

### Millennium in 1912.

The statement is made by a prominent divine in the west that the millennium will arrive in the year 1912, and bases his claim on the prophecies of the Bible. Whether his prophecy is correct or not time alone will tell, but in the meantime we should make the most out of our lives, and the first essential to this is good health. A sickly person cannot enjoy life because he lacks the vigor and vitality necessary for such enjoyment, and consequently always feels down-hearted and depressed. It was for such persons that Hostetter's Stomach Stomach Bitters was first introduced fifty years ago, and many persons to-day can ascribe their good health to its use. It positively cures indigestion, dyspepsia, constipation, biliousness and liver and kidney troubles. Don't fail to try it.

James Fenning, alias Jim James, arrested by the sheriff of Multnomah county for complicity in the O. R. & N. holdup, has been released from custody, the sheriff having arrested the wrong man on the description of Harshman, the robber who was shot on the night of the holdup.

George J. Schleihe, a farmer of Matson, Wash., who was riding on the "blind baggage" of a Northern Pacific train Tuesday morning near Seattle, was attacked by robbers, and after being relieved of his money they threw him from the train, seriously, if not fatally, injuring him.

### Disastrous Wrecks.

Carelessness is responsible for many a railway wreck and the same causes are making human wrecks of sufferers from Throat and Lung troubles. But since the advent of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, Coughs and Colds, even the worst cases can be cured, and hope, less resignation is no longer necessary. Mrs. Lois Cragg of Dorchester, Mass., is one of many whose life was saved by Dr. King's New Discovery. This great remedy is guaranteed for all Throat and Lung diseases by Slocum Drug Co. Price 50c, and \$1.00. Trial bottles free.

Jerry Leslie, of Portland, has sued Chief of Police Hunt for \$25,000 damages for 17 days' false imprisonment, in which the damaged man was kept in shackles. He was arrested for murder and afterward released.

### Not a Sick Day Since.

"I was taken severely sick with kidney trouble. I tried all sorts of medicines, none of which relieved me. One day I saw an ad. of your Electric Bitters and determined to try that. After taking a few doses I felt relieved, and soon thereafter was entirely cured, and have not seen a sick day since. Neighbors of mine have been cured of Rheumatism, Neuralgia, Liver and Kidney troubles and General Debility." This is what B. F. Cass of Fremont, N. C. writes. Only 50c, at Slocum Drug Co.

A burglar entered the home of John Stout, of Salem, Tuesday night, and so frightened Mrs. Stout that she fainted, and while she was in a swoon the house was ransacked and the burglar escaped.

The employees of Wells-Fargo Express Company, in San Francisco, threaten to go on a strike because of the officials of the company fighting the unions.

### A Runaway Bicycle.

Terminated with an ugly cut on the leg of J. B. Omer, Franklin Grove, Ill. It developed a stubborn ulcer needing ing to doctors and remedies for four years. Then Bucklen's Arnica Salve cured. It's just as good for Burns, Scalds, Skin Eruptions and Piles. 25c, at Slocum Drug Store.

Martin Loew, a medical student in Baltimore, is dead from injuries received by being hazed by fellow students. The hazing was the process of being initiated into a Greek letter fraternity.

### Doesn't Respect Old Age.

It's shameful when youth fails to show proper respect for old age, but just the contrary in the case of Dr. King's New Life Pills. They cut off maladies no matter how severe and irrespective of old age. Dyspepsia, Jaundice, Fever, Constipation all yield to this perfect Pill. 25c, at Slocum Drug Store.

## BETTER MARKSMEN

### Army Officials to Offer a National Trophy and Medals to Soldiers.

### Arrangements Made to Have the First National Match Held Next September—Militiamen to Be Invited to Participate.

Unusual opportunities for the attainment of skill in marksmanship by the militiamen and others, as well as soldiers in the regular army, are offered in the rules governing the award of a national trophy and medals which were approved to-day by Secretary Root. The national match is to be shot on September 8 and 9 at Searight, N. J., and the contest of next year will be held in the middle west. Among the regulations approved by the secretary are the following:

The national guard and militia will be invited to shoot in department competitions with the regular troops each year. The same prizes for which the regular army shoots, and that the national guard of the several states be permitted to use United States government rifle ranges for target practice at such dates as may not interfere with their use by the army and marine corps. That every facility be offered citizens outside of the army and organized militia to become proficient in rifle shooting, and that this purpose can best be accomplished by means of rifle clubs.

The national shoot will be between teams of 12 men, representing each department of the army, the navy, the marine corps and the militia of each state. The prizes are:

1. The team making the highest aggregate total in two days' contest, "The National Trophy" (authorized by congress) to be competed for annually, \$1,000 and cash \$500.
2. The team making the second highest total, "The Holton Trophy" and cash \$300.
3. The team making the third highest total, "The Bronze Soldier of Marathon," presented by the commander in chief of the state of New York, and cash \$200.
4. The team making the fourth highest, cash \$150; the fifth highest, \$100; the sixth highest, \$50. Also medal to each member of each winning team.

### AN ASTRONOMICAL TRUST.

Prof. Pickering, of Harvard, Proposes a Combine Which Will Advance Cause of Science.

Prof. Pickering, of the Harvard observatory, is said to be projecting a combination of all the astronomical observatories in the world, so that their combined capital or endowments can be used by all.

