

Tired.—
So tired and weary,
Life seems a desert so dreary,
Tears drop dry up in its sand.

Of loving and hating,
Longing for rest, and then waiting
For peace in another land.

Trying
To fathom the depth of life's river—
To catch the stray sunbeams that quiver
And dance on his gleaming breast.

Wondering
If all sweeping surges
Ceaselessly sing Hope's last dirge—
Requiem masses of rest.

Longing
To sleep in the gloaming—
On dreamland's far hills to be roaming,
With eyes that will never awake.

Waiting
To see life's gray dawn
Flash in a morning
And the light of Eternity break.

—New York Advertiser.

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BY MRS. M. L. RAYNE.



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sent up the card of his employer, and waited in the parlor for the lady to see him. When the boy returned he was requested to attend to the lady in her own room.

“Ha!” he said to himself, “it's the old gag!”

The lady admired the jewels and told her husband, who was present, that they suited her exactly. Charles Augustus had literally frozen to them; he stood close to the lady while she tried them on and furiously watched her lest she should make a dash for the opposite door, when he would snatch the diamonds and fight the two conspirators single handed, and he pressed something in the breast pocket of his coat. It was the first purchase he had made out of his father's gold piece—a revolver, which he needed about as much as a cat needs two tails.

“You can leave them,” said the gentleman languidly—“gentlemanly villains are always languid.” “I will call in and pay for them on my way home from the office.”

“Ha, the plot thickens,” remarked Charles Augustus, mentally. Aloud he said:

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WORDS OF WISDOM.

Love was the first missionary.
The best place to test a light is in the dark.

Make your mistakes teach you something.
Worry kills more people than the cholera.

To have an honest critic is to have a faithful friend.
Life is not worth living unless you live for somebody else.

It is hard to agree with a man who quarrels with himself.
The man who picks out his own cross never has a light load.

It isn't always the best man who gets the biggest gravestone.
The rose probably wonders what there is about it that people like.

If happiness is your object in this life don't try too hard to get rich.
Love never looks at the clock before it takes off its coat to go to work.

Better live in a house without windows than in a house without books.
You can't tell how big a man is until you find out where his influence is going to stop.

If you don't want your boy to turn out bad, don't bear down too hard on the grindstone.
If we had no trouble but real troubles there wouldn't be a round shouldered man in the world.

The man who always speaks the truth in love will always speak words that weigh something.
There are people who think if they stand on the river bank and throw a straw to a drowning man, they have done enough.

It is as bad to cover up the blind eye in a horse trade as it is to rob a man after you have knocked him down with a sandbag.
Find a man who is moving the world and you will find a man who believes something. A man on the fence has no moral weight.—Indianapolis (Ind.) Rain's Horn.

California Doesn't Fear Earthquakes.

“Did you know that we are getting over our fear of earthquakes in San Francisco?” said Morris Estee, the well-known Californian Republican, at the Fifth Avenue Hotel the other day.

“No,” replied the gentlemen addressed, “but I should think it might be so. An earthquake every month or two ought to get one hardened to the sensation after a while.”

“But all joking aside,” continued Mr. Estee, “we are not paying any attention to earthquakes nowadays. Our mode of life is ceasing to be regulated in anticipation of one. For a long time we thought it was not safe to build a house or block much over two stories high. We were afraid that an earthquake might shake the roof down on our heads. As a consequence San Francisco became a city of low and insignificant buildings. But now we are putting up some of the finest buildings in the country, and one of two things will be in speaking distance of the clouds.

“There is the Crocker Building; it isn't as high as St. Peter's dome, but when it is done it will be eleven stories. We think that is a pretty tall building for San Francisco. It required a good deal of courage to put it up in the face of the earthquake prophets. I've lived on the Pacific coast for thirty years, and I know of only one earthquake that amounted to much. So I have no idea that anything will happen to the Crocker Building. I expect that when it is done and people see that it does not fall down, a good many other buildings as high or higher will go up.”—New York Times.

