A MOTHER'S INSANE ACT.

Cut the Throats of Her Three Children With a Razor.

Chehalis, Wash., Nov. 26.—News of a horrible tragedy that occurred in the east end of Lewis county was received here this afternoon. Mrs. A. R. Swenyer, the wife o. a farmer living near Ashford postoffice, with a razor cut the throats of her three children, one 5 years old, one 3 years and one 9 months. She then cut her own throat, using the same razor. Her husband arrived shortly after and was horrified to find his family weltering in a pool of blood. The 3-year-old girl is dead and the eldest is expected to die, but the baby will live. The mother did not succeed in killing herself, but her condition is precarious. No details of the tragedy are known except those received by the coroner here in a note from a neighbor. No reason is given for the mother's act. The coroner and sheriff have gone to the scene which is fifty miles from the railroad, in the extreme northeastern part of the county, near the Pierce county line, on the headwaters of the Nesqually river.

An Explanatory Letter.

Chehalis, Wash., Nov. 26.—Coroner Sticklin this afternoon received the following letter, giving an account of the tragedy, near Ashford, from J. B. Kernabam:

"Ashford, Wash., Nov. 21.—To Coroner, Lewis county: You will be notified by this letter of a tragedy which occurred Friday, November 20, at 1 P. M. Mrs R. Swenyer cut the throats of her three children and then cut her own throat The children's ages, respectively, are 5 and 3 years and 9 months, all girls. The one 3 years old is dead, and the eldest is not expected to live. The baby will pull through with care, also the mother. Mrs. Swenyer, and the oldest girl, each have a hole in the windpipe, but the baby has not. The husband was not away from the house more than forty minutes, and when he returned from the front of the barn where he was at work, he entered the house and saw the family lying side by side on the floor with their throats cut, one dead, the others dying. The razor, that being the instrument with which she did the awful deed, lay by the mother's side. Her only cry is, 'Why did I do the deed?' and still she regrets that she did not kill herself as she intended. There is no doctor in this part of the county, and the only treatment that the family will get will be what the settlers can do for them, which will be very poor at best, as our means of treatment of such cases are very limited. They will bury the dead children near the house. The tragedy happened just about four miles from Ashford postoffice, which is in Pierce county."

TERRIFIC EXPLOSION.

Asphaltum Mine Near Fort Duchesne on Fire.

Salt Lake, Utah, Nov. 26.—A special to the Tribune from Price, Utah, says that a heavy explosion occurred at the St. Louis Gilson Asphaltum Company's mine, near Fort Duchesne, at 3 o'clock this afternoon, in which two men were killed and three others injured. The killed are: Charles Anderson and Andy Garner. The explosion was terrific, the report being distinctly heard at Vernal, thirty miles distant. All the buildings at the fort were shaken and many windows broken. The explosion was caused by the combustion of asphaltum dust and gas, the mine immediately taking fire. The heat is so intense that it is impossible to get near it. The flames are rising from all three shafts 100 feet in the air, and there is no possible way of extinguishing them. It is not probable that the bodies of Anderson and Garner will ever be recovered. The entire command at the fort was hurried to the scene, but could render no assistance.

MERE MATTER OF ROUTINE.

Nothing Secret or Sensational About Fortification.

Washington, Nov. 26.—At the war department it is stated that there is nothing significant or new in the preparations for improving the battery defenses at Florida ports, as Key West dispatches state. The annual report of the chief of engineers, made public on June 30, calls attention to the antiquated coast defenses at Fort Marion, St. Augustine and on Florida Keys. It states that large sums could be expended on them to advantage, and adds that, "under the authority given by congress to the secertary of war, it is intended to advertise at an early date for proposals for constructing emplacements for four ten-inch and two eight-inch guns on disappearing carriages, and sixteen twelve-inch mortars." These are the guns referred to in the dispatches from Key West, stating that Lieutenant-Colonel Beinhard has proceeded with great secrecy, and that the contracts are the regular execution of the work publicly reported five months ago. Some plans are similarly made concerning the work at Pensacola and Florida Keys.

Harrison's House Robbed.

Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 26.—Burglars entered the residenec of ex-President Harrison last night. From Mrs. Harrison's room a gold watch and a small sum of money were secured. It is believed the burglars were frightened away.

