

HASTE KILLS TASTE.

Everywhere haste mars art among us. What is the reason for so rampant a failure as the congressional library at Washington? Simply that haste precluded a thorough maturing of the general scheme and prevented the mural painters either from harmonizing their work with the whole or even doing their individual best. Why is the average tall building, in spite of its imposing mass, a poor thing to look at? Simply because the architect has hurriedly applied irrelevant ornament to the work of the engineer. Under commercial conditions these makeshifts may seem inevitable. But the vice of precipitancy runs through our whole social structure. Academe and business suffer violence, and the violent take them by force. How many university chairs have been occupied by glib young scholars whose achievement was mostly verbal, while sound learning languished in obscure position? How many an actress has rolled her pretty eyes at an audience, to be extolled promptly as a star of magnitude?

New York and New England are taking steps to improve their agricultural conditions, and, curiously enough, the leadership in the movement is taken by railroad presidents and merchants. The other day a meeting was held at the Produce Exchange of New York and a permanent organization was effected to preach and illustrate the gospel of intelligent, intensive farming. Among the able addresses delivered the most striking was that of President Brown of the New York Central. He gave American, South American and Canadian statistics pointing the moral that we have surrendered our place as the first of the food-exporting nations; that food production has not kept pace with consumption, and that in a few years we shall be compelled to import grain. It seems that we have in the country about 10,000,000 acres of practically abandoned farm land, while the land that is cultivated is bleached and merely scratched there.

To the other favorable crop prospects must be added the prediction that cotton is likely to show the largest yield on record. There is general agreement by experts as to the outlook for a big supply, the estimates placing the figures between 13,000,000 and 14,000,000 bales. Should the latter total be reached, the cotton crop would be touched a new "high water mark" will be reached. The great cotton crops heretofore were 13,556,000 bales in 1905, 13,550,000 bales in 1907 and 13,528,846 bales in 1909. Notwithstanding reports of ravages by the boll weevil and of attempts at restricting the output cotton appears to be on the gain—and America furnishes the chief supply for the world.

Two sailing ships, in coast parlance "windjammers," have just gone to sea from Seattle provided with wireless telegraph equipment—the first craft of their character to be thus equipped. One of the ships was provided with the apparatus by her Japanese steward, who was formerly a member of the signal corps of his country's navy. This indicates that the installation of wireless telegraph on sailing ships is neither complex nor costly, and forebodes quite general use of the valuable means of communication. Romance and mystic are being driven from the sea by steam and electricity.

The great Oxford dictionary that was begun by Dr. Murray in 1884 is now completed as far as "T." But it is debatable matter whether modern English was spoken as far back as 1884.

Chauffeurs who find gasoline leaks by means of lighted matches must be lined descendants of those who used to look for leaks in the gas pipe with lighted candles.

Indianapolis doctors made a man a new nose from a chunk of his leg. He limps now, and he can't smell, but otherwise the operation was a success.

It is significant that it is the doctors who are declaring there are too many physicians and who would make it yet more difficult to become one.

Balloon pilots are careful to avoid alighting when the ship is in motion.

The term "affinity" is not inebrious, decides a New York court. It's awful hard to insult a New Yorker, nowadays.

All persons who are affected by sea sickness will look forward hopefully to the development of airship transportation across the English channel.

Romance is not dead! Pretty soon our young people will begin eloping in aeroplanes.

A bill collector gets one cent damages because he was bitten by his creditor's dog. What's the price of that dog?

Some of those who reformed just before the comet's tail was due to hit the earth have slid clear back again already.

The principal thing in aeroplaning now seems to be to get a machine that will carry more than two passengers.

The man who scratches for the bill sees a grim joke in the roster style of millinery.

Did any country ever launch a new battleship that wasn't the biggest in the world?

This is the summer that we ordered and that was so long in coming.

One good thing about aeroplaning is that it is not a scenic railway.

CHAUFFEUR HELD
IN THE RAWN CASE

Ernest Stevens, Negro, Is Arrested As Murder Suspect.

CLAIMED HE MADE THREATS

Police Admit They Have But Little Evidence Against the Discharged Employee of the Monon President.

Chicago.—The culmination of the efforts to prove that Ira Rawn, president of the Monon railroad, died Wednesday morning at the hand of another person than himself, came in the arrest of Ernest Stevens, a negro chauffeur, formerly employed by the railroad man.

