

Henry I. Miller, president of the Chicago and Eastern Illinois railroad who has been given the Order of the Bacred Treasure by the Emperor of Japan, aided the Japanese government commission that visited the United States about two years ago in working out a plan of railroad improvement for the mikado's realm. He was born in Cleveland in 1862 and was educated at Mount St. Mary's college, Emmitaburg, Md., and Cornell university, and has been in railway work since 1880, starting as a clerk with the Penneylvania. From 1903 to 1905 he was general manager of the Rock island system.

New Jersey Man Flaunts Underwear Before Rich.

Court Rules Peor Owner of Shanty Has Perfect Right to Exhibit Varied Collection of Cloth-Ing on Line.

New York .- Justice Minturn of the New Jersey supreme court has decided that a poor man has a right to bang out underclothing on a clothesline in front of his house, even if his wealthy neighbors are scandalised thereby. The opinion of Justice Minturn was given in quashing an indictment found about a year ago by the grand jury of Monmouth county against James M. Alliger of Seabright.

Alligor has a little one-story shanty on the Rumson road, his near neighebors being Cornelius N. Bliss, W. P. Havemeyer, M. C. D. Borden, C. B. Alexander and James Loeb, all of whom are reported to be in quite com-Fortable circumstances. About a year ago Alligor opened an ice cream parler in his shanty. It didn't pay, and he blamed the poor business on his neighbors. So he put out a sign read-

"This place closed because of milliouaires' boycott."

A few days later he replaced that sign with this one:

"This property to let. Negroes pre-

A week or two later, Alligor set up in pole in front of his place and strung a clothesime to his front door. On the line he hung clothing, and on the

clothing planed signs reading: "They do may who stole the firemen's relief meney?" and "They do

say, who stole the church money?" Some of the Monmouth county offiwinis took umbrage at these signs, and the millionaires were put out at the display of undergarments. They went before the grand jury and had Alligor indicted for making a nuisance of himself. His friends hired a lawyer to take the case to the sucreme court. Justice Minturn, in quashing the in-

dictment, said: "The indictment sets forth that the said Alligor caused the exhibition. upon a rope from his building to a pole near the edge of the highway, of a pair of blue overalls, one pair of dirty white overalls, one old piece of bed ticking, two pairs of women's white undergarments, and two pairs

of men's red flannel undergarments." Then the justice went on to say that Alligor had a perfect right to exhibit that interesting collection if he wished to.

Blamese Twin Bnakes.

York, Pa.- Performing a post-mortem upon a pet five-foot blacksnake. which he dispatched for its hide, after reading that Virginia girls had taken to a fad of wearing snakeskin garters. Warren A. Mummers of York New Salem is convinced that he has killed the reptile which would have faid a golden egg. Inside the snake he found 30 eggs, each the size of that of a pigeon. Two of these were joined together in a manner to indicate that the little snakes, if hatched from them, would have been coupled In Biamese twin fashion.

Tap Wires for Aid. St. Johns N. F .- Damaged in the to fields, the schooner Joseph made for the nearest available land and reached Chance Cove, near Cape Race. None of the crew knew the locality. ting the telegraph wire. When a line man arrived to hunt up the place guided the men to food and she'ter.

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Men Convicted in Kansas Police Court Become Harvest Hands for \_Farmer.

WORK OUT FINES IN FIELDS.

Hutchinson, Kan.—As the result of an experiment with a convicted bootlegger, Fred Forsha, owner of the Forsha tract of land near here, has made arrangements with R. A. Campbeil, police judge, that all convicted men in the police court who have not the money to pay their fines shall be sent to the harvest field.

Mr. Forsha has agreed to pay the fines of all such men provided they are turned over to him on the condition that they work the fines out in his wheat field at the rate of four dollare per day.

John Cunningham was fined \$100 and seatenced to six months in jail for bootlegging. In answer to the aumerous demands for harvest hands, Judge Campbell decided to parole Cunningham and allow him to work out

"I shall adopt the same tactics with other prisoners," said Judge Campbell. "It is a better system than the rockpile and it helps the city's finances, besides accommodating the wheat Baisers."

## SAW RATS FREIGHT AN EGG.

One Held It Carefully in Its Paws While Other Pulled Companion Along.

Darby, Pa.-After an investigation covering two weeks, William Krobback of Fifth street has learned the reason he has been receiving only two or three eggs a day from his flock of 60 hons, and incidentally found out something about the inventive capacity of rats.

