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# PACIFIC COAST NEWS.

## A GAMBLER'S RASH ACT.

**A Chinese Actor Stabbed. A Buggy Thief Arrested. Snow Sheds Burned.**

## DECAPITATED BY THE TRAIN.

### A Gambler's Rash Act.

A well-known gambler named Frank Woolstead, alias Pete Olstead, shot himself twice with suicidal intent, in a pawn-broker's shop at Los Angeles, Cal. He asked for a revolver, and as soon as he got it placed the muzzle to his abdomen and fired. The bullet passed through him and struck a man named James Gillespie in the side, the ball ranging round and lodging in his chest. Gillespie is watchman at the Southern Pacific depot, and happened to be in the shop at the time trying on a coat. His wound is very dangerous. Woolstead fired a second shot into the floor, a third into the ceiling, and a fourth into his own head. Despite his terrible injuries he is yet alive, but is not expected to recover. He is about 33 years old. The supposed cause of his rash act is dependency, as he recently served a long sentence in jail for gambling.

### A Chinese Actor Stabbed.

Chun Fun, an actor at the Chinese theatre at San Francisco, was stabbed and probably fatally wounded by a highbinder, who afterwards made his escape. Fun was in his room when the murderer entered and demanded money. This was refused, and the assassin drew a knife and stabbed him in the neck, wrist and across the temple. The highbinder then ran away.

### Burglars Arrested.

The jewelry establishment of Wendell & Haller, at Chehalis, W. T., was robbed on the night of August 11th last, and gold and silver watches, rings, chains and other articles valued at \$1,500 stolen. The thieves went to San Francisco to dispose of their plunder, and Detectives Dan Coffey, Hanley and Silvey arrested Wm. Dunlap and James Bartlett and placed them in the city prison. A portion of the stolen property was found on their persons, and in a valise in their room was stored the rest of the jewelry. Chief Crowley telegraphed the authorities at Chehalis, and the sheriff arrived and will take the burglars back on a charge of burglary.

### Decapitated by a Train.

Arthur Donnelly, who for some time has been in the employ of the Southern Pacific Company at San Francisco, was run over and killed by an outgoing Monterey train. While unloading a flatcar which stood alongside the main line, he slipped and fell on the track just as the train was passing. His head was severed from his body.

### Suicide of a Young Mother.

Mrs. Lizzie Holmes, 27 years old, committed suicide by jumping from a window of the third flat of an apartment house in Brooklyn, N. Y. The young mother left a family of three children, all under 4 years of age.

### A Conductor Killed.

Jules Steele, a conductor on the north-end freight of the North Pacific Coast railroad, was run over and killed near San Rafael, Cal. Several cars passed over his body, and it was badly mutilated.

### A Fatal Fall.

George Farlow, a Yolo rancher, fell from a railroad trestle, near Sacramento, Cal., receiving injuries from which he died. He had been at the fair in the pavilion, and started in the wrong direction. When he discovered his error he started to return to the city. He was walking down the railroad track when he fell. He was 60 years of age and well to do.

### Suicided by Taking Morphine.

Belle Johnson, a heart-broken woman, ended her life in the city receiving hospital at San Francisco. She died from the effects of morphine taken with suicidal intent. This was the third time she attempted to take her life. The woman was 27 years old and had been married, but her husband left her several years ago. Since then she has lived with her mother. She had grieved over her husband's desertion, and but a year ago tried to kill herself.

### A Buggy Thief Arrested.

A man giving the name of R. H. Crosey, has been arrested at San Jose, Cal. He had a small shop where he repaired and repainted buggies, but the game he played was to go to the neighboring villages and wherever he found a convenient horse and buggy he would pick them up, drive to San Jose and paint and disguise the vehicle, and sell it at auction. Twelve horses and four buggies have been recovered. His letters show he had several aliases.

### A Portland Boy Hunting his Sisters.

Willie Hall, a bright looking lad, 10 years of age, was taken to the office

of the chief of police at San Francisco, to be detained until his sisters, who are supposed to be living here, are found. The boy says his parents are dead, and that about two months ago he left his old home in Portland, Oregon, with his two sisters. They stopped over at Sacramento, had a few days later his sisters came to this city. Willie grew homesick and started out in search of his sisters. The police will endeavor to bring about a meeting.

### Killed by the Cars.

Frank Macbado, a young Spaniard, while jumping off and on a freight train while switching, at Gilroy, Cal., fell under the wheels and was run over, and his ankle was so badly crushed that death resulted from the shock.

