

py to say that the restrictions are entirely removed, without a single death. This is somewhat remarkable when we consider that upwards of 20 were quarantined in one house, and that too so small as to afford a very small space for each.

Respectfully, &c.,
H. H. CLUFF.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

The President continues to improve, and the feeling of suspense which has agitated the country over the relapse is now relieved. But until the exact location of that bullet is determined there will be continual anxiety.

The tropical wave which has been sweeping over the United States is something remarkable in the history of meteorology. The heat all over the north is said to have been greater than ever known before. The result has been very great mortality, especially among infants.

The mutilation of current coin is very common in many parts of the country, and yet a severe penalty is provided by the United States law. Every person who "defaces, mutilates, impairs, diminishes, falsifies or lightens" any current coin of the country is liable to a fine of \$2,000 and two years' imprisonment.

For once the Rocky Mountain *Christian* (?) *Advocate* contains something worth printing. It copies our article on the Methodist lying resolutions at Ogden. If the editor could only spell well enough to correct proof properly we should be pleased to see more selections of this kind, and his few readers would generally appreciate the change.

A high-toned young gang of counterfeiters has just been broken up in Geneva, Switzerland. These persons, it is estimated, have flooded Egypt and other eastern countries with an amount of spurious coin amounting to between 20,000,000 to 40,000,000 of francs. They have been carrying on the trade for about eighteen years.

Just as we predicted. The London correspondent of the *Haverfordwest and Milford Haven Telegraph* says: "The electric light in the House of Commons has not succeeded as well as it was expected, and is suspended for the present. In fact, both the Swan and the Brush systems need much perfecting before they will replace gas for internal use in public buildings."

Here is a provision in an ordinance passed by the New York common Council which ought to be enacted in every city of any size in the Union: "Every person who shall throw upon any sidewalk or crosswalk, any part of any fruit or vegetable or other substance which when stepped upon by any person is liable to cause him or her to fall, shall be subject to a fine of from \$1 to \$10, or an imprisonment of from one to ten days."

New Zealand in 1876, produced 1,850,363 bushels of wheat, 2,883,683 bushels of oats, 620,699 bushels of barley, and 17,895 tons of potatoes, the total acreage under cultivation being 152,982. Last year the acreage had increased to 389,729, the product being 5,461,000 bushels of wheat, 7,776,275 of oats, 1,124,281 of barley, and 37,463 tons of potatoes. Sheep raising has similarly advanced. A hundred years ago there were 29 head, and now, it is stated, there are 12,000,000.

The death of "Jim" Bridger, the old time mountaineer, after whom the well known fort was named, is reported by the *St. Louis Globe-Democrat*. It was he who pronounced it impossible to raise grain in Utah when the Pioneers came here, and offered to give President Young a thousand dollars in gold for the first ear of corn he could raise in Salt Lake Valley. He was over 73 years old when he died, had been disabled for 16 years, and for three years was in his dotage. He expired July 17th, about four miles from Kansas City.

The *Courier-Journal* hasn't "got through" yet with a subject which it imagines is the "Mormon question." The *San Francisco Chronicle*, commenting on the editor's style, says: "Waterson freely indulges in wild flights of imagination, and he always talks slang, but no one ever accused him of being dull." Precisely. The fellow is humorous enough, even on the "Mormon question," for he is as densely ignorant of it as most eastern editors, and his "wild flights of imagination" in treating it are vastly amusing though slangy and ridiculous.

Philadelphia and suburbs has sixty silk factories, which produce nearly every variety of manufactured silks known to the trade. The production of these for the year ending June 30th reached \$7,250,000. With capital invested to the amount of \$8,000,000, new mills have been built and others enlarged until the present productive capacity is estimated at \$10,000,000. The *Philadelphia Times* says that the output of spun silk and silk fabrics of that city is now one-sixth that of the United States, and that the entire domestic product in dress silks is equal to the quantity imported, and that including all other silk fabrics more than twice as great.

Our Washington correspondent "Knox" informs us that the bullet which missed the President has been found by an Italian glazier, lodged in a piece of putty in his box. This man at the time of the shooting was standing near the ticket office. He heard the shots, and at the same time heard a smashing of glass in the box on his back. He immediately ran out of the depot, and for a time thought no more of the cause of the breakage. On cleaning his box last week, he came across a bullet imbedded in a ball of putty. This bullet corresponds exactly with the size of the balls in the pistol. There is no doubt that this is the missing bullet, after which so much search has been made. It is proposed to give a grand jubilee in Washington upon the full recovery of the President.

Scientists often find fault with theologians for their differences, and to hear the former talk, one would think that their conclusions are always alike and the exact truth. But geologists differ as much as divines, and do not come within scores of millions of years with each other in statements of the age of the globe. Astronomers also vary widely in their calculations. Speaking of the comet, for instance, one estimates that its nearest approach to the earth was 23,000,000 miles; another 19,000,000 miles; another places the distance at 10,000,000, and thinks that the earth passed through a portion of the comet's tail. The diameter of the nucleus is estimated at from 1,000 to 10,000 miles, and that of the gaseous envelope surrounding the nucleus at from 20,000 to 200,000 miles. But of course the ignorant masses shouldn't kick at trifling discrepancies of a few millions of miles.

McKenney's Business Directory of the principal towns in the States and Territories west of the Missouri River, is pretty well known on the Pacific Slope as a reliable work, containing a large amount of information of value to business men. A new edition is being compiled, and Mr. L. M. Kenney is now in this city in the interest of the firm of which he is the head, with offices in Sacramento and San Francisco, and is canvassing for the new work which will contain about one thousand pages. It will represent all the towns on the line of the great railroads and their branches, and give the name, business and address of merchants, manufacturers, and the professional and business men and firms in all the cities and towns in the localities named. It will also give data of various kinds that will be of use to everybody, and the compiler will no doubt receive abundant patronage from our live commercial people. The book will be ready in about three months and will cost Three Dollars.

