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Spain and the United States.

From the Wilkesbarre Newsdealer. As was to be expected the more excitable faction of Spain's population is indignant at the threatened action of the United States government to recognize the Cubans as belligerents. Some of the hotheads are allowing their passions to get the best of their judgment and are committing various depredations which have a tendency to wound the pride of this country.

Viewing the matter from a conservative point of view, Spain has no cause to complain of the position taken by the United States. In fact we think we have been unusually impatient under the circumstances.

After a year of war under Spain's ablest general, the rebels, with few guns, scant ammunition, no cannon, no fleet and no communication with the outer world, hold three-fourths of the island and are so close to Havana that their signal rockets and camp-fires may be seen from house-tops in that city.

The new captain-general, selected for his known savagery of mind, has tried to overawe the insurgents by threatening to treat any prisoners he may take as so many bandits. He proposes to convert the war into barbaric butchery, denying to his opponents the rights that all civilized nations accord to armed insurgents everywhere.

Technically, under the hard rules of international law, it may be true that the Cubans are not yet entitled to recognition as belligerents. But where liberty and humanity are involved the American people on occasion recognize a higher law than the rules laid down by traditions for the government of international affairs.

Helped by the Wilson Bill.

When the Wilson tariff bill was pending in congress Walter Gaston, superintendent of the Hazard Rope Works, of Wilkesbarre, spent a great deal of time in Washington. He told the congressmen that the wire rope industry of the country would be ruined if the Wilson bill became a law.

CALIFORNIA and Mexico have a new competitor in the matter of supplying oranges to the rest of the world. The oranges grown near Jerusalem are light in color, of oval shape, and the fruit is packed with more care than that from other countries.

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Possibilities of the Cathode Ray.

Ordinary people, who don't buy bonds, are talking more about the Roentgen discovery than about anything else. It is the most genuinely astonishing thing in science since the invention of the phonograph. The medical aspect of the discovery, which may lead to the photographing of one's internal organs as a preliminary to every visit to the doctor, is possibly the most interesting side of the matter; though the promise of a French savant to so adapt the "cathode rays" if they are the cathode rays—to the eyes that we can all see through solid substances, may be the most startling feature of all.

THERE is probably no other city in the world where such an annual increase of population has to be provided for, as in Chicago. The city is growing at the rate of 65,000 yearly, and 13,000 of this number are children of school age.

Two BROTHERS who had been separated for 42 years, each thinking the other dead for more than 30 years, were reunited in Cochran, Ga., recently. Their name is Ingram, and one is a hotel proprietor in Cochran. They parted in 1854, and at the outbreak of the war lost all trace of each other.

The youngest daughter of a revolutionary soldier, so far as known, was discovered at Lebanon, Conn., recently, and added to the membership of the Willimantic chapter of the Daughters of the Revolution. She is Mrs. Augustus Avery, and is only 56 years old.

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ROBBING A SPIDER.

A Simple Device for Reeling Out the Web from Its Spiders. This is written for boys only. Girls, of course, wouldn't touch the nasty things—not for anything. Unless, indeed, there is a "new" girl, too; and I rather hope there isn't, for I am such an old boy now that I don't like innovations.

One day I was watching a fine large specimen completing his web. The ant began to struggle, and down came the spider; whereupon the ant coolly bit off one of his legs. The spider withdrew in dismay. But being a ravenous old fellow of great size, the destroyer of unnumbered flies, he could not forbear a second attack.



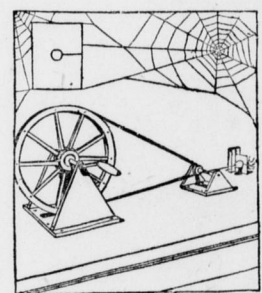
DUCEL BETWEEN SPIDER AND LARGE ANT.

—or amusement. Really, I fancied myself on the verge of a great discovery. Why might not a most beautiful fabric be made of that glistening material? Who could tell what might come of it?

So I managed to get hold of the end of the strand, and began to draw it out. Now if there is anything that a spider particularly detests it is to be robbed of his silk; no pack-peddler values his stock half so highly.

