### STORY HER LEGACY

Girl Bequeaths Details of Own Suicide to Reporters.

Newspapermen Befriended Woman When She Was Arrested for Attempting to Slay Man Alleged to Have Jilted Her.

Los Angeles, Cal.-Her love unreturned by the man whom she had twice planned to kill, Miss Johanna Rascop, a waitress, opened the gas let in her room at No. 449% South Spring street and was found dying! She was dead when the police ambulance arrived at the Receiving hospital.

Without intimating that she intended to end her life, the young woman told Mrs. A. B. Hassel, her landlady, that she was very grateful to the newspaper reporters for the assistance they had given her when she first got into trouble, and she asked that they be told "whatever they wanted to know about Miss Rascop."

Miss Rascop was arrested Septem-

ber 6 in a cafe on South Main street when she fired a pistol at William Rudolph, the manager, whom, she declared, had jilted her. She was taken to the central police station, and there made a statement that Rudolph had misled her. She was without funds or friends. A number of newspaper men secured the services of Attorney Frank Dominguez, and the young woman was released upon her own recognizance pending her trial. Rudolph charged her with assault with a deadly weapon. He appeared against her in the superior court about ten days ago, and she was found guilty and placed on probation. Mrs. Hassel, who ac companied Miss Rascop to the courtroom for her trial, discovered that the young woman had a revolver in her hand bag, and she learned that the girl was planning another attack upon: Radolph

She left three notes, one to Rudolph, another to Mrs. Hassel and the third to Mrs. Margaret Wortmann, No. 132 South Flower street. Mrs. Wortmann is a sister of Miss Rascop.

To Rudolph she wrote that he was the only man she had ever loved, and that he might now live on in peace. She denies that she had ever wanted any of his money. She predicts punishment for him. The note to Mrs. Hassel declares that it is better for her to die. To her sister and the flatter's husband, Miss Rascop wrote that it were better to see her dead than in the penitentiary, where she would go if she lived.

#### PASTOR BUILDS BIG FENCE

All Work on Stone Wall 100 Feet Long Done by Himself--Build-.ers Praise Work.

Montclair, N. J.-Rev. Dr. Thomas Travis, pastor of the Watchung Avenue Congregational church, who is one of the few Montclair preachers who did not take a vacation finished the construction of a stone fence about 100 feet long and two feet thick on the grounds of his new \$15,000 home in Watchung avenue. The labor was all done by his own hands, and build-

ers say it reflects credit on his ability. Dr. Travis is a great believer in outdoor work as a means of promoting health. A large wood pile at the rear of his grounds attests to his energies in still another form of manual labor. He also is an excellent gardener and spends much time looking after his plants and vegetables. Dr. Travis also is well known as a criminologist, havling written a book on the subject. Recently he caused a sensation by his denunciation of conditions in the Caldwell penitentiary, which is maintained. by Essex county. Dr. Travis demounced the penitentiary authorities, saying they have not adopted modern means of reformation. He advocates outdoor work for inmates of penal institutions.

#### DON'T HAVE TO BE FAT

Burgeon's Knife Is Latest Cure for Obssity --- Woman Has vo Tried It.

Philadelphia, Pa.—Dr. W. Wayne Babcock at the Samaritan hospital here! Memonstrated the most up to date? method of making a stout person slim! and sylphlike, and allowing all women; to glory in the straightest of "straight fronts," should they agree; that such shall be the style. The technical name of the operation performed by Dr. Babcock for the edification of the surgeons attending the clinic is Presection of abdominal wall for obes-

The patient was a woman. Twelvepounds of fat had been removed. The operation itself seemed to be simple. Dr. Babcock said that with a skilled surgeon such an operation was not dangerous to the patient. Great eare had to be exercised so that no muscles were not severed.

Girl Teacher Lasson Coyete. Gillette, Wis.--Miss Alta Scott, a school teacher, while riding in the country, lassoed a coyote which her dog had scared up. The noose caught one foot of the animal, which the girl sheld until the dog attacked it. Then whe dismounted, seized a big stone, and threw it, killing the coyote. The teacher's abcuracy in throwing the stone is said to have been remarkable, as dog and coyote were struggling in such a manner as to make it difficult to throw at the coyota without danger of striking the dog.

