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I. O. O. F.—Sessions held Saturday evening in the rooms over Moore's Drug store.

Y. W. C. T. U.—Business meeting the second Saturday in every month.

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THE PACIFIC COAST.

San Joaquin and Kings Rivers Over Their Banks.

An Epitome of the Hebdomadal Happenings Up and Down the Pacific Slope.

Tuolumne river is the highest known for years.

The Marysville cannery receives ten tons of cherries daily.

Montague, Siskiyou county, is about to build a $5,000 schoolhouse.

Helena, Mont., has a society for the prevention of cruelty to animals.

An effort is being made to consolidate the water companies at Los Angeles.

The Petaluma Fruit Packing Company has incorporated with a capital of $100,000.

A new brick company is to begin at once at Vallejo on the clay on the water front.

San Diego's Chamber of Commerce adopted a resolution favoring the free coinage of silver.

The Yreka opera house contract has been awarded, and the building is to be completed in October.

High water in the American river necessitates the postponement of work on the boom of the Folsom Land and Lumber Company.

Four men were sentenced in the United States District Court at Los Angeles to imprisonment for two years for selling liquor to Indians.

Negotiations are completed for the establishment of an immense iron-reducing and steel works at Kirkland, a suburb of Seattle, on the shores of Lake Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Potts, who killed Fawcett in January, 1888, are to be hanged at Carson on the 20th of June. The Nevada Board of Pardons refuses to interfere.

A party of Santa Fe engineers are on their way to the Mojave terminus of the Atlantic and Pacific road. They have orders to lay out a route for 400 miles of road, which is interpreted to be the main line to San Francisco.

Postoffices have been established at Ocean, San Juan county, Wash., Lee Wheeler, postmaster; Point No Point, Kitsap county, Wash., Mary Scounel, postmistress; na, Benton county, Or., William H. Hulse, postmaster.

The San Joaquin and Kings rivers are over their banks in many places, and hundreds of acres of grain will be destroyed in Fresno county. Reports from Firebaugh say Miller & Lux's men were working night and day to prevent breaks in the levees.

At San Francisco, after fifty hours of actual session and taking up all the evidence it could secure before it, the committee of ministers appointed by Rev. Dr. Bentley, the presiding elder, acquitted Rev. Dr. C. C. Stratton, late President of Mills College, on trial on charges of immorality preferred against him.

Dr. J. N. Martin, chair of ancient languages, Professor J. T. Ewing, principal of the academic department, and H. M. Bland, principal of the commercial department, have resigned from the University of the Pacific faculty. Rev. W. D. Crabb of Chico was elected principal of the academic department.

EASTERN ITEMS.

Andersonville Prison Stockade Purchased by the G. A. R.

An Educated Indian Lawyer Admitted to Practice Before the Dakota Circuit Court.

The Astors are to build a $3,000,000 hotel at New York on the Parisian plan.

Dr. Herrick has been appointed Quarantine Inspector for New Mexico and Arizona

The National Greenbackers will meet in convention at Indianapolis August 25th.

John L. Sullivan refuses to talk about fighting until clear of the Mississippi entanglement.

According to the official reports the number of abandoned farms in Vermont now reaches 3,000.

Ed. Van Metere, an educated Sioux Indian, has been admitted to practice before the Dakota Circuit Court.

The want of funds will probably prevent the proposed Alaskan exploration in the interest of science this season.

Andersonville prison stockade has been purchased by the Georgia Encampment, G. A. R., acting for the national body.

About 250,000 acres of land east of Guthrie will likely be thrown open for settlement in a short while, the Indians finally concluding to take lands in severalty.

The committee on the Kansas City Treasurer has found a shortage of $19,026, but it is not yet determined who is responsible.

The New York Times says the program for the Pacific Mail meeting is the retirement of the Goulds, father and son, from the directory.

There is to be an effort to advance rates by the Presidents of all the roads at Chicago except the Union Pacific and Northwestern.

On the Fourth of July Leadville will witness and celebrate the passage of the first transcontinental train through that city to the Pacific Coast.

