

THE LADIES' CORNER.

MEN ARE NOT EXPECTED TO READ THIS COLUMN.

A Word to Busy Women—Won a Husband by Proxy—Woman's Dangerous Age—Good-Looking Salesman.

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Who was Salmon P. Chase? asked a bright boy of his mother, a college graduate.

Isn't this the kind of answer that mothers are constantly making to their children? "I can't remember."

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or of some event of which it is anniversary. Then make a rule to look up each day all you can find about the person or event, and if possible talk it over with your children or other members of your family.

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and particularly those who play in the country. Do not throng to the cities in search of employment, for you will be doomed to disappointment.—Cincinnati Commercial-Gazette.

Won a Husband by Proxy. "I owe my husband to my sister's personal attractiveness and her graces of character," emphatically remarked an Auburn woman.

"I should be glad to know her if she is at all like," was the reply, with more interest than he was wont to show.

"I don't know," she replied, as she was about to leave.

"Did she say so? Did Margaret say that? Introduce me to your friend and see."

"Well, we were introduced and found we had not a few similar tastes. When I saw it was going into something more than friendship on his part I tried to prevent it, but in vain.

"Perhaps the secret lies in the simple fact that the woman of 20 must be pleased, while the woman of 40 tries to please, and the older woman's power consists, not, as has been so often said, in understanding and making the most of her own charms, but in comprehending and with happy tact calling out and making the most of the good qualities of the man whose favor she seeks.

A man admires a clever woman, but he enjoys himself better with a woman who makes him feel that he is clever. He likes being entertained for a little while by a well-informed woman, but he enjoys much better the happy tact which makes him believe that he is not entertaining the well-informed woman, and telling her a great many things she never dreamed of.

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MANGLED IN A WRECK.

SHOCKING DISASTER ON THE PANHANDLE ROAD.

A Passenger Train Becomes Derailed and Flung Over an Embankment. Four Persons Being Killed and Many Injured. Two of Them Fatally.

Four lives crushed out and thirty persons mangled and maimed was the fearful result of a railroad wreck on the Panhandle at Hagerstown, a little town fast express train which runs between Chicago and Cincinnati, while going at a high rate on the down grade before reaching Hagerstown, was derailed by a portion of the framework of the engine falling under the wheels.

The engine applied the break and reversed the lever, but all was unavailing to check the onward rush. Right ahead was a deep cut canal, which was crossed by a little bridge. The engine clung to the roadbed, but the swinging cars, forging to one side, missed the crossing and plunged over the embankment, into the fifteen-foot cut.

The heavy coaches and the sleeper piled up in a heap, the struggling passengers crushed and bruised, being caught in the wreck. Almost before a hand had been lent to help them, the smoking car burst into flames, and it seemed as if the horrors of fire were to be added to the already dreadful calamity.

The passengers who were not disabled struggled forth and these with the trainmen set to work to take out the dead and those of the wounded who were unable to help themselves.

By strenuous efforts all were removed from the shattered coaches before the flames had gained sufficient headway to stop the rescuers. Three of those in the sleeper were taken out dead, and of the wounded one survived but for a few hours.

Two others of the wounded received fatal hurts, while of the others at least one time all off the track, but strangely all did not go over the embankment.

The smoker first turned on its side, and the day coach and parlor car, Eugenia, the smoking compartment of which contained all the killed, breaking away from the smoking car, but holding together, rolled over twice in the descent of the embankment. Meanwhile

the derailed baggage car had hung to the engine and away beyond the other cars struck a guard at the road crossing, and mangled under the wheels, and almost un injured, but the engine, though holding the rail, was about as badly wrecked as the parlor car and day coach.

In leaving the track the cars tore down the telegraph poles and it was almost impossible to get any accurate news of the accident until the trains arrived at Richmond with the dead and wounded. The wrecking crew was gotten out as soon as possible, carrying surgeons and assistance of every kind, and a second train was sent up at 6 o'clock with a large number of people.

Following is a list of the killed: Arthur M. Reeves, capitalist, Richmond; S. G. Needham, claim agent, Richmond; division, Richmond; Charles B. Care, conductor, Logansport, Ind.; Otis F. Deal, engineer, maintenance of way, Richmond division.