### Snow Sheds Burned.

Thirteen hundred feet of snow sheds burned a mile west of Truckee, Cal. The fire caught from a locomotive. Five trains from Truckee and Summit soon arrived, but the sheds burned completely.

### Fatal Result of a Dispute.

Stephen Johnson and Fred Balzac had a discussion which led to blows, at San Marcos, Cal. Johnson struck Balzac over the head with a stick. The latter drew a knife and stabbed his opponent, inflicting a wound from which Johnson died in a few minutes. The murderer at once gave himself in to the hands of the officers.

### Strychnine for Sore Throat.

Neil Kelly, a 14-year-old, took strychnine at a ranch in Sutter county, Cal., and died in Yuba City. He had been putting out poison for gophers and claimed he took some to cure his sore throat.

### Fell Fifty Feet and was Killed.

At Little Johns' place near Sequel, Cal., Edward Merrill, a lumberman fell down a bank fifty feet, struck on his head, bounded into the creek thirty feet below, was picked up two hours later, gave one gasp and died. The deceased had been at a party at Little Johns and had stepped out into the darkness when the accident occurred.

### Hanged Himself.

A marine named Fritz Oppinger, Vallejo, Cal., who has been confined for drunkenness at the Marine barracks at Mare island, hanged himself with a piece of his coat from the grating in his cell.

### Fire at Lakeport.

Fire broke out in Tully's merchandise store, at Lakeport, Cal., and in a short time that store, Mrs. Green's lodging house and Mrs. Bray's lodging house and restaurant were consumed, and Levy's two-story brick with a stock of merchandise was badly damaged. The total loss was \$13,000, insurance \$6,700.

### Saloon Keeper Fatally Wounded.

Theodore Medina, of Napa, Cal., assaulted Capt. Baxter with a knife, cutting him so seriously that he will die. Medina's wife frequently visited Baxter's saloon, and Medina accused him of giving her whiskey and opium. An altercation following, Baxter chasing Medina and striking him with a billiard cue, the latter drew a knife and drove it into Baxter's lung. Medina claims the act was in self-defense.

### Fire in a New Residence.

Fire broke out in the fine new residence of Angus Mackintosh, president of the Merchants' National bank, at Seattle, W. T., supposed to have been the result of spontaneous combustion in a room where had been thrown by workmen a lot of greasy clothes. The fire was quickly extinguished and the damage was only about \$200.

### Killed by a Bursting Canon.

Thomas Bogan was instantly killed by the bursting of a canon at a democratic speaking at Tulare, Cal.

## TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

### Type-Writing Record Reduced.

Frank D. McGurran, of Salt Lake, champion type-writer of the world, gave an exhibition of his wonderful work at Chicago, and succeeded in putting down the record. The operator's first task was copying a newspaper article, reading it himself. In one minute he wrote ninety-five words. He then wrote from dictation, and in one minute he wrote 108 words, and concluded the performance by a blind-fold effort, in which he succeeded in writing 107 words in one minute.

### Death to Marriage.

At Sandy creek, N. Y., Wm. Vanderwert was to have been married to Miss Frankie Matteson, a highly respected young lady, but before the hour arrived for the ceremony he shot himself dead.

### A Minister's Son Drowned.

John D. Caperton, a printer, son of Rev. H. C. Caperton, a prominent Baptist minister, and John Pearce, an old river man, were drowned in the Ohio river near Louisville, by the capsizing of a sail boat.

### The Lost Balloon.

Referring to the balloon found near Providence, R. I., with the name "Carl Myers" and the penciled words, "Met our death in the clouds," Madame Charlotte, who made a balloon ascension, says: "On the 26th instant Leon A. Dare and Charlotte, wife of Carl Myers, were to have had a balloon race from Syracuse. The name found on the lost balloon is that of my manager Carl Myers. I cannot believe

Charlotte or Dare are hurt, though they may be. I have not heard anything in relation to the matter, which makes me think it can be neither of them. Perhaps I have not been telegraphed for fear I should be frightened."

### Death of a Mexican War Veteran.

A fatal accident occurred at the Commercial hotel, in Phoenix, Ariz., by which Joseph B. Blackwell, a veteran of the Mexican war lost his life. He retired at night to a cot standing on the new veranda, on which no banister had been erected, toward morning he arose and walked off the veranda, fracturing his thigh bone and sustaining internal injuries from which he died. He was 72 years old, and a noted member of the Texas rangers during the Mexican war.

