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## OUR HOG IN TROUBLE.

KAISER WILLIAM'S SUBJECTS COMPLAIN.

They Say They Have Found Trichinella Again—Indicates that Cattle Has Been Again Infected—No Whelp—Uncle Sam—Children Almost Cremated.

Three-Holders May Recover Damages.

The question of liability on the part of railroads in cases of injury to persons riding on passes was settled by the New York Court of Appeals. In a case brought by a woman who had been injured by a fall from a New York, Lake Erie and Western train in May, 1888, the defendant sought to avoid liability by alleging that plaintiff was riding on a pass and that its servants were not guilty of negligence. The court of appeals holds that the decision of the general term awarding damages should be sustained, and that practically decides the question that railroads are liable for accident to passengers.

BURNED CLAY FOR CEMENT.

A Deduction from the Use of Powdered Volcanic Earth at Catania.

A frank of nature has furnished the world with a pointer in construction, concrete masonry, Catania, thinks. In the frequent eruptions of Mount Etna great beds of clay were covered from lava streams. The clay was then used for making bricks. The eruptions took place in the dry season the lava converted the clay into a fine red gravel or powder. These deposits are now mined and are considered very valuable. Mixed with a little lime and the usual proportion of water the burnt clay makes a cement which has no equal in the opinion of those who use it. Visitors to Catania are attracted by the soft pink color of the unpainted buildings. This is the result of the burnt clay mortar. Every structure in Catania is made of lava liberally covered with mortar. Sidewalks, aqueducts and even the great sea wall are laid with this mortar. Many years of use have proved the permanent qualities.

WAS A TITLED BRUTE.

Countess Russell's Charges Against Her Husband.

The sensational divorce suit of Countess Russell against Earl Russell has been begun in the divorce division of the High Court of Justice, London. The defendant is a grandson of the celebrated statesman Lord John Russell and is only twenty-six years old. While at Oxford he attracted considerable attention by his eccentric theological and political views. Countess Russell claims release from her husband on the ground of cruelty of an extreme and extraordinary nature. The Countess is the youngest daughter of the Earl of St. Albans, and up to the time of her marriage she was one of the leading beauties of her circle and lived with her mother at Oakland Park, Weybridge, Surrey.

WAR ON AMERICAN PORK.

German Deputies Ask that Steps Be Taken to Prohibit Its Importation.

A number of German deputies, representing country districts, have entered a formal complaint before the Budget Committee at Berlin, in regard to American pork. They claim that trichinella have recently been frequently found in American pork, and they submit steps be immediately taken to prohibit its importation. Dr. von Boettcher, Minister of the Interior, said that the importation of American pork in the future would be prohibited unless thoroughly inspected in the United States, and added that if after this inspection trichinella were found in American pork, the government would be forced to entirely prohibit its importation into Germany.

THREE BUGS CAUGHT IN THE ACT.

Clever Detective Work Reveals a Gigantic Conspiracy at St. Paul.

One of the most diabolical conspiracies ever concocted culminated in the arrest at St. Paul of a gang of incendiaries for over a year have made a regular business of setting fire to houses and stores in various parts of the city for the purpose of securing a portion of the insurance money. The scheme was unearthed by a detective agency, assisted by Ham Floyd and Ben Finkelburg, who stood in with the gang and seized them in the very act of applying the lighted match which was intended to destroy property.

NOT AFRAID OF CHILL.

Recent Naval Orders Believed to Show that the Difficulty is Ended.

It has been decided by the Navy Department that the double turved monitor *Manito* shall not leave American waters this winter. The order was issued on the way to South America to take command of the *Boston* and will receive instructions while en route regarding his work. In naval and diplomatic circles these facts are regarded as significant. It is thought that the apprehension of further difficulty with China is over.

Russia Wants the Horse.

The Post of Berlin is authority for the statement that the Russian Government is about to issue a decree prohibiting the exportation of horses from Russia. In some quarters this intended action of the Czar's Government is looked upon as additional evidence that Russia is preparing for hostilities in the near future.

