**—Weak and considerably lower. No. 1 hard, \$1.15; No. 2 hard, \$1.10; No. 3 hard, \$1.05; No. 1 soft, \$1.00; No. 2 soft, \$0.95; No. 3 soft, \$0.90. **RYE**—Steady; state, \$0.85; c. i. f., New York, \$0.80; No. 2 western, \$1.10. **CORN**—Broke sharply again under continued unloading, weak cables and absence of prominent support; May, \$0.35; July, \$0.30. **OATS**—Slow and weaker with corn; track, white, state, \$0.30; track, white, western, \$0.25. **PORK**—Quiet; mess, \$16.50; family, \$15.50. **LARD**—Steady; prime western steam, \$5.50. **BUTTER**—Firm; state dairy, \$16.25; creamery, \$16.00. **CHEESE**—Firm; fancy, large, colored, \$1.10; fancy, small, colored, \$1.05; fancy, small, white, \$1.00. **EGGS**—Strong; state and Pennsylvania, \$1.10; western, at mark, \$1.05. **SUGAR**—Raw firm; fair refining, \$17.25; centrifugal, 96 test, \$1.30; powdered, \$1.25. **TURPENTINE**—Dull at \$6.50. **MOLASSES**—Steady; New Orleans, \$20.00. **RICE**—Quiet; domestic, \$3.00; Japan, \$3.50. **WHEAT**—Steady; city, \$4.00; country, \$3.50. **HAY**—Steady; shipping, \$7.75; good choice, \$9.00.

CONDENSED DISPATCHES.

Notable Events of the Week Briefly and tersely told.

Prince Louis Napoleon has arrived in Paris on a visit.

J. Pierpont Morgan has sailed from New York for Europe.

A British officer was assaulted by Frenchmen at Tien-tsin.

The Russian minister of the interior was shot at, but the plot to assassinate him failed.

It is stated that the Turkish government is at last fast pledged to pay American missionary claims.

Gold has been discovered near Arendal, Norway, on the Skager-Rack, 30 miles northeast of Christiansand.

The strike of the painters and paper hangers in Oswego, N. Y., has ended, the master painters agreeing to the union schedule for 22 1/2 cents an hour and nine hours to constitute a day's work.

Tuesday, April 2.

Lord Salisbury is reported to be recovering.

M. Waldeck-Rousseau, the French premier, is suffering from an abscess in the throat.

There was a panic in the sultan's palace at Constantinople because of an earthquake.

The wages of the employees of the Glasgow Iron company at Pottstown, Pa., have been raised.

Calvin T. Titus, the first soldier to scale the Peking wall, has been appointed a cadet at West Point.

Colonel Robert L. Meade, marine corps, U. S. N., has been made a brigadier general by brevet for bravery at Tien-tsin.

Monday, April 1.

The diary of Major Andre, the Revolutionary spy, has been found in England.

A fire in Kansas City destroyed \$200,000 worth of property. Five firemen were injured.

The steamer Ophir, with the Duke and Duchess of Cornwall on board, arrived at Port Said.

The son of ex-Congressman Crowley of Lockport, N. Y., was arrested in San Juan, Porto Rico, in connection with alleged postal frauds.

The university boat race on the Thames was won by the Oxford crew, defeating Cambridge by half a length.

The Rev. John Jasper, the aged negro Baptist preacher who held the theory which he expressed as "The sun do move," died in Richmond at the age of 89.

An anarchist recently returned from the United States has been arrested in Rome on a charge of being concerned in a plot to destroy the lives of the king and queen of Italy.

The state department has called Minister Loomis from Caracas to Washington, desiring to consult him regarding issues with Venezuela, which are said to be growing more acute.

Saturday, March 30.

A son was born to Prince Bismarck.

Japan is apparently preparing for war. A Newark boy was buried three hours in a sand bank.

The president appointed Captain E. M. Shepard a rear admiral.

Lieutenant General Kool was appointed minister of war of Holland.

Five Filipinos were hanged in Manila for the murder of an Englishman.

The sultan of Turkey, fearing assassins, has excluded tourists from the palace precincts.

Two tons of American flags have been ordered for Fourth of July celebration in Porto Rico.

Friday, March 29.

The Philippine commission met the sultan of Sulu.

The cruiser New York sailed from Tangier for Manila.

Turkish authorities condemned three Bulgarians to death for treason.

Nineteen students are said to have died of injuries received during riots at St. Petersburg.

Charles Momm, first assistant examiner in the United States patent office, committed suicide.

Part of the crew of the British ship Psyche were rescued after being 30 days in an open boat.

The president received P. C. Knox and invited him to be attorney general. Mr. Knox did not announce his acceptance.

