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AWFUL floods, in Germany have caused death and destruction this spring. Nearly a hundred villages have been submerged.

A CHICAGO newspaper makes the statement that a railroad train arrives or departs from that city every minute of the day.

COSBY conducted a memorable campaign at seventeen, and at twenty-two he and Turenne, also, were of the most illustrious men of their time.

A DISTINGUISHED negro belle of Port au Prince, Hayti, has married a brother of William Black, the novelist. Perhaps the name attracted her.

MRS. PATTI LYLE COLLINS, employed in the "dead letter" office at Washington, reads almost every known language except Russian and Chinese.

THE common thistle, which now covers large areas in Southern Chili, is said to have been introduced there by an Englishman, who imported a bushel of seed and sowed it under the delusion that the plant would prove valuable for fodder.

MISS MEUK MEYER, a grandniece of Anton Rubinstein and a pupil of Liszt, is the musical prodigy of Vienna, Austria. She is not yet eighteen years old, but has composed the music and written the libretto of an opera.

THE orange tree and the lemon are both descended from the citron. The history of the orange tree is said to date back to the crusades, the returning pilgrims carrying it into Europe 700 or 800 years ago.

THE number of fowls kept in France has been estimated to be 43,858,780. The average product of chickens reared is 3 to each hen and the average product of eggs per hen is 100 per year. The total money product is \$101,000,000.

A READER of the Boston Globe reports that the word "dude" is to be found in the dictionary of the Swahili language spoken by Pzangibas negroes—that the plural is "mastitude"—and the word itself probably older than the hills.

M. CHEVREUL, the French centenarian chemist (who will be 102 years old if he lives till next August), is said by a writer who recently visited him, to look scarcely more than 80 years of age, and to be as gentle, even-tempered and self-controlled as ever.

QUEEN VICTORIA dislikes the electric light, and refuses to have it in her palaces. She has at length permitted one of the royal yachts to be fitted with electric lamps, except her sleeping cabin and saloon. It is said soft oil lamps best suit the complexions of elderly ladies.

PRINCE BISMARCK's declination to become Duke Bismarck, on the ground that he has not the ways and means to cut the proper ducal dash, will occasion hilarious suspicions that the Iron Chancellor is getting unusually ironical. Bismarck would be rated A 1 in the mercantile lexicons.

ONE of the smallest manuscripts in the world to be sold—For sale, a grain of rice with the whole first chapter of the Koran written on it; given to an English officer in 1812 by an American gentleman, who received it from an Arab sheikh, whom he had cured of a dangerous fever in the desert.

A VERY good and sensitive barometer may be made by gluing together strips of red cedar and seasoned pine. A strip of cedar about thirty inches long, one and one-half inches wide and one-eighth of an inch thick is cut with the grain, and to one side of it must be glued strips of pine of equal thickness, with the grain running across that of the cedar. This combination is set on end, and will, according to the state of the weather be found to have bent over on one side or the other, and this may be determined by trial.

TELEGRAPHIC.

An Episode of the Principal Events Now Attracting Public Interest.

Wm. C. Mitchell fell from a street car at St. Louis, and was killed. The academy of music was burned at Haverhill, Mass. Loss, \$100,000; insurance, \$50,000.

A construction train and engine on the Joliet & Eastern road was wrecked by obstructions on the track. Three Italian laborers were instantly killed.

Gus Boyles, aged 19, was hanged for the murder of Wm. Morgan, in the Creek nation, a year ago. He died very hard.

At Buena Vista, Ill., Charles Deckler, a farmer, aged 55, sent his children out of the house and then shot his wife, killing her instantly, and shot himself and cut his throat.

R. B. Parrish, a wholesale shoe dealer at Louisville, Ky., reputed to be worth \$100,000, committed suicide because he could not pay a five dollar board bill.

The street railway stables at Wichita, Kan., were burned. Three employes were very seriously burned and otherwise injured. The loss was not ascertained.

David Clark and his wife were found hanging in a corn crib near Sandwich, Ill. They left a paper signed by both, saying they died for each other. Clark was thirty years old.

Fire destroyed half the business portion of Elmoro, Colo., some half a dozen business houses, with contents, being consumed. The loss is estimated at \$75,000; insurance \$6,000.

The body of Alice Kelly was found in the outskirts of Ottumwa, Iowa, with the throat cut and the head badly beaten. The nature of the wounds indicate murder.

