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Congress Passes Bill That May Uproot Convict Labor.

Washington.—Almost unnoticed the House has passed a bill which may mark the beginning of the end of a struggle which organized labor has been making for over a hundred years against convict-made goods.

The bill has a long and, to labor, discouraging history. It was originally framed by the industrial commission of 1900. It has been pushed by the labor people ever since, but with little progress until the present congress.

FROZE HIS TONGUE TO POLE

Missouri Boy Offered All Kinds of Aid by Crowd—Is Freed and Goes to Doctor.

Independence, Mo.—Albert Antoine Bundschu, nine years old, youngest son of A. J. Bundschu, an independence merchant, has a sore tongue. It came about as a result of trying to test the adhesive power of cold iron in zero weather.

PROMOTERS OF SPIRITUALITY

The old adage in regard to the way to a man's heart is regarded by some persons as a libel on masculine humanity, but Deacon Sampson of Cranston evidently did not regard it in that light.

He went much farther than the adage, and was willing to express his opinion at any time when it seemed best. When the members of the Central church were discussing the best way to interest the young people of the town and bring them into touch with church affairs, Deacon Sampson spoke his word.

METEOR'S RINGS

In the entrance to the American Museum of Natural History in New York stands a large meteor brought to that city and presented to the museum by the Peary Expedition company.

MILWAUKEE, WIS.—J. GILBERT HLOOX

bank directed and farmer, producing milk of quality, has discovered that the use of a cheap photograph has increased the producing value of his herd of seventy blooded cows two quarts each a day.

BIT HER ON THE ANKLE

Media, Pa.—After deliberating an hour and a half a jury awarded Mrs. Elizabeth S. Snowden of this place \$15 in her suit against Dr. Merton F. Dickson, a neighbor, whose pet monkey, Timmie, climbed into Mrs. Snowden's house and bit her on the ankle while she was taking a bath.

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FARMER BUYS HIS SAVINGS

Richmond, Mich.—Angered at his wife, Albert Fetting, a farmer, drew his \$1,000 savings from the bank, burned it and then committed suicide.

SHOOTING TO TAKE THIEF'S PHOTO

Baltimore.—An apparatus to ring a burglar alarm and take a flashlight picture of the burglar has been patented by Rev. Father Emilio Orlandi, an Italian Catholic priest.