## HITS SOCIETY WOMEN

Briton Says American Upper Class Petted Too Much.

Proless Southern Family Life—Pride in Maintaining Lineage Receives Approval of Writer in Eng-· lish Review.

London.—The American society woman is severely criticised by Filson Young in an article on "American Characteristics' in the current Eng-Mah Review.

"She is as much pampered and petted," he says, "as the favorite of an eastern harem. Her life, since most American men are closely occupied with business, is lived almost entirely among women. The American favorites of the harems crowd together in noisy restaurants in luncheon parties, chatting endless nonsense at the top of their voices, this being almost their sole distraction, poor things, since for women, no more than for anyone else (except for children and servants, who have the liberty to be insolent and inefficient), is there any true liberty in America.

"Just as the moment when women in American society become mature they cease to live and grow, and remain half children, half dolls.

"Before marriage they can do as they please; after marriage they surrender both individuality and liberty of thought and movement."

So much for the American woman in society. On the subject of Amerscan women in the family of the same writer holds very different views. "If one takes the family as the basis of any state of community," he says, "and judges it by its failure of success in the communal purpose, then I think without any doubt, one must admit that family life is one of the very best

things in America. "American families are singularly united, and carry on into mature age that unity and affection which, as a rule, only last through the period of childhood.

"There is no pleasanter sight than that of some well-to-do American family in a beautiful and spacious house in one of the southern states, where the patriarchal life goes on beyond the youth of the children, who, if they marry, still keep the old home as their center, and, instead of forsaking it, bring new sons and daughters into it: or, if they be unmarried, are comrades and friends of their parents, whom, as old age steals on them like sunset, the children, in their turn. cherish and care for as they thema charished

"This is the ideal of family life," seldom .realized anywhere, but more often now in America than anywhere

#### **DOCTORS O. K. POWDER PUFFS**

New York Medical Journal Declares Cosmetics Help Miladi Keep Young.

New York.—Indorsement of miladi's powder puff and rouge pot has come from an unexpected source. A recent issue of the New York Medical Journal, the most staid professional periodical of the physicians in the east, says: "The use of face creams and make-ups is universal and the moral aspect of the question is becoming settled. Our women now fearlessly and scientifically handle the complexion brush, the face cream and the powder puff.

"Why is the face of a country woman of 60 years faded and wrinkled. while the face of a city woman of the same are frequently is smooth and beautiful? On account of protection against the elements."

A Woman Killed a Lynx. Bangor, Me.—A hunting story comes from Shin Pond, the herone of which is Mrs. Charles S. Fairley of Montclair Heights, N. J. She has a knifelike slit in her hunting jacket as a souvenir of her narrow escape.

Mrs. Fairley was hiding behind a log in a runway at the foot of Lone Eagle Mountain, while her guides were circling round a moose whose tracks they had discovered to drive in her direction.

She had just sighted the moose and was waiting for a better shot when she heard a slight noise in the branches of a hemiock over her head. She looked up just in time to see a Canadian lynx about to spring upon her. She turned her rifle and fired just in time, killing the lynx. She was so near, however, that one of his. claws struck her arm as he fell making a long slit through her hunting jacket and the sweater beneath.

Two-Stepper Can't Stop. Los Angeles, Cal.—Bruce Nimmo. a middle-aged man, who has not explained to the police where he is from or what he is here for, was walking along the street when he heard an or-

gan grinder playing a lively tune. Nimmo began to dance and could not stop. He still kept two-stepping. however, and flushly a policeman led

him to the receiving hospital. The police surgeon and Nimmo had swallowed about a gallon of some strong accelerator.

Wolves Run Deer into City. Anaconda, Mich.-Driven from the hills by the deep snows and desperate hunger, bands of timber wolves are prowling on the outskirts of the city. A band of five wolves pursued a deer anto the heart of the city but were but to flight by a night watchman.