Every steamer sailing from New York for Nicaragua now carries out quantities of railroad fittings and other supplies for the use of the canal company.

Aldridge Young, manager of Spreckels' interests at Baltimore, has resigned at the request of his employer. He is succeeded by Robert E. Downs.

The new Busk-Ivanhoe tunnel, on the Colorado Midland line, west of Leadville, will be a mile and three-quarters long and 11,000 feet above the sea. It will cost about $1,000,000.

The Grand Army of the Republic committee, which investigated the management of the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kan., found there were no legal grounds for complaint.

A bill has been introduced in the Senate by Senator Sanders providing that no patent issued to the Northern Pacific Railroad Company shall be construed to convey to the company any mineral lands, iron and coal lands excepted.

The shipment of American cattle to Europe, alive and dead, last week amounted to 15,000 head, a falling off of 25 per cent from the week previous, at a loss estimated at $30 a head. These shipments represent a clear loss of $450,000 to exporters.

W. K. White, United States Commissioner for Iowa to collect statistics of the mortgage indebtedness of the State for the Census Bureau, states that in the year 1889 there was a larger amount of indebtedness cancelled than in any other year, by all odds.

More than two hundred women voted at the school election last week in Auburn, N. Y. Much excitement was manifested over this feature of the day. The Labor ticket was triumphant by a large majority, every Commissioner elected being a workingman.

The New York Grant Monument Association has failed in securing funds to erect a tomb for the great soldier, and there is a possibility that the remains at Riverside will be taken to Washington, when Congress will make an appropriation to build a proper memorial.

Charles Francis Adams and party express themselves as well pleased with the condition of the country in Washington and Idaho, through which they traveled, and Mr. Adams has in contemplation branch roads that will quickly develop the rich portions of that country.

At the annual meeting of the American Peace Society at Boston the following delegates were chosen to attend the Peace Congress in London in July: David Dudley Field, New York; Dr. John Nutt and Otis Magaw Howard, Chicago; Phil C. Barrett, Philadelphia, and eight others.

The Legislature of Kentucky recently passed a law over the Governor's veto reducing the rate of State taxation from 45½ to 42½ cents on each $100. Governor Buckner says this will leave a deficit of $150,000 before the next Legislature meets, and he asserts that he will not call an extra session.

The Methodist Episcopal South Conference selected Rev. H. R. Walker as the editor of the new church paper to be established on the Pacific Coast. Dr. Walker belongs to the Kentucky Conference, is a ripe scholar, has been thirty years in the ministry and has written several books. He is 55 years old.

The United States and Brazil Mail Steamer Company at its annual election elected the following directors: C. P. Huntington, H. K. Thurber, G. G. Williams, C. R. Flint, C. M. Pratt, E. G. Barlett and W. C. Hurlburt. The annual report shows a net profit of 8¼ per cent. on the general capital of the company.

John P. Kunze, who was tried with Coughlin, Burke, O'Sullivan and Beggs, for an alleged complicity in the Cronin murder case, has been married to Miss Julia G. Hoyer, the young lady who visited him so often at jail during his imprisonment and cheered him during his trial. Kunze received as a wedding present a solid silver water service from the lawyer who conducted his case.

FOREIGN NEWS.

The Prussian Finance Minister Resigns.

A Russian Ukase Gives Permission for Employment of Women on Railroads.

Europe has on hand 115,000,000 ounces of fine silver ready for sale.

A ruby weighing 344 carats has been found in the mines at Burmah.

More rich petroleum discoveries have been made in Tabasco, Mexico.

Gladstone again asserts that a new Parliament will soon be chosen.

Herr Stuebel, formerly German Consul at Apia, has been appointed Consul at Shanghai.

The accounts of the German East African Company show a loss of $150,000 during 1889.

The census of France, recently tabulated, gives the total population of France as 37,930,759.

Queen Victoria will confer the Order of Bath on Emperor William. The ceremony will be private.

The German Emperor has just had a magnificent sword manufactured in Berlin as a gift to the Sultan.

Dr. Chambeland, Pasteur's chief assistant, has discovered that cinnamon is fatal to the typhoid microbe.