Hattie de Bahn, aged 18 years, was shot and killed by her aunt, Mrs. Jennings, at Terre Haute, Ind. The two had been quarreling for some days.

Josiah Wilder, 62 years of age, a prominent business man of Cincinnati, committed suicide. The only known cause is an affection of the head which gave him great pain and rendered him despondent.

Three men entered the office of an insurance company at Milwaukee, and engaged the cashier and clerk in conversation. Before they left one of them stole \$2,000 from the cash drawer.

In the roundhouse of Winslow, Ariz., a fireman named Snyder had a few words with a night watchman about some oil, and the latter shot Snyder twice. The latter died in ten minutes.

A freight train on the Louisville, New Albany & Chicago railway ran into a small land slide. The locomotive and ten cars were wrecked. David Julian, a brakeman, Engineer Harnet and Fireman Blachman were killed.

Henry Soper, a farm hand, confesses to killing 6-year-old Frankie Williams, kicking him to death because the child followed him to the field to see the cows milked, at Huntington, Long Island.

Mrs. Elizabeth Simon shot and instantly killed Wm. Dowling at Bury's ranch, Wyo. Dowling was assaulting her 8-year old daughter. Mrs. Simon was given a hearing and discharged amid cheers.

A large fire in the business blocks opposite the Erie railway depot broke out at Patterson, N. J. Escape by the ordinary way for the inmates was cut off in a few minutes. Numbers jumped from windows and escaped with slight bruises, but it is reported that several lost their lives.

Fire originating in a sawmill at Alpena, Mich., spread rapidly, and was soon beyond control. All buildings for a space of three blocks wide and half a mile long were consumed, causing a loss of about \$300,000. Fifteen hundred persons are homeless and several seriously injured.

Matthias Schreiner, a whitewasher, was discovered at Chicago, Ill., burned horribly and dying. He had come home drunk, and his clothes had been saturated with kerosene and fired. His wife, mother-in-law and a boarder are under arrest, and indications are that they were the perpetrators of the horrible deed.

While 300 or 400 people were seated in the grand stand on the grounds of the Yalobusha county, Mississippi, fair association, the supports gave way without warning, and the structure fell to the ground. No one was killed outright, but nearly fifty people were taken from the ruins with broken arms and legs.

Laural Fork meeting house in Weakley county, Tenn., was a scene of a terrible tragedy. Just as the minister was announcing his text a volley of firearms was discharged outside the door. When the smoke cleared away it was found that Ewell Lawson and his son, John, were killed, and that three Fuston boys, Tom, Jim and Enos, and John Porter, were fatally wounded.

COAST CULLINGS.

Devoted Principally to Washington Territory and California.

Ten business houses of Deming, N. M., burned. Losses aggregate \$60,000; insurance, half.

Phil J. Stumpf, was shot and killed in his saloon, at Antioch Cal., by some unknown person.

R. Ayers, a junk dealer, of Los Angeles, Cal., was dragged to death by a runaway team near El Monte.

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Henry Meyers, one of the Lowell murderers, who pleaded to grand larceny at Sacramento, Cal., was sentenced to ten years at Folsom.

William G. Butler has been sentenced to three years' hard labor at Folsom for abstracting an order for \$6 99 from a letter at the postoffice in Los Angeles, Cal.

W. F. Neff, a tinner, while working on a roof at Los Angeles, Cal., fell to the ground, breaking his neck, the fall killing him instantly. He was aged 37 years, and leaves a family.

Wm. Heazed, night watchman on the steamer Thororoughfare, at San Francisco, was struck while walking on the track by an Alameda local train, and instantly killed.

Henry Vanover, popularly known as "Hanks," a well known back driver, of Tacoma, W. T., was found dead in his bed at Freeman's livery stable, from an overdose of quinine.

Mrs. K. Parker, of Cheney, W. T., attempted to commit suicide by taking an ounce of tincture of opium, but the timely arrival of the doctor saved her life.

Fire occurred in Chinatown of Placerville, Cal., in which a row of seven Chinese buildings, and three white residences were burned. The charred remains of a Chinaman were taken from the ruins. Loss \$5,000.

Fire broke out in the Mechanics' mill at Seattle, W. T., but was soon put out with only slight damage resulting. David Ferguson, watchman on Yeeler's wharf, while working at the fire fell, breaking his collar bone.

