

THE WORLD'S W. C. T. U.

Opening of the Third Biennial Convention in London.

POLYGLOT TEMPERANCE PETITION

Miss Frances E. Willard, of the United States, President of the Union, Presided and Delivered the Opening Address...

The third biennial convention of the World's Women's Christian Temperance Union opened in Queen's Hall in London, England, at 9.30 a. m. with a prayer-meeting led by Mrs. Charles Archibald, President of the Maritime Provinces W. C. T. U. of Canada.



MISS FRANCES WILLARD AND LADY SOMERSET. (Most prominent representatives from America and England at the World's W. C. T. U. biennial convention in London.)

Final presentation of the polyglot petition to the various Governments, expressing the hope that the entire work of presentation might be concluded by the close of 1896. She also spoke of the desire of the American members of the W. C. T. U. to see the union become more and more an international institution...

A MAD MOTHER'S CRIME.

Mrs. Danford Gillis Poisons Her Three Children and Herself.

Mrs. Danford Gillis, aged thirty-eight years, gave strychnine to three of her six children and herself at her home north of Shellburg, Iowa. All are now dead.

A Big Town Six Days Old.

Excitement over the gold discoveries in the western part of Oklahoma Territory is growing rapidly. The town of Golden, after being started six days, had 2000 inhabitants, and there were then three other big camps.

15,530,268 School Children.

Dr. William T. Harris, Commissioner of Education, shows in his report for 1894 that the total number of pupils in all schools was 15,530,268, an increase over the number in the previous year of more than 450,000.

Sixty Men Killed.

Sixty men were killed and three seriously injured by an explosion of powder in the Balsale factory at Avigliana, Italy. The explosion was caused by the carelessness of the victims.

Maine Farmer Tries Irrigation.

A farmer in Saco, Me., is putting in an irrigation plant, with an 85,000 gallon reservoir. Irrigation in the East is a new idea.

Prominent People.

Secretary of State and Mrs. Olney pronounce "Olney to rhyme with pony." Prince Bismarck has expressed his disbelief in an alliance between Russia and France. Senator Brice, of Ohio, has announced his intention of becoming a candidate for reelection.

THE MARKETS.

Late Wholesale Prices of Country Produce Quoted in New York.

Table listing various commodities such as Milk and Cream, Butter, Eggs, Beans and Peas, and their respective prices.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE REPORT.

Railroad Mileage Was Increased During 1894 Over 2000 Miles.

The seventh statistical report of the Interstate Commerce Commission has just been submitted. It covers the fiscal year 1894 and completes the preliminary statistics published last December.

FLAG DAY.

The Anniversary of the Adoption of the National Emblem Celebrated.

The anniversary of the adoption of the American flag was observed universally throughout the Union. In New York City Flag Day was celebrated by the display of flags on public buildings and private residences...

CANADA'S NEW WATERWAY.

Its Rival to the American Sault Ste. Marie Canal Opened.

The new Canadian Sault Ste. Marie Canal, which affords connection between Lakes Huron and Superior, independent of the Canadian Canal, was opened without ceremonies or speech making.

THE TEMPERANCE WOMEN.

Many of Them Conducted Meetings in London Pulpits.

The World's Women's Christian Temperance Convention opened in the City Temple, London, England. Lady Henry Somerset, President of the British Women's Temperance Association, presided.

TO NORTH POLE BY BALLOON.

M. Andree Going to Paris to Superintend the Manufacture of His Air Ship.

M. Andree will shortly go from Stockholm, Sweden, to Paris to oversee the making of the balloon in which he will attempt to reach the North Pole. The balloon will be made of double silk, and will be capable of floating in the air for thirty days at a height of two hundred and fifty metres.

Stole a Ride to Death.

Two passenger trains ran into each other on the Charleston and Savannah Railroad at Yemassee, S. C.

Colorado's Mine Thieves.

Discovery of the thefts of rich ore from the Gold Pledge Mine has led to the belief that ore worth probably ten millions of dollars has been stolen from the mines of Colorado in the last ten years by an organized band.

His Life for a Cork Floater.

Twenty-one year old and unmarried, son of ex-Senator Carpenter, while fishing from a float in the Haritan River, got a bite. The pulling at the line released the cork floater.

Eleven Killed at a Funeral.

A despatch from Rovigo, Italy, says that while about 100 persons were waiting on a platform there for the funeral services of a conspicuous citizen, the structure gave way, throwing everyone to the ground.

Prohibition's Leader in New Jersey.

Henry W. Wilbur, editor of the Outlook, of Vinola, is nominated as the Prohibition candidate for Governor of New Jersey at the convention at Essex Lyceum, Nova Y.