### A Gigantic Wheat Steal.

W. G. Hanley, a commission dealer, of the firm of Peterson & Hanley, of Minneapolis, was arrested on a warrant charging him with stealing 150,000 bushels of wheat from the Minneapolis union elevator No. 2. It was first discovered that 50,000 bushels of wheat had been stolen by overloading cars. Hanley has been D. C. Mook & Co's cashier and bookkeeper. They are grain dealers, and have suspended, a large amount of their paper having gone to protest. Others are suspected of complicity, including well known wheat men, and it was said the announcement of the names would cause a profound sensation. By the advice of his attorney, Hanley refused to talk.

### A Convict's Fatal Leap.

Anton Blonder, while being conveyed to Joliet (Ill.) penitentiary, to enter upon a three years' sentence, escaped from the sheriff and jumped from the train. He received a fracture of the skull, which will prove fatal.

### Murdered in Wyoming.

Information has been received from Rock Springs, Wyoming, of the murder by unknown persons of S. M. Wall, of Philadelphia, and C. L. Strong of New York. Both were wealthy young men who had been spending the summer hunting. It is supposed that they were robbed by the guilty party.

### A Fall of Snow in the South.

There was a light snowfall at Harrisburg, Va. The weather was very cold. Fiftal falls of snow fell at Pulaski City, Va., and there was a light fall in the mountains.

### A Spy in Camp.

A great scare has been caused in the war department over information to the effect that a young British officer, who has been in this country, has penetrated the secret of operating our torpedoes, upon which we mainly depend for coast defenses, and that he has secured complete drawing and forwarded them to England.

### A Sudden Death.

Among those who attended the funeral of the Mennonite bi-hop at Lancaster, Pa., was Henry W. Stehman, who married a grand daughter of Bishop Stehman. He noticed a pimple on his finger while listening to the funeral sermon, and he pricked it with a pin. Before the funeral was over he became so sick he had to be taken home. His hand and arm were swollen to twice their natural size before he reached home. The swelling spread over his entire body, and he died shortly after in great agony. Deceased was but 33 years old, but he had, through his own exertions, become the owner of seven of Lancaster county's finest farms. While acquiring this great property he also made himself a classical scholar by assiduous study. He took an active part in politics, and was president of the local club. He was looked on as the future farmer king of Lancaster county.

### A Salvation Army Man Killed.

A member of the Salvation Army named Tuttle boarded a passenger steamer at South Norwalk, Conn., and began preaching to the fireman of the steamer. The latter struck Tuttle on the head with a shovel, and Tuttle died from congestion of the brain.

### Another Bank Package Stolen.

The fact has just transpired that a package containing \$5,800 was stolen from the New York National Bank of Republic, in some mysterious manner.

—Mrs. Celeste H. H. Winstow began to write stories and poems within nine years of age.

—George W. Childs has an extremely rare and valuable collection of manuscripts. One of the most interesting is that of Edgar Allan Poe's, "The Murder in the Rue Morgue."

—In literature quotation is good only when the writer whom I follow goes my way, and, being better mounted than I, gives me a cast, as we say; but if I like the gay equipage so well as to go out of my road, I had better have gone afoot.—Emerson.

—Algernon (waiting).—"Aw, I say, Bobby, what does you'ah sista' think of me anyway?" Bobby—"She says she thinks you're just too nice to live—and"—Algernon (highly elated).—"Yaas!" Bobby—"An' she can't see why the authorities out of mercy don't have you shot."—Judge.

—"Remember, Bridget," said Miss Clara, "that I am out to every body but Mr. Sampson." A little later Bridget answered a ring at the door. "Who was it, Bridget?" asked Miss Clara. "Young Mister Beauncamp, mum." "And did you say that I was out?" "Yes; I sed yer we—out to ivery body but Mister Sampson."

## MARKET REPORT.

RELIABLE QUOTATIONS CAREFULLY REVISED EVERY WEEK.

WHEAT—Valley, \$1 40@1 42½; Walls Walla, \$1 32@1 35

BARLEY—Whole, \$0 85@1 00; ground, per ton, \$20 00@21 50.

OATS—Milling, 32@34c.; feed, 28 @30c.

HAY—Baled, \$10@13.

SEED—Blue Grass, 12@15c.; Timothy, 7@8c.; Red Clover, 11@12½c.

FLOUR—Patent Roller, \$5 00; Country Brand, \$4 50.

EGGS—Per doz, 25c.

BUTTER—Fancy roll, per pound, 32½c.; pickled, 30@32½c.; inferior grade, 27@30c.

CHEESE—Eastern, @13½c.; Oregon, 13@14c.; California, 14c.

VEGETABLES—Beets, per sack, \$1 00; cabbage, per lb., 1c.; carrots, per sk., \$ 75; lettuce, per doz. 10c.; onions, \$ 85; potatoes, per 100 lbs., 30@40c.; radishes, per doz., 15@20c.; rhubarb, per lb., 6c.

HONEY—In comb, per lb., 18c.; strained, 5 gal. tins, per lb. 8½c.

POULTRY—Chickens, per doz., \$2 50@3 50; ducks, per doz., \$5 00@6 00; geese, \$6 00@8 00; turkeys, per lb., 12½c.

PROVISIONS—Oregon hams, 12½c. per lb.; Eastern, 13@13½c.; Eastern breakfast bacon, 12c. per lb.; Oregon 10@12c.; Eastern lard, 10@11½c. per lb.; Oregon, 10½c.

GREEN FRUITS—Apples, \$ 50 @ 85c.; Sicily lemons, \$6 00@6 50 California, \$3 50@5 00; Navel oranges \$6 00; Riverside, \$4 00; Mediterranean, \$4 25.

DRIED FRUITS—Sun dried apples, 7½c. per lb.; machine dried, 10@11c.; pitless plums, 13c.; Italian prunes, 10@14c.; peaches, 12½@14c.; raisins, \$2 40@2 50.

WOOL—Valley, 17@18c.; Eastern Oregon, 9@15c.

HIDES—Dry beef hides, 8@10c.; culis, 6@7c.; kip and calf, 8@10c.; Mairain, 10@12c.; tallow, 3@3½c.

LUMBER—Rough, per M, \$10 00; edged, per M, \$12 00; T. and G. sheathing, per M, \$13 00; No. 2 flooring, per M, \$18 00; No. 2 ceiling, per M, \$18 00; No. 2 rustic, per M, \$18 00; clear rough, per M, \$20 00; clear P. 4 8, per M, \$22 50; No. 1 flooring, per M, \$22 50; No. 1 ceiling, per M, \$22 50; No. 1 rustic, per M, \$22 50; stepping, per M, \$25 00; over 12 inches wide, extra, \$1 00; lengths 40 to 50, extra, \$2 00; lengths 50 to 60, extra, \$4 00; 1½ lath, per M, \$2 25; 1½ lath, per M, \$2 50.

BEANS—Quote small whites, \$4 50; pinks, \$3; bayos, \$3; butter, \$4 50; Limas, \$4 50 per cental.

COFFEE—Quote Salvador, 17c.; Costa Rica, 18@20c.; Rio, 18@22c.; Java, 27c.; Arabuck's's roasted, 22c.

MEAT—Beef, wholesale, 2½@3c.; dressed, 6c.; sheep, 3c.; dressed, 6c.; hogs, dressed, 8@9c.; veal, 5@7c.

PICKLES—Kegs quoted steady at \$1 35.

SALT—Liverpool grades of fine quoted \$18, \$19 and \$20 for the three sizes; stock salt, \$10.

SUGAR—Prices for barrels; Golden C. 6½c.; extra C. 6½c.; dry granulated, 7½c.; crushed, fine crushed, cube and powdered, 7½c.; extra C, 6½c.; halves and boxes, ½c. higher.

## HUMOROUS.

—Bill collectors sometimes imitate the promoters of a colonization scheme and offer special inducements to settlers.—Detroit Free Press.

—The Russian law prohibits joking about the Emperor. That's why no one in Russia ever refers to Alexander as an old Czardine.—Luck.

—"Were you troubled with ennui while at sea?" he asked, airily. "Well," said the Chicago girl, "I was at first, but cracked ice relieved me very much."—Ocean.

—Collector (on his tenth visit).—"Look-a-here; how many more times do you want me to call with this little account?" Bill Overdue—"Why, man, I don't care if you never call again."—Life.

—Country Minister (to boy fishing).—"What will your father say, little boy, when he discovers that you have been fishing Sunday?" Boy—"I dunno, sir; it depends on how many fish I catch."—N. Y. Sun.

—"Onions split in halves will absorb smell of fresh paint," says an exchange. So will a bull fiddle drown the sound of a flageolet; but a man must have mustard brains to like the remedy.—New Haven News.

