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Senator Aldrich's finance bill meets with determined opposition everywhere except in Wall street and kindred localities in the east. Throughout the west this measure is freely condemned as inadequate to the country's requirements and unjust to the nation's financial interests. Senator Aldrich is closely allied with the Standard Oil octopus, whose bidding he does at all times and under all circumstances. He is a very able man and a most adroit manipulator. This makes him all the more dangerous as a promoter of selfish interests. While his measure has considerable support in the senate, it is deemed certain that it will not pass in its present form.—South Bend Times.

J. B. McClure is canvassing the state in the interest of the Indianapolis Sun. The Sun has declared for Bryan for President, and is now a rock-ribbed, "true blue" Democratic newspaper, and as such asks for the support of the Democrats of Indiana. It is owned by Willis J. Thompson, a thorough, all-round newspaper man, who will give the paper his personal management. Mr. Thompson promises to give the Democrats of Indiana a paper that they will be very proud of. The Sun will be the only big city penny paper published in the state.

Cromer clubs are being formed over the Eighth congressional district. Other aspirants had better take notice.—Anderson Bulletin.

## THE EAGLE DANCE

(Continued from page 1.)  
In all their vigorous manhood to battle for national life and in many bloody fields carried the dear old flag to victory. And we are very glad to know we have yet many of the dear old soldiers who fought for our country in this city.

The Epworth League of the Methodist church will hold a social and literary at the parsonage Monday night, January 20th. A Riley program will be given. All Epworth leaguers and their friends are cordially invited to attend.

Misses Georgia Anna Telly and Grace Archy, of Fort Wayne, will be the guests at a six o'clock dinner given by Miss Lena Miller Sunday evening.

Owing to the fact that the students of the high school completed their examinations this morning they were dismissed from further services for the day. These examinations are trying on the students, and will be used to determine their grades for this month. From what we can learn all think they have succeeded in passing the same in excellent style.

## A GOOD OUTLOOK

For Decatur Horse Company's Opening Sale of Season

FRIDAY, JANUARY 31

Buyers are Coming—Chance For Those Who Want to Buy or Sell

On Friday, January 31st, the Decatur Horse Sale company of this city will hold their first public auction of the season and from all reports this will be one of the largest ever given under the auspices of this company. The sale will open at ten o'clock on this day and will continue until the one hundred and seventy-five head of horses are disposed of to the highest bidder. Buyers are now out scouring the country for first class stock and when one makes a purchase he is assured of the fact that he is getting something worth the money as every animal is guaranteed to be sound in every respect. Word has been received from a score of eastern horse men stating that they would be present and make several purchases which fact alone insures that the sale will be a success. The managers of these sales barns last year were the cause of thousands of dollars being left in Adams county and they are to be congratulated upon their progressiveness. If you are in the market for a good driving or work horse it will pay you to attend this sale as you may be able to pick off just the animal you have been looking for for years. Remember that every horse offered for sale goes to the highest bidder.

## AN ILL FATED SHIP.

Mystery and Tragedy That Encompassed the Great Eastern.

There was a mystery about that ill fated ship. Nothing went right with her. She stuck at the launch, and it cost an extra \$350,000 over and above the sum set aside for the purpose to get her into the water. On her trial trip her boilers burst, killing some of the stokers. Then she ran aground and carried on so outrageously that her crew thought her surely bewitched. She had started badly. While she was building a pay clerk sent by one of the contractors with \$6,500 in wages for the men disappeared. It was not unnaturally assumed that he had bolted with the money. His wife and family were left unprotected for, with the stigma of his supposed crime upon them.

