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WHEN THE PETS SUFFER.

A large gray cat leaped to death from a 13-story window of a New York hotel, and a telegram gives the explanation that the animal committed suicide in this way because its mistress had sailed for Europe, leaving it behind, says the Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph. Whether the cat committed suicide or not is immaterial, but the incident does serve a purpose in calling attention to a pathetic side of the vacation season. In thousands of homes all over the country there are household pets, such as dogs and cats and birds, and as many of these homes are closed during the summer, or at least for several weeks, the pets are in most instances left to shift for themselves. For the sake of the souls here are neighbors who will take charge of the canaries during the absence of their owners, but for the dogs and the cats there are, as a rule, only harsh words and buffetings from the neighbors, and sticks and stones from the archness of the community, and the poor creatures, homeless, friendless, and abused, are indeed objects of pity. It would be much more humane for the owners of these pets to put them to death before going away on their vacation trips, instead of leaving them to their fate, but the practice of deserting them goes on year after year.

A bulletin recently issued by the census department shows that the United States leads the world in manufacturing silk, with the possible exception of China, from which no figures are obtainable. We took first place from France in 1905, and have maintained our lead. We not only are the greatest manufacturers of silk goods, but the greatest consumers. Although we manufactured in 1909 silk worth \$196,425,600, we exported less than one per cent. of the goods we made. Our silk industry in 1869 amounted to \$12,210,000. It was more than \$41,000,000 ten years later. It had more than doubled again in 1889, when it was \$87,298,000. It was \$107,256,600 in 1909 and more than \$133,000,000 five years later.

The instruction of school children on the danger of railroad trespassing is a good thing to take up. Much of the danger is incurred through childish thoughtlessness and failure of requisite attention of parents and instructors to the matter. The fact that cars and trains have the right of way on railway tracks cannot be too strongly impressed on the youthful mind. In fact, it might with advantage be brought to some adult attention. At the same time, much danger, particularly to the young and to the aged and feeble, might be lessened by more attention on the part of car and train crews to the laws governing the rate of speed in cities, particularly the ordinances applying to the street crossings.

Surgeon B. M. Brown, U. S. N., has discovered a method of treating atmospheric air so that it shall sustain life for us as much as a week in an enclosure of moderate size even though no fresh air is introduced. If the scheme really works, we shall bear of public men and fashionable women seeking the rest cure by a week's vacation in a submarine immersed say a hundred miles off shore.

Somebody who claims to have conducted a scientific investigation announces that music will quench a man's thirst for strong liquor. If this is the case the bands that have been maintained by some of the fashionable cafes are likely to be compelled to look elsewhere for engagements.

Another comet has been sighted. It creates all the commotion ascribed in this sphere to Halley's comet, its discoverer ought to be jailed on the charge of disorderly conduct, so that other seekers after these mischievous celestial vagrants may be discouraged from breaking the public's peace of mind.

Now a scientist announces that the halo is a real thing, and that a faint glow can actually come from the brain, the result of radium stored there. This explanation, however, will destroy the value of halos, as some brains radiate nothing but faint glows.

Confectioners say the bonbon has passed and that young women's appetites must be figured upon in candy-making. Time was when an oyster stew, at least, was a certain and additional obligation.

As you step up to the marble topped counter in the drug store and call for your favorite fizz, ask the young man if he mixes saccharin with his soda water, and watch his face as he answers.

When the weather man climbs to the 100 mark on the thermometer it does not mean that he has achieved a lofty place in the hearts of his countrymen. And yet the misguided individual is carrying on like a steeple jack.

President Emeritus Elliot of Harvard says no American city of 100,000 inhabitants or over is anywhere near as clean as it might be. Many smaller towns in this country might be cleaner than they are.

TO STAY PANIC SOLD TO TRUST

Tennessee Coal and Iron Company Deal.

STORY OF A PLOT IS DENIED.

Brother of Mark Hanna Tells the House Investigating Committee That the Transaction Saved the Day.

