

NEWS OF THE WEEK.

Eddie Gallery, 11 years old, was accidentally killed at his home in Chicago on the evening of the 14th. While overhauling the drawers of a bureau the lad found his father's pistol. The mother grasped the weapon, unfortunately catching hold of the trigger. An explosion followed. The bullet lodged just under Eddie's right eye and he died in half an hour.

Captain Jones, of the schooner Arthur, at Mobile on the 15th from Bay Islands, reports that at Ratanai last month, Rev. Henry Hobson, his wife and her companion, a young girl, all natives of Jamaica, were murdered by Joseph Bures. The family were preparing to leave for Balize and Bures was helping. Discovering that Mrs. Hobson had money, Bures at night entered the house and cut the throats of all three persons. He then robbed them of what money and valuables they possessed, including a watch. The next day Bures was found with the watch, was arrested and made a confession of his guilt. Captain Jones says the mutilation of the bodies of both women bore strong resemblance to the murders committed by the Whitechapel murderer in England. Marshal Clare and two deputies went on board the shanty boat of D. W. Jones, at Warsaw, Kentucky, on the 14th, to search for stolen goods. Jones resisted and shot Clare in the shoulders. Jones was then shot and killed by the deputies. A lot of stolen goods were recovered. David Lindsay, a farmer, living in Bridge water township, Michigan, fatally shot his son on the evening of the 13th. He claims the shooting was accidental. Both were of intemperate habits.

Two trains on the Delaware and Hudson Railroad collided on the 15th, near Putnam, New York. Sidney Sherman, engineer, was killed. A passenger train struck a wagon near Youngstown, Ohio, on the 15th, completely demolishing it, and instantly killing Mrs. David Cramer, one of the occupants. Her husband was fatally injured. One of the wheels of an engine drawing a train between Baltimore and Washington, on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad, on the 15th, broke and striking against the smoking car ripped a big hole in it. Fortunately the passengers in the smoker had become alarmed in the smoker the broken wheel hitting against the car, and had all retreated to the other end of the coach in time to escape injury. The train was stopped as soon as possible, and it was found that no person had been injured.

Charles Hodges, a fire boss, and Evan Madden, a pump runner, were passing through an abandoned work in Grand Tunnel mine, in Wilkesbarre, Pa., on the 14th, when their lights ignited a large amount of accumulated gas, and both men were blown to pieces. At New Philadelphia, Ohio, on the 14th, Emma Haney, a young woman, attempted to kindle a fire with coal oil and was burned to death. Her father was severely burned while trying to extinguish the flames.

During a festival in the African M. E. Church, at Greensburg, Penna., on the evening of the 13th, a dispute arose about some change, and a riot ensued in which knives and clubs formed the prominent weapons. During the disturbance Chief of Police Wolfendale had an ear almost bitten off, besides sustaining other injuries, and George Tuning, another policeman, was stabbed twice in the back by George Lightfoot, who was the ringleader of the gang. After some difficulty the disturbance was quelled and three rioters were captured.

Mrs. John Hammage, of Pittsburg, Pa., committed suicide on the 15th, by drowning. Her husband was killed by lightning last summer, and later her son committed suicide.

A terrific thunder storm suddenly burst over Findlay, Ohio, on the 14th. The barn of C. H. Perkins was struck by lightning and badly damaged. The servant girl was so badly injured that she is not expected to recover, and Perkins, who was in the garden with a spade in his hand, was knocked senseless, and did not recover for an hour. A dog in the house was killed, and a team of horses in front of the house ran away, severely injuring the hired man.

John Williams has been found guilty of the murder of Henry Lee, in Warren, Arkansas, and sentenced to 21 years' imprisonment. Williams was one of a mob of white men who killed Lee in the presence of his family.