Then I saw that I must devise some means for preventing this sort of interference. So I cut a small round hole in a bit of cardboard, and made a slit from the hole to the edge—see cut. This arrangement I slipped about my spider's wasp-like waist.

With me and my hospitality. I then devised a new scheme. "Procuring a number of Roman candles one evening I lighted them one by one after dark, when the boughs of the trees were bent low with the weight of the croaking birds, and I poured the candles into the tops of the trees at a great rate.



HEELING SILK FROM THE RELUCTANT SPIDER.

utilize the material so unscrupulously obtained, like many another thief I became involved in difficulties. I found that the adhesive strands—so perfectly adapted to the owner's own business of fly-catching, were not so well suited to manufacturing purposes as I had fondly hoped.

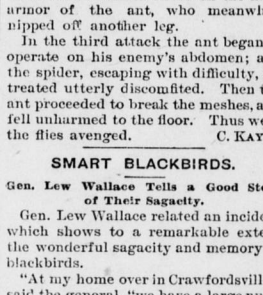
There were other experiments that I tried with these ungrainy pets—some of them too cruel, as I now realize, but I was quite unconscious of it then. For example, I often wafted flies against a large fresh web, and in this way I presently discovered that the ordinary spider, though he has eyes with numberless facets, is really almost blind.

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SMART BLACKBIRDS.

Gen. Lew Wallace Tells a Good Story of Their Sagacity. Gen. Lew Wallace related an incident which shows to a remarkable extent the wonderful sagacity and memory of blackbirds.

"At my home over in Crawfordsville," said the general, "we have a large number of tall trees on the lawn, and in the course of time these trees became the roosting place at certain times of the year for hundreds of thousands of blackbirds. They came in great, black clouds, and in spite of all I could do they refused to leave.



A FEW SHOTS PUT THEM TO FLIGHT.

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NEWS IN BRIEF.

Monaco, Feb. 28.—The Duke and Duchess of Marlborough and W. K. Vanderbilt have arrived at Monte Carlo.

Vienna, Feb. 28.—Archduke Albrecht Salvator died yesterday afternoon from consumption. He was born Nov. 23, 1871.

Corry, Pa., Feb. 28.—By the bursting of a bathing saw in the mill factory yesterday afternoon Fred Moffit, 27 years of age, was horribly mangled and killed.

New York, March 2.—James Gordon Bennett has reduced the price of the Evening Telegram, which is the evening edition of the Herald, to one cent. The reduction takes effect to-day.

Worcester, Mass., March 2.—Hon. W. W. Rice, ex-congressman and brother-in-law of Senator Hoar, died at his home here last evening from organic trouble of the heart, aged 70 years. He was the oldest ex-mayor of this city.

Worcester, Mass., Feb. 28.—The bail of Clarence Murphy, who was indicted on 129 counts for alleged embezzlement of \$74,000 from the Salem Savings bank, as been increased to \$25,000, and in default of sureties he has been remanded to jail.

Ithaca, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Edward G. Wyckoff of this city has announced that he will present Cornell university with a building to be used exclusively for the training of crews. The building will be located on the campus and contain a modern rowing tank.

Utica, N. Y., Feb. 28.—Fred Bristol, one of the four boys indicted Wednesday for murder in the first degree for causing the deaths of two men by wrecking a New York Central train near Rome, died of consumption at the jail in this city yesterday afternoon.

New York, March 3.—Yesterday was the last day for the payment of the second instalment on the 4 per cent. bonds just issued by the government. At the sub-treasury it was stated this morning that all but six of the bidders whose payments were due yesterday had paid up.

Middletown, Conn., Feb. 28.—Prof. C. D. Woods, vice-director of Storrs Agricultural college station in this city, has been appointed dean of the agricultural department of the Maine State college and director of the Maine experiment station at Orono, Me. He will accept.

Savannah, Ga., March 2.—The steamship Laurada dropped down the river yesterday afternoon with 311 colored emigrants bound for Liberia on board. The party is sent out by the International Emigration society of Birmingham, Ala., this being the second party sent out within a year.

Westbrook, Me., March 1.—The Prometheus river is rapidly rising. It has swollen to the height of twelve feet above the average in twenty-four hours. Two small bridges at a building, occupied as a club room and a store, have been carried away, besides the large stone building of S. D. Warren & Co.'s paper mills.

