

THE NATIONAL GAME.

GALVIN is Pittsburg's winning pitcher. The attendance everywhere is excellent. The old time flat bat is once more being used in sacrifice.

GLASSCOCK captures the New York team in Ewing's absence. The New York Club offered Rochester \$2500 for Catcher Bowman.

UMPRES declare that Pittsburg and Cincinnati are the hardest cities to umpire in. MANY consider Sharrott, of the New Yorks, the coming great pitcher of the East.

GEORGE VAN HALTEN is considered the most valuable all-round player the Baltimore ever had. JOHN WARD, of the Brooklyn, says the late Fogarty was the greatest outfielder that ever lived.

SHAKING up the batting order is a favorite pastime of managers when things go wrong and their teams lose. FIVE of the Pittsburg players are accompanied to the game by their wives every day and go home with them after changing their uniforms.

THE wonder of the baseball world is Amos Rusie, the twenty-one year old pitcher of the New York League Club. He is regarded as the speediest pitcher that ever lived.

MANAGER BARNIE, of Baltimore, claims that the right field of his new grounds is the longest in the country. The right field flag is 350 feet distant from the home plate.

PRESIDENT O'NEILL, of Pittsburg, now thinks that every League team ought to start the season with a lot of young pitchers to do the early work and give the veteran twirlers time to thaw out.

SECOND-BASEMAN McPHEE, of the Cincinnati League, is probably the only infielder in either the League or American Association who does not wear a glove. McPhee plays bare handed, and always did.

JAMES WHITNEY, the famous pitcher of the old Boston Red Stocking Baseball Club, whose sobriquet was "Grasshopper Jim," died at Kingston, N. Y., a few days ago. Whitney had for some time been in failing health, and went there to engage in farming. He was thirty-five years old.

JUDGE MAXWELL has refused to grant the injunction asked for by the Columbus Baseball Club to prevent Charles Beilly from playing with the Columbus American Association. A committee was appointed to wait upon Senator Call, who appeared in the hall and made an eloquent speech.

NATIONAL LEAGUE RECORD.

Table with 3 columns: City, Wins, Losses. Includes Chicago, Cleveland, Pittsburgh, Philadelphia, Cincinnati, Boston, St. Louis, and Washington.

AMERICAN ASSOCIATION RECORD.

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PROMINENT PEOPLE.

THE Prince of Wales's bad health is causing anxiety. EX-PRESIDENT CLEVELAND has a remarkable memory for faces.

THE King of Greece is the most economical of European monarchs. LORD SALISBURY'S ancestors were members of the English Cabinet 300 years ago.

WILLIAM WALDORE ASTOR, the head of his family, is the greatest real estate owner in the world. EX-SENATOR WADE HAMPTON is suggested as the next President of the South Carolina University.

BRET HARTE'S income in England from his work last year was \$15,000, while his American revenue was a little less than \$10,000.

The widow of James K. Polk is eighty-eight years old, but appears as sprightly as a young woman at the wedding of a niece in Nashville, Tenn., the other evening.

GENERAL THOMAS T. ECKERT is paid \$35,000 a year as manager of the Western Union Telegraph Company, and Dr. Norvin Green gets \$30,000 as the company's President.

The present Carlin of Russia is said to be the most popular Emperor in the world ever had. She is loved for her charities, and is as bright and clever as she is elegant.

DAVID MEEKER died a few days ago at San Francisco. Mr. Meeker came to California in 1850, was a partner of Senator Stanford and was a prominent man in State politics.

M. M. POMEROY, familiarly known as "Brick," is about sixty years old, and wears a chain beard. He resembles a county Methodist parson. He is engaged in mining operations near Denver.

THE Rev. Thomas F. Gaylor, the new Episcopal Bishop of Georgia, is only thirty-five years old. He has refused flattering offers from wealthy parishes in New York and Illinois, and is at present Chancellor of the University of the South, at Sewanee, Tenn.

PHILLIPS BROOKS, of Boston, is descended from the Rev. John Cotton, whose namesake was Cotton Mather, the famous preacher of the New England colonial days. Several others of Dr. Brooks's ancestors are divines, in both his mother's and his father's line.

