

DEFEATED.

"What of the way, old man? What of the way ahead? The dew of death is on your brow, Your eyes are closing even now, But no one hurries here to bow: In sadness at your bed."

TO THE TWELFTH FLOOR AND BACK.

The Atlantis was not a large building. It was tall and very narrow, and contained but forty business tenants all told. Among the occupants was Mr. George Francis Garvin, whose bright new door sign appeared facing the solitary elevator shaft on the eleventh floor.

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"Mr. Garvin," said the agent, "you ought to understand that we can't have our employees interfered with in this manner. You are evidently trying to shield the boy. It won't do. I told him that the next time he absented himself from his post he would be discharged without further notice."

stay, too. Twelfth floor. Going down?" "Why, confound it, sir," cried the agent, "you talk as if you owned this building!"

"The boy stays?" asked George, with the slightest interrogative inflection. "The boy stays," replied the agent. "Good morning," said George, politely.

As the discomfited official passed through the outer door a radiant vision entered. It was Miss Mary Armstrong in her new summer attire, and Miss Mary was a lovely girl and her attire was decidedly fetching.

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ESAU BUCK AND THE BUCKSAW.

The Bucksaw, the Sessaw and the Buck That Saw Esau Saw.

An old farmer of Arkansas whose sons had all grown up and left him hired a young man by the name of Esau Buck to help him on his farm.

The next morning the old man said to the hired man: "Esau, I am going to town to-day and while I am gone you may saw up that wood and keep the old ram out of the garden."

When the old man had gone Esau went out to saw the wood, but when he saw the saw he wouldn't saw it. When Esau saw the saw, he saw that he couldn't saw it with that saw.

Just at this time Esau Buck saw the old buck in the garden eating cabbage, and when driving him from the garden to the barnyard Esau Buck saw the bucksaw on the sawbuck by the seesaw, and Esau stopped to examine the new bucksaw.

Now, when the old buck saw the completeness of his victory over the old man and Esau Buck and the bucksaw and the sawbuck and the seesaw, he quietly turned around, went back and jumped into the garden again and ate up what was left of the old man's cabbage.—Hartford Daily Times.

About Producing Great Men. The most interesting aspect of the subject of producing supremely great men is what may be called the superstitious aspect of it.

After Dinner, Too. The three characters in this little comedy are two young artists continuing their studies with Philadelphia outdoor schools during the summer and a young woman in the higher walks of active social life in the city whom they often read of and sometimes meet at semi-public functions in the winter.

From the Atlantic Ocean to the head of Lake Superior a vessel may sail in Canadian waters a distance of 2,260 statute miles.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

Massachusetts has the first law in the world prohibiting vivisection in the schools.

An engine on the Great Northern Railway of England has completed 4,000,000 miles of running in thirty-one years—probably the greatest distance ever traveled by a man-made machine.

Epidemics of disease do not always greatly increase the rate of mortality. The reason is that the epidemic sets up a sifting process, and often removes only those who were about to die from some other cause.

The prediction is made in England that trains in that country will in a few years be running at the rate of 120 miles an hour. This outburst of British energy, even though it is at present only imaginative, is very encouraging.

At Coventry, England, a funeral procession, including the hearse, was composed entirely of horseless carriages. In this country the automobile has not yet become the correct thing at the cemetery, though it has sent a good many people there.

"Tips" to porters, waiters and other functionaries are said to be decreasing in amount. A man is no longer ashamed to offer a Pullman-car impresario a dime, and the recipient no longer treats the donor of such a small honorarium with scorn.

Arizona has given an object lesson in irrigation that should not go unheeded in the United States. She only has 5,000 farms opened up, but 4,200 of them are in successful cultivation by reason of irrigation. Where a few years ago was a desert now exists a smiling garden.

Bendigo, Victoria, Australia, proposes to hold an exposition at the close of the current year to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of the discovery of gold in the Australasian commonwealth. The exposition is to be an international affair, in which the development of half a century in mining machinery and methods will be a leading feature.

Missouri has gone over into Wisconsin for a State geologist, the man selected being Professor E. B. Buckley, who was Assistant Superintendent of the Wisconsin Geological and Natural History Society and instructor of commercial geography in the University of Wisconsin. Governor Dockery is reported as saying that there was nobody in Missouri available for the position.

A test of the merits of British and American locomotives over the heavy grades of the island of Jamaica has resulted in a conclusive triumph for the latter, which drew over the steepest grades in less than schedule time a load the English engine couldn't budge at all.

