

# AS SHE FACED DARK ETERNITY Killed Her Children Then Wrote Fearful Letter.

(Journal Special Service.) DENVER, May 8.—A coroner's jury returned a verdict in the Kingsbury tragedy to the effect that Mrs. Mary Kingsbury killed her two children and then herself. The inquest was held yesterday morning and the farwell note written by Mrs. Kingsbury and addressed to her husband, John L. Kingsbury, was produced in evidence. The note reads as follows:

"Dear John and Eva: Are you see this we will be at rest; the children in heaven. I hope I have done no wrong. My mind tells me it was right. They were too much like me to live and be happy. I have done you the greatest kindness that could be done you, and it is a blessing to them. Eva, will you sometimes think a kind thought of me? John, I hope you will be happy. I have done all I could in the past 19 years to help you. You need not tell Doll anything about it. You will be sorry for the children, but you must not grieve for me.

"Your love was all I cared for. When that was no longer mine I had nothing more to live for. I planned this two months ago. They are both dead and I will be soon.

"Give my love to Maud and may you be happy. God bless you both. I left all I have to Eva. I had \$1 in her pocket-book. It was mine. I want no flowers on me at all. Oh, John, good-bye. Eva, remember mama sometimes.

"Your heartbroken wife and mother, "MARY.

No inquest is necessary. I used laudanum on the children, with the addition of carbolic acid on myself.

This note was written by the distracted mother after she had administered the poisons to Maud, aged 8 years, and Elsie, aged 30 months, last Thursday in the Kingsbury home, No. 2827 West Twenty-ninth avenue.

Kingsbury appeared at the inquest and while testifying broke down and wept. He said he left home Thursday morning about 6:30 o'clock and that that was the last time he saw his children alive. When he came home at noon in response to a telephone call his wife was dying and the children were dead.

Eva Kingsbury, the eldest and only surviving child of Mr. and Mrs. Kingsbury, told the jurors that she left home in the morning, went to the Ashland school and returned home at noon and discovered the tragedy. Her mother, she said, had the bottles of poison several days before she used them.

"I asked her what was in the bottles," said the child, "and she told me it was none of my business. She sent us all out of the room and I guess she hid the bottles. No, she and papa, never had any trouble."

## SAVED BY HIS MOTHER.

(Journal Special Service.) ST. PETERSBURG, May 8.—Baris Gardner, an American student, has been saved from a long term of imprisonment and ignominious expulsion from the university by his mother's courage. She wrote to the czar, personally demanding a reinvestigation of the charges against her son to the effect that he helped organize a street riot, directed against the heir apparent, Grand Duke Michael, the brother of the czar. The reinvestigation which followed proved the charge to be unfounded and young Gardner was released, with the right of re-entering the university. He will, however, complete his studies abroad.

## IRISH UP IN ARMS

(Journal Special Service.) NAPLES, May 8.—The central cone of the Etna government to raise war funds at the expense of Irish school children, and their teachers. At the annual congress of teachers, lately held at Cork, much time was devoted to a discussion of the fact that teachers' incomes for the current year had been decreased \$70,000 by the Irish national educational estimates. A resolution was adopted urging the Irish Parliamentary representatives to resist this act of injustice by every legitimate means.

## VOMITING VESUVIUS

Acting Strangely and Alarm is Felt in Neighborhood.

(Journal Special Service.) DUBLIN, May 8.—The Irish are up in Mount Vesuvius suddenly collapsed Friday evening, and a large gap is now seen toward Pompeii. Long and deep cracks have also made their appearance along the sides of the volcano.

Professor Mattel of the Vesuvian Observatory says the collapse will be followed soon by startling volcanic manifestations, resulting in the formation of a new cone in the direction of Naples. Considerable alarm is felt by the inhabitants.

## ABOUT RAILWAYS.

The announced action of the Milwaukee road in placing flour for export and wheat on the same transportation basis is a novel move. The action of the Milwaukee will be followed by the other Western lines. A saving of millions of dollars annually to the Northwestern millers will be effected. On and after July 1 Western lines will advance the rates on dressed beef and

live hives to the rates in effect prior to June 1, 1901. This will be an increase of 5 cents.

A corps of Burlington engineers will soon be at work making a preliminary survey for a line north from Erickson, Neb., to O'Neill, the Western terminal of the Great Northern's West Nebraska line, a distance of 50 miles. This will give a direct route from the head of the Great Lakes to Denver, via either William, Minn., or St. Paul.