Wonders of an Ear of Corn.

A pollen grain of maize or common Indian corn is about .004 of an inch in diameter, which would allow 14,000,000 to be packed without allowing a box with the capacity of but one cubic inch.

An ear of Indian corn, as has been determined by approximate measurements, a capacity of about .00025 cubic inch; therefore, if packed full (which is never the case) might contain fully 3500 grains. Two fresh ears were emptied out upon separate slides by a microscopist and spread out as evenly as possible, and then by counting the number of pollen grains upon several areas under the microscope, and then deducting the proper calculations, the number in one ear was found to be 1600 and for the other over 8000. Allowing for errors in calculation the average number of pollen grains for each ear was multiplied by 2500; the result was assumed to be in the neighborhood of 2500. The same experimenters, by carefully counting the number of stamens in an average-sized tassel of corn, found it to contain about 7200. This multiplied by 2500, the number of pollen grains in each anther, gives the whole number of pollen grains in the average corn tassel as 18,000,000.

In a medium-sized ear of corn there are 720 grains, which, of course, gives the same number of pistils in the young ear. Allowing, however, 1000 pistils to each young ear and two ears to each stalk, the pollen grains are to the pistils what 9000 is to one; in other words, for every pistil of Indian corn to be fertilized nature has provided 9000 pollen grains. What wonderful provisions!—St. Louis Republic.

Asiatic Hair Tonic.

An old Asiatic method for improving the hair is to, take, once in three days, some rich, unskimmed milk that has been made sour by standing in the sun and wash the hair with this, stirring it up so as to mix the cream and milk well together. Rub it well into the roots of the hair and let it remain for about a quarter of an hour. Then wash it off with a lather of pure white soap and warm, soft water, rinsing the hair afterward with fresh soft water. This method renders the hair thick, soft and glossy.—Detroit Free Press.



KEystone GULLINGS.

PETER DORAN, a shoemaker of Allentown, while dancing with Annie Landenslager at a public ball a few nights ago, kissed her. Annie objected to that manner of Doran's showing his affection, and besides that she said that he bit her cheek. She brought suit against the affectionate shoemaker, and he was obliged to pay her \$10 damages.

On the Chartiers railroad at Bell's tunnel, near Greens station, in Washington county, a train struck a load piece of timber hanging from the tunnel. It smashed the smoke-stack of the engine into the cab, killing Fireman Dan Johns, of Pittsburg.

GEORGE MACKAY, of Washington, cut off his long beard, which had grown so because he lost an election.

HARRY WILLIAMS, a farmer near Franklin was fatally gored by a bull Thursday.

A MAY musical festival will be held in the mountains near Uniontown, at which 700 persons from Connelisville and other towns will sing.

JOHN McNEIL, in eluding an officer, jumped over a creek at Warrington, Pa., and was not seen since, and it is thought, is drowned.

A MAN with a black mask appeared before a 6-year-old son of Fred Walzer of Newfield, frightening the boy so badly that he will not sleep.

A FARMER named Mauret, near Beaver, found a bull which had been missed two months, under a straw stack that had fallen on it, and which, while keeping its prisoner, had fattened it up.

TO PROMOTE FISH AND GAME.—The Oil City Fur, Fish and Feather Club discussed tonight methods whereby the game and fish of Northwestern Pennsylvania may be protected. The plan of consideration contemplates the extension of the club's membership to 200 or more regular members and an unlimited honorary membership. Land owners will be made gamekeepers, and the club will prosecute cases of violation of the law reported by them.

A COYOTE lasting only a few minutes passed up Amberson hollow, near Butler, a few days ago, leveling in its course 34 rigs and causing much damage to producing wells. The Forest Oil company lost 15 rigs. Operation will be stopped for weeks.

