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Warehouse Fired by Meteor.
An extraordinary accident is reported from Austria. Some extensive warehouses were destroyed by fire lately at Plume, the result, as was believed, of a stroke of lightning. It is now reported that in clearing the debris a great meteoric stone, weighing four tons, was discovered imbedded in a deep pit among the ruins, and the experts have decided that the premises were set on fire by the glowing stone.

Careful measurements prove that the average curvature of the earth is 6.99 inches to the statute mile.

OUR AMERICAN POLICY.

The policy of this country regarding foreign complications seems likely to remain conservative. The Monroe doctrine, according to the declaration of our leading politicians, will be sustained, but patience and prudence in official quarters will restrain the exuberance of public opinion. The wisest and most prudent course for the rhinoceros and the malarious is to use Hostetter's Stomach Bitters, which also cures kidney complaint and dyspepsia.

It is estimated that 400,000 larks are sold yearly for food at the Leadenhall market, London.

JOHN POOLE IS CONSTANTLY RECEIVING large invoices of the celebrated Stoughton wafers. These are superior to any ever put upon this market. Before buying a wafer call and examine, or write for catalogue. Address foot of Morrison street, Portland, Oregon.

The time required for Niagara to cut its gorge has been variously estimated at 7,000 to 35,000 years.

Piso's Cure for Consumption has saved me large doctor bills. C. L. Baker, 4228 Regent St., Philadelphia, Pa., Dec. 8, '05.

The elephant does not smell with his trunk. His olfactory nerves are contained in a single nostril, which is in the roof of the mouth, near the front.

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The prefix "O'" before so many of the names of Irish families is an abbreviation of the word "ogha," meaning grandchild.

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BATTALIONS OF THE DEAD.

ROLL the tattered battle flags, bring out the life and drum.
Let the funeral bells be tolled and let the voice of hate be dumb;
Shut the shop and lock the office, bid them stop the noisy wheels,
For a ghastly army passes and a mourning nation kneels.
Kneels to pray and scatter blossoms underneath their measured tread,
And stoops to bless the spectral pale battalions of the dead.
Once was weeping in the village, once were tears like winter rain,
When that grand old army marched away and came not back again.

There was music in the bugle blast and music in the air,
But death was in the roar of battle, battle everywhere;
'Mid the thunder of the cannon and the shriek of shot and shell,
In the shouting of the bluecoats and the growling rebel yell.
'Mid the rattle of the musketry, their comrades' dying cheer,
Glory crowned the war-worn veteran and eager volunteer,
And now the grim old pensioner, whose ranks are thinning fast,
Fights all his battles over, from the first unto the last.

Dull Run to Appomattox, from Atlanta to the sea,
Each tells a different story, but the stories all agree,
And we who stand and listen feel our eager pulses thrill.
As they tell the tales of slaughter, and we see them living still,
And our hearts beat fast and faster yet against a cruel fate,
That for the cause of war and arms our souls were born too late.
But the graves are heaped with blossoms and the pensioners are fed,
For we honor still the living, and cannot forget the dead.
—Edwin S. Hopkins.

ONE MEMORIAL DAY.

THOMAS JUDD, Jr., was perched on the school house fence, waving his arms wildly and talking, as he usually talked, at the top of his voice. But Tommy's audience didn't mind his voice in the least; and beside, they were very much interested in what he had to say, so they were all listening intently.

Little Willie Lamkin, who was lame, sat quietly on an old tree stump, his crutches by his side, and looked wistfully up into Tommy's face as he went on with the story.

It was a long story, all about a Memorial Day parade which Tommy had seen last year; and as none of these village school children had ever seen a Memorial Day parade, you can imagine how pleased they were to hear this interesting, though noly account.

Tommy had told them all about the lines of marching men, the bands of music, the waving flags and the sweet flowers on a hundred brave soldiers' graves, and now wound up by asking:

"I say, why can't we have a parade tomorrow, ourselves? The girls can get the flowers. I'll bring my drum, and we'll sing to make the rest of the music; and I'll borrow Uncle Jim's flag. Won't it be glorious?"

With the final word Thomas gave an extra flap which landed him on the wrong side of the fence, right on his back. Nothing was ever known to hurt him, so he walked quietly in through the gate, setting his cap on his tousled hair, and asked, "Now what do you say to it?"