## BIG CONCERN COMING.

Portland will probably see a new wholesale grocery store in its midst within the next 30 days. This is deduced from a communication received by the Chamber of Commerce from a wholesale grocery firm in an Illinois town. This company, unlike many others desiring to establish in Oregon, has plenty of capital. They write that they have several cities under consideration, and expect to make their decision soon. In part, they state: "We must have a building at least 100x150 feet, three or more stories high and with ground adjoining that would permit of increasing this plant."

## PERSONALS.

T. J. Madley of Oakland, Douglas County, is in the city, having accompanied a shipment of several carloads of stock.

J. M. Berry, the shoe merchant of Baker City, is in Portland on business.

Frank Wilson, of Ashland is registered at the Perkins.

R. H. King, a Grass Valley stockman, is at the Perkins.

Henry D. Reed of Gold Hill is in the city. Mr. Reed is interested in developing the mines of that region.

State Senator T. Cameron of Jacksonville is in the city this week. He is a brother of George H. Cameron of this city, the independent candidate for Municipal Judge.

Judge John R. McBride of Spokane is in the city.

A. T. Layton and daughter, Miss Lena Layton, of Grants Pass are visiting friends here.

Frank Davey of Salem, Republican candidate for State Representative, was in the city last night, en route to Clatsop County. In the interest of the state ticket Mr. Davey will speak tonight at Svenson and on Saturday at Astoria.

S. M. Yoran of Eugene, a prominent merchant, is in the city on business.

S. R. Haworth of La Grande, the Republican candidate for State Senator from Union County, attended the State Federation of Labor convention yesterday.

Miss Mary Case of Oregon City is visiting friends in Portland. Arrangements are being made for Miss Case to appear at a musical in this city soon. She possesses an unusually excellent contralto voice, and her entertainments given in other cities recently have won great praise for her talent.

Mrs. Ella Martin has returned from visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. J. McKittrick of Oregon City.

Mrs. B. F. Irvine and Miss Irvine of Corvallis were in Portland several days this week.

Mrs. George Taylor has gone to California to remain several months.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Jessup of Salem are visiting friends here.

W. D. Fenton has returned from a business trip to San Francisco.

## Liquor Question Solved.

"At my home in Athens, Ga., we think we have solved the liquor question," said J. E. Talmadge, a well-to-do young wholesale merchant.

"Our system is copied after the South Carolina dispensary plan, and it has been such a signal success that we would not exchange it for any other. The best proof of its efficiency is that it has stood the test of 10 years' continuous operation. We have but one dispensary for the whole county of Clark, and it is located in Athens, the county seat. The net revenues, amounting to almost \$15,000 a year, are divided between the city and county in proportion to population. "Before we had the dispensary we tried both the license plan and prohibition. Both worked miserably. Prohibition was productive only of 'blind tigers,' increased drunkenness and brought no revenue. It is worse than licensing saloons. "County control and sale of intoxicating liquors, if honestly administered, is, in my way of thinking, the best scheme ever devised for regulation of the rum traffic. In our 10 years' experience there has never been the least scandal regarding the workings of the dispensary. It has absolutely abolished social drinking, for nothing can be consumed where the liquor is purchased, and it has taken the business out of the hands of a class that followed it for revenue only."

## STRANGE, BUT TRUE.

A German chemist has prepared a fluid that has the power, when injected into tissues of plant, near its roots, of anesthetizing the plant. As a result of this injection the plant does not die, but stops growing, maintaining its fresh, green appearance, though its vitality is apparently suspended. Changes in temperature seem in no wise to affect the foliage, for the plant blooms in the open as well as in the most carefully constructed hothouse.

It is claimed that, although women are now successful in preserving their youth almost to the point of annihilating old age, it is also true that women's hair turns gray sooner than it used to. It is said there are no old ladies in these days. Grandmothers refuse to put on caps and sit at home with their knitting. On the other hand, their granddaughters begin to have gray hair before they get out of college.

## HEALTH REPORT.

Malissa Lee, 200 Meade street, scarletina. Mrs. Strauch, Fifteenth and Marshall, diphtheria. W. Rogers, Oregon City, smallpox. Mrs. Daniels, Front and Grant, smallpox. C. Comstock, Oregon City, smallpox. Vernon Smith, 504 East Burnside, scarletina. A modern machine shop for sale. H. Bigelow, 108 1/2 Union avenue.