New York.—No ulterior motives lurked behind the taking over of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company by the United States Steel Corporation during the financial panic of 1907, in the opinion of L. C. Hanna, of Cleveland, one of the syndicate owners of the Tennessee concern before the merger, who spent the day on the witness-stand before the Steel Trust Investigating Committee of the House of Representatives. That surreptitious motives had been suggested, Mr. Hanna, who is a brother of the late Senator Mark Hanna, admitted, but he never had credited the reports. He believed the transaction was necessary to avert the failure of the New York banking and brokerage firm of Moore & Schley, who held too much Tennessee Coal and Iron stock as collateral for loans, and to avert wild spreading of threatening business disaster.

In answer to a series of questions by Representative Beall, of Texas, Mr. Hanna said he thought the Congressmen believed a plot had been framed whereby the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company would be gobbled up by the steel interests, but he had no knowledge of such a plot, and did not credit such an idea.

"Before the threatened failure of Moore & Schley," asked Representative Beall, "had not the United States Treasury poured \$50,000,000 into New York to stop the panic?"

"I think so," Mr. Hanna replied. "Also before that time," Mr. Beall continued, "had not Mr. J. Pierpont Morgan and his associates advanced \$60,000,000 to relieve the financial situation?"

"I heard it so stated," said Mr. Hanna.

"After all that the panic was not averted," Mr. Beall resumed, "and can you tell me why the taking up of only \$6,000,000 in loans on the Tennessee Coal and Iron collateral of Moore & Schley affected that restoration of confidence in the business world which the United States Treasury and the Morgan millions had been unable to do?"

"The only explanation," Mr. Hanna replied, after some hesitation, "is that the panic up to that time had not reached that character of business houses which were involved in this transaction. I think from your line of questions that you believe the sale of the Tennessee Coal and Iron Company was a plot. I never thought so. I still wish I could have held on to my stock, but it seemed absolutely necessary to sell it to avert serious trouble."

BUTTED TO DEATH BY RAM

Mrs. Antonette Zoll Found Dead in Her Cowshed.

Muskogean, Mich.—That Mrs. Antonette Zoll, of Conklin, who was found dead in a cowshed in the rear of her farm home was not murdered, but came to her death by being butted by a ram, is the conclusion practically arrived at by officers investigating the case.

The sheep was found in the fields, its horns bloody and a large patch of blood on the back of its neck. The theory is that the ram attacked Mrs. Zoll as she ran around the house in terror and finally knocked her down. When it left her, it is thought she managed to drag herself into the shed, where she died.

Fright Cures Cripple.

Harrisonburg, Va.—A cripple from birth, Joseph Summers Friday threw away his crutches and, crazed with fright after accidentally shooting a small girl, ran in his bare feet into the country. He fled so rapidly that he has not yet been overtaken. The child, Ruth Enswiler, five years old, may die. The shooting occurred while Summers was cleaning a revolver, which was discharged.

Fell Dead at Card Table.

Paris.—Naoum Pacha, Turkish ambassador to France, fell dead at the Union Diplomats' Club. Naoum had taken a place at a card table and was in the act of taking up a hand when he fell backward. Death was due to congestion of the brain, caused by the intense heat.

Historic Ship Saved.

Washington.—The oil sailing naval vessel Portsmouth, now used as a quarantine ship at Norfolk, Va., will not be dismantled or disturbed in any way until Congress passes upon the proposition to fit her out in condition to sail around to San Francisco to be preserved there as a relic. The Portsmouth raised the American flag at Buena Yerba, now San Francisco, in the war with Mexico. It is estimated the repairs will cost \$25,000.