Mrs. MCKINLEY, wife of the ex-Congressman, is an invalid, but a most patient and sweet tempered woman. She cannot walk without assistance, because of injuries to her spine, and she never goes out without her husband. Whenever her husband is away from her she constantly keeps his photograph within easy reach.

ONE of the successful lawyers of the Pacific slope, a son of the famous John C. Breckinridge, and a brother of the Kentucky Congressman, bears the curious name of "Owen County" Breckinridge. He was born on the day, 1853, that his father was nominated for Congress over ex-Governor Letcher, and as that result was brought about by the vote of Owen County, his grateful candidate bestowed the name on his new born heir.

ARSENIC BY MISTAKE.

Sudden Death of Congressman L. C. Houk, of Tennessee.

L. C. Houk, the Republican Representative in Congress from Knoxville, Tenn., for the last eleven years, died on a recent morning shortly after 6 o'clock. The day before he drank a glass of arsenic which he thought was ice-water in Dewey's drug store in North Knoxville. Antidotes were promptly administered, and by 10 o'clock that night he was well, but nothing was said about the circumstances except to a few friends. He slept through the night and died in the morning suddenly.

He had heart disease, and the poison and excitement following the incident affected that organ and was the cause of death. His death was deplored by all, and the courts and a number of business offices and houses were closed as a token of respect for the dead. He leaves a wife and seven children, with thousands of friends throughout the South.

Leonidas C. Houk was born on June 8, 1830, in Sevier County, Tenn.

RUSSELL SAGE, the famous "putts and calls" operator of Wall street, goes to bed at ten o'clock every night in the year and is up at six. He is very abstemious in his habits, but during months he takes a spoonful of whisky in water every morning and occasionally drinks a little claret for lunch.

RIOTING IN PARIS.

Police Overpowered by the Striking Stage-drivers.

The strike of stage-drivers throughout Paris, France, continued for two days, and caused great excitement in that city. The company, assisted by the police, made an endeavor to run several stages.

No sooner were the stages well out of the depot than they were greeted with volleys upon volleys of stones, accompanied with a storm of hooting and jeering. Though the strikers watched their opportunity, and at a signal agreed upon, charged furiously upon the stages, swept away the policemen, dragged the new drivers from their boxes, pounded them vigorously, cut the traces of the horses, and in several cases overturned and seriously damaged the stages themselves.

Two strikers were crushed and fatally injured while attempting to stop an omnibus. Squads of police attempted by repeated charges upon the strikers and their supporters to protect the stages issuing from the depot on the Boulevard Bourbon, but the crowds responded by attacking and overpowering the police. The strikers pulled the new drivers from the stages, severely maltreated them, and compelled the stages to return to the depot.

Minister Constans gave audience to delegates of the strikers and the company's directors as a result of the audience and the mediation of the municipal authorities, the directors of company met the union leaders and drafted an agreement virtually ending the strike, on the men's terms. The company recognizes the union, reinstates disunion union men, and adopts the twelve-hour system.

CALL RE-ELECTED.

A Senator Chosen in Florida After a Long Contest.

Wilkinson Call was chosen his own successor as United States Senator from Florida. King Caucus died the night before after two ballots, by a vote of 47 to 47, to adjourn sine die. Ninety ballots had been taken in a vain attempt to defeat his reelection.

At 12 o'clock the members of the Senate who had remained in their seats all the morning entered the House of Representatives, and the two houses were called to order in joint session.

The Clerk began calling the roll and not one of the anti-Call men present answered to his name. The Clerk reported the total number present to be fifty-four, and President Brown announced that the quorum of the Legislature was present. An appeal from this decision resulted in the sustaining of the Chair.

The vote for Senator was then taken and announced as follows: For Call, fifty-one, for Mays, one. The President of the joint session then declared that Wilkinson Call was duly elected United States Senator.

The announcement was greeted with loud cheers. A committee was appointed to wait upon Senator Call, who appeared in the hall and made an eloquent speech.

NEWSY GLEANINGS.

FINLAND is being Russified. GREECE has seven cotton mills. CREMATION flourishes in Japan.

UNCLE SAM has 30,000 locomotives. THE influenza still lingers in England.

THE Hespan fly is in the wheat of Kansas. ALGERIA is again devastated by locusts. IRELAND will exhibit at the World's Fair.