The young negro came through a four-hour third degree ordeal at the hands of Coroner Hoffman, Deputy Police Chief Schuetzler and a half dozen detectives with a story that was practically unshakable. Although he was held that his statement might be verified, the authorities were not ready to admit that he had no part in the tragedy at Winnetka.

The arrest of young Stevens came about through a report made to the coroner by H. P. Cullen, a collector, who reported to Coroner Hoffman that the negro had made threats against Mr. Rawn last May.

Cullen told the coroner that he had learned that Stevens had been discharged from the Rawn chauffeur position by the Rawn family. He declared that Stevens said in referring to Mr. Rawn: "That white man; I'll get him yet."

Stevens denied this time and again during his examination. He expressed great admiration for his former employer. He said that he had been discharged only because Mr. Rawn had sold his car. He dared the authorities to telephone to Ralph G. Coburn, Mr. Rawn's son-in-law, if they did not believe him.

Coroner Hoffman took the negro to his word and reached Mr. Coburn at Winnetka. Mr. Coburn said the negro was telling the truth. He had been an excellent chauffeur, except for the fact that he was often late in keeping appointments. Mr. Coburn would not believe that Stevens bore Mr. Rawn any malice.

Stevens furnished the police with a detailed account of his movements Tuesday night and Wednesday morning. He was nowhere near Winnetka. The police are verifying his statements and if Stevens has told the truth he will be freed.

With the chauffeur suspect out of the way the theory that Mr. Rawn took his own life because he could no longer stand the strain of worrying over prospective disclosures of Illinois Central graft stands almost alone.

Even members of his family are beginning to doubt their first belief that a burglar fired the shot. They admitted the possibility that he had tripped on his last night while coming downstairs and shot himself by accident.

Mrs. Rawn, the railroad's widow, although too prostrated to attend the funeral, roused herself by sheer force of will to dictate a statement detailing the events of Wednesday morning as nearly as she could remember them.

Mrs. Rawn was sure of only one shot. She was not certain that she heard a scuffle. The noise which she heard might have been the fall of her husband's body, for all she knows. She heard no one running away.

\$200,000 DIAMOND IS FOUND.
Stone Weighing 191 Karats Reported Discovered in Premier Mine.

New York.—A report reached Maiden Lane from Johannesburg, South Africa, of the finding of another large diamond at the Premier mine. The gem is said to weigh more than 191 karats and is described as a pure white stone, flawless and measuring two inches long by about four-fourths of an inch thick. It is estimated to be worth \$150,000 uncut. When cut it will be worth at least \$200,000.

KILLS SELF TO SAVE HOME.

Kansas Tells Wife to Meet Mortgage With Insurance Money.

Hutchinson, Kan.—To prevent the foreclosure of a mortgage on his home, W. H. Israel of Lewis, Kan., shot and killed himself in a rooming house here. Israel was proprietor of a merchandise store at Lewis. He left this note:

GEN. WOOD HAS PRAISE FOR
FORT MONROE HEROES

Lieutenants Hawes and Van Deusen Are Especially Commended for Heroic Conduct.

Washington.—Officers returning from Fort Monroe detailed at length to General Wood, chief of staff of the army, and other department officials stories of valor and sacrifice when the explosion of the big gun at battle practice at the fort occurred.

These personal reports were augmented by further telegraphic reports from Lieut. Col. C. P. Townley of the coast artillery corps, commandant of the fort.

Lieutenant Hawes is praised by the commandant for having extinguished with his bare hands burning material that threatened to ignite the second charge, which was on its way to the emplacement.

Conspicuous in the group of those whose heroic conduct attracted attention was Lieutenant Van Deusen, who suffered a broken leg from the body of one of the men being hurled against him. His body also was burned by gas. He was the timekeeper during the target practice.

Following the receipt of the reports General Wood sent a telegram to Portress Monroe expressing his sympathy for the bereaved and suffering and his appreciation of the "excellent conduct" of the officers and enlisted men.

The war department has begun a rigid investigation to determine the cause and fix the responsibility for the explosion of the gun.

MILL DIRECTORS ASK INQUIRY.

Four Millions of Pillsbury-Washburn Assets Are Gone.

London.—Charges that more than \$4,000,000 has disappeared from the assets of the Pillsbury-Washburn Flour company of the United States, but owned mostly by English investors, were made at the annual meeting of R. H. Glynn, who presided.