Leprosy is spreading in New Caledonia. Three thousand of the natives and many convicts have been attacked.

President Diaz favors a three-Americas railroad. He says anything connecting Mexico with the outer world will be beneficial.

It is announced that upon the retirement of Mr. Gladstone Lord Spencer will become the titular leader of the Liberal party.

An imperial Russian ukase will shortly be issued forbidding Jews to engage in the publication of journals of a political character.

A tunnel through the Simplon is likely to be the next great engineering achievement in Europe. It will be eighteen miles long.

The Mexican Secretary of Finance states that he is not quite ready to propose a new tariff reducing the import duties on many articles.

The British Secretary of War will soon bring in a bill to give facilities for establishing volunteer rifle ranges in various parts of the country.

An epidemic of suicide prevailed in England week before last. There were 198 cases of self-destruction in the provinces and eighty in London.

The new observatory near Tananarivo, Madagascar, will be one of the highest in the world, as the site chosen is about 4,400 feet above the sea level.

Another riotous demonstration against the government has occurred at Puerto Alegre, Argentine Republic. Twenty-six soldiers were slain and forty-one wounded.

The German artillery by an imperial order is to be armed with bronze cannons, which are to be manufactured from the bronze guns taken from the French during the last war.

Notwithstanding the constant heavy emigration the population of Great Britain has increased more than 4,000,000 since 1885. The total population is about 38,000,000.

Locusts are so numerous in some parts of South Australia that they cause a continual roar while flying, and the country is being stripped of everything green by the scourge.

The Federal Council of Switzerland has decided that when an alteration of the constitution is demanded by 50,000 citizens the question will be submitted to a popular vote.

The French Budget Committee says the navy is inferior to the navies of the triple alliance, and it is proposed to increase the number of vessels and to strengthen the crew.

What would appear to be a form of telpherage system is at present being considered as a means of transporting mail matter between Buenos Ayres and Montevideo in South America.

Mr. Parnell has written an article for an American review, to be published at an early date, setting forth in some detail the objections of the Irish party to Mr. Balfour's Irish land purchase bill.

The increase of about 1,000,000 people in thirteen years in Spain is attributed in a great measure to the success that has attended the changes in the hygienic condition of the large cities and towns.

A Russian ukase has just been issued permitting the employment of women on the railroads. On the Transcaspian line there are female station masters, traffic managers, signal women and point women.

A committee, consisting of representatives of the British war office, the admiralty and the colonial office, has been appointed to consider the question of building a great government dock at Gibraltar.

The Russian Government is about sending a large detachment of the army to destroy the grasshoppers now ravaging Transcaucasia, covering with their depredations an area of thousands of square miles.

The French Parliamentary Committee on the subject of limiting the labor of women, girls and children proposes that women and girls between the ages of 13 and 18 shall work not more than ten hours and shall not work at night.

Dr. Von Scholz, the Prussian Minister of Finance, has resigned suddenly and taken his departure from Berlin. No reason is given for his retirement. In accepting his resignation the Emperor conferred upon him the order of the Black Eagle.

The Princess of Battenberg has managed to bring about a quasi-reconciliation between the Queen and her son, Prince Alexander, who fell into the deepest disgrace at the English court when he jilted Princess Victoria of Prussia in order to contract a morganatic marriage.

PORTLAND MARKET.

Excepting the strike in the building trade, which affects retail business considerably, business continues active in all lines. More rain is still needed in the country, though what has fallen and the cool weather will insure us a fair crop in any event.

AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS.	
Breaking Plow	$33@55
Broadcast Seeders	90@140
Binding Twine.....10 per ct dis	18c
Binding Wire..... " "	12½c
Grain Drills	110@160
Gang Plow	100@115
Osborne's Mowers.....20 ⅌ ct dis	75
" Reapers..... "	120
" Combined Mowers and Reapers....20 ⅌ ct dis	150
" Droppers..... "	130
" Steel-frame self-binding Harvesters, 20 ⅌ ct dis	180
Railroad Barrows, iron wheels, ⅌ dozen	48@55
Railroad Barrows, wood wheels, ⅌ dozen	80
Road Plow	30@36
Solid Steel Scrapers	12@14
Steel Disk Harrows	50@90
Spring Wagons	125@170
Sulky Plows	75@95
Walking Plows	9@25
Wagons, all makes	110@160
BAGS.	
Burlaps, 40 in	7
Burlaps, 45 in	7½
Burlaps, 60 in	11¾
Gunnies, 28x40	16
Potato Bags, net cash	5@6½
Wool, 4 lb, "	38
Wool, 3½ lb, "	36
Wheat Sacks, spot, net cash	7¼
Wheat Sacks, extra, second-hand	6¼
COFFEES.	
Green—	
Guatemala, ⅌ lb	22 @23½
Java, ⅌ lb	25 @27
Mocha, ⅌ lb	28 @31
No. 1 Costa Rica, ⅌ lb	22 @23
Rio, ⅌ lb	22 @23
Salvador, ⅌ lb	21½@22½
Roasted, in bags—	
Arbuckle's Ariosa, ⅌ lb	26¼@26½
Closset & D.'s Columbia 1 lb prs	25½@26
Costa Rica	25 @28
Guatemala	25½@28
Roasted Java	30 @32
Roasted Mocha	35 @37
DAIRY PRODUCE.	
Butter—	
Oregon fancy creamery	25
Choice dairy	20
Common	8@10
Pickled, California	18@20
Eastern fancy creamery	
California fresh roll	18@21
Cheese—	
New California	11½@12½
Oregon skims and old	12 @14
Swiss Cheese, domestic	15 @16
Young America, Or.	14
Eggs—	
Oregon, ⅌ doz	14@15
Eastern, ⅌ doz	13@14
FEED.	
Bran, ⅌ ton	17 00@18 00
Hay, ⅌ ton, baled	18 00@20 50
Ground Barley, ⅌ ton	30 00
Mill Chop, ⅌ ton	22 00@25 00
Oil Cake Meal, ⅌ ton	27 50@30 00
Shorts, ⅌ ton	19 00@20 00
FLOUR	
Portland patent roller, ⅌ bbl	3 75
Salem patent roller	3 75
Dayton patent roller	3 65
Cascadia patent roller	3 65
Country brands	3 50
McMinnville	3 75
Superfine	2 50
White Lily	3 75
Graham	3 25
Rye flour	4 50
FRESH FRUITS.	
Apples	
Bananas, ⅌ bunch	2 50@4 00
Cherries, California	1 00@1 25
Lemons, California, ⅌ box	3 75@4 00
Lemons, Sicily, ⅌ box, new	6 25
Limes, ⅌ cwt	1 50
Oranges, Riversides	4 00
Oranges, Seedless	4 50@4 75
Oranges, Navels	5 25
Oranges, Malta blood	5 00
Strawberries, ⅌ lb	6@7
GRAIN.	
Barley, whole, ⅌ ctl	80 @ 90
Corn, ⅌ 100 lbs	1 50
Oats, good, ⅌ bushel	52 @ 54
Rye, ⅌ 100 lbs, nominal	1 20 @1 22½
Wheat, Valley, ⅌ 100 lbs	1 20 @1 22½
Wheat, Eastern Oregon	1 15 @1 17½
LUMBER—ROUGH AND DRESSED.	
Rough	Per M, $10 00
Edged	12 00
T. & G. sheathing	13 00
No. 2 flooring	18 00
No. 2 ceiling	18 00
No. 2 rustic	18 00
Clear rough	20 00
Clear P. 4S	22 50
No. 1 flooring	22 50
No. 1 ceiling	22 50
No. 1 rustic	22 50
Stepping	25 00
POULTRY.	
Chickens, large young, ⅌ doz	5 00
Chickens, broilers	4 50@5 00
Chickens, old	4 50@5 00
Ducks, ⅌ doz	6 00@7 00
Geese, young, ⅌ doz	8 00@9 00
Turkeys, young, ⅌ lb	17½
Grouse and Pheasants	....
SALT.	
Coarse—Fine—	
200-lb bags, ⅌ ton	17 00
100-lb bags, ⅌ ton	17 00
Ground Rock, 50-lb bags, ⅌ ton	12 50
SEEDS.	
Grass Seeds—	
Timothy	6½@ 6¾
Orchard Grass	11 @12
Red Top	6½@ 8½
Blue Grass	12 @14
English Rye Grass	7½@ 9
Italian Rye Grass	9½@11
Australian Rye Grass	7½@ 9
Mesquite	7 @10
Millet	5 @ 6
Hungarian Millet	5 @ 6
Mixed Lawn Grass	12@15
Clover Seeds—	
Red Clover	10½@11½
White Clover	15 @17
Alsyke Clover	15 @17
Alfalfa	10 @11
Miscellaneous—	
Canary	4½@5
Flax	4½@5
Hemp	5 @5½
Rape, California	3½@4½
VEGETABLES (FRESH).	
Asparagus, ⅌ lb	6@8
Beans	10
Cabbage, ⅌ lb	2½@3
Cauliflower, ⅌ doz	1 40@1 50
Carrots, ⅌ sk	1 00
Carrots, young, ⅌ doz	15
Celery, ⅌ doz	90@1 00
Cucumbers, ⅌ doz	75
Green Peas	6
Lettuce, ⅌ doz	20
Onions, ⅌ lb	2½
Potatoes, ⅌ 100 lbs	2 25
Potatoes, sweets, ⅌ lb	
Radishes, ⅌ doz	20
Rhuburb	5
Spinach	
Turnips, per sk	1 75
WOOL.	
Eastern Oregon—	
According to shrinkage	10@15
Valley—	
Spring clip	16@19
Umpqua	18@20
Umpqua, lambs and fall	10@14

