

CHICAGO THEN AND NOW.

BILL NIX WRITES A CHAPTER ON THE WESTERN METROPOLIS.

How Loo-loo, Daughter of the Great Chief, Has Given Place to the Pale Face-La Grippe Attacks Nix.

The city of Chicago has undoubtedly started a good deal of the intentionally light and flippant manner in which her society and literature have been treated by Eugene Field during the past five years.



WHAT A HALF CENTURY HAS BROUGHT. Chicago is in latitude 41 degs. 52 min. 20 sec.; longitude, 87 degs., 35 min. especially with a lake exposure which is especially noticeable at that season of the year when the small boys do most go in bathing.

Although the location of Chicago is to an appearance on a low level of the earth it is a matter of fact a sort of watershed none the less and the dividing line between the great valley of the St. Lawrence and the Mississippi.

The first newspaper was issued by John Calhoun Nov. 26, 1837. This was rapidly followed by the Chicago Democrat, which appeared Dec. 3. Some of the old subscribers and advertisers are still alive and point to themselves with pride.

It was at about the time that \$5 was paid, or where paid rather, perhaps as a lawyer's bill by the new city. Since that time prices have advanced, however, and now Chicago pays for its newspapers and every week.

Where once Loo-loo, daughter of the chieftain, who cleans out the cornfield, would deck herself in a dress of blue and red, she now wears a gown of blue and red.

The grippe does not pity herself. She does not feel sorry for herself. She accepts her humble lot, pays the park tax on it and goes on about her business.

The grippe is getting to be an old enemy, and so I will touch lightly on it here. I'm just conversing, and it will let me alone I will let it alone. Avoid it, gentle reader, if you can. Do not laugh at it, or treat it lightly.

My wife looked kind of flighty and desperate. I thought on that she was delighted and overjoyed. I imagined that I was going to die of heart failure or softening of the brain.



Finally I lost consciousness and expected to wake in some new and undivided country. When I did awake it was 1890. The boy who brings my telegrams wished me a happy New Year, the district messenger boy, nine of him, did the same.

Then I went back to bed again. Every body wishes me a happy New Year—at so much per wish.

But I do not murmur or repine. The year 1890 has been good to me, and cheerfully I pay my assessment, only that I wish with its other victims the grip did not, as it wanted to, gather me in.

The holidays in Paris are the most sad and sickening of the year, for then all the sad and sore-eyed, multitudes are turned loose on the streets, and the man who works and perspires and bathes is the only one who doesn't make anything out of it.

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