

sides an enormous box full of gold imperial, there were also found about fifteen millions of silver roubles, and above ten millions in bank notes. This was the chief depository of the sect, and had been collecting for the past century. The sect is supposed not only to be a religious but a political association, and it is said that this immense wealth was intended by the Skopzen to found a new Russian empire.

CARBUNCLES have of late years become far more common than formerly. At an earlier period they were rarely seen, but now they are almost as prevalent as the ordinary boil, from which, however, they totally differ in all their characteristics. A boil is poulticed, drawn to a head, discharges itself, and disappears. The carbuncle is slow in its formation, and by poulticing it with boiled flaxseed, which I believe is the best, an opening is made and a slight discharge of watery blood ensues, but it is never drawn to a "head," and never discharges like a common boil. All the poulticing that can be given does scarcely anything more than soften it; and many of them would not disappear for months unless the sure remedy is resorted to—lancing by a physician.

Death is sometimes produced by the carbuncle, when it is located on a vital spot, say at back of the neck on the spinal column, and sometimes they produce severe illness.

When it makes its appearance as a small hard pimple, it should be at once attacked and dispersed, which can be done by cutting it open or an application of arnica. Some apply strong lye, etc. A lump indicating the growing of a carbuncle is quite distinct from ordinary lumps of pimples from its particular hardness. They are caused by various conditions of the system. By a paucity as well as a superfluity of the blood. By an unhealthy state of the blood. By bruises on fleshy parts of the body, etc.—*Doctress, in German-town Telegraph.*

CURIOSITIES OF SOUND.—The only condition necessary to the production of a musical sound is, that the air pulses should succeed each other in the same interval of time. No matter what its origin may be, if this condition be fulfilled, the sound becomes musical. If a watch, for example, could be caused to tick with sufficient rapidity—say 100 times a second—the ticks would lose their individuality, and blend to a musical tone. And if the strokes of a pigeon's wings could be accomplished at the same rate, the progress of the bird through the air would be accompanied by music. In the humming bird the necessary rapidity is attained; and, when we pass on from birds to insects, where the vibrations are more rapid, we have a musical note as the ordinary accompaniment of the insect's flight. The puffs of the locomotive at starting follow each other slowly at first, but they soon increase so rapidly as to be incapable of being counted. If this increase should continue until the puffs numbered fifty or sixty a second, the approach of an engine would be heralded by an organ peal of tremendous power.—*Tyndall on Sound*

The "Laws of Life" says, "More quarrels arise between brothers, between sisters, between hired girls, between clerks in stores, between apprentices in mechanic's shops, between hired men, between husbands and wives, owing to electrical changes through which their nervous systems go by lodging together night after night under the same bed-clothes, than by almost any other disturbing cause. There is nothing that will so derange the nervous system of a person who is eliminative in nervous force as to lie all night in bed with another person who is absorbent in nervous force. The absorber will go to sleep and rest all night, while the eliminator will be tumbling and tossing, restless and nervous, and wake up in the morning fretful, peevish, fault-finding and discouraged. No two persons—no matter who they are—should habitually sleep together: one will thrive and the other will lose. This is the law, but in married life it is defied almost universally."

The steamship *China*, of the Cunard line, has just made the quickest passage on record between Liverpool and Boston. The *China* sailed from Liverpool on April 27, took her departure from Queenstown at 5 p.m. on April 28, and entered Boston harbor on the afternoon of May 6, after a run of only seven days and twenty-two and a half hours. Her greatest speed on any day was 375 miles, and she averaged fourteen knots all the way over.

### OBITUARY.

SALT LAKE CITY, May 21, 1869.

*Editor Deseret News:*—In justice to the memory of Elder John Neff, Sen., deceased, I take this privilege of giving a brief sketch of his history. He was born Sept. 19th, 1794, in Lancaster county, Penn., where he lived until he gathered with the Saints in this country. In the earlier part of his life he was moral, industrious and economical, and thereby acquired a handsome fortune. He embraced the gospel, and was baptized Feb. 7, 1842. In May 1844, he went to Nauvoo to visit the Prophet, Joseph Smith. He there became acquainted with many of the leading members of the Church, and returned well pleased, having unlimited confidence in the Prophet and his divine mission. In the summer of 1845 he started with his family for the gathering place of the Saints beyond the Rocky Mountains. He arrived at Nauvoo just in time to be driven across the Mississippi by the mob, and from thence proceeded onward to Winter Quarters. There he was greatly afflicted, himself and family all being sick; his son Cyrus, an amiable youth of twenty, was buried there. At Winter Quarters he was ordained to the High Priesthood. In 1847 he started in company with many others for the Rocky Mountains. After a laborious journey of some four months he arrived at Salt Lake Valley. Father Neff was truly devoted to his religion. The Kingdom of God to him stood paramount to everything else. His faith was exhibited by his works. He was liberal with his means. When assistance was called for it was forthcoming. When at Nauvoo he helped the Prophet, and gave a considerable sum to start the ship *Brooklyn* for California. During the reign of mobocracy in Nauvoo, he also rendered considerable pecuniary assistance.

He erected the first grist mill in this Territory, under disadvantageous and very discouraging circumstances. He has done much to gather the poor from foreign lands, as well as to help them after reaching their destination. In times of extreme scarcity, when provisions commanded a high price, he distributed his among his brethren at low figures, when he could have obtained twice, and even thrice the amount from passing strangers. The poor called not on him in vain, nor were the destitute sent empty away. In Pennsylvania he was called an honest man and a good citizen. He was an affectionate father and a true and faithful husband. In short he lived and died a Saint.

JULIAN MOSES.

A singular case is reported in one of our exchanges: Forty years ago a blooming young girl of sixteen married an old man of sixty for his money, expecting that he would soon die and leave her a wealthy young widow. "Hope deferred makes the heart sick," and last week the lady died at the respectable age of 56, leaving a husband aged 100, and four children to mourn her loss. The husband is still hale and hearty, and will soon be casting sheep's eyes among the damsels of his neighborhood for another one anxious to inherit a portion of his property. Verily, the old adage can again be used with propriety: "Truth is stranger than fiction."—*Republican Farmer.*

In Arizona one of the tribes of Apache Indians have concluded that they can get along without squaws and have put many to death. The *Arizona* says that eleven Indian women recently came into Camp Lowell and begged protection for this reason. The cause of this massacre of their women was that a squaw on one occasion recently piloted a detachment of troops who surprised one of their villages. The Indians believe they can better live without women than be the victims of the duplicity of the sex. The whites in the same region are doing without women also; as we see advertised in one of the papers a theatrical performance in which men take all the female characters. Nevertheless it is spoken of as a great attraction.

R. F. Chase, while at work in a saw-mill, on Russian River, California, met with a serious accident, the saw passing through his skull, from a point half an inch above the nose to the upper part of the back of the head. The wound gaped open a full inch, and the physician put in his pocket-rule to the depth of an inch and a half, and he estimated that the wound was nearly three inches deep. The wounded man complained of no pain, and the wound was thoroughly washed out, removing over three hundred fragments of the skull, and more than a tablespoonful of the brain. The scalp was shaved, the bone tourniquet, and the aperture closed with six stitches. The patient, in four weeks, was at work again.

The "bump of destructiveness"—a railroad collision.

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