OF GENERAL INTEREST.

—In a back district in Manitoba there is in the tax books this entry, referring to some crown lands: "Owner, Victoria; occupation, Queen; residence, England."

—To take off his hat on entering the room of a friend or an acquaintance would be a breach of etiquette on the part of a Chinaman. To keep on his spectacles when on a visit would be so too.

—Some idea of the amount of plates kept by the Methodist Book Concern in New York may be formed from the fact that the agents have just sold for old metal over eighty tons of old plates and type.

—Here is the biggest record of longevity yet. An Indian of Chili has convincing proof to show that he is 198 years old. His friends tell him he ought to make the score 200, but he refuses to do so until 1897.

—A cartman recently died of phthisis at a London hospital, and when the doctor made a post mortem they found a steel knife blade run into his skull for an inch and broken off there. It had been there so long that the bone had healed over the spot where it had entered.

—Pleasantville, N. J., has a citizen with twenty-five fingers and toes. Some of them had to be cut off because they restricted his freedom of action. The freak in this case appears to be a family one, his father and his brothers and sisters having had seven toes each on the left foot.

—At Huntington, W. Va., a young man who had escorted a young lady to the theater fell a sad victim to the pernicious habit of going out between the acts. About the second time he went out to see a man his fair companion arose, invited a friend to accompany her home and gracefully retired.

—Two children playing upon a grassy slope at Auchmithie, Scotland, slipped and rolled down to the edge of a steep precipice, 145 feet high, over which they fell to the beach below. Those who ran to gather up their mangled remains found them on their feet in the sand, in a general state of mental bewilderment, and with no worse injuries than a few scratches.

—A young woman in Bergerac, France, sent a dress to be altered and forgot to remove from its pocket a very confidential letter. The dressmaker found it, and, instead of returning it, communicated its contents to several neighborhood gossips. The girl's guardian has obtained a verdict compelling the dressmaker to return the letter and pay $60 damages and the costs.

—A young woman who appeared as a witness in a Philadelphia court the other day refused to kiss the Bible. And, in commending her refusal, the judge made the following statement: "I am not surprised that this witness did not kiss the book. I would not do it either, a dirty book like that. This custom is a relic of idolatry, and the sooner it is abolished the better it will be. I don't think this witness objected to kissing the book because she intended to lie, but because it is a dirty book. I respect her regard for her person and her health."

