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FREELAND, SEPTEMBER 29, 1894.

The value of the egg product of the United States is equal to one-third that of the wheat crop, the figures being \$100,000,000 and \$300,000,000.

A society is being formed at Baku, the members of which are bound under a penalty of a fine never to shake hands with anyone unless with a gloved hand, as the practice is contrary to health.

A recent invention is the pulsometer, a watch made especially for doctors to time pulses with. It is made very much on the principle of a stop watch, and indicates the rate on a pulse dial in so many beats a minute.

On a territory about the area of Montana, Japan supports 40,000,000 people in comparative comfort. Reckoning our own area at twenty-four times that of Japan, this country at that rate would support 960,000,000 people.

A scheme has been proposed to reduce the friction of salt water against the sides of a steamer, which, it is claimed, will increase the speed 50 per cent. It is to force air through the vessel's plates and thereby form a narrow space between the iron and water.

The Eiffel tower is to be removed from Paris to Baltimore at a cost of \$500,000, and set up over the latter city as an ornament and a speculative enterprise connected with the fair to be held there in 1897. It paid very well at the Paris exposition, of which it was one of the chief features, and it doubtless has a satisfactory financial future before it in the new location to which it is destined.

The total railway mileage of the world at the end of the year 1892 was 406,416. The American continents have more than one-half the railway mileage of the world, and the United States comes pretty near equalling Europe, Asia, Africa and Australia combined. The total capital invested in railroads at the beginning of the year 1893 was, in round numbers, \$12,150,000,000, an average cost a mile for the entire world of a little more than \$79,000.

The giddiest old girl in America is Margaret Ploster, of Schenectady, N. Y. She is 93 years old and a bicycle rider of vim and nerve. She recently challenged any woman of her age in the world to ride a bicycle race with her for a prize bible. Bibles have often been put up as a prize for committing scripture verses at Sunday school, but it is doubtful if there is any other instance on record where one is offered as a prize to a winner in athletics. It is certain nobody will be found to accept this fine old lady's challenge.

The fact that a murderer and suicide was found in Central Park, New York, with a copy of Colonel Ingersoll's lecture, "Suicide No Sin," in his pocket, is evidence that the mischievous argument of this arch-infernal bearing pernicious fruit already. There are thousands of people, worried, harassed and on the verge of insanity, who have been waiting for just such doctrine of crime to justify themselves in quitting this world by their own hand. Now that the agitation has commenced we may look for an increase in the number of suicides all over the country.—*Phila. Press.*

Yankee Doodle has lost a feather of his hat. Uncle Sam's boast of owning the biggest things in the world must fall one degree. The returned Alaskan surveyors bring back the sorrowful news that the United States all along has been usurping Mount St. Elias. That lofty mountain, it appears, belongs to our Canadian cousins. This is a provoking discovery, especially since the dominion happens to have upon her side of Niagara Falls the beautiful Horseshoe cataract. Mount St. Elias loses its old-time fame, however, at the same time that it becomes a Canadian peak. A number of higher peaks have been found in British Alaska, and Mount Logan, which climbs 19,534 feet toward the sky, must hereafter be honored as the king of all the mountains of the western continent.—*Record.*

Hypocritical Candidates.

From all accounts the Democrats of Lackawanna county have exhibited their lack of the fitness of things by doing as their brethren in Luzerne have done, nominating a Democratic protectionist for congress. Mr. Merrifield, according to the papers of Scranton, declares himself to be such, and, if this is true, we would like to know why the Democrats in that district went to the trouble of making a nomination at all. Congressman Scranton, who has been nominated by the Republicans, is an out-and-out protectionist and an able representative for his district in matters not connected with the tariff question. Since the voters of Lackawanna county, especially the Democratic voters, have nothing to gain by electing a man who is directly opposed to the principles of Democracy, it would seem that they propose to indulge in a burlesque campaign. This nomination brings to mind the position many Democrats in other parts of the state find themselves in respect to some of the congressional candidates.