The Kentucky court of appeals granted new trials to Caleb Powers and James Howard, sentenced for the murder of Governor Goebel.

Thursday, March 28.

The landscape painter Gazin died at Nice.

President Hadley of Yale proposed a college trust.

Ohio miners and operators agreed. Changes in wages favor the former.

Blizzard in western Nebraska and eastern Colorado reported very disastrous to cattle.

Chandler Hale, son of Senator Hale, was selected for secretary of legation at The Hague.

A continuous period of sleighing, lasting from 122 to 138 days, according to the locality, reported in northern New York.

LOOMIS ORDERED HOME.

The Scorpion to Bring Our Minister From Caracas.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Minister Loomis, at Caracas, who has been ordered home in connection with the differences between this country and Venezuela, has been directed by the state department to embark on the gunboat Scorpion and proceed to San Juan, Porto Rico, where he will sail for home on a passenger vessel. The Scorpion was ordered back to La Guayra to take Mr. Loomis away.

Copies of cartoons and translations of newspaper attacks on Minister Loomis published in Venezuelan papers have been received at the state department. They are believed here to reflect the bitter feeling of the official set at Caracas against Mr. Loomis and the United States government. One cartoon represents Mr. Loomis holding out one hand to President Castro in a friendly fashion, while in the other he holds a knife and is reaching over Castro's shoulder to stab him in the back. Another shows Mr. Loomis with two faces, one of the worse forms of insult that can be placed on a man in Latin-America.

Twenty Turkish Soldiers Drowned.

JDDAH, Arabia, April 2.—The Turkish transport Aslan has been wrecked near Yembo. Twenty soldiers were drowned.

Prince Li Returning to Shanghai.

TIEN-TSIN, April 3.—Li Hung Chang, with his bodyguard, is returning to Shanghai. He is indisposed. Steamers are detained at his disposal, and he is expected to arrive here Thursday. A company of Germans defeated 1,000 Chinese robbers March 31 seven miles north of Tien-tsin, killing 11 and wounding 50. It is reported that a dozen foreigners were co-operating with the robbers. The Germans captured 30 carts and a gun.

What He Said.

"My wealthy uncle spoke very nicely of you, Henrietta," said Mr. Meekton; "very nicely, indeed. I'm sure you would have been flattered if you could have heard him."

"Indeed!"

"Yes. His tribute to your personal charms was most graceful, and at the same time his recognition of your store of information, such as most people need a lifetime to acquire, was convincingly sincere."

"I should like to know precisely what he said."

"I can recall his exact language," Mr. Meekton went on, in gentle innocence. "He said you looked like 25 and talked like 60."—Washington Star.

As an Offset.

"Hairpins have gone up, bub," said the notion store woman to the kid who said he wanted two cents' worth for his mother.

"Don't I get eight for two cents any more?" he asked.

"No; only six."

"All right; gimme six. Pa had ma by the hair when I came away, and I guess she can make six hairpins do by the time the racket is over and I get home."—Chicago Daily News.

MAYDOLE'S HAMMER.

(Benson's Plaster is Pain's Master.)

When Maydole was told that he made "a pretty good hammer," he said, "No, I don't make a 'pretty good hammer,' I make the best hammer that ever was made."

Every carpenter who saw a Maydole hammer wanted one. It was of the best material, perfectly balanced, and the head never flew off. Hammers were divided into two classes—1st, Maydole's; 2d, all the rest.

Plasters are separated by the same line of cleavage; 1st, Benson's Porous Plaster; 2d, all the rest. When, for rheumatic pain, a cold, a cough, kidney trouble or any other disease or ailment that may be treated externally, you ask for a plaster, any honest, reputable druggist will give you a Benson's. He knows it is incomparably the best, and he assumes that you know it too.

As the name of Maydole stood for plasters—the "real thing." All the medicinal potencies that are valuable in a plaster are in Benson's, Capsicum, Strengthening and Belladonna plasters are out of date.

An army of physicians and druggists, and millions of the people, have written of Benson's Plasters as a remedy to be trusted.

Benson's Plasters have fifty-five highest awards. Accept no substitute.

For sale by all druggists, or we will prepay postage on any number ordered in the United States, on receipt of 25c. each. Seabury & Johnson, Mfr. Chemists, N. Y.

It Made a Difference.

"No," he said, "I will not pay you for that quart of milk. My wife thought it was chalk mixture and gave it to the children for medicine."

"Then," replied the honest milkman, "the bill will be \$1.25. I used to be a druggist, and prescription work costs money."—Baltimore American.