Minneapolis, Nov. 26.—By the overturning of a gasoline lamp a terrible explosion occurred at the residence of F. A. Walker last night, and as a result Mrs. Walker and her daughter Mabel, 13 years old, and the domestic, Mary Overland, are in Asbury hospital. The latter cannot survive, the clothing having been burned entirely off her body and leaving her in a terrible condition. The girl Mabel, is not expected to live, but some hope is held out for the mother.

Chinese Returning Home.

Tacoma, Nov. 25.—The steamer Walla Walla today arrived from San Francisco with over 100 Chinese passengers, who will sail on the Olympia for the Orient, leaving Thursday. Several dozen Celestials have arrived from the east to take passage on her. The exodus of Chinese to their native land is greater this fall than usual.

Maids of honor may retain their posts in the royal household of England so long as they remain unmarried. There is no age at which they are obliged to retire.

SOLD LIKE SHEEP.

Natives of the New Hebrides are Being Sold Into Slavery.

Sydney, N. S. W., Nov. 26.—Reports have been received from New Hebrides islands, lying west of Fiji, that the natives are being sold like sheep for from £6 to £10 per head, and that many are subjected to great cruelties. The New Hebrides are under joint Anglo-French control. The New Hebrides Company, which has large interests in the islands, last year sent a deputation to Sir T. McIlwrath, the colonial treasurer of Queensland, complaining of this joint control, and suggesting that Sir W. McGregor, administrator of British New Guinea, have jurisdiction over the New Hebrides. Sir T. McIlwrath said in reply that the only solution lay in the annexation of the islands by Great Britain or the establishment of a protectorate over them.

There is a British high commissioner of the West Pacific who has jurisdiction to settle disputes between British subjects living in these islands and others. The Anglo-French control was fixed by a convention between Great Britain and France October 24, 1887, in which it was agreed that the protec ion of persons and property by means of a mixed commission composed of naval officers belonging to the English and French naval statio s in the Pacific.

TRIED AT CANABAS.

Competitor Prisoners Have Been Secretly Court-Martialed.

Havana, Nov. 26.—The Comptitor prisoners have been tried by court-martial in the fortress of Cabanas in spite of Consul-General Lee's official protest, filed just before he left Havana. The exceptions taken by the prisoners were overruled by the naval courts. General Lee's note was pigeon-holed, and in defiance of Secretary Olney's intimation of disapproval, the Competitor's crew and Mr. Melton, the American newspaper correspondent, have again been tried by a drumhead court, sitting within the walls of a Spanish fortress, where, according to Captain-General Weyler's orders, the representative of the United States consulate may not enter.

The prisoners were allowed neither interpreter nor counsel. Those partly acquainted with Spanish were compelled to interpret for the others. So quickly was the affair conducted that Acting Consul-General Springer does not yet know, it is said, that the case was virtually closed November 14, on which day Melton, Maza, Dr. Vedia and the witness, George Ferran, were forced by Naval Judge Fernandez to sign statements admitting their complicity in the filibustering expedition which the Competitor is alleged to have been brought under Monson and Labord to the Pinar del Rio coast. This written evidence is now under consideration by the court.

Judge Saul said today that a decision may be rendered at any moment. It is expected that all the members of the party whose American citizenship has not been clearly shown will be shot. The bona fide Americans probably will be sentenced to from three to ten years imprisonment in some Spanish penal station off the coast of Africa.

DECLARED NOT GUILTY.

Killed His Step-Father, Who Was Beating His Mother.

Red Bluff, Cal., Nov. 26.—The grand jury of this county, which adjourned this morning, states in its report that the district attorney had submitted to it testimony taken at the preliminary examination in the case of the people versus Joe Sousa, an 11-year-old boy, charged with the murder of his stepfather, A. C. Nunes, and asked the advice of the grand jury as to what further action he should take in said case and that the grand jury, after full examination of all the circumstances connected with the case and also considering the tender age of the defendant, did not believe that a jury would convict. Defendant, therefore, recommended the district attorney to take steps towards dismissing the case. District Attorney Andrews states that he will probably comply with the recommendation of the grand jury in the near future.

Nunes was killed by young Sousa at Battle Creek, this county, October 26, while in the act of beating his wife, Sousa's mother, with a stick of wood, and the boy claimed that he killed Nunes to save his mother's life.

