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10:55 A. M.—Accommodation—For DuBois, Sykes, Big Run and Painesville.

1:20 P. M.—Bradford Accommodation—For Beechtree, Brookwayville, Ellimont, Carmon, Ridgway, Johnsonburg, Mt. Jewett and Bradford.

4:50 P. M.—Mail—For DuBois, Sykes, Big Run, Painesville and Wilston.

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Lawsonham	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
New Bethlehem	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Oak Ridge	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Millsville	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Maysville	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Summersville	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Brookville	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Fuller	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Reynoldsville	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Pancon	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Falls Creek	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
DuBois	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Saluda	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Winterburn	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
Penfield	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10	10
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SECRET SOCIETIES.
SOMETHING ABOUT THE FAMOUS ORGANIZATIONS OF YALE.

Strange Proceedings on the Campus of the New Haven University—Peculiar Rites and Ceremonies of Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key and Wolf's Head.

The election ceremonies to the Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key, and Wolf's Head societies of Yale university are very impressive. The members of the junior class on the afternoon of this day gather in little knots in front of one of the big buildings which are used by the scholars as sleeping rooms. The windows of every other building which commands a view of the expectant students on the campus below are crowded with other scholars and their friends.

Suddenly a solemn looking young man comes around a corner of one of the dormitories. He goes straight toward the waiting crowd without a word to any one. He walks in among the fellows, many of whom are his friends, without noticing anybody. Every other student stands perfectly still, and without turning his head follows with his eyes the movements of the mysterious looking fellow who has recently appeared and who is going up and down, up and down, in and out, in and out among the crowd, looking at nobody, speaking to no one, apparently seeing nothing. Then he goes around in a circle. All hold their breath. The people in the windows on every side lean a little farther out and watch with increased interest. It is a moment of intense suspense! All of a sudden the quiet man, on whom everybody's eyes are fastened, slaps a fellow student right between the shoulders and almost knocks him over.

Then a great shout goes up! The students on the campus are yelling themselves hoarse. The crowded windows are alive with frantic men and women who are waving handkerchiefs and hats, clapping hands and laughing, each adding something to the terrible uproar. Meanwhile the student who was slapped on the back is the happiest man in the immense crowd, for he has been elected a member of Skull and Bones, the famous secret society of the university.

The first thing the fortunate student does when he realizes that he has been slapped is to go straight to his room, without a word to his most intimate chum, or even to the man who has so rudely struck him. He is followed by the man who did the slapping, and who all this time has not even so much as smiled or said "Hallo" to any one—in fact has not recognized the man he is following except by the slap.

Nobody knows, except these two, what takes place in the room, and the men are not seen again that day, for the interest of the people outside is centered on another man who has come from the same direction as the first one, and who is going through exactly the same performances that the first fellow executed. When he finally slaps a man, another great shout goes up, and then these two students go away to the room of the one whose back has been slapped. These scenes are repeated until forty-five men have been slapped, for that is the number composing the three societies. Each society is made up of fifteen men, no more and no less, and each member is said to choose one student.

When the forty-five have been selected the elections are over and the people go home feeling that they have witnessed an event more interesting and more exciting than the graduating exercises which take place when a whole class are about to leave the school. Nothing more is done to the students who have been slapped until the next Tuesday. What occurs then is seen by nobody except a few of the students who gather in front of the secret society houses.

The names even of the societies are not known. They are called Skull and Bones, Scroll and Key, and Wolf's Head, because each member wears a little gold pin, with one or another of these objects on it as the case may be.

The Skull and Bones pin is a horrid bit of gold in the shape of a human skull and crossbones. The Scroll and Key, as the name implies, is made up of a small sheet of gold, like an ancient piece of paper. On the scroll is a key, above the key are the letters "C. S. P.," and below the key are the letters "C. C. J." What they stand for only the wearers of the pins know.

The other society has for its pin a little gold head of a savage looking wolf. Often the eyes are made of two brightly shining diamonds.

Another wonderful thing about these pins is that the wearer never loses one. He never lays it down even for a second. Of course they have to bathe, and how do you suppose they do then? You would think they would have to lay the pin aside at that time anyway, wouldn't you? But they don't; they hold the bit of gold in their mouths!

"Bones" is the oldest of the three societies. Tradition has it that the pins first appeared in 1832. About ten years later men who had expected an election to "Bones" and were disappointed organized the Scroll and Key. Wolf's Head was founded less than ten years ago, but today is almost as exclusive in its membership as either of the others. In fact it generally represents as much wealth among its members as the two other societies combined.—New York Herald.

Old books are not forged. It has been tried, but the deception is sure to be discovered. The old paper and old type cannot be made now.

THE VOICE WITHOUT A WORD.

