

LITTLE LESS THAN MANIAS.

The Passion of Book-Collecting—Uncollected Volumes—Autographs—Relics. (St. Louis Globe-Democrat.)

Out of literature have, directly or indirectly, grown a number of callings which, innocent in themselves, when pursued in moderation, have, when carried to the extreme sometimes noticed, become symptoms of a diseased mental condition too unmistakable not to attract attention.

But the book collectors have by no means confined their attention to uncollected volumes. Some have turned their thoughts to the bindings of books rather than to their contents, have bought them for the sake of the outside rather than the inside, and not a few of these amiable lunatics have been known to buy any kind of a book so it had the particular style of covering they were in the habit of purchasing to ornament their shelves.

Under the same head may be classed the business of relic-hunting for it has, of late years, really reached the dignity of a business. Not as pursued by a professional, for that is mere trade or barter, but as followed by an amateur.

A Left-Handed Barber Wanted.

"Is there a left-handed barber in this shop?" asked a man as he walked into a tonsorial establishment on Grand avenue early in the week.

Increased Use of Tropical Fruits.

One of the best evidences that the American people of this generation live better than their fathers did is found in the steady and rapid growth of the trade in tropical fruits.

The Worst of All.

This country has the reputation of countenancing repulsive exhibitions, but the great nose show, which was recently held in Vienna, was probably as repulsive as anything which has ever been chronicled here.

Government Engravers.

First-class engravers at the bureau of engraving and printing are only paid \$3 per day, and are paid for the time that they are at work.

A THREATENED FAMINE

Over a Thousand People on the Verge of Starvation in Virginia.

Five Large Cotton Factories Closed in Account of Over-Production. The Pitiful Condition of the Unfortunate Operatives.

PETERSBURG, Va., Oct. 11.—There are in this city and immediate vicinity five large cotton factories, namely: the Batterson, Electric, Matoka, Swift Creek and Petersburg, which stopped work some time ago in consequence of over-production.

None outside of Petersburg know the true condition of these poor unfortunate operatives. The merchants with whom these people dealt while at work have allowed them credit for small quantities of most flour and bacon to keep them from death's door.

From one who is thoroughly conversant with all the facts of the suffering among the operatives formerly employed at the Swift Creek cotton mills, in Chesterfield county, about two and a half miles from this city, it is learned that, with the exception of about fifty persons who work in these mills, the rest are helpless women and children, and they must be fed or starve.

The condition of these people has been known to the board of supervisors of the county, but as yet they have taken no action in the premises, but it is probable that they will do so in early day.

A Mother's Strange Conduct. VANDALIA, Ill., Oct. 11.—Last Friday a little child of Mrs. Michael Wagoner, living near Ramsey, died. The fact did not become known until four days later, when a neighbor discovered the dead body of the child lying on the bed in a state of decomposition.

Under an Iron-Clad Agreement.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 11.—For several weeks Mr. Philip Dorner, a well-known labor contractor of the city, who recently broke the strike among the miners of H. C. Frick & Co. by filling their places with foreign miners, has been making frequent trips between Pittsburgh and Locking Valley.

Perilous Position of French Troops in China.

PARIS, Oct. 11.—La Liberté urges upon the government the necessity for sending reinforcements to Tonquin, stating that, notwithstanding the victories of the French forces there, they are suffering a daily reduction in numbers, while the Chinese losses can be indefinitely replaced.

Pittsburg to Have an Exposition Building.

PITTSBURG, Oct. 11.—At a meeting of over fifty prominent business men of the city, it has been decided to organize a stock corporation having a capital of \$300,000, with the privilege of increasing to \$500,000, for the purpose of erecting and maintaining an exposition building in the city.

Thieves Fall Out.

St. LOUIS, Oct. 11.—Henry Brown (colored), shot and mortally wounded a companion named John Knox, last night, during a fight over the division of some stolen property. Both men were burglars.

A WESTERN ROMANCE.

The Secret Marriage of a Pretty Girl and a Dashing Young Man.

CHICAGO, Oct. 11.—The prevailing opinion of the nation is the secret marriage of Miss Julia Robbins, the pretty cousin of the wife of Senator L. D. Condes, of Hyde Park, and Samuel E. Thrall, son of the general ticket agent of the Northwestern Railroad company.

SMART WILLIAM H.

A Very Profitable Operation in Jersey Central. PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 11.—There was a break in Jersey Central and Reading stocks when it became known that Jersey Central stock certificates belonging to the Reading Railroad company, a part of the 2,000,000 shares which Mr. Vanderbilt advanced \$45 a share and agreed to carry for the company, and appeared on the street.

Restraint on Interfering.

BALTIMORE, Oct. 11.—The officers of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad have just been informed that the United States court for the eastern district of Pennsylvania has granted an order without bond, restraining the Pennsylvania from interfering with the arrangements now existing between the two companies, by which Baltimore and Ohio cars are run through to New York over the lines of the Pennsylvania company.

Judge Kelley's Labor Bill.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Representative Kelley, of Pennsylvania, it is understood, will introduce a bill at the next session of Congress making it a penitentiary offense for a contractor to hire imported laborers who work at half the rate of wages paid Americans, who perform the same work.

