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THEY CUT AND SLASH.

SURGEONS USING THE KNIFE TOO FREELY.

Horrible Rites of the Cree Indians—Grand Chance for Getting Big Money in Damages for Race-Horses—Terrible Disaster in Russian Samara.

Dangers of the Knife.
Conservative physicians of St. Louis are contemplating a crusade against the incompetent wielders of the surgeon's knife. Many physicians complain that capital operations are being performed when there was no necessity for them. Of these operations laparotomy seems to have been the favorite of the amateurs. Dr. Thomas O'Reilly, a prominent surgeon, has written a letter to Health Commissioner Homan in which he calls Dr. Homan's attention to the many deaths resulting from laparotomy. He characterizes the knife of the surgeon when employed in such operations to be fully as dangerous as that of the assassin, and in the name of humanity asks Dr. Homan to protect sufferers from this operation.

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ADDS TO THE LANGUAGE.

Code of Commercial Nomenclature, Just Issued, Contains Many New Words.

The first volume of a code of "commercial nomenclature" was issued from the Bureau of American Republics Tuesday. Its 842 pages present more than 100,000 business terms, extending from "A" to "machines, inclusive," such as are apt to appear in commercial correspondence on the American continent and neighboring islands.

Very few of the terms given are to be found in dictionaries, the latest inventions in electricity being fully treated in the second volume.

The second volume, which is to be issued some time in July, The book which is the most elaborate work yet attempted by the bureau, and which has been in course of preparation for two years, will, it is thought, be invaluable to persons engaged in business with countries to the south of the United States.

KILLED TWO BOYS.

Electric Storm and Cloudburst Visit a Pennsylvania Community.

A cloudburst broke over Penn Valley, Pa., deluging the land and washing away entire fields of growing grain. The damage is worse than that inflicted by the recent flood. The downpour of water was accompanied by a severe electric storm. Three boys, William and Eddie Loz and Charles Hunter, who took refuge under a tree, were struck by lightning. Eddie Loz and Hunter are fatally injured. William Loz will recover. A cloudburst, accompanied by high and low wind, struck Ellsworth, Kan. Water on the main streets was from two to four feet deep, filling cellars and undermining buildings, and a great deal of damage was done. Damage to crops was great.

SUN DANCE ENDED.

Cree Indians Conclude a Three Days' Performance of Torture.

A special from Havre, Mont., says: The Cree sun dance has just been concluded here, after going on for three days. Every sheriff in the State had been instructed to prevent the dance at any hazard, but there was no interference here. Three braves were struck by arrows three times into their breast, slashed by little bows, the chief. All fainted before the ordeal was over. A young buck has cuts on his shoulders, and to the inserted thongs were tied four buffalo skulls which he dragged after him. Eighty pieces of flesh were cut from his arms to be kept as tokens.

Child Wedding a Failure.

The wedded life of Clyde Mann and 11-year-old Anna Zoller, of Fort Wayne, who were married at Gosher last week, is not proving a very successful one. The bride's parents were opposed to the match and she not being of marriageable age it was necessary to call in William Johnson, a friend of the groom, who swore that she, Anna, was 18. On the strength of this they were married in Fort Wayne County and flew to Gosher where quite a Chamberlain married them. Johnson is now in the Fort Wayne jail as a result of his perjury and Anna has been captured by her mother.

DEATH AWAITED THEM.

Forty-five Russian Merrymakers Drowned in River Jek.

A terrible disaster is reported from the Russian Government of Siberia. A party of young people, numbering about seventy, were returning from a fete on the River Jek. The boat which was carrying them across the water was leaky and overcrowded. When near Bugulma the boat sank. The drowning people, few of whom could swim, clutched frantically at each other in their efforts to keep themselves above water, and forty-five out of the seventy passengers were drowned.

Plot Assassinated at Funeral.

While a funeral was in progress in St. Mary's Polish Catholic Church in Reading, Pa., the priest, Father Bialoskiw, requested that all those present who were in arrears to the church leave the sanctuary. About 150 of the congregation arose, and, after knocking the priest down, left the house of worship.

Verdict of Murder Against Bone.

At Fortland, Ind., Coronor White rendered a verdict of willful murder against Policeman Samson Bone, who killed Frank Gould. Bone is in the Winchester jail.

Valuable Bed of Ore Discovered.

An immense bed of auriferous ore is one body, a mile wide by two long, is reported to have been discovered between Rat Portage and Port Arthur, seventy miles south of the Canadian Pacific Railway. Assays average \$8 in gold and \$4 in silver. Geologists have expressed the opinion that the deposit may be from 5,000 to 10,000 feet deep.

Killed by an Exploding Boiler.

The boiler of a sawmill six miles south of Linneus, Mo., exploded Tuesday night. Two men were instantly killed and two others will die from their injuries. Water in the boiler caused the explosion.

PLAGUE IN CHINA.

Awful Scourge Carrying Off Celestials by the Thousand.

China is being decimated by an awful plague that is raging there. Thousands of people have died from it, and full details of the alarming spread of the terrible scourge have just been brought to the steaming Empire of Japan. The plague first made its appearance in Canton towards the end of April. It is similar to the great plague that raged in London with such direful effect in the sixteenth century, and is carrying off large numbers of victims. From Canton it soon spread to Hong Kong, appearing there in May. Thus far it is chiefly confined to Chinese. All business has been paralyzed by the plague, and most of the big steamship lines refuse to take either passengers or cargoes from Hong Kong. The symptoms of the disease are described as follows: Without any premonitory warning in the shape of a chill, victims are attacked with a sudden fever, rising to 105 degrees or over. There is much headache, accompanied by stupor, delirium, or even a form of hysteric glandular swelling in the neck or armpit, increasing to the size of a fowl's egg, being hard and tender. With or without the decline of fever, the patient sinks into a condition of coma and dies at the end of twenty-four or forty-eight hours. If six days are reached recovery is possible. In Canton there is scarcely a house that has not some one dead in it. The plague commenced there in the Mohammedan quarters, and 100 cases are reported daily.

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