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GENERAL FOREIGN NEWS.

Origin of the Fatal Scheme.
LONDON, March 15.—The Russian embassy here claims to have evidence regarding the czar's assassination, that the manufacturing of the bombs, glass and nitro-glycerine, and in fact the entire scheme, originated in London.

Died from Poison.
ST. PETERSBURG, March 13.—It is stated that the civilian who declined to give his name died from poison he had taken, not from wounds.

The Trappings of War.
BERLIN, March 15.—The whole German army goes into mourning for one month.

Princess Dolgorouke.
VIENNA, March 15.—A dispatch says that Princess Dolgorouke, morganatic wife of the late czar, has left St. Petersburg and will not return.

More About the Assassins.
ST. PETERSBURG, March 15.—The remains will lie in state in the chapel of the palace fifteen days, and prayers will be said nightly. The minister of the interior states that one of the chief organizers of the attack on the czar, arrested March 11th, has confessed complicity and denounced Roussakoff in person. Roussakoff being shown the corpse of the man who evidently threw the second bomb, and was himself mortally wounded, recognized his accomplice. The house from which Roussakoff obtained the bombs has been discovered.

Socialist Meeting Called at St. Louis to Endorse the Assassination.

ST. LOUIS, March 15.—A dodger embellished with a death head, cross bones and coffin was freely circulated on the streets to-day calling a meeting of the Friends of Progress and the Children of the Goddess of Liberty, to assemble at the court house to-night to endorse the action of the nihilist society in the assassination of Emperor Alexander of Russia. Polish exiles specially are invited to be present. The dodger has made considerable stir among people generally and the police are attempting to find its author. Precautions will be taken by the police to prevent disturbance.

Some say that it is no use for them to advertise, that they have been in the place in business all their lives, and everybody knows them. Such people seem to forget to take in consideration that our country is increasing in population nearly 40 per cent. every ten years, and no matter how old the place may be, there are constant changes taking place; some move to other parts, and strangers fill their places. In this age of the world, unless the name of a business firm is kept constantly before the public, some new firm may start up, and, by liberal advertising, in a very short time take the place of the older ones, and the latter rust out, as it were, and be forgotten. No man ever lost money by judicious advertising.

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OLEOMARGARINE.

What it is, and the Method of its Manufacture.

There has been so much said and written of late upon this subject that a brief description of what oleomargarine is and how it is manufactured may not be amiss in this connection. We will take the process known as the "Mege process." In the first place it should be understood that butter which is obtained from milk is produced by the cow elaborating her fat through the cellular mammary tissues at the low rate of temperature of the body. The animal fat from which the butter cells in milk are produced is composed chiefly of oleine, margarine and stearine and small quantities of other substances. The natural process performed by the cow consists mainly, first, in separating the oleomargarine from the stearine without developing disagreeable odors or flavors in the oleomargarine; and secondly in producing a slight change in the oleomargarine, by which it assumes the character of butter.

Now when the fat is rendered at a low temperature—considerably below that heretofore employed in the ordinary rendering of fat—it has the taste of molten butter, and does not acquire that peculiarly disagreeable flavor heretofore supposed to be necessarily attached to melted fat or tallow, and which is designated as a tallowy flavor. The temperature must be far below that heretofore ordinarily used in rendering fats when no such object is proposed, to wit: the making of a butter-like product was in view; but it is not safe to vary much from 103 degrees. In order to neutralize any fermentation of the fat before or during its treatment, the raw fat should, as soon as possible after the death of the animal, be plunged in a solution of fifteen per cent. of common salt, and one per cent. of sulphate of soda, the effect of which would be to prevent fermentation.

When the fat is being rendered there is added two liters of gastric juice to 100 kilograms of fat. This gastric juice is made by macerating for three hours half of the stomach of a pig or sheep, well washed, and three liters of water containing thirty grains of biphosphate of lime. This macerated substance is passed through a sieve and then added to the fat under treatment in the proportion of two liters to 100 kilograms. The separation of the organized tissues from the fat is made by the introduction of salt during the rendering; and, as soon as there are no lumps of fat visible, one per cent. of common salt is added and stirred for some time. The rendered fat is then allowed to stand until it attains perfect limpidity, when it can be drawn off. The melted fat is next allowed to stand in a vessel maintained at a temperature of about eighty-six degrees and ninety-eight degrees, until the stearine is crystallized. The mixture of oleomargarine and stearine is then put in a centrifugal machine, and the oleomargarine will pass through a cloth and the stearine remain within, or the mixture may be submitted to a press.

A sea captain was brought before a justice in Marseilles and mercilessly attacked by his opponent's lawyer. When at length he was suffered to speak, he said: "Your Honor, I ask a delay of one week in the proceedings so that I may find a big enough liar to answer that man." His request was granted.

FACTS AND SCRAPS.

Temperance legislation is being discussed by an unusual number of legislatures this winter. The Worcester Spy says that Schwarz cannot understand philanthropy, unless there is some resulting advantage in it.

Alabama has a provision in her constitution forbidding the consolidation of competing lines of telegraph. A bill has been introduced in the Indiana legislature providing that nine out of a jury of twelve can bring in a verdict.