THERE are 250 Arabian families in Chicago. THE coinage of silver dollars will cease July 1.

NEW YORK STATE has 800 feral establishments. SCOTLAND farmers complain of a mice plague.

THE organizer of the Colored Alliance says it has 1,300,000 members.

THE yearly exodus from the Canadian provinces to New England has begun. MAINE Central Railroad officials say that about 45,000 persons will go from points beyond Vancouver toward Boston this year, and about 25,000 will go back.

FOOLED 10,000 PEOPLE.

Locked in the Omaha Fair Grounds While the Swindlers Fleed.

Ten thousand people paid fifty cents each to witness the flight of the Chicago airship at the Fair Grounds at Omaha, Neb. After the crowd had got inside "Professors" Bush and Dodd, of Chicago, securely locked the gates so that their victims could not get out, raked the pile of money into a bag, and jumping on horses already arranged for their escape were out of the city before their flight was discovered.

When the crowd discovered the deceit the case supposed to contain the airship was torn to pieces and only old papers were discovered.

THE MARKETS.

Table of market prices for various commodities including Bees, Milk, Calves, Sheep, Hogs, Flour, Wheat, Rice, and other goods. Lists prices for New York, Buffalo, and Boston.

REV. DR. TALMAGE.

THE BROOKLYN DIVINE'S SUNDAY SERMON.

Subject: "Two Garlands."

TEXT: "I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Keep not back."—Isaiah xliii., 6.

Just what my text meant by the north and south I cannot say, but in the United States the two words are so point blank in their meaning that no one can doubt. They mean more than east and west, for although the latter are geographical terms, the former are and disturbing ambitions and infidelities and silver bills and World's fair controversies, there have been between them no batteries unnumbered, no intrenchments dug, no long lines of sepulchral mounds thrown up, and no new fortifications erected.

East and west are distinct words, and sometimes may signify diversity of interest, but they are not blood on them. They can be pronounced without any intonation of wailing and death groan. But the north and the south are words that have been charged with tragedies. They are words which suggest that for forty years the clouds had gathered for a four years' tempest which thirty years ago burst in a fury that shook this planet as it has never been shaken since.

But north and south were not the only words that were used in this connection. There were also the words of the north and the south, and there have been intermarriages by the ten thousand, and northern colonels have married the daughters of southern captains, and Texas rangers have united for life with the daughters of New York abolitionists, and their children are half northern and half southern and altogether patriotic.

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Boonesville his last message to his wife and mother and child, it sounded just like a message that a northern man dying far from home would send to his wife and mother and child.

And when I picked up from the battle field of Antietam the fragment of a letter which I saw nowhere yet for the name and address were torn off, I saw it was the words of a wife to her husband telling him how the little child pruned for their father every night that he might not get hurt in the battle and might come home sound and come home well, but that if anything happened to either of them, she would again in the world where there are no partings, it read just as a northern wife would write to a husband away from home and in peril conveying the messages of little children. Oh, yes; they were honest on both sides. And those who lived to get home are living yet were just as honest, and ought they not for the suffering they endured have a coronal of some kind?

But we must not detain the two garlands any longer from the pillows of those who for a quarter of a century have been prostrate in a dreamless slumber never oppressed by summer heats or chilled by winter's cold. Both garlands are fragrant. Both have in them the sunshine and the shower of their springtime. The colors of both were mixed by Him who mixed the blue of the sky, and the gold of the sun, with the green of the grass, and the whiteness of the snow crystal. And I do not care which you put over the northern grave and which over the southern grave.

These august throngs gathered this morning in these pines and aisles and corridors and galleries are insignificant compared with the mightier throngs of heaven who mingle in this service which we render to God and our country while we twist the two garlands. Hail spirits multitudinous! Hail spirits who have martyred ones come down from the King's palace! How glad are we that you have come back again! Take this kiss of welcome and these garlands of reminiscence, ye who languished in hospitals or went down under the thunders of the lightning of Frederickburg, and Cold Harbor and Yorktown and above the clouds on Lookout Mountain.