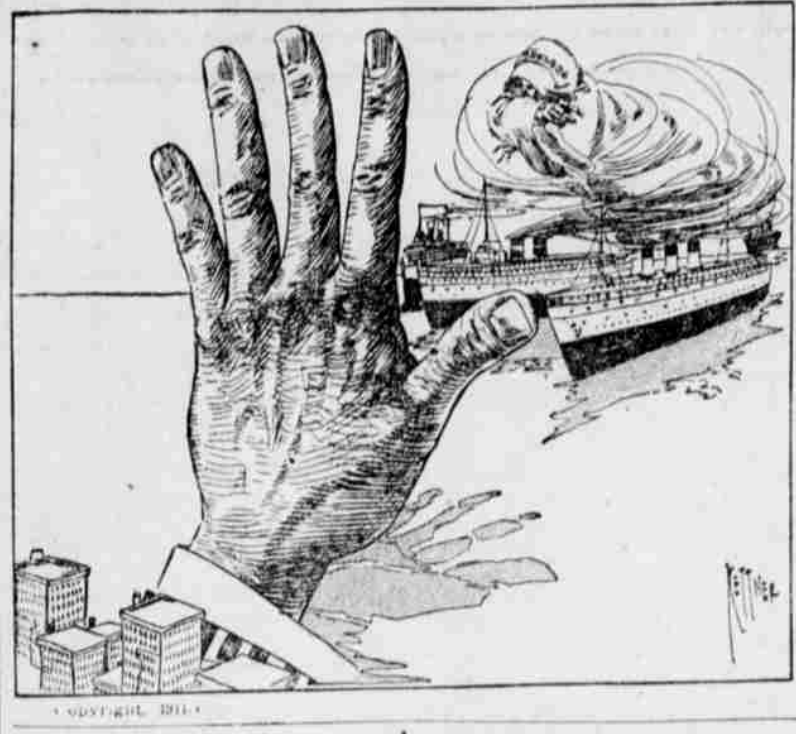
Female Guards Put Men Out.

New York.—When 5,000 fancy leather goods workers, mostly girls, went on strike the employers hired a group of husky women guards to offset the strikers' pickets. Four of these guards put a man picket out of business.

Noting Bridegroom's Stint.

Middletown, Conn.—Because bridegrooms are growing more stingy as to clergymen's fees, Rev. J. A. Courtwright asks that the marriage license fee be 25 cents of the bride's license fee.

STOP!



RICH BANKER SLAIN IN HOTEL

Wm. H. Jackson Dead on Bedroom Floor.

BELLBOY IS UNDER ARREST.

Jackson, Aroused by Attempts to Chloroform H. M., Makes a Brave Fight for Life—First Struck by a Blow.

New York.—Paul Geldel, a 17 year old boy of Hartford, Conn., who was employed as a bellboy at the Hotel Iroquois, was arrested in connection with the murder of William Henry Jackson, an aged and well-to-do Wall street broker, who was found strangled to death in his room at the hotel.

Geldel was taken to police headquarters, where, according to Deputy Police Commissioner Dougherty, he will be charged with the murder.

Four other persons, three men and a woman, who it is believed can shed some light on the tragedy, were also taken to police headquarters.

It was declared at headquarters that Paul Geldel confessed to Deputy Commissioner Dougherty and District Attorney Whitman that he chloroformed and robbed Jackson.

Mr. Jackson was murdered in the midst of the hotel and club district, where the night life is almost as active as the day.

In some manner which the police do not attempt to explain the man effected an entrance to Mr. Jackson's room on the tenth floor of the Hotel Iroquois, at 49 West Forty-fourth street. While he was rifling the apartment the broker evidently awoke and attacked him. The struggle must have been a short one, for the evidence is that the thief was a powerful man and Mr. Jackson was not only feeble, but had been in bad health for some time.

Three terrific blows over the head, which left ugly gashes, evidently felled the old man. Not content with this, the murderer then stuffed a washcloth half way down Mr. Jackson's throat and with his bare hands throttled the little remaining life out of him.

The price of this crime was about \$50 in money, a watch that was an heirloom in Jackson's family and a few small trinkets, such as scarfpins, cuff buttons and shirt studs.

While Mr. Jackson was not a rich man, he was generally reputed to be wealthy. Connected with the Wall street firm of Van Schaick & Co., a member of the New York Yacht and other exclusive clubs, and much given to extreme liberality in his tips to the employes of the hotel, he gained the reputation of being a man of means.

