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Sensation in Connecticut.

At Bridgeport, Conn., Oliver Tomlinson last week posted his wife and commenced a suit for divorce. She returned to that city, went to his room, took his revolver from the bureau and threatened that if he would not be reconciled she would take her own life. He came toward her, when she shot him just above the heart and then shot herself through the left breast. Her wound is not considered dangerous. The doctors are unable to find the ball in Tomlinson's body, consequently cannot judge of the extent of his injury. Mrs. Tomlinson asserts that the shooting of her husband was accidental. He avers it was deliberate. The parties are prominent, Tomlinson being a man of considerable property.

Planting Trees by the Roadside.

The following very important law passed both branches of the Legislature at the present session:

SECTION 1. That any person liable to road tax who shall transplant to the side of a public highway, on his own premises, any fruit, shade or forest trees of suitable size, shall be allowed by the Supervisor of roads, where roads run through or adjoin cultivated fields, an abatement on his road tax, one dollar four every four trees set out; but no row of elms shall be nearer than seventy feet, no row of maples or other forest trees nearer than fifty feet, except locust, which may be set thirty feet apart; and no allowance, as before mentioned, shall be made unless such trees shall have been set out the year previous to the demand for such abatement, and are living and are well protected from animals at the time of such demand.

SEC. 2. Any trees transplanted to the side of the public highway aforesaid, in the place of trees which have died, shall be allowed for in the same manner and on the same conditions as in the previous section.

SEC. 3. No person shall be allowed an abatement of his highway tax as aforesaid more than one quarter of his annual highway tax, and no one shall receive an abatement of tax for trees planted previous to the passage of this act.

SEC. 4. Any person who shall cut down, kill or injure any living trees planted as aforesaid, shall pay to the supervisor of roads as aforesaid, fifty cents for each and every tree cut down, killed or removed, and to be collected as other taxes are now collected.

Mysterious Murders.

New York City has had several mysterious murders. To the following list there now seems to be a probability that the murder of Mrs. Hull, which we noticed last week, will have to be added:

The other five celebrated murders are the following: Helen Jewett, a beautiful girl, who lived in a house of bad repute, was found dead in her room. She had a lover named Robinson, who was tried for the murder. Several persons who lived in the house saw a man wrapped in a cloak go up-stairs to her room on the night of the murder. They all took it to be Robinson. A cloak was found in the back yard next morning which was proven to belong to him; also a hatchet, which was identified as one that had been taken from the store in which he was a clerk. He proved an alibi, however, by highly respectable witnesses, and was acquitted. These witnesses most likely committed perjury, although they may have been honestly mistaken as to date. This was in 1836.

In 1844 Mary Cecelia Rogers, whom Poe has immortalized in his story of the "Mystery of Marie Roget," suddenly disappeared. She started from her mother's house, in Nassau street, one Sunday morning intending to visit a relative.—Three weeks afterward her body was washed ashore at Weehawken. She had been outraged, strangled, and thrown into the river, but the perpetrator of the horrible crime never was found.

The murder of Dr. Burdell has not yet faded from the public recollection. He was a dentist, and reputed to be worth \$100,000. He lodged in a boarding-house kept by Mrs. Cunningham, and was killed in his room on the night of January 20th, 1857. Mrs. Cunningham was tried as accessory in the murder, but was acquitted. She subsequently pretended that she had been clandestinely married to the deceased, and laid claim to his estate, but she was defeated in this, and her subsequent attempt to pass off a borrowed baby as her own confirmed

the general belief that she had instigated the murder.

Charles Mr. Rogers was killed on the morning of December 31st, 1868, while shoveling snow from the pavement in front of his house. The object of the assassin was to get possession of his watch and chain. In the struggle the skirt of the murderer's coat was torn off and was left on the ground, as was also his hat. Mr. Rogers lived long enough to describe his assailant accurately, and a portion of his coat and hat were put into the possession of the detectives, but the murderer was never brought to justice. New York was at that time governed by thieves and murderers.

The Nathan murder occurred on the 29th of July, 1870, and to this day remains wrapped in impenetrable mystery. In favor of the old adage, however, it must be said that of the five murders mentioned above, the perpetrators of three of them were known, but escaped punishment.

A Promise Which Does Not Bind.