"Pretty good," answered little Charlie Sprout; "but where's your graves?"

Sure enough, Tommy hadn't thought of that. He scratched his head slowly, and went and looked over the wall which divided the little tangled graveyard, as they called it, from the schoolyard. The other children joined him one by one, even to little Lamkin on his crutches. They all stood in solemn line and looked over the old stone wall into the peaceful place.

They were so very still that the robins and bluebirds didn't mind them a bit, and kept on with their twitter and flutter among the bushes and over the quiet mounds. Softly the children trooped back again, and it was a few minutes before



A QUEER LITTLE PROCESSION.

any one spoke. Then it was Tommy, who said, quite mournfully:

"Yes, all the soldiers in our place came back alive, didn't they?"

"Anyhow, my father was shot in both legs!" piped up Mary Lee.

"Well, he didn't die," replied Tommy; and all the children looked quite reproachfully at Mary.

But a happy thought came to one of the little girls. There was, on the main road of this village by the sea, a square granite stone placed there many years before, in memory of a young soldier who had left the war with wounded lungs, and had come home to die. When he could go no farther in the jolting stage coach, he begged to be left to lie by the fresh, green roadside, under a beautiful tree, and here he died in his brother's arms.

The telling of his simple story had always filled the children with awe. They never passed the place without reading on the plain headstone his name and the date of his sad death. They could not do much, but here was a little thing they could do for one brave soldier, whom they had never seen but whose name they loved.

So the next day, which was Memorial Day, the neighbors looked out on a queer little procession, headed by Thomas Judd, Jr., beating lustily on his drum, and ended by little lame Lamkin with his crutches. And because he had no hand free to carry his flowers, as the rest of the boys and girls did, Mary Lee had made a beautiful wreath of purple and white lilacs and placed it about his neck.

WEEKLY MARKET LETTER.

Trade Conditions in the Leading Cities of the World.

[Reported by Downing, Hopkins & Co., Inc., Board of Trade Brokers, 711 to 714 Chamber of Commerce Building, Portland, Oregon.]



TOM ON THE FENCE.

Not in the memory of the oldest wheat trader has there been a time when the wheat markets the world over exhibited as much activity and irregularity as characterized them the last week. The buying furor that started in the previous week was continued with increased force. Sensational advances were reported everywhere on Monday and Tuesday. May in Chicago touched \$1.85; in New York it was \$1.91; in Duluth \$1.80; in Minneapolis \$1.60; in Toledo \$1.65; in Liverpool \$1.64, and in Paris \$1.64. May at one time was \$1 over last year, and at another \$1.15. These were the highest prices, with one exception, since August, 1869, and that was the September corner run by B. P. Hutchinson, in 1888, when the price was put to \$2. In 1877 it advanced to \$1.70. Short sellers suffered terrific losses, and the tension became extreme. The bulge culminated Tuesday, and prices declined irregularly. Chicago showing a loss of 55c, New York 47c, Duluth 40c, Minneapolis 20c, Toledo 28c, and Liverpool 8c. The advance has been of material benefit to farmers and millers having wheat to sell. They took advantage of it both here and in Europe, and the wheat was rushed to market, as there has seldom been a chance to sell it for such prices for more than a day or two at a time. Arrivals at primary points were 4,228,323 bushels or more than double last year's. English farmers' deliveries were 84,400 quarters, an increase of 34,000 quarters for the week, with an advance of 3s per quarter, the price being 45s, 11d, the highest in over 19 years.

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THE GRAND ARMY.
The Rapid Passing of the Organization Is a Sad Spectacle.



THE passing of the Grand Army of the Republic is a sad spectacle in the brilliant panorama incident to the close of this electro-glaring nineteenth century, during which more history has been made and more progress marked than in any other era since the acts of human beings were told in written annals. Within the next quarter of a century the participants in the great struggles of the civil war will be known only in memory, and the bravest army that defeated the bravest foe will have disbanded forever. The tragic drama will be told in song and story, but the actors in the scenes of carnage whose charmed lives defied the whizzing bullets and the screaming shell will have obeyed the immutable laws of Father Time, leaving to their descendants the glorious heritage of a valorous and unswerving name.

Decorating Soldiers' Graves.