MORE MONEY FOR THE MAINE

Whole Vessel May Have to be Removed Piecemeal.

Washington.—Congress is to be asked by the War Department to appropriate more money for the removal of the Maine.

San Juan in Porto Rico.

San Juan, Porto Rico.—Henry L. Stimson, the American Secretary of War, who, with Brigadier General Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the Bureau of Insular Affairs, and others, arrived here Friday, spent a portion of the day interviewing business and professional men of Porto Rico. The Secretary was accorded ovations in all the towns along the automobile route from Ponce to San Juan. Citizenship was the keynote of all the welcoming speeches.

Wellman Gives It Up.

Cheyenne, Wyo.—Information that Walter Wellman has given up the project of making a second attempt to cross the Atlantic in a dirigible balloon, transferring the management to Melvin Vaniman, chief engineer of the last expedition, was obtained here through a personal letter from Mr. Vaniman to J. Lovett Rockwell. Mr. Vaniman wrote that he has a dirigible well on the way to completion at Atlantic City, and believes the expedition will be successful.

PRESIDENT TAFT REBUKES DEFAMERS

Controller Bay Message to the Point.

MUCH HARM DONE ALASKA.

Says There is No Danger of the Controller Railway and Navigation Company Monopolizing the Field.

Scorn for Scandal-mongers.

The acrimony of spirit and the intense malice that have been engendered in respect of the administration of the government in Alaska and in the consideration of measures proposed for her relief and the wanton recklessness and eagerness with which attempts have been made to besmirch the characters of high officials having to do with the Alaskan government, and even of persons not in public life, present a condition that calls for condemnation and requires that the public be warned of the demoralization that has been produced by the hysterical suspicions of good people and the unscrupulous and corrupt misrepresentations of the wicked. The helpless state to which the credulity of some and the malevolent scandal-mongering of others have brought the people of Alaska in their struggle for its development ought to give the public pause.

(From the President's Controller Bay Message.)

IN AIR OVER FOUR HOURS

Johnstone Breaks All American Endurance Records.

Hempstead, L. I.—St. Croix Johnstone, in a monoplane, broke all American endurance records for both biplane and monoplane on the Hempstead Plains.

Tidal Wave Kills Forty.

Tokio.—Forty persons are known to be dead in the Province of Tokio, part of which was overwhelmed by a tidal wave following in the wake of a devastating typhoon which had raged for 24 hours. Part of the embankment in the Fukazawa district was washed away. The Suzaki quarter was inundated and scores of houses demolished. The damage is estimated at \$1,000,000.

Lives With a Broken Neck.

Minneapolis.—Sixteen-year-old Martin Gray is at a hospital in Minneapolis with a broken neck and the father, Fred L. Gray, president of the Fred L. Gray Company, is plowing through seas on a fast liner toward the bedside of his injured son. The boy struck a dredge head beam first while diving at Lake Calhoun. His case is proving a puzzle to surgeons.

More Germs Than Ice-cream.

Boston.—Announcement that 55,000,000 bacteria had been found in a half spoonful of ice-cream by the Boston health authorities caused the declaration by Prof. James O. Jordan, of the Board of Health, that he would ask the Legislature to pass an emergency measure providing that the frozen delicacy must hereafter be sold and served only in original packages. The sample was purchased in the North End tenement district.

Inane Asylum Burns.

Hutchinson, Kas.—The State Asylum for the Insane at Winfield was destroyed by fire during the night, and the 1,000 inmates are housed at Bluffs, two miles south of Winfield, until the state can make provisions for them. They will probably be kept in tents until other buildings can be secured. No one was injured in the fire, which is supposed to have resulted from defective wiring.

Postoffice Appointments.

Washington.—Mack T. Roberts was appointed postmaster at Eggleston, Putnam county, W. Va. E. J. Norflett was appointed rural carrier and Josh Britt substitute on the route at Holland, Va.