Lieutenant Towne, in charge of the Salvation Army in Newburg, New York, while selling the War Cry on the 15th, entered a grocery store, on Broadway. A trap-door leading to the cellar was open and Miss Towne stepped into it, falling to the floor below. She was picked up dead, her neck having been broken. The body of Miss Suzanne Fairweather, who disappeared from Columbus, Ohio, in November last, was found on the 15th, in Alum Creek, near that city. She arrived in Columbus from Philadelphia about three weeks before she disappeared. Joseph Nuse, 60 years of age, fell into the canal at Cumberland, Maryland, on the 15th and was drowned.

James Henry and Frederick Douglas were arrested in Minneapolis, Minnesota, on the 16th, for attempting to rob the State Bank. The two men went into the bank when only two employees were present. One covered the employees with a revolver while the other vaulted over the railing and thrust about \$800 on the teller's table into a valise. At this moment a depositor entered, and this forced the uncovering of the assistant cashier, who rushed to the safe to get his revolver. The robber threw the valise to his accomplice, who dashed into the President's room by mistake. He then jumped through window and fled. Meanwhile the other man had also escaped. There was a wild rush, in which three or four policemen joined, and finally the two robbers were caught.

Alfred Wilkinson, 50 years of age, shot and fatally wounded Thomas Gallagher, 10 years of age, in Wilkesbarre, Pa., on the evening of the 16th.

The shooting was unprovoked, Mrs. Caroline Bruckner was found dead in a half-finished house near Chicago on the morning of the 16th, and by her side was her daughter, aged 11 years, in a dying condition. The mother had taken rat poison and had also given her daughter some. Charles Bruckner, the husband, said that he had a dispute with his wife as to the disposition to be made of the child, who was very wild. He wanted to send her to a reformatory institution, to which she strenuously objected. He thinks this may have been the cause of the fatal deed.

Frank Clarke, sole occupant of F. S. Clarke's banking office, in London, Ontario, was surprised on the afternoon of the 16th, when one of two men who had entered the office presented a pistol at his head and demanded what funds were on hand. He recovered himself almost immediately, however, and replied that he would surrender nothing, at the same time seizing the stranger's pistol and turning the muzzle away from himself. A struggle ensued, in which all three engaged, and the noise created so alarmed the robbers that they fled.

Edward Tilden, President of the Drivers' National Bank at the Union Stock Yards, at Chicago, has been arrested on a charge by George Fleming, an ex-school trustee, of attempted bribery. Fleming declares that on April 20th, 1886, Tilden offered Fleming \$5000 for his vote and influence in the school trusteeship. Tilden denies the charge and intimates that Fleming's action is for revenge, Tilden having exerted himself at the recent election to defeat a brother of Fleming.

A verdict of not guilty has been rendered in the case of Mrs. Frances Carmichael, who was tried in Hillsdale, Michigan, for the murder of her husband. Carmichael died on January 15th, and on his death-bed declared that his wife had poisoned him. Strychnine was subsequently found in his stomach, but it was shown that he had threatened to commit suicide, and the jury did not credit his dying statement.

James Fields was fatally shot by his wife at their home in Butler, Pa., about 4 o'clock on the morning of the 17th. Mrs. Fields was reading a book and her husband ordered her to come to bed. She refused to do so, when he got up and struck her. She went to a bureau drawer and took out a revolver, telling him if he hit her again she would shoot him. He then struck her in the face, when she fired the revolver, inflicting a fatal wound. Before dying Fields made a sworn statement exonerating his wife, in which he stated that she had fired in self-defense. The coroner's jury on the 17th rendered a verdict justifying the shooting. John F. Ross, convicted in Gloucester Court House, Virginia, of killing George Hughes, and sentenced to five years' imprisonment, has been granted a new trial on the ground that one of the jurors had expressed an opinion on the case before he was sworn, and also on the ground of separation of the jury.