Glynn declared that the \$4,000,000 had been lost mostly in wheat gambles and improper investments. Another \$1,545,000, he added, was not traceable, the notes for this sum not having been recorded or else the records had been destroyed. An additional \$900,000 had been lost in agents' balances, debts uncollected and bills receivable.

The shareholders present urged immediate prosecution of the persons responsible for the great losses, but the meeting adjourned without action looking toward court proceedings.

BUILDING UNIONS IN BIG WAR.

Chicago Construction Trades Threaten to Paralyze Building Industry.

Chicago.—What is expected to be one of the most bitterly fought industrial struggles that has occurred in Chicago in years was begun when business agents of various building trades unions called strikes on three buildings, either in course of construction or repair, that brought idleness to 2,300 workmen.

At a meeting of the Building Trades' council it was predicted that within the next week 7,000 building trades workers would be on strike and that this number would be augmented soon afterward by thousands of others.

The cause of the strike is a jurisdictional dispute between the Elevator Constructors' union and the Machinists' union.

OFFICER KILLS FIVE NEGROES.

Deputy Uses Two Revolvers When Arrest Is Resisted.

Elliot, Miss.—Deputy Sheriff Sid. Cauley of Carroll county, in the course of his late night patrol, shot and killed five negroes and mortally wounded two others on the place of old Henry Beck, colored. With a big Colt's revolver in each hand and both working at the same time Cauley cut down the seven negroes in less than five minutes.

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MOTHER IS DEAD; BABY DYING.

Two Women Are Burned to Death in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Grand Rapids, Mich.—Trapped with her week-old baby, Mrs. Grace Wilson was burned to death when fire destroyed the old Leydard block at South Division street and Fourth avenue.

A nurse, Mrs. Amelia Keoney, who heroically tried to rescue mother and babe, received burns which proved fatal an hour later, and the babe is dying in the hospital.

The fire started in a tailor shop on the first floor, supposedly from a gas line explosion. The building was destroyed.

Cleveland Marks 114th Birthday.

Cleveland, O.—This city celebrated its one hundred and fourteenth birthday Friday by voting a \$200,000 bond issue to abolish grade crossings and a \$250,000 bond issue to build a tuberculosis hospital. A nonpartisan campaign was conducted.

FORMER PREMIER MAURA
SHOT AT BARCELONA

Statesman Is Wounded in Leg by Radical As He Alights From Train.

Barcelona, Spain.—As Senor Antonio Maura, former premier of Spain, alighted from a Madrid train at the Francia station here last night he was shot and wounded in the leg by a man who was afterward arrested. The would-be assassin fired three shots at the statesman.

Senor Maura came here to take the steamer Miramar to Palma, in the Balearic island, with his family, to spend the summer. The announcement of Senor Maura's approaching arrival created excitement among the radical elements when it was made.

TAFT MAKES TALK IN DRIZZLE.

President Addresses Town Folks on Village Green in Bar Harbor.

Bar Harbor, Me.—President Taft took his golf game at the Kelso Valley links at the twelfth hole, rode over to the village green here and made a speech to the townfolks.

A crowd of several thousands greeted the president, who was in his jolliest mood. The president entered into the full spirit of his strenuous vacation and, wearing his blue and white beaching, beamed broadly upon the crowd that cheered him in the drizzle of rain that fell while he spoke.

Mr. Taft devoted himself largely to the philosophy of summer vacation in his address. He said that he had learned the value of rest. The president advocated vacations of two or three weeks a year and the crowd which had just come from work in the shops applauded vigorously.

Immediately after his conclusion of his speech the president and his party entered coaches and were driven over to the villa of Mrs. Mark Hanna in Deal Harbor, where they were entertained at lunch. In the evening the party were dining at the Constantine James Mitchell, dining room from which the president had just departed.

HELD AS BANK LOOT PLOTTER

Man \$12-a-Week Massachusetts Clerk Implicated Is Arraigned.

Philadelphia.—John R. Marshall, alias Darby Moulton, charged with alleged conspiracy in the looting of the National City bank in Cambridge, Mass., was held in \$10,000 bail by United States Commissioner Craig here. Marshall was arrested Wednesday night.

About \$300,000 was said to have been stolen from the Cambridge institution. The defalcation was discovered about five months ago and George Coleman, a \$12-a-week clerk, was arrested in Kansas City. He confessed and implicated Marshall and two other men.

ACQUIT CITIZENS OF LYNNING.

Twelve Cairo (Ill.) Men Are Found Not Guilty by Jury.