Flames in a Convict.

The projector building connected with the convent of the Sisters of Mercy, two miles north of Newburg, N. Y., burned to the ground. There were 240 children sleeping in the building, but all got out safely. The structure was a four-story brick.

Smoked and Smoked.

Fire threatened to devour the Adams Company Building, on Dearborn street between Monroe and Adams, Chicago, and the Commercial Block, adjoining on the south. As it was the damage to the building will be over \$25,000.

Probable Work of Train-Wreckers.

A train on the South Carolina Railway was wrecked near Summerville. A fireman was killed and the baggage master, express man and three passengers injured. A rail was misplaced. It is believed, by a discharged employe of the road.

Lake Vessel Lost.

The machinery of the motor line steamship *Philadelphia*, four laden from Chicago for Buffalo, broke down just below Bat Point, at the mouth of the Detroit river. Her pumps did not keep her from filling and she sank. No lives were lost.

Washington Policeman Murdered.

James B. Slack, a member of the Washington police force, died from knife wounds inflicted by Charles E. Myers, a neighbor. Slack had been drinking and Myers, who had been drinking, stabbed Slack in the side.

Took Desperate Chance.

George H. Wilde, an alleged big game hunter, escaped from a North Carolina railroad train when the chief of police of Winston, though Wilde was handcuffed and the train rumbled at a high rate of speed, he managed to escape injury and get clear away.

## IT WAS A DEEP LAID PLOT.

A Case Almost Equal to That of Lost Charlie Ross.

The 3-year-old son of David T. Beals, who was stolen from his home at Kansas City, Mo., and held for ransom, was recovered upon the payment of \$5,000. Banker Beals had issued the following notice:

(\$5,000 RANSOM.)

To Whom It May Concern: Return my child, receive \$5,000 and no questions asked. D. T. BEALS.

In the evening a man of strange appearance presented himself at the front door of the Beals mansion. He wore a false face and a wig and was dressed very like a day laborer. He told the servant who answered the bell that he must see Mr. Beals immediately. Mr. Beals went to the door. The man said he was a detective; that he had found the abductor and his accomplices; that they had the least child in the family in possession; that they demanded \$20,000 ransom, and that he was prepared to deliver the child to its parents for that amount. Mr. Beals declined to pay the sum and stuck to his original offer of \$5,000. It was finally agreed that the "detective" should deliver the child for that amount. Not long afterward a ring brought Mr. Beals to the door. He saw his lost child in the arms of the ruffian who had bargained for the delivery of the child. Mr. Beals, who had been in the bank notes in order to be ready to fulfill his part of the bargain, counted out the money before the eyes of the man who at the same time placed in the arms of the overjoyed father the lost child, who was sleeping soundly. Ignorant of the ruffian being returned to his parents. The servant who aided in abducting the child is under arrest.

BUSINESS IS GOOD.

An Active Retail Trade Noted by R. G. Dun & Co.

R. G. Dun & Co.'s weekly review of trade says: A week broken by a holiday has shown the usual characteristics—weak speculation, an active retail trade, and a moderate wholesale business. But the great factors of the country have been unusually active. At Boston trade is steady. At Pittsburgh pig-iron is weaker, but manufactured iron and steel are in good demand. At Cleveland, trade is fair. At Cleveland, trade is good in all lines, excepting a less demand for manufactured iron and manufactures are active. At Chicago some decrease is seen in cured meats, lard, butter and cheese, but a slight increase in barley, 10 per cent. in flour, the week's trade being the largest of the year, an increase of a third in cattle and oats, of half in hides, and receipts of dressed beef and corn. Wheat three times last year's. Merchandise sales largely exceed those of last year, and prospects are favorable. There is the same confidence at St. Paul, where cold weather stimulates trade, and Minneapolis saw mills have closed the largest season on record, while the flour mills, though troubled by ice, turn out 25,000 barrels daily.

MENACE TO BRITAIN.

Turkey Said to Have Ceded Cape Sheik Shaib to France.

