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A Dairy Humbug.

Black pepsin is made and sold by a man named Bane, under the style of "U. S. Salyx Company, New Concord, Ohio." According to Professor Kedzie, it consists of salts and coloring matter. It is sold for making two pounds of butter out of one pound of butter and one pound of milk. It is also claimed to be patented, and county rights are being sold in this State. But as the assignments which have come to my notice do not even contain the number of a patent, it is reasonable to assume that the claim is not true. Many people have been induced to buy the fraud in hope of making money out of it. Numerous inquiries have come to me as to whether this butter could be sold under our laws unadulterated. But as it is one-half butter and one-half milk, it could, of course, not be allowed to be sold.

It is true that a pound of soft butter and a pound of milk slightly warmed, churned, or shaken together, will unite in a solid mass weighing two pounds. But the black pepsin plays no part in this operation, as it can be accomplished just as well without as with it.

If you wish to make the experiment, put a pound of soft butter into a wide-necked bottle, add a pint of luke-warm milk and shake for a moment, and you will see how readily the milk and butter will emulsify.—Prof. H. A. Weber, Columbus, Ohio.

Spraying for a Hog Crop.

Mr. E. H. Kern, of Kansas, tried a novel experiment in spraying kerosene oil upon his hogs as a remedy against parasites, which he thus relates in Insect Life:

"I tried a little experiment during last August with our ordinary coal oil. I saw a number of my hogs were not doing well. They were continually rubbing against the fence or some post. I put one gallon of oil into my knapsack sprayer, put it on my shoulders, and walked out to the pen. I could not get my hogs quiet enough to spray well, so I put some corn chop into their box, and while they were eating I gave them an excellent covering of oil very finely put on by said sprayer. My neighbors said, 'The hair will come off;' others said, 'It will blister.' I awaited my result. Next morning, on examining their backs, I found great loose scales of dirt and mange, and under these and among them were thousands of dead lice. Result my hogs are smooth and slick—lice all gone. Have tried same in hen-houses to kill chicken mites; also lice on horses. A flannel cloth saturated with best coal oil and rubbed over eggs from bot fly on horses' legs causes eggs to loosen and drop in a short time."

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FIRE FIEND'S FURY.

THREE TOWNS SWEPT WITH THE BESOM OF DESTRUCTION.

Phillips, Wis., and Belle Plaine and Brooklyn, Iowa, Almost Annihilated—Thirteen Lives Known to Have Been Lost—An Unprecedented Disaster.

A Day of Horrors.

Thirty-nine buildings out of 700 stand amid smoke and ashes on the site of what was Friday the flourishing city of Phillips, Wis, the county seat of Price County, and one of the wealthiest and most prosperous of all the towns in the timber regions of Wisconsin. Three thousand people are homeless, and, except those who have been offered shelter in the neighboring towns, have no covering for their worn out bodies. Worse than all, at least thirteen people are known to have lost their lives. The dead are:

James Locke, butcher, wife and five children.

Frank Cliss, in charge of the dry kilns of the John R. Davis Lumber Company, and 2-year-old child.

Mrs. David Bryden, wife of the foreman of the Fayette Shaw Tannery, and two children. Mr. Bryden was also supposed to have died, but returned home that night, having been away from the city, only to hear that his family had perished.

Unknown man.

All the dead were drowned in Elk Lake while trying to escape from the fire, except the unknown man whose body was found in the ruins of the house of F. W. Sackett, editor of the Phillips Times.

Central, sent the following telegram to all officers and agents:

You have heard of the disaster that has overtaken Phillips and other points on our line. Use your best efforts to get together supplies that will be immediately useful and forward them to meet the emergency. All supplies consigned to the authorized relief committee will be transported free, and you will give preference over other freight. If necessary send supplies on passenger trains to meet immediate wants.

People Have Been Courageous.

In the face of the calamity that has befallen the people of Phillips they have manifested a courage that is remarkable, and have really seemed in good spirits. Every effort put forth has been to care for the immediate wants of the unfortunate. Mayor Koch of Milwaukee headed a fund with $100, and $500 city funds were temporarily used. Eau Claire, Wausau, and Chippewa Falls were among those contributing liberally of cash.