MAIN TIBES

#### MAN BURIED SECOND TIME

Hopkins, Recluse, Was Once Thought Dead, le Put in Grave for Good.

Hopkins, Mo.-For the second time in a quarter of a century James H. Magee, a recluse, has been lowered into a grave in a coffin. He died this

A quarter of a century ago, in Buriington, Ia., he was stricken with cholera. He was thought dead, was placed in an old board coffin and was being lowered into a grave when a friend stopped the proceedings, declaring' that he believed Magee was

The coffin was raised, a doctor sent

for and Magee was revived. He was

nursed back to health. For more than a year, however, he had been in poor health, and there was no doubt of his death when he passed away this week. "Old Mack" was the name under which Magee was best known in the vicinity of Hopkins. He was born in Ireland in 1820 and came to America with his parents when he was three years old. He lived in New York and New Jersey until manhood and

learned the trade of a plasterer when

& youth. He went from New York to Bushnell, Ill., in 1862, and there married Hester Ann Pierce, daughter of a wealthy land owner. After his wife died he became a wanderer and traveled over much of the United States. He took up the work of contractor and built a number of the Harvey eating-houses along the Santa Fe, between Newton, Kan., and Albuquerque,

Although he was an avowed free thinker, shortly before his death he asked that a minister be called and he died praying that his sins be for-

#### BOY OF 5 INHERITS \$116,000

Master Earl Holmes, Aged Five, Is . Made Rich by Will of Marion, III., Uncle.

Pasadena, Cal.—To fall heir to \$116,000 was the fortune of Master Earl Holmes, aged five years, according to his father, W. Frank Holmes of 712 Elmira street. The child, too young to appreciate

the significance of the announcement, merely replied, when asked what he will do with his anticipated wealth, "Oh, I guess I will give it away or buy a lot of nice things for the other boys and girls." Earl can recite offhand the capitals

of all the states in the Union, and avows that some day he will be president of the United States. He is being educated at home, and can read much older than he. "The boy's mother will be allowed"

to draw upon the legacy to the extent of \$75 per month," said the father, "and this will be used to provide Earl with luxuries dear to children."

Mrs. Holmes declares she will make no plans until she receives official. notification of her son's inheritance.

"The money comes from my brother, Stephen Holmes, of Marion, Ill.," the father continued. "He left practically all he had to Earl. We will educate Earl for the ministry, for my brother was a religious man and gavelarge sums during his life to the Baptist church."

Mr. and Mrs. Holmes came to Passdena eight months ago from Marion,

#### DYING DOG BITES MASTER

Unique Outcome of Barb Wire Hit. ting Gun Trigger-Canine Fastens Teeth in Man's Cheek.

Bristol, Pa.—Edmund Phipps of this place was out gunning with friends between Tullytown and Emilie. They had trailed a rabbit up to a barbed wire fence, against a post of which Phipps carefully set his cocked gun as he climbed through the wire fence.

He was about to reach for his gun when his fine dog, which had been some distance behind, suddenly dashed up and jumped through the fence. As he did so he jarred the tightly strung wire enough to topple the gun over. In falling the trigger of the weapon caught and the gun was discharged so that the full charge of shot struck the dog, fatally wounding him.

The dog was a great pet of Mr. Phipps, and as soon as he saw the animal lying apparently dead he thoughtlessly rushed over and picked it up in his arms.

The dying animal, in its blind agony, fastened its teeth in Mr. Phipps' left cheek and expired, and the united efforts of Phipps and the other men were necessary to force apart the dog's jaws.

Mr. Phipps' cheek was badly lacerated, and he hurried back to Bristol as quickly as possible, where a doctor cauterized the five wounds.

Nursing Baby Strangies. York, Pa.—Left alone in her crib all afternoon while her invalid mother lay in bed in another room and her father was at work, five-week-old Elizabeth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Petrof. strangled to death as the rubher mouthpiece of a nursing bottle

lodged in her throat.

Wants War Designation Changed. Richmond, Va.-The United Daughters of the Confederacy, in convention, called upon the United States government to substitute the term "war between the states" for "Civil war" and "War of the Rebellion" in all official references to the struggle of the 'sixties.

