times. Dr. Leavitt testified that previous to Mrs. Duncan's death, her husband was under Scudder's attendance unconscious for two days, with an appearance of apoplexy, but it might have been the result of poison.

The prosecution rested its case upon the testimony of Hannah Johnson. The other side was allowed until Friday to begin their case.

Blaine, Morrill and Springer.

WASHINGTON, March 15.—Blaine is convalescing satisfactorily.

Senator Morrill is slightly improved this evening.

Springer is gaining strength slowly but surely.

Against Lotteries.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., March 15.—Governor Brown this afternoon signed the lottery bill, which makes dealing in tickets a felony. One of the leading agencies here closed this morning in anticipation and others will probably follow.

Jay Gould.

EL PASO, Tex., March 15.—Jay Gould arrived here this morning. He went this afternoon to Juarez, Mexico. He says his health is improving rapidly. He will be some days taking daily trips around the country.

Brass Musicians.

NEW YORK, March 15.—The National League of Musicians opened its convention today. After the president's address a resolution was passed protesting against the leave of absence granted to the Marine Band, who are about to start on a concert tour of the United States.

The Searles' Will.

BOSTON, March 15.—Judge Allen in the Supreme court has confirmed the decree of the Probate court in the settlement of the Searles' will case.

Buffalo Bill's Show.

NEW YORK, March 15.—A London dispatch says that Buffalo Bill's show has collapsed. No particulars.

Another Attempt at Lynching.

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., March 15.—William Williams of Pond Town was nearly beaten to death by James Justice and John Elliot. His assailants were arrested, and there have been two attempts to lynch them, but the sheriff successfully resisted. It is feared that a third attempt will be made and that it will be successful.

A Ribbon Trust.

NEW YORK, March 15.—A trust including the leading ribbon manufacturers of the country is now being organized, and it is the intention to start it out on a capital stock.

Canadian Favoring Annexation.

PARIS, Ont., March 15.—A public meeting tonight favored political union with the United States by a large majority.

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Sydney, N. S. W., March 15.—The legislature has approved the bill for the settlement of labor disputes by arbitration.

Paris, March 15.—M. Isaac, anti-partisan for Fourmieres, and the Marquis de Mores fought a duel this morning. The former was dangerously wounded. The cause was a letter which the Marquis published reflecting upon the character of M. Isaac.

Dublin, March 15.—The *Herald* announces that the amalgamation of the *Freeman's Journal* and the *National Press* is completed. The directors are Messrs. Murphy, Nealy and Dickson, members of Parliament, Captain O'Connor and Mr. Gray.

Rome, March 15.—It is said in Vatican circles that three new cardinals will be created at the coming consistory in June. The archbishop of Gran, Hungary, the bishop of Breslau and a French bishop (Rouen, Tours or Bordeaux) will probably be the three chosen.

Paris, March 15.—The officials at Chambery have found the magazines broken into and thirty-two dynamite cartridges stolen. It is feared that the explosives have fallen into the hands of the anarchists.

London, March 15.—Forty coal steamers are lying at the docks at Tyne, unable to get cargoes.

The opinion of those engaged in the coal trade is that the strike will end Monday.

Berlin, March 15.—The Guelph Fund bill was introduced into the lower house of the Prussian Diet this afternoon. The preamble states that affairs in Hanover are so quiet that special measures for the prevention of agitation are no longer required.

Kanab Conference.

The Kanab Stake quarterly conference was held in Kanab, Kane County, Utah. There were present on the occasion President Jesse W. Crosby, Jr., of Panguitch Stake, Counselor Ivins, of St. George Stake, and Elder Andrew Jenson, of Salt Lake City, the Kanab Stake Presidency, and most of the Bishops and representative men from the various wards.

The meeting house was filled to overflowing, and many went away unable to find entrance. The speakers enjoyed the Spirit of the Lord to a marked degree. Elder Andrew Jenson showed very plainly the necessity of keeping proper family records, and proper Stake records.

The general and local authorities were unanimously sustained, with the following changes:

Moses D. Harris was sustained as a High Counselor, in the place of James A. Little, removed; Zadoc K. Judd was sustained as an alternate High Counselor.

The different associations held their conferences; the Sabbath school on Sunday evening. In our conference throughout, many good instructions were given, and everything was pleasant with the exception of the weather being quite cold during the forepart of the session.