Beside the rounded ridges of the deep I sat me down in silent fancy;
A mother wind laid all the sails asleep
Upon the cradle of the Summer sea.
No sound but that of wave that followed wave
Across the shining yellow sand was heard;
But all their tones grew one in concert grave—
The Voice without a word.

I sat before an altar and a shrine.
Beyond the shadows of the curtain left
The organist, with fervency divine,
Prayed from the willing keys a blessing soft,
That filled the cranial of the cloistered air.
Like spread wings of some immortal bird;
And once again it came and thrilled me there—
The Voice without a word.

The arms of night held close the sleeping earth.
I laid me down and watched the lambent west,
And saw the star fields and the giant birth
Of Nature. And within my secret breast
The flood of song across its barriers broke,
And all the chords of being gratefully stirred;
But tongue and pen fell mute; alone there spoke
The Voice without a word.
—W. J. Henderson in New York Times.

Fond of Simple Diet.
The Astor House has among its regular patrons of the lunch counter in the rotunda one gentleman who for a period of ten years, summer and winter, has scarcely varied his diet for his noonday meal.

He is a tall, athletic man, always well dressed and appears to be, if not wealthy, a man in excellent circumstances. It must be from choice then and not pecuniary reasons that each day in the year he orders regularly a bowl of milk and a plate of crackers, and concludes the repast with a chocolate éclair in winter and a dish of berries in summer.

The gentleman for fully a half score of years has not altered this order. Whether he is interested in a dairy and desires to popularize a milk diet no one seems to know. That the food agrees with him is evident from his appearance, and a mere glance only is conclusive evidence that he most thoroughly enjoys the refreshing repast.—New York Herald.

Area and Population of the World.
The data given in "Die Bevölkerung der Erde" show that the area of the world is 52,299,431 square miles and the population 1,479,729,151, an average of twenty-eight to the square mile. Ravenstein's revised estimate for 1890 gives the area at 51,250,800, the population at 1,467,920,000, and twenty-nine to the square mile, and estimates the increase of the world's population in a decade (1880-90) at 8 per cent.

In computations of this kind several totals, particularly in Asia and Africa, have to be obtained by estimate. It is quite possible that the total population reaches more nearly 1,500,000,000 than the figures given. In any event the latter in round numbers are more practical and easier to remember.—Chicago Tribune.

Moving Sand Hills.
In the arid lands of central Asia the air is reported as often laden with fine detritus, which drifts like snow around conspicuous objects and tends to bury them in a dustdrift. Even when there is no apparent wind the air is described as thick with fine dust, and a yellow sediment covers everything. In Khotan this dust sometimes so obscures the sun that at midday one cannot see to read fine print without a lamp. The tales of the overwhelming of travelers by sandstorms in Saraha are familiar to every schoolboy.—Goldthwaite's Geographical Magazine.

Influence of Superstition.
When we stop to think, we wonder how real the silly superstitions, in which nobody believes, are in their influence upon our actions. We hesitate to start on a journey on Friday; we walk out in the mud rather than go under a ladder; we don't give knives or sharp instruments to our friends, and we don't do a hundred things that we might, all because, though we are not superstitious, we would rather not do what suggests anything disagreeable.—Harper's Bazar.

Gypsy Superstition About Witches.
Those people who suffer from a witch fall into a kind of lycanthropy. They are characterized by a pale, sunken countenance, hollow, mournful eyes, swollen lips and flabby, listless arms. At night they often change themselves into wolves and do great harm. Transformed into dogs, they must accompany the witches on their nightly forays.—Philadelphia Ledger.

She Told the Truth.
"Maria Jane," said a fond mother the other morning to her daughter, "did Daniel Jameson kiss you on the steps last night?"
"No, mamma; he did not."
If the fond parent had said "lips" instead of "steps," it would have troubled Maria Jane to reply.—Exchange.

The horse's intelligence has been so marked by every nation, ancient and modern, that he has always been taken as a symbol of the human intellect or understanding. Hence in the mythology of all nations he has been used as a symbol of the intellectual principle.

Fences in England.
English bar fences have the appearance of being bottom side up—somewhat as an X looks when inverted. But it is all right; lumber is scarce there, and it isn't necessary to have the bars so close together up where the horses and cattle are as down where the sheep and pigs would be tempted to crawl through.—New York Sun.

LEGAL ANOMALIES.
ODD CASES THAT OFTEN ARISE IN ENGLISH COURTS OF LAW.

The Power of "Consideration" in a Money Transaction—An Interesting Point About Tradesmen's Bills—"Men of Straw" in a Criminal Prosecution.

At a time when law reformers are busy, it may be interesting to notice some of the many absurdities which still exist in English law.

