

A KLONDIKE ROMANCE.

Help for the Deserted Wife from an Unexpected Source. A sad-faced woman received the unexpected package at the door of the humble cottage. But her features lighted up when she saw the address, relating the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

"Dear Jane—I haven't struck it yet, but am still hopeful. All I can send you is this old pair of trousers, which I have made use for. Maybe you can cut them over for Jimmy. Yours affectionately, Joe."

For a long time the poor woman sat stunned with the slender lad weeping beside her. She had waited so long and patiently for good news—and this was the result. The landlord was growing more and more impatient; the butcher and baker were almost insolvent.

How could she satisfy their importunities with a pair of second-hand trousers? She uttered an exclamation of contempt and aversion, and kicked the dingy garment aside. As she did so an idea struck her. Suddenly rising to her feet she picked up the trousers.

Then, after spreading them upon a clean newspaper, she brushed them, bent them and finally washed them. Carefully gathering up the gold dust thus dislodged she carried it to the nearest bank and sold it for \$2.187.

BRITONS BEHIND THE TIMES. Why England Buys Electric Railway Equipments in This Country. The recent award to this country of all of the large electric railway contracts now going on in England appears to have aroused the keenest interest on the other side of the Atlantic.

Lord Kelvin was asked his views on this matter. He said: "I do not consider it out of the way of surprising that these orders should be placed here. England has not yet developed her electric railway work to as large extent as you have, and hence is buying as she always does, in the best market to save money. She has the engineering and manufacturing talent, but lacks the opportunity. Here you have towns of 10,000 population springing up in a year, and they naturally want the latest and best, making a good demand which renders easy production on a large scale and also stimulates the older communities near them. We have no such developments in England, and the areas of our towns are smaller, so that the necessity of city transportation is not so keenly felt as with you."

FINDS A NEW USE FOR KITES. Prof. Eddy Perfects a Scheme for Taking Sky Pictures. Eddy, the kite man, who has for a week or two been making sky photographs of the capitol and other public buildings in Washington, says he has perfected a device by which aerial vitascope pictures of cities, street scenes, battle fields and parades and landscapes may be taken.

Large Body of Timber. What is said to be the largest individual body of timber now untouched in the United States occupies a large area in Latah and Shoshone counties, in Idaho, about 100 miles southwest of Spokane. The group is estimated to contain, approximately, 2,000,000,000 feet of the finest white pine, and in the neighborhood of 5,000,000,000 feet of other timber, including yellow pine, hemlock, red and white fir and cedar.

PRACTICED CANNIBALISM.

Growsome Discovery at Lieut. Greeley's Camp at Cape Sabine. One of the Members of the Recent Peary Expedition Gives Out Facts That Were to Have Been Kept Secret.

In an interview with a Boston Post reporter Assistant Engineer Knight, of Lieut. Peary's ship Howe, stated that positive proofs of cannibalism were found at Lieut. Greeley's camp at Cape Sabine by a landing party. Mr. Knight says that when Cape Sabine was reached only the scientists of the party and one or two attendants to do the rough work were landed. Before going ashore each of the party was told to expect to find some disagreeable things, but to be prepared to keep silent forever, if necessary, as to what was found.

All agreeing, the party was landed and the search begun. When the expedition returned aboard it bore a lot of cast-off clothing, empty provision cans, surgical instruments, etc., and a bit of board bearing the name of Will Norman, the ice pilot of the party, who died in Brooklyn a few years ago. These things were placed in the engine room of the Hope to dry, while Mr. Peary took some other things to his cabin. The most important find, however, was not brought on board, but was buried near the camp. It consisted of the frozen remains of a human right thigh that was found in the snow outside the camp proper, near the place used as a burial ground by the Greeley party. This part of a limb was taken from the body at the hip joint, the separation having evidently been made by the use of the knife alone at the hip and knee. For about a foot from the hip down the bone was bare, the flesh having apparently been cut away as a butcher cuts a leg of beef.

MULES SUPERSEDED. Machinery to Do Their Work in a Coal Mine in Pennsylvania. The Philadelphia & Reading company are making an experiment at the Alaska colliery, Schuylkill county, Pa., which means the substitution of machinery for mules in the transportation of coal in the mines and a saving, to this company alone, of several hundred thousands of dollars annually in the cost of mining.

The machine experimented with is an air compressor, which furnishes the motive power to haul the coal from the gangways and breasts to the bottom of the slope. The first trial was a success, gratifying to both the inventor and the company. Within six months it is understood these machines will be placed in all the mines of the Philadelphia & Reading company and in all the other mines operated by the smaller companies in the Schuylkill coal county region. The new method of transporting coal under ground, it is said, reduces the cost about one-half.

Mine mules are always kept in excellent condition. From 60 to 150 mules are used in each mine. Many are killed by accident each month, and of course have to be replaced. The new machine will prove a severe blow to western mule breeders, as all these animals were purchased at good prices.

THE RYE CROP. It is a Disappointment as Indicated by the Final Returns. A disappointing rye crop is indicated by final returns to the American Agriculturist. Instead of some 38,000,000 bushels expected from earlier indications, the crop of the United States now figures out about 25,000,000 bushels, 1,000,000 more than last year and 2,000,000 less than in 1895 and 1894. The increase is mainly in Pennsylvania, the western crop being quite disappointing. Latest European crop advices are confirmatory of serious shortages in rye, especially in Russia. Germany's rye crop seems to be somewhat larger than earlier reports indicated, but reduced estimates for France and other countries barely offset this. Stocks of old rye at home and abroad are lower than for years, and export demand for American rye continues very active. Except during the fall of 1895 and 1896, rye had not been so low as at present since before 1890.

