



Manchester Enterprise

By MAT D. BLOSSER

MANCHESTER

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MICHIGAN EVENTS NOTED

WILLIAM C. McMILLAN VERY ILL FROM WEAK HEART AND LIFE ENDANGERED.

A SUDDEN END IS FEARED

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Gov. Warner, who still is confined to bed by the illness which kept him from personal attendance at Lansing during the senatorial night, received Mr. Smith Thursday afternoon.

"That's for you," said the chief executive, "and this is for Mrs. Smith."

"It's only been used once," said the governor, "and that time I wrote Fred M. Warner on a very important document—this paper that will seat you on March 4 as a United States senator from Michigan."

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BIG FOUR TRAIN BLOWN TO PIECES

CAR OF POWDER EXPLODES AND TWENTY-THREE PERSONS ARE KILLED.

Horrible Accident at Sandford, Ind.—Victims Torn to Bits or Cremated in the Wreckage—Thirteen Perish in Collision at Fowler.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 21.—Twenty-three charred, broken and mutilated bodies have been taken from the smoldering ruins of the passenger train No. 3 on the Big Four railway which was destroyed by the explosion of a car load of powder as it passed a freight train at Sandford, Ind., nine miles west of here, Saturday night.

The cause of the disaster has not been fully explained. The result was terrible. The shock was felt for 30 miles; many believing it an earthquake.

Entire Train Destroyed.

The three coaches of the passenger train were filled. The entire train, including the engine, was blown from the track; the coaches demolished, the engine hurled 50 feet and the passengers either blown to pieces, contused by fire or reduced to a more or less injured condition.

At least 23 injured, some fatally, are at the hospitals in Terre Haute and Paris, Ill. Several are also being cared for at Sandford.

The full extent of the disaster was revealed at daylight Sunday morning, but the death list will not be complete until the workmen now clearing the debris have finished their task.

The dead, so far as known, are: William Thompson, Sandford, Ind.; W. M. Davis, Vermillion, Ill.; J. W. Sutherland, Paris, Ill.; John Franklin Ashmore, Ill.; A. D. Hector, Elbridge, Ill.; Chas. Gosnell, Paris, Ill.; Claude Steele, Sandford, Ind.; A. A. Hicks, Sandford, Ind.; Dr. Haslett, Grand View, Ill.; Frank Fielder, Findlay, O.; Mary Earhart, Terre Haute, Ind.; H. Blakey, Findlay, O.; John A. Bowen, Mattson, Ill.; A. Kuykendall, thought to be a Vandavia fireman; James Fenlon, Sandford; Kiever, Paris, Ill., body of aged woman, burned beyond recognition; three charred bodies not identified.

Missing and believed to have been burned to death: Mrs. Bud Wolfe, Sandford, Ind.; two daughters of Mrs. Wolfe, aged eight and six years, respectively.

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GALE-MAKES FLOOD WORSE

BUILDINGS IN CINCINNATI GO DOWN BEFORE WIND.

Cold Weather Increases Suffering of the Homeless—Ohio River Expected to Rise Higher.

Cincinnati, Jan. 21.—Colder weather and a gale of wind increased the suffering of those thousands who had been made homeless by the flood in Ohio, and a number of buildings that had been weakened by the water went down before the wind Saturday night and Sunday.

The first and probably most serious loss by collapsing walls was caused during the night when several floors in the buildings on Walnut street occupied by the A. Janssen Wholesale Grocery company and the Ohio Distillers company fell with a crash.

The area of flooded section increased considerably Sunday. For several hours the river was stationary at 61.5 feet but the weather bureau officials could find only temporary consolation in this fact, announcing during the afternoon that reports indicated that the river here would go up to at least 65 and perhaps 67 feet within the next 24 hours.

Kentucky Side Isolated.

The cut-off approach to the foot bridges across the Ohio, isolating most of the people on the Kentucky side of the river. Some of those in Covington were still able to cross the railroad bridges but Newport was almost wholly cut off and sections of Cromley, Bellevue, Ludlow, and Bowling were suffering from the back waters.

Systematic efforts to relieve the sufferers, who are estimated at nearly 20,000 in Cincinnati and the nearby cities on both sides of the river, were under way all day; the special appropriation by the city council being supplemented by special funds to which all the churches contributed. There will be a big theatrical benefit for the sufferers.

Reports from Other Towns.

Reports from up the river varied little from those of Saturday night. The lower end of Parkersburg was under water and the railroads were in trouble. Almost the entire business section of Portsmouth was under water and the entire north and west end flooded, while 50,000 people driven from their homes were sheltered in schools and churches; and the city was without gas or water service.

At Madison, Ind., several hundred people have been driven from their homes by the water which has gradually encroached on the business and residence section. While the lower sections of Huntington, W. Va., are under water it is not believed that the damage there will be very heavy.

D. P. DYER, JR., ACQUITTED.

St. Louis Subtreasury Teller Not Guilty of Embezzlement.

St. Louis, Jan. 19.—David P. Dyer, Jr., son of the United States district attorney and a teller in the local subtreasury, was acquitted by a jury in the United States district court Friday night on a charge of having embezzled \$61,500 of government funds.

The jury was out five hours and the verdict was greeted with cheers; the courtroom being nearly filled with friends of the Dyer family and federal employees.