A person buys goods, pays for them and gets a receipt. The tradesman sends in his bill a second time. The purchaser protests that he has paid, but cannot find the receipt. Accordingly, the tradesman brings an action and wins. Soon after this the missing receipt is found. And yet the purchaser cannot by law bring a new action to recover the amount he has paid as the result of the first action, unless he can prove actual fraud on the part of the tradesman. And why is this? Because, according to the legal maxim, "It is to the interest of the state that there should be some finality to litigation." It certainly is not, in this instance, "to the interest" of the purchaser.

A owes B an undisputed debt of £100. After much pressure he comes to B and, dilating on his own misfortunes in particular and the hard times in general, offers him £80 in full satisfaction. B, partly through sympathy and partly because having written off the amount as a "bad debt," is only too glad to get anything and accedes to those terms. Most people would think that here was an end to the matter. It all depends, strangely enough, on the way in which the money is paid.

If the amount is paid in gold or banknotes there is no "consideration" for B agreeing to accept less than the full amount due, and therefore if he afterward repents of his bargain he can sue A for the remaining £20 in spite of his promise to be satisfied with £80. And yet if an old knife, a rusty nail or some other thing, however trifling, is "thrown in," then B is bound by his agreement to take the lesser sum in full discharge, for in this quibbling way the legal theory of "consideration" is duly satisfied.

Let us suppose that a Mr. Smith holds two houses under one lease from a Mr. Brown, and assigns one of them to a Mr. Robinson. If Mr. Smith omits to pay his rent, or breaks some other covenant in the lease, Mr. Brown—the superior landlord—can "distrain" not only on Mr. Smith's house, but on poor Mr. Robinson's as well, though he may be a model tenant.

A proposes to sell B a piece of land, and at the same time gratuitously promises to keep the offer open for a week. In spite of this A can revoke his offer the very next day if B has not already accepted it. Legality, again defying all ideas of morality, argues that there was no "consideration" for the delay agreed upon.

Very frequently a busybody bringing a criminal charge elects to be "bound over to prosecute" at the assizes, even though the magistrate has expressly decided that no jury is likely to convict. Now this can be done "on his own recognizances," without any substantial sureties. The result is that if, as is often the case, the prosecutor is impetuous, the accused when acquitted, cannot, except in theory, make him pay his costs, nor does he feel inclined to bring an action for malicious prosecution against one who, as the lawyers say, is "not worth powder and shot." In this way unscrupulous "men of straw" have opportunities—which they not seldom utilize—of putting people to terrible annoyance and great expense without incurring any practical risk themselves.

A lessee always remains liable on the covenants until the expiration of the lease, even after he has assigned it with the approval and consent of the lessor. Quite recently two of the judges solemnly declared from the bench that it was humiliating to confess that by the laws of England, unlike those of France, brokers and other agents could not be convicted of embezzlement for misappropriating money entrusted with them for investment unless the direction to invest was in writing. One of them at the same time tersely and truly summed up the history and present stage of our law when he called it "a thing of shreds and patches." This definition explains the origin of many absurdities and incongruities. Still, it scarcely justifies their continued existence.—London Tit-Bits.

A Forgetful Professor.
A story is going the rounds of Harvard, and the joke is on the professor. He is a very forgetful man, and in calling the roll, although his class is small, still has to rely on a printed list. The other day he found to his dismay that he had forgotten his list. What should he do? The office required a report of the attendance at the lecture. He could not remember the faces or names. Ah! a happy thought. "Gentlemen, there is one seat empty," said he. "Will the gentleman who is absent kindly tell me his name?"—Boston News.

Bobby Anxious to Help.
Bobby (whispering)—Didn't I hear Clara tell you, Mr. Featherley, that she was sorry, but she really couldn't give you a lock of her hair?
Featherley—Sh—Bobby—er—yes.
Bobby—Well—you just wait a day or two and I'll get some for you when she's out.—Exchange.

A Predicament.
Conductor—Come, now, get aboard!
Lady (frantically)—How can I? The car behind is on my trail.—Cloak Review.

AN EPITAPH.

I dreamed that one had died in a strange place
Near no accustomed hand.
And they had nailed the boards above her face,
The peasants of that land.
And, wondering, planted by her solitude
A cypress and a yew.
I came and wrote upon a cross of wood—
"Man had no more to do—
"She was more beautiful than thy first love,
"This lady by the trees."
And gazed upon the mournful stars above
And heard the mournful breeze.
—W. B. Yeats.

A Pope with the "Evil Eye."
In the early years of his papacy, when he was adored by the Roman people, Pius IX was driving through the streets of Rome and chanced to look up to an open window, where a nurse was standing with a child.