Berlin is treated to another sensation. It was the rumor that Chancellor von Caprivi intended to resign (a rumor, it should be added, which has not been officially taken up to the present), and now the people at Berlin are startled by the announcement by the *Kreuz Zeitung* (conservative) that by a secret agreement with France Turkey has ceded Cape Sheik Shaib, in the Persian Gulf, to France. Cape Sheik Shaib is on the island of Bushir, or Bush, eleven miles from the north coast of Persia, and might be strongly fortified and otherwise made use of as a harbor for the French fleet. Between the main land and the island of Bushir, the latter is said to be water affording good anchorage for the largest war vessels. This would give France a depot and possible landing place for troops far north of the British possessions in India, and might, under certain circumstances, enable France to co-operate with Russia should the latter country's troops invade Persian territory and possibly continue an onward march toward India itself.

SHOT DEAD ON THE STEPS.

Terrible Tragedy at Salt Lake City, Growing Out of Municipal Trouble.

At Salt Lake, Utah, for the past six months there has been a mud in the police department on account of charges preferred against William P. Parker, captain of the Utah National Guard. For several days Parker has been drinking heavily, and the fact that he was to be retired preyed on his mind. Among those who testified against Parker at the investigation was Officer George Albright. The two men met in front of the city hall, when Parker grasped Albright by the neck and, placing a revolver against his body pulled the trigger. The weapon missed fire, and before Parker could pull the trigger again Albright shot him twice. Parker fell dead.

RIGHTED A WOMAN'S WRONGS.

Released from Jail, Where She Was Imprisoned by Villains Who Robbed Her.

David Galley, a tailor living in New York, complained recently to the Philadelphia police that he had been deceived to that city by a woman named Zephia Szankelen and robbed of \$100. The woman was arrested and convicted and sentenced to eighteen months' imprisonment. Further investigation led to the belief that the arrest and conviction of the woman was due to a conspiracy. The judge who had sentenced her was convinced of the woman's innocence, revoked the sentence, and she was set free. Galley, who had returned to New York, was arrested on a charge of perjury.

RIDING ON A RAIL.

Two Ohio Men Undergoing a Novel Test of Endurance.

At Batzum, Ohio, John Springer and Wm. Noble an oyster supplier that he could sit the longer on a rail fence. At 8 o'clock the next morning the men were still there, having spent the night on the fence while their respective families supplied them with hot coffee and warm clothing. The whole community is deeply interested in the outcome. Springer is a large, heavy man, while his opponent only weighs 110 pounds. After twelve hours on the fence Noble looked almost as fresh as when he sat down, but his heavy companion appeared to be suffering.

MET WITH A CRASH.

Fearful Collision on the Lake Shore Road at Toledo.

A Pere Marquette train crashed into the rear coach of a Lake Shore train at Toledo, and went clear into the coach, all but the cab before it came to a stop. The coach was crowded with passengers, hardly any of whom escaped injury. Three were killed outright, and of thirty others hurt one will probably die.

FELL WITH A CRASH.

Collapse of the Hoisting House of Columbus, Ohio, Blast Furnace.

The hoisting house at the Franklin blast furnace, Columbus, Ohio, fell and the ruins caught fire. The firemen had a hard time to get the flames under control. The cupola is leaning badly and is also expected to fall. The loss will not be less than \$50,000. Fortunately no lives were lost.

BRAZILIANS MAY FIGHT AGAIN.

The Rio Grande Junta Refuses to Obey the Peruvian Government.

The Peruvian Government made a demand upon Rio Grande for the reinstatement of the local government as it existed before the outbreak against Venezuela. The Rio Grande Junta has refused to obey this demand, and threatens to offer forcible resistance to any attempt to coerce.

## FOR OUR LITTLE FOLKS.

A COLUMN OF PARTICULAR INTEREST TO THEM.

What Children Have Done, What They Are Doing, and What They Should Do to Pass Their Childhood Days.

What a Boy Can Do.

These are some of the things that a boy can do: He can whistle so loud the air turns blue; He can make all sounds of beast and bird; And a thousand noises never heard.

