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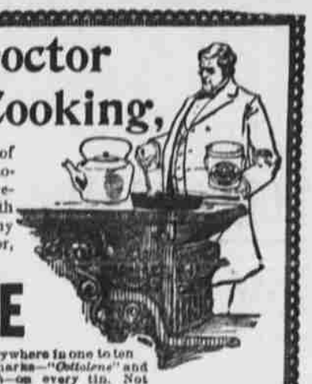

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ESTRADA PALMA ON M'KINLEY

DOES NOT BELIEVE PRESIDENT WILL UPHOLD HANDS OF SPAIN.

Too Well Informed to Adopt any Such Cuban Policy--Cannot Prevent Cuba's Independence.

New York, Nov. 20.—Discussing a dispatch from Washington stating that President McKinley's policy would be to urge Cubans to accept autonomy, Tomas Estrada Palma of the junta said:

"It is a moral impossibility that the president of a great nation like this should in any way uphold the hands of Spain and help to crush us in our struggle for liberty. The idea is ridiculous. It cannot be. The Cubans in Cuba and the Cubans in America have the utmost faith in the administration at Washington."

Eidel Perra said:

"The story cannot be true; the president, secretary of state, and the whole cabinet are too well informed to adopt any such Cuban policy; such talk is profitless. Whatever happens, we are going to keep on fighting. We did not begin this war with closed eyes. We counted the cost and prepared for any obstacle. They cannot prevent Cuban independence. They may delay it; that is all. We do not reckon so much on Cuban strength as on Spain's weakness. As the searchlight is turned on Spain, people all over the world are coming more and more to realize what sort of a country Spain is. The incarnation of Spanish pride and glory, the type of the Spanish hero is General Weyler. Spain does not intend to give autonomy today any more than she did three years ago. The cabinet meeting at which the so-called autonomy programme was to be finally decided on was set for last Monday. That morning Senor Moret became suddenly and mysteriously ill. The meeting was indefinitely postponed and autonomy was postponed with it."

LAVIGNE AND WALCOTT.

San Francisco, Nov. 20.—Lavigne and Tom O'Rourke met last night and arranged for a fight between Lavigne and Walcott. The contest will take place about noon February 22. The hour was fixed for a daylight fight in order to enable the vetiscope company to take pictures of the fight. The men will fight at 127 pounds, weigh in four hours before entering the ring.

Sally Smith and George Dixon have also signed for a match to take place some time in February.

HYPNOTISM.

Prof. McEwen, the great mind reader and hypnotist, will commence a week's engagement at Fisher's opera house, next Monday evening. This celebrated gentleman must be seen in all his great feats. He is performing this week in Portland to crowded houses each night, and no doubt Fisher's will be crowded next week to the doors. The prices of admission have been placed at 35 and 50 cents for reserved seats, and 25 cents for gallery. Seats on sale Saturday morning at Griffin & Reed's.

A CARD.

At the solicitation of persons interested in the relief of Mr. Nelson Bissberg, whose house was burned on Tuesday last, a subscription has been started in his behalf. Hon. J. T. Lighter, of the Daily Astorian, has consented to be custodian of the funds. The subscription paper may be seen and subscriptions left at the Astorian office, where they will be properly cared for until forwaded to Mr. Bisseberg. Signed,

WM. SEYMOUR SHORT.

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All Railroads, Trans-Atlantic and Coastwise Steamers in the Deal—No Show for Scalpers.