Among the thousands of gatherings at the north and at the south for Decoration Days I have never seen that this service is unique, and that it is only one in which there have been twisted two garlands, one for the grave of the northern dead and the other for the grave of the southern dead. O Lord God of the universe, if this is the time that we bury over our old graves, My Father, we are not at peace on earth when this moment in heaven dwell, in perfect love, Ulysses S. Grant and Robert E. Lee, William T. Sherman and Stonewall Jackson, and the thousands of northern and southern men who, though they once looked askance at each other from the opposite banks of the Potomac and the Chickahominy and the James and the Tennessee, now are on the same side of the river, keeping jubilee with some of those old graves that near nineteen centuries ago came down upon Christmas night to chant over Bethlehem, "Glory to God in the highest; on earth peace, good will to men!"

I have been waiting for some years for someone else to twist the two garlands that I to-day twist, but no one doing it, in the love of God and my country I put now my hand to the work, and next spring about this time, if I am living and well, I will twist two more garlands for northern and southern graves, and every springtime until some man or woman whom I may have shared a little in the struggle of this life shall come out and put a pansy or two on my own grave. But if the stars and stripes of our country shall have been given over to sectional rancor and demagogism, and north and south, or east and west shall forget what the good God built this nation for, and it shall halt on its high career of righteousness and liberty, and when I come the agent of tyranny and wrong and oppression, then let some young man whom I have baptized in infancy as these altars go out to Greenwood and scoop up my dust and scatter it to the four winds of heaven, for I want to sleep, and I will not sleep in a land accursed with sectionalism or oppression.

And now I hand over the two garlands, both of which are wet with many tears—tears of widowhood and orphanage and children's tears of suffering and tears of gratitude; and as the ceremony must be performed in symbol, there not being enough flowers to cover all the graves, take the one garland to the tomb of some northern soldier who may have been slain in the struggle of this life, and the other garland to the tomb of some southern soldier who may have been slain in the struggle of this life, and let the two garlands be the two garlands! God save the United States of America!

WHEN a young man, the late Charles Bradleigh was a strong believer in Christianity, and a member of a Bible class in the parish Sunday school. While thus studying the Bible, he came across one or two apparent contradictions, and went to the rector for light. But the rector was a stern man of the old school, and instead of helping the young man out of his difficulty, rebuked him severely for daring to find any difficulty in God's book, and advised him to believe everything he read in it without asking any questions. The advice was well meant, but it was the worst that could have been given in this particular case. The young man at once quit studying the Bible or believing in it, and the rest of his career is known to the world.

"I've often thought of you newspaper editors," said a well-known Detroit clergyman, "when some day not feeling especially in the mood, I found it exceedingly difficult to evolve my sermon. It has been and is still something of a mystery how on so short a notice as often happens, an editor will turn out a clear, emphatic, and efficacious editorial which has the merit also of brevity and elegance. I know, by experience, that it is fairly easy to write acceptably when not limited by space, but what puzzles me is how editors set their ideas down so well and so completely in from two to six inches of space. I suppose it's all a matter of training and natural selection."

WHETHER the rain in a thunder-generation is a cause or a result of the generation of electricity has never been satisfactorily determined, though electricity itself is but the transformed energy of some form of motion. It does not need an exhibition of electricity to make what might be called rain run down an ice-pitcher on a hot day. However, the Government has appropriated \$2,000 to enable the forestry department to make experiments in producing artificial rain. If they can force a warm column of rain against a cold one, on a large scale, they will, no doubt, succeed.

SABBATH SCHOOL.

INTERNATIONAL LESSON FOR JUNE 7.

Lesson Text: Hezekiah, I-11. King, II Chronicles, xxix., 1-11. Golden Text: I Sam. ii., 30—Commentary.

1. "Hezekiah began to reign when he was five and twenty years old, and he reigned nine and twenty years in Jerusalem." Having in the last lesson stepped back about 100 years to consider the revival in the days of Josiah, we now return to about the time of the son two weeks ago, or it was in the beginning of the reign of Hezekiah that the ten tribes were carried into captivity (II Kings, xviii., 10). He was the last but one of the good kings of Judah. His father, Ahaz, was a wicked king, and his son, Manasseh, was the worst of all, (xviii., 19, 32; xxiii., 9, 10). But Josiah, his grandfather, did right in the sight of the Lord, and prepared his ways before the Lord his God (xviii., 2, 6).

