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Fewer Mail Robberies. There has been a decrease in the number of post offices robbed and mail trains and stages held up during the past year as compared with the previous year.

The closing exercises of the Literary club were highly successful, says the Whitsett (Ga.) Courier. Perfect order was preserved without the attendance of the town marshal, whose children were laid up with measles, from which we sincerely hope they will recover soon.

The Buffalo Commercial says that when Gen. Benjamin F. Tracy was in Paris last summer he engaged in a discussion with another American on Markham's much talked of poem, "The Man with the Hoe." An Englishman who was listening to the argument asked who the man with the hoe was.

Six years ago a friend of Charles Brandt, of St. Louis, to show his friendship, gave him a great slap on the back. Brandt was well educated, clever and prosperous then. Now, says the Post-Dispatch, he has locomotor ataxia, is subject to attacks of paralysis, and, in the expectation that he has not long to live, he has been removed to the Belleville poorhouse.

A man was arrested in New York city the other day, and his shoes were found to be full of pearls. We have often heard of Americans getting their boots full of snakes, but this is the first time we remember to have made the long-distance acquaintance of a statesman with his shoes full of pearls.

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THINGS THAT ARE SETTLED.

The Late Elections Decided Some Political Points for 1900.

The recent elections were the elections of 1900 in miniature. That was why they were watched with such keen and almost feverish interest by statesmen of every degree.

The principal issue was not that of the recent war, for all parties were committed to that war and all parties have claimed without dispute their share in the glory of its wonderful success.

This issue has been given popularly the name of expansion. Whether or not that name is expressive depends upon the understanding of it.

Every extension of the territory of the United States has been resisted by those of the same class as the anti-expansionists of to-day.

The fiber of the American people is not so flaccid as the timorous souls would have us believe.

The elections say that Americans do not regard it as a crime or a blunder to grow to the stature which their birthright indicates.

Bryan, who does the thinking and talking for the democratic party, decided to present as an issue this fall his old Chicago platform money plank as well as that of expansion.

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GETTING READY FOR 1900.

The Democratic Programme for the Great Performance Next Year.

The reaffirmation of the Chicago platform of 1896 by the democratic national committee in its session at Chicago was, of course, inevitable.

Accordingly, unless the Chicago platform is reaffirmed in 1900, a split in that combination and a dangerous cooling of democratic enthusiasm throughout the union are inevitable.

With the Chicago platform, of course, logically will go the renomination of Mr. Bryan, probably without a single opposing delegation in the national convention.

It is evident, however, that an attempt will be made to give paramount importance in the campaign to other issues than sixteen to one merely, though, of course, Bryan's nomination will force that issue to the front in every intelligent mind.

The democratic party, with Bryan and the Chicago platform on its back, will be forced to appear again as the representative of silver and dishonor and of the rest of the radicalism it put out in 1896.

The democratic committee is reported as favoring the holding of its national convention much earlier than that of the republicans, and even a date as early as some time in March is suggested.

Upon her death the proceeds are to be distributed as follows: The Congregational Church Building Society, of Chicago, \$10,000; the Congregational church of Michigan City, \$10,000; the Humane Society \$10,000; the Seven Day Adventist Medical, Missionary and Benevolent association, of Battle Creek, Mich., \$10,000, for the purpose of endowing the Haskell Orphanage home, of that city; Mrs. Caroline Reed, of Chicago, \$10,000; the University of Chicago \$10,000 to promote and extend the study of Oriental literature in relation to the Bible and Christian teaching; the residue for the trustees of Oberlin college for the use of the college.

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HUNDREDS OF LIVES IN PERIL.

A Hosiery Mill at Reading, Pa., Burns—Fifty-seven Girls Injured and One Killed.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 8.—One of the most appalling fires that has ever visited this city occurred Thursday when the extensive hosiery mill of the Nolde & Horst Co. took fire, destroying the plant, causing the death of one person and injuring about 60 other employees of the company.

The fire was discovered about 11 o'clock and in a few minutes the girls were panic-stricken. They made a dash for the fire escape and the stairs, but found the latter means of escape could not carry all of them down at the same time.

Several hundred of the girls then made a rush for the windows and appealed to those in the street to save them. Ladders were brought into use, and many girls were taken from the burning building safely.

Many of the girls who escaped by the stairways and fire escapes were badly burned, but none of them were, it is believed, seriously injured.

The fire was caused by the explosion of gasoline in the singing room. The loss is estimated at about \$275,000, on which there is an insurance of \$150,000.

Chicago, Dec. 8.—An instrument was recorded yesterday with the Cook county recorder by which Caroline E. Haskell, of Michigan City, Ind., conveys to the Chicago Title and Trust Co. as trustee the property at Nos. 236 and 238 Monroe street in consideration of \$1 and the fulfillment of several conditions.

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BURNED ALIVE.

A Kentucky Mob Cremates a Negro Murderer.

Maysville, Ky., Dec. 7.—Richard Coleman (colored), the murderer of Mrs. James Lashbrook, wife of his employer, expiated his crime yesterday at the hands of a mob consisting of thousands of citizens, by burning at the stake after suffering torture beyond description.

Just two months ago Richard Coleman, the trusted employe of Farmer James Lashbrook, in a manner peculiarly atrocious murdered the woman who had been his benefactor.

The trial was set for yesterday. Sheriff Perrine determined to leave Covington by the train on the Chesapeake & Ohio which started at 7:30 Wednesday morning.

The prisoner with his escort arrived here at 10:20 o'clock. As the train puffed into the station the mob formed on both sides in two long crowds.

The sheriff and his assistants were armed and there was some resistance as the leaders of the mob jostled against them and demands were uttered from the outer fringes of the crowd for the prisoner.

At the court house a mob of over 2,000 men, headed by James Lashbrook, the husband, had been hastily formed. There was a brief struggle in which weapons were drawn by the officers and then the sheriff and his assistants were overcome and the prisoner was pulled from their midst by the leaders of the mob.

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A NOTABLE SILVER ANNIVERSARY.

With the close of the present year Mr. David C. Cook, of Chicago, will celebrate his first quarter-centennial as editor and publisher of Sunday-school literature.

The past quarter of a century has witnessed many changes among Sunday-school publishers, and much less time than this has sufficed for some to outlive their usefulness.

The restraining influence of the Christian home and the Sunday-school on our growing community of young people, some of us may not appreciate as we should—perhaps because these sometimes fail to restrain.

The paper is profusely illustrated, beautifully printed, and contains as much or more reading matter than the most expensive of secular young people's story papers.

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by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube.

There is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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Higher Criticism. The savage held his temper admirably. "Nature," he roared, with a comprehensive gesture, "is our Bible!"

When Baby Has the Croup. Use Hoxsie's Croup Cure. It does not contain opium in any form and will not nauseate.

Coughing Leads to Consumption. Kemp's Balsam will stop the Cough at once. Go to your druggist to-day and get a sample bottle free.

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