F. L. PORTER, Stake Clerk.

School Concert.

On the evening of the 11th inst., the Heber meeting house was crowded, the occasion being a school concert, under the management of the teachers, Miss Murphy and Miss Martin. All the performers sustained their parts very creditably. Miss Lucy Fowler was the organist. Much credit is due to the teachers for the patience and perseverance which they have exhibited in drilling the scholars for the occasion, and the people of Heber fully appreciate their services.

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LOSS OF THE RAPPAHANNOCK.

How a Burning Sailing Vessel, Loaded with Coal, Looked to One of the Crew.

Captain W. R. Dickinson, late commander of the four masted American ship Rappahannock, which was burned to the water's edge at Juan Fernandez on Nov. 10, 1891, came from Valparaiso on the cruiser Baltimore, through the kindness of Captain Schley. With him were his wife and daughters Grace and Bessie, and five of his shipwrecked crew. The Rappahannock had a cargo of 4,600 tons of coal.

"At daybreak on Nov. 9," said one of the crew, "smoke was seen issuing from the forward hatch. The captain ordered this battened down, and we steered for Juan Fernandez island, which we had passed the day before, and were piloted in the harbor by a native who came off in a small boat, bringing two goats and some fish. That night the captain sent his family ashore, the boats were ordered provisioned and the crew took up their sleeping quarters on deck. About midnight the first explosion took place, blowing the top off the pump shaft the mainmast.

"The boats were ordered lowered, the men got all their clothes and belongings and we commenced getting what provisions ashore we could. At the risk of their lives the crew saved a good many things, the ship blowing up in places meanwhile. At dawn the explosions became more frequent and more violent. Before sunrise a boat with a seaman and several natives went off to scuttle the ship. They chopped a hole in her side, but the gas lifted her out of the water and their attempt to sink the ship failed. About 6 a. m. the forecastle and forecastle head blew up, lifting the long boat into the air and letting it fall on the galley stovepipe, where it remained, and also blowing the fore hatch into the rigging. Soon after this the after hatch was blown off.

"The natives were then given permission to save what stores they could. Nothing but smoke had poured out of the hold up to this time, when a big flame shot out of the after hatch. The spanker boom caught fire, and the flames spread up the rigging and out on the yards, loosening and burning the sails.

"In a few minutes the ship was ablaze fore and aft, aloft and alow. An hour afterward the mizzenmast fell and was followed by the main topgallant mast. One spar followed another until only the foremast and foreyard were left. This mast did not fall until the next day. The great mass of coal in the hold of the ship turned with a roar that could be heard for miles, while an immense column of black smoke reached high into the air."

The ship burned to the water's edge, when the hull sank.—San Francisco Chronicle.

How to tell a Blind Horse.

A story of a remarkable instance of equine friendship comes from Portland. One of a pair of horses belonging to a horse railroad company was sold, whereupon his mate, a blind horse, refused to be comforted and so pined away that the general manager went to the new owner of the other steed and asked for the loan of the animal for a visit to the stable. As soon as this horse was put in his old stall, the blind horse showed signs of great delight and at once began to recover his appetite and his health. The owner of the other horse, seeing the love of the blind one for his friend, bought him, too, and now drives down town with a span.—Lewiston (Me.) Journal.

A Timely Reminder.

An amusing travel story comes from Greece. A party of English tourists in search of the picturesque were being conducted over a very dangerous mountain pass, when, at a particularly dangerous part of the journey, where the narrow path led along the top of a precipitous precipice, the chief guide called a halt. "I have stopped you," said the man in question, in bad French, "because this is the very spot where, ten years ago, an Englishman who was being conducted by me fell over and was killed.

"I was arrested and condemned for my negligence to fifteen years' imprisonment. But I was released when I had served half that time in consequence of my good behavior in jail."—London Figaro.

When Pens Were First Used.

About the year 600 A. D. pens made of quills were introduced. This is shown by the fact that the word penna, a quill, is not found, it is claimed, in any work bearing an earlier date. Previous to that time the word calamus, signifying a reed, was exclusively employed as a designation for the vehicle used in transferring the ink to the parchment or other surface selected by the writers of that early age. Steel pens first came into use in 1803 and about twenty-two years later those composed of gold made their appearance.—Detroit Free Press.

Trees of Europe and North America.