FARMHOUSE BURNED.

Barely Time to Save the Children From the Flames.

La Grande, Or., Nov. 26.—The farmhouse on F. S. Richardson's place, at the foot of Mount Emil, burned to the ground this morning. The house was occupied by a family of newcomers. The fire was well under way when discovered, and the members of the family, including five children, barely had time to escape with little wearing apparel. Two or three children were wrapped in blankets and taken from the house, and none of their clothing was saved. The fire originated from the stovepipe.

Rain has never been known to fall in Egypt between the two lower falls of the Nile.

Washington, Nov. 26.—The October statement of receipts at the thirty largest postoffices in the country show a net decrease of $43,714, or 1.4 per cent, as compared with October of the previous year. There is nothing significant in this fact, as it is attributed to business inactivity in the political campaign. The increase of mail carried during the campaign is stated by postoffice officials to have been made up largely of franked matter, so there is little to offset business listlessness.

A Preacher Murdered.

Bloomington, Ill., Nov. 26.—Rev. James Miller, pastor of Grace M. E. church, Bloomington, was found murdered and robbed in an alley at Decatur, Ill., this morning. A revolver with which the crime was committed was lying by the dead man's side. His pockets were rifled and a gold watch was missing. The murder was evidently committed by footpads. Miller had written a note to his son, Dr. John Miller, in Decatur, stating that he would visit him today, and had evidently just arrived from Bloomington. Miller was a very able minister.

"X" RAYS AND THE BLIND.

Edison to Try His Experiment on Millionaire Rouss.

New York, Nov. 25.—Charles Bradway Rouss is arranging with Mr. Edison for treatment with Roentgen rays in the hope that his sight may be restored. Since the electrician began his experiments in applying "X" rays for the restoration of sight no one has taken more interest in the subject than the millionaire merchant, who, for more than two years, has been practically blind.

"That is a single ray upon which to base my hope," said Mr. Rouss. "I have tried every oculist and every treatment that promised relief, and offered $1,000,000 for a cure, but it has all been of no avail. If there is power in this man called the "Wizard" to relieve me I want to know it."

John P. Martin has for some time acted as Rouss' proxy, hoping for a restoration of his own sight, and has submitted to all kinds of treatment, but without favorable results. Now he is to be a subject of the rays. Before Martin becomes the subject of the experiment, Edison wishes to investigate further and solve preliminary problems. When this has been done, a most elaborate and carefully prepared line of treatment will be entered upon with Mr. Martin as patient. Every step and effect will be carefully noted and the result reported to eminent oculists for their professional opinions. Then if the treatment shows any tendency to restore sight or even to arrest the waste of the optic nerves Mr. Rouss will be given the same treatment.

THE LOST COLLIER.

Eight of Her Crew Lose Their Lives in the Surf.

Point Arena, Cal., Nov. 25.—The steam collier San Benito, which went aground a few miles north of this place, will be a total wreck. Eight of the vessel's crew have been drowned, and the remaining thirty-five, after suffering terribly from exposure, were taken from the wreck today by boats from the rescuing steamer Weeott. In the terrible fog of Sunday morning, the San Benito crashed ashore in a dangerous locality, and is now resting on the rocks gradually beating to pieces by the combined action of gale and surf. When the steamer grounded two boats were lowered, but they were all drowned. The captain and remainder of the crew stuck to the ship until taken off by the rescuing steamer. So far as known those drowned are:

O. W. Scott, first assistant engineer.
C. H. Condon, second assistant engineer.
M. Prendergast, fireman.
John H. Sheridan, messboy.
Three seamen, names unknown.

A Fatal Hunting Accident.

Oakland, Cal., Nov. 25.—A distressing hunting accident occurred yesterday on the Newark marshes. Matthew Peterson, son of a well-known contractor of this city, was shot and killed by Albert Kline, a San Francisco commercial traveler, his companion in a duck-hunting trip. The shooting occurred late in the afternoon not far from Newark. Peterson and Kline were seated near a blind in a duck pond, awaiting a flight of birds. A flock of ducks started near them, Kline called to his companion to go to the blind, a small platform hidden with tules. As Peterson rose Kline reached for his shotgun. The weapon was muddy, and slipped in his hands. The contents of both barrels were emptied into Peterson's head as the triggers were accidentally pulled.