—At a small town in Wurtemburg, recently a marriage took place which brings about a complicated state of family relations. The woman had been married three times before, and each time had taken for her husband a widower with children. Her fourth husband was also a widower, and he had had children by his first wife, who was herself a widow with children when he married her. The newly married couple started their matrimonial companionship with a family composed of the children of no less than eight previous marriages. It would puzzle a magic an to settle the exact relationship existing between this very assorted household.

THE NUMBER THREE.

It Plays an Important Part in the Popular Mind.

There is much superstitious regard for the number three in the popular mind, and the third repetition of any thing is generally looked upon as a crisis. Thus, an article may twice be lost and recovered, but the third time that it is lost it is gone for good. Twice a man may pass through some great danger in safety, but the third time he loses his life. If, however, the mystic third can be successfully passed, all is well. Three was called by Pythagoras the perfect number, and we frequently find its use symbolical of Deity; thus, we might mention the trident of Neptune, the three-forked lightning of Jove and the three-headed dog of Pluto. The idea of trinity is not confined to Christianity, but occurs in several religions.

In mythology, also, we find three Fates, three Furies and three Graces; and coming nearer to our own times, Shakespeare introduces his three witches. In public house signs three seems to play an important part, for we frequently meet with "Three Cups," "Three Jolly Sailors," "Three Bells," "Three Tuns," "Three Feathers"—in fact, that number of almost any thing of which a fertile imagination can conceive a trio. In nursery rhymes and tales this number is not unknown; and if we look back to the days of our childhood, most of us will call to mind the three wise men of Gotham, who took a sea voyage in a bowl, not to mention the three blind mice that had their tails cut off by the farmer's wife. Perhaps there is some occult power in the number which governs the division of novels into three volumes, and induces doctors to order their medicine to be taken thrice daily. It is said that some tribes of savages can not count beyond three; but although they may have no words to express higher numbers, perhaps we should be scarcely justified in assuming that they are incapable of appreciating the value of the latter.—Chambers' Journal.

—The champion fine hand writer of the world is believed to be Mr. Rila Kitteridge, who resides in Belfast. He is seventy-eight years old, but has written the Lord's Prayer six times repeated on the space covered by a silver five-cent piece, which is at the rate of 3,600 words on a postal card. Mr. Kitteridge does not use a microscope in writing, nor one is needed to read what he writes.

AMERICA'S DISCOVERY.

How the Expedition Led by Columbus was Fitted Out.

The statement is sometimes made that Queen Isabella of Spain pawned her jewels in order to provide funds for fitting out the expedition for the discovery of America. This is a very old story, first told not long after the death of Columbus, and though it is not true, its origin is not difficult to discover. As every fact about the great voyage is of interest to Americans, especially now that we are soon to celebrate its four hundredth anniversary, we will briefly give the facts about the raising of the money.

Columbus went to the Spanish court to lay his ambitious project before the King and Queen just as the last great stronghold of the Moors, Granada, had surrendered to the forces of Ferdinand and Isabella.

In some respects it was an inopportune time. The country was exhausted by the war which had just closed with this splendid success, and the joint monarchs were not inclined to embark upon any new and uncertain adventure; and what was more important, the treasuries of both Aragon and Castile were nearly empty. Queen Isabelle, in fact, had been obliged to pledge her jewels to get money for the prosecution of the war against the Moors.

The Genoese navigator pleaded his cause in vain. Both King and Queen listened coldly to his enthusiastic plans, in which the recovery of the Holy Sepulchre from the Turks was strangely mingled. They refused to assist his enterprise, and Columbus in despair left Granada, intending to make a final effort for assistance at the French court.

At his audience with the Spanish monarchs, however, there were two persons who were convinced of the truth of his daring theories, or at last of the wisdom of attempting to prove them to be true. They were, singularly, the finance ministers of the two crowns, St. Angel for Aragon and Quintanilla for Castile.

St. Angel obtained an audience as soon as possible with the Queen, and so warm was his advocacy of the theories of the Genoese stranger, so convincing his arguments for assisting him, that Isabella, fired by his enthusiasm, exclaimed, "I undertake the enterprise for my own crown of Castile, and will pledge my private jewels to raise the necessary funds."

