

the human figure. In execution it is not surpassed by any of the objects found in the Scioto Valley.

Jean Valjean, of Hugo's masterpiece, stepped from heights won under a new name and proclaimed himself a felon to save another man from suffering in his stead. President R. F. Wolfe, of the Shoe Trust, prosperous for years in a new life in Ohio, lays bare to the world, that he may thwart a gang of blackmailing scoundrels, a page of his early manhood which includes a brief term in prison. Two fine exhibits of courage these, one in fiction, one in fact. Mr. Wolfe's conscience made no coward of him. He expiated his offense long ago. He did not propose to endure an endless expiation through persecution. His example should go far among the myriad cases wherein blackmailers flourish today. He is a winner through his brave avowal not only in peace of mind and in pocket but in public confidence and approval, observes the New York World.

An illustration of what may be done in the betterment of the conditions for wage-earners, through the hearty co-operation of employer and employee, and the cultivation of a spirit of amity rather than of hostility between them, is furnished in the record of a large shoe manufactory in Boston. This establishment has voluntarily reduced the hours of work for its 2000 employes to eight. The employes are so well pleased with the new conditions that the output is as great as it was when the concern was working ten hours every day. The pay-roll is \$1,000,000 annually, and the daily output is 8000 finished pairs of shoes. The change from ten to nine hours, and from nine to eight hours, has been effected without reducing the daily output of the week hands, which comprise one-fifth of the total working force. The piece hands earn \$100,000 weekly as against \$80,000 weekly as against

following conclusion:

The truth is that the death rate in the camps is comparatively worse than anything Africa or Asia can show. There is nothing to match it even in the mortality figures of the Indian famines, where cholera and other epidemics have to be contended with.

Statistics are produced in proof of this assertion.

The government's advertisement for teachers for the camp children, setting forth that "the term of employment will be one year certain" is prominently displayed as evidence that the authorities have no intention of ending the "wholesale destruction of human life."

The Daily News urges all humane men not to wait for official reports, but to insist "on the camps being broken up and the people distributed among their friends."

Preferred Death to Disgrace.

Louisville, Ky. (Special).—William Simpson, a salesman in the wholesale grocery house of Zinsmeister Brothers, committed suicide by swallowing carbolic acid when confronted with an alleged shortage of \$1,000. He said that two friends living at New Albany, Ind., his home, would make good the shortage, and while a member of the firm was telephoning to New Albany, Simpson took the poison, dying in 15 minutes.

"McKinley Order of Nurses."

Boston, Mass. (Special).—The nurses of Boston will submit to Governor Crane, chairman of the State Commission on McKinley Memorial, a unique plan to devote the fund to establishing the "McKinley Order of Nurses." The idea is to make the McKinley order in this country what the Victoria Order of Nurses is in England.

Killed the Girl He Loved.

Elizabethtown, Tenn. (Special).—Frank Kidwell, aged 23 years, shot and killed his sweetheart, Ada Thompson, aged 16 years, and then committed suicide. The cause for the tragedy is said to be the refusal of the girl's father to allow Kidwell to visit his daughter and her declination to marry him.

Bank Robbers Active.

Chatham, Ill. (Special).—The Bank of Chatham was robbed of \$1,500 by burglars, who blew the safe. The robbers escaped on a handcar, which they abandoned after going 10 miles, and all trace of them is lost. Congressmen F. Caldwell is almost the only owner of the handcar.

Telephone Companies of Southern Pennsylvania have been united into a corporation, to be known as the Cumberland Valley Telephone Company.

Foreign.

General Uribe-Urbe, commanding the Colombian rebels, says there is no international war between Venezuela and Colombia, but a struggle between the Liberal and the Conservative parties of both countries. He is willing, he says, to accept the protection of the United States at the isthmus.

Sir Harry Johnston, in an address to the Royal Geographical Society, in London, upon his explorations in Uganda, said that, as a result of his study of the pigmies, he had concluded that they have no special language.

