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BRIEF MENTION.

The Montana elevator at Bozeman has been burned. Loss, \$75,000; insurance, \$50,000.
 The general conference of the Methodist Episcopal church for 1891 will be held at Omaha.
 The Chinese government has accepted the formal invitation to participate in the world's fair.

Ex-Congressman John Young Brown has been nominated for governor of Kentucky by the Democrats.
 J. N. E. Wilson of San Francisco was elected grand master by the grand lodge of Odd Fellows held at that city last week.
 Professor Gosman, well known as a teacher of languages, and who was consul at Athens under President Lincoln, is dead.

John A. Logan, Jr., who is suffering from lung disease, has gone to Scotland with his mother and his wife to remain during the summer.
 Senator Arthur P. Gorman was presented with a \$5,000 silver service by the Democrats of Maryland at a banquet at Baltimore a few days ago.
 Jack and William Slavin, brothers of Frank Slavin, the pugilist, have arrived at San Francisco from Australia. They will soon start East to join their brother.

At Stamford, Ills., J. A. and Samuel Riley and Berry Fowler drank from a bottle which they supposed contained whisky but which was filled with acid. All three are dead.
 The Philadelphia Academy of Natural Sciences will send an expedition to the Arctic ocean. The expedition will leave New York about June 1. It will be under the command of Lieut. Peary, United States navy.
 Eleven Austrian emigrants are held at the police office at New York. They confessed that they were brought to the country to work for a street car company and the Gas Consumers' company at Chicago. The authorities are holding them for the prosecution of the contractors.

Charles S. Bark, the representative of an English syndicate, has left New York for London with options on over 100 orange farms in California. He says that a number of wealthy men in England have decided to go into orange growing and make California their residence.
 One of the greatest sales of thoroughbred horses ever held was that at Sheepshead Bay last week when the racetracks of the late Senator Hearst were sold at auction. Twenty-six head brought a total of \$128,100, an average of \$1,927 each. Tournament, the great 4-year-old, was bought by Foxhall Keene of New York for \$33,500.

Manager A. L. Wilbur of the Wilbur opera company was overthrown in the lobby of a theatre at Minneapolis by Lida Darrell, a member of the chorus. Miss Darrell asked him to put a stop to stories of a bad nature which were being circulated about her in the company and Wilbur told her to conduct herself in such a manner as to give no foundation to unpleasant talk.
 A railroad engineer who has just arrived at New York from Chile says that the reports received from that country regarding the rebellion are all "doctored." The insurgents have not won a battle of any consequence and liquid and one or two smaller cities have been retaken by the government. The government has 40,000 trained and equipped soldiers while the insurgents have a mob of 8,000. The engineer says the war will end in less than sixty days.

The committee of fifty appointed at New Orleans to investigate the Mafia has made its report to the mayor. It says in part: "The first work of the committee was to obtain from the chief of police a report of ninety-four assassinations by Italians and Sicilians where the accused escaped for want of evidence." Then followed the assassination of Chief of Police Hennessy. The result of the trial demonstrated to the people that no one was safe from the mysterious hand that was operating regardless of law. It was only when this fear grew into an absolute conviction that the people rose in their might, took the law in their own hands and then followed the event of March 14."

A London dispatch says: B. C. Duncan of Washington, D. C., arrived three weeks ago at Bear View hotel, in Wales, accompanied by a young foreign lady whom he introduced as his wife. They left the hotel ostensibly to go to Liverpool. The evening a farmer saw Duncan in a secluded spot in the fields leaning over the woman who was on the ground. Duncan said she had fallen and hit her head on a rock. Doctors were summoned and found that the injuries could not have been inflicted by violence. Duncan, after being arrested, confessed that he had battered the woman's head with a stone. He did not explain the motive. She is a native of Finland. Duncan is said to be of good family in Washington.
 Alice Victoria Murphy, daughter of Capt. Murphy, once secretary to the Prince of Wales and a favorite of Queen Victoria, has fallen heir to a quarter of a million of dollars while following the occupation of governor and seamstress at Buffalo, N. Y. She is a tall, handsome brunette, about 35 years old, and has had almost every country in the world during her romantic life. Born and reared in London, her father was an officer in the English army who achieved fame during the Crimean war. Her mother was a Spanish woman and a Protestant, while her father was a devout Catholic. While Miss Murphy was quite young her father quarreled with her mother and thereafter would not allow her name to be mentioned in his presence. The mother then went to Australia with a wealthy brother. Last January she died and Miss Murphy has just received word from some attorneys in England stating that she is one of the four heirs to a fortune of \$1,000,000.
 Sir John McDonald is falling in health. His friends are trying to induce him to take a trip to Europe.
 Michigan has suffered greatly from forest fires. The losses amount to over \$1,000,000 and hundreds of families are destitute.
 Rudolph Sigel, son of Gen. Franz Sigel, New York, has been sent to an insane asylum. Overwork is the cause of his derangement.
 Austin Mereness, a soldier who has been in the Kalamazoo asylum since 1875, has just received a pension amounting to \$12,800. His aged parents were destitute.
 By direction of the president, the military post at Mammoth Hot Springs, in the Yellowstone National park, known as Camp Sheridan, will hereafter be

COAST NEWS.