The minister assured her that this generous measure would be unnecessary and hastened from the royal presence to send a messenger after Columbus, who speedily returned to Granada. The arrangements for the expedition were speedily made. St. Angel supplied about seventeen thousand florins from the treasury of Aragon.

The three Pinzon Brothers, ship-builders at Palos de Mogner, loaned Columbus one-eighth of the necessary money, he having assumed this share of the expense in consideration of his receiving one-eighth of the profits. They also furnished additional money and two of the vessels, and all three of the brothers went upon the expedition, two as captains of the caravels La Nina and La Pinta, the other as a pilot. The third vessel, La Pinta, was impressed, to the great terror of the owner and the crew.

It may be well to add that Columbus repaid the loan made by St. Angel with the gold which he brought back from the New World on his first voyage. A portion of this gold was employed in gilding the vaults and ceilings of the royal saloon of King Ferdinand's grand palace at Zaragoza, or Saragossa, the Aljaferia, where possibly it may still be visible to the American pilgrim.—Youth's Companion.

WOMEN AND NOVELS.

A Word of Advice to the Alert, Practical Women of America.

We have thousands of novels every season sown broadcast over the land and we are asked, "Shall women read novels?" She simply will read them. A well ask if, thirsting, she would not drink of the spring gushing from its source, or the stream rushing past. It may have tonic iron or even a sulphurous flavor, but she will drink or say "you may depend on it."

If you ask, "to advantage?" that is not as clear and largely depends. Still one need not take dark views and marshal long arguments, "in starched procession of If and But." The old dangers are averted by the very conditions of the time. The higher education has created an appetite for wholesome mental food—the radical temperament is active and one thing follows fast on the footsteps of another; if our girls are reading more, they are dancing, riding, dressing more; going more into music, athletics, nursing, charity, literary work; in short, realities force themselves on the attention to such a degree that few women are in danger of neglecting their duties to waste long hours in fictitious joys and woes alone.

Many women are exiles through life. They do not even hear afar the music of existence, all for which a woman longs instinctively; they are shut out by poverty, by illness, by a monotonous round of prosaic duty none the less well performed.

A repast without bread lacks the essential, but a repast all bread—! The condemnation of novel reading would shut out from such lives the tenderness, the grace, the inspiration of Dickens, Thackeray, MacDonald; of Black, Hardy and Wallace; of George Eliot, Miss Woolson, Mrs. Spofford, Mrs. Whitney; even the divertisement of Haggard, Jules Verne and the "Duchess"—seeing that a little syllabub does not hurt a sound digestion.

Then a word in the ear, oh, keen eyed, alert, practical women of America! Do not "throw away" time in novel reading, but use it wisely in doing that same.

When the brain gets dry as an empty nut,
When the reason stands on its squarest toes,
Seat yourself in the easiest of easy chairs and read a novel, but see to it that it be a good one.—Ladies' Home Journal.

—Two Chester (Pa.) fisherman quarreled about the ownership of a boat and neither would surrender his claim. The boat was finally sawed in two, and each took a part.

NAUTICAL HUMOR.

Some Bon Mots Which Are Told of the Crack Oarsmen.

As a class, professional oarsmen are the most "amoosing critters" in the sporting line. Of a list of some twenty-five professional "seat sliders" at least twenty are "characters." Of the latter number a majority are looked upon as born wits. Jack Largan, the English sculler, who beat Pearce and half a dozen other cracks of the British Isles and who is now living in Harlem, is considered one of the funniest men in the business. His jokes are known to every amateur on the Harlem, and the dry way with which he makes light of a serious question has repeatedly placed him in hot water.