James Wilson and wife were taken suddenly sick with symptoms of poisoning in Maine City, Michigan, on the evening of the 15th, and are still in a critical condition. On the morning of the 18th, Matilda, the 14-year old daughter of Mrs. Williams by a former husband, admitted to the physician in charge that she put a tablespoonful of rat poison in the tea of each. The girl had cast her fortunes with a cowboy combination and was brought there against her will.

The coroner's jury at Joliet, Illinois, which has been investigating the Santa Fe railroad disaster, by which three persons were killed and several injured, has returned a verdict charging gross criminal carelessness against Conductor Frederick Hughes and Engineer Frank Converse.

The removal of the electric wires and poles on Sixth avenue, New York, on the morning of the 18th, was attended by an accident. Michael Early and Hugh Kelly were dragged from a third-story window by a rope attached to a falling pole. Early was killed and Kelly, it is feared, fatally injured. The men were engaged in staying a pole that was being cut down when the accident occurred. When the pole was chopped off at the bottom the base slid along the sidewalk, throwing the top and pulling both men from the window. Inspector Booth, under whom the men were working, was arrested and held to await the result of the coroner's inquest. James Munday, while at work on the suspension bridge at Niagara Falls on the 18th, 200 feet above the Niagara river, suddenly slipped and fell head first into the seething torrent below. The body at once sunk from sight. When next seen he was being borne toward the whirlpool, into which he passed before any attempt could be made to save him. It is believed that the body was lifeless when sucked under the pool, and that the shock of the fall killed him.

A man calling himself B. Simpson, succeeded in swindling the Sioux City Savings Bank, in Sioux City, Iowa, out of \$2500 a few days ago. Simpson got to be made by the National Bank of Tennessee, on the National Bank of the Republic, of New York, for \$9000. On the 18th it was discovered that the draft is a forgery. A large safe in the general store of Raymond Brothers, at Raymlton, near Franklin, Penna., was blown open by burglars on the evening of the 17th. The building was wrecked by the explosion. The robbers secured \$10 in postage stamps, overlooking \$800 in cash and several thousand in bonds and notes.

At Farmington, Berks county, on the 18th, an ore mine, the shaft of which is 125 feet deep, caved in, partially burying about 12 men. One of them, Richard Ettlinger, was crushed to death; the others escaped with slight injury. The rear portion of the paint store of John T. Heintz, in Lancaster, Pa., collapsed on the evening of the 17th, wrecking the building and destroying the stock. Loss, \$4,000. A boiler in the tannery of Henry Hollinger, at Columbia, Pa., exploded on the 18th wrecking the boiler house and tannery. No person was hurt.

A despatch from Norfolk, Virginia, says a vessel went ashore on the evening of the 17th near Life Saving Station No. 21, but as all on board were drowned before any assistance could reach them, and the vessel went to pieces shortly after she struck the beach, it has been impossible to ascertain her name, destination or cargo.

The locomotive of an express train on the Pittsburg and Lake Erie Railroad jumped the track at Corapolis, Pa., on the evening of the 17th. The baggage, mail, smoker and three coaches were thrown over a bank, turning two times in the descent. A number of passengers sustained slight injuries, but no one was dangerously hurt. An attempt was made on the evening of the 17th to wreck a passenger train on the Chicago and West Michigan Railroad, near Grandville, Michigan, an open switch threw the engine and all the cars except the last one from the track. The engine was demolished, but no person was injured. The connecting rod of the switch had been cut and the switch moved half way, so that the train would not go on a siding.

A package containing \$15,000 in gold has mysteriously disappeared from the office of the Northern Pacific Express Company, in Brainerd, Minnesota. The mail car on the Lake Shore Railroad which left Chicago on the evening of the 17th was robbed before it had got beyond the city limits. The thief secured the pouch containing about 100 pieces of registered mail for Cleveland, and was riding the contents in an empty freight car between Twenty-second and Twenty-third streets when detected by a watchman. As the watchman looked into the car the man jumped out through the door on the opposite side and then escaped. He had opened about a dozen registered letters, and succeeded in getting away with their contents.