In 1878, in Callaway county, Mo., a citizen named Tucker ran for collector, independent of party lines, on a platform of his own construction, the solitary plank thereof being a proposition to serve the people in the office to which he aspired for a nominal consideration, agreeing to cover into the county treasury all fees and salary in excess of the amount mentioned to be retained by him. As the office was a fat one, and the saving promised to the taxpayers promised to be large, Tucker was elected and inducted into office. His right to serve as collector under the singular contract by which he secured the position has been contested, and the Supreme Court of that State decides: "A vote given for a candidate for public office in consideration of his promise, in case he shall be elected, to devote a sum of money, or other valuable thing, to a third party, whether such third party be an individual, a county, or other corporation, is void."

Singular Lightning Fatalities.

In Hancock, Mass., last week, P. P. Perry was sitting in a neighbor's barn, in company with the owner, Mr. Hatfield, to await the ending of a thunder storm. He had hung on a peg, directly above his head, a tin pail full of milk, just milked. A thunderbolt struck the barn, passed down through the pail of milk, cutting a hole through the bottom of the pail, and striking Mr. Perry on the back of the head, passed down his back in two streams, one striking round to the heart. He was killed instantaneously. His friend, who had been sitting by his side, owes his life to a singular cause. He had somewhat suddenly raised one arm, which so frightened a calf, that stood tethered in the stall, that the animal made a spring and broke the halter. Immediately Mr. H. arose to tie the calf, and as he reached him the fatal bolt came. It prostrated Mr. H., who lay helpless, and saw the barn on fire.—He finally recovered the use of his limbs and escaped, but the barn was burned down.

Lynched in South Carolina.

CHARLESTON, S. C., June 17.—A special dispatch to the "News and Courier" from Spartansburg to-day says: "About 12 o'clock last night a body of one hundred and fifty men entered that town on horseback, and proceeded to the jail, where they demanded John Moore, a prisoner committed for the outrage and murder of Miss Woodward, on the 5th instant. Sheriff Thompson having been warned that an attempt would be made to lynch the prisoner had removed him to the Air Line R. R., about a mile from town, intending to board a northern bound train, and reach Columbia, but he had been watched, and before the train arrived the lynchers secured Moore and took him to the scene of the murder, near Welford, twelve miles distant, where they hanged him. Moore and his victim were both white."

Exciting Scene in Court.

MEMPHIS, Tenn., July 17.—This afternoon during the trial of John J. O'Brien for the alleged seduction of Miss Lizzie Voss, and while the defendant was testifying as to his innocence of the crime, Miss Lizzie arose from her seat and walking toward the defendant, said:—"You villain, you murdered my father, and now you want to ruin my reputation!" As she ceased speaking she drew a pistol from her dress pocket, but before she could fire it was caught by the Deputy Sheriff, who wrested it from her hands. Last March Miss Voss' father committed suicide on learning of his daughter's disgrace. The suit now pending is for five thousand dollars' damages.

Explosion of Molasses.

Shortly after 7 o'clock this morning, while a line of McCann's trucks laden with hogsheads of molasses was passing

through Greenwich street, between Second street and Moyamensing avenue, one of the hogsheads exploded with a loud report. The head of the hogshead was forced out in the middle, and the stout inch board which crosses it was broken in two pieces by the force of the fermentation within. The escaping molasses ran down the centre of the street in a stream, to the intense delight of a crowd of youngsters who had gathered at the scene in the shortest possible time.—Philadelphia Star.

The Sunbury Democrat says: One day last week Mr. Taylor Kline, residing on Race street, in this place, while working in the garden, accidentally cut the tip of one of his fingers with what he supposed was a piece of glass. The cut not being serious he continued his labors by searching for potato bugs, and while destroying them some of the bugs' juice, as we might call it, dropped upon the injured finger, which almost immediately gave evidence that poison had been injected. In a short time Mr. Kline's arm began to swell and the flesh to change its color to purple, and for several days it was feared that amputation would be necessary, but we are glad to learn that under the skillful care of physicians, Mr. K. is improving with fair chances of a complete recovery.

A Mate for Mrs. Partington.

A gentleman in this city who had put into his hands the settlement of a violated contract against a man who had purchased a place on the installment plan, in reply to a mailed notice of the fact, got the following brief statement: "I bought my place on the installment plan, and although a little behind in my installments, I hope soon to reciprocate my means and liquidate all claims against it."—Norwich Bulletin.