Simon J. Lark, aged 22, was run over and instantly killed in the railroad yard at Winnemucca, Cal. He had been in the employ of the railroad company about three years as assistant agent and car sealer.

The ship Bella Vista, loaded with coal, sunk twenty miles northwest of Point Reyes, Cal. The captain and crew were picked up and brought to Bowen's Landing by the schooner Napa City.

D. Davey Harris, a 12-year-old newsboy, attempted to jump on a moving dummy on Sutter street at Kearny, in San Francisco, but missed his footing and rolled under the wheels. Both of his legs were fractured above the knees.

James King, recently convicted of bigamy at Sacramento, Cal., and sentenced to three years' imprisonment, attempted to commit suicide in a cell by cutting his wrist. He was discovered by the jailer in time to prevent him bleeding to death.

Fire broke out in the Hambletonian stables in Oakland, Cal., totally destroying them, together with most of the contents. In the stable were ten horses, seven of which were burned alive. Several other adjoining buildings were destroyed. The total loss is about \$20,000.

Amanda Cordoza and Vicente Martinez had a personal difficulty in a saloon at Sacramento, Cal. Martinez knocked Cordoza down. The latter arose, staggered back and fell dead. It is supposed death resulted from heart disease, caused in part by the blow. Martinez surrendered himself.

The main business portion of Cherokee, a mining town near Oroville, Cal., was destroyed by fire. Miss Mary O'Donnell perished in the flames. Two hotels, two stores, a saloon and several residences were burned. Loss, \$30,000; insurance, \$13,500.

During the absence of Mrs. England and C. Coulthard, of Hollister, Cal., their houses were broken into and robbed of jewelry and other articles of value. A posse was immediately organized and went in pursuit, and captured the robbers a few miles from the city.

A daring robbery was perpetrated on Wells, Fargo Express Company, at Los Angeles, Cal. One of the treasure boxes while on a truck at the Southern Pacific depot, waiting for the train for San Francisco, was unlocked; \$1,230 in gold and silver coin taken, and the box relocked. Three men have been arrested on suspicion.

Small boys playing with firecrackers at Lodi, Cal., set fire to the office of the Lodi News. The fire gained such headway that before anything could be done the office of the Lodi News, the San Joaquin bakery, a residence owned by J. Nevins, and the residence of Dr. Grant were entirely destroyed. The loss is \$5,000; insurance unknown.

AGRICULTURAL.

Devoted to the Interests of Farmers and Stockmen.

To Burn Caterpillar Nests.
The caterpillar that was so prevalent in Oregon orchards a few years ago, have returned this year, and will probably multiply four next year. Prof. Riley, of the department of agriculture, says: Take a piece of soft brick known as salmon brick, and trim it to an egg shape; then take two flexible wires, cross them over the brick, wrap them around it, and twist the ends together. Then attach it by the wires to a long stick, and soak the brick in coal oil; light it with a match and you are armed for the work. Abestos may be used to advantage, and a little thorough work early enough in the season will obviate the necessity of more expensive remedies at a later time. The soaking in the oil may be repeated as often as required to maintain the flame.

Peach trees that have been annually and heavily banked with wood ashes to keep out the borers have been more free from yellows than those not so protected.

Farmers' institutes have become an institution in Wisconsin. Eighty-two were held last year in forty-five counties, and 279 practical topics were discussed. More than 100 lecturers and specialists impaired instruction, and the State appropriated \$12,000 to help the farmers' cause along.

Severely cutting back the dead wood on the peach trees will start them to new life. If the tree be dead at the top, and the wood near the trunk green, the new buds will soon give a new top. By keeping all the injured old wood cut away the tree will do service much longer than is usually the case with peach trees.

Both meadows and pastures require some looking after in the spring. If there be bare or weedy places throw on a little seed. If the pasture had been seeded last spring and the "catch" was not good it would be a good plan to again go over the whole, giving seed as would seem to be needed.

The Blenheim pippin, is one of the finest apples in the world. It is good not for one locality alone, but its constitutional vigor enables it to fruit successfully in every diverse climates and soils. The apples are perfect in form, coloring and size, and of fine flavor.

After a cow has dropped her calf, her system is always more or less feverish and the milk correspondingly unhealthful. It is strongly laxative, and therefore exactly fitted to the requirements of the young calf, for which nature designed it. But it is not safe to feed it to older stock, except with great caution. It will cause abortion in cows heavy with pigs, though these are the ones that inexperienced farmers might think first of favoring with it.