The other morning he heard a noise in his chicken house, and quietly making his way there, he saw two big rate in the act of making away with a newly laid egg. One of the rodents was lying fiat on its back with the egg tightly clutched in its four paws, while the other rat was dragging it along by the tail.

Krohback was so impressed by the sight that he watched the rodents for three minutes, during which time they carried the egg 20 yards along the fence until they came to a hole in the ground, into which they took the

One of the rate became tired while carrying the egg and changed places with its fellow

Big Price for Human Toes. Richmond, Va.-The Virginia supreme court of appeals, now sitting at Wytheville, has refused a writ of error in the case of the Richmond Traction Company and William Northrup and Henry T. Wickham, receivers. against Edith Austin Martin, thus setting a specific value upon human

The Htigation is the result of an accident which occurred two years ago, when Edith Martin, then a baby of four years, was run over by a street car, lesing all the toes from one foot and the great too from the other. A jury in the circuit court awarded; the child a verdict of \$1,500, and the refusal of the appellate court to grant a writ of error means that this quotation of \$416.67 per human toe will?

Contracts Bar Marriage. Bloomsburg, Pa.-Because as many Columbia county schoolma'ams have abandoned their schools in the last school term to enter the state of matrimony a number of the school boards so they adopted the expedient of out, are this year compelling their feminine school teachers to sign a new troncine agreement that they will not where the break had occurred he marry during the period they are eagaged to teach.

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# GIVES GIRLS HOME

Jeweler Turns Over House to - Homeless Employes.

Massachuesetts Manufacturer Moved to Action by Pleadings of Woman Who is Devoting Life to Cause of Women Workers.

Boston, Mass .- Moved by the earnest pleadings of a woman who is devoting her life to the cause of working girls, a Back Bay jewelry manufacturer has decided to give up his luxuriously furnished residence for use of those girls who have no home of their own.

If his experiment proves successful, fellow manufacturers will either adopt the same plan or will contribute generously to a fund for the erection of a home for the accommodation of all working girls in the community who live a long distance from their work and cannot go home daily.

E. A. Sweeney of Attleboro is the man, and his residence at 9 School street will be occupted by 14 working girls early in the fall.

This home will be in charge of the Methodist Episcopal church of Attleboro, but it will be conducted along undenominational lines and every attempt will be made to secure all possible comforts for girls employed in Attleboro who have their homes elsewhere.

The opening of Mr. Sweeney's residence as a home for working girls will represent the fruition of the plans of Miss Margaret Eckley, deaconness of the Methodist Episcopal church, who for the last five years has endeavored in every way to help the working girls of Attleboro. She has gathered statistics which show that many hundreds of girls employed in the great jewelry shops of Attleboro come from other parts of New England and from the provinces, and it has been her constant effort to make these girls as comfortable as possible under the circumstances.

Miss Eckley has succeeded in raising sufficient money to guarantee that the home for working girls will be conducted for at least one year. It is planned to make the home self-supportting and each of the girls will pay

The undertaking is backed financially by prominent Attleboro manufacturers, who are greatly interested in the plan and who are willing to do their full share in making it a success. The present home is merely an experiment. If it is successful others will be established, and there is a good possibility of a big home being erected and conducted on Young Women's Christian association prin-

"I would like it understood at the outset," said Miss Eckley, "that our home will be only for girls of good moral character. Our efforts are to encourage them to lead Christian lives, and for that purpose we want to provide them with a bome where they will have every comfort and will be subject only to uplifting influences.

"There are thousands of girls employed in Attleboro shops. Of course, many of them live here and are the daughters of our citizens, but there is a large number who come from the provinces and from Maine, where there is but little employment for girls, and who are without a home until they have enough money to bring their families here. Attleboro is as kind as any place in the world to working girls, but in spite of that there are many girls who have only a bare room in which to live."

## WATCH MISSING FOR YEARS.

Timepiece Finally Found Ticking Merrity Among Onlens in Family Ice Box.

New York.-The wife of Fire Chief Samuel B. Taylor of Greenpoint, L. I., the other day informed him that she had found his long-lost watch in a bag of outque inside her locked ice

Former Mayer David L. Boody of Brooklyn gave the watch to Taylor, who is his nephew. Taylor wore it only on Sundays and holidays. The rest of the time he kept it in a wooden hoz with less valuable jeweiry. Three years ago box and contents were taken mysteriously from his room.

