

A Big Fund For the Schools.

The semi-annual statement of State Treasurer C. S. Moore, shows that the annual apportionment of school funds on August 1st will be the largest in the history of the state. The apportionment last year exceeded that of any previous year, but the money to be distributed this year will be fully 6 per cent. greater. The total amount of money in the state treasury on July 1st was \$1,278,136.42, of which \$717,965.38 was in the irreducible school fund and \$197,000.91 was in the common school interest fund. A year ago the interest fund contained \$186,414.84. During July large payments of interest will be made, thus swelling the amount to be apportioned on August 1st.

Admiral Cotton, commanding the American squadron recently received with high honor by the German emperor and navy at Kiel, is a native of Milwaukee, in which city he spent his boyhood. He has also received a mark of unusual distinction from the British government which admitted his squadron to the inner harbor at Portsmouth, where no foreign warships ever yet have been permitted to go.

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The earl of Rosebery comes before the public in a petition to the county council of London for the establishment of an institution for advanced scientific and technological education in London at a cost of \$1,500,000. In a letter urging the scheme Lord Rosebery says: "It is little short of scandalous that our ambitious youths should be obliged to resort to the United States and Germany for technical training," and he points out that English industries are suffering in consequence of the neglect of this important branch of education in the United Kingdom.

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Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Utah are the only states in which there has not yet been a lynching. The record from 1885 to 1900 shows that there were 2516 lynchings, 1678 being negroes, 801 white, 21 Indians, 9 Chinese and 7 Mexicans. In all these horrible crimes 50 were women.

"Weather shooting" has assumed such importance in southern Europe that not less than three international congresses to consider it have been held. The latest report shows that experts are mostly convinced that gun firing is useless for influencing rain or hail, although experiments are urged until the possible effects are fully understood.

Paderewski is at his castle in Morges, Switzerland, suffering from severe inflammation of the muscles of his right arm. A specialist in Paris consulted with his regular physician and they ordered him not to touch the piano for at least three months, so his recital in Paris this month and his private engagements in London have been abandoned.

People who never heard of appendicitis until the king's illness will be astonished to learn how prevalent the disease is. A Birmingham lecturer on "Appendicitis," states that in 1900 about 15000 persons in the United Kingdom were operated on for appendicitis; with a mortality of 10 per cent. It was estimated that 1500 persons lost their lives annually through this complaint.

Bird News and notes says that the total number of packages of osprey feathers sold in London last year, was 1608. A package of osprey feathers varies in amount from two to three to over one hundred ounces, but the average is about 30 ounces to the package. This gives a total of 48,240 ounces, and on the received estimate that four birds are required to yield one ounce of plumes, there was a total of 192,000 birds killed in the breeding season to furnish one year's feather sales.

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