And he did that which was right in the sight of the Lord, according to all that David, his father, had done. Abraham also is spoken of as a father to Israel (Isaiah ii., 2), and in Matt. i., Jesus is called Son of David, Son of Abraham. The word son in scripture often indicates likeness or sameness of nature, signifying the closest possible resemblance (see I Thess. v., 5; Acts, 13; John viii., 44). To do right in the sight of the Lord was one of the commands laid upon all Israel (Deut. vi., 18), and it is only written of eight of the kings of the house of David. Hezekiah trusted in the Lord God of Israel, so that after him was none like him among all the kings of Judah, nor any that were before him; for he clave to the Lord and departed not from following Him.

"He, in the first year of his reign, in the first month, opened the doors of the house of the Lord, and repaired them." What a grand beginning he makes, and how promptly! He does not allow a month to pass after he becomes king without attending to the house of the Lord. Ahaz, his father, had destroyed the vessels, shut up the doors, and made altars in every corner of Jerusalem (xxviii., 24). Hezekiah now seeks to undo his father's sin, and he leaves no time about it. He repairs the house with God in the foundation of all else; if we are right with Him all will be well, but if not right with Him nothing else can be right. "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness" is a binding command upon all, and at all times.

"And he brought in the priests and Levites, and gathered them together into the east street." There was a time when the head of each family acted as the priest of the household, offering sacrifice unto the Lord (I Sam. ix., 13; Gen. viii., 20; xii., 7, 8). But since the building of the tabernacle at Sinai the house of Aaron and the tribe of Levi were set apart to stand between the people and God and to offer sacrifice. There had been much sin in Israel, and the first thing necessary to right relations with God was the putting away of sin by atonement in God's appointed way, and then provision for continued cleansing. We have now a great High Priest who, once for all, made atonement for sin by the sacrifice of Himself, and who, risen from the dead, and alive for evermore, even liveth to make intercession for His redeemed, now appearing in the presence of God for us (Heb. ix., 24-26).

"And he said unto them, Hear me, ye priests, and ye Levites, and ye people, and stand before the house of the Lord your God, and say forth the filthiness out of the holy place." Sanctification includes separation and holiness. We must be separate from all that defiles, and the temples of our bodies must be kept without blemish. The actual temple of Solomon was a type of the body of Lord Jesus Christ (John ii., 19, 21). The church collectively is now the temple, and the bodies of individual believers are also temples (I Cor. iii., 16, 17; I Cor. vi., 19). It took sixteen days to cleanse the temple on this occasion (vs. 15-17); but it takes much longer than that to cleanse some believers from the filthiness of flesh and spirit which clings so closely.

"For our fathers have trespassed, and done evil in the eyes of the Lord our God, and have forsaken him, and have turned away their faces from the habitation of the Lord, and said their backs." So, also, said Jeremiah (I Jer. ii., 27; Jer. xii., 1, 2), and so said Moses ere the nation was yet forty years old (Deut. ix., 8, 24). Their history might be called a continued forsaking of the Lord who redeemed them. A record of all His kindness and of their kindness of heart is summarized in His later history (Jer. ii., 13, 14), and so said Moses ere the nation was yet forty years old (Deut. ix., 8, 24). Their history might be called a continued forsaking of the Lord who redeemed them. A record of all His kindness and of their kindness of heart is summarized in His later history (Jer. ii., 13, 14), and so said Moses ere the nation was yet forty years old (Deut. ix., 8, 24).

"Also they have shut up the doors of the porch, and put out the lamps, and have not burned incense, nor offered burnt offerings in the holy place, unto the God of Israel." They literally did all these things. Let us consider the application to ourselves in a spiritual sense. When seats in a church have to be bought in order to be occupied, and the poor must take seats that no others want, or when we do not put forth efforts to win people to Christ, we are shutting up the doors of the porch, and putting out the lamps, and have not burned incense, nor offered burnt offerings in the holy place, unto the God of Israel. They literally did all these things. Let us consider the application to ourselves in a spiritual sense. When seats in a church have to be bought in order to be occupied, and the poor must take seats that no others want, or when we do not put forth efforts to win people to Christ, we are shutting up the doors of the porch, and putting out the lamps, and have not burned incense, nor offered burnt offerings in the holy place, unto the God of Israel.

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