Accidentally Shot.

SCHENECTADY, N. Y., June 17.—The seven year old son of James Gould, of Scotia, one mile from this city, procured his father's revolver yesterday and displayed it in company of two of his playmates, brothers named Fitzgerald, of about the same age. The revolver was accidentally discharged, the ball passing through the hand of one of the brothers and entering the eye of the other. The latter died at midnight.

Disrobed by Lightning.

A Tiffin (O.) dispatch says that during a storm the house of Frederick Diel, one and a half miles east of New Riegler, was struck by lightning and badly damaged. Mrs. Diel was in the house at the time, and, by a strange freak of the lightning, nearly every bit of her clothing was torn from her body without injuring her in the least, save a slight shock received.

Mysterious Disappearance.

READING, June 19.—John R. Miller, a prominent hat manufacturer of this city, has mysteriously disappeared. He left here on Monday last for New York on business, with the intention of returning the following day. Nothing has been heard of him since. He was to have been married to the daughter of a clergyman of this city to-day.

A Destructive Freshet.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., June 16.—This place has been visited by a heavy freshet and the damage throughout the vicinity is variously estimated at from \$100,000 to \$150,000. Damages by the flood in the outlying districts are hourly reported.

Strike at the Allentown Rolling Mills.

ALLENTOWN, June 19.—Three hundred helpers and puddlers employed at the Allentown rolling mills struck last night for an advance of five cents per heat, and the mills have suspended operations in consequence.

A Large Fire at Huntingdon.

HUNTINGDON, June 19.—At an early hour this morning, Henry & Co.'s steam flour and feed mill was totally destroyed by fire. Loss, 13,000; insurance, \$8,000. The origin of the fire is unknown.

OUR WASHINGTON LETTER.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 18, 1879. "Civil service reform" was up in the House yesterday, and led to one of the liveliest debates of this or any other session. Mr. McLane, of Maryland, championed a bill which prohibits contributions by office holders for political purposes. He became heated in the cause of his remarks, and indulged in altogether impertinent remarks concerning the members of Ex-President Grant's cabinet. Mr. Conger, on the Republican side, was equally violent. There is no doubt this making the tenure of office depend in any degree upon the amount of political contributions is an abuse. Nothing gave Mr. Hayes greater strength in the beginning of his administration than his pledges in this regard. That he has been unable to keep them is

not so much a reproach to him as it is a proof of the hold this pestilent custom has upon us. The merits of the present bill may be discussed hereafter, as it goes over from the present session, but the subject should not be last sight of in or out of Congress.

Complaint is made that Secretaries Shurman and Schurz are distributing from their departments documents in the interest of the former as a candidate for the Presidency. These are in the form of a financial and semi-official publication, and the laudatory notice of Shurman are conspicuously marked. Would not an investigation be in order?

The nomination of Secretary McCrary as a Federal Judge will probably be withdrawn, to be sent in again when the judicial vacancy actually occurs. This is because the Judiciary Committee of the Senate came to the conclusion that no nomination could properly be acted on for a place not actually vacant, though its occupant's resignation had been accepted. As before stated in this correspondence, there will be few opposers of confirmation when the vote is taken.

The Legislature bill goes to the President to-day. He will approve it. The army bill will follow it this week. There is little doubt that it also, will be approved. The other bill, which provides for part of the court expenses of the government will probably be vetoed, then modified by Congress, passed again, and approved. There is no reason why adjournment should not be reached early next week—probably on Tuesday. Great numbers of Congressmen have gone home, and others leave every day. OLIVE.

Miscellaneous News Items.

A baby carriage containing a child was caught by a gust of wind and hurled into the canal at Middleport, N. Y., the other day. The youngster was saved from a watery grave by a gentleman, who plunged into the water and rescued it.

Hettie Smith, at Put-in-bay, was carelessly flourishing her brother's revolver, when it was discharged and the bullet struck Anna Van Dorn in the forehead, just above the eye. Fortunately the missile glanced from, instead of entering the skull, and a terrible tragedy was avoided.