COLONIAL HEROES HONORED.

Monument Commemorating the Capture of Louisbourg Dedicated.

The unveiling of the Louisbourg (Cape Breton) memorial by the Society of Colonial Wars was a successful event. The day was fine, the ancient harbor of Louisbourg was peaceful in its beauty, and over 2000 people from all parts of the surrounding country were present to witness the unveiling ceremonies.



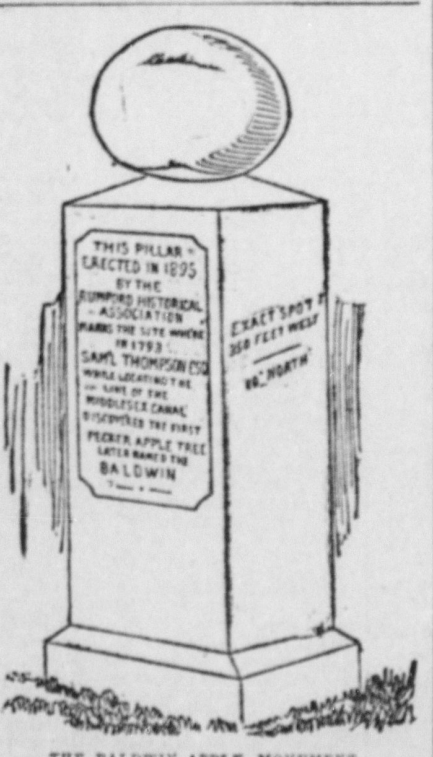
LOUISBOURG MEMORIAL COLONY. (It celebrates the Colonial victory of 1745.)

The monument is a granite shaft twenty-six feet in height, and stands near the ruins of the Old Kings Bastion and Citadel. On the front is engraved, "To Commemorate the Capture of Louisbourg, A. D. 1745. Erected by the Society of the Colonial Wars."

A MONUMENT TO AN APPLE.

To Be Erected Where the Baldwin Variety Was Discovered.

The Rumford Historical Society of Woburn, Del., will erect a monument where one hundred years ago was discovered the kind of apples now known as Baldwin.



THE BALDWIN APPLE MONUMENT.

had been drawn to it by the number of woodpeckers which gathered about the tree on account of the apples. Mr. Thompson thought it a new variety, and as it pleased his taste he called the attention of his neighbors to it.

Reward of the Peacemaker.

Yang Yu, the Chinese Minister at Washington, called at the White House and presented President Cleveland with a document of yellow silk, ornamented with ribbons of the same color, and about two feet wide and several feet in length.

Oldest Railroad Engineer Dead.

Rev. Ralph Swinburn, the oldest railroad engineer in the world, who was associated with Robert Stephenson, the great inventor, died a few days ago near Charleston, W. Va., aged ninety years. He was a native of England.

Patriots Successful in Ecuador.

Nearly all the interior of the Guayas Province of Ecuador has submitted to the revolution.

THE NEWS EPITOMIZED.

Washington Items.

President Cleveland sent to Spain a demand for the immediate payment of the Mora claim of \$1,500,000 due an American citizen.

The President, through Secretary Herbert, appointed Commodore F. M. Bunce Commander of the North Atlantic Naval Squadron to succeed Admiral Meade.

The United States Treasury gold reserves reached within \$300,000 of the \$100,000,000 mark. This is a result of the agreement with the Morgan-Beimont syndicate, by which the Treasury has already received \$68,000,000 in gold, leaving \$7,000,000 still due from the syndicate.

Commander Ide, United States Navy, was relieved from active duty for disrespect to Admiral Meade.

The President appointed George B. Comly and William T. Ball, sons of army officers, to be cadets-at-large to the United States Military Academy.

The President has made the following appointments: Allen Thomas, Consul at La Guayra, to be United States Minister to Venezuela; Emory F. Best, of the District of Columbia, to be Assistant Commissioner of the General Land Office.

The President made the following appointments: James B. Coffin, of Massachusetts, Consul at St. Helena; Horatio B. Bigelow, of Pennsylvania, Consul at Rouen, France; William E. Mantius, of New York, Consul at Turin.

The Government Printing Office Civil Service rules, as signed by the President, provide for the grouping of the force into classes, on a basis of compensation.

Secretary Lamont detailed Lieutenant-Colonel Gay G. Henry of the Fifth Cavalry to command the equipment of the New York National Guard at Peekskill.

Domestic. RECORD OF THE LEAGUE CLUBS. Clubs. Won. Lost. etc. Clubs. Won. Lost. etc.