Cairo, Ill.—Verdicts of not guilty were returned in the cases of 12 Cairo citizens, charged in indictments with having been leaders of the mob which stormed the Alexander county jail and lynched the negro, John Pratt, the night of February 15 last. The jury was out two hours. The court had previously ordered a verdict of not guilty for W. C. Charles, while a request for a similar verdict for George B. Walker had been made by the state's attorneys. The case consumed ten days in its trial.

FAMOUS PAINTING IS STOLEN.

Copy Substituted in the Louvre and Paris.—The Cri de Paris says the Leonardo da Vinci masterpiece, the "Mona Lisa" portrait, was stolen from the galleries of the Louvre one night about a month ago through the complicity of a high official of the museum. A copy of the painting was put in the frame in place of the original.

SHELLS IMPERIL TWO ON YACHT.

Harry Payne Whitney and Brother Pass Through Fort's Fire.

Newport, R. I.—It was learned here that Harry Payne Whitney and his brother, Payne Whitney, were on a narrow escape during the target practice at Fort Wetherill and Greble. Two shells pierced the main sail of the former's steam yacht Atlantic as it was passing the forts. The brothers were wounded and the boom and the masts were shot away, but a few feet above their heads.

LIGHTNING BOLT HITS AIRSHIP.

Aeroplane, Set Afire by Flash, Plunges to the Earth.

Barcelona.—While he was making a cross-country flight, Aviator Ehrmann's aeroplane was struck by lightning and it was the failure of the safety device of the firing mechanism to function properly.

Gideons Open Convention.

Detroit, Mich.—Gideons from all over the United States opened their national convention here Friday. The Gideons are 7,500 or more traveling men, whose slogan is "A Bible in the guest room of every hotel."

Germany's Crop Report.

Berlin.—The crop report for Germany, which gives conditions up to July 15, has just been made public. It shows a slight depreciation since June 15, but winter wheat is considerably better than the average.

Boys Burn Many Buildings.

Chicago.—The youngest pyromaniac in the history of Chicago Wednesday confessed setting fire to eight buildings in two days. The boys are Leroy Holmer, aged twelve, and Harry Hanson, aged thirteen. The total loss is \$50,000.

Rockefeller Tax Raised.

Cleveland, O.—Taxes on Forest hill have been increased by more than 500 per cent, by the quadrupled annual rates. They value the favorite home of John D. Rockefeller at \$1,415,920.

STRIKERS ACCEPT PEACE PLANS

Grand Trunk Trainmen Are Willing to Arbitrate Their Trouble.

Montreal, Quebec.—Vice-President James Murdoch, representing the general committee of the Grand Trunk and Central Vermont conductors and trainmen, in a telegraphic message to Ottawa, accepted Minister of Labor King's suggestion for arbitration of the Grand Trunk wage dispute by a board to be named by the government. The suggestion was accepted by both parties involved.

An official statement issued by the company says: "The situation continues to improve. Every scheduled passenger train on this division is now in operation. Way freight left Montreal for the west and a fast freight for the south. Way freight left Portland and another left Gosham, N. H."

Belleville, Ont., July 23.—Violence entered into the Grand Trunk strike as the result of an outbreak here on the arrival of a Grand Trunk train from Toronto, John McMan, its acting conductor, and M. Donovan, brakeman, are lying in a hospital, in a critical condition. As the men left their train they were set upon by a hundred or more persons and severely beaten. The injured men were carried into a hotel, which was shortly afterward bombarded by stones and considerably damaged.

BURNED FOR KILLING OFFICER.

Negro Is Hauled by Neck to Pyre—Two Others Escape.

Belton, Tex.—Henry Gentry, a negro, eighteen years old, said to be the son of a crime-murderer and incendiary assault—at the stake. Two others, a brother and a companion, charged with implication, missed a like fate only through the pleadings of Sheriff Burke and several citizens.

Gentry attempted to force an entrance into the home of Mrs. Lamb, a widow, but was frightened away with a shot by the woman's daughter. Several hours later, while Gentry was being held by police, he was freed by Constable James Mitchell, firing from ambush, killing the leader.

The posse surrounded the fugitive. Gentry made a dash for liberty and was shot and crippled. He was dragged behind an automobile to Belton, where several thousand men and boys waited.

11,000 VOLTS THROUGH BODY.

Michael Foley Is Fearfully Burned and Shocked—May Live.