If the Democratic nominees in the eleventh and twelfth districts should by chance be elected, of what use will they be to the Democrats? Will they sink their own opinions of tariff bills and vote against their own convictions? Of Mr. Merrifield the *TRIBUNE* cannot speak with certainty, but we do know that Congressman Hines is not in harmony with his party upon this important question. It is a matter of public record that the representative of this district would not assist the original Wilson bill even so little as to vote upon the motion to consider it, but acted like a dummy, sitting in his seat and refusing, with the Republicans, to answer his name on roll-call, thereby causing the non-appearance of a quorum in the house and preventing the passage of a tariff reform bill, which was promised in the national, state and county platforms of his party and upon which he was elected to congress. His work to have certain portions of the bill altered to suit certain manufacturers in this district is too well-known to be reiterated now. His private conversations with men in Freeland stamp him as a foe to the Democratic policy of tariff-for-revenue only.

Electing men like these to the senate as Democrats was the cause of the failure of the Wilson bill and the substitution of the Gormanized sugar tariff measure. Men who in their hearts are protectionists cannot and should not be expected to vote for tariff reform, but if they can wriggle themselves into positions in the senate and house with the aid of Democratic votes by running as Democratic candidates, who is to blame but the party itself? The present demoralized condition of the Democratic party throughout the United States is due solely to the disregard the party showed heretofore in choosing candidates for national honors. And now, after having been betrayed by these men, they again nominate some of them and have the audacity to tell Democrats they must support them or be read out of the party.

Democrats who stand squarely upon that plank of the Chicago platform which says "protection is unconstitutional," the men who have battled for that principle in season and out, they are informed that their support must be given to a protectionist, they must do the very opposite of what has been taught for years by Democratic orators, editors and platforms. They are expected to retreat from the advanced position they have won after the campaigns of 1888, '90 and '92, to surrender to the high-tariff god without a blow. They are commanded to shout for tariff reform, but to vote for protection. Will they? Let each answer for himself.

The *TRIBUNE* is one of the many papers that support the Democratic party and Democratic candidates for something more than the fact that they call themselves Democrats. It supports the party because it believes its principles, if put into actual practice, would go further in elevating the human race and would open the way to greater possibilities for American citizens than the principles of any other party now in existence. It supports the candidates of the party because they are supposed to be the exponents of the party's principles, but when we find among them one who is publicly known to be a traitor to those principles the *TRIBUNE* refuses to assist him and there is no clique, ring or power influential enough to compel it to do otherwise.

The candidates for state, legislative and county offices stand upon platforms that indorse the genuine Democratic doctrine, and these men will receive all the aid they should be given. The candidate for congress also stands upon the county platform, but past experience has proven that he is unworthy of any position of trust at the hands of Democrats. He is not in sympathy with the platform upon which he will solicit votes, but stands there as the apostle of hypocrisy, a living lie and an insult to every voter who believes in Democracy.

When Baby was sick, we gave her Castoria.
When she was a Child, she cried for Castoria.
When she became Miss, she clung to Castoria.
When she had Children, she gave them Castoria.

SPECIAL CORRESPONDENCE.

Eckley, September 17, 1894.
EDITOR *TRIBUNE*.—Various misstatements having appeared in the newspapers of this region, yours among the rest, regarding the scarlet fever at Eckley, Pa., it would be in order to give place to the correct statement which I trust you will do, viz:

Total number of cases, to date, 42.
Total number of deaths, to date, 7.
Convalescing cases, to date, 35.
The disease is confined to the Hungarians, Poles and Slovians for reasons that are obvious. No English-speaking families are affected thus far, because they believe in "isolation."
The disease is slowly abating. No assistance has been asked, none has been proffered and none is required. The state board of health has been notified, and nothing left undone that could be done. Should you wish correct statements, hereafter kindly advise, and you will receive them.