The following were injured, the first two fatally: Mrs. George McGrew, Richmond; Mrs. J. C. Busin, Sacramento, Cal.; H. Hill, West Front street, Cincinnati; G. Webster, porter Pullman car, Newport, Ky.; infant grandchild of Mrs. McGrew Staub, of Chicago; John M. Edwards, Richmond; Adam Steinberger and brother Wiley, Westville, Ohio; Frank W. Eddy, Westfield, Mass.; Miss Ruth and her sister, Dayton, Ohio; Mrs. C. E. Dudley, Dayton; Mr. and Mrs. Benson, and their two small children, Logansport, Ind.; Mrs. Anna Englebecht, Logansport, and her three children; Henry C. Fox, Richmond; W. H. Kelley, Richmond; T. W. Gilpin, 251 West Fourth street, Philadelphia; John Crocker, Chicago; Charles Page, Richmond; G. H. Edmonds, Troy, Ohio; Mrs. Susan Stambaugh, Trenton, Mo.; Sophia Evans, New Castle, Ind.; Dora Clark, New Castle, Ind.; Clifton Irwin, Martin's Ferry, Ohio; J. P. Stanza, Eaton, Ohio; J. W. Kramer, brakeman, Logansport, Ind.; Harriet S. Lombard, Amherst, Wis.; James T. Rootes, Richmond; Bob Hodgin, road foreman of engines.

Every One Should Know. THERE are about 32,000 arrests each year in Paris, and of those arrests thirty-five are assassins.

MR. STODDEN is a photographer at Jefferson, Mo. who makes a specialty of instantaneous pictures.

THE cultivation of oysters along New Hampshire's short coast-line is about to be attempted by the State Fish Commission.

A ZANESVILLE young man has perfected an electric motor which, when started and the circuit shut off, will go till it wears out.

IT is reported that Edison is now at work upon a patent appliance which will make the "hello" girl in the telephone office a useless luxury.

THE Van Rensselaers' family dining table, at which Washington Lafayette and other dignitaries have dined, is owned in Akron by descendants of the Rensselaers.

A SOCIAL innovation in New York City is the "blue-ribbon invitation" to dinners, indicating by a knot of blue ribbon in the lower left-hand corner that the invitee will not be served.

DR. BAXO, of Copenhagen, considers it probable that a large proportion of tubercular (scrofulous) affections of the cervical glands in children owe their origin to tuberculous milk.

ALLEYRAND IN BROOKLYN.

Is Escape from a Violent Death at the Hands of a Maniac.

In the extracts from the "Alleyrand memoirs," published in the January issue, no mention is made of prominent and distinguished author of the "Memoirs" had, from meeting a violent man on Brooklyn Heights. The incident is related in the volume of "Era's Magazine" for 1850, and its accuracy is vouched for by no less an authority than M. Colmache, Talleyrand's private secretary.

When Talleyrand fled from France at the beginning of the Reign of Terror he sought a refuge in England. There he remained unmolested until January, 1794, when on the supposition that he was more intimately connected with the friends that led to the execution of Louis XVI. than he cared to admit, he received an order to quit England, and after vainly appealing to the foreign secretary, he sailed for the United States, bearing with him letters of introduction to a number of prominent Americans, among them one from the Marquis of Lansdowne to Washington.

He was accompanied in his flight by M. de Beaumetz, with whom some time after their arrival in America, he formed a partnership for the purpose of fitting out a trading vessel. A small ship was freighted with goods for Calcutta, whither the two exiles had resolved to proceed in search of fortune.

But their scheme into operation was frustrated, and, moreover, the maniac, fixing his eyes sternly upon him, exclaimed: "Beaumetz, you mean to murder me; I intend to throw me from the rigging into the sea below. Deny it, or I'll order it."

This apostrophized, the unhappy and unconscious maniac quailed beneath the intensity and sternness of his gaze; confessed that such was his design; that the thought, like a flash from the lurid fire of hell, had haunted him day and night; and, flinging himself upon the neck of his meditated victim, burst into tears and implored for mercy.

The paroxysm had passed of and tottering reason had resumed her seat. Beaumetz was conveyed home, and placed under medical treatment. He speedily recovering, proceeded on his voyage alone, never more to be heard of.

"My fate," said Talleyrand, when speaking of this incident in after life was at work."—Brooklyn Eagle.