A man eating shark, ten feet long and weighing 800 pounds was killed at Santa Barbara a few days ago.
 The cruiser Onuma has arrived at Mare Island from China after an absence of six years. She will go out of commission on Sunday if an admission fee was charged.
 The Fresh thinkers of Pittsburg desired to hear Col. Ingessoll deliver a Sunday night lecture, but the management notified that no lecture could be delivered on Sunday if an admission fee was charged.

At the Virginia Baptist state convention, Rev. Dr. McVickers of Toronto drew a gloomy picture of the condition of the colored people of the South, and said they were worse off than they were thirty-five years ago.
 Col. John C. Cochrill, for several years managing editor of the New York World, has resigned from that paper. John A. Dillon, for eight years managing editor of the St. Louis Post-dispatch, has taken charge of The World.
 President Harrison is again in Washington. On his trip through the West he travelled 9,000 miles and made 180 speeches. The president and his party speak in the largest terms of the reception they received all along the route.

Charles S. Young of Fort Madison, Ia., went to St. Louis to work. On his return in about four weeks he found his wife married to C. S. Quick, a widower of eight weeks. Young's wife had got a divorce the week before her marriage to Quick. Young has brought suit to set aside the divorce and for \$15,000 damages against Quick.
 Twelve jurors at Syracuse, N. Y., have decided that it is good table manners for a clergyman to remove soap from his mustache by licking his chops.
 Green B. Itam Jr., son of the commissioner of pensions, has upon the resignation of Secretary Noble, tendered his resignation as assistant chief clerk of the pension bureau, and the same has been accepted. Secretary Noble learned, upon what appeared to be perfectly trustworthy testimony, that Itam Jr. has been a party to certain irregular and unlawful proceedings in connection with three appointments to minor positions in the pension bureau.
 Assignee William Nelson Cromwell of New York, who straightened out the affairs of Decker, Howell & Co., has received from the bankruptcy court a big fee of \$250,000, a magnificent dinner service of silver. Mr. Cromwell's fee is said to be the largest ever paid in this country for similar work.
 He engaged eight weeks on the matter. The amount received and disbursed by Mr. Cromwell was \$1,300,000, and the gain to the firm during his administration was \$1,800,000.
 Mrs. Arthur Briscoe was driving a team of bronchos from her home, six miles east of Alcanon, Kan., and crossing the river, there being no bridge, the team became unmanageable, kicking and overturning the buggy and throwing the lady into the water, where she drowned before help could reach her. Mrs. Briscoe was 81 years old, and leaves twenty-seven children. She had been married six times and had thirty-one children, four of whom died. All her husbands are dead.

The heavy exports of American gold into Europe generally and Germany in particular have drawn the attention of financiers to the matter. Herr Bleichroder, who shares the Rothschilds' financial power, said in an interview at Berlin: "All gold coming here from England and France is shipped to Russia, which country has been draining heavily of gold from Berlin and still heavier from London. In order to protect the Bank of England so as not to drain its resources American gold was cable for the withdrawal of gold from London and Berlin, the rates of discount of the bank of those cities would have risen to 6 or 7 per cent. In the present state of affairs this would mean ruin to thousands. We avoided it by buying American gold."
 The police of Landers, France, have arrested a man named Meunier for murder and other crimes. Meunier, who is an ex-officer of the customs and a widower with two sons, courted a wealthy girl named Jactel, who rejected him because he was poor. Meunier then engaged in a number of robberies, and finally murdered a priest and his servant. Having got some money he renewed his suit for the girl's mother objecting to the man's children. Meunier then set fire to the girl's residence, the occupants of which had a narrow escape. Meunier had not been detected in any of these crimes. After another interview with the girl, who seemed to be willing to marry him, he smothered his eldest boy and finally shot and seriously injured the girl's brother, who objected to the proposed marriage. When arrested Meunier confessed to all but the double murder.

Liberal Railroad Hands.
 "I'll warrant you never saw a more liberal set of men than those employed on railroads when it comes to helping out a family in distress," remarked a man who knew what he was talking about. "Go where you will in a railroad office, shop or yard, with a subscription in aid of an injured fellow employee or the family of one deceased, and you will find them ready to contribute as liberally as if they were asked to contribute except for necessities of their own. In contrast with their pay and the way they run railroad men are the most liberal of any class of men in the country, not even excepting our millionaires."
 —Buffalo Express.

Water Warner than the Air.
 The reputation for hardness which has been gained by the small party of bathers who do not allow the thickest ice to prevent them taking their morning dip has been cheaply earned, if we may trust a correspondent of the British Medical Journal, who writes: "It may be stated that the water itself in the spaces broken in the ice was found to have a temperature of 34 degs. F. That of the air on the banks was then about 26 degs. F. During the day it was tried, so that really the bathers were plunging into water warmer than the air."
She Saw It.
 Alice—Have you ever noticed the ring in Harold's voice?
 Gwendolyn—Not particularly.
 Alice—I have. Last night, for instance. He asked me to be his. There was a regular engagement ring in his voice.—Jeweler's Weekly.