IOWA TOWNS SUFFER.

Belle Plaine and Brooklyn Lose Upward of Half a Million.

A fire which started in a Belle Plaine, Iowa, blacksmith shop, on Saturday afternoon resulted in the nearly total destruction of the business part of town, only three buildings remaining. The loss is estimated at $500,000, with perhaps insurance amounting to $200,000. The flames, owing to the buildings being very dry, were soon beyond control. From Krohl's livery stable the flames leaped across the street into another livery stable and the engine-house and spread up the main street west to the Henry Hotel; then across the street into a billiard hall, and continuing east engulfed the entire business part of the city, leaving ruin and ashes in its wake.

It was a terribly fierce fire, and with one engine, hook and ladder truck, hose carts, and other apparatus nothing could be done to check the flames which speeded from building to building with great rapidity. People living in the upper stories of buildings were compelled to flee for their lives and in one instance the family of John B. Leicht were rescued from the second story of the drug store of Vanmeter & Co. by means of ladders, so fast was the spread of the flames.

MAP SHOWING LOCATION OF FOREST FIRES.

The property loss cannot at this time be accurately estimated, but it will reach at least $1,250,000.

The immense plant of the John R. Davis Lumber Company is a total loss, amounting to between $500,000 and $600,0 0. On this property there is an insurance equal to at least four-fifths the value of the plant. Of the rest of the city about half the property was insured. Many of the poorer people carried no insurance on their homes, and they have lost everything. There were many fine business blocks and private residences in the city, and every one was burned to the ground. Many of the residences cost upward of $3,000, and were handsome even for a Northern Wisconsin city.

Not since the cyclone of fire that wiped out the existence of the village of Peshtigo, when many people were burned to death, has there been a holocaust of the character of this one. Four gales of fire following each other, as soon as one had accomplished its work of destruction, cut four swaths through the city, leaving standing only the Lutheran Church and some dwellings near the southern limits, and freakishly jumping over the Woester Town Hall and a group of dwellings in the very heart of the burned district.

A system of water works, which would ordinarily be ample protection against the blazing forests, was rendered useless by the burning of the pumping station in the first fire.

Relief Come Quickly.

In almost no time provisions consisting of bread, butter, coffee and canned articles had been received from Fifield, Prentice, Dorchester, Medford and Butternut. Telegrams were received from the mayors of Ashland and Stevens Point. The former telegraphed that he would send what was wanted, and a man was at once sent to superintend the shipment. Stevens Point sent a car-load of provisions. Saturday night eight car-loads of provisions had been received. Major Upham, who has had experience with the terrors of fire, telegraphed that relief was on the way from Marshfield as soon as he arrived home from Milwaukee.

Governor Peck sent the following message from Oconomowoc:

Will bring you relief at once. Wire me at once what is most needed. Keep a stiff upper lip. We are coming as soon as cars can run.

A telegram was sent to the Governor in reply, asking him to send blankets and tents, together with mess tents, for 1,000 people. In response to this the Governor telegraphed that there were no tents available at present, but that he would be there in the morning with sheathing, hammers and nails, and to be ready to begin the construction of temporary quarters.

Railway Officials Render Aid.

General Manager Whitcomb, of the

Brooklyn, Iowa, Stricken.

A disastrous fire broke out in Wood & Kibby's furniture and undertaking establishment at Brooklyn, Iowa, Saturday morning, and in two hours every business building on Front and Jackson streets was in ruins, including the Chronicle office, the postoffice, and the opera house. The loss is over $150,000 and the insurance nearly $80,000. The National and Niagara Insurance Companies are the heaviest losers. Others are the Continental, Home, Hartford, Farmers', Council Bluffs Capitol, North British, Ætna, and Phœnix.