While Perry Wine was felling a tree in Brocton county, West Virginia, on the 17th, it broke across the stump, and in falling demolished his house and killed his wife and three children. A despatch from Bainbridge, Georgia, says that two boats, with seven and eight men respectively, were crossing the Chattahoochee river at the Alabama Midland crossing, on the 17th when one of the boats began to sink. One of the men jumped to the other boat, capsizing both boats. Five men were drowned. The men had been breaking rock for the Alabama Midland bridge. During a fire in the establishment of Simon Zinn, manufacturer of fancy metal goods, in New York, on the evening of the 18th, a German, named Vannen, was suffocated.

There are now 25 cases of small-pox in Nanticoke, Pa., and cases have appeared in a boarding house at Grand Tunnel, three miles from Nanticoke.

A despatch from Wichita, Kansas, says that George Kramer and Charles Herdke, Oklahoma boomers, quarreled about a quarter section of land. Kramer was killed and Herdke badly wounded. Joseph King, a wealthy resident of West Farms, a hamlet near Westfield Centre, Mass., was shot and killed on the morning of the 18th by Edgar King, his eldest son. The murderer then set fire to the house, and, going a short distance away, committed suicide. The cause of the crime is traceable to an unbalanced mind, caused by dissolute habits. He intended to kill his aunt, also, but could not gain admittance to her room.

PENNSYLVANIA LEGISLATURE.

SENATE.
In the Senate on the 16th, a message was read from the Governor stating that he had signed the bill to regulate the practice of veterinary surgery in the State; also the resolution providing for a commission to press the Border Raid Claims before Congress. A number of bills passed second reading, among them the bill authorizing the appropriation of \$2,000,000 each year to the public schools, and the bill authorizing water companies to condemn property for the purpose of obtaining and supplying water. Adjourned.

In the Senate on the 17th, a large number of petitions were presented from Knights of Labor Assemblies asking the passage of the Anti-discrimination bill. The House bill, authorizing petroleum companies to purchase the bonds and stocks of natural gas companies, was reported favorably. The following bills passed finally: House bills authorizing appeals from assessments of taxes to the courts; House bill providing that at the average attendance at night schools increases additional teachers may be employed by boards of school directors; appropriating \$50,000 to aid in the establishment of a free war library and to fix the compensation of Supervisors and Street Commissioners at \$1.50 per day in boroughs and townships when actually employed. The act providing for an annual expenditure of \$2,000,000 for public schools was laid over.

In the Senate on the 18th, the House bills allowing exceptions to referee's reports, to prevent misappropriation of milk cans, butter tubs, etc., and to fix the compensation of street supervisors, were reported favorably. The Fow License transfer bill was reported with additional sections, one providing that constables shall receive a fee of 25 cents for each saloon and six cents per mile travelled in visiting saloons in his district; and another that minors shall not be employed around saloons, and a third section permits security companies to go on the bonds of licensees as sureties. The following bills were passed finally: House bill authorizing writs to be issued on liens filed for work done or materials furnished by the Board of Health or any municipal corporation; House bill requiring transient clothing merchants to take out licenses, giving bicycles and tricycles the same road privileges as wagons and carriages. Adjourned.

HOUSE.
In the House on the 16th bills were passed finally enabling State banks to become National banks; to regulate the removal and extension of the deposits

of State banks; authorizing petroleum mining companies to purchase, hold and dispose of stocks of certain other corporations. The bill permitting the sale of pools at horse races failed on final passage, the yeas being 84, the nays 88. The Fow Liquor License Transfer was amended on second reading so as to provide that the legal representatives of the deceased may have the license transferred or the fee refunded. Bills were passed finally, to enforce orders for the payment of costs in the several courts by execution process, relating to recognizances in the Orphan's Court; allowing exceptions to referees' reports. Adjourned.

