

Knocked Down by a Sparrow.

OSAMA, March 26.—Barton M. Mills, a traveling salesman of Lynn, Mass., met with a peculiar and painful accident this morning at the Burlington depot. Mr. Mills alighted from a carriage at the entrance, and proceeded to walk around the depot to get to the baggage room. Just as he reached the southwest corner something struck him fairly in the eye and knocked him down. The cause of the mishap was an English sparrow. The bill of the bird penetrated the eyeball, and the unfortunate man will lose his eye. The bird was picked up dead, and one of its eyes was closed as the result of a fight with another sparrow, which was in progress when Mr. Mills was struck.

HOW DO WE DIG OUR GRAVES?

We must eat or we cannot live. This we all know. But do we all know that we die by eating? It is said we dig our graves with our teeth. How foolish! This sounds. Yet it is fearfully true. Was ever afflicted at the approach of the cholera and yellow fever, yet there is a disease constantly at our doors and in our houses far more dangerous and destructive. Most people have in their own stomachs a poison, more slow, but quite as fatal as the germs of those maladies which sweep men into eternity by thousands without warning in the times of great epidemics. But it is a misery that, if we are watchful, we can tell when we are threatened. The following are among the symptoms, yet they do not always necessarily appear in the same order, nor are they always the same in different cases. There is a dull and sleepy feeling; a bad taste in the mouth, especially in the morning; the appetite is changed; sourness, pain, and again it seems as though the patient could not eat enough, and occasionally no appetite at all; dullness and sluggishness of the mind; no ambition to study or work; more or less headache and heaviness in the head; dizziness on rising to the feet or moving suddenly; furred and coated tongue; a sense of a load on the stomach that nothing removes; hot and dry skin at night; yellow tinge in the eyes; scanty and high-colored urine; some taste in the mouth, frequently attended by palpitation of the heart; impaired vision, with spots that seem to be swimming in the air before the eyes; a cough, with a greenish-colored expectoration; poor night's rest; a sticky slime about the mouth; itching hands and feet cold and clammy; irritable temper and bowels bound up and costive. This disease has puzzled the physicians and still puzzles them. It is the commonest of ailments and yet the most complicated and most mysterious. Sometimes it is treated as consumption, sometimes as liver complaint, and then again as malaria and even heart disease. But its real nature is that of constipation and dyspepsia. It arises in the digestive organs and soon affects all the others through the corrupted and poisoned blood. Often the whole body—including the nervous system—is literally starved, even when there is no emaciation to tell the sad story. Experience has shown that there is cure in this disease in all its stages, namely, Shaker's Extract of Roots or Mother Shaker's Curative Syrup. It never fails but, nevertheless, no time should be lost in trying other so-called remedies for they will do no good. Get this great vegetable preparation, (discovered by a venerable nurse whose name is a household word in Germany) and be sure to get the genuine article. GIVEN BY SEVEN DOCTORS.

A New Way to Destroy Ferns. M. Mounier suggests the following plan for the eradication of ferns, which has succeeded in his case. Lucern has a voracious appetite for potash, and so has the fern. He sowed lucern on the infested soil, and found it so disputed the potash with the fern, that the latter dwindled and died out. New Zealand could well try the experiment. And we add, why not Oregon? It is only too well known by farmers throughout the state that there are large tracts of otherwise fertile land that do not yield one-half what they might, if rid of the fern pest. And when we consider the fact that lucern is also a valuable forage-plant, and an excellent soil-improver, deep-running roots bringing to the surface large quantities of fertilizing material, not otherwise obtainable; it would seem to admirably supply a long-felt want. It is extensively and profitably cultivated in Europe and parts of our own country, and farmers of Polk county and other parts of the state would evidently forward their own interests by bringing it into more general use here.—Ex.

Boom Town and County.

The following is to the point-pointed. It is logic. In speaking of how to build up a town, an eastern exchange thus goes down to posterity: Talk about it. Write about it. Speak well of it. Help to improve it. Patronize its merchants. Advertise in its newspapers. Speak well of its enterprising public spirited citizens. If you are rich, invest in something; employ somebody; be a ruler. If you don't think of any good words to say don't say anything but about it. Remember that every dollar you invest in a permanent improvement is that much on interest. Be courteous to strangers that come among you, so that they go away with a good impression. Always cheer up the men that go in for improvements. Your portion of the costs will only be what is just. Don't kick about any necessary improvement because it is not at your own door, or fer fear that your taxes will be raised fifteen cents.

Rich Tin Mine.

RALEIGH, N. C., March 23.—Mining circles are excited over discoveries of tin near the historic battle-field of King's Mountain, in this state. Five years ago the presence of tin was discovered there, but little was done to work up the discovery. Two weeks ago an expert came to North Carolina, and in a quiet way began operations. He now has fifty men at work, and their efforts in developing the mine are more successful than any one believed. The ore, he reports officially, is of high grade, and the deposit is large. He is confident that one of the most important industries in the South is now in the initial development. The Zircon mines in western North Carolina, which were recently opened, are, from reports received to-day, in successful operation.

CANADIAN PACIFIC.

To Receive a Subsidy of \$10,000,000 from the Government.

OTTAWA, March 23.—It is stated to-day that the Dominion Cabinet has decided to pay the Canadian Pacific \$10,000,000 cash and surrender 5,000,000 acres of land, to quash the monopoly. Five of the \$10,000,000 are to be in the shape of a subsidy for a fast Atlantic line of Canadian mail steamers. It is estimated that before the deal is completed, the cost will be at least another \$10,000,000 in subsidies to different provinces to buy off opposition.

REPORT CONFIRMED.

MONTREAL, March 23.—The Gazette admits to-day that the government is contemplating the purchase of the release of the monopoly clause in the Canadian Pacific contract, and further says that the grant will not exceed \$20,000,000.

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