Peterson was conscious almost until he died. He made a statement to the physicians and to the local justice of the peace exonerating his companion. He said the shooting was purely accidental.

A Pallbearer Killed.

Double Springs, Ala., Nov. 25.—John Welton met a horrible death at Shiloh burying-ground near here, while acting as one of the pallbearers at the funeral of Junius Roberts, a farmer. The coffin was lowered into the grave by straps. The strap held by Welton and another man snapped as the coffin was being lowered. Welton lost his balance as the strap broke and fell headlong into the grave, which was six feet deep. At the same time the rear end of the coffin which had been held by the broken strap also plunged downward. The falling coffin struck Welton on the head and banged him against the side of the grave, which was of hard soil. Welton was extricated, but died two hours afterward.

A Football Player Nearly Killed

Chicago, Nov. 25.—During a football game this afternoon, Gavin Wright, 15 years old, was tackled around the neck and thrown to the ground, the other players piling on top of him. The ligaments of Wright's neck were snapped and he received a concussion of the brain. He cannot live twenty-four hours.

Russia Proposes to Partition.

London, Nov. 25.—The Daily Mail's Berlin correspondent says the Grand Duke Nicholas, of Russia, on a recent visit to Vienna, took with him a proposal for the partition of Turkey among the powers and to make Constantinople a free port. Russia to have Asia Minor and England to have Egypt.

Insult to the Spanish Flag.

New Castle, Del., Nov. 25.—It has been learned here that the Duke of Tetuan, Spain's minister of foreign affairs, has cabled to Senor de Lome, minister to the United States, to protest to the American government against the insult to the Spanish flag in this city last week, when a local military company carried the Spanish colors from the armory and burned them.

The shortest time for circuiting the globe at present is sixty-six days.

Well Being Sunk in the Capitol.

Salem, Or., Nov. 25.—The work of sinking a well on the artesian plan was begun on the state capitol grounds today. Secretary of State Kincaid has contracted with the Watson Bros, of Portland, to bore into the earth until water to his taste shall be found. Four-inch pipe is to be used. The well is being sunk close to the intersection of the walls in the northwest angle of the capitol. It is hoped to have the work completed in time for the members of the legislature to drink from the fountain.

HE NEVER MADE MISTAKES.

Mr. Smith Couldn't Convince the Teller that He Was in Error.

"Excuse me," remarked the little man to the paying teller at the bank, "but I believe you remember me?"

"Yes," replied the teller, "I remember you. Your name is Smith—John Smith. I cashed a $2,500 check for you this morning."

"Yes, sir, that's right; and I'm glad to see that you remember me, as you made a slight error this morning, and ——"

"We never make errors in this bank, sir."

"But, sir; it isn't right."

"I can't help whether it's right or wrong. You should have counted your money before you left the desk."

"I did count it, sir, and it seemed all right; but after I reached my hotel I counted it again, and found that you had made a mistake."

"I have told you, sir, that we never make mistakes here."

"But, sir——"

"Don't but me; I know my business. The money was all right when you counted it here, and you have either lost some of it or else had your pocket picked. You will have to stand to one side, as there are others who must be attended to."

"I would like to convince you that ——"

"You can't convince me of anything, and you will oblige me by leaving the premises."

"Had I not better leave my card, so you may send for me in case you find that you have made a mistake?"

"No, sir; I don't want your card."

"Very well," replied the little man, meekly, as he slowly took his departure.

The next morning, however, and for a week following, the following advertisement appeared in all the principal daily papers of the city:

"If Mr. John Smith, who cashed a check for $2,500 at the First National Sand Bank on the morning of the 6th inst. will call at the bank as early as convenient, he will greatly oblige the paying teller."

The paying teller had inadvertently overpaid Mr. Smith the sum of $250.

Misplaced Admiration.

Elizabeth Stuart Phelps gives, in McClure's Magazine, some reminiscences of Whittier, the humorous side of his nature as well as the serious one. He was full of frolic, in a gentle way; no one of the world's people ever had a keener sense of humor. From every interview with him one carried away a good story or a sense of having had a good time. He never darkened the day or shadowed the heart. He inspirited and invigorated.