# BUYS THREE ZINC SMELTERS

(Journal Special Service.) KANSAS CITY, May 8.—A special to the Star from Iola, Kan., says: The New Jersey Zinc Company has closed a deal for the purchase of three zinc smelters, the Prims Western, the A. B. Cockerill and the Cherokee Lanyon, at Gas City, a suburb of Iola. A. B. Cockerill will be retained as manager of the works and ground has already been broken for two additional blocks of furnaces, increasing the total to nine. Large bodies of gas land have also been secured and there is talk of erecting rolling mills, acid works and possibly a smelter to refine gold and silver.

## The Worst Yet.

Strange stories have come out of Nome, but this last one seems to beat them all. The story is vouched for by Eugene Childers of Nome, who has been prominently connected with the development of the northern city. "During the winter you know that Nome is cut off from the world," he said, "and if you are so unfortunate as to die there in the cold season and wish to be buried down 'in the states,' you have to wait as quietly as you can for spring. There is an undertaker in Nome now, along with other signs of civilization, and last winter he has had on his hands five bodies waiting the opening of traffic to send them south. When spring approached the undertaker desired to purchase a claim and do a little mining in the coming summer. The claim came high, and he had no ready money. "What have you got for securities?" the owners demanded. The undertaker cast about and found that he had nothing except the five bodies. He offered them, and they were accepted, and yet not one of the five dead men was worth anything as security on his life. So far as I know, this is the first instance of such securities being offered and accepted. It startled even Eugene Childers, who is not startled easily. Then Nome recovered its sense of humor and laughed. Everything came out all right with spring, so no one was the worse off, not even the dead men."

## HEALTH HINT.

Would you like to feel 80 per cent better every day and render yourself practically immune from colds? If so, take a cold bath each morning and watch the effect of the treatment. Some of you say this is too heroic, and that the shock is more than you can stand. But there is a way to get accustomed to the cold bath as well as to everything else in this world.

Those not accustomed to the "plunge" or the "dip" should commence by taking no bath at all. This sounds paradoxical, but it is not. The subject should stand naked in a cool room and for five minutes rub himself vigorously with a coarse towel. Rub until the flesh is red, until there is a warm glow all over the body, and while doing this take deep breaths through the nostrils. Do this for a week, and then commence with cold water. On the first morning slap the face, neck, arms and chest with a wet towel. The next morning wet more of the body. After a week of this you will be ready for the sponge bath, and a fortnight later you can step into the bath tub filled with cold water and not experience any shock.

This is the season of the year to commence the cold water treatment, and if it is followed all summer it will be found that no ill effects will be experienced during the winter. Try this, and notice how you feel and how less subject to colds you become.—St. Louis Chronicle.

## PLATINUM DISCOVERIES.

Platinum is one of the rarest metals in the world. It is especially valuable for chemical apparatus, because it is not injured by acids, the demand, however, is larger than the supply, for the mines in the Ural Mountains afford only about 12,000 pounds a year, which is nearly the total output. Under these circumstances the mineral is very costly. This country has paid \$170 a pound for a great deal of platinum that it has imported. About 95 per cent of the world's supply of platinum thus far has been derived from the west side of the Ural.

There is now some hope that we shall be able to collect platinum in commercial quantities in our own continent. It is just announced that platinum in paying supply has been discovered at two places in Washington, near Pinetown, and at the Olympia mine, on Kennedy mountain. Specimens of this ore taken from the Olympia mine were sent to a firm manufacturing platinum wares at Newark, N. J. The firm tested the ore and reported that it contained platinum in commercial quantities.

This firm wrote to Washington asking for information as to the probable amount of platinum available. On account of deep snow, it was impossible to make other researches during the winter, but the ground near where the finds were made has been staked and the claims will be thoroughly investigated this spring.

In December last the Dominion Government sent an expert to the Klondike to investigate the platinum discoveries reported to have been made there. The expert was sent on the strength of a report made by C. S. Hurter, a Government metallurgist, who reported that in

the Yukon gold brought to him last year was a considerable quantity of platinum, whose presence the miners had not discovered. Many very small nuggets of platinum were mixed with coarse gold. Mr. Hurter gave it as his opinion that the miners of the Yukon were throwing away thousands of dollars worth of platinum daily.

The amount of this metal produced in the Ural region is quite variable. In 1890 the yield was 635 pounds, while in 1899 it was 13,945 pounds. For several years the average production has been about 12,000 pounds. It will be a great boon if the metal found in our own country and Canada proves to be in commercial supply, for the price is now excessive, and it is most desirable that the output be augmented.—Chicago Journal.

## POINTS OF VIEW.

A short time ago, in one of the northern police courts, a lawyer asked the witness if the incident previously alluded to wasn't a miracle, and the witness said he did not know what a miracle was.