Chicago, Feb. 28.—Joseph Dunlop, editor of the Dispatch, convicted of sending improper matter through the mails and sentenced to pay a fine of \$10,000 and serve two years in the penitentiary, will now appeal to the president, this being the only course open to him, since approval of the conviction by Judge Grosscup yesterday.

Albany, March 3.—The freshet of the Hudson river at this point is slowly subsiding and the real state of affairs is just being realized. Many poor families have lost all that they possessed, and Mayor Thacher has issued a proclamation asking for relief for the sufferers. The police are patrolling the lower portions of the city in boats carrying relief to the destitute families.

Middletown, Conn., Feb. 28.—The inquest yesterday afternoon revealed the fact that Timothy Parmelee of Cobalt was most brutally murdered Wednesday night, his skull being fractured by a flatiron in several places, and four ribs on each side broken. He lived alone and was eccentric. Robbery was the cause, \$100 and a gold watch being missed. There is no trace of the murderers.

Chicago, March 2.—As a result of Ed. Corrigan's visit to Chicago the \$25,000 Chicago Derby has been officially declared off. No payments have been made on it, and the first declarations are due to-day. There are 247 entries, and the stake was too costly to transfer. The only Hawthorne stakes now left are the Stallion stakes of 1897 and 1898.

Wilkesbarre, Pa., March 2.—Hugh J. Williams, aged 31, was killed on Saturday night by an explosion of gas in the Franklin mine; John W. Jones was seriously injured, and Daniel Baker was slightly bruised by flying rock. The explosion occurred in a tunnel where men were blasting rock. In tampering the powder ignited, causing the blast to go off sooner than expected.

Madrid, March 2.—A dispatch from Havana to the Imparcial says that Capt. Gen. Weyler is satisfied with the progress he is making towards suppressing the insurrection. He believes that it is the best policy to strike at the root of the revolt before looting off the branches. The dispatch adds that Spanish troops are constantly in pursuit of Gomez and Maceo.

Barre, Vt., March 1.—Never in the history of Barre has high water done so much damage as in the last twenty-four hours. The heavy rain caused a vast amount of snow to melt and late Saturday night the ice in the river went out with a rush, shaking the heaviest blocks and tearing away many supports along the river bank. This rush of water in many basements and the occupants had no warning. The water then receded, but rain set in again in the middle of the night, and this morning the streets are submerged.

HENLEY REGATTA.

Yale Students' Request for Permission to Enter the Races Granted. New Haven, Conn., March 3.—A conference of the academic and scientific branches of the Yale faculty was held last night, and it was decided that the request of the university navy management to enter an eight in the Henley regatta in July would be granted.

The faculty have allowed every point of the petition of the navy. The latter asked that permission be allowed them to sail on June 6 before the close of the semi-annual examinations, in order that they might become acclimated before the race on the Thames. This request was granted, and the Yale oarsmen will leave New York on that date, probably by the Cunard line. The faculty stated to the crew management, after the meeting last night, that the most stringent scholarship standard would be required from the oarsmen who were allowed to cross the water, and any candidate whose scholarship was in doubt would not be allowed to represent Yale at Henley.

The navy management will issue a call for a university mass meeting to settle details of Yale's entry in a day or two.

Report of Examiners of the Books of Ex-Artorney Moreland of Pittsburg. Pittsburg, Feb. 29.—The city auditors engaged in examining the accounts of ex-city Attorney Moreland against whom a number of indictments for malfeasance in office, embezzlement, etc., are pending, have reported to City Comptroller Gourley a further shortage of \$3,736.33. The comptroller's report of the discovery will be given to a special meeting of common council next Tuesday. The new "hold out" was in the street opening account which the ex-city attorney handled himself and never reported to any other city officer. No further information will be made against Major Moreland until city council takes action on the comptroller's report.

Verdict for Personal Injuries Sustained. Boston, Feb. 29.—The full bench of the supreme court has overruled the demurrer in the case of Jennie A. Gordon against the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad. In the lower court the jury rendered a verdict of \$4,000 for the plaintiff, who was injured by reason of a defect in the floor of the company's depot at Holbrook. Plaintiff had bought a ticket and was held to be a passenger. The verdict stands.