"I like," he wrote to a friend, "the wise Chinese proverb: 'You cannot prevent the birds of sadness from flying over your head, but you may prevent them from stopping to build their nests in your hair!'"

A certain story with which Lucy Larcom is connected made one of the amusing incidents in his life.

A caller, one of the "innumerable throng that moves" to the doors of the distinguished, there to indulge the weak curiosity of an ignorance too pitiable to resent, made himself troublesome one day in the poet's home at Amesbury.

"I have come, sir," he said pompously, "to take you by the hand. I have long wished to know the author of 'Hannah Binding Shoes.'"

Now, Lucy Larcom happened to be sitting, in her serene fashion, silently by the window at that time, and Mr. Whittier turned toward her with the courtly bow into which the Quaker poet's simple manner could bend so finely when he chose.

"I am happy," he replied, waving his hand toward the lady in the window, "to have the opportunity to present thee to the author of that admirable poem —Lucy Larcom!"

A Risky Service.

The African Lakes Company has become so careful that it compels its agents to pay their own funeral expenses; so many agents died that an order was actually issued compelling the agents to die at their own expense. For a long while the company has enjoyed a monopoly of trade.

PHYSICIANS WISE IN THEIR GENERATION.

The above class of scientists recognize, and have repeatedly borne testimony, to the efficacy of Hostetter's Stomach Bitters as a remedy and preventive of fever and ague, rheumatism, want of vigor, liver complaint, and some other ailments and infirm conditions of the system. Experience and observation have taught them its value. They but echo the verdict long since pronounced by the public and the press. Only the benighted now are ignorant of America's tonic and alterative.

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WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Downing, Hopkins & Co.'s Review of Trade.

Portland, Or., Nov. 25.—Wheat traders who base their operations on the prospective rather than the present scarcity of wheat have had their position fortified during the past week by reports of unfavorable seeding in Russia and France, it being too wet in the latter and too dry in Southern Russia for the crop to make good progress. They were also encouraged by reports of damage by locusts in Argentine. Millers took wheat freely in all markets, and operators bought a few cargoes at Chicago and at the seaboard. The millers appear to have the buying craze about as badly as the speculators, but the condition of the flour trade is not such as to make one radically bullish. In the Northwest the millers have sold so much flour for export that foreigners have supplied their wants for the time being, and export sales for the week shows a decided falling off. While it is admitted that there is no big surplus of wheat, and that exports are the heaviest since September, 1893, and we have sent out 67,000,000 bushels of wheat and flour from the United States and Canadian ports since July 1, or 26,000,000 bushels more than last year, and that our exports of flour up to the first of the year will be heavy, there is every possibility of our having enough to eat until another crop is harvested.

A trade paper is credited with the statement that, estimating our total crop this year at 400,000,000 bushels, we have left only about 22,000,000 bushels available for export. That is a trifle less than one-third of the 67,000,000 bushels already gone from both coasts since the close of last June. We are not informed as to the basis of this estimate, but may remark that, even if the crop were 50,000,000 larger than this, which hardly is a supposable case in view of recent advices, there still would be left little more to go out in the next eight months than has been taken away in the first third part of the crop year. There is little use in turning out exact figures for quantity when so much uncertainty exists in regard to the actual yield, but enough is known to make it reasonably certain that the United States does not contain as much wheat in public and private stores, including those of the farm, as will be wanted for home consumpiton and export between this and the time of our next harvest, and we think a good many of our people will waken up to a perception of this fact, and of its vast importance long ere the departure of the last cargo which has been bought by shrewd foreigners at 15 to 20 cents per bushel less than they would have to pay for the article today. It well may be said that sharp declines here are in order, but they will only furnish opportunities for buying to greater advantage, as we should have to go back many years in the record to find a season when the British people were so completely dependent upon the United States for bread as they are today.

THE COMING SESSION.

Senators Look for Little Save Routine Legislation.

Washington, Nov. 25.—Members of the senate are coming to Washington each day, and from interviews with each of the arrivals it is apparent that the senators expect little save routine legislation, including the passage of the annual appropriation bills, at the short session of congress.