New York, Nov. 20.—The agreement which has been entered into between the railroads and Atlantic steamship lines to the regulation of immigrant fares is the most far-reaching combination of the kind ever organized in this country. In the first place it takes in not only all of the trans-Atlantic steamship companies, but the coast-wise lines as far south as the Gulf of Mexico and north to Halifax, thereby rendering it impossible for rates to be demoralized so far as the ocean companies are concerned. One of the ticket scalpers' chief source of revenue is now cut off and the railroads the country over agree to turn over a "flat" commission of 10 per cent to the steamship companies by virtue of the latter refusing to have any further dealings with outside agents. It means an end to demoralization and a tightening of the screws all along the line. The initiative was taken by the Western Passenger Association, which has been the leading factor in the struggle with the outside agents, trunk lines and steamship lines that has been going on for many years. For a long time the leading ticket agents were able to infidence two or three Western roads so that is was impossible to make any iron-clad agreement. The trunk lines in future will route all immigrants for points beyond the joint traffic gateways, according to the instructions given by the representatives of the Western lines. The Canadian Pacific and Southern Pacific, which have been the chief disturbing factors to combination have signed the agreement, and enter heartily into the new agreement.

BUTLER AGAIN.

Santa Ana, Cal., Nov. 20.—Alva W. Butler, convicted of horse stealing, has been sentenced to eight years in San Quentin. Butler served seven years in the Oregon penitentiary for robbing the postoffice at Canyon City and was released January 8, 1895.

SHOCKING TRAGEDY IN WISCONSIN

MAN KILLS HIS CHILDREN AND CUTS HIS OWN THROAT.

Another Case of An Erring Wife and Rash Husband—Boarder Caused the Trouble.

Oconomowoc, Wis., Nov. 20.—A mysterious and shocking tragedy was committed at this place some time last night, at the residence of Ernest Cornell. Two little children, Willie Cornell, aged 6 years, and Tillie, aged 4, were found dead, lying on their bed with their throats cut, and Ernest Cornell, their father, was lying on the floor with a gash across his throat which extended from ear to ear.

Cornell made a statement after his wound was sewed up. He said a man named Lewis, who had boarded with the family for some weeks, last night induced him to drink a lot of whiskey and that after disposing of the liquor he soon lost consciousness and knew nothing more until he was awakened by the clock striking at 5:30 this morning. Cornell said that last evening he asked his wife not to leave the house with Lewis, but that she refused and went in spite of his entreaties.

The general opinion is that Cornell killed the children and afterwards attempted to commit suicide because of his domestic troubles. Cornell's razor, with which the deed had been done, was lying on the floor.

CANADIANS WILL GO IN HEAVY

MINING COMPANY WHICH WILL ECLIPSE ANYTHING EVER PROJECTED.

Backed By the Government and Canadian Pacific With Unlimited Capital to Develop Klondike.

New York, Nov. 20.—The Herald says: Several of the leading directors of the Canadian Pacific railway who are backed by unlimited English capital and have the promise of liberal rights from the Canadian government have organized an extensive mining company which promises to eclipse anything that has ever been projected in this country. They will conduct mining operations and various transportation and trading enterprises on a vast scale in British Columbia, particularly in the newly developed sections of Alaska. It is not unlikely that they will open up sections of the great Northwest. This is the syndicate that Lieutenant-Governor McIntosh of the Northwest province referred to when he returned to New York from England. Mr. McIntosh at that time gave no details but said that some of the leading English capitalists, including Canadian Pacific directors, had concluded to launch a great enterprise for mining gold and other minerals and he also said that very likely they would do some railroad building and open up new territory. He assumed that the new road would be operated in connection with the Canadian Pacific.

It is not known that President Van Horne, Lord Mount Stephen and other influential directors of that company who are also interested in telegraphic matters, will take a leading part in the the projects and besides the English capital it is reported that J. W. Mackay and the Rothschilds are interested.

Whether the latter are connected with the Canadian Pacific scheme, it could not be definitely learned, but Mr. Mackay's friends, it is said, have heard him speak of a vast gold mining scheme in which fortunes are likely to be made within the next few years. Mr. Mackay is associated with the directors of the Canadian Pacific in one or two enterprises. The report about Mr. Mackay stated that he had prospects on a large scale in various parts of the United States as well as British Columbia. It was reported that H. Maitland Kersey, an agent of the White Star line, would resign his position to become manager of Mr. Mackay's company.