In the House on the 17th, the bill appropriating \$200,000 for the improvement of the harbor of Philadelphia was reported, with an amendment striking out the Belt Line proviso. The Fow Liquor License Transfer bill was passed finally and goes to the Senate. The following bills passed second reading on special order: Senate bill to prevent and punish the misappropriation of milk cans, butter tubs and market boxes from the owners thereof, and the mutilation or obliteration of the name or residence of the owner on such; and Senate bill fixing 2240 pounds as the legal weight of a ton of coal after being amended, by making its application general and not limited to anthracite dealers. The following bills passed finally: Making it a criminal offence to misrepresent goods sold on description; levying a tax on dogs. Adjourned.

In the House on the 18th, bills were passed finally: Senate bills authorizing executors or trustees to unite with others in the organization of corporations; to validate private sales of real estate of decedents heretofore made under authority of Orphan's Courts, upon petition of executors or administrators for payment of debts not on record; and increasing the limit of real estate which may be held by religious and charitable corporations. Bills were passed finally accepting the Agricultural Experiment Stations bill of Congress, making the first Monday in September (Labor Day) a legal holiday; prohibiting publications offering "green goods" for sale; fixing the weight of a ton of coal. Adjourned.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT.

God sendeth and giveth both mouth and meat.

He is the best diviner of dreams who is taught by his understanding.

Though others fall, no courage lack; brave hearts must never despair.

Attack is the reaction. I never think I have hit hard unless it rebounds.

The man without honor will swear by it just as quickly as anybody else.

Immodest words admit of no defense for want of decency is want of sense.

It is one thing to take the chances, and quite another thing to find them.

Whimpering, growling and complaining are only meaner ways of swearing.

One is never more on trial than in the moment of excessive good fortune.

A daughter is a little white lamb in the household to teach men to be gentlemen.

Let us consider the reason of the case. For nothing is law that is not reason.

To be prepared for war is one of the most effectual means of preserving peace.

Virtue is a home quality; manners is the coat it wears when it goes abroad.

Let death do what it will, there is just one thing it can not destroy, and that is life.

A woman is not to be counted your own until you have her inside a wedding ring.

He draweth out the thread of his verbosity finer than the staple of his argument.

A man may transgress as truly by holding his tongue as by speaking unadvisedly with his lips.

One test of a book's worth is—Does it enlarge your horizon, and make you wish to read other and greater books?

There is music in the beauty and the silent note which Cupid strikes far sweeter than the sound of an instrument.

What is the good of youth and strength if it is not to uphold those who have had more than their share of life's burdens.

A purely selfish sorrow is as much a self-indulgence as a purely selfish joy, and has as little dignity. It dwarfs, enervates and demoralizes the soul.

Our human life is a valley, the gloom of whose depths would be too terrible to endure did we not believe that its limits on either side bordered on the sky.

Many of our ills come from sheer heedlessness. We do not take time to reflect, but act upon impulse and first suggestions. Mistakes are, therefore, inevitable.

Sunday is the core of our civilization, dedicated to thought and reverence. It invites to the noblest solitude, the best society, the loftiest knowledge of truth and duty.

Moral courage will always rank higher than physical. The one is a daily necessity, while the other may be required only in emergencies.

No man has a right to do a work that is unworthy of him. It degrades himself and robs society. Every man is bound to do his best work, and accomplish his highest influence.

The greatest good that comes to man from woman's society, is that he has to think of somebody besides himself, somebody to whom he is bound to be constantly attentive and respectful.

No more fatal error can be cherished than that any character can be complete without the religious element. The essential factors in character building are religion, morality and knowledge.

Moderate work, alternating with moderate rest, gives a brain which, taking the whole life through, will accomplish the most and the best work of which a human being is capable. The brains are to be improved and developed by reasonable exercise and reasonable rest. The one is as essential as the other.

THE NAME "AMERICA."

Further Evidence by M. Jules Marcon that it is a Native Word.