Judge Jere Black's reply to Ingersoll is creating great interest. Carlyle was a vigorous writer who had profound faith in the existence of a Supreme Being. Speaking of the new-fangled theory of the origin of man the old sage exclaimed: "Ah, it's a sad and terrible thing to see nigh a whole generation of men and women professing to be cultivated looking around in a purblind fashion and seeing no God in this universe. I suppose it is a reaction from the reign of cant and hollow pretence, professing to believe in what in fact they do not believe. And this is what they have got to: All things from frog-spawn; the gospel of 'dirt' the order of the day. The older I grow—and now I stand upon the brink of eternity—the more comes back to me the sentence in the catechism which I learned when a child and the fuller and deeper its meaning becomes: 'What is the chief end of man?' 'To glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.' No gospel of dirt, teaching that men have descended from frogs through monkeys, can ever set that aside."

The plan of placing telegraph wires underground was tried by the Prussian government many years ago, but did not prove practicable, in consequence of the lack of knowledge as to the best means of insulation and protection against the attacks of animals and gradual decay. But recent trials under a better system have proven so successful that the Germans, after having laid down 8,000 miles of underground insulated wire, have resolved upon a considerable further extension. The plan adopted in Germany consists in enclosing seven or more separately insulated conductors within a core of moist hemp, surrounded by a complete sheath of iron wire, which again is covered with a layer of hemp yarn impregnated with a protecting compound. These land cables are wound upon drums at the sheathing works, and after being subjected to careful electrical tests, are paid out into trenches three feet deep, and covered up. M. Siemens states that in five years no repairs have been needed, and that none will be required for some time to come. Is not the underground system much better than the network of wires that is becoming a nuisance in all large cities?

So Simonton, the Associated Press Agent has retired from the telegraphing business. He was no doubt an able man, as the Company which he represented declares. But his dispatches were so tinged with party colors and there was so much bias in all the political news he sent that opinions were often forwarded in the place of facts, and the great medium of intelligence was prostituted to a political machine. We hope the change will prove for the better. Let us have the simple news, the public can form their own conclusions. The unreliability of much of the stuff sent over the wires for news, and particularly that which relates to Utah, puts us in mind of a short story: A little five-year-old was being instructed in morals by his grandmother. The old lady told him that all such terms as "by golly," "by jingo," "by thunder," etc., were only little oaths, and but little better than other profanities. In fact, she said, he could tell a profane oath by the prefix "by." All such were oaths. "Well, then, grandmother," said the little hopeful, "is 'by telegraph,' which I see in the newspapers, swearing?" "No," said the old lady, "that's only lying."

A Girl's Laconic Description of a Dainty Youth.

When a young girl forms an opinion about any of the young men who flit about her, say the *Philadelphia Times*, she knows how to give that opinion expression in a way so original and direct as often to startle those more given to reflection. It was a young girl who, upon being asked her reason for declining to enter the marriage state with a young man who was known to have urged her on on this pleasant matter, explained that she thought "he was too much of a fluffy angel." It was the quick suggestion of a girl's mind, but it was to the point, and all the labors of the masters of language would fail to produce an expression that would more fully meet the case. The girl had said just what she wanted to say.

The fluffy angel is not an uncommon thing on this earth, where any sort of an angel is very rare indeed. The fluffy angel which the young girl referred to is the perfectly sweet but insensibly soft young thing we have all seen somewhere; in fact, we see him almost everywhere. He is just too nice for anything all through the earlier social life of the average girl. He wears such lovely gloves; his moustache is just awfully cute, and his neckties are perfectly killing. Any young girl will tell you this. He understands the latest and positively the most fascinating of the dances, his clothes are just exquisite, always up to the latest turn of fashion, and frequently a few days ahead. With some of the fluffy angels, in fact, fashion often has trouble to catch up. He always knows—to resume the recital of the fluffy angel—where the awfully delicious ice cream is to be had; he always seems to have money to buy it with, and never seems to have anything to do but to be a fluffy angel. All this is very nice for the young girl who hasn't begun to get an idea of life beyond a dish of ice cream and a waltz. In her day dreams and in her night dreams

she is so mixed up in this sort of thing that you would suppose it impossible that she could ever extricate herself. She has no care about it herself, and no thought concerning whether she will do it or not. She enjoys herself in this way better with a fluffy angel than she would with any other kind of human being, and when a young girl gets her mind upon her enjoyments she has got it fully occupied.

When, however, the fluffy angel goes to the young girl with a marriage proposal she instantly comes out of her dream—that is, if she is one of ninety-five in every hundred girls. She knows that a husband can't possibly be made of a fluffy angel, and when the fluffy angel gets to the point of supposing that he can be anything else, she knows that his usefulness is gone; she turns elsewhere. If the fluffy angel is capable of thought to any extent he ought to try and reflect upon this and try not to be so much of a fluffy angel that he can't be anything else. He would be useful further along in life than he now is. In truth, he might not be a fluffy angel at all, and his earthly work would not necessarily come to an end the moment he proposed marriage.

An English peer and some friends were returning from the races. In the adjoining compartments were eight bookmakers, who, cleaned out by successive failures, were traveling without tickets, hoping by a turn of good luck to escape payment. At last one of them hit upon a brilliant idea. Pulling his cap down over his eyes, and buttoning his coat, he went to the carriage of the noble lord and his friends, and, assuming an official air, collected all their tickets. These he distributed among his friends, and on reaching London, the noble lord narrowly escaped seeing himself and his friends taken into custody for attempting to defraud the railway company. It was only by paying their fare a second time that they escaped from the clutches of the railway servants.

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