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There have been two "off years" in Ohio. This year and last year—for the democrats.

Warning.—Persons who suffer from coughs and colds should heed the warnings of danger and save themselves suffering and fatal results by using One Minute Cough Cure. It is an infallible remedy for coughs, colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. Chas. Rogers.

The has-beens of life are a good deal sharper to think about than the might-have-beens.

Small pill, safe pill, best pill. DeWitt's Little Early Risers cure biliousness, constipation, sick headache. Charles Rogers.

Some women seem to have nothing to do but rock or write in the waiting rooms of the large dry goods stores.

Mr. N. N. Osburn, well known at Woodstock, Mich., was troubled with a lame back. He was persuaded to use Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It gave him relief in one night. This remedy is also famous for its cures of rheumatism. For sale by Estes-Conn Drug Company.

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OLD MARRIAGE CUSTOMS

By Lady Cook, nee Tennessee Claflin

When a custom once becomes general it does not easily disappear. The public indecencies attending marriage which were common not very long ago, have been considerably modified. Nevertheless, sufficient remain to outrage modesty, and to invest the ceremony with evil influences. A union which should be sacred, unobtrusive, and unobserved, is made as public as may be, and surrounded with all possible means of notoriety. Bells are rung, a semi-pagan Christian service is attended by a crowd of friends and strangers, gossips crowd the church entrance, huge bouquets and wedding favors are flaunted even by the attendant coachmen and footmen, and the whole is wound up by a champagne festivity, as though Bacchus and Venus were the presiding deities of the hour. Meanwhile, the young bride, who is presumably pure in mind and body, must sit and listen to all sorts of speeches, whether eulogistic, sympathetic or suggestive. And her lady friends, still younger it may be, have to go through the same ordeal. It would be sheer hypocrisy to say that all this may be done innocently. On such an occasion the crowd of onlookers usually take the opportunity to indulge in flippant remarks. That which ought to be pure and dignified is thus turned into a show for the sensual.

Formerly the bride was led to church by two bachelors, called Bride-Knights, and taken back by two married men, while a third preceded her with a costly bride-cup, containing "a goodly branch of Rosemary," and hung about with many colored ribbons. It was also a part of their office to undress the bride-groom and put him to her bed. Rushes and flowers were strewn along the bride's path. Braithwaite sang:

"Strew rushes, Maides; and over as you strew,
Think one day, Maides, like will be done for you."

When Chaucer's Griselid was married,

"A coupronne on hire hed they had ydressed."

Sometimes the nuptial crowns were made of myrtle, flowers or corn ears. These, and many other customs like the wedding ring and bride cake, were vestiges of Phallic worship. Even before the altar the young men used, immediately after the ceremony, to struggle as to who should first pluck off the bride's garters, and these, generally ribbons for the occasion, were worn as trophies in their hats. Butler, in whose time this custom was prevalent, makes Hudibras allude to it, when he says of the "Protestation":

"Which all the Saints, and some, since Martyrs,
Wore in their hats like wedding garters."

The nuptial kiss in the church was enjoined by the York Missal and the Sarum Manual, and it was customary for the young men present to salute the bride by turns after the ceremony. Sports and boisterous music were alway expected. In one of Ben Jonson's plays it is said, "Your wedding dinner is starved without music."

In the "Christen State of Matrimony," published in the reign of Henry VIII., complaint was made of the "superfluous eatyng and drinkyng" of the "weddyng people" who came to church either "halfe droncke" or "all together." "They come with a great noyse of harpes, lutes, kyttes, basens and drormes, wherwyth they trouble the whole church and hynder them in matters pertaining to God. And even as they come to the churche, so they go from the churche agayne, lyght, nyce, in shameful pompe and wantonesse. * * * After the bancket and feast there begynneth a vayne, madde and unmannerly fashion, for the bride must be brought into an open dancing place. Then there is such a rennynge, leapynge and flyngeyng among them, then there is such a tyftinge up and discoverynge of the damselles clothes and other womenne's apparel, that a man might think they were sworne to the Devel's Daunce." This rough hilarity was kept up until late at night. An old song goes:

"And then they did foot it and toss it,
Till the cook had brought up the posset.
The bride-pye was brought forth,
A thing of mickle worth.
And so all, at the bedside
Took leave of Arthur and his bride."