The setting apart of a day for the decoration of soldiers' graves, a custom observed by North and South, had its origin with the French colonists. On Nov. 2, All Souls' day, the mourners would repair to the cities of the dead, there to twine garlands for the tomb. We have twined this custom our own, and on Memorial Day all over the land the fairest flowers are laid upon the graves of fallen heroes. In the lower suburbs of New Or-



OUR FATHER HEROES.

No marble shaft it needs, with names engraved,
To tell to whom the floral tribute pay;
A nation recoils to a nation saved,
And knows the mounds it decorates to-day
Or graves of heroes fallen in the fight,
These flowery wreaths that loving hands
Here spread,
Like rings of adamant this day unite
The memory of the living with the dead!

Children, bring your sweetest flowers!
North and South and East and West,
Bring the flowers you love the best,
Lay them where the soldiers rest.

Children, bring your sweetest flowers!
In memory of the gift they gave,
Every noble man and brave
Who sleeps within a soldier's grave.

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Seattle Market.

Potatoes—Yakimas, \$11 @ 12 per ton; natives, \$8 @ 10; sweets, 2 1/2 c per pound; box of 60 pounds, \$1.75.

Butter—Fancy native creamery, brick, 21c; ranch, 10 @ 13c; dairy, 14 @ 16c; Iowa fancy creamery, 20c.

Cheese—Native Washington, 11 @ 12c; Eastern cheese, 12 1/2 c.

Eggs—Fresh ranch, 15c; California ranch, 14c.

Meats—Choice dressed beef steers, 8c; cows, 7 @ 7 1/2 c; mutton, 8c; pork, 7 1/2 c; veal, small, 8c.

Poultry—Chickens, live, per pound, hens, 14c; dressed, 16c; turkeys, live, 14c; dressed, 17 @ 18c.

Fresh Fish—Halibut, 6 @ 7c; steel heads, 7 @ 8c; salmon trout, 9 @ 10c; flounders and sole, 8 @ 4c; tom cod, 4c; ling cod, 4 @ 6c; rock cod, 5c; smelt, 3 @ 5c; herring, 4c.

Olympia oysters, per sack, \$3 @ 3.25. Corn—Whole, \$25; cracked, per ton, \$25; feed meal, \$25 per ton.

Barley—Rolled or ground, per ton, \$20; whole, \$25.

Flour—Patents, per barrel, \$5.25 @ 5.50; straights, \$5.00; California brands, \$6.25; Dakota brands, \$5.00 @ \$5.75; buckwheat flour, \$6.50.

Millet—Bran, per ton, \$17; shorts, per ton, \$18.

Feed—Chopped feed, \$21 @ 22 per ton; middlings, per ton, \$18 @ 19; oil cake meal, per ton, \$25.

Hay—Puget Sound, new, per ton, \$10 @ 13; Eastern Washington timothy, \$17; alfalfa, \$11; straw, \$7.

Oats—Choice, per ton, \$28 @ 30. Wheat—Feed wheat, per ton, \$26.

Portland Market.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 87 @ 88c; Valley and Bluestem, 90c per bushel.

Flour—Best grades, \$5.00; Graham, \$4.85; superfine, \$3.75 per barrel.

Oats—Choice white, 42 @ 43c; choice gray, 39 @ 40c per bushel.

Barley—Feed barley, \$23; brewing, \$24 per ton.

Millet—Bran, \$19 per ton; middlings, \$25; shorts, \$19.

THE TURN OF LIFE.

Owing to modern methods of living, not one woman in a thousand approaches this perfectly natural change without experiencing a train of very annoying and sometimes painful symptoms.

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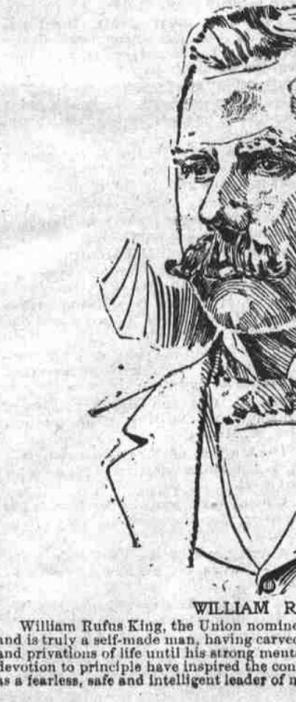
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