PREVENT PREMATURE BURIALS. Subject Attracting Considerable Attention at Present Time in Italy. The subject of premature burial is just now attracting interest in Italy, according to a report of United States Consul Mantius, at Turin. He says that realizing that there is at present no infallible test that may be applied to prevent the horrifying cases of persons being buried alive, a number of prominent physicians and laymen are at work preparing reports on the subject. These will be made the striking feature of the medical department of national exposition next April at Turin. Reports of a similar kind are expected from all over the world, as prizes will be offered for the best solution of the problem, and the consul says inestimable good to the cause will result if the people of the United States interest themselves in it.

Billions of Needles Made Annually. A German paper calls attention to the extraordinary fact that in Aachen (Aix la Chapelle) alone 800 tons of steel wire are used up annually in the manufacture of needles—4,000,000,000 in number, valued at \$1,000,000. And it again asks the old question: "What becomes of all the needles in the world?"

Few Persons Reach Old Age. Of every 1,000 persons only one reaches the age of 100 years and not more than six that of 85 years.

Quakers to Have a New Paper. The North Carolina Quakers are to establish a newspaper at Greensboro.

PUPILS ARE HYPNOTIZED.

Crash Breaks Out Among Children in an East Chicago School. A hypnotic crash has broken out in Seventh ward school No. 1 of East Chicago, Wis. The matter was reported to President Emmett Horan, of the board of education late the other afternoon, and he sent for City Superintendent Gross and told him that announcement must be made that any pupils who attempt or pretend to practice hypnotism in school or even on the school grounds will be promptly suspended and not re-admitted to school without permission of the board of education.

Prof. Hester, of the Seventh ward school, made this announcement to his scholars. It appears a boy named Byron Culver and two or three others in this school have acquired a skill in hypnotism, and have exercised the art on fellow pupils in and out of school. Some of them announced an intention to hypnotize Prof. Hester. He has taken the matter as of no importance, but the school authorities regard it as serious, and the matter will be taken up in the board of education at its next meeting.

A boy in the Seventh ward school says he was impelled to drink a bottle of ink during school hours by the influence of one of the hypnotizers. They have given exhibitions of their skill in Randall park several evenings, on which occasion they apparently put several other boys into a cataleptic condition, leaving them rigid for ten or fifteen minutes.

The recent performances there by a traveling hypnotist are thought to be one cause of the present trouble.

SHE WINS THE WHEEL. Miss Kramer Sues Her Male Escort for a Bicycle Drawn at a Theater. A case that has attracted much attention at Atlantic, Ia., for several weeks was concluded at midnight. It is the famous Atlantic bicycle suit. Ray S. Slowe invited Miss Blanche Kramer to attend a theatrical performance with him. The company had offered a bicycle to the young woman who should hold the lucky number, drawing to be by lot. Miss Kramer held the right number, and carried off a handsome wheel.

A few days afterward young Slowe called on her and borrowed the wheel. He did not return it, and when she demanded it, he replied that inasmuch as it had been his money which drew the machine, he was entitled to it, and proposed to keep it. The young woman began suit in the district court to recover the bicycle. The trial developed all the facts. It occupied a day and a half, and was attended by a large number of people. The case then went to the jury.

AN UNSAFE PLACE. Life and Property of Americans in Guatemala in Jeopardy. Edward J. Hunt and Julius I. Berts, of San Francisco, who recently returned from Guatemala, warn Americans against going there on account of the inadequate protection afforded life and property. Mr. Hunt says: "Arrests are made on the most flimsy pretexts and imprisonment after the pretense of a trial. Conduct which is overlooked in the case of native-born Guatemalans is considered reason for arrest in the case of Americans. The American consular is engaged in business and is afraid to act for fear of offending the government."

For months, who have not been paid for months, are openly accused of robbing strangers. "President Barrios," says Mr. Berts, "has the controlling interest in every new enterprise, and it is asserted that no one can secure a concession or do business without giving him a share. A man from El Paso, who claims to have discovered a valuable gold mine, says he found the whole property recorded in the name of Barrios, and to avoid being cast into jail for protesting he left the country."

SHORT SCHOOL DAYS. Five and a Half Hours Allotted for Study Hereafter in Milwaukee. A reduction has been made in the length of time to be given to public school work in Milwaukee. Hereafter 5 1/2 hours will constitute a day's work. The change has been under contemplation for some time, as the school directors have thought that the longer hours are wearing on the pupils and do not add materially to the amount of work they can accomplish.

The study hours have been heretofore six hours for part of the year and 5 1/2 hours for the remainder of the time. These hours are longer than are customary in most cities and the change here is considered in line with improved educational methods.

Doctors in Germany. In view of the great increase in the number of physicians in German cities, it has been suggested that a law should be made compelling young doctors to practice their first years in the country.

Railroad rails are made of paper in Germany.

Bulletin Financier.

Jeu de la Banque d'Orléans. Jeudi, 21 octobre 1897.

COMPTOIR D'ESCOMPTES (CRÉDIT) - HOUSSE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

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Bulletin Commercial.

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MARCHE DE LA NITE-ORLEANS. Le Coton. Le Coton brut et support américain.

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