Forest vegetation is much richer in North America than in Europe, and comprises 412 species, of which 176 are native to the Atlantic region, 106 to the Pacific, 10 are common to both, 48 to the Rocky mountain region, and 74 are tropical species near the coast of Florida, as against 158 species in Europe. Six North American species of forest trees—the Judas tree, persimmon, hackberry, plane tree, hop hornbeam and chestnut—are also indigenous in Europe, all now growing there naturally south of the Alps.—New York Press.

The Empress Eugenie declined to follow the conventional idea in beds. Hers was raised so little above the floor of her bedroom as to give as it fairly placed the impression that she was sleeping on the carpet.

THE CARE OF HIDES.

How to Take Off and Care Beeves' Hides with Improved Profit.

Beef is low in price, and it should be the aim of every farmer who kills beeves for home use, or to sell in their nearest town as dressed beef, to get out of each animal all that is in it. To do this, says The Farm, Field and Stockman—from which the following cuts are a reproduction—we must begin with the hide.

IN POSITION FOR TAKING OFF THE HIDE.

If a hide is taken off and properly cared for it will often bring a fifth or fourth as much as the dressed carcass. If taken off improperly and neglected it will bring very little. A hide ought to more than pay for taking it off. After the animal is dead turn it up on its back and run a sharp knife along the carcass as indicated by the dotted line in Fig. 1.

To do this, thrust in the knife, point foremost and edge up, and run the slit the entire length of the carcass, from the chin over the breast in the line of the navel to the tail. Then slit the skin of each leg from the cleft of the foot to the central slit. If these lines are followed the hide will be the right shape to care for when removed. The horns do not go with the hide, nor does the tail bone, the tail and ears do.

After the hide is removed spread it out as in Fig. 2. Cut off all pieces of fat and flesh (for if you are not an adept you will probably either have some such pieces on the hide or some holes in it, and it is better to have meat than holes, as very slight cuts, especially at or near the center, makes a badly "damaged

THE HIDE SPREAD OUT.

hide," and it likewise damages the price badly), and sprinkle the flesh side with salt. Fold the hide flesh side in and put where it will not freeze.

Hatching Eggs and Breaking Up Sitters.

From the poultry department of the experimental farms, Ottawa, comes a report of the hatching results from eggs set on dry boards and on damp ground. Both of these methods have their advocates. The contention on one side is that eggs to hatch out well must be placed on damp ground or on some substance calculated to retain moisture, and the opposite on the other side. It appears from the report under consideration that the fertility of the eggs had more to do with the result than the location of the sitter. Manager Gilbert hazards the opinion, however, that it is quite possible that early in the season, when the weather is yet cold, the dry floor may be the best, because it is likely to be warmer. In the hot season the cool, damp cellar would be preferable. This opinion is substantiated in part at least by experiences of the writer, who has found nests made on the ground more advantageous in warm, dry climates than nests placed on a dry floor.

In his report Manager Gilbert tells how to break up a sitter when it is desirable to get her to laying again as soon as possible. He says: "The best way to accomplish this is to put the broody hen in a coop or compartment without a nest, where she cannot sit, feed her generously, and in a few days she will cease to be broody, and if the good feeding is kept on will soon be laying again. The practice of ducking the broody hens in water, tying them to a stake, swinging them by their legs, is simply cruel and unnecessary. Some hens, Wyandottes, for instance, are much more easily broken up than others. A broody member of the Spanish family should not be used as a sitter. Occasionally an exception may be found, but as a general rule, although very fussy, they are not trustworthy."

Partly Exhausted Lands.

Much partly exhausted land is far richer than is commonly supposed. What it has lost is the humus or vegetable matter that by decomposing furnishes heat and helps make mineral fertility available. In all heavy soils especially there are stores of plant food that the roots cannot get at unless they have the apparent stimulus of a little nitrogenous fertilizer to set them loose. This explains why light dressings of composted manure or of commercial fertilizers often produce astounding results. Their fertility is at once available. They give the plants a start, and once started they are able to find all they need.—American Cultivator.

Incubators.

The hen is undoubtedly the best incubator for a limited number of eggs and as far as she goes, but her capacity is limited and her willingness to set cannot be relied on. Hence the necessity of a machine to do her work without grumbling—hence the incubator. More than half the $150,000,000 worth of poultry consumed in France every year is hatched artificially. For hatching large broods the incubator is the thing. We cannot recommend any particular one.

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