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MRS. HARRISON DEAD.

Telegram from Washington under date of October 25 says: Mrs. Harrison is no more. At 1:40 a. m. came the end. For the second time in the history of the White House the president's wife died within its walls. Mrs. Harrison met death with the patience and resignation of a devout Christian, and her last days were comparatively free from pain. For twenty-four hours the president and his family had been almost constantly at the bedside awaiting the end. Sunday night was without special incident. But early and late, so frequently that he could have slept but little, the president was in and out of the sick chamber and was never easy for any length of time. The day was clear and crisp and cool, and perhaps the inspiring sunshine and dryness of the atmosphere somewhat helped the invalid and acted as a stimulant. Whenever she awoke from a troublesome and unsatisfactory sleep, she was conscious. She could still recognize her surroundings, and a glance of recognition greeted the physician when he entered the sick room in the morning.

About 12:30 o'clock the physician discerned a noticeable weakness of the heart's action, and notified the grief-stricken family that the end appeared very near. It was not long. The president was beside his dying wife, as he had been for nine hours continually, and his was the last of the loved features her eyes had dwelt upon. Her breath was labored and very slow. It grew fainter and less frequent, and as the time-piece marked the hour of 1:40 o'clock there was an interruption of the feeble breath. A resumption and then a stop—this time to be eternal, and the life of Caroline Scott Harrison had gone out peacefully and quietly and without pain.

Over 1000 miles of new railway have been constructed in the United States during the past six months.

The entire interests of the Armour family, representing a capital of perhaps \$50,000,000, were harmoniously united on October 1.

An Atchison (Kan.) woman has brought up her chickens on the bugs collected from the machinery at the electric light station every morning.

Dr. Kenny, of the San Francisco Board of Health, recommends that the entire Chinese quarter be condemned and removed from its present locality.

It is reported in Chicago that the great

provision packers, Armour, Swift and Morris, intend to establish a gigantic tannery in Lake county, Indiana.

One of the attractions of the forthcoming Chicago exhibition is to be a pyramid of 400 pianos connected by electricity and manipulated by one woman.

The name given to an American baby was "Lynn C. Doyle," and, wonderful to relate, no one present at the baptism noticed the strange sound it made when pronounced.

A man in Dakota was recently sentenced to prison for half a lifetime, and the Supreme Court has decided that the time means nineteen years, seven months and four days.

Miss Jessamy Harte, daughter of Bret Harte, a young girl in her teens, has recently made her first appearance in print in a sketch of camping life in the Adirondacks, for which she also furnished illustrations.

An Indiana girl started out in a house-dress and without a head covering, to visit a near neighbor, met her sweetheart on the way and was induced to board an approaching train, and was married at the next station.

The World's Fair management is credited with the proposal to exhibit a collection of good boys of all nations, a selection being drawn from each country's high and grammar schools of youths from 13 to 20 years of age.

Mr. William Reese, the pioneer iron miller in Pennsylvania, has just died at the age of 104; he was never laid aside until his last illness; he could count five generations, including his own, and six hundred members of his family.

A young man of Englewood, Ill., is suing the father of his dead sweetheart for all the property she left—books, jewelry, keepsakes—valued at \$500; and real estate worth \$1000. His claim is that they had agreed to own their property in common; there was to be no "mine;" every thing each could claim was known as "ours." The lover substantiates his claim by letters.

A young Vermonter, who was refused by the girl he loved, climbed in through her chamber window a few nights ago, chloroformed her, and tried to steal her bodily from her father's house. But she came to and roused the household with her cries. The authorities have the ardent swain in jail, but are perplexed whether to charge him with burglary or abduction.

While digging potatoes D. P. Gearhart, of Brookville, Pa., made an unusual discovery. Turning over a furrow he found six eggs, the size of a bantam's product, although different in shape. They were knitted together by a small ligament. He carried them into the house on a flat stone. They accidentally fell into a pail of water. He was amazed at what followed. One of the eggs broke and out crawled a black snake over four inches long. He at once broke the other eggs and each one contained a snake. All were alive and active. They showed fight and came very near biting his finger. He killed all of them.

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