Almost Killed by Kindness. Deserters from the army are seldom caught, owing to a general unwillingness to give information that will lead to their arrest. Some years ago a young cadet from West Point was sent to the West, and detailed for special duty with a squad of Indian scouts. So long as he was with his party he, of course, was able to keep his bearings, but on a return, returning from an expedition into the mountains, the party stopped to dinner, and after dining directed the Indians to go on to the post while he followed an hour or two later. No accustomed to the mountains, he lost his way. The Indians came to the post without him and reported that he had overtaken them, but as they were directed to go on they obeyed orders and did not return to search for him several days passed, and as no news of the missing officer his friends estimated him highly, sent out the Indians to trace him up. They followed a trail for two hundred miles, and repeatedly had news of him, as he was seen by miners and prospectors, but would get no information from them as the direction he had taken, for he supposed to be a deserter from the army, and no one would aid the soldier to run him down. He was found at last, and delirious from hunger, thirst and exposure, all of which he owed to the general sympathy for deserters, found the civilians aided the scouts he might have been overtaken in a few hours.

It Does Not Pay. Racing is said to be a lottery in this sense that it is so uncertain. The "wager Brothers, after years of experience, dissolved their partnership and retired on the 1st of June, out of their fifty or more horses, nineteen did not win a cent last season, and the other fifteen are credited with an average of about \$2,000 each—not enough to pay for keeping up the stable. But racing also a lottery in the sense that it offers large prizes for small investments.

Every Belmont once showed me from its books that he had cleared from \$20,000 to \$130,000 a year upon an investment of less than \$40,000. Among the trotting purses offered are \$10,000 at Hartford, in 1893, and \$15,000, and the full amount for this double event is \$37,500. The same amount might probably be won by both of them for \$74,000 Futurity stakes cost the owner less than \$6,000, every express included.—Texas Siftings.

A MONSTER trial of all the members of a servants' society for the facilitation of theft was held in the Fourth Criminal Court of Berlin. The thirty prisoners organized ten years ago according to the conclusive testimony of 50 witnesses, an association of house servants for the purpose of theft. All the plunder of the members was brought to the meeting rooms of the association in the Chaussee Strasse, were sorted and appraised, and then assailed, so that it might be pawned without exciting suspicion. The profits were divided according to the President's judgment of the respective merits of the members. The result was that all the prisoners got sentences varying from one to five years in prison.

AFFAIRS IN ILLINOIS.

ITEMS GATHERED FROM VARIOUS SOURCES.

What Our Neighbors Are Doing—Matters of General and Local Interest—Marriages and Deaths—Accidents and Crimes—Personal Pointers.

The Chicago budget: The barbed-wire men have succeeded in forming a combination, and besides the legal difficulties of trusts by having formed a company which owns something in the abstract. Individually the stockholders are manufacturers of barbed wire. They fix the royalty charge and grant the patent privileges. They will control the barbed-wire market by controlling the patents. It will be a part of their business to buy in all patents and improve the manufacture, or kill the patent by relegating it to obscurity.

Having control of this vital part of the barbed-wire interest, the fixing of prices is an easy matter. Incidentally the company took its first twist of the screw on the farmer, and fixed the royalty on barbed wire at \$2 per ton. This gives excuse for the elevation of prices to small quantities, and pointed wire was placed on the market at \$60 per ton. Other varieties of wire were graded on the same schedule, 3 cents per pound being the basis of graduation.

Eighty soldiers are in the hospital and four deaths have occurred the past week at Fort Logan from the grip.—James Max, while moving household goods for Sophia Peterson, stole a \$16 mirror. She saw him on the streets later, and, unaided, marched him to the police station.—Mary Lichol, a pretty 17-year-old clerk in a candy store, while playing with a tin of tin-gun, shot out the eye of Henry Gifford.

The company operating the water works plant at Lincoln plugged the city hydrants because of a refusal of the city to pay rents. This refusal was on the ground that the contract was annulled by a failure of the company to comply with its provisions. A new system will be put in.

At Cairo, Victor Irvin Clark was arrested, charged with having defrauded the American Express Company. He was agent for the company at St. Charles, Iowa, but left there several months ago, taking with him a blank money-order book, which, together with letters and identifications written by himself and sent forward to his address, to the point he expected to visit, he used successfully at the offices of the company.

Two hundred and fifty carp finishers at the Pullman shops went on strike. Their working hours have been cut down and their wages thus reduced. But the employers say that the men had either consented to a reduction of their working hours or the dismissal of some of their number.