Very respectfully,
A. S. McKnight, M. D.,
Physician in charge.
Deputy medical inspector
State board of health.

[For the information of Dr. McKnight we must say that he is decidedly mistaken in crediting misstatements of any kind to this paper in regard to the Eckley epidemic. Only once has the matter been referred to in these columns, when the following local item was published:

An epidemic of scarlet fever prevails at Eckley, and six deaths have occurred among the infants of the town. They are principally children of the Hungarian residents.
This, compared with the doctor's report, is sufficient proof that the *TRIBUNE* has not exaggerated the facts, and under the circumstances we respectfully decline to be numbered among those newspapers of the region which Dr. McKnight accuses of making misstatements. Ed.]

A Valuable Insect.

Most people have read of and seen pictures of the "praying mantis," a curious insect of large size, so named from the devotional attitude it assumes when watching or praying for its prey. It lives on caterpillars, such as injure apple trees, which it catches and holds with its strong arms while it sucks the juices out of them. A large number of these valuable insects was hatched out in the vivarium at the Oregon state horticultural society's rooms in Portland the other day, and by evening had grown to be as large as mosquitoes. A great number of caterpillars are being reared for them to feed upon, and it was wonderful to see the tiny mantis, as soon as it had straightened out its legs, start off up the branch of an apple tree on which the young caterpillars, now two weeks old, were feeding. One little mantis not more than ten minutes old, says the Oregonian, tackled a caterpillar about ten times as heavy as himself but was put to flight. The eggs of the mantis were sent from Japan, and the insects raised are eventually to be distributed among orchardists to destroy caterpillars and other insect pests.

Fear as a Cause of Disease.

An eminent medical authority makes the statement that a great deal of contagion is due largely to nervous apprehension and fear. Terror causes radical changes in the secretions and nerve cells, and while the possibility is not the direct cause of disease, it certainly is sufficient to put the person in the proper condition to be attacked by the prevailing malady. It is a well-understood fact that excessive anger infuses a toxic element into the secretions, and the bite of a man in a state of frenzied rage is almost as deadly as that of a mad dog. Fear destroys the restative capability and, as it were, lets down the drawbridge and makes way for the enemy. In seasons of epidemic, therefore, it is necessary to cultivate tranquility and cheerfulness, to learn not to fear and to surround oneself with an atmosphere of personal, mental and physical defiance of dangers. If, in addition to this, due precautions as to dress, diet and rest are taken, one may walk in the midst of the pestilence and dwell in infected regions, and no deadly thing shall harm one.

A Hunter Killed.

John Warman, aged 18 years, met with an accident back of Plymouth on Friday that resulted in his death the next morning. He had been on the mountain hunting and in returning crossed a farm. Coming to a fence he started to climb over. In doing so both hammers of his gun caught on something and both barrels were discharged, the contents entering his body.

Catarrh Cannot be Cured

with LOCAL APPLICATIONS, as they cannot reach the seat of the disease. Catarrh is a blood or constitutional disease, and in order to cure it you must take internal remedies. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, and acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces. Hall's Catarrh Cure is not a quack medicine. It was prescribed by one of the best physicians in this country for years, and is a regular prescription. It is composed of the best tonics known, combined with the best blood purifiers, acting directly on the mucous surfaces. The perfect combination of the two ingredients is what produces such wonderful results in curing catarrh. Send for testimonials, free.

F. J. CHENEY & CO., Props., Toledo, O.
Sold by druggists, price 75c.

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COCKRAN'S ORATORY.

How the New Yorker Leaped to Fame in a Single Night.