The following are the losses, with the amount of insurance carried:

Brooklyn Chronicle, $5,000, partly insured; Butts' barber shop $100, no insurance; Wood & Kibby $3,000, insurance $1,500; Drs. Conawty and Busby $1,000, no insurance; Scott, Reed & Scott $300, no insurance; Poweshiek County Bank $3,500, insurance $2,300; Boston Clothing House $5,000, insurance $3,000; Postoffice $2,500, insurance $1,500; J. H. Wood $1,000, insurance $800; Rayburn & Lee $1,800, insurance $1,500; Dr. A. C. Landes $150, insured; Charles West $700, insured; E. H. Talbott $500, insured; C. T. Rainsburg $5,000, insurance $3,500; Leonard Bros. $10,000, insurance $7,000; William Hankey $12,000, insurance $6,000; Graham Bros. $9,000, insurance $4,500; Dr. A. E. Anger $1,000, insurance $600; I. O. O. F. hall $10,000; insurance $6,200; George Kraft $3,000, by damage; Karr Bros. $12,000, insurance $10,000; J. W. Johnson $6,000, partly insured; Mills' variety store $2,000, insurance $800; Mustapher & Butts $1,000, no insurance; F. P. Shrader $5,000 insurance $3,500; W. L. Paul $600, insurance $300; I. L. Drake $150, insured; William Manatt $6,000, no insurance; Phil Kilmer $1,000, insured; Wood & Derrance $8,000, partly insured; First Bational Bank $100, insured; Sterling & Tabott building $100, insured; Bowers building $200, insured; Boughton, jeweler, $50, insured; E. R. Bigelow $400, insured; Westley Manatt $4,000, no insurance.

TWO MILES east of Eufaula, I. T., Samuel Checota and Billy Narcome, two Creeks, shot and instantly killed Frank Hawkins. A reward of $500 was offered for his body.

THOMAS MCCLOSKEY, a printer, fell from a bridge at Albany, N. Y., and was killed. He had attempted to pick up a purse dropped by a little girl.

NO SENATOR NAMED.

WULFF HEADS THE REPUBLICAN STATE TICKET.

Cullom's Friends Vote Down the Proposition to Name a Candidate for Senator—Treasurership Fight Settled by One Ballot.

Republican Ticket.

State Treasurer	HENRY WULFF
Superintendent of Public Instruction	S. M. INGLIS
Trustees of State University	MRS. J. M. FLOWER S. A. BULLARD ALEXANDER MCLEAN

Springfield correspondence:

The Republican State Convention which met in this city was the largest delegate body ever held in the State.

Chairman John M. Clark called the convention to order at noon, and Rev. Dr. Adrian, of Dundee, offered a short prayer. J. R. B. Van Cleave, of Chicago, read the call for the convention, and then, without any further delay, Chairman Clark introduced Alderman Jas. R. Mann, of Chicago, as the temporary chairman.

CHAIRMAN FIFER

At the close of his speech Chairman Mann took the gavel and promptly brought the convention down to business. The first move of a political nature was by Lieutenant Governor Lyman B. Ray, who offered a motion to refer to the Committee on Platform all resolutions without reading or debate. Gov. Ray's motion clothed the Chair with power to keep out of the convention all resolutions for the instruction of the Legislature regarding the candidate for United States Senator. It was a movement in the interest of Mr. Wulff to keep the Senatorial question out of the convention, and the motion of Gov. Ray and the prompt action of Chairman Mann in putting it to a vote squelched the Senatorial question before it had a chance to make its appearance. The committees were then appointed and the convention took a recess until 3 o'clock.

At the afternoon session, the Committee on Credentials reported no contest and the Committee on Permanent Organization reported, through its Chairman, Charles Raymond, of Watseka, that it had selected ex-Governor Joseph W. Fifer for permanent Chairman, and J. R. B. Van Cleave, of Chicago, for permanent Secretary, with Charles A. Partridge, of Waukegan, for First Assistant. The committee also reported a recommendation that the State Central Committee be allowed to increase its membership by the election of five committeemen at large. Ex-Governor Fifer was then introduced as permanent Chairman. When Gov. Fifer took the gavel Senator Charles E. Fuller announced that the people and the Republican press of Illinois had expressed a desire to have a Senatorial candidate nominated, and he believed that this convention should take up that question. It was not a question whether Senator Cullom or Congressman Mason, or Governor Oglesby, or any other Republican should be nominated, but as to whether this convention would obey the demand of the people for a nomination. A proposition was made amid much excitement to table the motion. On being put to ballot the vote stood 1,019 in favor of tabling the proposition to nominate a candidate for United States Senator and 315 against laying the motion on the table. It settled the Senatorial question and defeated the friends of Mr. Mason. Governor Ray took the chair to relieve Governor Fifer when the next struggle began. It was the nomination of State Treasurer. Judge Collins, of Chicago, nominated Henry Wulff; E. F. Smith, of Springfield, nominated W. W. Tracy, and Senator Aspinwall nominated General Smith D. Atkins. When the roll call was finished Wulff had 751 votes, Tracy 326, and Atkins 253. Mr. Wulff had 88 votes more than a majority.

Mr. Smith, of Springfield, on behalf of Mr. Tracy, moved to make the nomination unanimous, and the friends of General Atkins seconded the motion. It was done, and the State Treasurer fight ended.

The nominees for Trustees of the University of Illinois are Mrs. J. M. Flower, S. A. Bullard and Alexander McLean. S. M. Inglis is the candidate for Superintendent of Public Instruction.

New State Central Committee.

First—T. N. Jamieson, Chicago.
Second—Charles S. Deneen, Chicago.
Third—John R. Tanner, Chicago.
Fourth—S. H. Case, Chicago.
Fifth—M. R. Harris, Chicago.
Sixth—Wm. T. Ball, Chicago.
Seventh—Henry L. Hertz, Chicago.
Eighth—I. C. Copley, Aurora.
Ninth—H. O. Hilton, Rockford.
Tenth—James McKinney, Aledo.
Eleventh—Walter Reeves, Streator.
Twelfth—E. D. Willard, Joliet.
Thirteenth—L. S. Wilcox, Champaign.
Fourteenth—Isaac C. Edwards, Peoria.
Fifteenth—W. H. Hainline, Macomb.
Sixteenth—Charles A. Rannels, Pisgah.
Seventeenth—W. F. Calhoun, Decatur.
Eighteenth—W. A. Haskell, Alton.
Nineteenth—C. P. Hitch, Paris.
Twentieth—John H. Miller, McLeansboro.
Twenty-first—W. A. Stoker, Centralia.
Twenty-second—W. G. S. Rhea, Marion.

Artificial Whalebone.

A process of forming artificial whalebone from animal hair, consisting in subjecting the hair to a softening bath, then to a bath of acetic acid, and, finally, placing the mass under great pressure, has been invented.

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Odd Items.

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THERE IS A GEM IN THE OCEAN.

An Island that Blazes Like a Diamond When Seen from Afar.

The men who came up from Clipperton Island on the Volant will be paid off this morning and discharged, and whether any of them will return to the guano-covered rock has not yet been decided. One of the men who went down on the Viking and remained on the island for several months told some remarkable stories of the treasure rock.

He corroborated the tale of the hungry crabs, and said that the houses which had been put up had to be covered with tin to prevent the crustaceans from eating through the wood. It was so hot that the skin peeled off the men's backs through their light undershirts. There were any amount of eggs to be had, which were laid by birds resembling wild geese. The crabs would seize these eggs as fast as they were laid and make off with them.

"The harbor," said the Clipperton Robinson Crusoe, "is not a good one, and the water is full of sharks. When the wind blows off shore it is impossible for a vessel's moorings to hold her. The Viking went away with about fifty tons short of what she ought to have taken, but that was the fault of the Captain. He got scared and put to sea. The weather was so bad when the Volant was there that there was no use of staying, and she gave up trying to get a load. The sharks are very vicious and seem to be without fear, as they are in great numbers. When a boat is being rowed ashore the man-eaters jump out of the water and snap at a man.

"While the Volant was lying at Clipperton the strangest kind of a fish I ever saw came up astern of it. In shape it was something like a sting-ray, with a long, ugly-looking tail. It spread big wings that must have been at least twenty feet wide from tip to tip. The superintendent said it was a rayfish, and others called it a sunfish. It stuck its head up, then spread out its wings, and skimmed along over the water.

"The island is nothing more than a big rock, honeycombed with the strangest kinds of shapes. At sunset some parts of it seemed a blazing mass of gold. If there is any truth in the stories about treasure being hidden there we could not prove it, but you can bet we searched high and low for the pirates' booty."—San Francisco Chronicle.

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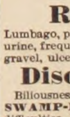

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