## TELLS OF HARDSHIPS

Alaska Gold Miner Sends Plea to Judge.

William R. Miller of Glacier Creek Implores Jurist Not to Grant a Divorce to Wife for Desertion-Writes of Struggle,

Spokane, Wash.-William R. Miller. a placer gold miner of Glacier Creek, Alaska, gives an inkling of the struggles of prospectors in the North country in a pathetic letter to the probate judge of the Spokane county superior court, protesting against the granting of a decree to his wife, Mrs. Jane Miller, a. nurse, in Spokane, who instituted proceedings for divorce, charging desertion in 1897 and failure to provide for his family.

Miller says in his letter that he has received no notice of the pendency of the divorce case from his wife or her attorneys, but heard of the case from roundabout sources. Herecites numerous reasons why the divorce should not be granted and makes a pathetic plea for the preservation of his home and fireside. To combat the charge of neglecting to provide for his family he has sent postal receipts to show that he has sent \$800 at various times. Part of the letter follows:

"I have slaved and worked for years as no other man in the Yukon has ever labored, always looking forward to the time when I could again join my family in circumstances that would assure our independence in the declining years of our lives.

"Four years I worked in the ditch to build a canal to my claim, and when I had finshed the work and was about to start to wash out the gold a terrible flood came and washed away a good part of my labors. Another year and a half was then spent in repairing this damage, when the news came last spring that my daughter had been accidentally shot and killed last February near Spokane. This news so upset me that it brought on heart trouble, and for months I was unable to do a thing. Last July I again began work, and when about to reap the reward of the years of my labors I hear the word from roundabout sources that my wife has sued for a divorce.

"I wish to impress upon your mind; that my home has been my first and last thought every day since I first landed here, in 1898, and that I love my wife and family dearly. I visited home for some time in 1901, and again eighteen months ago, and had I thought then that there was anything of this kind in her mind I would have given up my claim and suffered the loss of all my hard work rather than see my family rent asunder. I cannot help but believe there is some kind of conspiracy or some one has persuaded my wife to do as she is doing, or that her mind has become confused through the loss of her daughter.

Miller had negotiated a sale of a half interest in his claims to a syndicate at Seattle, but says his wife wrote to the Seattle firm handling the trade and spoiled the deal. He asserts his claims are valuable, and that he expects soon to see them turning out gold.

Miller requests that if a divorce must be granted the court make it an interlocutory decree, forbidding the remarriage of his wife, so that he may, after his accesion to wealth and return to civilization, again have a chance to win her back

#### MOTOR SLEDS FAIL TO WORK

Lieutenant Flichner Forced to Fall Back on Ponies for Polar Trip to Discover Character of Land.

Berlin.—The hardy Khirgiz ponies which the German antarctic explorer. Lieutenant Filchner, left behind when his ship, the Deutschland, sailed from. Buenos Aires, Argentine, will be taken on another vessel to the island of South Georgia, one of the Falkland group, thence the expedition will proceed for the frozen south. Motor sleighs have proved impracticable.

The Deutschland is equipped with wireless telegraph apparatus, but of a limited range, about 600 miles. There is a powerful radiograph station on one of the tiny islands off Tierre del: Fuego, and this will make it possible for the Deutschlaud to receive corrections of time, etc., a long distance. although it will not be possible for her to reply.

Filchner's purpose is to learn, if possible, the character of the land in the antarctic circle; whether there is really a continent or islands divided by frozen arms of the sea.

#### LADY MEMBER IS CONTRARY

School Board Decides it "Can't Get: Along With Her"-Woman is Deflant.

Hackensack, N. J.—The board of education of Moonachie, the youngest borough in Bergen county, has adopted the following resolution: "Whereas, Miss Liversey has show!

berself to be very contrary, and tha the majority of the board finds it simply can't get along with the lady member. Miss Liversey be asked to resign, for the sake of harmony."