—Prince Pumpernickle: "Darling Mees Elsie, I love you. Pamine. I am not von of Sherman's richest princes, put I haf four thousand thalers a year." Miss Elsie: "Why, pa gives \$5,000 a year to our cook." Prince P.: "Vell, marry me und I will do de cooking."—Town Topics.

—Benevolent dame (to tramp).—"And so you are always moving from one section of the country to another? I should think home ties would often make you halt." Tramp—"I'm often lame an' halt, mum, but it ain't the home ties that does it; it's the railroad ties."—Philadelphia Record.

## AGRICULTURAL.

DEVOTED TO THE INTERESTS OF FARMERS AND STOCKMEN.

In sowing grass for pasture, the best results are reached by sowing a mixture—for instance, of red top, timothy, Kentucky bluegrass, meadow fescue, and meadow oat grass—bearing in mind that a mixture of several sorts is more likely to afford herbage through the whole summer, and to be more permanent. In seeding for meadows, though, it is better to sow only one kind of seed, as the different kinds will very seldom be ready to harvest at the same time.

It is surprising what growth grape vines will make over an evergreen, if given a chance to run. With only moderately rich soil the vine will entirely cover the tree, killing it after a few years. Its tendrils cling to the slender stems of the evergreen foliage, and will not relax their hold. The higher the vine runs the finer the grapes and the harder they are to get. It is not a good way to give grape vines their will over any kind of trees. A low, neat trellis will cost but little, and be every way more satisfactory.

Mr. J. P. Lawes, whose opinion everybody respects, says he does not think the quality of a cow's milk is affected by the quantity of water she drinks. In other words, you cannot dilute her milk by making or letting her drink water. He, however, is of the opinion that thin and sloppy feeds may have the effect of reducing the quality of the milk. Doctor Voelcker is of the same opinion in regard to the water supply, and he agrees with Mr. Lawes in regard to the effect of poor, sloppy food on the quality of the food.

It has been said that a farm without a boy would soon come to grief; but what place would not come to grief without him? Who is it that "does the chores" and the bothersome errands? And what boy ever amounts to much who is not taught to do chores well and in time, and to do errands in an exact way? It is business every time, and fathers should remember that their methods are noted and copied by the boys, and if the hatchet, spade or rake is left to rust under the tree in the yard, he thinks that, if father does it, it must be all right.

On soils containing any clay or minerals a crust forms on the surface of cultivated fields after every rain. It is caused by the water of evaporation, leaving all its mineral elements on the surface, when it changes to moisture. This crust shuts out air from the soil beneath it, and it is very important that it be broken. Hence some stirring of the soil is needed after every rain, or corn and potatoes will suffer. While these crops are small, dragging over the surface breaks this crust and prepares the way to more thorough cultivation after the rows can be seen.

The tendency among the best farmers is toward an early harvesting of the hay crop. The old idea that grass when dried is too light and nutritious is disproved by the gains of milk in cows and of beef in other cattle when pastured upon it. The early cut hay does dry away in weight considerably, but what weight remains is nutriment. In grass that has been left to ripen and dry up the nutriment is too much like cord-wood. What was nutrition has turned to fiber, and in the animal serves mainly the purpose that cord-wood does in the stove—to maintain warmth.

A mule and two horses were observed looking over a rail fence into a tempting clover field near Baltimore the other day. In a minute the mule had made up his mind and placing his nose under the top rail he lifted it out. He then tried to jump over, but got stuck with his fore feet in the clover patch and his hind feet on the other side. Then one of the horses very deliberately lucked up and letting fly his heels, planted them square on the mule, landing him clean over into the clover patch. The two horses followed in the gap thus made, and all three went to browsing, apparently well satisfied.

—Isaac Henderson, author of "Agatha Page," has an ideal home for a literary man. It is in "The Boltons," a London park, in which no business man can buy a foot of ground. By the terms of the estate no person in a vocation which would invite intrusion, as a doctor, or dentist, or lawyer, can secure a residence in the park.

—Edmund Yates says that Canon Liddon, one of the finest scholars and preachers in the Anglican church, forfeited the good-will of the Queen by addressing her as "madam" in the course of a sermon preached before her. This, Mr. Yates says, is the reason why the reverend gentleman is not invited to a bishopric.

—Mrs. Rives-Chandler is of a very indolent turn, and when she is not hard at work at her writing-desk is generally loitering in bed. Some guests invited to visit at Castle Hill were quite disappointed at discovering the young genius in bed with a novel so entertaining that she could scarcely be persuaded to leave it. Her usual outdoor dress in the country is a Tam O'Shanter cap, a blue shirt laced up the front, a very short corduroy skirt and heavy boots. She is short but pretty.