U. S. to Have Air Fleet.

New York.—Gen. James Allen, chief of the United States Signal Corps, declares that within a year this country will have a fleet of 20 aerial warships, manned by 40 officers.

THE WIRE TRUST MEN FINED

Thirty-seven Manufacturers Plead Guilty—Joined to Restrain Trade.

New York.—Thirty-seven of the 84 wire manufacturers and their employes, who were indicted by the grand jury here on June 29 on the charge of combining in nine pools to the restraint of trade in the wire business, entered pleas of nolo contendere before Judge Archbold, in the criminal branch of the United States Circuit Court here, and each was fined \$1,000 on the initial count and \$100 on every additional count in the indictment against him. The total amount of the fines imposed is \$42,700, and of this sum \$21,000 was paid to Commissioner Shields before he closed his office for the night.

In the case of most of the 37 appearing before Judge Archbold the nolo contendere was entered to supplement the original plea of nolo guilty already made; for a few the nolo contendere was the initial plea. District Attorney Wise has heard from the lawyer representing several other indicted wire men that they, too, will come into court and enter the plea of nolo contendere.

Those who pleaded and were sentenced to be fined, some of them on as high as six and eight convictions, represented the following, alleged by the government to have participated in the nine pooling associations: Lead Encased Rubber Cable Association, Fine Magnet Wire Association, Wire Rope Association, Weather-proof and Magnet Wire Association, Underground Power Cable Association, Telephone Cable Association, Horse-shoe Manufacturers' Association and Bare Copper Wire Association. Through several who paid up today were listed under scattering indictments as representatives of the Bare Copper Wire Association, William Palmer, the president of the American Steel and Wire Company, whose name headed the list under the Bare Copper Wire Association, and who was indicted seven times, was not one of those to appear.

MERELY ADMONISHMENT

Wilson Does Not Ask for Condoning Punishment for Wiley.

Washington.—It is known here that Secretary of Agriculture Wilson, in a report to President Taft, has recommended that Dr. Harvey W. Wiley, the pure food expert, be admonished, but not dismissed. Secretary Wilson, it is understood, declares leniency must be shown Dr. Wiley because of his valued services to the government in the past and his usefulness for the future. For this reason he apparently does not believe that "condign punishment" should be meted out in the case.

TRAINS CRASH IN STORM

Eight Lives Crushed Out at Grindstone Station.

Grindstone, Me.—Eight were killed and 14 injured when an excursion train and a regular passenger train on the Bangor and Aroostook Railroad met head-on at this station. Five passengers of the excursion train were killed. The engineer of the excursion train and two firemen were also among the killed.

The collision is believed to have been due to a misunderstanding in orders and was made possible by one of the most violent midsummer storms that has swept this part of the country in years. The passenger train was bound from Van Buren to Bangor. The excursion train was returning from Kidder's Point, near Searsport, on Penobscot Bay, to Presque Isle and was running a minute late.

Uncle Sam Saves a Million.

Washington.—That the War Department because of administrative methods just installed, will be able to save a million dollars in the cost of keeping up the "military establishment" was stated by Quartermaster General J. B. Aleshire to the House Committee on Expenditures in the War Department.

Wise Move in Chicago.

Chicago.—It is reported that the publishers of all the big Chicago dailies have entered into an agreement to drop all premium giving, popularity contests, etc., and substitute therefore "legitimate business methods." It is also reported that Chicago Sunday papers will be raised to sell at six cents, and publishers of morning papers are in agreement to raise prices to two cents, beginning September 1.

Bones From the Maine.

Havana.—The bones recovered from the wreck of the Maine, which represent 16 bodies, were transferred without ceremony to Cabanas fortress and deposited in the case-mate, over which has been placed a guard of honor. The remains of two additional bodies were recovered on the berth deck, near the quarters of the warrant officers. These remains, like the others, present no possibility of identification.

THE CANADIANS AND RECIPROCIDTY

Now the Issue Before the People of That Country.

CAMPAIGN WILL BE BITTER.

