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How a Massachusetts Institution is
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A school garden in Watertown, Mass., has adopted the following rules, says the Los Angeles Times: Be regular and punctual in attendance. Keep garden orderly. Keep record book correctly. Leave tools cleaned and put away before going home. Be courteous to all, and if absent or late furnish excuse from parent or teacher. If any one repeatedly breaks these rules his relation with the school will terminate. The classes meet twice a week—Wednesday after school and Saturday morning—one hour each period. They will work in the gardens through the summer vacation. If a pupil is absent, a substitute is sent. Badges or pins of green and white are worn, telling garden, number and time of class. Notebooks are kept, recording the temperature, attendance, date, time of planting, plan of garden and any other notes they care to record. When insects are found or birds heard, questions are asked and notice taken of their habits, etc. During the summer children will be taken in small groups on short walks to hear the voices of nature. The children already give advice to parents, telling them the best methods for planting cucumbers and beans and setting out tomato plants. The parents and friends take much interest, visiting the garden while the children work, helping to keep their notes correctly and the garden in good order. The Women's club pays the expenses and has the business management of the garden. They have taken up the work in a most satisfactory and helpful way.

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MONUMENT TO M'KINLEY.

It Will Be Dedicated in Buffalo September 5, in Old Home Week. Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 14.—The date set for the dedication of Buffalo's McKinley monument is Thursday, September 5, in Old Home Week. Governor Hughes is to deliver the principal address. Vice-President Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon and others of national prominence are expected. There will be a parade of State and Federal troops, of two regiments from Canada and the Spanish-American war veterans.

Other features of the week—lasting from September 1 to 7, inclusive—are Labor day, Firemen's day, Canadian day, Fraternal day, Children's day and German day. Wonderful electric illuminations are promised.

Souvenir invitations are being sent to all former residents of Buffalo, including Grover Cleveland.

PAPER WILL BE CHEAPER

PREDICTION BASED ON CONTEMPLATED MERGER OF SEVERAL BIG MILLS.

Appleton, Wis., Aug. 14.—"If the merger of the print paper mills of Wisconsin, Michigan and Minnesota is perfected, as now seems likely, within two years from now print paper will be sold cheaper than it has in twenty years," said the owner of one of the largest paper mills in the Fox river valley.

"Don't understand from that prediction that I mean the price will be cut down and remain down, for it won't, but it will be a case of cutting and slashing of prices by the merger interests in an effort to either drive out the companies which will not enter the merger at the start, or to compel them to dispose of their plants at figures placed upon them by the appraisers.

"The independents will have a hard row to hoe if the Government does not come to their rescue as it did when the General Paper Company was dissolved by the order of the Federal court two years ago.

"I understand that the consolidated company will start with \$15,000,000 capital, which would more than pay for the plants which will enter the combination, but there are several big companies, including the Patten and the Kimberly-Clark, which will remain independent plants, so that a fight which will cost the promoters thousands of dollars before it is over is sure to come.

"The cost of the raw material is constantly increasing and under ordinary circumstances the price of paper would be bound to increase, but the one object of the merger is to control the entire output of print paper in the middle west, and when that is accomplished, if it ever is, the price of paper will be sent skyward."

Try to Avert Fuel Famine.

St. Paul, Minn., Aug. 14.—Strenuous efforts are being made to avert a repetition of last year's disastrous fuel famine in the Northwest. Hundreds of cars of coal are passing through this city daily to points in North Dakota, Montana, Idaho and Washington. Good results have followed the action of the Interstate Commerce Commission in authorizing a reduction of 25 cents a ton on coal shipped to northwestern points before the first of September. Much of the coal is being shipped from Pennsylvania fields to Cleveland and thence by boat to Duluth. Local railroad officials state that they are handling more fuel than ever before at this time of the year.

Aristocrat Confesses to Murder.

Merced, Aug. 14.—Sir St. Leger Gould, in whose trunk was found the dismembered body of Emma Levin, a wealthy Swede, yesterday confessed that he had murdered the woman during a quarrel at Monte Carlo. Mrs. Gould confirmed the confession. Gould comes from aristocratic English lineage and is wealthy.

Refuse New York City Bonds.

New York, Aug. 14.—An issue of 4 per cent gold bonds amounting to \$15,000,000 was offered yesterday and received bids of only \$2,000,000. This is the second time within six weeks that bonds have been offered without any large amounts being taken.

Shot in a Row.

Sacramento, Cal., Aug. 14.—In a fight among a number of Greek section hands at Roseville yesterday, Tom Chaveless was fatally shot in the left side, the intestines being perforated. A Greek, suspected of being the assailant, was arrested and is held pending the outcome of his injuries.

MOOR FANATICS RUSH TO DEATH

SHOT DOWN BY HUNDREDS JUST OUTSIDE LINES OF ALLIES AT CASA BLANCA.