The administrative council of the arbitration tribunal will meet at The Hague November 20 to decide on the Boers' appeal against the ruling that the South African war is not subject to the court's consideration.

The British South African Compensation Company rejected the claim of the Frenchman, Martin, who wanted \$20,000 for alleged deportation from South Africa.

Dr. Deuntzer, the premier of Denmark, says that the Danish West Indies have not yet been sold to the United States, although negotiations are progressing.

Earthquake shocks continue in Armenia, and the people are living in tents.

United States Consul General Dickinson, in reply to Miss Stone's letter, has urged the brigands to still further reduce their demands and accept the amount subscribed, as the United States government will not contribute to the ransom.

The French government announces that the Sultan of Turkey has yielded to all demands, and it is expected that in two or three days Admiral Caillard will cease to occupy the ports of the island of Mitylene.

The Liberal forces have captured the town of Tumaco, about 500 miles south of Panama. They took 400 soldiers prisoners and captured five or six cannon.

Yuan Shi Kai, the present viceroy of Shan Tung, has been appointed to succeed Li Hung Chang as viceroy of Chi Li.

Financial.

The Burlington has hauled 500,000 pounds of wool out of South Dakota this season.

Bullion. \$113,000 was shipped from England to the Cable Company. The stock from

ports for sea, as against 22,305,000

held the place, but on the second day Major Waller renewed the attack, and after a desperate engagement carried the position. Privates George Lynch and E. A. Klonan, of the attacking force and 26 Filipinos were killed. Major Waller destroyed 70 houses.

General Smith has issued orders forbidding the purchase of hemp in the Island of Leyte. All the ports in Leyte are closed and traffic is forbidden where it cannot be supervised by the military.

BANK ROBBERS IN THE WEST.

In One Place They Miss \$25,000, in Another They Take \$5,000.

Darien, Wis. (Special).—Robbers made an attempt to loot the Farmers' State Bank here, but were foiled by an overcharge of nitroglycerin.

The vault was wrecked and the front of the building blown out. In the vault was \$5,000 in cash and \$20,000 in negotiable securities, but the robbers were frightened off without securing any plunder and drove away in a buggy.

Scotland, S. D. (Special).—The Bank of Scotland was robbed of \$5,000. The safe was blown and its contents carried away. The explosion aroused residents, who hurried to the building, just in time to see the robbers making their escape on horses.

\$5,000 for a Shorthorn Cow.

Chicago, Ill. (Special).—Cicely, a shorthorn cow, recently of the Queen Victoria herd in England, was sold here for \$5,000 to J. J. Robbins & Sons, of Horace, Ind. The animal cost Queen Victoria \$4,000 a few years ago. Twenty other cows and bulls realized an average price of \$1,320. These are record figures for shorthorn cattle for the past 25 years. The sales were made by W. B. Flatt, of Hamilton, Ont., who recently imported the herd from England.

Steam Fitters' Horrible Fate.

Kansas City, Mo. (Special).—Two steamfitters were killed and two others seriously injured by the blowing out of a valve in the water pumping apparatus at the Schwarzschild & Sulzberger packing plant in Armourdale, Kan. Nothing could be done to rescue the men until the flow of steam had exhausted itself. The injured men are in a serious condition.

Wonderful Leap by a Horse.

Chicago, (Special).—At the H. Show here in the Coliseum the jumper Hetherbloom, a bay gelding, 7 years old and 16 hands high, owned by Howard Willetts, of White Plains, N. Y., broke the world's indoor record for jumping horses. Hetherbloom cleared the bar at 7 feet 4 1/2 inches. The previous record was made by Rosebery, who made a jump of 7 feet 3 1/2 inches in competition with Filemaker in this city several years ago.

Lassar and the Russian Minister strongly objected to revealing the text of the treaty to the ministers of the other powers, and a stormy interview ensued. Li Hung Chang went home in a violent passion and had a hemorrhage, which the doctors attribute to the overexertion of a weakened system.