Some of Congressman Bourke Cockran's most effective speeches have been extemporaneous. The address which brought him into political prominence, though not delivered without preparation, was spoken without notes and without memorizing, says a writer in the *New York Press*. He was at the time a member of a long since defunct branch of the New York local democracy known as Mozart hall. The organization had sent a delegation to a state democratic convention. Their chances of admission were considered entirely hopeless, but it was thought discreet to accord them a hearing, and a committee of half a dozen was ap-



HON. BOURKE COCKRAN.

pointed to listen to them. Their claims were urged in a little committee room by Cockran, who perhaps himself hardly expected to win, for he remained seated at a table in the room, around which the committee were gathered, during the whole of his talk. He was not a that time a well-dressed man, for his financial fortunes were at quite as low an ebb as his political fortunes, and a member of the committee who listened to his words has stated that in any degree tend to assist in making a favorable impression.

Mr. Cockran began his remarks in a most commonplace way, with his head thrown back and his eyes closed. In a few moments he warmed up to his subject, and there poured from his lips such a torrent of impassioned eloquence as his hearers perhaps never before listened to. Every word seemed like a crystal; every sentence to be perfect in its formation, and the argument throughout was of such irresistible logic that the committee was constrained to regard him with the respect that is always accorded a convincing speaker. Before he made his address Mr. Cockran was an unknown and rather shabby lawyer, with political tendencies; after he had finished it his hand was shaken till it was limp by men who desired to congratulate him, and the great political organization of which he has since been a member took him up at once. The promise Mr. Cockran then gave that he would become one of the country's most noted orators has been quite fulfilled since.

SALVATION SOLDIERS.

A Queer Trio Which Was on Exhibition at Lake bluff, Ill.

The meeting of Salvation army forces which has just closed at Lake bluff, a suburb of Chicago, was one of the largest and most successful ever held in the west, and was also noteworthy for the number of curious "soldiers" that attended. In addition to the usual number of reformed sinners from all classes of our society, there were, says Harper's Weekly, several converts from foreign lands and races. The most notable of these were Tom-Ma-Hek-Kin, a converted Delaware Indian, who has adopted the name of Logan and the title of doctor for use in civilization; Joseph Garabad, sometimes called Joe the Turk, a native of Constantinople, who has joined the ranks of the army; Lena Behrandt, the Halleujah midget; a converted Bohemian violinist; and two negro jubilee singers—Lulu and Kate Jones. These people acted as attractions at the camp and doubtless drew many persons into the tent to see and hear them.

Dr. Logan plays the violin, the Turk is an artist on the cornet, and the midget can deal powerful blows on a tambourine. The three frequently sat on



THE INDIAN, MIDGET AND TURK.

the platform together and led the singing of hymns by the congregation with their queer trio of musical instruments. Dr. Logan always dressed in buckskin clothing trimmed with feathers and beads, and the Turk never appeared otherwise than in his native costume, which, with its gold braid and trimmings and red fez, was decidedly conspicuous. Lena, the midget, wore the conventional dark blue dress of the Salvation army, with a little polka-bonnet trimmed with red ribbon.

At no place on earth can one find such a polyglot gathering as at a crowded meeting of the Salvation army. Whether the outsiders who become recruits continue to make good soldiers it is hard to find out, but when an especially picturesque specimen is enlisted and is constant in his "duties," he or she is shoved to the front and becomes a drawing card in a managerial sense.

The World's soldiers.

During the most peaceful years the world has 3,700,000 men who are withdrawn from productive occupations to pose as soldiers.

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

SPIDERS are never idle.

HOUSES have been found in tombs that date back to the sixth century.

The elevation of Lake Erie above tide water is five hundred and seventy-three feet.

The south has a greater variety of crops, timber and minerals than any other section of our country.

PEARL stones find ready sale to be used in manufacturing perfumes, flavoring extracts and prussic acid.

BRITISH vessels do nearly all the carrying trade of Great Britain and nearly half that of all the rest of Europe.

The postage stamp is not much more than half a century old. On the 6th of May, 1841, it celebrated its fifty-fourth anniversary.