At the solicitation of Miss Kate Field the farm of John Brown, in the Adirondack region, was bought some time ago so as to prevent its passing into the hands of strangers, and several hundred dollars of back rents which have been collected have been sent to John Brown, Jr., in Kansas.

The New York "Star" says: It is a fact that police were on Mosher's track four days after Charley Ross was abducted; it is a police secret, well kept and well understood, who killed Mr. Nathan; and there is little doubt in any policeman's mind at this moment that Mr. Stewart's remains were recovered. Police stupidity is one thing and policy is another.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., June 16.—A terrific hail-storm passed eastward over a track of country six miles in width near Germantown, Columbia county, between 11 and 12 o'clock last Sunday night a week. Hailstones fell, and panes of glass were demolished in every farm-house. Fowls were killed; fruit of every kind broken down, and one or two houses near Clermont were unroofed. The storm lasted only ten minutes.

MAGAZINES FOR JULY.

LIPPINCOTT'S MAGAZINE for July, which opens the twenty-fourth volume, is of a thoroughly popular character, and the variety and beauty of the illustrations, as well as the excellent and vivacious of the reading matter, show the steady advance of this periodical, and afford the best proof of the determination its conductors to not be outdone by their rivals. The opening article, by Dr. Felix L. Oswald, is the first of a series entitled "Summerland Sketches; or, Rambles in the Backwoods of Mexico and Central America."—The second article has for its subject "Stratford-on-the-Sound," a village of Connecticut. For many readers the chief attraction of this number will lie in an article on Jefferson and Rip Van Winkle, "At and After the Play," "Through Winding Ways," lead up to a dramatic climax, which indicates that the end of the novel will be full of incident and striking situations.

J. B. LIPPINCOTT & Co., Publishers, 715 and 717 Market St., Phila.

BALLOU'S MAGAZINE for July opens with an illustrated article on Africa and the Zulu war; and then there is a good thing, by the author of "A Whaleman's Adventure," about a mysterious island in the Pacific, illustrated; and several other subjects are treated of, all interesting, accompanied by engravings. It is a rare number, and one that will commend itself to its readers. The entire list of contents are well selected.

Published by THOMAS & TALBOT, 23 Hawley Street, Boston, at \$1.50 a year, postpaid, and for sale at all the periodical depots in the country for 15 cents a copy.

GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK for July is upon our table. The old valuable magazine has now entered upon its 90th volume—having been a welcome visitor in thousands of American homes for nearly a half century. It contains a telling 4th of July sketch by Darley, engraved on steel; a mammoth colored fashion plate and a large number of illustrated fashions.—"A Gentle Belle" and "A Rosebud Garden of Girls," two novels by first-class writers, are continued, and the miscellaneous literary matter is of a high order. There are two pages of Recipes specially arranged for picnic parties, which will be highly appreciated by the ladies. We notice another new feature in Godey, which is the opening chapters of

"Biographies of Representative Women of our Own and Other Lands;" these papers will doubtless prove very entertaining and instructive. Subscription price is only \$3 per year, or you can send \$1 and receive Godey's Lady's Book for 6 months.

Published by GODEY'S LADY'S BOOK PUBLISHING COMPANY, Philadelphia.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON (\$5.00 a year, Springfield, Mass.) for July has in the way of fiction "A Borrowed Guest" by the author of Deephaven, Miss S. O. Jewett; "The Monkey's Story" by Mrs. L. W. Champney, and two chapters of "Calvin the Sinner."

In "One Sunday Morning" Mr. E. C. Gardner, the architect, gives expression to some ideas as to the modern Sunday-school and church, in the form of a sketch. "Sunday-school Songs" in another article in a similar vein. There are also the following: "Max," the sketches of a real life; another of the Miss Help articles, entitled "Some of Miss Help's Protégés;" "Oriental Laws and Courts of Justice," in which are several illustrative sketches; "Standbys," "Hebrew Women," and contributions from Prof. B. P. Bowne and Arthur Gilman.

New Market Car.—A new market car has been put on the road between Newport and Philadelphia by Mrs. Thompson. The car will be run by E. B. Fleck, leaving Newport on Wednesday and Philadelphia on Thursday evening. This change of day from the other line will be quite an accommodation to those wanting freight toward the last of the week.