A Jewish Pedler Murdered.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 11.—The murder of a Jewish pedler is reported from St. James, a parish in Louisiana. The body was found concealed in the trunk on the bank of the river. The murder was for the purpose of robbery. The victim's head was crushed with a blunt instrument, and the general appearance of the piece showed that the unfortunate man had a desperate struggle with his assailant. His jewelry box, filled with its contents, was found close by. There is no clue to the perpetrators, and the body of the man has not been identified.

Where Killing was Justifiable.

DALLAS, Tex., Oct. 11.—Will Taomas, a planter, was assaulted at Sulphur Springs Thursday by a negro, who fired a charge from a double barrel shot gun at him. Thomas was not hit. The negro then attempted to fire the other barrel, but the cap snapped, whereupon he threw down the gun and attempted to use a club on Thomas. The latter secured the gun, put a cap on it and shot his assailant dead. The coroner's jury returned a verdict of justifiable homicide, and Thomas was discharged from custody.

Gold Discovered.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 11.—Considerable excitement has been occasioned among the laborers engaged in constructing the tunnel through Great Falls, on the Tonoloway, to the new water reservoir, just north of the city, by the discovery of gold. An assay was made, and the report was such as to raise the hopes of those who expect to derive wealth. The report showed that a cord would pay about nine dollars a ton, not enough to pay for mining.

Fairbury, Ill., in Flames.

FAIRBURY, Ill., Oct. 11.—Benjamin Watson's mill and the business block adjoining were burned early this morning. The flames were brought under control at 6 a. m. In addition to places named already, John Becker's lumber office, Smith's commission store and Yess' saloon were destroyed. Total losses about \$150,000; partial insurance.

A Three Mile Scull Race.

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 11.—Albert Harris, of New Bedford, Mass., and James A. Ten Eyck, of Fekshill, signed a race last night for a three mile scull race, with three turns, to take place on Lake Quinsigamond between 3 and 5 p. m., on Oct. 15th for \$500, \$100 from each of the oarsman and a subscribed purse of \$100.

Destructive Fire.

JOLIET, Ill., Oct. 11.—Blas furnace No. 1 at the rolling mill north of the city, burst about 11 o'clock last night, setting fire to the stock house, consuming it with several cars, the elevated railway, stock, and other property. The loss is heavy.

The Report Confirmed.

CAIRO, Oct. 11.—The murder of Dengols, a telegrapher, which he has received information confirming the report of the murder of Col. Stewart and his companions.

TROUBLE IN AUSTRALIA.

Unemployed Immigrants Holding Public Indignation Meetings. (San Francisco Call.)

Australia just now is full of people without employment who have been coming from England by the shipload for the past year. The cities, towns, and country are overrun with poor people in a most destitute condition. The understanding made with the home government by the Australian was that employment would be found for each and every one of the English working class that would emigrate to the colonies.

New South Wales has suffered the most. In Sydney the streets, parks, and public grounds, termed domains, are full of the unemployed, the majority being in a most destitute condition. Hundreds lashed without sufficient money to buy a loaf of bread or a night's lodging, and, there being no accommodation provided, were compelled to sleep in the parks and domains in rainy weather as well as fine, most of them having but narrow blankets for a covering.

The government began to supply them with blankets and ration, in the manner practiced by our Indian agencies, some four years back, such as cutting blankets in two. Some very pitiful cases came to the notice of many. One of the saddest was that of an old man and his wife, their ages being over three score and ten, with their granddaughter, a pretty girl of sixteen, who after landing had to beg sufficient funds to secure them a night's lodging. Women who are single and unaccompanied are looked after and situations provided for them, but many of these are entirely unsuited for the place. The result is deplorable. Those girls who cannot retain their positions lose their employment, and are thrown on their own resources.

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Blowing up the Cataracts.

["Gen. Stone in New York Tribune.] "I have noticed in the recent dispatches that dynamite is being sent out to Egypt to be used in blasting the cataracts, as they are called. This, which seems so simple a matter, should be very seriously considered if the welfare of Egypt is at all to be regarded. Any great change in the cataracts of the Nile might seriously alter the flow of that river, which is the life of Lower Egypt. The cataracts act as natural regulators of the flow of water in the Nile. Should that flow be made more rapid by changes in the cataracts, it seems to me that Egypt would be in danger of having both floods and drought, to which she is not now subjected."

Odor and Ozone.

(Chicago Times) Prof. Mantogazza, of Pavia, has lately discovered that ozone is generated in immense quantities in all plants and flowers possessing green leaves and aromatic odors. Hyacinth, mignonette, heliotrope, lemon, mint, lavender, narcissus, cherry, laurel, and the like, all throw off ozone largely on exposure to the sun's rays. So powerful is this atmospheric purifier, that it is the belief of chemists that whole districts can be redeemed from the deadly malaria that infests them by simply covering them with aromatic vegetation. The bearing of this upon flower culture in large cities is also very important.

The Trained Nurse.

The trained nurse has now become almost a necessity to physicians, and she commands good pay. There are seven training schools for her in the United States. The first session of congress that assembled in Washington met in November, 1890.

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