French and Spanish Troops Are Practically Besieged in the City by Overwhelming Hordes.

Casa Blanca, Aug. 14.—Thousands of Moorish tribesmen have gathered on the hills and plains about Casa Blanca and the allied army encamped on the beach in the city is virtually in a state of siege.

While the Moors have been repulsed at every advance the fact remains that they are in such numbers that the allies dare not venture forth from their fortified camp to move against them.

Under the shelter of the guns of the warships the allies have repulsed charge after charge of the fanatical and fearless tribesmen who are spurred forward to deeds of phenomenal bravery by what they consider holy zeal.

Time after time they have swarmed down upon the city undaunted by the great gaps torn in their ranks by the bursting shells from the gunboats, undismayed as rank after rank fell under the withering fire of the French and Spanish riflemen. Their courage is inspiring. It is only because of sheer physical inability to conquer that they fail.

Hourly their ranks are being augmented, and almost with each addition to their forces a new attack is undertaken.

The condition of the country surrounding Casa Blanca is in their favor, for there is nothing upon which the foreign troops could subsist in a forced campaign and they dare not separate themselves from their base of supplies.

Meanwhile batteries are of almost hourly occurrence, picket firing is incessant and removing the dead from in front of the city is a problem most serious, pestilence being feared.

Well protected the losses of the allies have been small while the death list of the tribesmen has been fearful.

More troops and warships with provisions and ammunition are continually arriving.

Paris, Aug. 14.—Reports from Moroccan points indicate that the situation is still very grave. Fear is entertained of a general uprising throughout the country, and despite every effort that is being made to get troops to the scene it is known that Europeans are not safe and that general massacres may be reported at any time. From many towns reports are of tribesmen in threatening numbers and looting is general.

Dying Convict Is Pardoned.

Sacramento, Aug. 14.—That he might die a free man in his own home, Governor Gillett yesterday pardoned Michael J. Lyons, who was serving an eighteen months' sentence at San Quentin for forgery. Lyons is suffering from consumption and has only a few days to live. He desired to die in San Francisco in the care of his aged mother, and a large number of reputable citizens of the bay cities were induced to sign their names to the petition for his release.

Jack Hughes Guilty of Murder.

Weaverville, Cal., Aug. 14.—John F. Hughes, otherwise known as "Black Jack," was found guilty of murder here last night and was sentenced to the imprisonment. He was charged with killing Turner Palmer on October 18, 1905. The murder was committed in the mountains near Hayfork. The trial, which lasted six weeks, was the most sensational held in this section for many years.

Snow on Hatchet Creek.

Redding, Cal., Aug. 14.—Parties just coming from Hatchet Creek report a heavy fall of snow there on Friday. The storm lasted an hour, and travelers were compelled to seek shelter to prevent freezing. A quarter of an inch of snow fell. This melted later, and a heavy rain set in. It is extremely cold now. The weather conditions are phenomenal at this time of year.

President Orders Holiday.

Oyster Bay, Aug. 14.—President Roosevelt issued an executive order yesterday making Labor day, September 3, a holiday for Government employees and laborers who are employed by the day.

Want Lower Cotton Rate.

Austin, Tex., Aug. 14.—A hearing was held yesterday by the Railroad Commission to consider the proposition of reducing the freight rates on round bale cotton. Representatives of the Farmers' Union, who presented the petition, cited the great economy of handling round bales because of their compactness, the bag wrapper minimizing fire danger and the half bale size permitting quick handling. Round bale advocates claim an advantage to the railroads of 10 cents per 100 pounds, and ask for this reduction from the rate charged on flat or square bale cotton.

Hundreds Die in Floods in Japan.

Victoria, B. C., Aug. 14.—Heavy loss of life in floods in central Japan is reported in advices received by the steamer Athenian. Several hundred are said to have been drowned, and the property loss was heavy.

A score of lives also were lost at Kazushima, an island off Izu, in an earthquake which destroyed many houses and sent the islanders to the hills in a panic.

At Takhiwa the ground sank 20 feet and a large number were killed and injured. The Japanese Government sent the steamer Tenshin with relief supplies.

Inquiry Into Ice Combine.

Los Angeles, Aug. 14.—The County Grand Jury yesterday began the examination of forty witnesses relative to the alleged illegal ice combine. Assistant District Attorney Frank Blair declares he will convict four ice companies under the Cartwright law for establishing a conspiracy. Drivers, merchants and consumers were among the witnesses summoned.

Taft Bids Roosevelt Good-By.

New York, Aug. 14.—Secretary Taft yesterday went to Oyster Bay, where he visited President Roosevelt for the last time before his three months' trip to the Philippines. Secretaries Root and Meyer also visited the President. Taft says he expects to visit Yellowstone Park from September 1st to 3d, going thence to Portland, Seattle and Tacoma, sailing for the Philippines on the 10th.

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