W. T. GRACY, of Shool Creek, put on his war paint and crowned Ed Lamb, of Toronto, for publishing charges of drunkenness against Gracy's son-in-law.

The report of the elopement of Rev. Reed, of Rock Island, with Miss Zedeker was untrue. The girl's father and Reed have formed a partnership in the real estate business.

A WELL-DRESSED young couple, giving their name as Raymond and their home as Chicago, stopped at Ashley. They had a small baby. The next morning the baby was left alone, the baby, about two months old, was found on the doorstep of Andrew Clark. Mr. and Mrs. Clark will adopt the child.

Mrs. CHRISTIAN M. ROHR was fatally burned at Rock Island. She was 70 years old and lived alone.

COLLINSVILLE and neighboring towns have for a long time been suffering under the depredations of a band of burglars. The City Marshal of Collinsville, with the aid of one of the "gangs," arrested six burglars while they were in the act of robbing a store in that city. Three of those were the Redmond boys, who have heretofore borne an excellent reputation as honest, respectable young farmers. The other three are Aleck Leslie, John Waldon, and Ed Nelson. The robbery leader is called by the name of William Kincaid, of Caseyville. An officer has been on his trail, but has not yet located his whereabouts. Two other citizens of Collinsville are being shadowed by detectives.

DR. E. P. MUMFORD, of Chicago, is alleged to have prescribed an overdose of laudanum for Robert Walker's baby, and it died. Mr. Walker sues for \$5,000.

At Peoria Henry Scheerer, who has held a city office for twenty years, was sentenced to two years in the penitentiary for burglary and larceny. He was the city electrician and a few weeks ago entered a saloon opposite the city hall and robbed the safe of \$600. He pleaded guilty and turned over the money.

DAN PORTER, who was confined in the Quincy jail under sentence of death, for the murder of Edwin D. Smith, knocked the Sheriff down, took his arms, and escaped.

ISABELLA BRUNSON, an 8-year-old colored girl of Chicago, was fatally burned by a red-hot stove.

In Chicago, while being examined for shooting at L. J. Otterberg, O. D. Emmons, a gambler, lost his temper in court. He was profusely profane and the Judge profusely profane with him. He was fined \$5 for contempt of court.

An unknown man was killed in Chicago by a Northwestern train. He wore good clothes, and had over forty cigar stumps in his pocket.

JOHN COBI and Sam Dandy were killed by a boiler explosion at Cairo, and two others were fatally injured.

CHICAGO police caught "Billy" Hill, a one-legged burglar, in the act of breaking into a store.

THE C. B. & Q. is very largely reducing its force of employees, 300 have been discharged during the month of Galesburg. More will follow. In some towns the number of discharged men is so great as to alarm local merchants. The officers explain their action by alleging great shrinkage of business.

COL. THOS. S. CASEY, of Springfield, is dead. He commanded the One Hundred and Tenth Illinois at Stone River, and won honorable distinction. He was twice State's Attorney for Jefferson County, six years in the Legislature, and six years upon the bench.

JOHN OLSON, of Chicago, in celebrating the birth of his son, got drunk, and was fined \$100 for disturbing the peace. The Judge expressed his regret that he couldn't make the fine bigger.

WALTER BLEYER eloped from Moline with Velma Snyder, daughter of J. B. Snyder of the Keator House. She has a fortune in her own right.

ILLINOIS LAW-MAKERS.

On the 25th, the 126th ballot for Senator was reached. The Republicans refrained from voting, as the Democrats were expected to win, while in their own ranks there were several vacancies on account of illness, and the absence of two or more votes from the Republican side would have constituted a quorum and resulted in Palmer's election. Palmer received 101 votes each time, amid deafening Democratic cheers. As the 101 did not make a quorum, the Republicans left the ball, and the joint assembly passed the House. Making an error, Chicago, made a mirth-provoking speech on railroad and warehouse matters. Mr. Rogers presented a bill to amend the primary election law.