The bulletin of the Paris Geographical society contains an account by M. Jules Marcon of certain further researches which he has made into the origin of the name 'America.' As far back as 1875 he published a paper on the same topic which attracted much attention at the time, and he has since devoted much labor to an investigation of early historical documents in which the New World is named.

The popular notion that America was so called from the Christian name of Amerigo Vespucci, he says, wholly unfounded, and he sums up his conclusions in this way: 1. Amerigo is the Indian name of the mountains between Jugalpa and Libertad, in the province of Chontales, which separate Lake Nicaragua from the Mosquito coast. The word in the Maya language signifies 'the windy country,' or 'the country where the wind blows always.' 2. The Christian name of Vespucci was Alberico in Italian and Spanish, Albericus in Latin. 3. This particular name is subject to an enormous number of variations, as the nomenclature and calendars of Italian and Spanish saints of the period show; but nowhere is there any such variation as Amerigo, Amerigo, Amerigo, Amerigo, etc., and none of these is either a diminutive or a variation in use in Italy, Spain or France for Alberico or Albert. 4. Before 1597, when Jean Basin of Saint Die published the name it is not to be found in any printed document, nor even in any manuscript of recognized and uncontested authority.

M. Marcon claims that his theory of a native origin for the name America has been accepted in Spain, Spanish America, and, with some exceptions, in the United States; in France, Germany, and Italy it has excited doubt and surprise, but in the last named he has the support of the eminent Turin geographer, M. Guido Cora. There is no doubt that Columbus and Vespucci went along the Mosquito coast at the foot of the Sierra Amerrique, and that the name was reported by the officers and men of these expeditions, and Schooner, the geographer, declared in 1515 that the name was already popular in Europe.

It is beyond question that one edition of Vespucci's letter on his third voyage has the name Amerigo in the place of the Christian name; nineteen editions had Albericus, and subsequent Italian editions had Alberico. The one with Amerigo on the title page was published in 1606, but M. Marcon suggests that this was never intended to be a variation of Alberico, but rather the adaptation of Amerrique, a name already known and applied to the New World, to Vespucci's name to distinguish him, as we say now 'Chinese Gordon,' to distinguish the particular Gordon by suggesting one of his greatest feats. The paper, which is very learned concerning the geography and geographical publications of the Sixteenth century, is not yet concluded.

A New Discovery in Printing.

The printing world is much disturbed by the discovery of a new process which enables any number of copies to be taken of the oldest book without setting a line of type. A compound has been discovered which may be spread upon a page without in the slightest way injuring the paper. It can be easily removed to a stone, and there becomes the matrix for stereotyping or can be used for printing at once. The antiquarian will thirst for the blood of this too clever inventor; but practical printers are already moving to see whether they cannot save the cost of resetting old editions, and if certain practical difficulties are got over we shall see a change not only in the production of modern books. It will no longer be necessary to keep type standing. A proof will be as good as a stereotyped plate. No book will ever really be "out of print" so long as a copy of it remains. It will be nearly as cheap to reproduce a volume as to print an entire copy of a volume passing through the printing machine. Certainly we are progressing. Already water-color drawing can be so well lithographed as to deceive the very artists. The time is not far now that a book may be reprinted from itself. We may reasonably hope to find a method whereby oil colors may be multiplied from their own canvases.

Justice Should Be for All.

The men of wealth, the men who control these great corporations—these great mills—give millions away in ostentatious charity. They send missionaries to foreign lands. They endow schools and universities and allow the men who earned the surplus to die in want. I believe in no charity that is founded on robbery. I have no admiration for generous highwaymen or extravagant pirates. At the foundation of charity should be justice. Let these whom others have made wealthy give something to the workmen—something to those who created their fortunes. This would be one step in the right direction. Do not let it be regarded as charity—let it be regarded as justice.

The annual income of the population of the United Kingdom is estimated at £1,200,000,000.