ON A PAR—A TICKET OVER THE N. Y. CENTRAL AND DR. HUMPHREYS' SPECIFICS.

Geo. H. Daniels, Esq., General Passenger Agent of the N. Y. C. & R. R., at a public dinner at the Waldorf, said: "For years I have taken no medicine but Humphreys' Specifics. My parents had the whole family on these little pills; never had any other remedy in the house, and I am the smallest of eleven children. So much for Humphreys' Specifics. I should advise all those who are raising children to get packages of it and carry it with them. It is the most reliable thing you can get—except a ticket over the New York Central." "77" breaks up colds that hang on. Dr. Humphreys' book mailed free. Humphreys' Medicine Co., Cor. William and John Sts., New York.

Some men live so rapidly as to die of old age at 40.

WHAT SHALL WE HAVE FOR DESSERT?—This question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No baking! Add hot water and set to cool. Flavors: Lemon, orange, raspberry and strawberry. At your grocers, 10c. 3 1/4d.

WANTED.—Reliable Man for Manager of Branch Office.

We wish to open in this vicinity. If your record is O. K. here is an opportunity. Kindly give good reference when writing.

THE A. T. MORRIS WHOLESALE HOUSE,

Cincinnati, Ohio.
Illustrated catalogue, 4c., stamps. [1212 21]

"Come off" is the message of spring to the storm door.

BOUGHT YESTERDAY—CURED TO-DAY.—Mrs. O. C. Bur, of 26 Broadway, New York, says: "I am surprised and delighted at the change for the better in my case in one day from the use of Dr. Agnew's Catarrhal Powder. It worked like magic—there's no excuse for a person suffering pain with this remedy within reach, 50 cents." Sold by C. A. Kleim.

Some doctors are not satisfied to let well enough alone.

WHAT'S THE TROUBLE?—Is it sickhead-ache? Is it biliousness? Is it sluggish liver? Is your skin sallow? Do you feel more lead than alive? Your system needs toning—your liver is doing its work—don't resort to strong drugs—Dr. Agnew's Little Liver Pills, 125 cents for 40 doses, will work wonders for you. Sold by C. A. Kleim.

Cupid leads anything but an aimless life.

CASTORIA.
The Kind You Have Always Bought
Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Little*

HEART DISEASE RELIEVED IN 30 MINUTES.—Dr. Agnew's cure for the Heart gives perfect relief in all cases of organic or sympathetic heart disease in 30 minutes, and speedily effects a cure. It is a peerless remedy for palpitation, shortness of breath, smothering spells, pain in left side, and all symptoms of a diseased heart. One dose convinces.

Sold by C. A. Kleim.

The egotistical letter I is always in it.

MOTHERS! MOTHERS! MOTHERS!—How many children are at this season feverish and constipated, with bad stomach and headache. Mother Gray's Starch Powders for Children will always cure. If worms are present they will certainly remove them. At all druggists, 25c. Sample mailed FREE. Address Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y. [14]

"A broth of a boy" must be one who is always in the soup.

DISTRESSING STOMACH DISEASE—Permanently cured by the mysteriously powerful of South American Nervine Tonic. Invalids need suffer no longer, because this great remedy can cure them all. It is a cure for the whole world of stomach weakness and indigestion. The cure begins with the first dose. The relief it brings is marvellous and surprising. It makes no failure; never disappoints. No matter how long you have suffered, your cure is certain under the use of this great health-giving force. Pleasant and always safe. Sold by C. A. Kleim, druggist, 128 West Main street, Bloomsburg, Pa. 174 19

The miner couldn't earn a living unless he was kept down in the world.

A REMEDY FOR THE GRIPPE.—A remedy recommended for patients afflicted with the grippe is KEMP'S BALSAM, which is especially adapted for the throat and lungs. Don't wait for the first symptoms of the disease, get a bottle to-day and keep it for use the moment it is needed. If neglected the grippe has a tendency to bring on pneumonia. KEMP'S BALSAM prevents this by keeping the cough loose and the lungs free from inflammation. All druggists sell KEMP'S BALSAM at 25c and 50c. 3-14d4t

The interior decorator sees room for improvement in his business.

HAVE YOU A SKIN DISEASE?—Tetter, salt rheum, scald head, ringworm, eczema, itch, barber's itch, ulcers, blotches, chronic erysipelas, liver spots, prurigo, Psoriasis, or other eruptions of the skin—what Dr. Agnew's Ointment has done for others it can do for you—cure you. One application gives relief. 35 cents. Sold by C. A. Kleim, druggist, 128 W. Main St., Bloomsburg, Pa. 4 26 17.

When a girl has a fellow under her thumb he is generally Miss-managed.

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