CHARLEY DILLON, of Bristol, has a trained “colt,” which performs all sorts of comical tricks. One of these tricks of the colt, which Charley has been 15 years trying to break it of, is the practice of his climbing the roof of the barn and sliding down on his hands and feet. It was a hobogian slide. Charley thought he would spoil the colt's fun by driving nails way into the shingles, but the cunning animal found a way to the alley and used the hobogian slide on when sliding down the toboggan.

EXPLODING BOILER KILLS TWO MEN.—The boiler of engine No. 25, running local on the Pennsylvania and Northern railroad, exploded in the yards at Irons, Clearfield county, Tuesday morning, and killed two men, both of Punxsutawney, were instantly killed. Fireman Ake's body was blown entirely through a box car and the engineer's body was hurled 100 yards from the scene of the explosion. Three brakemen were seriously hurt by flying metal. The depot was blown almost to pieces and three bystanders were seriously injured. There was plenty of water in the boiler and the cause of the explosion is unknown.

JOHN SYDNER of Mahony City, was killed by being thrown from his wagon in a runaway.

FRANK JOHNSON, an employe of the New Castle electric railway, has brought action in trespass and damages against Dr. A. M. Cook of New Castle, for \$20,000. He alleged that on October 15, 1890, while employed driving trolleys he struck his left knee with a trolley. Dr. Cook examined the knee and advised that it was injured, but that it would heal. He permitted the knee to become so diseased that it became permanently stiffened.

INSURANCE IN PENNSYLVANIA.—In his annual report Insurance Commissioner LUDER gives the following summary, showing the result of the fire, marine and inland business done in this state by all the companies, from 1889 to 1890, stock and mutual, in 1891: Premiums received by stock companies, \$9,427,367 32; premiums and assessments of mutual companies, \$1,596,571 48; total Pennsylvania business, \$11,023,938 80; losses paid by stock companies, \$4,117,391 63; losses paid by mutual companies, \$1,148,550 54; total losses paid in Pennsylvania, \$7,265,942 17. Mr. Luder says the Legislature has failed to establish any standard by which the solvency or insolvency of a purely mutual company may be measured and recom mend legislation as a protection for the people and the trustworthy companies that do an honest business. Referring to the fire loss of \$7,000,000 during the year he asks for more legislation that will prevent the careless or carelessness on the part of property owners and more careful inspection of buildings.

A YOUNG man giving the name of Edwards, bought a suit of clothes from Rice & Co., of Uniontown, and gave a check for the amount. The check was a forgery and the young man is gone.

GOVERNOR PATTON approved the \$500,000 bond of State Treasurer-elect Morrison, and Deputy Secretary Tilden, his late opponent, administered the oath of office.

SQUIRE S. J. SPRINGER died at California of paralysis. He has filled the office of justice of the peace in East Pike Run township for a quarter of a century.

THE First Brigade, National Guards of Pennsylvania, will camp July 16 to 23 inclusive; Second Brigade, July 30 to August 6 inclusive; Third Brigade, July 23 to 30 inclusive. Each regimental commander will assign the place of encampment.

THOMAS FLECK, proprietor of the City hotel, Danville, while talking to friends in the Globe store in that place, pulled out a revolver and pointing it against his temple, fired, instantly killing himself. No cause is known for the act.

THREE Duquesne children ate wild parsnips, and their lives were saved with difficulty.

THREE burglars, attired in dresses called on Mrs. Elizabeth Fawes, an old lady, near Washington. When they left, \$500, all the woman possessed, went with them.

THE Fifteenth and Sixteenth regiments, N. G. P., will encamp this year at Erie.

The body of John Waters, who fell in the Conemaugh river at Johnstown four weeks ago, was found Monday.

The dead body of Mrs. Zell, wife of A. W. Zell, a well-known citizen of Huntingdon, was found floating in the river near the town. The theory is that she wandered down to the race in a demented state and fell in and was drowned. Mrs. Zell suffered a severe shock about a week ago. A few years ago her son William lost an arm while in the employ of the Pennsylvania company, and last week the young man fell under the wheels again and lost a foot.