But the publicity was not yet over. "Next morning come the fiddlers and scrape him" (the husband) "a wicked Reveillez. The drums rattle, the shaumes tote, the trumpets sound tan ta ra ra, and the whole street rings with the benedictions and good wishes of fiddlers, drummers, pipers and trumpetters. You may safely say now, the wedding's proclaimed." Safely indeed! and well might the poet Gay ask, "Are sounds like these the proper prelude to a state of peace?" If these boisterous indecencies had not been opposed in the past, our observances of today would be far worse than they are. And if the indecent publicity of today were to meet with no reprobation, its evils might become indefinitely prolonged. For, after all, what is it but the glorification of sexual union—more fitting for the sensual worshippers of Priapus or Venus than for the sober citizens of a Christian land? If a couple would come together, why should they not do so without ostentation—modestly and privately? What is there in such a simple circumstance, so common and so universal, that demands the attention of others? When we come to the birth of a child, however, this is another matter. This is a fitting cause of feast and joy. The babe is not only a pledge and bond of love, but it is a guarantee for the immortality of the race. Our lives are short, but they are renewed again in our children, as theirs will be in theirs. These excite hope and the fondness of parental care. They nurture in us all noble longings and worthy aspirations. We desire in them the absence of our own imperfections and the improvement of our better qualities. We welcome, therefore, all who can join in our hopes and rejoice in our joy. Thus every child, born of pure parents, is one of God's anointed—a Christ among men. He comes to bless, to heal and to purify. We have no account of the marriage of the Virgin Mary in the Gospel legend. We hear of no marriage or marriage feast. But when the Christ of Christs was born, wise men from a foreign land journeyed to Bethlehem to do him worship. Heaven itself was opened, and the angelic choir that issued therefrom sang to simple shepherds in their night-watches the song of peace and good will towards men.

A PLEASANT EXPERIENCE.

A few days ago a charming young lady who was traveling alone between St. Paul and Chicago, was accosted by a handsome gentleman, who invited her to dinner with him. "Certainly, Mr. Carson," she replied, "for the Wisconsin Central lines have the best dining car service in the world; I shall be delighted." For further particulars call on the nearest ticket agent, or address J. C. Pond, general passenger agent, Milwaukee, Wis., or George S. Batty, general agent, 246 Stark street, Portland, Or.

It is stated in Washington that the administration intends an early reopening of the negotiations looking to the adoption of an arbitration treaty between this country and England.

"The worst cold I ever had in my life was cured by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy," writes W. H. Norton, of Sutter Creek, Cal. "This cold left me with a cough and I was expectorating all the time. The Remedy cured me, and I want all my friends when troubled with a cough or cold to use it, for it will do them good." Sold by Estes-Conn Drug Company.

Editor McLean of Washington, D. C., can now surrender his house in Cincinnati, rented temporarily for the Ohio campaign to "establish" residence in Ohio.

You may eat cheap food and not be seriously hurt by it; but you cannot take cheap medicines without positive injury. If you use any substitute for Ayer's Sarsaparilla, you do so at the peril of your health, perhaps of your life. Insist on having Ayer's, and no other.

Now that Ohio is through with him, the little children of Mexico are again crying to see Mr. Bryan. Will he disappoint them this time?

J. M. Thirswend, of Grosbeck, Tex., says that when he has a spell of indigestion and feels bad and sluggish, he takes two of DeWitt's Little Early Risers at night, and he is all right, the next morning. Many thousands of others do the same thing. Do you? Chas. Rogers.

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