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The convention of the Republican National League met in Cleveland, Ohio. A fight over the silver issue was sprung at once.

William Henry, the accused son of the murdered miser, was acquitted by the Coroner's jury in Brooklyn.

At Colorado Springs, Col., four men tried to loot the Exchange National Bank. The Sheriff got information of the affair through the confession of a member of the band and arrested the desperadoes at the muzzle of his gun.

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Three men are under arrest in Greenville, Ohio, charged with starting a fire that resulted in \$20,000 damage to the town. There were threats of lynching.

The challenges from Orford and Cambridge to Yale and Harvard Athletic Clubs were made public.

NEWS & NOTES FOR WOMEN

Ribbon is growing more and more popular.

The Bishop of London has joined the ranks of the women suffragists. Transparencies of lace are let into many of the skirts with very good effect.

Our modern housemaid insists upon a large bow instead of a cap on her head. Philadelphia hotels have abandoned the rule against the entertainment of women unaccompanied.

Twenty-one neighboring farm houses in North Paris, Me., have sent out twenty-four schoolmarmes. The Princess of Wales adorns her bonhair with curious patterns of skates of all countries and ages.

It isn't called "women's rights" or "women's suffrage" any more. It is "equal rights" in the new parlance. Many women wear the hair combed down over the ears and waved out at the side like the old style of forty years ago.

There are said to be over 1000 women in New York who, in one way or another, make their living by their pens. Louis Imogen Gurney, the New England postmistress-poet, has started on a walking trip through England.

The first woman to apply for and get a place on a police force was Miss Edith Walker of Bogota, Colombia, in 1894. It is said that the ex-Queen Isabella of Spain is the godmother of more children than any other woman in the world.

The first paper devoted to woman suffrage ever published was the Una, edited by Mrs. Paulina Davis, of Providence, R. I. Dona Manuela Palido, the first and only woman lawyer in Spain, opened an office in the Spanish capital in February, 1894.

A woman drummer, representing a Boston (Mass.) wholesale drug house, has invaded Kentucky, and is taking in the larger towns. The first European women to marry a native of Burma was Miss Mabel Cosgrove, who married Chan-Toon, of Rangoon, in January, 1894.

The Misses Brice, daughters of Senator Brice, of Ohio, will make a bicycle and kodak tour of the rural districts of France during the summer. Pompadour silks and those with chine grounds in soft colors of blue, beige or fawn color are much used for rich, dressy blouse waists.

Vienna has a society—the Gisela Verein—which raises funds for young girls to enable them to marry. Last year sixty-six were provided for. Over 40,000 women are attending colleges in America, yet it is only twenty-five years since the first college in the land was opened to women.

The Princess Maud of Wales is a bicyclist, but does not rush into bloomers. She wears a neat and modest costume, with a riding-habit skirt. Many of the new imported model trimmed hats are a veritable "dream." Such lovely flowers can only be an imitation of those growing in Paradise.

Cherry wood handles are the fashion in some of the newest umbrellas. There is not as much real or imitation silver used in ornamentation as heretofore. Skirts in Paris have more godets than ever, and they are very much wider than skirts worn over here.

Everything is trimmed with "choux" and flowers. Fashionable women in London are wearing wide ribbon around the neck to hang down on either side nearly to the edge of the skirt. It has the effect of a priest's stole.

Miss Lily Marshall, an English girl, is the inventor of the fine iridescent effects in brass work which have attracted so much attention. She has a studio in New York City. The death of Mrs. Henry C. Lewis, of Coldwater, Mich., leaves the art collection possessed by her late husband, valued at \$300,000, at the disposal of the University of Michigan.

Beatrice Harraden, author of "Ships That Pass in the Night," has a slight, girlish figure, short, curly hair and big, brown, "astonished" eyes, together with a sweet voice and gentle manners. Dr. Helen Webster, of Wellesley College, is the only woman who has ever earned the title of doctor of philosophy. She went to Germany and literally won the honor by hard, unremitting labor.

Mrs. Emmons Blaine has presented to the First Presbyterian Church of Richfield Springs a new pipe organ and an addition to the church building as a memorial to her husband. It was in this church that they were married. Mrs. Richard Watson Gilder, the wife of the editor of the Century, studied to be an artist when she was a girl. She says she hopes none of her three daughters will ever have any special talent for anything but being a truly good woman.

Miss Ada L. Woolfolk, of the University Settlement, at 95 Rivington street, was appointed a School Inspector for the Second School District, New York City. Miss Woolfolk has been identified with the college settlement work for several years. She graduated from Wellesley College in 1891, and is consequently a young woman. She takes an active interest in school work.