## SPEAKING IN PUBLIC.

Congressman Bourke Cockran's suggestions to Young Men.

My advice to a young man desiring to become a successful speaker is not to talk unless you have something to say. Always be careful to acquire some information to contribute to the subject under discussion, and then say what you have to say in the fewest possible words. If a young man follows this rule he may not be a great speaker, but he will become a good speaker and a useful one. I would advise listening to the best speakers, and better, a careful study of the speeches of great orators, such as Burke. As to training, the study and practice of elocution are certainly great advantages, as are certain trained gestures. Always be in mind that an audience is most interested when you appeal to its intelligence. The great fault of public speaking nowadays is an attempt to be oratorical. Rhetoric and imagery are simply the ornaments of oratory—argument in its substance. If a man has a clear, convincing argument to present, and presents it in an argumentative way, he is always pretty certain of challenging the attention of his audience. Unless a young man has a cultivated mind he can not become a successful speaker. He may talk, but the real speaker must not use language merely for the sake of using it. Every unnecessary sentence is a blot upon his speech; it muddies the effect and tries the patience of an audience. The province of a speech is to impart information or ideas on a subject, and lead an audience to agree with your conclusions, whether in a jury or a mass meeting. Of course, if you have no information to present, your speech will lack interest as well as substance. Never say anything but the mere sake of the sound. Of course, it is advisable to express your thoughts in the most striking language you can command. I would advise the cultivation of extemporaneous speaking as much as possible. If a man is natural, and says what he feels without attempting to be one of the great orators of the world, he will always be an attractive speaker and a useful one. As to after-dinner speaking, it is the most difficult of all unless you have some toast that involves some definite subject. For my part I think the ordinary after-dinner speech is a poor imitation of the real man's part at the minstrels. But when after-dinner speaking is part of a discussion of an important subject, then it may become very valuable. But of those made to amuse, I think the minstrel show the better of the two.—Bourke Cockran, in Des Moines Register.

## SLANG LANGUAGE.

The Evolution of Coarse Tramp and Gypsy Vernacular.

Of late years literature and society have shown an unmistakable tendency to disinter from the literary depths of the still current speech of the very lowest classes of the people many hundreds of words that are not to be found in the dictionaries. These words, or most of them, were formerly known as "cant," "flash," "pedlars," "Gresk," "jargon," "gibberish," but are now included under the generic name of "slang." But the slang of our times is by no means confined to these anachronisms and obsolete many legitimate meanings and used by a sense sometimes ludicrous and always offensive to a refined ear and correct taste; such as the substitution of "dreadfully" for "awfully," and other epithets of similarly "forebible feebleness," for the good old word "very," as in such common phrases as an "awfully pretty girl," an "awfully funny joke," "dreadfully fine woman," a "seriously farce," a "marrow-freezing tragedy"—all of which expressions are slang of the worst kind. "Slang" was formerly confined to tramps, beggars, gypsies and thieves, and in a modified degree and of a somewhat different origin and species, to tradesmen, professional people, when confidentially speaking to one another of the practices and mysteries of their various callings, has in our day—and more especially within the last half century—invaded the educated and semi-educated classes in England, America, and France, and all free countries, although it has not yet, to any thing like the same extent, permeated the literature and conversation of the European nations other than the two named, where liberty has more or less degenerated into license, both in speech and action. Democracy, that is rampant in these three great nations, is the real parent of vulgar slang, as it threatens to be of many other anomalies and abuses, until a time perhaps rapidly approaching for all three, when public calamity, perplexities, war and revolution shall turn the thoughts and language of men and women into a more elevated channel than that in which peace, prosperity and economic want luxury and corruption have caused them to flow.—Blackwood's Magazine.

—Old lady (on "Germanic" while waiting at Queenstown).—"What are we waiting here so long for?" Coarse Gentleman.—"We are waiting for the mails, madam." Old Lady—"Waiting for the mails, eh? Three hours they've kept us here waiting for the mails, and the officers grumbled shamefully at a poor, unprotected steamer like myself being a few minutes late at Liverpool! I declare our sex will never get their rights."—Ocean.

—A New York coroner's physician remarks that in his experience he has found that more people die in the fourth floor of a building than any of the others. In the cases of sudden deaths he says that there are more which take place on the fourth floor in one year in New York than in all other parts of the houses combined.