The diamond, though hard, is one of the most brittle stones. A fall on a wooden floor will sometimes crack and ruin a fine specimen.

The late Frederick Schwatka found the temperature on Burk's Great Fish river, arctic regions, to be seventy-one degrees below the zero of the Fahrenheit scale.

The Mexican war cost the United States one hundred million dollars. The number of troops engaged was one hundred and one thousand two hundred and eighty-two.

As a leaper the kangaroo is ahead of all. It readily jumps from sixty to seventy feet. A horse has jumped thirty-seven feet and a man twenty-five feet six and one-half inches.

SCIENTIFIC CLIPPINGS.

A FRENCH chemist makes wine out of potatoes.

In the royal aquarium of St. Petersburg are fish which have been on exhibition for one hundred and fifty years.

THERE are one hundred and eighty-seven pounds of salt in a ton of water from the Dead sea. In the Atlantic the amount is eighty-one pounds to every ton.

It is computed that all the houses in London and New York could be built of the lava thrown out by Vesuvius since the first recorded eruption in A. D. 79.

QUITO, Ecuador, though on the line of the equator, has a mean temperature the year round but little different from that of Boston, owing to its elevation.

THE bodies of persons who have perished in the sandy deserts become so thoroughly dried by the sun and wind as to be reduced to thirty-nine per cent. of their weight in life.

LITTLE ODD ITEMS.

OVER 200,000 postal cards are used every day in the United States.

PATTI has a gold watch only three-fourths of an inch in diameter.

IN France, Belgium and several other European countries all elections are held on Sunday.

ACCORDING to the Electrical Engineer there are good reasons for believing that the friction of rain is the real cause of lightning.

THERE are more artesian wells in California than any other state in the union. One county claims 457 such wells.

THE bulletin of the Berlin Bureau of statistics says that four-fifths of the engines of classes now working in the world have been constructed since 1870.

HARRIS, in his book "Hermes," says that all the nations of the earth, ancient and modern, have ascribed to the sun a masculine and to the moon a feminine gender.

FASHION'S DICTATES.

SNOWFLAKE crepon has a very attractive sound for a midsummer fabric, as it is.

YELLOW and white are a favorite combination for this season, superseding in popularity the always cool-looking green and white effects.

THERE is a return to the old-fashioned bridal wreath of orange blossoms. Several fashionable brides across the water and in New York have lately worn them.

CARD cases to match toilets have been in use for some time, and now the extra edict is issued to the churchwoman that her prayer book must have a case to harmonize with her gown.

LAMP shades of fancy open work straw over light-colored satin are very pretty. One recently seen was of fine straw in deeded gold, and Nile-green straw and pale yellow satin, the straw being arranged as a sort of insertion effect over the satin strips.

ABOUT PEOPLE IN GENERAL.

MISSED LAURA CREIGHTON has been appointed state librarian of Iowa.

AQUILLA ROBERTSON, said to be the first white person born in Indiana, is still living in that state. He is ninety years old.

MRS. COLMERE DUNN was the author of the phrase "A conspiracy of silence," which has been used in politics for years. It was the title of one of her novels.

ALPHONSE DAUDET says that since 1878 he has never made less than one hundred thousand francs a year from his plays and novels. He is a feverish and spasmodic worker, but when in the mood can work very hard.

AROUND THE GLOBE.

ALL improper resorts in the City of Mexico are regularly classified, graded and licensed.

SOUTH AMERICAN monkeys are the only lower animals that can recognize the meaning of a picture.

It is unlawful in Turkey to seize a man's residence for debt and sufficient land to support him is also exempt from seizure.

The highest mountain in the world is Mount Hercules, in the island of New Guinea. It was discovered by Capt. A. J. Lawson, of London, in 1851. It is 32,763 feet high—3,751 feet higher than Mount Everest.

A First-class Opening Performance.