"That farm scene you seem to be sneering at, sir," said the indignant artist, "is valued at \$500. It is generally considered a fine painting. Allow me to ask you if you are familiar with works of art?" "Not very familiar," replied the agriculturist, who was looking through the studio with his wife, "but I know something about the works of nature, young man, and when you make a cow that gets up from the ground by putting out her forefeet first, you are doing something that nature never did."

Old straw stacks, eaten a fourth or a third of the way under, are not infrequent sights in barnyards at this season of the year. Later on when the stock is taking refuge from a storm under the ledges of these stacks, a strong wind will topple them over, and sometimes enough stock will be killed or crippled to knock the profits out of farming for a whole year. Aside from the danger of injury to stock, there are good reasons why these unsightly objects should be torn down. The straw which composes them will not be fit for feed next winter. The best thing that can be done with it is to turn it into manure as soon as possible. This can best and most effectually be done by tearing them down, and scattering the straw thickly over the ground.

In relation to the value of salt in the dairy the correspondent of an exchange says: A Wisconsin dairyman lately told me he milked seventeen cows the past season, and early in the summer ran out of salt, and having read in an agricultural paper that cows do just as well without salt he neglected to get another barrel. The drouth came, the milk-flavor dropped to about 200 pounds of milk a day, which gave no profit, nor did it increase after the pastures were freshened by rains. He bought a carload of mill-stuff and began feeding, but still received only 220 pounds of milk a day, and several of the cows would hold up their milk once or twice a week. Then he began to salt regularly every day, and the increase was steady until on the same feed they were producing 380 pounds of milk a day, and instead of being kept at a loss, yielded a fair profit.

DIMINUTIVE SOLDIER.

The Military Establishment of the American Republics along the Pacific coast was lately made to feel that the Central American Government army. The steamer hardly anchored when a large formed marines approached the "commandante." He is important individual, not more than five feet high, with curly hair. His little form have been melted into his blue-and-red trimmed small feet are crowded into shoes with Louis Quinze fairly reels under the weight of gold lace to fit out a French shal or a Captain of United States.

He is a very polite little he walks the deck he bows ladies. Then he takes papers correct, and passes it is in the interior that the army to form any idea of efficiency.

The private is a low-cost does not show much Cautious he wears sandals instead of forage-cap is two sizes too rests on his ears, and seems to be to lie in the sun salutes to the president. and non-commissioned officers with the men, and the effect of discipline can be imagined. He pays little attention to cleanliness, expense of wa-hing is, perhaps, the cause of the absence of calicoes. Once, when watching in San Salvador pass in review its chief. I could not help the

the major's remark to poster Cutlerback: "Ensign Cutler said he, 'I am no friend to gance; but on the day when I pass in review before our the name of God, I would show one inch of clean linen wait till Sunday, when the city is marched through the streets umns of four-platoon man never attempted, and company is unheard of. The militia everybody, from the one who enough money to avoid it even one who is too low on the scale to carry a gun. Here you sickly-looking drug clerk, the the opposition paper, the fact and the stooped cobbler march by side; and, queerly enough, seem to have toothaches, but hand have their jaws tied up handkerchiefs. This service is tended as punishment, but it is guns at a right shoulder and angle under the sun, they stamp the cobblestones, up hill and after their little German head

the size of the privates, one vest guest pop-guns as appropriate, instead they are armed with bayonets and with the bayonets fixed. When the Captain's companies to a rest they leave at a carry, and the privates are not to think it's all right. Not many days ago, on the of the President in the town. lery brought out two small, July looking cannon to fire his of two guns. One "gunner" hurry to discharge his piece in his haste he blew off the of No. 1 and sent the "rammer staff" through a General goods store on the other plaza. This was explained to take in tactics. There is no Central America about the "Batallion organization" or organization—because the know what organization it is, the ness of promotion, that troubles of the frontier post and of the to the Editor, "is a thing privates are always privates, erals are always Generals, month, at a discount of 30 pay them.—N. Y. Times.

—Housekeeper's who have accustomed to judge of the turkey by the flexibility of the end of the breast bone, will learn to their unprincipled dealers' pound the breast-bone turkeys until the tip attain billity consistent with good ren is—then make able.

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