The woman member of the board is Miss Mary E. Liversey. She owns her home in Moonachie and several tenements in Hoboken. Miss Liversey said: "They seem to know me, but they don't know me well enough. They will have to offer some more resolutions before I'll quit."

### THIEF FIGHTS WITH DUMMY

But the Automaton Was No Match for the intruder and Was Knocked Out.

San Francisco.—A burglar who jimmied his way into the bachelor apartments of A. B. Treadwell, police judge, had a desperate hand-to-hand battle with an automaton, operated by the electric burglar alarm, which the judge had devised.

The dummy man was no match for the burglar and now lies hopelessly wrecked with his head crushed, but from the appearance of the room the electric man put up a hard fight. Chairs were overturned and one was broken. The weapon with which the burglar won the battle was a heavy window weight

The judge lives in a cozy fiat. In an alcove just at the head of the stairs stands, or rather stood, a well-designed figure of a man made of plaster of paris and metal. It was life-size and represented a man reading a paper. It was really a work of art and most lifelike.

In the hollow head of the machinemade man was an electric light, which was connected with the house current, so that when any one stepped on the top step of the stairs the current was turned on and the manmoved. When the burglar stepped on that step he thought his time had come, as the man seemed ready for him. When he stepped from the step the light went out, but, like a brave thief, he went at his enemy in the dark, using his window weight as a

The wreck of the electric man tells the rest of the story. It head is crushed and the one-time work of art is a shattered mass of plaster and metal. The thief escaped.

#### USED MAIL TO SELL OPIUM

Inspector Says Plan Was to Use Play-Ing Card Boxes—Receipts \$200 a Day.

New York.-For sending optum through the mails, in violation of the new penal code. Lee Dick, twenty-six years old, said by postal inspectors to have carried on the most extensive traffic in opium in the country, was held in \$1,000 bail for trial by United. States Commissioner Craig.

Testifying before Commissioner Craig, Inspector Cortelyou said that Dick received approximately \$200 daily for the optum he sent to all parts of the country.

His plan, the inspector said, was to send optum in small tin boxes and playing-card boxes. His patrons, according to the inspector, returns boxes with the money. Mr. Cortelyon declared Dick's customers are scattered all over the country, as far south as Florida and west almost to the Pacific coast.

Until the new penal code was adopted by the government, persons who sent opium and other habit-forming drugs through the mails were not liable to arrest. The only penalty was confiscation of the drugs when found. Under the new law, the offender is liable to a fine of \$1,000 and two years'.

#### imprisonment. TWO WERE BLIND: NOW SEE

Baltimore Doctor Restores Sense of Men Impaired Fifteen Years Ago.

Baltimore, Md.—Dr. Alexander D. McConachie has succeeded in restoring the sight of two men who were

Although their sight is not wholly clear they can recognize their friends. Dr. McConachie is still in charge of the nationts and expects to have their sight fully restored within the next

few weeks. Louis Haley, 40 years old, one of the patients, was stricken blind fifteen years ago while working at his trade as a tailor. He worked several years after being stricken, but as time passed his work became too slow and he was forced to give it up. He went to work in the hospital. where his case was first noticed by

Dr. McConachie. John Carr, the other blind man, was injured in a shop in South Baltimore. The belting of a machine slipped and struck him in the face. causing him to lose his sight. He was first taken to the Mercy hospital, but was later taken to the Franklin Square hospital, where he came under the care of Dr. McConachie.

#### FOX TURNS AND CHASES DOGS

Delaware Party Enjoy Reverse Hunt. In Which Quarry Escapes From Hounds.

Wilmington, Del.-A party of Delaware fox hunters, who included Joseph Becker, Edward Neher, John M. Hance, John B. Traitt and others, unearthed a fine specimen near Newcas-

The hounds ran well for a time. but suddenly wheeled around and sought cover, with the fox after them.

Hunters joined in the reverse chase. It continued for several miles. Finally other dogs joined the pack and frightened Reynard away. The for then escaped.

Sweeps Up \$1,800 Note. Altoona, Pa.-Kicking into his

#### shovel what he supposed was a worthless piece of paper, S. B. Tipton, a city street sweeper, examined the wrinkled sheet and found it to be a judgment exemption note, recently executed, for

## HE SAW NAPOLEON

Abraham Hanover, Age 106, Dances With a Bride.