Senators Cockrell, of Missouri, and Hawley, of Connecticut, both gave expression to thier opinions today, and both likewise agreed in the opinion that nothing need be expected at the coming session in the way of helping along an international bimetallic conference. Senator Hawley does not believe the Dingley bill will be enacted into a law, adding:

"The Dingley bill is confessedly a mere makeshift, with all the defects incident to horizontal increase or decrease of duties. If it should be passed as it is, it seems to me it would be the duty of the president to assemble congress as soon as possible after March 4 for a diligent consideration and revision of the whole tariff in a considerate and conservative spirit, to the end that a bill might be passed that would stand the test of years, subject, of course, to an occasional correction where new inventions and changes in trade may demand it. It is to be remembered, also, that the Dingley bill expires by its own limitation in August, 1898, and it is impossible to evade the question; therefore, the more speedy action there is taken, the better."

An Armenian Scrap.

Lynn, Mass., Nov. 25.—The timely arrival of the police prevented a riot at an Armenian meeting last night The meeting was an attempt to amalgamate two branches of the Hechagist Revolutionary Society, an Armenian organization, to which nearly every one of the 300 Armenians in this city belong. Soon it was evident there was a strong sentiment against the movement and one of the speakers was interrupted. He resented this and aroused the ire of some in the audience. Some person in the gallery hurled a chair, which precipitated a free fight on the floor, in which knives were drawn, but the police rushed in and cleared the hall.

Vancouver, B. C., Nov. 25.—A. C. Stewart, a schoolteacher in the Mount Pleasant public school, was probably fatally shot this afternoon. He was examining a 38-caliber revolver in Rickard's cigar store, which was not thought to be loaded, but one cartridge had somehow been left in the gun. He was in the act of taking the revolver from Rickards when it went off, the bullet striking him in the left breast. The doctors think there is but little hope of Stewart's recovery.

Bismarck Warns Germany.

Hamburg, Nov. 25.—The Hamburger Nachrichten, Bismarck's organ, flatly accuses England of trying to kindle an European blaze under the pretext of helping the Armenians. The Nachrichten says further that Europe, with inconceivable blindness, is playing into England's hands, and warns Germany not to be allured by the dangerous adventure.

With 20,395 newspapers and periodicals in America and Canada the people ought not to suffer for information and opinions.

Delicate Prints on Iron.

It is a curious fact that has often been proven by actual experiment, that a delicate fern or other leaf may be placed between two smooth blocks of iron and have a plain impression of every rib and fiber of itself left on the hard surface of the iron plates after they have been driven suddenly together by the explosion of a stick of dynamite. Another experiment in this line and one equally curious is made with a smooth block of iron or steel and a cake of compressed gunpowder. A delicate piece of lace is placed on the metal surface and the disk of powder is laid on top of the fabric. When the powder is detoned the lace will be utterly annihilated, but its impression will be clearly left on the metal.

The multitude is like the sea; it either bears you up or swallows you, according to the wind.

USEFUL BOOKS GIVEN AWAY.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR MAKING ART AND FANCY WORK.

Mrs. Nella Daggett of Boston has recently written a book, "Fancy Work and Art Decorations," that gives practical instructions for making doilies, table covers, scarfs, tray cloths, pin cushions, etc., etc., with fifty illustrations. This book, together with "Successful Home Dyeing," will be sent free to any reader who forwards the attached coupon and a 2-cent stamp to Wells, Richardson & Co., Burlington, Vt.

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Cancer Of the Breast.

Mr. A. H. Crausby, of 158 Kerr St., Memphis, Tenn., says that his wife paid no attention to a small lump which appeared in her breast, but it soon developed into a cancer of the worst type, and notwithstanding the treatment of the best physicians, it continued to spread and grow rapidly, eating two holes in her breast. The doctors soon pronounced her incurable. A celebrated New York specialist then treated her, but she continued to grow worse and when informed that both her aunt and grandmother had died from cancer he gave the case up as hopeless.

Someone then recommended S.S.S. and though little hope remained, she begun it, and an improvement was noticed. The cancer commenced to heal and when she had taken several bottles it disappeared entirely, and although several years have elapsed, not a sign of the disease has ever returned.

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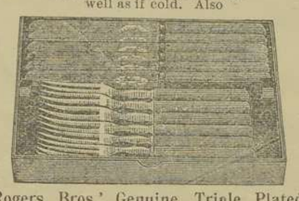

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