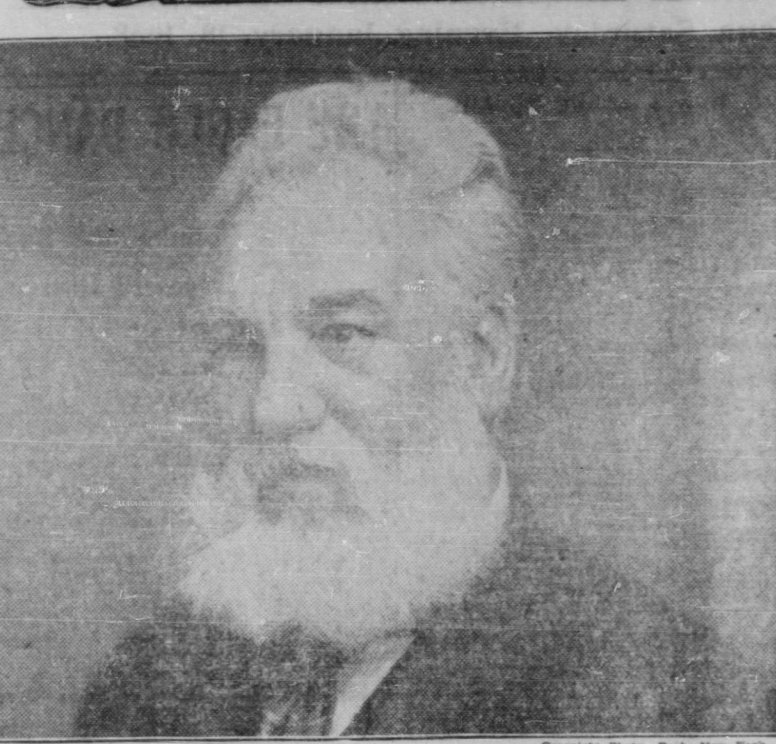
Thirty years after her launch the Great Eastern went into the cemetery at Birkenhead to be broken up. While she was being taken to pieces the ship breakers discovered between her inner and outer casings of steel the skeleton of a man. Papers which had fallen from his clothes enabled his identity to be traced. It was the skeleton of the pay clerk who thirty years before had disappeared. There was no money; that was never recovered.

The supposition is that the poor fellow on going on to the ship was pounced upon by workmen who knew that he had the money with him; that they stunned him and, having a small place in the side of the vessel to complete, crammed his body in and built him up in it. No reward would have induced a sailor to sail in that vessel had he known of the terrible secret sealed up in her walls.—Chicago News.

## Externally.

The Doctor—You understand, don't you, that this is only to be used externally? The Patient's Wife—Sure, sir, I allow makes him get out of bed to drink it!—London Scraps.

## FAMOUS PEOPLE



ALEXANDER GRAHAM BELL  
The Inventor of the Telephone

Alexander Graham Bell, the inventor of the telephone, comes from a family that has made a special study of sound and speech for three generations. His grandfather, Alexander Bell, invented a method for removing impediments of speech; his father, Alexander Melville Bell, was the inventor of "visible speech," a system to teach deaf-mutes to speak; and the third of the Alexanders, really "Alexander the Great" of his family, taught a piece of wire to carry the human voice many miles and deliver the message without a change.

He was born in Edinburgh, Scotland, in 1847, and after receiving his education at the High School and the University of his native town, went to London at the age of twenty to attend the University, but left on account of ill health, and in 1870 came to Canada with his father. Two years later he went to Boston, where he introduced his father's system of teaching the deaf, and supported himself by private classes. But the broader field of science attracted him most; in England and Canada he had carried on experiments in multiplex telegraphy which grew more fascinating as he proceeded, and in Boston he interested two wealthy men who supplied funds for his experiments; but he had to teach by day for his own support.

In 1874 came the first faint elusive germ of the telephone; it seemed such a will-o'-the-wisp to his partners that they would not listen to it; they were practical men with no time for such dreams. In 1875, after completing his multiplex telegraphy, he went to Washington and found his application for a patent had been contested by Elisha Gray, the great scientist. He was in despair, but while talking to Professor Henry, he mentioned his theory of sending sound by telegraph, and the few kindly words of encouragement he received, breathed into him new life and purpose.

He returned to Boston with a giant's energy but an almost empty purse. To complicate the situation he had fallen in love with Miss Hubbard, daughter of his friend and benefactor, and had a feeling of delicacy about asking the father of his fiancée for a loan. So in desperation he renewed the struggle, and in June, 1876, almost by accident, stumbled on a clue that solved the problem. On February 14th, 1876, he filed his application for a patent; one hour later Elisha Gray filed a caveat on precisely the same plan, and on March 7th, 1876, Mr. Bell received his patent; it was number 174,465, one of the most important ever allowed in the history of America.

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## Life Saving and Law.

Hippophagy. Hippophagy being in low water in these later days, somebody has set himself to show what an exceedingly respectable history attaches to the practice. Among the ancients, especially in China, eating horseflesh was general, and it was only killed in Europe by a papal decree of Gregory III, though why horseflesh should have been interdicted does not appear. It was only the famine caused by Napoleon's invasion that revived the practice in Germany, where it has survived ever since.—London Globe.

## Not Broadened.

"They say that travel broadens a man," said the dark woman.  
"Well, I don't know about that," replied the light woman. "My husband has been a conductor on a trolley car for seven years and see how thin he is!"—Yonkers Statesman.

## Economy.

Small Gilbert—Papa, didn't I hear you tell mamma we would have to economize? Papa—Yes, my son. Small Gilbert—Well, you might begin by getting me a pony; then I shouldn't wear out so many shoes.—Chicago News.

## Law of Progress.

The law of progress is the law of sacrifice—no sacrifice, no progress. The secret of sacrifice is love. Without the self sacrificing love of the mother life itself would disappear from the earth.—Review of Reviews.

No man is wise at all times.—Pliny the Elder.

## MRS. SPARKS DEAD

Lived at Warsaw and Had Relatives and Friends Here

DEATH WAS SUDDEN

Visited Here Recently—  
—Was Niece of Mr. and Mrs. Krumacher

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Krumacher have received news of the death of their niece, Mrs. J. M. Sparks, at Warsaw, on January 10. She visited here last fall and is quite well known. Speaking of her sad death the Warsaw Northern Indiana, said:

The many friends of Mrs. J. M. Sparks were shocked to learn of her death which occurred shortly after twelve o'clock today. Although Mrs. Sparks suffered from diabetes for the last year, she did not give up to the disease nor lose her interest in outside affairs. She was one of the officers installed by the Henry Chipman W. R. C. Tuesday evening. Her condition became alarming yesterday and she was not expected to live through the night. Mrs. Sparks was twenty-six years old and was a member of the Henry Chipman Woman's Relief Corps and the Lynden reading circle. She possessed a happy disposition and won the friendship of all who knew her. The body will be taken to her former home at Circleville, Ohio, for interment.

## LAFADIO HEARN.

The Way the Writer Got Even With the Heartless Editors.

"Lafadio Hearn, that wonderful writer, worked on newspapers in his youth," said a publisher, "and the ruthless way his studies were changed, cut and butchered was a great woe to his heart."

"In after years Hearn took a malicious joy in collecting stories about editors—editors and their superior and omniscient way with manuscript."

"One of his stories was of an editor to whom a subscriber said:

"I enjoyed that poem on the three ages of man in today's paper, Mr. Sheers; I enjoyed it immensely. Do you know, though, I thought that it was originally written the seven ages of man?"

"So it was, sir; so it was," said Editor Sheers pompously. "Yes, the extract was originally written the seven ages of man, but I had to cut it down for lack of space."

"Another story concerned a weather report. A reporter, discussing the weather, wrote that winter still lingered in the lap of spring."

"The editor as he read over the article called the reporter up to his desk and told him that he would cut out that sentence about winter lingering in spring's lap. He said the idea was good enough and original and all that sort of thing, but it would not do to publish because the high moral tone of the paper had to be maintained in a town full of school girls."

## Didn't Agree With Him.

A Carolina man was recently inspecting a farm owned by him and operated by an old friend who had pressed into service every member of his family, including his aged father.

"The old man must be getting along in years," said the owner.

"Yes; dad's nigh on to ninety," was the reply.

"Is his health good?"

"Well, no. The old man ain't been himself for some time back."

"What seems to be the matter?"

"I dunno, sir. I guess farming don't agree with him no more."—Success Magazine.

## BOSSE OPERA HOUSE

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