Until Seventeen Years Ago He Lives in Warsaw, Poland Where He Was Engaged in Business for 70 Years.

New York.—There was a wedding at the Hotel Astor at which the twenty-year-old bride danced with a man who saw Napoleon on the famous march to Moscow, one hundred years

This man is Abraham Hanover, of 162 East 110th street. He is 106 years old now, but during the night led in the dancing at the wedding, appearing on the floor nearly a dozen times, and performing with his young partners waltzes, two-steps and several varie-

ties of the Boston. With a twinkle of humor in his eyes, the old man declared that his next accomplishment would be to learn the famous turkey trot.

The wedding was that of Samuel Steinberg, of 600 West 136th street, to Miss Sadie Frankel, of 808 West End avenue. Mr. Hanover is the grandfather of Mr. Steinberg.

Until seventeen years ago the centenarian and his wife, who is eightyfive years old, lived in Warsaw, Poland. Then the old man retired from the business in which he had been engaged for seventy years, and came to New York where his seven children had preceded him.

"To what do I owe my long life?" he asked today. "Why, to my wife's cooking, of course. Nobody else has ever cooked for me, and nobody else ever , will. If I die before I am 120 I shall be surprised."

With not a gray hair in his head, and with just a shade of snow in his long beard, with his eyes as bright as when he was twenty, and his muscles just as supple, Mr. Hanover laughed when his ability as a danoing swain was mentioned. "Yes," went on the centenarian, "T

was a small bey at the time, but I remember seeing Napoleon march through our village on the famous progress to Moscow. He sat very small, and very compactly on his horse, and looked neither to right or left. We were afraid to go out, but I recall my father pointing out the great general. All day and night hissoldiers followed behind him past our

home." "You see," he said, "Mrs. Hanover does all her own housework eve

though she is well along in years. "But now you will have to excuse me, as I want to hang some pictures, and move the piano into the next room. My sincerest wishes that you may live so long as I have."

#### UPHOLDS NUDE ART CASE

German Court Orders Widow Not to Drape Pictures-Says It Hurts "Artist's Honor.

Berlin.—The German law courts have upheld nudity in art in a curious. case. A painter of mythological scenes for the walls of a wealthy Berlin widow's villa is the complain-

ant. The paintings were mostly nudes, and after admiring them for years, the widow suddenly became shocked

and had the pictures draped. The court of appeals delivered a judgment that she had no right to do so, considering that the painting over of the figures damaged the artist's professional honor, and injured his reputation. The judge declared that the widow must leave the figures, nude or remove them entirely.

#### STOPS TRIAL TO MILK COW

Farmer Goes Home During Murder Case and Causes Legal // Tangle.

Chatham Court House, Va.-Because a juror hearing evidence in the case of Isaac Banks, a negro, on trial formurder, sneaked from the jury room. while his fellow jurors were asleep and milked his cow, the case stopped: and must begin all over again.

Thomas W. Moses, the offending juror, was rebuked by the judge and fined; \$20. Moses feared his cow would suffer, and thought he could get back to the jury room before the others awoke, Some one saw him and told the judge.

Giris Kill Selves.

Vienna.—Two school girls, whe were preparing for the examination. that gives them entrance into Vienna university, threw themselves from the window of the school where they were studying and succumbed to their injuries. One of the girls, Wilhelmina Prokach, aged fifteen, was the daughter of a well known solicitor, and the other. Elise Vilnai, also aged fifteen, was the daughter of a wealthy merchant. Some days ago they were told that there was no hope of their passing the examination. They were much distressed and decided to die together.

Indian Girl Run Over; Unhurt, Centralia, Wash.—While being driven to school at Rochester, Katie Henry, an Indian girl, fell from the vehicle, the wagon passing over her body. The child was placed on a train and hurried to the Houda hospital. An X-ray examination was made, but no broken bones or infuries of any kind had been sustained. 1

# L'ABEILLE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS