

A BIT OF EXPERIENCE.

I have met with a good many people
In jogging o'er life's varied way;
I've encountered the clever, the simple,
The crabbed, the grave and the gay;
I have traveled with beauty, with virtue,
I have banished the ugly, the bad,
I have laughed with the ones who were merry
And wept with the ones who were sad.

One thing I have learned in my journey—
Ne'er to judge one by what he appears.
The eyes that seem sparkling with laughter
Oftt bottle to keep back the tears,
And long, sanctimonious faces
Hide often the souls that are vile,
While the heart that is merry and cheerful
Is often the freest from guile.

And I've learned not to look for perfection
In one of our frail human-kind,
In hearts the most gentle and loving
Some blemish or fault we can find;
But yet I've ne'er found the creature
So low, so depraved or so mean,
But had some good impulse—some virtue
That 'mong his bad traits might be seen.

And, too, I have learned that most friendships
We make are as brittle as glass,
Just let a reverse overtake us—
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TELEGRAPHIC NEWS.

CHARLESTON, West Va., July 4.—Yesterday afternoon a man named Robinson (colored) shot and killed Chas. Williams (colored) at Caperton. The trouble grew out of Williams' intimacy with Robinson's wife. Robinson escaped, but later surrendered to the officers and was taken by a mob of blacks and whites and lynched. Robinson's wife, whom the mob sought, took to the mountains, and escaped the fate of her paramour.

LONDON, July 4.—The *Thistle* and *Irex* had another race on the Clyde today, going over the same course as on Saturday. There was more wind today. The *Thistle* again got away ahead at the first round and led by 5 minutes and 10 seconds. The *Thistle* won easily, although the wind died away toward the close.

PARIS, July 4.—The reception usually held at the United States legation on the 4th of July did not occur today, owing to the ill-health of Mrs. McLane, the wife of the minister.

NEW YORK, July 4.—The Fourth of July here was oppressively hot, the thermometer dancing up among the nineties. Business was entirely suspended. There were several

YACHT RACES

the best being the regatta of the Larchmont Club on the Sound, in which no less than forty-eight vessels took part. The chief interest centered in the contest between the *Shamrock* and *Titana*, the latter winning by two and a half minutes.

The United Labor party held a rather thinly attended celebration of the day at the Academy of Music, at which John McMaskin and others delivered speeches.

The Veterans of 1812 celebrated the Fourth by raising the flag on the old fort in Central Park, a reunion and a dinner. There are only three of the veterans living in this vicinity. They are General Abram Daily, aged 91 years, George Brigrer aged 90, and Penny Morris aged 88.

TAMMANY HALL

in the wigwag held its 90th celebration of the day. Governor Fitzhugh Lee, of Virginia, was down on the programme for the first "long talk." He was received with applause that shook the building and he had only begun his speech with the words "Away down in old Virginia, where I live," when he was interrupted by a call for three cheers for Virginia, which were heartily given. "Virginia today," he said, "clasps hands with New York in the hearty celebration of the day. Their citizens are smoking the pipe of peace together." He wished John Kelly's eye could look down upon the scene and see how, closer and closer, the sections are coming together. "I hear the voice of the grand soldier who sleeps at Riverside saying, 'Let us have peace.'"

GOVERNOR WILSON,

of West Virginia spoke next. The reconciliation between the states he said, is completed, and if there are stragglers who have not yet learned that the war is over, they are indeed to be pitied.

Letters of regret were read from the President, Governor Hill, General Sherman, Secretaries Bayard, Endicott and Fairchild, Attorney-General Garland, Speaker Carlisle and many others.

A closing short talk was made by Congressman S. S. Cox, who made the late incident of the battle flags the text for a sarcastic arraignment of the

Republican party, especially Governor Foraker, who would, he said, if he had lived in the days when a babe was born

IN BETHLEHEM,

have sent on to Jerusalem for an order enjoining the heavenly host from singing "Peace on earth and good will to all men," and a mandamus compelling them to sing "Hate on earth, ill will to men."

President Cleveland in his letter of regret said, in part:

"While there has been the greatest propriety in the annual celebration so long continued of this day by the society founded upon patriotic principles and devoted to the creed most in consonance with the preservation and protection of the American institutions, it seems to me at this time, when the party with which this society is affiliated is largely charged with the responsibility of guiding the course of the government, the celebrating of the 4th of July should, in the language of your invitation, revive with more than usual fervor the memories which gave significance to the day."

EULOGY ON LOGAN.

PUTNAM, Ct., July 4.—Only about 1,600 persons were present at the celebration given by Rowen at Roodstown today. Among the addresses was one by Hon. Clarke E. Carr of Galesburg, who delivered an eloquent eulogy on the late John A. Logan. Ex-Secretary Windom spoke on "The Saloon in Politics." Senators Harrison of Indiana and Allison of Iowa were not able to be on hand.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—The President spent the Fourth of July very quietly, riding in from Oak View in the morning as usual, and rejoining Mrs. Cleveland there in the afternoon.

IN LONDON.

LONDON, July 4.—The Independence Day reception at the American legation in London today was the largest ever held. Among the guests were James Russell Lowell, Mr. and Mrs. James G. Blaine and Miss Blaine. The day was appropriately observed by Americans in all the leading cities of Europe.

Phelps proposed "The Fourth—No country to Americans like home." Responded to by Blaine, who said the United States is the only country with a known birthday. All the rest began they know not when, and grew in power they know not how. If there had not been a Fourth, England and America combined would not be so great as each actually is. There is no Republican and no Democrat today. All are Americans. Great enthusiasm was manifested.

There were 1,800 guests at Minister Phelps' reception, including many notables.

CHICAGO, July 4.—A special dispatch to a morning paper from Cairo, Mich., says: Mrs. Brooks, whose peculiar disappearance from her home at Juniata, near here, and whose sensational letter from her place of imprisonment in Colorado was given wide publicity, has returned home with a remarkable story which she told today amid a torrent of tears. She is looking haggard and careworn. Her wrists bear evidence of her assertion that she was brutally tied up and her finger ends certainly look as if her claim that an attempt was made to draw her nails with pincers, is true.

SHE SAID:

Twenty-two years ago I was engaged to be married to Marcus Van Dore. He entered the army, was wounded, came home and died. He was possessed of a competency, but just before his death this was increased by a large legacy from France. Marcus was a descendant of Count Van Dore, a French nobleman. This legacy was all in cash and bonds. Before his death Van Dore made a will bequeathing me \$300,000. The instrument was drawn by lawyer Shoeman, of Indiana. It was not until several years later that I became apprised of the nature of the will and was then married to Mr. Brooks. When I spoke of proving my claim my husband grew indignant and declared that I might take my

LOVER'S MONEY

and go. The trouble over the money was the only cloud that came into our married life and for 14 years I brooded over it. Then came a letter from a lawyer stating that the money was lying idle and that I should claim it. It was in the custody of Ann VanDore, Marcus' sister. Later we met and entered into a correspondence which was kept up until Miss VanDore left for France. Before she went an understanding was reached that I should have the money whenever I claimed it and to prevent fraud we agreed upon a secret mark to attach to all checks and drafts. Last fall a letter came asking me to meet the lady in St. Louis, but instead of meeting her lawyer Shoeman appeared on the scene and gave me a draft for \$50,000, together with \$20,000 in cash. I then went

TO DENVER

and shortly afterward received a note asking me to meet Miss Van Dore at Pueblo. I went there and again Shoeman appeared telling me that Miss Van Dore was dying. I fainted and when I regained consciousness found myself a prisoner. The draft and cash I had secreted in my bustle but my jailers secured it. I was kept imprisoned in a room for weeks alone and while there, shut out from all womanly companionship and deprived of all care and attention so greatly needed, my babe was born. They killed my babe before my very eyes. Three weeks ago a man

entered my room and said I was free to go. He explained the delay by saying that the man who kept me prisoner said I was his crazy sister. The tortures to which I was subjected, look here," and Mrs. Brooks held up her hand to view. "When I had recovered sufficiently I went to

SAN FRANCISCO

and there I met Anne Butterfield, my cousin. Together we started east but becoming suspicious that she was in conspiracy against my liberty I skipped out of the car one night taking with me her hat, dress, pocketbook and ticket. I waited until the next train and then proceeded on my journey."

Mrs. Brooks shows the booty taken from Miss Butterfield as evidence that she is telling the truth. Mr. Brooks says he has no doubt as to the truth of his wife's story. The couple appeared to be fond of each other and there is nothing sentimental about either. Mrs. Brooks attributes her release to the publication a month ago of the fact that detectives had been put at work on her case by friends.

IT IS DENIED.

PUEBLO, July 4.—In reference to the sensational telegram by the Associated Press from Chicago about Mrs. Brooks and her story of imprisonment and extortion, there is nothing whatever to justify or corroborate it. Dr. Thoms, who has been superintendent of the State Insane Asylum ever since it was started, says there has never been a child born at the asylum and the woman was never there, though in her previous story she claimed to have been confined in a lunatic asylum. It is not believed that the woman ever was in Pueblo.

CHICAGO, July 4.—Another boodler, Wardner Varnell, of the insane asylum, has been compelled to go to jail on account of the insufficiency of his bail bonds. His friends have been active in his behalf all day but have not yet secured bail.

FENELON FALLS, Ont., July 4.—Three brothers named Moffat, aged 12, 15 and 17 years, were drowned today while bathing in Burnt River.

CINCINNATI, July 4.—The immense brick malt house of the Weber Brewing Company burned to the ground to-night. Several adjacent buildings were badly damaged, and the losses will aggregate \$180,000. Nicholas Rose was crushed to death under a falling wall. An unknown man, supposed to be an employee of the malt house, fell from the fourth story of the roof next door and was killed. Joe Gardner received fatal injuries in like manner. Several firemen received painful injuries, and it is feared bodies will be found in the ruins.

NASHVILLE, Mo., July 4.—Two brothers named Bass were killed by lightning today and two women were severely and perhaps fatally shocked.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., July 4.—Emil Caldwell and Claude Summers, two boys aged 17, took refuge under a tree during a storm this morning and were instantly killed by the lightning. Five other people there at the same time were completely paralyzed by the shock.

QUINCY, Ill., July 4.—The much-talked-of leap from a balloon was made by Professor Thomas Baldwin at the fair grounds in this city today. Over 20,000 people witnessed the performance, which was very daring. Baldwin ascended to a height of one mile and then, holding his parachute, launched himself into space. The parachute was about eighteen feet in diameter and made of cords and strong silk. When the jump was made it was closed, and the first 300 feet the aeronaut dropped like a rock. Then as the parachute expanded the speed became less rapid, and the aeronaut and his strange apparatus floated

STEADILY DOWN

like a bird. It was a grand sight. The descent was accomplished in three minutes and twenty seconds. Baldwin struck the ground with some force, but not enough to injure him. The descent varied about a quarter of a mile from the vertical, and the professor struck the ground about a mile and a half from where the ascent was made. His attempt to collapse the balloon when jumping failed, and it soared away skyward when relieved of its weight. Baldwin is a native of Quincy and 26 years old. He was for a number of years engaged in the newspaper business here, but for the last few years has been studying athletics and ballooning. He made a similar leap in California last winter, the distance being 1,000 feet.

NEW YORK, July 4.—The deaths reported to the health board Sunday, numbered 256. This is the largest figure for one day since 1876.

MADRID, July 4.—In the Senate Sunday, Señor Castillo made a bitter speech in which he denounced the military party for opposing necessary reforms with a view of upsetting the ministry. He announced that General River, the leader of the party, would be dismissed from his post of director-general of infantry. A violent scene followed this announcement during which General River was made to pose as a martyr.

BERLIN, July 4.—The trial of Klein and comrades, implicated in the Schmebele affair, opened at Leipzig today. Klein admitted he acted as a French spy, under orders of Schmebele in return for a monthly allowance of 200 marks; that he sent plans and designs of the fortresses of Strasbourg and Mayence to the French minister of war. Grebert and Erharet pleaded not guilty.

PARIS, July 4.—*Figaro* asserts that the heir of the great kingdom (meaning the Crown Prince Frederick William of Prussia) has visited the Viscount of Paris at Sheen House for the purpose of warning him that a Floquet-Boulanger ministry means war between France and Germany within a month after taking effect, and that the policy adopted by the monarchic party may be based on that warning.

LONDON, July 4.—Cholera has appeared at Bocellatin Calabala, where there have already been reported 17 cases and nine deaths. The outlook there is ominous as the weather is unusually warm.

ERIE, Penn., July 5.—The town of Clarendon, in the upper oil country, was almost wiped out of existence last night by a conflagration. Over one hundred business houses and dwellings were consumed before one o'clock this morning, and the flames were still spreading. The town had no fire department and the people were compelled to fight the flames with buckets of water. The fire started in the centre of town, originating from the careless use of fireworks, and having reached the oil tanks, the destruction of the town was speedily wrought. John Stewart was caught by a bursting tank and cremated. It is feared many others have shared a similar fate. All the business portion of the town is destroyed. The greatest excitement prevails. The valley is full of flaming and seething oil and the people, panic stricken, have fled to the hillside for safety. No estimate has been put upon the loss, but it will reach half a million, with little insurance.

FITCHBURG, Mass., July 5.—A terrible accident occurred yesterday afternoon on the horse railroad, in which a woman was killed and two more passengers received injuries probably fatal, while several others were badly hurt. The car had ninety people on board on their way to see a ball game. The horses became frightened and the driver lost control of the animals. Some one shouted from the platform, "Jump for your life!" In an instant the passengers became panic-stricken and made a sudden rush, pushing several off the car.

NEW YORK, July 5.—Gus Sundstrom and J. F. Robinson, champion swimmers respectively of America and England, last evening swam the first of three contests to decide the world's championship. Sundstrom won in 21½ minutes.

YUMA, California, July 5.—Nah Dizaz, the Apache, was found guilty of murder in the first degree for killing Lieutenant Mott, at San Carlos, on March 12th, and was sentenced to imprisonment for life and turned over by the prison authorities to be taken to the prison at Chester, Ills.

PARIS, July 5.—A new and elaborate railroad train intended for carrying sick and wounded with greater comfort, has been experimented with by military officials. The train has been run to Havre and back.

PESTH, July 5.—During the drill of sappers at the capitol of Jazyia, Hungary, yesterday, a dynamite cartridge exploded prematurely, killing 27 men and injuring 48 others; of the killed, four were officers.

NEW YORK, July 5.—The visible supply of grain on July 2nd was: Wheat 34,413,000 bushels, corn 1,180,000 bushels, oats 2,781,000 bushels, barley 135,000 bushels.

LONDON, July 5.—The statement sent in these dispatches yesterday that the railway returns for the week ending July 2d showed a decrease of about \$50,000 as compared with the close of the same week in 1886, referred to the French railways and not to those of England.

WASHINGTON, July 4.—The issue of standard silver dollars during the week ending July 2, was \$569,020, the same time last year \$487,588.

Shipments of fractional silver coin during the month of June amounted to \$683,446.

SCRANTON, Pa., July 5.—Fifteen thousand persons attended the Fourth of July celebration in the square last night. Powderly made an eloquent speech in which he dwelt forcibly on the importance of inculcating into their children the great lessons of independence day. He said that a dollar spent for education was better than a million for armor plate, and that the time had come when the people of America should give their attention to the question of immigration. He thought immigration a good thing, but seemed to think there was altogether too much of it of the indiscriminate sort for the good of labor. If he had his way he would see to it that every immigrant should be able to show that he was self-supporting for one year before landing on these shores.

DUBLIN, July 5th.—Judge O'Brien, opening the Clare assizes yesterday, said the cases to come up for trial would represent only a small proportion of the crimes actually committed. Clare, he said, still had the distinction of being the worst part of Ireland in respect to social disorder.

Three hundred extra policemen arrived at Laigueira and are to assist the sheriff when evictions are resumed.

LIVERPOOL, June 5.—The police today made search of a place where an alleged sworn band of dynamiters were reported to have held their meetings. Nothing of a serious nature was found. The police are now debating the advisability of arresting suspected men.

LONDON, July 5.—In the House of Lords this afternoon, Lord Salisbury

announced that the Anglo-Turkish convention with reference to Egypt had not been ratified by Turkey and that Sir Henry Drummond Wolff, the special British commissioner, had been instructed to leave Constantinople.

MADRID, July 5.—The riot at Valencia which resulted from the attempt to collect the octroi tax, has been suppressed and the town is again quiet.

ELFTSBURG, July 5.—One hundred and forty Pinkerton detectives went to the coke regions today heavily armed and fully prepared for a long siege. It is said 200 more will arrive here within the next forty-eight hours, and that 500 of Pinkerton's men are expected in the region before the close of the week. The coke operators have determined to resume operations on Wednesday and detectives will be distributed throughout the region to protect any old employees who desire to work.

ERIE, Pa., July 5.—About 9:30 last night two fires broke out almost simultaneously in a hotel and a saw mill, in Clarendon, seven miles east of Warren, and a brisk wind swept the flames over the frame buildings of the village like a whirlwind. Aid was procured from Warren as soon as possible but it was too late to stay the progress of the fire, and about all that was saved of the town was the railroad depot. The area burned over is about twenty acres and the value of the buildings is roughly estimated at \$350,000, exclusive of the contents. The insurance is insignificant. Eleven hundred people

ARE HOMELESS

to-night and are camping out in the woods. Timber in large quantities is being shipped in, and preparations are being made as rapidly as possible to provide shelter for the unfortunate inhabitants who have lost all. It is believed the fire was of incendiary origin, and the trouble is alleged to have grown out of the refusal of the county authorities to give liquor licenses. The proprietor of the hotel, where the fire was first discovered, is charged with having uttered threats to burn the town, and this morning he fled to the woods. He was soon captured, however, and placed in jail. Threats of lynching are freely made.

PORTLAND, Me., July 5.—Professor Charles H. Grinnell, accompanied by a newspaper representative made a

BALLOON ASCENSION

from Lincoln Park, yesterday. At a height of 3,000 feet the balloon struck a westerly current and was carried out to sea. An attempt was made to land on one of the islands in the harbor, but without avail, and the balloon descended three miles from shore in a bay. The men were dragged through the water at a rapid rate, when they were rescued in an exhausted condition by the crew of a yacht.

NEW YORK, July 5.—The British ship *Muskoka*, it is feared, has been lost at sea with all on board. She left Sawabaya, Java, December 15, 1886, and called at Banjoenanje on New Year's day. Her destination was Queenstown. She has not reached that port, and is posted as

A MISSING VESSEL.

She was in command of Captain Cutter, and had a crew of twenty-five men, the majority of whom were natives of this city. Their names cannot be ascertained. The *Muskoka* hailed from St. John, N. S. With her cargo she was valued at \$100,000; only partly insured.

SAN FRANCISCO, July 5.—Private Thomas N. Bateman, Troop A, Second United States Cavalry, shot and killed First Sergeant Samuel M. Sopher, of the same troop, at the Presidio barracks in this city. Both men paraded in this city with their troop yesterday, and the sergeant reprimanded Bateman, whom he found intoxicated in a liquor store at night. When the sergeant went into the soldiers' barracks to waken some delinquents who failed to report for reveille roll call, Bateman stood behind him and deliberately

SHOT HIM

in the head. Sopher fell and Bateman coolly reloaded his carbine and shot the sergeant a second time. Sopher enlisted at Chicago in May, 1884, but served five years with the Second Cavalry in Montana prior to that time. The murderer enlisted in Arizona two years ago, and gave his place of birth as Flemingsburg, Kentucky. He will be turned over to the civil authorities.

CINCINNATI, July 5.—The *Times-Star* prints a talk this afternoon with Mr. E. L. Harper late of the Fidelity National Bank, and now in jail awaiting trial. He says he had no idea of disaster to the bank and he bought stock the day before the closing and only two days before had \$30,000 on deposit. If the

BANK EXAMINER

had not come there would have been no trouble. He denies that he kept his actions secret and says all the directors were responsible. He also went back into the past history and said at the time of the Handy wheat deal at Cincinnati the bank vault was literally emptied. He then put in \$200,000 and the deal was carried through successfully. Harper says some of the men engaged in that transaction are now foremost in condemning him.

LINCOLN, Neb., July 5.—A serious riot was threatened here this afternoon between gangs of men employed in laying the track for rival street car companies on Tenth Street. Both companies were fighting for the pos-