The aggregate working capital is close to \$10,000,000, and there are enormous incomes. Prof. Pickering thinks there is too much money wasted in making observations, and too much needless competition. His plan is to distribute more equitably the working funds and the staffs, as some stations have too many men at work and others too few.

Harvard would be custodian of the funds, including Carnegie institute and the National academy, distributing them to the best advantage for the science.

### TO BE GIVEN ANOTHER TRIAL.

Government Still Undecided as to the Real Value of the Women Immigration Inspectors.

The commissioner of immigration has sent to the treasury department a report covering the second 30 days' work of the female inspectors appointed for the purpose of boarding incoming vessels to prevent the landing of persons of improper character in the United States. This report is similar to that covering the first 30 days of the female inspectors' work, and makes it evident to the officials that the ends sought to be attained cannot be accomplished successfully by the detailing of women inspectors on the ships. The women will be given another 30 days' trial, after which the president and the secretary of the treasury will decide whether or not their services shall be continued.

### SELL WIVES TO BUY FOOD.

Famine Prevailing in China Drives Husbands to Desperate Measures.

The famine in the province of Kwang-Si, China, shows no sign of improvement. In numerous cases the people have been reduced to such straits that husbands are selling their wives and children to prevent their starving to death, as their purchasers will supply them with food to save their own lives with the money obtained for them. Sir Henry A. Blake, governor of Hong-Kong, is organizing relief for the sufferers.

### Municipal Ownership.

Municipal ownership of water, gas, electricity, street railways, markets, baths and cemeteries in Nottingham, England, has shown an average annual net profit of \$100,000 for the last four years. The money is applied to the reduction of taxes.

## MINING AT GREAT DEPTHS.

### Copper Shaft in Lake Superior Region Extends Nearly a Mile Under Ground.

In no other district in the world are active mining operations carried on at such depth as in the Lake Superior copper region, says the Chicago Chronicle. The No. 5 shaft of the Tamarack mine is the deepest in the world, having attained a vertical depth of 4,940 feet, nearly a mile. Not far behind it is the Red Jacket shaft of the Calumet & Hecla, which is down 4,920 feet. Another deep shaft of the Calumet & Hecla is the No. 4 of the Calumet branch of the property. This is down 7,800 feet on an incline of a mile and a half. In view of the marvelous efficiency of the modern hoisting engine no considerations of a mechanical nature need limit the prospective depth of shafts.

The greatest obstacle to deep mining is the proportionate increase in temperature. In the Lake Superior copper district State Geologist Lake has ascertained that the temperature in the mine varies one degree for every 110 feet. The temperature in the deepest shafts at the Tamarack and Calumet & Hecla varies between 85 and 90 degrees, and in view of these conditions it is evident that considerable depths can yet be attained in this section.

### ARTIFICIAL AIR.

A New and Ingenious Process for Producing Oxygen from Solid Substance.

The progress of invention in submarine navigation has stimulated efforts to produce oxygen by cheaper and easier methods. If oxygen, the vital element in air, can be supplied as wanted, the length of time that men can remain under water may be indefinitely prolonged. A process of making oxygen, invented by George F. Jaubert, a French scientist, promises to answer the requirement, says Science. His object was to find a solid substance which would produce oxygen as calcium carbide produces acetylene gas. He selected for the purpose a peroxide of sodium, or of potassium, which can be cheaply manufactured by electrochemical means. It is called "oxy-lithe," and is made in little cubes and pellets, some only half an inch in diameter. When decomposed with water it gives off oxygen. Two or three ounces of this substance supply enough oxygen to enable a diver to remain under water for an hour. By suitable apparatus the carbonic oxide produced by respiration is withdrawn into the oxygen generator, and fresh oxygen takes its place.

### CANOPIED FIELDS.

Many Acres of Tobacco in the Connecticut Valley Covered with Big Tents.

Travelers in the Connecticut valley may sometimes see many acres covered with white cheesecloth supported, at a height of nine feet from the ground, on a framework of posts and wires. Under these vast tents Sumatra tobacco is grown. Experiments conducted by the department of agriculture led to the use of this system of protecting the tobacco plants, and the results have been found excellent. The light, sandy soil along the Connecticut river is well suited for the growth of Sumatra tobacco. The United States government furnishes the seed and supervises the cultivation, preparation and sale of the product, the farmers paying the cost and receiving the profit. That the great cloth canopies can withstand storms was proved a year ago last July, when a hail-storm caused much damage to crops in open fields, but the acres of covered tobacco escaped injury. The cost of the shade is from \$260 to \$360 per acre.

### CHAMPION SNAKE HUNTER.

A Frenchman Who Was Credited with Killing 30,000 Venomous Reptiles.

It is not well known that certain parts of France are infested with poisonous serpents, against which warfare is waged by state-paid serpent hunters. They are killed in thousands, and the price per head is 25c. There was some time ago a famous serpent killer in the forests of Southampton, John Milly, who in 42 years of hunting killed more than 29,000 vipers, says the London Tatler. A Frenchman named Courtol, who hunted in the Loire district, can be compared to Milly, as he was credited with having killed 30,000 venomous reptiles. His only weapons were one or two massive sticks. As soon as he saw the serpent he advanced and hit it squarely, either killing or stunning it; with the second stick he pinned it to earth and cut off the head with a large pair of shears. But along with these simple weapons Courtol possessed a thorough knowledge of the habit of serpents. He knew when and where to find them. In two days near Puy-Clermont he killed 250 of them, and not only did he kill the poisonous creatures, but he would capture them living when desired.

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