The Mongolian pheasant, which is a handsome and valuable game bird, has been successfully introduced in New York State. The bird was first introduced into this country in Oregon, and the valleys of the Willamette, Umpqua and Rogue Rivers are now well stocked.

It is suggested in some quarters that the wonderful advance in the destructiveness of weapons in warfare will deter the principal nations of the world from engaging in mighty battles hereafter.

Women's love of dress, it is said, gives employment to fully 1,400,000 persons in France. In Paris alone there are 75,000 persons employed in the dressmaking establishments of the city.

The regions on the west coast of America are badly in need of the timber that grows so plentifully in the northwestern parts of the United States.

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SUMMARY OF THE LATEST NEWS.

Domestic. One railroad employe was killed and another fatally injured by the derailment of a passenger train on the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad at Burton Tunnel, Md.

Chairman Ellison, of the Virginia State Democratic Committee, appointed J. G. Hawkins secretary of the committee.

The Virginia Constitutional Convention, by a close vote, decided to abolish the committee of the whole.

George E. Wright, a journalist and stock exchange broker, died at his home in Chicago, of paresis.

The congregation of the Lutheran Church in Woodstock, Va., extended a call to Rev. J. E. Shenk.

Two hundred and fifty miners employed at the Pine Hill Colliery, near Meyersdale, Pa., went on a strike.

The stock of the Winchester Telephone Company was sold to a Hanover (Pa.) syndicate.

Frederick Imhoff, an Italian, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., confessed that he murdered John Francesco Dura, having been incited thereto, as he claims, by Frederick Imhoff.

The National Association of Letter Carriers, in session in Chattanooga, Tenn., adjourned after electing officers and selecting Denver as the next meeting place.

B. F. Kesler, a Baltimore and Ohio freight conductor, died at Martinsburg, W. Va., from injuries received when he was thrown from his train.

The Baroness von Schwarzenstein, who has separated from her husband, the Kaiser's former envoy to Washington, is playing a small part in Hackett's "Don Caesar de Bazan." She is a cousin of Vice-President Roosevelt.

During a severe gale on Lake Huron six vessels went ashore, the lights and buoys being obscured by the heavy fall of smoke, due to the forest fires. All the crews were saved.

Mrs. B. Sager, an Englishwoman, 83 years of age, died suddenly on board the Merchants and Miners liner Hudson, en route from Baltimore and Norfolk for Savannah.

Lady Sarah Wilson, war correspondent of the London Daily Mail during the Boer war, has arrived in this country. She will remain only about a month.

A monster mass-meeting was held in Portsmouth, Va., in which a resolution was adopted declaring that there is no room in this fair land for anarchists.

A mass-meeting of Poles held in New York bitterly denounced Czolgosz, repudiating him, and expressing sympathy and admiration for Mr. McKinley.

John W. Anderson, an old Confederate soldier, of Berryville, Va., died on Friday and was buried yesterday.

LATEST HAPPENINGS ALL OVER THE STATE.

The Borough of Ashland Sued for a Man's Death. GOVERNOR MAKES APPOINTMENTS.

Saved a Mill Girl's Life—Josephine Murphy's Hair Caught in a Textile Machine—Harrisburg Man Says Farmer Spread Malicious Pennsylvanians Corporations Ready to Begin Business—Pensions Granted.

Pennsylvanians received the following pensions: William John White, Pittsburgh, \$6; John Marks, Pittsburgh, \$6; Amos Reading, Soldiers' Home, Erie, \$6; Melvin P. Moe, Warren, \$12; Jacob S. Baldwin, Washington, \$8; Henry Brant, Buffalo, \$16; Mary Buller, New Brighton, \$8; Elizabeth Clarke, Troy, \$12; Catharine Porter, Markle, \$8; Christopher Jones, Fayette City, \$16; David E. Campbell, Wampum, \$8; Lewis Mead, Bradford, \$12; Joseph H. Herron, Ohioville, \$10; George W. Freeman, Washington, \$8; George W. Green, Soldiers' Home, Erie, \$12; Jefferson Bradford, Glenfior, \$10; George S. Pierce, Hunting Mills, \$10; James R. Dodson, Hunting Mills, \$10; Joseph Grubb, Sharpburg, \$8; Seth A. Jordan, Markle, \$8; Wm. D. Colabine, Mill Creek, \$8; George W. Schwartz, Everett, \$10; Samuel Hutchman, Dorseyville, \$8; Robert Q. Warnock, Larimer, \$12; Jas. Miller, Bellefonte, \$8; Hezekiah Luce, Rocketon, \$8; William Heys, Tyrone, \$8; James Thompson, Washington, \$8; Sarah A. Wheeler, Erie, \$8.