Notice.—We have in our possession a copy of "A Treatise on the Horse and his Diseases," by Dr. B. J. KENDALL of Enosburgh Falls, Vermont. It is nicely illustrated with 35 engravings and is full of useful horse knowledge.—Every horse owner should have a copy of it. We can furnish the book at 25 cents per copy. ASK TO SEE IT.

Something New.—H. MARY G. SHEEDER having opened a store of NOTIONS and FANCY GOODS, in Mrs. Gallatin's house on West Main Street, New Bloomfield, wishes her friends to call and see her selection of goods. [may 27 4t]

PIMPLES.

I will mail (Free) the receipt for a simple Vegetable Balm that will remove Tan, Freckles, Pimples and Blisters, leaving the skin soft, clear and beautiful; also instructions for producing a luxuriant growth of hair on a bald head or smooth face. Address, enclosing 3c stamp, Ben. Vandell & Co., 29 Ann St., N. Y. 6m

OUT-FIT FOR AGENTS. \$5 STAPLE ARTICLES. BIG PROFITS. Quick Sales. Steady Work. Circulars Free. Address: HOMER BYRN, 216 Pearl Street, New York. 6m

ERRORS OF YOUTH!

A GENTLEMAN who suffered for years from Nervous Debility, Premature Decay, and all the effects of youthful indiscretion, will for the sake of suffering humanity, send free to all who need it, the recipe and direction for making the simple remedy by which he was cured. Sufferers wishing to profit by the advertiser's experience can do so by addressing in perfect confidence JOHN B. OGDEN, 42 Cedar St., N. Y. 6m

TO CONSUMPTIVES.

The advertiser, having been permanently cured of that dread disease, Consumption, by a simple remedy, is anxious to make known to his fellow-sufferers the means of cure. To all who desire it, he will send a copy of the prescription used, (free of charge), with the directions for preparing and using the same, which they will find a SURE CURE FOR CONSUMPTION, ASTHMA, BRONCHITIS, &c. Parties wishing the Prescription, will please address, E. A. WILSON, 104 Penn Street, Williamsburgh, N. Y. 6m

Phoenix Pectoral will cure your Cough. Phoenix Pectoral cures Hoarseness quickly. Phoenix Pectoral tastes good and brings rest. Phoenix Pectoral costs 25 cents per bot., 5 bottles \$1.12ly Sold by B. M. EBY, Druggist, Newport.

NOTICE TO THE LADIES!

Dress Goods, at 7 cts a yard. Dress Goods, at 8 cts a yard. Dress Goods, at 9 cts a yard. Dress Goods, at 10 cts a yard. Dress Goods, at 12 cts a yard. Dress Goods at Various Prices. Having just received from a New York Auction, some Great Bargains in Dress Goods, Fancy Goods and Hosiery, you are requested to call and examine my Stock. It will not cost you anything to look, and not much if you buy. Goods are so CHEAP. F. MORTIMER.

Camphor Milk cures Headache and Neuralgia. Camphor Milk cures Rheumatism and lame back. Camphor Milk will cure Cuts, Bruises and Burns. Camphor Milk costs 25 cents pr bot., 5 bottles \$1.12ly Sold by F. MORTIMER, New Bloomfield.

NOTICE TO SCHOOL DIRECTORS.

Blank forms for the Annual District Report, and Affidavit and Certificate have been sent to each Secretary in the county. These should be properly filled up and signed, that they may be forwarded to me immediately after the new board is organized. The State appropriation is paid to districts in the order in which these reports are received. Delay in forwarding the reports last spring was the cause of many districts not receiving the appropriation until this spring.

Perry county is the only one in the State in which all the districts have received last year's appropriations. Notice the "Directions" and "Special Directions" carefully in preparing reports. Last spring four-fifths of them were incorrectly prepared. Do not place figures, &c., on the dotted lines, but in the proper columns. The account should balance as in the example given with explanations. S. B. FAHNESTOCK, Co. Supt. Duncannon, May 24, 1879.

PROPOSALS. SEALED PROPOSALS for the erection of a SCHOOL HOUSE will be received by the Board of Directors of Greenwood township, Perry Co., Pa., until 2 o'clock, P. M., JUNE 24th, 1879, when a letting will be had. All bids must be endorsed, "Proposals for erecting a school house." Specifications can be had by applying to H. SIENKES, Secretary. By order of the Board. June 17, 1879.