From the Stroudsburg Times, September 11.
Manager J. H. Shottwell could not have chosen a better attraction to open his academy of music than the Macready Company of Players. The star, J. W. Macready, has already appeared in the town and made a favorable impression which was strengthened considerably by his excellent interpretation of "Uncle Daniel" in the play of that title which served to open the season. He was the funny and wholesome deputy sheriff to the life and the character in his hands was made as laughable as it could possibly be.

In his company appear several clever performers, notably H. W. Pemberton, as "Sandy Mitchell," and F. V. Comp, who as "Sheeny Mike," a tough, very clever, Otto Block, as "Skinny Smith," made his part stand out prominently, his make-up being especially good. Others who deserve special mention are L. P. Reiger, who as "Billy Hanson," an old salt, sang very acceptably.

Miss Emma Boulter as "Clip," a waif, made the most of her part and introduced a clever song and dance. J. H. Rostrum is a comedian of undoubted ability, his songs, dances and trombone solos meeting with great applause.

During the evening Prof. Colenbaugh's celebrated operatic orchestra discoursed several selections. Every member is a player of repute and their selections last night were greatly admired. They are well worth the price of admission alone.

At Freeland opera house, one week, commencing Monday, September 21. Prices, 15, 25 and 35 cents.

None Can Surpass Him.

Travel the world over and you will fail to find a man that can give a more perfect fit in custom-made clothing than Freeland's original and reliable Refo-wich. To win trade and hold it one must give satisfaction, and that is what he does every time. Overcoats and suits made up from the very best goods and at the very lowest prices. Call and be convinced of the truth of his statements. All his goods are new, bright and of the latest style and suits will be made to order at ready-made prices. He has no rent to pay and can easily do it. The best fits are guaranteed and clothing made by him will be kept in repair free for one year. Nothing like this has ever been seen in Freeland before. Give him a call. Square treatment assured.

Home Comfort Ranges.

People using the Home Comfort steel range speak as follows:
White Haven, August 19, 1894.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that we have a Home Comfort steel range in our home and find it in every way, so far, as represented by the salesman, H. C. Robinson. Our water-tank boils quickly, it bakes nicely, takes up a small amount of room in the house, is certainly cleaner and neater than cast-iron stoves, no ashes flying, the closets are very nice and handy to warm victuals in and for what time I have used it, would not take two others for it. Mr. and Mrs. Sarah Fairchild.
Ziba Fairchild.

Built by the Wrought Iron Range Company, St. Louis, Mo.

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People using the Home Comfort steel ranges speak as follows:
Freeland, September 3, 1894.

We have a Home Comfort steel range that we purchased from the company's salesman last month. It has proved itself a comfort. We have had it in use about three weeks and tested it quite thoroughly. For roasting, baking and boiling, in fact any kind of cooking, it cannot be excelled. We therefore cheerfully recommend it to anyone wishing a fine range. It takes about half as much fuel as our cast range did to give the same amount of heat.
Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Sheaman.
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FIXING THE PRICE.

Dr. Howler—How much is it?
Dr. Scowler—One dollar.

Dr. Howler—You know I'm a druggist myself in Indianapolis, and—
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Clothing, packages, bicycles, etc., can be checked here by persons attending balls.

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Chas. Orion Stroh,
Attorney for supervisors.

IN THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS OF

Luzerne county, N. C. 10th October term.

Notice is hereby given that an application will be made to the court of common pleas of Luzerne county, or one of the law judges thereof, on Saturday, the twenty-ninth day of September, 1894, at 10 a. m., under the act of assembly of the commonwealth of Pennsylvania entitled, "An act to provide for the incorporation and regulation of certain corporations," approved April 25, 1874, and the amendments thereto, for the charter of an intended corporation of the Providence of God, South Heberton, Pa., the character and object whereof is the moral and intellectual elevation of the Polish people in the United States; and for these purposes to have, possess and enjoy all the rights, benefits and privileges conferred by said act of assembly and its supplements.

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