St. Patrick's Day Banquet. Albany, March 3.—Senators and members of assembly interested in the celebration of St. Patrick's day have arranged for a banquet at the hotel Kenmore on March 17. The toasters are: "The United States," by United States Senator David B. Hill; "The State of New York," by Lieut.-Gov. Saxton; "The Day We Celebrate," by Bishop Burke; "Civil and Religious Liberty," Senator Jacob A. Cantor.

Four Schooners Missing. Philadelphia, March 2.—Great anxiety exists in shipping circles over the fate of four Philadelphia schooners which sailed from North Carolina ports twenty-five days ago and of which no tidings have since been heard. The missing vessels are Frank S. Hale, the Melvin, the S. Warren Hall and the Eunice R. Dyer. The crews of the four vessels number sixty men in all.

Secured by the Biscuit Trust. Baltimore, March 3.—The James D. Mason & Co.'s steam bakery at 17 West Pratt street, the largest bakery in the south, has passed into the hands of the New York Biscuit company. The headquarters of the biscuit trust is at Chicago, and word comes from there that two other Baltimore bakeries will shortly pass into the control of the New York Biscuit company.

A. R. Lee's Sudden Death. Erie, Pa., March 2.—A. R. Lee of the W. L. Scott Coal company of Erie died unexpectedly yesterday at the age of 59 years. Deceased began life as a oil operator and then went into the coal business. In 1876 he joined W. L. Scott in his coal operations and at the time of his death was the western manager with headquarters in Chicago. He leaves a large fortune.

New York State Mortality. Albany, March 3.—The bulletin of the board of health of the state for the month of January shows that there were 10,176 deaths during the month, and an estimated death rate of 18.50, there having been an average daily mortality of 328, against one of 305 in December, and one of 354 in January, 1895.

The Armenian Relief. Constantinople, Feb. 29.—An imperial trade has been issued permitting Miss Clara Barton, president of the American Red Cross society, and her representatives, to travel in Anatolia and distribute relief to sufferers there. United States Minister Terrell accompanied Miss Barton and her party to Selamlisk.

Prof. Brooks Again Honored. Geneva, N. Y., Feb. 29.—Prof. Wm. R. Brooks has been awarded the medal of the Astronomical society of the Pacific for the discovery of his latest comet. This is the fifth honor of the kind bestowed upon Prof. Brooks.

McKinley Delegates Chosen. Topeka, Kan., March 2.—Thirty republican county conventions to select delegates to the state convention were held Saturday. Nearly all of the conventions instructed their delegates in favor of McKinley.

Howling Gale at Highland Light. Highland Light, Mass., March 3.—A howling northeast gale, with pouring rain, prevailed here all last night.

Must Use The Knife

Said the Surgeon, but Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy was taken and the Knife Avoided. The Union and Advertiser of Rochester, N. Y., recently published the following interesting account of how William W. Adams, of 127 South Avenue, that city, was saved from a painful operation by the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy.

Mr. Adams said: "Three years ago I was taken with kidney disease very badly; at times I was completely prostrated; in fact, was so bad that the day was set for the doctors to perform an operation upon me. But I decided I would not submit. I had been put in hot water baths, and, in fact, nearly every means was tried to help me. Upon the day set for the operation I commenced the use of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, and from that moment began to gain, and it was not long before I was entirely cured and have had no return of the trouble since. My weight has increased and I never was so well as I am now. I have recommended

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to many people, for it saved my life." In speaking to Mrs. Adams, she said: "About a year ago I was in a very feeble state of health, being completely run down. I had doctor'd considerably, but without permanent relief. One day one of my neighbors advised me to take Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy, which I did. My trouble was dyspepsia, and for a long while I was unable to be about at all; but after taking a few doses I was completely cured, and now enjoy good health." Hundreds of men and women with that "run down" condition, unable to work, have recovered health and strength through this remarkable remedy. It purifies the blood, stirs the liver and kidneys to a healthy action. In cases of rheumatism, kidney, liver and urinary troubles, it is a well known specific.

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