The Chicago Tribune finds that all that Mr. Hayes ever knew he found in Ohio, and thinks that it is not strange that when he wants a man for an office he should not go beyond Ohio.

Mrs. Hayes has a record of the White house entertainments under her rule in the shape of a large album, containing diagrams of dinner parties, names of guests, etc.

Prince Bismarck has taken his son, Count Herbert Bismarck, to be his private secretary. The young man looks exceedingly like his father, and is said to be uncommonly gifted.

Queen Victoria departs from her usual India shawl in the wedding gift which she is going to present to Princess Stephanie. It is to be a magnificent embossed silver service.

People in the north usually overlook the fact that there is a large republican vote in the south. It seems to be generally accepted that southern republican votes must come from negroes. But it is estimated that in Tennessee alone there are something like 60,000 white republican voters.

A Long-Absent Husband.

Burlington (Vt.) Free Press.
Among the cases heard before the Supreme-court for Rutland county was that of Leach against Leach, the particulars of which are of considerable interest. It seems that in the fall of 1853 Rosina S. Hall, then a girl, married Elisha B. Wells, of Willingford, who soon after went to California. About 1875, nothing having been heard from Wells, she married Ebenezer Leach, a widower of about sixty, with several children. No divorce was obtained from Wells, as she supposed his long absence had rendered that formality needless. In 1874 Leach died, having removed to Pawlet, leaving his widow with three children. She applied to the Probate-court for her dower, instead of the provision made for her by her husband's will. This was granted, and the court ordered John Leach, a stepson, and executor of the will, to pay her \$30 a month, the estate being worth \$15,000 to \$20,000. Meanwhile, rumors had come back that Wells was living, and the son refused to obey the order, and was imprisoned for contempt. After fifteen or twenty days Judge Redfield released him on a habeas corpus. He appealed from the order for payment of the Probate-court, and the Supreme-court dismissed the appeal. Suits were brought by each party against the other which are still pending. All the son's property was attached in this way, and he procured an injunction against the supposed widow from further prosecuting her claims for damage under orders of the Probate-court until the question of the validity of her marriage to Ebenezer Leach could be determined. The case is now sent back to the court of chancery for hearing of that question. The son's bill sets forth that he is able to prove that Wells is still living, though outside of that state.

WHAT.

If you the modern game of what would know, From this great principle its precepts flow: Treat your own hand as to your partner's joined, And play, not one alone, but both combined.

Your first lead makes your partner understand What is the chief component of your hand; And hence there is necessarily the strongest. That your first lead be from your suit that's longest.

In this, with Ace and King, lead King, then Ace; With King and Queen, King also has first place; With Ace, Queen, Knave, lead Ace and then the Queen; With Ace, four small ones; Ace should first be seen; With Queen, Knave, Ten, you let the Queen precede; In other cases you the lowest lead.

Eye your return your friend's, your own suit play; But trumps you must return without delay. When you return your partner's lead, take notice; To lead him back the best your hand contains.

If you received not more than three at first; If you had more, you may return the worst; But, if you hold the master card, you're in most cases to play it second round.

Where'er you want a lead, 'tis seldom wrong To lead up to the weak, or through the strong. If second hand, your longest should be played; Unless you mean "trump signal" to be made. Or, if you've King and Queen, or Ace and King, Then one of these will be the proper thing.

Mind well the rules for trumps—you'll often need them; When you hold five, 'tis always right to lead them; Or, if the lead won't come in time to you, Then signal to your partner so to do.

Watch also for your partner's trump request; To which, with less than four, play out your best. To lead through honors turned up is best play; Unless you want the trump suit cleared away.

When, second hand, a doubtful trick you see, Don't trump it, if you hold more trumps than three; But, having three or less, trump fearlessly.

When weak in trumps yourself, don't force your friend; But always force the adverse strong trump hand. For squanders, stern custom has decreed The lowest you must play, if you don't lead.

When you defend, weak out you ought to choose; For strong ones are too valuable to lose.

The Great Bridge at St. Louis.

A few years ago, in anti-bridge days, passengers were ferried across the Mississippi and landed on the crowded levee, at great inconvenience. But now, thanks to a great architect and mechanical skill, the tired traveler sits in his comfortable car until he reaches the depot in the heart of the city. The upper Mississippi has been spanned by twelve great railroad bridges, costing in the aggregate over \$20,000,000, and this one at St. Louis has cost as much as all the other eleven combined. The magnificent structure is a monument to the engineering skill of Captain James B. Eads. How can we describe it? Four massive piers of granite reach down to a rock foundation, more than 100 feet below the surface of the river, and rise eighty feet above the water. These stupendous piers support three immense arches, each one 500 feet long. The arches are composed of chrome steel tubes, united by a vast network of iron braces. The bridge has two divisions, the upper portion being used for carriageways, horse-car tracks and promenades. Through the lower division runs a double line of steam railway tracks, on which 100 daily trains go thundering back and forth. Leaving the bridge, the trains plunge into a tunnel as dark as midnight, and nearly a mile in length, passing under the city to the great Union depot. All trains now meet at this great central station, and twice a day it is probably the busiest place to be found in the country; morning and evening one can see no less than a dozen trains standing there ready to depart to all points of the compass.

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