"Oh, come," said the attorney. "Supposing you were on the roof of this courthouse and fell off and was not injured, what would you call that?"

"An accident, sir."

"Yes, yes; but what else would you call it? Suppose you were doing the same thing next day and fell off, and was not hurt, what would you call that?"

"A coincidence," answered the witness.

"Oh, come now," the lawyer began again. "Now, just suppose you were on the roof for the third time and fell off, and was not injured—now, what would you call that?"

"Three times," asked the witness.

"Yes, three times," answered the lawyer.

"Well, I should call that a habit." And the lawyer gave it up.

## JUST THE SAME.

They were old friends, and had been sweethearts in their younger days. There was silver in her hair and snow in his, and they sat and talked of old times when they were young. They did not speak of later years, when they were young. Their first meeting, their first quarrel, were all gone over. Perhaps they both warmed a little over the recollections.

At last he said: "Aye, Jennie, an' I haena loved anybody since you. I, haena never forgotten you."

"John," she said sweetly, and with a little moistening of the eyes, "you're just as big a story-teller as ever, an' I believe ye jist the same!"

## HAPPY TIT-BITS.

Friend—Oh, by the way, I've always been curious to know if you were successful with that strange patient you were treating last fall.

Doctor—Partially; he has paid one-quarter of his bill.

"Some men," said Willie Washington, "act like perfect fools when they are in love."

"Yes," answered Miss Cayenne, "and a great many more do not wait even for that excuse."

Knicker—He can eat 15 eggs at one meal.

Kidder—He must be the man the hens are laying for.

## EXPLAINED.

Once arguing a case in behalf of clients who were sailors, and while in the midst of an exhaustive display of nautical scholarship, Counselor Nolan, the noted Irish lawyer and wit of Tammany Hall, was interrupted by the court:

"How comes it, Counselor, that you possess such a vast knowledge of the sea?"

"Does your honor think," responded Nolan, "that I came over in a hack?"

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## HINTS TO WOMEN.

### THE NEWEST WALL COVERINGS.

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### THE NEW SHADES.

The new misty grayish-blue is called zenith, possibly because it is the color of the heavens when the mid-day sun of a hot summer's day gives a hazy atmosphere to the sky. It is a shade which is becoming to blonde and brunette alike. Delicate reseda, pale heliotrope, champagne and silver-gray are also favorite shades.

### LACY GOWNS.

These are foremost on the list of dressy toilets in both black and white. All of the beautiful nets, too, in white and black effects come under this head and make the very smartest of dressy toilets. Two or three kinds of lace sometimes appear in one gown. For instance, a gown of all-over Chantilly lace will be garnished with motifs, appliques and bands of Ecussal-lace, or vice versa.

### READY-TO-WEAR HATS.

The "tailor-made" shops never shared such a variety of ready-to-wear hats. They are not, as usual, confining themselves to the severe Panama sailor or walking hat. Toques and hats, large and small, appear in every conceivable build. Chic bows and wigs and large courtly streamers add unusual charm to these hats. One shop is even showing designs with foliage and berries. The ready-to-wear hat is a necessity.

### CHOCOLATE FRUIT AND NUTS.

Many pleasing combinations can be made by selecting the various kinds of California or French glace fruits and cutting them into different shapes—diamonds, squares, strips, etc.—then dipping them as they are in melted sweet chocolate. Nut meats, such as walnuts, filberts and pecans, can be dipped in melted chocolate and dropped on wax paper or tin and cooled in the usual manner.

### TIPS FOR THE HOUSEWIFE.

Don't forget a bit of onion juice and a "rub" or garlic in your dressing, which consists of three or four parts oil and one of vinegar. Rubbing is cleansing, and even makes rheumatism easier to bear. If more people understood the medicinal value of foods there'd be less illness all the time and no call for spring medicines now.

### THE VARIOUS SLEEVES.

The elbow sleeve has come to stay. It will be paramount as soon as the heated term is on. It will finish with a ruffle that will render the arm attractive.

The kimono sleeve is the most graceful of all—it's a dream and fate, large and small, appear in every conceivable build. Chic bows and wigs and large courtly streamers add unusual charm to these hats. One shop is even showing designs with foliage and berries. The ready-to-wear hat is a necessity.

## BUILDING PERMITS.

J. C. Boier, repairs, Second and Madison streets; \$500.  
J. M. Merchant, 1 1/2-story dwelling, East Eleventh and Sherritt streets; \$150.  
L. C. Peterson, dwelling, Halsey and Wheeler streets; \$200.

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To Mrs. Fred A. Robinson, 362 East Oak, a boy.

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