William E. Scott, a Reading Railway fireman, lay down between the rails on a siding track near Pottstown while his train was waiting on another siding. He fell asleep and a shifting engine struck him. His right hand was mashed and he received internal injuries which may prove fatal.

A little son of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hopper, of Almedia, got one of his fingers under a saw which Mrs. Hopper was using and before the mother realized it, she had sawed off the child's finger.

Peter Baldy, aged 72 years, a prominent citizen of Catawissa, committed suicide by hanging. He fastened a rope which he had placed around his neck to a bird cage hook.

A freight car on the Reading Railway containing merchandise consigned to Boyertown was broken down and several boxes removed at Pottstown. Two strangers who said they were from Philadelphia, were arrested while removing the plunder. They were sent to jail at Norristown.

Mrs. H. M. Chaplin, aged 18 years, was instantly killed by a locomotive at Dunmore while rescuing Helen Magoun, the 10-year-old daughter of an acquaintance, from being ground to death by a train on the Erie Railroad. Mrs. Chaplin had taken the child out for a walk and, unnoticed, the girl started across a bridge. Mrs. Chaplin, seeing the danger of the child, threw her rescue, when she was struck by the engine. The girl was badly hurt and while she is still alive, the doctors say she cannot recover.

Emma, the 3-month-old child of Mr. and Mrs. David J. Breen, of Reading, was kicked to death by a horse. The mother left the child in her baby coach on the sidewalk while she unlocked the door of the dwelling house. The coach rolled into the gutter, striking the heels of the horse, which was tied to the curb.

Proceedings were begun at Pottsville in a case that will prove one of the most interesting ever tried in Schuylkill county. Mrs. Elizabeth Burmeister sues to recover \$10,000 damages from the borough of Ashland for the loss of her husband, Henry Burmeister, who died from smallpox in the hospital for contagious diseases erected by the Schuylkill County Poor Directors in Butler Township. The grounds upon which the plaintiff seeks to recover are: That the borough of Ashland neglected its duty in never having organized a board of health, as required by the Act of 1893, and thereby permitted the spread of smallpox in the borough; that the extent that her husband was stricken with that disease; that the borough, by its officers and agents, came to the home of the plaintiff and against her protest and her husband's forcibly took possession of the lauer and removed him in an open wagon, without proper protection, to the hospital in Butler Township; permitted him to be there until the time of his death and neglected to furnish him with proper medicine, nourishment, nursing and protection. This is the first suit of its kind ever instituted in the Schuylkill county courts. Its disposition will solve the question of the liability of boroughs and townships to organize boards of health.

Governor Stone announced the following appointments: Trustees of the Schuylkill County State Hospital, Scranton—Jas. C. Dickson, W. F. Hallstead, E. H. Ripple, Thomas Sprague, O. S. Johnson, E. L. Fuller, Rev. O'Reilly, of Scranton, Auditor-General Hardenberg, of Honesdale, and C. Fred Wright, of Montrose. State Dental Examining Board—J. T. Lippincott, of Philadelphia; H. N. Young, of Wilkes-Barre. Trustees of Oral School for the Deaf, Scranton—Judge Charles E. Rice, of Wilkes-Barre, and E. N. Fuller, of Scranton.

Caught in the hair by a machine at the Lincoln Woolen Mills, Miss Josephine Murphy, of Chester, was being drawn to her death when a workman saw her danger and threw the belt from the shafting. Miss Murphy got under the machine to see what clogged it when a cog caught her long hair.

Charters were issued at the State Department as follows: The Hryjak Consumption Cure Company, Allentown; capital, \$2,000. Athens Creamery Association, Athens; capital, \$5,000. The A. F. Smith Company, New Brighton; capital, \$30,000.

The Lehigh Foundry in Fullerton was destroyed by fire. The building was 500 feet long and 80 feet wide and was formerly one of the rolling mills of the Catawissa Manufacturing Company. Many valuable patterns were destroyed. Neither President J. E. Elverson nor Superintendent Wood could give an estimate of the loss, but it is believed to be nearly \$100,000 and only partially insured.

The family of Henry Bartholomew, of Wilkesbarre, ate green watermelon. A 3-year-old daughter died and Bartholomew and his wife are in a critical condition.