

**The Lion Scattered the Crowds.**  
The circus gave Tecumseh, Ala., excitement enough on Sunday to last it for a year. Forepaugh's show traveled on four trains. As it is against the Georgia laws to run through this state on Sunday, it was decided to stop at Tecumseh and feed the animals and rest. At all the stations there were large crowds, and at Tecumseh there were several hundred when the last train approached. As it was slowing down one of the ferocious lions managed to tear off the door of its cage. Hector, which was the brute's name, thrust its head out right in the faces of a group of negroes who were standing on the platform. They could not have been worse scared if the evil one had dropped down among them. Hector made a leap, with open mouth, into the crowd. Such a scattering and such yelling were never seen nor heard in Alabama. Some of the negroes fell down in abject fright, but the most of them struck off for home on a hard run. A dozen tried to climb telegraph poles. One man sprang down a well. Hector lit on his feet, but rolled over and over. When he got up there was hardly a man, woman or child within fifty yards. One woman, though, who had fainted, was lying near the lion. With one bound he was on her, his ugly teeth showing and his tongue rolling out. The people who were looking on were horrified. The tamer was a long way off, and there was no one near with a pistol or rifle. To attempt to rescue her would be almost certain death. To the astonishment of every one the beast, instead of mauling the woman, simply sniffed the body, turned it over with his paws, and after eyeing it suspiciously walked off leisurely. He thought that the woman was dead. Hector was recaptured and recaged without trouble.—Atlanta Constitution.

**Death of a Noted Negro Woman.**  
Over the eastern branch of the Potomac, in Anacosta, better known as Uniontown during the war, there was buried recently a woman whose story did much to stimulate the antislavery sentiment in the north. She was a revelation of the possibilities of patient negro ambition. Born fifty-six years ago, in Prince George county, Md., she was a little slave girl of six when her owner put her out to service in a Washington family. At that age she began to hoard money to buy her freedom. Year after year she put by the pennies, for nothing larger fell to her in tips. She had collected \$100 in coppers when the attention of some of the public men of that day was called to her. Hannibal Hamlin, then in congress but afterward vice president, became especially interested. He told the story of Emeline Belt with such pathos that \$250 was contributed by northern people. Then a series of entertainments was given to aid her, and a few years before the war the girl, grown to womanhood, was able to hand over to her master \$700 and receive her freedom.—Washington Cor. St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

**Mohammed's Birthday in London.**  
Mohammed's birthday has been duly celebrated in the metropolis of the British empire by the Anjuman-i-Islam, London—a society consisting of Indian Mussulman gentlemen residing in England—giving a dinner in honor of the prophet in the Holborn restaurant. A large number of Mussulmans assisted at the convivial assembly, at which Mr. A. A. Husain, president of the Anjuman-i-Islam, was chairman. After the healths of "the queen-empress," "the Prince and Princess of Wales, and the rest of the royal family," had been enthusiastically honored, the chairman proposed the toast of the evening, "Health to his imperial majesty Sultan Abdul Hamid Khan, commander of the faithful and guardian of the Kaaba!" The toast was received with great cheering. The proceedings were brought to a close by some recitations from the Koran.—London Telegraph.

**Love That Stood the Test.**  
Those who witnessed the solemnizing of the nuptials in which Miss Mary E. Flynn and James A. Polk were made life partners at Newport, Del., the other day, recalled a frightful accident which befell the couple one dark evening three years ago. The young lovers were run into by a fast express on the Philadelphia, Wilmington and Baltimore railroad, and hurled bleeding and unconscious to the ground. The horse was cut to pieces and the vehicle wrecked. The bride elect was hurt more seriously than the groom, and her life was despaired of. She recovered somewhat, but is a cripple for life. This frightful calamity did not cool the ardor of the lovers, and the anniversary of the accident which nearly killed both was celebrated by a marriage.—Cor. Baltimore American.

**Why She Stopped the Car.**  
On Tuesday a broken trolley wire delayed the Western avenue street cars an hour or more just at dinner time. When the first west bound car passed Twelfth street the conductor was awakened from a reverie by a cry from within the car to stop, while a younger lady was seen wildly gesticulating, apparently for his benefit. The car was stopped. The young woman, out of breath, ran up to within a few feet and shouted: "Ma, your dinner's on the table in the dining room. The cars were late and I could not wait." "Ma" shook her head and then the younger one turned and resumed her journey cityward.—Minneapolis Tribune.

**Good Fishing in Philadelphia.**  
By the grading of Ridge avenue for the purpose of paving, a deep depression extending two squares has been made below Shurs' lane, Manayunk, and during a heavy rain recently a miniature lake was formed. It was promptly christened Lake Sundstrom, after the district surveyor. The water has no outlet except drainage through the soil. A citizen whose property is damaged by the change of grade began fishing from the banks. Just as a loaded street car came along he pulled up a mackerel, much to the amusement of the passengers, and succeeded in his attempt to ridicule the board of survey.—Philadelphia Record.