He can crow or crackle, or he can cluck As well as a rooster, hen, or duck; He can bark like a dog, he can look like a cow, And a cat itself can't beat his "meow."

He has sounds that are ruffled, striped, and plain; He can thunder by as a railway train; Stop at the stations a breath and then Apply the steam and off again.

He has all of his powers in such command He can turn right into a full brass band, With all of the instruments ever played, He makes of himself a street parade.

You can tell that a boy is very ill If he's wide awake and keeping still; But earth would be—God bless the noise!—A dull old place if there were no boys.—Chicago Post.

ARCHDUKE HENRY DEAD.

He and His Morganatic Wife Pass Away from the Same Disease.

Archduke Henry, of Austria, died in Vienna from inflammation of the lungs, closely following his morganatic wife, the Baroness Hofmann, whose death occurred but a few hours previous from the same disease. The Archduke was born at Milan in 1828. He held the rank of Field Marshal in the Austrian army. In 1872 he contracted a morganatic marriage with Leopoldine Hofmann, who was born in 1872. She was raised to the nobility in 1872, and created Baroness of Waldeck in 1873. Of this marriage there is one daughter.

FIGHT OVER A COUNTY SEAT.

Charges of Ballot-Box Stuffing Made at Niagara, Neb., Suit Has Been Filed in the District Court which promises to make lively times for a number of prominent residents of the new frontier county of Boyd, which was organized last January. Notwithstanding that only 220 legal votes were cast in the election, the complaint alleges the defendants, by means of knowingly receiving illegal votes and by stuffing the ballot-box, counted and canvassed 457 votes in that precinct. The poll books, which should be accessible to the public, were destroyed.

Killed by a Falling Bridge.

The west span of the Great Northern bridge over the north fork of the Columbia River, six miles from Columbia Falls, Mont., with carrying it with nine men, of whom are dead. Three of those who escaped death are thought to be fatally wounded. The span was sixty feet long, and the men fell in an awful crash of timber and iron, a distance of eighty-four feet, two of them being pinned under several feet of water. The other three were the advance of the extension of the Great Northern about two weeks.

Shot in Ambush.

A special constable, West Virginia says: John Carse, a wealthy Irish County farmer, was ambushed near Tolley toll-gate, Ritchie County, as he was returning from church, and fatally shot. A man named Collins, between Carse and the toll-gate, had been a feud of long standing, and Carse had been the victim of a long series of robberies. Collins' friends are armed and intend pursuing Collins.

Wrecked and Robbed a Train.

It is reported that an east-bound train on the St. Louis & San Francisco road was wrecked at Glendale station, twelve miles from St. Louis; that the express messenger and several passengers were hurt, and that the train was looted. The robbers secured some valuables. The amount of booty is not known.

Texas Cattle Dying.

Cattle in Eastland and adjoining counties in Texas are dying from the combined dry weather and scarcity of grass. Many ranch cattle have already died from want of water and grass and the remainder are too poor to go through the winter, and will no doubt perish in large numbers.

For Appropriating Letters.

William Keeser, in the employ of the International and Great Northern Railway as car porter, has been arrested at Galveston, Texas, and lodged in jail in default of \$1,000 bail for abstracting letters from the United States mail and appropriating their contents.

Cyrus May Save Them.

A conference of the Field family, apropos of the failure of the firm of which the younger Field was senior partner, was held in New York, and the advisability of Cyrus W. Field giving up his fortune to save the family honor was seriously considered.

Victims of Green Goods Men.

Albert Allen and C. L. Harris, of Asheville, Tenn., paid green goods men at New York \$300 for a package of blank paper with two \$1 bills fastened on the outside.

The Yorktown at Valparaiso.

The United States steamer *Yorktown* has arrived in Valparaiso harbor. Minister Egan and other Americans were entertained aboard.

The Kearsarge at Martinique.

The United States steamer *Kearsarge* has arrived at Martinique, West India. All are well.

LATEST MARKET QUOTATIONS.

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