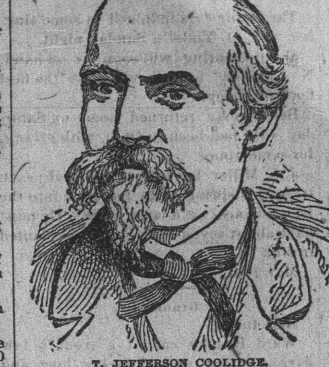
FOURTEEN relatives of Edward Brown, of Bristol, who was killed by a train, are arranged for all the funerals.

A DEED 185 years old, which was made by Samuel Carpenter and James Logan, of Norristown, has turned up.

The book in which the public school accounts of Earl Buck county, are kept is 102 years old, and has always been kept for that one purpose.

T. JEFFERSON COOLIDGE.

Career of the New United States Minister to France.



T. Jefferson Coolidge, who has just been appointed Minister to France, is a resident of Boston, in which city he was born August 24, 1831. After his early studies in Boston he went to Harvard University, where he graduated, and then went to Europe, where he finished his education.

After spending several years abroad he returned to Boston and entered the East Indian trade, embarking in business under the firm name of Gardner & Coolidge, the late Joseph Gardner being his partner. He accepted the presidency of a manufacturing company in 1858, which owned a number of cotton mills at Lowell, and under his administration the affairs of the company prospered exceedingly.

He went abroad about the beginning of the war and resided for three years in France, at the end of which time he returned to Massachusetts and took charge of the Lawrence Manufacturing Company. In 1859 he gave up the manufacturing business and entered the railroad business, accepting the presidency of the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe Railroad. This office he resigned to accept the presidency of the Oregon Railroad and Navigation Company, which office he held for a short time.

Before this he had been Treasurer of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company and subsequently became Treasurer of the New Hampshire Company, a position which he still holds. He is also identified with the Lawrence Manufacturing Company, the Dwight Manufacturing Company, the Emery Company and is a Director in the Burlington and Quincy, the Kansas City, Fort Scott and Memphis, the Boston and Lowell and other railroad companies.

At the Pan-American Congress he represented the interests of Massachusetts. His connections in Boston, and his personal part in Massachusetts politics, and at one time was classed as a Mugwump, having joined the Independents who organized the Young Men's Democratic Club of Massachusetts. Subsequently, however, he returned to the Republican fold.

He is at the head of many local charitable organizations in Boston, and has personally contributed largely of his means toward their prosperity. Among his benefactions are the Jefferson Physical Laboratory at Harvard, which cost \$15,000, and the public library of the town of Manchester, toward which he contributed \$40,000.

CONGRESSIONAL NOMINATIONS.

EX-Senator Ingalls refuses to be a candidate for Congressman at large.

The returns from the counties which elected delegates to the Alabama state convention Saturday gave Governor Jones 243 delegates, 14 more than necessary to re-nominate him.

S. S. Manco, of Mercer county, was nominated for congress in the Fourth Ohio district.

Charles P. Kane, was nominated for congress from the Thirteenth Illinois district.

The First Missouri congressional district Republican convention nominated Major E. B. Cramer for congress.

For Congressman at Large ex-Governor George T. Anthony was nominated by the Republicans of Kansas.

Thomas R. Morgan, Sr., of Alliance, O., was nominated for Congress at Salem on the 7th ballot, for the Eighteenth Ohio district.

John J. McDonald was chosen on the 38th ballot as Congressional nominee from the Twelfth Illinois district.

The Democrats of the Second Iowa Congressional District have nominated Walter I. Hayes for a fourth term.

The Republicans of the Thirteenth Indiana district nominated Hon. James S. Dodge on the first ballot.

The Democrats of Monroe and Brown counties, Ind., met at Unionville, and nominated John S. Williams, of Nashville, for Representative.