Idleness is the gutter of all filthy rests.

Who is no use to himself is of no use to any one.

The storm in the Western part of the State seems to have been a little Pennsylvania blizzard constructed on the Dakota model. It is a sort of meteorological surprise party for the Weather Bureau.

The Messrs. Cramps were the lowest bidders for the construction of the new armed coast defense vessel. The next lowest bidder was the San Francisco firm, and since that firm is away behind time in completing the Charleston, it is probable that the work will be done in Philadelphia. This city will undoubtedly have a large share of the work of constructing our new navy. No other city can do it so well.

AMATEUR photography is one of the "fads" of the day, but the amateur frequently gets a set-back as happened to a court stenographer recently. A lady on the witness stand struck a pretty attitude, and the stenographer quietly turned a detective camera upon her. A sensation ensued when her watchful husband snatched the offensive instrument and forbade the taking of her photograph. While the disorder was condemned the court approved of the husband's spirit.

JUDGE CLIFFORD, of Chicago, has given a warning to young women who, for a consideration, promise never to marry, that they should get "cash in advance." In a case of this kind that was before him he had to deny the claim, because the "never" was not yet up, and if the plaintiff should be awarded the money she might then go off and marry. In some courts she would have been ruled out altogether from recovering under a contract clearly against public policy.

PHILADELPHIA burying grounds still continue a topic of interest in that city. Recently it was discovered that in one cemetery it is customary to put from one to six corpses in one grave, as a measure for economy. Now a negro burying ground is being investigated, and it is found that many bodies are buried less than eighteen inches deep, the graves in no case being over four feet in depth. A pestilence is foretold for the neighborhood of the interesting place.

The French Government, which has decided to go on with the prosecution of Boulanger notwithstanding his absence, evidently feels itself able to substantiate the charges against him, else it would not have risked an aggressive course with its present slight majority. As for the "Brave General," he is attempting to pose as an exile. What the French people may do can never be foretold; but their current quiescence gives rise to the hope that they have recovered from their latest attack of mock-hero worship.

The ivory reported to be in the possession of Henry M. Stanley and Emin Pasha is supposed to be worth more than half a million dollars, and will probably yield them a good profit over expenses, after their followers have been rewarded with a few trifles. There is money to be made in Central Africa by those who have pluck enough to go for it and elastic consciences in their dealings with the natives, but it will probably be a very long while before the country is opened up to settlement by Europeans and made secure to travelers.

The Hydrographic Office at Washington intends to do what it can to lessen the loss of life and property from hurricanes on the Pacific Ocean by collecting information relating thereto and publishing pilot charts of the North and South Pacific Ocean similar to those now issued for the North Pacific Ocean. As a preliminary to this work it asks for reliable information about hurricanes in the Pacific, particularly that which destroyed so much property at Samoa on March 15th and 16th. Captains of vessels and others who can aid in this work should send their notes to the Hydrographic Office at Washington, to one of the branch offices, or to any United States Consul, for transmission to Washington.

An interesting case of attempted abuse of the laws of marriage and divorce comes from Delaware. A millionaire named McComb has brought suit for divorce from his wife to whom he was married fifteen years ago. When a young man he fell in love with the daughter of a Wilmington policeman. His wealthy family were shocked at his lack of discretion in selecting one so far beneath him socially, and tried to break the match. He persisted, however, and married her. He developed into a respectable citizen of good habits, with a fortune of a million. His relatives introduced his wife into polite circles, their acquaintances including the Astors, Vanderbilts, etc., but all attempts to make a society lady of her failed and she settled down as a plain matronly woman of domestic habits. The husband's only weakness is for blooded cattle and fine horses and he is abundantly able to gratify his tastes. Nothing can be said against his wife. Yet the "social inequalities" have never been overcome, so he is seeking to pull her from him. Whether the courts will lend themselves to the plan is yet to be seen.

The deadliest sin were the consciousness of sin.