Premier Laurier Carries Out His Threat, Dissolves the Parliament and Appeals to the Country.

Ottawa, Ont.—The eleventh Parliament of Canada passed out of existence Saturday, and upon the political complexion of a new one to be elected September 21 will depend the fate of the reciprocity agreement between the United States and Canada. Premier Laurier decided to ask for an immediate dissolution at a meeting of his cabinet Saturday afternoon, and at once notified Earl Grey, the governor general. A short time later a special issue of the Official Gazette was printed containing the formal announcement and giving legal effect to the edict.

As the House does not sit on Saturdays there were only a few members at the Parliament buildings when the action was announced. In both Liberal and opposition rooms the news was received with cheers and the members hurried away to telegraph their political workers that the campaign was on.

Came as a Surprise.

The announcement of dissolution came somewhat as a surprise, as few persons expected it before next week at the earliest. The absolute refusal of the Conservative minority in the House to close the debate on the government's reciprocity resolution and permit a vote upon it, which would mean its adoption, and the improbability of a change in their attitude, resulted in the government's decision that it was useless to keep Parliament sitting another day.

This is the first time a session of the Dominion Parliament has been closed without the appearance of the governor general in military state at the Senate chamber to give formal prorogation. As the Senate was not due to reassemble until August 9, and as prorogation could not take place without both houses being present, dissolution was resorted to.

The Sole Issue

It is generally agreed that the two-months' campaign before the country will be vigorous and even bitter. Reciprocity probably will be the sole issue, although the Conservatives in Quebec may seek to inject the naval issue into the contest. The anti-annexation cry already has been raised by the Conservatives in all parts of the country.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier and his ministers will take the stump and conduct platform campaigns in all provinces. The prime minister will confine his attention to the central provinces and Quebec, while Mr. Fielding, minister of finance, who helped to draft the reciprocity agreement, will devote his attention to the maritime provinces.

South Bethlehem.

South Bethlehem.—More than two hundred members of the Claus family attended the ninth annual reunion at Waldheim Park. The Clauses, who came from the Bethlehem, Philadelphia, Limeport, Saegertsville, East Greenville, Raubsville and various Lehigh county towns, are descendants of Nathan and Daniel Claus.

Lebanon.—Grant, seven-year-old son of Grant Wagner, of Palmyra, was perhaps fatally injured, and Mrs. John Lettich, of near Palmyra, seriously hurt, when the team occupied by them was struck by a Lebanon Valley Street Railway car at Bomgardner's Lane, two miles east of Palmyra.

Lancaster.—Mrs. Samuel Warner, a member of a prominent family, committed suicide by hanging herself in the attic of her home at White House. Her body was found by her husband. Mrs. Warner has been ill health for some time.

Hazleton.—While picking buckles in the woods, Bernard Wiske, a ten-year-old West Hazleton boy, was struck by a bolt of lightning during a short thunderstorm and instantly killed. Andrew Kowalki, a boy with him, was knocked down by the same bolt, but escaped injury.

Marietta.—A mad dog was killed on the Duffy farm, just north of town, after it had bitten several dogs and gave several men a chase.

Temple.—While Edwin M. Becker, an employe at the Muhlenberg Brewing plant, at Hyde Park, near here, was working on the third floor he was stricken with paralysis and fell a distance of twenty feet from a window to the roof of the boiler house, sustaining a compound fracture of the skull, resulting in death.

Carlisle.—Contention among the directors of the Shippenburg Table & Manufacturing Company caused application to be made for a receiver. The hearing is to be held on August 5. The capital stock is \$25,000.

Lower Heidelberg.—The Browerville grist mill, owned by Isaac Hirt baker and tenanted by W. Edwin Sterne, was destroyed by fire. The loss is partly covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

Reading.—County Treasurer Coffey instituted thirty individual suits against merchants in the city and county who have failed to pay their mercantile tax for the ensuing year.

Reading.—Ignatius Shade, a Civil War veteran and retired merchant of this city, died of a complication of diseases in his seventy-second year.