Mrs. Taylor wanted onloss for soup. She went to her ice box, thrust her hand in a bag of onions upon a shelf and felt a wooden box. The watch ticked its appreciation at being liberated from its cold birth. The Taylors have moved since the watch disappeared. The ice box was cleared out at the time of moving and dosens of times since.

Italians Seek Stelen Art. New York.-Two secret agents of Italy are said to have arrived here for the purpose of locating as many of the works of art as possible which have

been illegally taken out of Italy. It is understood that they will visit most of the public and private collections and make a search through the studios of dealers, and then will forward a report to the Italian govern-

Stops will be taken, according to in formation received here, by Italy to compel the return of most of the important pictures and statues, which have come to America in violation of the Italian law, regulating the exportation of works of art, and it is possible that the state department may take a hand in the matter.

#### OFFERS HIMSELF TO SCIENCE.

Physician Exposes Arm to Infection in Order to Determine Nature of Disease.

Philadelphia.-For the sake of medical science and to determine the nature of the "straw" disease, which was discovered several weeks ago among saliors of P. A. B. Widener's yacht Josephine and other harbor craft, Dr. Joseph Goldberger, an attache of the local marine hospital service, has gone to Washington with his arm a mass of blisters and small pimples that the scientists there may study the strange disease.

Dr. Goldberger was assisted in his experiment by Dr. Jay F. Shamberg of the Hospital for Contagious Diseases. who was inoculated with virus of Dr. Goldberger's arm.

From the time the disease was first reported the government, state and city authorities have been interested in it. In view of the fact that many cases of it have been treated as hives, the physicians believe there are many cases that have not been reported.

Whether the disease is due to a fungoid or other vegetable germ is unknown. All that is definitely known of the strange malady is that a number of sailors were afflicted with it after having slept on new straw mattresses. Dr. Goldberger bared his arm for several hours and placed it between two mattresses which were suspected of being infected. In the course of a few days his case developed and he estab-

lished its existence in the mattresses. Dr. Shamberg determined to go a step further to ascertain whether the disease was contagious. Dr. Goldberger willingly bared his arm again while Dr. Shamberg opened one of the vesicles, thus inoculating himself. While Dr. Goldberger is having the government authorities study his arm Dr. Shamberg is studying himself.

## LIE AND BIG TOE WIGGLES.

Almet Skeesics, Professor of Psyschology of University of Alabama Makes Discovery.

Tuskaloosa, Ala.—Almet Skeesics Ph. D., professor of psyschology at the University of Alabama, has made a most important and interesting dis-

After years of observation and experience Prof. Skeesics affirms that whenever a man tells a lie he wiggles his great too.

The learned professor declares it is impossible for any man by any exersize of will to prevent one or the other of his big toes from wriggling when he is telling a falsehood. Reflex nervous force, which the will cannot control, moves the toes. This reflex force is excited by the man's subconscious radiomental activity.

But the explanation is somewhat abstruce and technical. To put it plainly, the man who is falsifying thinks to himself, "you know you're a liar," and then his too wiggles.

Prof. Skeesics says shoes were given to man to conceal his thoughts. He adds that if all men went barefooted the race would soon be regenerated, freed of guile and falsebood; for what's the use of lying if you know you're going to be caught?

## MARRIES LOVER IN PRISON

Young Woman Says Convict Not an international Burglar; Seeks Mia Bolozas

Wilkesbarre, Pa.-Ethel M. Booth, a young lady of this city, in the hope of securing his pardon and reforming bim, the other day married John H. Williams, a convict serving a fiveyear term in the ponitontiary at Philadelphia for burgiary. He was seatenced last fall and with time deducted for good behavior will have almost four more years to serve.

Williams is little more than 20, He was arrested with a companion for a half score of burglaries, and confessed, saying that his companion had frightened him into aiding. He also revealed the hiding place of much booty. Miss Booth, who had known him for a year and was engaged to him at that time, expressed her faith in him, and declared that she did not believe he was intentionally guilty, and said that she would marry him in prison if he proved to be a good prisoner. His conduct has been model, and the other day she went to Philadelphia and married him in Warden McKenly's office. She now hopes to be able to induce the board of pardons to grant him his freedom.

Turtle Came Back.

York Pa.-Bvidence to support the belief that a York county land turtle will not leave the spot where it is captured, if its captor engraves his or her initials upon its shell, is produced through a find made by Mrs. E. D. Smith of Brillhart's station.

Walking in a field of grass, she picked up a healthy looking turtle, upon which was inscribed "J. Z., June 12 1880."

