

to one if any lives are saved. When a disabled vessel is hemmed in by ice it is little use for the men to take to the boats, as the men are almost certain to be frozen to death. The only way for a vessel to avoid them is to steer a course south of the Banks. A vessel going east, of course, would strike them in a different direction. Anyhow, it is just as well to keep one's eyes open."

#### A STRANGE PHENOMENON.

"There is one thing I noticed that I cannot in any way account for. On Sunday morning, while we were passing between the icebergs, I noticed that the water around the vessel was sending up a heavy steam—so heavy, in fact, that it caused a regular fog. I got a bucket from one of the men and lowered it into the water. When I drew it up I put in the thermometer, and, to my amazement, I found that the water was fifty-two degrees. It was quite warm, in fact. While I was puzzling over it I heard a crash and saw that the projecting part of a great iceberg had toppled into the water. I knew at once that it had been loosened by the heat. Two hours later I tested the water again and found that the temperature was only thirty-eight degrees, while that of the iceberg could only have been about thirty-two degrees. Now how do you account for that? Some would say, 'It was the Gulf Stream;' but it was not, because we struck that later on. No, sir; it was simply a narrow channel of warm water flowing for a considerable distance among icebergs and raising a thick fog all around it. As to giving an explanation of the matter, I shall not attempt to do so, but I would be glad to have someone solve the puzzle. For two hours we were in that warm temperature, and surrounded on all sides by icebergs. Yes, sir; this has been a remarkable trip for me. I may see an equal or a larger number of icebergs, if I were to go toward the Arctic regions; but I doubt if, after this season, I shall ever see such masses of ice on my route between Europe and America."—*N. Y. Herald*

#### SORGHUM.

To the Editor of Farming World:

You want to know whether sorghum impoverishes land, or to what extent. Accordingly I herein contribute my mite of testimony. My observation and experience of ten years in sorghum raising convinces me that it is very exhaustive to land—more so, I think than any other crop. I raise—especially if we get a good yield of molasses. Yet I raise it almost every year, and think it pays much better than to buy syrups. If it was no cheaper I would raise it because of the independent feature about it. I believe in farmers being as independent as it is possible for them to be. I made 250 gallons of sorghum last year, which, after paying the toll was enough to furnish my family plentifully twelve months, and leave a surplus of 70 or 80 gallons to sell. The whole cost of making the crop, including "making up," toll, etc., did not exceed \$45. Besides the seed from such a crop of cane is worth ten dollars to any farmer for feed.

W. A. HARLOW.

Barren County, Ky.

#### BOB INGERSOLL'S STORY.

Bob Ingersoll tells, in private though, a good story at his own expense, but one which we see no reason should not be enjoyed by the world at large.

It seems that while Ingersoll was in Cleveland, soon after his successful legal fight for the Star Routers, a sort of anti-tobacco crusade had been started in that city, and a well-known Boston scientist was delivering nightly lectures against the use of the soothing weed. This speaker invited others to argue the question with him, but although the smokers were largely in the majority, the Boston man had invariably proved too clever for the debaters brought against him.

Availing themselves of Ingersoll's presence, some of his friends begged the great orator to take up the cudgels in behalf of the tobacco users, which he consented to do more in a joke than for any serious reason.

That evening the hall was jammed, and when the prohibitionist requested an answer to his arguments, Bob solemnly arose and said that he would reply to the statements of his eloquent friend by the relation of a simple incident. He said:

"I was once attending to a mining case in one of the wildest and most lawless regions of Utah. A murder had recently been committed by a notorious horse thief, and a committee of local Vigilantes were watching for him at every cross-roads. Just after night-fall I was riding back to the town from the mine, mounted on a white horse. The Vigilantes had received information that the desperado in question would pass that very road the same evening, also riding a white horse. The posse had ambushed themselves in some chaparral, and as I came down the bridge path they got ready to fire all together, for they waste no time on trials in that section."

#### BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Newburgh, N. Y., 21.—Rev. J. V. Given to-day was expelled from the New York conference of the African Methodist Episcopal Zion church on a charge of immorality. This is the second expulsion from the present conference for the same cause.

Philadelphia, 21.—One hundred men were discharged from the Baldwin locomotive works Saturday. A member of the firm to-day said unless other work came in the reduction would continue until the present working force of 3,000 would be reduced to about 2,000. The works have been running to their full capacity for several years.

San Francisco, 11.—A race took place yesterday afternoon between two sports, Kittleman and Harman, 75 yards and repeat for \$1,000 a side. The first heat was won by Harman, in 7 1/4 seconds. The last two were won by Kittleman, time 7 1/4 and 7 1/4. Two thousand people were present.

Sydney, Australia, date of March 37th says: Hanlan, the oarsman, arrived March 5th, and a sculling match with Trickett or Beach against Hanlan for £1,000 a side was arranged.

Albany, N. Y., 21.—The Legislature has adjourned over for the republican State convention at Utica. Twenty-eight members of the Assembly are delegates.

The democratic State convention, called for Thursday, is postponed until May 1st.

Utica, N. Y., 24.—But a few delegates to the republican convention, which meets Wednesday, have arrived, and none of Arthur's managers. Senator Warren Miller is expected early tomorrow.

Jackson, Miss., 21.—Arthur's friends seem in control of the republican executive committee, which has been in session all day. The State convention meets to-morrow.

Galveston, 21.—Miss Maud Manning, daughter of Chief Justice Manning of Louisiana, and G. W. Compton, eloped from Alexandria, and were married by the Rev. Mr. Marshall at his residence, Saturday night. They were followed by the irate mother and two gentlemen. The couple managed to elude the mother by changing cars three times, but were finally caught by their pursuers and brought to the city only to discover they were man and wife.

St. Louis, 20.—For some time there has been a spirit of discord among the Missouri militia, springing from the appointment of Fred T. J. Lawrence as Brigadier General of the Eastern division. Lawrence has been a very unpopular officer, so much so that there has been absolute refusal by other officers to serve under him. To-day he yielded and resigned. The Governor accepted his resignation, and says he will appoint W. T. Sherman to succeed him.

The bill introduced by Representative Henley to encourage education in the States and Territories, provides that all newspapers hereafter published in the several States and Territories in any language whatsoever, shall be carried free of postage through the mails within the limits of the United States and Territories.

A measure was introduced by Senator Platt to separate the Patent Office from the Interior Department, and to make it an independency. Petitions bearing hundreds of signatures of inventors and others interested in patents, have been received and are coming in daily.

The Secretary of the Treasury has decided that silk fillosole, used for embroidery, is dutiable at thirty per cent. ad valorem, as spun silk. This question has been pending before the Department a long time, and is of great interest to American manufacturers.

The *Francis* newspaper says the Emperor of Germany shows continued signs of somnolence and other grave symptoms which cause serious alarm.

The Federal officials of Arizona have sent requests to the Pacific Coast delegations asking them to lend their aid in securing an appropriation to promote the New Orleans World's fair.



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