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Heartless Practice of Drainage Canal Contractors—Dr. Draper Assumes Control at the State University — Two Shoboniер Families Given a Bad Scare.

Prey on the Sick.

Drainage canal contractors—not all, it can be said to the credit of some of them—are gouging $1,500 to $2,000 every month out of their workmen for medical attendance and hospital fees, and they are turning the sick and injured men over to the charity of Cook County. The hospital fees represent just so much clear gain to the contractors—gain squeezed out of the small pay of a lot of ignorant workmen, the most of them foreigners. This is going to make trouble for the contractors. The County Commissioners are after them; so are the members of the Drainage Board; so are the hospital officials.

Insane Hospital Keeper Clubbed.

The other morning C. J. Richards, night keeper at the criminal insane hospital at Chester, was dangerously injured in a conflict with a colored insane convict named Thomas Cook. Cook had secured the iron leg of a bath tub, with which he tried open the door of his cell, and when Richards made his appearance in the cellhouse on his usual Cook sprang from his place of concealment and struck Richards a blow on the forehead with the iron leg. A conflict ensued, in which Richards received several more blows on the head and was left for dead on the floor. He recovered in time to fire five shots at the convict as he was making his escape through a window. The shots were without effect and the convict escaped. Richards may recover. Cook is a burly negro sent from Chicago to the Joliet penitentiary about a year ago for murder. Last August he was transferred to the asylum, having been adjudged insane.

New Man in Charge.

Dr. Andrew Sloan Draper was on Thursday officially installed as President of the University of Illinois at Champaign before 5,000 persons. Visitors from every quarter of the State and many from other States attended, members of the Alumni Association, prominent educators from other institutions, and men of note in professional and business life. Among them Governor Altgeld, J. T. Findley, President Knox College; W. S. Chaplin, Washington University; B. P. Colton, State Normal University; Dr. Bayard Holmes and Gen. Sooy Smith, of Chicago; Nathaniel Butler, Chicago University; A. E. Palmer, President Lincoln University; C. G. Neeley, John C. Ellis, S. W. Stratton, W. T. Merrill, Gorham H. Knottt, Mary D. Olsen, Mrs. J. M. Flower, Trustee of the University-elect; O. T. Bright and Fred Deland, of Chicago; S. M. Inglis, State Superintendent-elect; W. F. M. Goss, Purdue University; C. C. Duffey, Ottawa; and President Schaefer, Iowa University.

National Grange in Good Shape.

At Springfield the National Grange Executive Committee submitted its annual report, which showed a healthy condition, ample membership, and a large amount of work done. Leonard Rohne, of Pennsylvania, was elected to succeed himself as a member of the Executive Committee for the ensuing two years. The standing committees were announced. The State Grange concluded its session and adjourned. A resolution was adopted condemning the charges made at the Chicago Stock Yards as extortionate. The terms of George R. Tate of St. Clair County and J. R. Shaver of La Salle County as members of the Executive Committee having expired, Mr. Tate was elected to succeed himself and Robert Eaton of Joliet was chosen to succeed Mr. Shaver.

Ten Poisoned by Eating Cookies.

There is much excitement in the neighborhood of Shobonier, south of Vandalia, over what appears to be wholesale poisoning of Martin Sasse, his son Herman, and their families, ten in all. Mrs. Martin Sasse baked some cookies and sent some of them over to her son Herman. Both families partook of the cake and soon afterward all the members became ill and began vomiting. The illness in each case was attended by swelling of the face. It is thought by the attending physician the flour of which the cookies were made contained poison and a chemical analysis will be made. Two members of Martin Sasse's family are still confined to their beds.

Attempt to Wreck an Alton Train.

The other night an attempt was made to wreck the midnight passenger train, south bound, on the Chicago and Alton Railroad, a half mile north of Joliet. Ties were piled on the track, but they were observed in time to save the train and probably many lives. This is the second time within a month that attempts have been made to wreck this train. There is thought to be a gang of men whose object is to rob the passengers. No arrests have been made, but extra detectives are at work on the case.

Record of the Week.

Inoculation is said to have been tried successfully at Fairbury as a preventive of hog cholera.

Mrs. A. S. Cox, of Canton, dropped a lamp, setting fire to her clothing and burning her to death.

The miners employed by the Hillsboro Coal Company went out because the company has refused to pay them every two weeks.

At Decatur thieves broke into Charles White's pawn broker shop and robbed the safe of $1,500 worth of watches. They did their work in a hurry, because they left as much stuff as they took.

Fire in the Okataw bottoms south of Vandalia came within one mile of the river, which is the eastern city limit. Everything in the path of the fire was destroyed and considerable young timber was ruined.

—Ben Robertson, a teacher in the Frankfort public schools, was killed by the foolish handling of a revolver. He and five companions were returning from a dance in a hack when young Day Crawford commenced to flourish an old pistol. The weapon went off accidentally. The ball passed through Robertson's head, killing him instantly.

—Geo. H. Hegener, one of Cass County's early pioneers, is dead.

—E. L. Clossen, agent of the Illinois Central Railroad at Leverett, was killed by a freight train.

—Griswold and Lake, the train robbers who killed Detective Owens, pleaded guilty in the Circuit Court at Waukegan.

—Rev. B. B. Hamilton, late Chaplain of the Sixty-first Illinois Infantry Volunteers, died at Alton, aged 72 years.