Mrs. Smith recalls distinctly when John Ziegler did this bit of carving. 29 years ago, and set the turtle free at a spot only about 60 feet from where she found it. When she picked it up, she says, the tertle was heading for this spot, so it askamed to be found so far from home.

Protect Atacken Shipping. Seattle, Wash .- Gas light buoys between Sectile and Lynn canal are suggested by Dr. Heary S. Pritchett. chairman of the United States lighthouse beard, as the best means of protecting nevigators of the inner channels of the Alaskan coast. Twenty buoys, ranging to cost from \$1,500 to \$6.000, will be placed.

Python Compelled to Swallow Gallon of Milk Punch.

Cincinnati Zoo Keepers Hold Twenty-Three Foot Reptile While Liquid is Poured Down Its Throat.

Cincinnati, O -- The 23 foot python in the zoological garden for 21st with all its might against swallowing a gailon of milk punch. It took six men to force a dozen eggs, braten in a gallon of milk, down the python's throat.

The python, which one solurked in a South American jungle, weighs 225 pounds when it is in good health. But is has been "off its feed" for three months, had lost strength and flesh. and weighs about 170 pounds now. Superintendent Sol Stephan of the zoo has been tempting the big snake's appetite with delicate rats, inviting guinea pigs and tender live chickens. But the snake would have none of them.' So Stephan determined to lead the python to dinner and make it eat. 100.

The superintendent called in five keepers to help him give his guest some nourishing liquid food.

"What you want to do," Stephan instructed the keepers impressively, "is to keep the snake stretched at full length. Grab it and keep it taut from head to tail. If it coils around one of you-well, you will know how a girl feels when her corsets are too tight."

When the keepers tiptoed into its cage the python lay uncoiled and half dormant. The keepers distributed themselves along and at the word seized it simultaneously at the neck, at the middle, at the tail, and instantly straightened it. The snake awoke with a start and began to fight, contracting its length, trying to kink itself in a loop, twisting, turning. struggling. It released its tail and dealt Keeper Meyer a hard blow on the chest. But he gabbed the tail's tip again, and with all his straegth held it to the floor.

The keepers nearest the python's head started from the cage with it, and, under the circumstances, the rest of the snake had to go along. They carried it 100 feet and held it down on cloths on the sward. While it continued to fight Stephan pried open its jaws with a ber of wood.

The snake made carnest efforts to drag in the bar with throat muscles and teeth, which curve inward. But Stephan held on to the bar and slid in the python's mouth most of a threefoot section of iron gas pipe, which it vainly tried to swallow, too.

The nourishing milk punch was in watering pot. Stephan elowly poured it down the gas pipe. The first half pint gave the python a sensation so surprising that it fought more furiously than ever, and, sick as it was, showed tremendous power. But after that it seemed to take kindly to the milk punch and lay quiet during the half hour it took to administer the long drink.

After the gallon of punch had percolated into its midst the python seemed sleepy, and was replaced in its cage without difficulty. The python will be fed artificially again in a few days; the superintendent expects its appetite will return gradually.

## HAY FEVER ON THE INCREASE

Hundred Thousand Persons, Residents of Cities, Suffer from Nervous Disease.

New York -- More than 100,000 persons suffer from hay fever in the United States, and the number is rapidly increasing, escording to Dr. W. W. Carter, who addressed the alumni of Bellevue hospital. The fact that nearly all of the sufferers from this trouble, which recurs annually, are residents of cities. and few live on farms. Dr. Carter explained by saying that hay fever subjects are of a certain nervous disposition, and that their nervous condition makes them subject to the disease. The doctor has found no medical re-Hed for the disease, and he advised those who cannot change climate during the bay fever season to avoid excitement and hurry.

"Dead" Man Still Lives. Jeffersonville, Ind.-Although Calvin R. Goodwin, a native of this county and former resident of this city, has been declared legally dead in the Clark circuit court, he is still in the fesh and much alive at Nashville, Tenn., according to William Ware, who has been spending a few days here with his father, former Mayor

John Ware. Mr. Ware says he knows Goodwin well and saw him recently. He is employed as a clerk and brief writer. He was home eight years ago, after spending several years in the west and then went south and had not been heard of again. -

When it became necessary to netthe up the estate of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Calvin R. Goodwin, Sr., the daughter, Mrs. Iss McBride, flied a petition to have her brother declared locally dead.

Neval Officers Dread Tooks. Washington.--Neral effects are warrying now over the physical tests which they may be required to undergo during the summer days, They have the option of riding a bicarde 100 miles, riding a borse to /miles, or walking 50 miles. The pepalty of rethreshest on three-quarters pay for fallure makes the tawn of the fecal year something to be dreaded.

AGED WOMAN MANAGES FARM.

Although 112 Years Old, She Lives Alone, Nine Miles from Her Birthplace.

Delmar, Del.- The eldest woman on the peninsula embracing Delaware and the eastern shore of Maryland and Virginia is a resident of Delmar. Bhe lives in a house by herself. She is Mrs Hester Cordroy, aged 112 years, having been born on a farm nine miles east of Delmar on February 12, 1797. The most remarkable part of it all is that this woman actually cultivates two large gardens adjoining her home and sells the products. She uses a hoe in helping along the growth of potatoes, corn, onions, etc., and, when she becomes tired, she gets a large spoon from-her kitchen and utilizes it while crawling down the rows of plants.

Mrs. Cordroy, who is a familiar figure to all of the residents of Delmar and vicinity, has ten great-grandchildren. Upon the death of her second husband, 43 years ago, she built a home in Delmar on a lot which she bought for \$75. This site is now worth \$1,000. This has since been her home, despite the attempts of her grandchildren and great-grandchildren to dissuade her from living alone.

"Aunt Hester," as Mrs. Tordroy is known, was the youngest child of Hamilton Neal, a wealthy farmer. When 14 years old her mother died, leaving her and her father to run the farm. She had 12 sisters, all of whom married early in life, and two brothers

who were in the war of 1812. The oldest woman on the peninsula tells graphically how she plowed all day, when a girl, and then milked seven cows after dark. "If the girls of to-day would do more work and think less of the parlor," she said. "they would be healthier and live

#### GREAT-GRANDFATHER AT 53.

Norwood Park Man Who Married Young, Has Hope of a Still Further Honor.

Chicago.-A father at 19, a grandfather at 38, and a great-grandfather at 53.

This is the present record of George Alfred Pair of Norwood Park, who believes that he has few rivals for the title of the youngest great-grandfather in the country. Within a few more years he believes he may claim still greater distinction. Mr. Fair formerly was associated with Will J. Davis, at the Haymarket and Columbus theaters. He new is engaged in the advertising business. He was born in lpswich, England, in 1854. He worked his way upward in the theatrical business and became advance agent for the Sawtelle Dramatic Company, of which Miss Melissa Breslau the star became close friends, and in 1872 they were married, Mr. Fair being 19 years old and his bride one year younger.

Ethel, the youngest of their four children, was married when she was 18 years old, her husband being Harry Nelson, who lost his life in 1896 im the Sweet-Wallach fire, in which 13 other persons were killed. The elder daughter of the Nelsons, Miss Melissa, named after her graadmother, was married in 1900 to J. H. Miers.

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## FROWN ON SNAKE WORSHIPER

Residents of Kaness Town Claim Children Were Bitten by Deadly Reptiles.

Hutchinson, Kan.—An appeal has been made bere to County Attorney Helinger to break up a religious seck of "saake worshipers," at whose mostings women and children are said to have been bitten by potsonous reg-Sties.

The sect has about 33 members, who style themselves "The True Followers of Christ." The members say the handling of snakes without receiving injury is a supreme teet of

Township Commissioner Orubbs declares that at a requet month ing two women and one child-were bitten, the child at present being in a critical condition: "The outhersties may they are powerless to act until a death has resulted from the unusual practice.

TIRE OF SICKLY TEACHERS State of Kansas Will Employ No More

Topoka, Kan.—County Superintendents of western Kansas have formed a

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Schools.

combine to insure the employment of all their local teachers. Notices are being printed in the local papers that, mutil all local teach-

ers are employed, the county superistendent will not O. K. a certificate of outside tempera The action in taken to shut off the influx of weak lunged teachers from the east. The educational authorities

are working with the state board of health to reduce the number of weak lunged teachers who come west for their health and teach school to pay their war.

Record Price for Vielin. Landon.-At the rooms of Patrick and Simpson, Lelocoter square, a valuable collection of violine, violan, violan, violan, iomosilos and bows realised a total man of \$16,000.

Among the Items was \$4,696 fee a vielin by Antonius Stradivarius, the highest price ever paid for a violit by the famous maker. Another large price was \$800 for a vielin by Domesice Montaguesa,

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