ITEMS FOR OUR FARMERS.

A Good Fence-Killing Thistle—Painting Farm House—Selling Hams—Raising Fruit for Profit—A Stock Shed.
 Now is the time when not farmers alone, but rural supervisors and property owners in towns, should eradicate that pest, the Canada thistle, and it can be done very easily if our informants are correct. Take a sharp hoe and cut off the top near the ground, and sprinkle a little salt on the bleeding root—or else place a piece of vitriol the size of a walnut thereon. In either case the thistle will be killed. It is a cheap and simple remedy.
 Patterson Bros. keep the Royal Banner cigars; they are the best cigar made.
 Mr. J. Tetherow, of Monmouth, says he favors a board fence, as being the very best, and that his plan of building the fence is cheap and durable. He places his posts eight feet apart, and nails his boards, alternating, so that they require no trimming and the joints are not so apt to rot, as in the ordinary fence. We should imagine, however, that the rugged appearance of the fence would offset the cheapness. A farm fence should be neat as well as substantial.
 Smoke the best on earth, the Banner cigar, for sale by Patterson Bros.

We often see, even in Polk county, stock standing in the rain, unprotected. Each year the farmers of this county make a practice of burning their straw. Why could not a frame of oak posts be built, and a straw stack placed on top, thus affording a nice warm shelter for sheep, cattle, or horses, and at no expense to the farmer? After using the stack for a few years it might be fired on some dry day, and a new shed built. It pays richly in health, thrift and saving of food to provide shelter for your stock.
 Patterson Bros., sole agents for the Banner cigars.

The best receipts we know of for curing hams is as old one, but it will bear repeating:
 To each twenty pounds of fresh meat make a mixture of one-fourth of a pound of brown sugar, and a dessert-spoonful of salt petre; rub this by hand well into the meat; then cover with coarse salt over the bottom of a barrel or box, say half an inch, put in hams and cover with half an inch of salt, and so on until the box is full; hams should remain in a cool place four weeks; when salted, wipe and dry them, and get some whole black pepper, which you must grind yourself, and pepper thoroughly, especially about the hock and bone, and let the hams lie for two days; then smoke for eight weeks.
 For sale, \$50 head of sheep. Inquire at this office.

A writer on "Care of Live Stock" says that powdered charcoal is a simple remedy for animals which is valuable in a great many cases, particularly diseases arising from poor digestion. When a fine cow was said to be sick he relates how the usual drugs and poisons were suggested, for overeating, but a teaspoonful of powdered charcoal was given in water. It was mixed, placed in a junk bottle, the head turned downward, and given the cow. In five minutes improvement was apparent. In another case a young heifer became badly bloated from eating green apples. The blast was so severe that the sides were as hard as a barrel. Saleratus, the old remedy, had no effect. Half a teaspoonful of powdered charcoal was given, and in six hours all appearance of the bloating was gone.

Smoke Banner cigars.
 James Harris, of Sevier, is a very sociable and intelligent farmer, and has been successful in business, which is the very best proof of superior intelligence when his success has been as much the result of his effort as luck. He claims that fruit raising will pay more profit than wheat farming at least twenty times over. An ordinary apple tree will produce five bushels of apples when dried and sold at nine cents a pound will net \$2 40 profit to the tree, and as there are 100 trees to the acre, it means a profit of \$250 per acre. A fruit orchard costs only pruning, plowing and picking, and in case a crop fails, no seed is lost, nor need expense be incurred in picking the fruit, for there is none. Considered from the standpoint of profit, it would seem that fruit raising in Polk county must eventually be the leading industry.

We often wonder why farmers do not beautify their homes by using the paint or whitewash brush more than they do. A rough board house if painted with even cheap paint can be made very attractive. Barns, outhouses, fences, truss, etc., can be cheaply colored with whitewash and not only become more attractive to the eye, but absolutely the more healthy for your family. The following recipe for a cheap paint of which the materials are at hand on the farm may prove valuable:
 Skim milk two quarts, fresh slacked lime half a pound, limesed oil one-third of a pint, white burgundy pitch eight pounds, Spanish white three pounds. Slack the lime in water, express to the strainer, then dissolve in a pint of water, add the rest of the ingredients and mix well together. Boil for fifteen minutes, strain through a cloth, and use.

The Last Desperate Reformer.
Mother—Painting, music, singing; you have learned everything, and haven't got a husband yet.
Daughter—We must next try paper flower making and wood carving, and if that is no use, you will have to learn book-making.—Der Ulk.

"There was an annoying hitch in the great ocean scene in my play last night," said a young playwright, with a sad smile.
 "When the hero jumped off the raft to save the heroine he got off in the wrong place, and one of the waves kicked him in the stomach. It seemed to knock all the sense out of him, for he got up and walked ashore."
 "What did the heroine do?"
 "She sat on a wave and laughed."
Der Utk.