The so-called session of the 26th was simply a time-killing contest. Senator Matthews is seriously ill at his home in Champaign, and his absence compels the Republicans to refrain from voting for United States Senator, as the Democrats are on hand 101 strong. Senator Lehman is also seriously ill, so that his wife has been sent for. As before, in joint assembly, the Democrats did all the voting, and the 126th ballot was reached. In the House, a communication from the Kansas Legislature was read. It asks the Illinois Legislature to concur in a resolution which was passed in Kansas calling for a commercial congress to discuss the political and economic questions that are now before the country and to devise ways and means of solving them by legislation. The congress is to be composed of five members of the lower house and four Senators from each of the States lying between the Mississippi River, the Gulf of Mexico, and the States of Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Michigan. The resolution was referred to the committee of the whole.

Senator Rogers, last night, introduced a bill for an appropriation for the purchase of brick machines for the Southern Penitentiary, so that 125 convicts who are now idle can be put to work.

The session of the House on the 27th was a lively one, owing to the attempt by Republicans to induce Speaker Crafts to appoint the standing committee. The motion was carried by the balance of the morning was consumed in a heated controversy over the Senate Interest bill, introduced by Senator Caldwell, which reduces the contract with the State of Illinois from 5 to 3 per cent. Continued sickness of Republican members resulted in no quorum voting at the joint assembly, and a truce was arranged for the 3d proximo. The exodus of legislators to their homes was larger than ever before during this session. For the first time Dr. Moore went to his home in Chicago, and the balance of the day a personal colloquy between Messrs. Cockrell and Ferns stirred up some angry discussion, and was the subject of much comment.

A Carp's Dinner. Miraculous diet! Strange things happen in far-off places. It is not uncommon in opening fish to find various and divers sundries within their maws.

One fish Superior to the great blue trout, the *manana* of the Djibouti, seems always to be ready and willing to accept any of such things as are thrown from the cook's galley of the steamers and sailing vessels which plow its pellucid waters. It is not uncommon to find a fork or spoon, beef bones, potatoes, broken wine glasses, corn cobs, and even a bunch of keys among treasure trove from their omnivorous collection bags. But now a carp comes to the front as a container of the neatest outfit of anything yet seen on the great unsalted sea.

On Christmas morning Capt. McCormick, an old salt and fish man, saw two fine large German carp on sale in Duluth. Struck with their appearance, he thought it best to purchase the fish. He purchased one and sent it to him with the compliments of the season. Of course the Doctor was pleased with the gift and ordered it fabled. You can imagine the astonishment of all when it was opened to find within a silk-lined case containing a large meerschaum pipe and cigar holder, all in good order, too. It was a genuine carp, imported from Germany, of the variety called *papier mache*. The Doctor has it carefully preserved, and the smoker's apparatus, too, which he shows to his friends with very great pleasure.—Forest and Stream.

Words Not to Be Used. Cute, for acute. Party, for person. Depot, for station. Promise, for assure. Posted, for informed. Shopping, for shopping. Like I do, for as I do. Feel badly, for feel bad. Healthy, for wholesome. First-rate, as an adverb. Try and do, for try to do. These kind, for this kind. Guessing, for guessing. Funny, for odd or unusual. Guessing, for suppose or think. Fix, for arrange or prepare. Just as soon, for just as lief. Had better, for would better. Right away, for immediately. Had rather, for would rather. I'll do it seven, for among seven. Not as good as, for not so good as. Some ten days, for about ten days. The matter of, for the matter with. Not as I know, for not that I know. Somebody else's, for somebody's else. Kind of, for indicate a moderate degree.

England's Great Guns. The British warship *Taunders* has received the first four great guns are extra from which great quantities of the *Taunders* consisted of two 38-ton and two 35-ton muzzle-loading guns, and it may be remembered that one of these burst, in the course of practice, inside the turret, with fatal results. It was pretty generally believed that the cause of the accident was that the gun had been twice loaded before firing.

The new guns, two of which are mounted on each turret, are of 10-inch caliber and weigh 29 tons weight. The total length is 26 feet 10 inches, the projectile weighs 500 pounds, and the full charge of powder is 100 pounds. The full charge of weight. At a range of 1,000 yards it is calculated to pierce 21 inches of wrought-iron plate.

AMONG the anecdotes recorded of Lord Beaconsfield in Mr. Froude's biography of the statesman is one pertaining to the death of the King. Maintaining to the death of the King, the King's death was a remarkable people, the King said he: "They defeat our generals, they convert our bishops, they have settled the fate of a great European dynasty."

The State capitol building at Albany is still settling. It has settled over \$20,000,000 of the pockets of the taxpayers, but there is still more juice to be squeezed out of the lemon.