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J. S. Dodge, of Elkhart, was nominated for Congress by the Republicans of the Thirteenth Indiana district.

Venango county, Pa., Prohibitionists met at Franklin, and nominated S. P. McCalmont for Congress.

Twelve Victims of the Philadelphia Fire

PHILADELPHIA, May 5.—Joseph Silver, 20 years old, died in the Pennsylvania hospital. He is the third who has died since the fire from his injuries. E. M. Holmes, of Camden, died also. Abraham Chambers, 15 years old, who is in the Jefferson hospital, will lose both arms, amputation being necessary, and is likely to die. Two more of the injured at the Pennsylvania hospital died to-night from the effects of their burns, making 11 victims of the fire beside the number of a burned foot taken from the ruins of the Times annex. The latest to succumb were Ram Patterson, 14 years old, and Charles Beigel, aged 23, both of whom were burned while escaping from the gallery of the Central Theater.

AN OVER-WEIGHED FLOOR FALLS.

Twenty Tons of Mortar Precipitated Upon Five Men, Killing Two of Them.

NEW YORK, May 7.—A temporary floor on the first story of the Havemeyer building broke beneath the weight of about 20 tons of mortar placed upon it, and fell upon five hodcarriers who were in the basement beneath. Two of the men were instantly killed and three others were extricated alive. Only one of them, J. Hurley, was severely injured, and it is not believed his injuries are fatal. The others were able to go home with the assistance of fellow workmen. The men killed were Albert Zimmer and Charles Desolar.

A LIMITED EXPRESS WRECKED.

CAUSED BY A WATERSPOUT.

A Santa Fe Train Plunges Through a Trestle. An Appalling List of Victims.

FORT MADISON, Ia., May 7.—The Chicago Limited express on the Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe railroad plunged through a trestle 50 feet high to the bed of a ravine Friday morning near Medill, Mo., 25 miles west of here. Thirty-five people are said to have lost their lives in the wreck or by drowning in the swollen stream. Following is a list of the killed and injured so far as ascertained:

KILLED.—John Marker, Kansas City; S. E. Verkler, Westport, Mo.; Luther Cornelius, Kirksville, Mo.; J. C. Graves, La Platte, Mo.; William Childs, Oklahoma City; Mrs. G. Best, Brush or Bauch and child of 6 months; another child of 2 years was not injured. The woman and children were from San Bernardino, Cal., and were on their way to Allegheny, Pa., to visit her two sisters.

INJURED.—P. C. Cowling, J. S. Winslow, N. Lancaster, Chicago; Mrs. Jane Hisey, Riverside, Ill.; Martin Egle, Kansas City; Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Estham, Riverside, Ill.; Fred Horigen, Reading, Pa.; Mrs. E. P. Allen, Athens, Pa.; Wm. Adams, Yorkshire, Eng.; H. M. Cutler, Chicago; Andy Bonan, express messenger, Riverside, Ill.; E. Schulz, Lexington, Mo.; Amens Buterness, relatives at Harris Bounhais, Chicago; Conductor Tucker, Chicago; A. D. Mouton, engineer, Minn. Claud Beal, postal clerk, Vermont, Ill.; R. E. Dutcher, postal clerk, Chicago; James Gunther, Chicago; A. L. Boies, Kansas City; W. S. Barnhart, Kansas City; J. Snyder, La Compton, Kan.; S. L. Lough, Chetopa, Kan.; James A. Morant, Frank Graves, Sedley, Ind.; W. G. Smith, New Albany, Ind.; W. G. Smith, Winnebago, Ill.; R. H. Mellon, Kansas City; Mrs. M. A. Sullivan, Coffeyville, Ill.; Mrs. Alice Hughes, Sedan, Kan.; Mrs. J. H. Keaton, Raton, Kan.; Mrs. J. H. Letting, Raton, New Mexico.

There are only three of the injured who are seriously hurt.