**Vacation Expeditions.**  
It is not a new thing for students in vacation to make scientific expeditions on their own account, combining camping and "roughing it" with congenial study, but an expedition of the kind which was successfully carried out during the vacation season of the present year deserves to be noted as of especial importance and significance. A party consisting of a professor and several students of Bowdoin college, in Maine, organized an expedition to Labrador to study the vegetable and animal growths, and otherwise to gain a scientific knowledge of the country. It was also planned, incidentally, to ascend the Grand river to the great cataract. The Grand river flows from the high plateau of northern Labrador, and the falls by which it reaches the lower level to flow into the Atlantic ocean are among the grandest on the continent. The Bowdoin college expedition was fitted out at the expense of alumni and friends of the college. The Grand river was ascended, the great cataract viewed and photographed and its height ascertained. The students who succeeded in pushing as far up as the falls suffered many privations, but won deserved honor in the successful prosecution of their enterprise. Their achievement is a good example for other American colleges and students. Much important information remains to be gathered about the less known portions of our continent, and geological, botanical and zoological researches, faithfully carried on, may always be made scientifically profitable and valuable, even upon ground which has been covered before.—Youth's Companion.

**Green Sloths.**  
The sloths at the Zoological gardens are not quite so green as they were when they first arrived. We do not refer to their growing recognition of the fact that nuts and buns are not suitable food for an arboreal creature which subsists upon leaves, but to a literal change of color. It is a most remarkable fact that the sloth has in the wild state green hair, which causes it to resemble, as it clings to a branch, an excrescence of that branch covered with greenish gray lichens. In this way the sloth may perhaps sometimes escape the keen eye of a jaguar. It is still more remarkable that the green color is not resident in the hair itself, but is due to the presence of quantities of minute green plants; and this explains how it is that in captivity the sloth changes color; the plants, deprived of the damp heat of their native forests, die, and are not replaced, so the peculiar gray green which is so characteristic of the sloth is changed to a brownish gray.—London Graphic.

**The Saviors' Friend.**  
Mr. Samuel Plimms still keeps to his house in Park lane, and is far from well, but he has sufficiently recovered himself to be able to write a letter claiming one result—or rather the want of result—of the recent storm to legislation. Has there ever been remembered, he asks, a gale of equal suddenness, violence and duration which was not the cause of very, very much greater loss of life than that recorded of the gale which has recently passed away? A year and eight months ago, when he was fervently urging the government to assist in passing the load line bill, it was shown that the deplorable loss of life at sea from overloading was entirely preventable, and that the passing of the bill would immediately check it, while, when the act was steadily and uniformly administered, this head of loss would disappear. He points triumphantly to the recent gale for confirmation.—Liverpool (Eng.) Mercury.

**Arrested Under a Queer Dakota Law.**  
Isaac Milliner, a rancher from the vicinity of Fort Mead, has been arrested in Deadwood, S. D., on the charge of offering beef for sale without exhibiting the hide, an act prohibited by a law, passed at the instance of cattlemen, by the last legislature, and intended to prevent the sale of stolen cattle. Mr. Milliner states that the beef offered for sale was his property, and that he has the hide at his ranch, and will produce it to prove that he has not committed a criminal act. This is the first arrest made under the law, and it occasioned considerable surprise, as the peculiar provisions of the law were not generally known. There is no doubt of Milliner's innocence, but the arrest will serve to spread a knowledge of the strange law. Milliner was released under \$100 bonds.—Cor. Omaha World-Herald.

**Intelligent Missionary Effort.**  
The Rev. Dr. Storms, the president of the American board of commissioners for foreign missions, has good reasons for felicitating himself on the result of his conciliatory policy. The board's receipts for this year have been \$990,921, against \$465,373 the previous twelve months. To manage successfully a board which has such interests under its charge as this one, something more is needed than a determination to crush out all intelligent dissent, and keep the vast machine in operation along lines not at all adapted to increase the support of foreign missions, even among those inclined in their favor. The Rev. Dr. Storms, with his broad outlook, has called a halt to those elements which were reducing the annual contributions for that object.—Boston Transcript.

**The First Thanksgiving.**  
On Nov. 9, 1620, the weary wave-tossed pilgrims on board the brave little Mayflower caught their first glimpse of the New England coast. A year later Governor Bradford issued the first Thanksgiving proclamation, thus instituting a festival which, after being confined for more than 200 years to New England, at length became national in its character, and is now observed on the last Thursday of each November throughout the length and breadth of our land.—Kirk Munroe in Harper's Young People.