One of the best stories about Largan not generally known was told to a reporter the other day. It seems that Largan saved a number of persons from drowning in the Thames at various times before he won a championship at the sculls. Some of his friends encouraged him in seeking a medal from the Humane Society. He made application, but because he lacked the necessary influence his claims were not recognized. After that he turned very sour on the "Humane crowd," as he put it. One Saturday afternoon Largan was out on the Thames in a boat much like our American or Whitehall boat. A row boat containing three men which was near him capsized, and before Largan reached the scene one of the men was drowned. Largan saved the other two and hauled them into his boat. When the rescued found courage to talk one of them said to Largan that he was a brave Briton and ought to be given a medal by the Humane Society.

"It's no go," said Largan. "They can't try any of their flabbergast on me. I've been and tried 'em."

"Nonsense, man," replied one of the survivors, "you'll get a reward sure. Why, just see what you have done!" and the speaker went into a glowing account of the brave rescue. Largan sat silently throughout, his bubble of importance getting larger each second as the speaker progressed, until finally he began to think that perhaps he had won a clear right to the medal. The speaker concluded: "Yes, you are bound to get that medal. The man who was lost was our boatman, this gentleman here is a 'bobby,' and I'm the secretary of the Humane Society."

The speaker had hardly finished than Largan dropped the oars with which he was rowing, jumped to his feet, swore two or three times, and finally said:

"So I've saved a 'bobby' and one of these Humane people, eh? The Lord forgive me; what have I done—what have I done?"

Another yarn about Largan tells how he once attended a "spread" at one of the London club houses. There was a little old Scotch woman in charge of the viands. She was as selfish as a six-months-old infant. There was a fine piece of roast beef on the table, and she started in to carve it for Largan and a few others. She cut it in tissue paper fashion, so thin that one could almost read a newspaper through each slice. Largan kept his eye on her for a time, and after she had cut three or four tissue pieces he said: "Look out, ma'am, look out, the window behind you is open and some of that beef may blow into my plate."

The honest Scotch woman failed to understand why every body within earshot of Largan's remark laughed. When he saw that his ration was not to be increased Largan shouted again at the little woman: "May something divine give your arm strength, missus, to cut a decent piece of beef for a workingman."

Ned Hanlan, too, is a funny man. The night of the day that he first defeated Trickett in England he was invited to a club dinner. Champagne flowed like water, and as the Canadian had pulled off the good thing he felt justified in going in for a little pleasure. He became muddled in due time, and while in that state was called on by the four hundred or five hundred club men present for a speech. Now, Hanlan had never addressed an audience before in his life, and he objected, but it was no use there, and half a dozen of his admirers hauled him to his feet. He stood up, dazed and confused, with the champagne rushing to his very brain, glanced at the small army of faces that met his eyes, tried to stand erect and finally blurted out as his maiden speech: "You gentleman know your business. I also know mine. Good night."—N. Y. Mail and Express.

The Pointer and the Rat.

Horace P. Tibbetts, of Wyalusing owns a large pointer dog with a remarkably big mouth. One day this spring Mr. Tibbitts spied an enormous gray rat burrowing in the side of a sand-bank near his barn and he told the pointer to go and snake it out. The dog stole quietly toward the bank and when it got within two feet of the hole it stopped and pointed the rat as it would a bird. All at once the gray rat turned in the hole, sprang out, and set its teeth in the astonished dog's nostrils. For a minute or so the pointer shook his head as hard as he could, whining a little at the time, but it was impossible for him to get the pugnacious rat between his teeth. He finally shook it loose, flung it six or eight feet in the air and got under it with his big mouth wide open. The rat landed between the pointer's jaws and the angry dog crushed its bones in an instant. Its teeth had torn a slit in the dog's left nostril.—N. Y. Sun.

—Ted, a little fellow of four years, makes a great pretense of reading the morning newspaper. "Well, Teddy, what kind of weather are we to have to-day?" asked his father. Ted kept his eyes fixed on the paper. "Let me see!" he answered. "It's to be fair and cloudy, with nor' wind and rain, also warmer and snow by high wind and sleet when it clears up."—Youth's Companion.

—There is one boarding-house mistress in Maine who is not in the habit of getting left. When some of the boarders began to brace their constitutions against the enervating spring weather with tonics she posted this notice: "All boarders who build up their appetites artificially will be charged 20 per cent additional."—Augusta Journal.