—Governor Altgeld appointed Elijah P. Ramsay State Treasurer to fill the vacancy occasioned by his father's death.

—Samuel Buckley, of Bowen, and Mrs. Leah Beadle, of La Prairie, were married. The groom is 67 and the bride 65 years old.

—A large barn at Springfield was burned. Two horses and other property aggregating $3,000 was destroyed. The fires was incendiary.

—Reports showing the order to be in a flourishing condition were presented at the session of the National Grange, Patrons of Husbandry, at Springfield.

—Papers on school hygiene and diphtheria diagnosis were read and discussed at the meeting of the State Board of Health Auxiliary Sanitary Association.

—Charles Moore's contest of the will of Risdon Moore, who left his estate of $75,000 to his third wife, was begun at Belleville, with 150 witnesses to be examined.

—Judge Brentano, of Chicago, fined and discharged a jury which freed a burglar against whom the evidence was conclusive.

—Senator Vinton E. Howell, of the Twenty-second district, will present the name of Edmund O'Connell, of Bloomington, as his candidate for the office of Sergeant-at-Arms of the Illinois Senate.

—The farmers near Assumption are becoming considerably alarmed at a disease of some kind which is killing their cattle and horses very rapidly. The prevailing idea is that their death is caused by smut on corn stalks.

—Carriages were dispatched with visitors from all parts of Illinois to attend the funeral of State Treasurer Rufus N. Ramsay. Every business house in the city was closed. Gov. Altgeld and other State officials were in attendance.

The Royal Sewing Machine Company, one of the largest industries in Rockford, has made an adjustment of its difficulties and will soon resume operation. John Budlong and other capitalists are the moving spirits in the enterprise.

—The suit of the World's Fair photographers, C. B. Arnold and Harlow B. Higinbotham, against the N. D. Publishing Company and others, has been settled out of court. The defendants may sell their pictures.

—George Kistner, who was convicted at the September term of the Adams County Circuit Court for manslaughter and sentenced to the penitentiary for one years, was pardoned by Gov. Altgeld. He had not yet been sent to the State's prison.

—Elvan Matthews, a Jerseyville boy of 12, is in jail, charged with stealing from his adopted father, Casper Rens, twenty-one $20 gold pieces. The boy says his father put the money under a stone beneath an old building and he stole and buried it.

—Albert T. Lain and Miss Nellie Darrah were married at Bloomington, in the presence of 100 guests, the ceremony being performed by Rev. W. A. Strong. The bride is the daughter of the late Dr. D. D. Darrah, formerly Grand Master of the Masons of Illinois.

—Percey Gray, well known in society circles in Los Angeles, Cal., who had been engaged to a young lady of Kingston, Ill., committed suicide by shooting. Letters recently received from his fiancee stating that she could not marry him is supposed to have driven Gray to suicide.

—Thos. Kent, City Marshal of Champaign, was indicted for assaulting a negro who is said to have been afflicted with smallpox. The negro, it was claimed, afterward died from the punishment he received. Kent was found guilty of assault. The defense has asked for a new trial.

—P. H. Goodheart, of Chicago, who travels for a wholesale liquor house and also makes collections along the road, went to bed at the Tremont Hotel, Quincy. When he retired to his room he took his wallet, containing $1,000 in cash, and placed it between the mattresses at the bottom of the bed. He forgot all about where he had placed his wallet. He reported his loss to the clerk and the hotel was searched thoroughly, and the money found where he had placed it.

—A peculiar and serious accident happened at the works of the Empire Cordage Company at Champaign, causing one man to lose his life and seriously injuring two others. The works had closed down for the noon hour, and H. A. Hughston, Patrick Gillen, and A. J. Freeman were in the boiler-room. The blow-off pipe of one of the large boilers suddenly blew off and enveloped the men with steam. They managed to get out of the boiler-room, but Hughston was so badly scalded that he died in a short time. Gillen and Freeman are seriously injured.

—A 12-year-old son of R. J. Murray met his death in a singular manner at a school-house near Marion. Upon his arrival home from school the lad discovered that he had left his gloves at the schoolhouse. He immediately returned for them, but found the door locked. From the surroundings it is supposed he procured a piece of timber, which he placed against the wall of the building to assist him in climbing in through the window. When found a few hours afterward his body was found hanging from the window, his neck having been caught between the sash and the sill. He had evidently climbed upon the timber, raised the lower sash and tried to make an entrance, when the timber slipped from under his feet and the sash fell and caught him on the neck, producing death by strangulation. He had struggled hard to free himself, as his boots were kicked off his feet when found.

—Judge Ben O. Jones, a prominent citizen of Metropolis, shot and fatally wounded himself with suicidal intent. He was an ex-newspaper man, County Judge, and a lawyer of recognized ability. Family troubles were the cause assigned.

—John Weir, a stockman from Lacon, reached the Chicago stock yards with two cars of cattle. He disposed of his stock, receiving nearly $1,800, and then went out to see the sights about Halsted street. Before going home he shook dice with the regulation stranger, who grabbed $100 and ran away.

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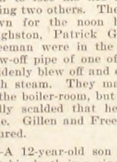

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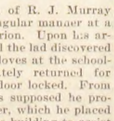

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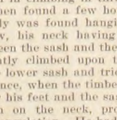

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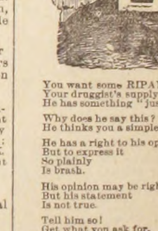

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