**Great as is the mass of silver at present in the "treasure houses" of the government, it is being steadily increased by the purchase of \$4,000,000 additional ounces every year, or at the rate of seven tons for every working day of the year. A Vermont court has just decided that a man who hurts himself while hunting on Sunday cannot recover on an accident policy which he held, because he was violating the law of the state in hunting on that day. The work of excavating the ancient ruins at Pompeii still continues, and five more rooms containing many curiosities were recently opened near the old forum. Twelve ground hogs, ten skunks, two swarms of bees and about fifty pounds of honey were found in a huge hollow tree near Forth, Randolph county, Mo.**

**It Was Not a Man.**  
Officer C. O. White has lately been put on the Twenty-sixth street beat, which includes Puyallup avenue. White is a fearless officer, and the other night, as he was making his beat along Puyallup avenue in a deep shade close to the side of a building, he described the form of what he supposed to be a hobo taking a snooze. Of course that would never do, so with a preliminary whirl of his club, a little cough, and a perceptible heightening of his stature he approached the hobo. "Come along out o' that neow, will oo?" he exclaimed. The hobo moved not so much as a muscle. "D'yee hear me? I sayed coom along out o' that, will oo? Yez won't, eh? Wull, I'll show yez."

With that White grabbed the supposed hobo by the back of the neck. There was a short, preliminary growl, the clanking of a chain, and then the fur fairly flew. It was the pet black bear of the Union club saloon that White had awakened. For about twenty-five minutes there was a little the liveliest scrapping match there or thereabouts that has ever been known in police circles, and when White got out of reach of the cub he was minis a brand new mackintosh, a five dollar hat, the sleeves of his uniform and his breath, and he was plus numerous wounds and scratches, bruises and black spots. And to cap the climax, the young bruin stood guard over his handcuffs, his gun and his club.—Tacoma News.

**Egyptian Statues Unearthed.**  
The correspondent of the London Times at Alexandria, Egypt, states that three colossal statues, ten feet high, of rose granite, have just been found at Aboukir a few feet below the surface. The discovery was made from indications furnished to the government by a local investigator, Daninos Pasha. The first two represent in one group Rameses II and Queen Hentimara seated on the same throne. This is unique among Egyptian statues. The third statue represents Rameses standing upright in military attire, a scepter in his hand and a crown upon his head. Both bear hieroglyphic inscriptions, and both have been thrown from their pedestals face downward. Their site is on the ancient Cape Zephyrium, near the remains of the temple of Venus and Arsinoe. Relics of the early Christians have been found in the same locality. A Sleep Walker's Fearful Leap. James S. Clague, a stock raiser of Greeley, Colo., walked into the police station at Burlington, La., recently, hatless, coatless and generally bruised up, and told a remarkable story. He said he had left his home to visit friends in Galva, Ill., and had taken a sleeper at Denver. The last thing he remembers was retiring to his coach. When he awoke he was lying in the ditch at the side of the track not far from Burlington, badly bruised and half frozen. He walked to the police station from there. His theory was that he had jumped from the train while asleep when it was running full speed. An investigation by railroad authorities proves the truth of the man's assertion. He is now in the hospital quite ill from his terrible exposure.—Cor. St. Louis Republic.

**The Car in Plain Clothes.**  
When the emperor of Russia passed privately through Berlin the other night he was attired in plain clothes, and it was the first time that he had ever appeared in public thus arrayed. The emperor's lowering figure was not displayed to advantage in a loose suit of brown tweed, especially when contrasted with the splendid Russian uniform in which Prince Frederick Leopold appeared, and his majesty was the only personage in plain clothes. The emperor, who stopped for nearly an hour at the Stettin line station, dined on sandwiches, which he washed down with several bowls of tea, which was made on the spot by his own servants, with his own caravan tea.—London World.

**Books in Russia.**  
It appears from the organ of the Russian Association of Booksellers and Publishers that the number of works published in that country last year was 4,358 and that the total number of copies sold was not far short of 12,000,000. Translations from foreign languages counted for only 5 per cent. Of these a little more than one-third were from the French. Of one work by Zola 2,800 copies were sold. Next came Gaboriau, Daudet, Hugo, Jules Verne, Moiere, Flaubert, Dumas. An edition of "Paradise Lost" sold 6,000 and one of "Hamlet" 10,000.—London News.

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**Saw a Dog Headed Serpent.**  
For over a year there have been rumors regarding the existence of a large serpent at Lake Kenosha, three miles west of Danbury, but every one who heard the story received it with incredulity. But the rumor grew in spite of skepticism, and the thoughtless were forced finally to admit that perhaps there was something in it. Friday Edward M. Baldwin and George Downs were fishing in the lake. Both are elderly business men and opposed to notoriety in every way. They were engaged in hauling in fish, when suddenly to the west of them a huge head poked itself out of the water and contemplated the fishermen. This was thirty feet away from their boat. One of the men said it was not unlike the head of a pug dog, but dark brown or black in color. Both the fishermen lost interest in their fishing and fastened their attention on the serpent. After viewing the fishermen for a few minutes the serpent moved toward them some ten feet, and his entire body was seen on the surface of the water. It was from fifteen to twenty feet long and moved slowly and easily, in the manner of a huge snake. It took a second view of the fishermen for a few seconds and then dived. The sight unnerved the fishermen at first, but they resolved to get a nearer look. They saw the serpent perhaps half a dozen times, but were unable to secure a closer inspection of it. The story has been corroborated with more particulars by John Clark, a hotel proprietor, Theodore Clark, the big box manufacturer, and many others who have seen the serpent. These men say the serpent is as thick as a dog's body.—Cor. Hartford Courant.

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