GREAT YARDS FOR PITTSBURG.

Pennsylvania Railroad Company, It Is Said, Will Spend Millions.

Pittsburg, (Special).—The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has in contemplation new yards for freight handling, which will be the largest in the country.

Agents of the company have been taking options on property from Thirteenth to Twenty-third streets, between Liberty and Penn avenues, for the purpose, and it is now almost certain that the 10 blocks will soon be acquired and the yards established. For real estate alone the cost of this improvement will be between \$4,000,000 and \$5,000,000. This amount, added to the cost of the other improvements—a new union station, elevated tracks, etc.—made by the Pennsylvania Railroad Company in this city recently, will make the total \$10,000,000.

The Maccabees Defalcation.

Port Huron, Mich. (Special).—It develops that if Charles D. Thompson, ex-supreme finance keeper of the Supreme Tent, Knights of the Maccabees, who embezzled \$60,000 from the order, is prosecuted, the Maccabee officials will have to take the initiative. By the terms of Thompson's bond with the Fidelity and Deposit Company, of Baltimore, which was in force when most of the money was stolen, the organization must apply for the warrant in the event of a defalcation and prosecute, with the assistance of the bonding company. Supreme Counsellor D. D. Aitkin has all the necessary papers in his hands, and Thompson's arrest is expected soon.

Thieving Postal Employee.

St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—Samuel Selig, foreman of the city distributing department of the St. Louis postoffice, was arrested, charged with stealing letters. It is stated that 50 letters, some containing money orders, were found on his person.

Set at an End.

Chicago, (By Cable).—M. received a satisfactory communication from the Porte regarding the remainder of the French demands. The conflict between France and Turkey may therefore, be regarded as ended.

To Prohibit Divorce.

Georgia, (Special).—A bill has been introduced in the lower house of the legislature prohibiting divorces in Georgia.

Charleston in large numbers, and during the last few days 100 carloads of exhibits have arrived here for the exposition. Mr. S. C. Meade, president of the New York State Commission, and four other members and employes of the commission reached Charleston Sunday by the steamer Comanche, and Monday 12 members of the advisory board of the architect-in-chief, Mr. Gilbert, will arrive from New York.

The New York commission has come to inspect the New York State Building, and Mr. Gilbert's board to advise with the architect as to the last few finishing touches on the work he has done.

Mr. Huston, architect of the Philadelphia Building, is here also to receive the building from the contractor. It is ready for the Liberty Bell, which it will shelter during the exposition. More than 2,000 men are now employed on the exposition grounds, and the Midway city is going up as if by magic. The housing committee of the woman's department has already secured more than 10,000 lodgings for exposition visitors in private families and boarding houses.

INDIAN RELICS TO ORDER.

Missouri Farmer Indicted, Charged With Misusing the Mails.

St. Louis, Mo. (Special).—The Federal grand jury indicted Daniel Levering, a Green county farmer, on a charge of using the mails to defraud.

Levering's scheme was a novel one, and his alleged victims were mostly professors of colleges throughout the country, and collectors. Bogus Indian relics of every description—axes, pipes, images and various other curiosities—were produced before the jury by witnesses, who said Levering had told them that he dug them out of mounds thousands of years old, where they had been placed by Indians. Levering's alleged victims purchased large numbers of these "relics," paying large prices for them.

Fatally Hurt in Football.

Cincinnati, Ohio, (Special).—Two football players were probably fatally hurt in games here. In the game between the University of Cincinnati and the Hanover (Ind.) College, James Kirkpatrick, left halfback of the University of Cincinnati, while making a tackle, had his spine injured and is reported to be in a very serious condition. Louis Runck was also carried off the field during the game between the Newport Xavier College and the Newport High School. Runck was left tackle of the Xavier team and was seriously injured.

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