So far as known all the cars of the magnificent train, loaded as they were, with trans-continental passengers eastward bound, were buried in the waters of a flood-ravine. Third Vice President Springer said later that the accident was caused by a water-spout filling the ravine and carrying away the bridge. The train plunged directly into the water from the broken rails, and the cars must have piled themselves one on the other, as there are usually seven cars in the train. The dead and injured have been removed to Fort Madison.

CONDITION OF BUSINESS.

An Improvement Noticeable in the Country's Trade.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s Weekly Review of Trade says: Business has been much retarded throughout most of the Western States by unusual and continued rains. Seeding in many quarters is interrupted and distribution of goods is checked. A somewhat better tone appears at the South and business at the East is fairly active for the season. Money is everywhere abundant, in part because the demand is smaller than usual.

Many coke ovens have stopped at Connelisville because the manufacture is slackening, but more inquiry is seen.

Boston notes unseasonable weather, and yet a fair trade. At Philadelphia the grocery trade is larger than a year ago, and the paint and glass business fair, with stocking operations exceed last year's by 14 per cent. At Baltimore trade is decidedly satisfactory. Iron is slightly weaker at Pittsburg and the glass trade not rushing, but the shoe trade is exceptionally good. The demand for coke is shrinking and prices are cut. Trade in dry goods and hardware at Cleveland is good. At Cincinnati the shoe trade exceeds last year's, but building and the harness trades are unsettled by labor difficulties. At Chicago dry goods are smaller, but in other lines sales are better than a year ago.

Wheat met the expected reaction, selling off and recovering 2 cents. Receipts and exports are both larger, but the stock of country far exceed any probable demand. Corn has risen 2 cents, with small sales, and oats a cent. Cotton is 1-16 higher. Pork products are a shade lower, and coffee weak at a decline.

The money market is not disturbed. The stock market has been disturbed by a sharp decline in sugar stock, owing to reports of legal action against the Trust and by difficulties in the Richmond Terminal reorganization. But there has been less indication of foreign selling within the past week.

The business failures during the last seven days number for the United States 138, Canada 23, total 261, as compared with last week, 291 the previous to the 1st and 242 for the corresponding week last year.

THOUSANDS LOST BY HOOD.

Appalling Destruction of Property by the High Waters of Three Rivers.

OTTAWA, ILL., May 5.—The rain which has swept this portion of the state since Sunday night has ceased, but the immense floods in the Illinois, Fox and Kankakee rivers are still surging. Never in the history of the State have the waters risen to so great height. At 7 o'clock this evening they had attained a height of 18 feet above low water mark.

At Marseilles the danger was greatest, and the flooding of the town and the destruction of millions of dollars worth of property was only prevented by keeping several hundred men at work on the levee all last night and to-day. The levee is now out of danger. Hundreds of square miles of farming lands are under water. The damage in this locality is placed at \$200,000.

PUTTING IT TOO STRONG.

World's Fair Sunday Closing Petitions from Two States Shame the Census.

CHICAGO, May 5.—The people who are trying to close the World's Fair on Sundays have made a sad mess of it. They turned in petitions from the States of Michigan and Ohio yesterday, and in both cases the number of names is several hundred thousand more than the last United States census of the States. On the Michigan petition the number of names is 800,000 greater than the census returns.

A GRAND STAND CRASH.

It Collapses With Nearly 1,000 Persons on it, and 80 Are Seriously Injured.

ASTORIA, Tex., May 5.—A telegram received here to-night from the small town of Cleburne, where Candidates Hogg and Clarke were making gubernatorial speeches, says that the grand stand on which were seated nearly 1,000 people, fell, and 80 persons were injured, some of them fatally.

Two Miners Blown to Pieces.

ASPEX, COI., May 5.—Charles Ferry and Harry Quigg were blown to pieces last night in the workings of the Cameron mine owned by the Argentine Jumanita Mining Company.