Port Chester, N. Y.—Eleven thousand volts of electricity passed through the body of Michael Foley and, although he is frightfully burned, there is a chance that he will recover. Foley was painting the overhead structure which carries the power wires of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad here, when he slipped and his arm slid against a bare wire. The side of his body pressed against a steel pillar.

SECURITIES AMOUNTING TO \$70,000.

Stolen From New York Concern.

New York.—Bonds and other securities, the market value of which is estimated to be about \$80,000, were officially reported as having been stolen from the American agency of the Russian empire. The market value of the securities is \$65,000.

CRAWLS ON KNEES TO CONFESS.

Husband Forces Wife, Who Elopeed, to Do Penance in Street.

Waukegan, Ill.—As a result of his wife eloping with another man and returning home a couple of days later repentant, J. Anderson of Tenth street compelled her to do penance by crawling a block up the street on her knees to church to confess her sin. The crowd watching the unusual sight, the woman sobbing as she crawled along.

WOMAN VOTES DESPITE VETO.

Mrs. Robert J. Burdette Enacts Role of a Militant Suffragette.

Passadena, Cal.—At an election here on the question of bonding the city for \$50,000 for a new polytechnic high school, Mrs. Robert J. Burdette attempted to vote, but her ballot was refused. She delivered to the commissioners a scorching criticism and insisted on voting, and was allowed to do so.

BARONESS HANGS IN ASYLUM.

Anisia Louise de Massey, Serving Murder Term, Strangles With Towel.

New York.—A suicide by hanging, Anisia Louise de Massey, who said she was a baroness, lies dead in the Matteawan asylum. She had been taken to the asylum after conviction for killing Gustav Simon, a shirtwaist manufacturer, November 19, 1906.

Cyclone Sweeps Over Sweden.

Stockholm, Sweden.—Central Sweden was visited Thursday by a cyclone. No lives were lost, but there was much damage to property. Many farm houses and factories were unroofed, especially in and about the city of Eskilstuna.

Death in Car Wreck.

Boise, Idaho.—In a head-on collision between cars on the Boise & Interurban railroad near Boise Thursday, Motorman William Earwood was killed and four passengers hurt.

New Judge in Brown Case.

Chicago.—Judge Kersten will preside over the retrial of Representative Lee O'Neil Browne, which will begin in the criminal court Monday, August 1. This was agreed to Wednesday by State's Attorney Wayman and the attorneys for the defense.

Forest Fires Destroy Lumber Towns.

Winnipeg, Man.—It is reported that three fires have been burning in the St. Albans district, have been destroyed by forest fires.

Western Banker Arrested.

Portland, Ore.—D. D. Outman, treasurer of W. P. McManis & Co., of this city, was arrested here Tuesday on a charge of receiving money, knowing a bank to be insolvent.

EX-MAYOR KILLED

VIRGINIA TOWN EXCITED OVER THE ASSASSINATION OF A. H. BOUSMAN.

WAS SLEEPING IN HIS YARD

Unknown Enemy Tossed Dynamite Bomb Which Landed in Hammock and Exploded—No Clue to the Murderer.

Ridgeway, Va.—Ex-Mayor A. H. Bousman was assassinated by a dynamite bomb. No clue to the identity of the murderer or trace of them has been found. Mayor Bousman had been spending the hot evenings sleeping in a hammock swung between two trees on the lawn in front of his residence. Without a word of warning at about 10 o'clock the bomb was thrown by someone passing along the street. It landed in the hammock at his feet and in an instant exploded. The ex-mayor's feet were torn away by the bursting shell and his legs mangled.

Although the town authorities, when notified of the murder, made every effort to discover the assassin, no clue could be found and it is believed he escaped without being seen by anyone. The news quickly spread about town and excitement grew to a high pitch. The surrounding community is worked up over the murder and it is believed if the assassin is caught he will be summarily dealt with.

As mayor of Ridgeway, Mr. Bousman presided over the police court of the town, trying petty cases. It is thought some person on whom Bousman in his court had passed sentence of punishment held a grudge against him, and had been awaiting an opportunity to wreak vengeance. He recently declined to serve a second term.

The terrible explosion attracted many persons, but the excitement was so great that apparently no one thought to search for the assassin until he had made his escape.

The town council has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest of the bomb thrower and the governor will be asked to add \$500.

PLAN TO RAISE THE MAINE

Swing Maine in Cradle of Cables to Permit Investigation.

Washington.—John F. O'Rourke, the engineer who bridged the Hudson at Poughkeepsie and drove the Pennsylvania railroad's tunnel under the North river, laid before Assistant Secretary of War Oliver his plan for raising the Maine from the mud of Havana harbor.

Briefly, this newest plan is based upon a system of pneumatic caissons, such as have made possible the building of extremely deep foundations under water, and which contributed largely to the success of the building of tunnels under the Hudson. No divers are completely aside. The method proposed is to swing the Maine in a cradle of powerful cables and lift her completely out of the water, where a complete inspection of her hull will be possible.

While the ship is suspended above water Mr. O'Rourke declares she can be repaired as readily as if she were in dry dock, and after being relifted from the cable cradle can leave Havana harbor under her own steam. This is said to be the first plan yet proposed which would present the ship to a naval board in precisely the same condition as she sunk on the night of February 15, 1898.

Boat Upsets; Two Drown.

Erie, Pa.—Harry and Alvin Winfield, brothers, and well known young men, were drowned in Erie harbor when their sailboat capsized. They had just taken a picnic party safely across to the peninsula and were returning for another load of young people when a gust of wind overturned them. Alvin Winfield's sweetheart was among a number of girls who, helpless, witnessed the accident from shore.

Groom 74; Bride 25.

Boston, Mass.—Japan's Yankee admiral, Henry Walton Grinnell, was married to Miss Florence Mary Roche, daughter of the late James Jeffrey Roche, the well-known author. Admiral Grinnell is seventy-four years old and was an intimate friend of the father of the bride, who is twenty-five years old.

Defective Safety Device.

Washington, D. C.—The board of army engineers which investigated the gun explosion last week at Fortress Monroe, reported that the accident was caused by the failure of the safety device of the firing mechanism to function properly.

Cincinnati Broker Killed.

Cincinnati, Ohio.—William F. Koester, head of the brokerage firm of William F. Koester & Co., was killed in a collision between his automobile and a street car in East Seventh and Main streets. Joseph Thuring, the other occupant of the machine, was not injured.

Five Die in Cuban Wreck.

Havana, Cuba.—Five men were killed and twenty others seriously injured in a collision between two trains on the Preston sugar mill road.

Five Hurt in Interurban Wreck.

Cleveland, Ohio.—Five persons were injured, none seriously, when two interurban car sons the Cleveland, Painesville & Eastern electric line met in a head-on collision near Willoughby.

Chicago Population 2,200,000.

Chicago, Ill.—The federal census will show the population of Chicago to be a little under the 2,200,000 mark. The school census, showing the population at 2,160,000, is said to be essentially correct.

Johnnie's Taxes Are Raised.

Cleveland, Ohio.—East Cleveland appraisers have placed an valuation of \$1,060,000 on John D. Rockefeller's Forest Hill estate. This is an increase of 300 per cent. over the last appraisal when the valuation was fixed at \$250,000. Mr. Rockefeller has not indicated if he will fight the appraisers.

Aviator Will Die.

Rome, Italy.—Advises received from Udine declare that Aviator Harman, who was injured in an aeroplane accident, will probably die.

DEMAND A PECULIAR WATCH

In Turkey the Day Begins and Ends at Sunset, Which Is Called 12 O'Clock.

Consul Milo A. Jewett of Trebizond repeats the announcement that there is a demand in Turkey for watches that indicate both Turkish and "Frank" time. He writes:

"For some years there probably will be a considerable demand for such watches in this country and Persia. For centuries reckoning time in this part of the world has been based on the assumption that the day ends and the new day begins at sunset, which is called 12 o'clock. This was universally observed by the people, who seldom had watches, judging the time or the day by the sun and its system also being employed by the civil and religious administrations. Watches and clocks made to keep regular mean time must be changed almost daily to adjust them to sunset time.

"Turkey is adopting modern improvements and the more accurate and scientific reckoning of time used by the 'Franks' is coming into use. After discussion by the government it has been decided not to impose the Frank reckoning by law. It will be introduced gradually. Various administrations will employ mean time, and the people will gradually become accustomed to and adopt it, being already introduced into most of the custom houses and in some military barracks and schools. The building of railroads, which must employ accurate time, will tend to introduce modern time. There will be a long period of transition from the old to the new, during which both systems will be in use. During that period many people will want watches showing both kinds of time, and it seems that a good business will be done in them. Watches of this sort have been made and sold in Turkey for years. They were bought only by a few persons, either foreigners or those having some relations with foreigners.

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