Dyer's defense was that while admitting that his books showed a shortage of the amount stated in the indictment and that he had falsified the records to cover the discrepancy, he had no knowledge of how the shortage occurred and had refrained from reporting it in the hope that he could find and correct the mistake.

MERGER OF FREIGHT LINES.

Many Concerns Soon to Be Operated Under One Head.

Milwaukee, Jan. 19.—The most important and by far the most sweeping consolidation of freight lines of the great railway systems and combinations of the country that has been brought about in years is booked to be made within a short time, by the Vanderbilt system. The plans, it is learned, are now practically matured.

The plan is the absolute consolidation of all of the "fast freight" lines and "dispatch" lines which have for years been operated under the general Vanderbilt system, and will place all the lines under one corporation—the Merchants' Dispatch company.

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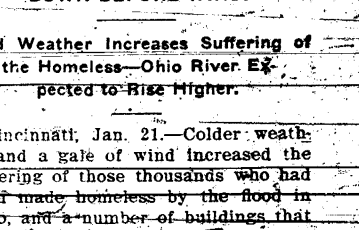
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From the State Capital

Information and Gossip Furnished by Special Correspondent at Lansing.

Lansing.—A complete history of the primary school interest fund is given in the annual report of the department of public instruction for the year 1905, and several important recommendations are made with reference to the distribution of the fund in the future. Last year \$3,500,000 was distributed among the schools of the state according to the number of persons of school age, and under the present system of railway taxation it is expected that not far from \$3,500,000 annually will be hereafter distributed. This will be at the rate of five dollars per capita or nearly so. The superintendent of public instruction questions whether the present basis is the proper one, and it is stated that the question of the distribution of this large sum of money is serious. It is said that the states which apportion the primary money according to the districts and not to the number of pupils receive the best results and, after mature investigation, it is recommended that the Michigan law be so amended that the money shall be apportioned according to the number of teachers employed and that it be apportioned but once a year. It is also recommended that the legislature should provide that when any district receives a larger amount than is necessary for the employment of teachers the balance should be covered back into the state treasury.

Constitutional Convention.—It seems certain that partisanship will govern the formation of the constitutional convention, so far as the legislature is concerned. There is a feeling among the politicians that the party in power must retain control of the convention at all hazards. So far as can be learned, the various measures dealing with the formation of the convention provide for electing the delegates in a way that will insure an almost solid Republican representation. The legislature could provide for a commission to appoint the delegates to the convention, but this plan does not seem to meet with favor. Senator Bland is the first member to introduce a bill providing for the constitutional convention. His measure provides for the election of 100 delegates in the same way as members of the legislature are elected, one from each representative district. The date of the convention is named, May 20, 1907, and the members are to draw \$10 a day for not to exceed 60 days.

Want Reference Department.—Before the present session adjourns efforts will be made to bring about the establishment of a reference department, similar to the one in Wisconsin. Such a department would have regard for instant use complete information bearing on all matters that might come up for legislative action. Senator Bland has in mind the introduction of such a measure. To be valuable the position will have to be non-political, a fact that the membership recognizes.

Discuss Convict Labor.—The question of the utilization of convict labor will be discussed at length at this session. Gov. Warner is anxious to have a better time plant installed in Jackson prison, and Senator Yeomans introduced a bill providing for the expenditure of \$7,950 for the purchase of road machinery to be used under the supervision of the state highway commission in employing convict labor.

Drain Commissioner Election.—The State Association of Drain Commissioners elected Commissioner John W. Smith of Sanilac county, president; E. D. Dickinson, Calhoun, vice president; and Don J. Albertson, Kalamazoo, secretary. The association will meet in Port Huron next August. They are satisfied with the drain laws.

To Raise Age of Consent.—Senator Kinnage has introduced a bill which raises the age of consent for females from 16 to 18 years, and another along the same lines, which makes it a felony for a man to marry a girl under age to escape prosecution and then desert her.

is Wanted at Chicago.—Chicago authorities have made application for a requisition for Madore J. Fahl, arrested at Grand Rapids and wanted in Chicago for alleged perjury, it being claimed that he testified falsely in qualifying on a bond for a prisoner.

Republican State Convention.—About the only contest that seems likely to develop in the next Republican state convention, which is to be held at Grand Rapids, February 14, will be over the nomination of two venetians. Wayne county is expected to have two or three candidates. These are Attorney James Murray, Col. Frank D. Leland, and Regent Levi L. Barbour. Washtenaw county has two candidates for the other place and a fight is brewing, due to local complications. A. J. Sawyer is one of the candidates.

Want Truancy Law Modified.—Four Lutheran pastors and several school teachers from various points came to Lansing and conferred with Deputy Superintendent of Public Instruction French, and also with the members of the house committee on education. They wish the truancy law of 1905 modified so that in practice it will not bear hard upon pupils attending parochial schools in which a foreign tongue is used in part. Rep. Waters of Washtenaw presented a bill embodying their suggestions.

IN THE MATTER OF CHECKS.

Take Them to the Bank at Once and Save Trouble.

In these days when so much business is done by means of checks and when these little slips of paper discharge most of the obligations between debtor and creditor it would seem almost unnecessary to suggest in a general way the advisability of cashing them as quickly as possible, says the Utica Press. That is what business men do every day of their lives. It often happens, however, that losses come to people because they postpone this important process. A comparatively recent occurrence furnished examples of this sort. Men of limited means held checks, which were good when given, so long that when presented for payment they were worthless. The holder, looking at them, said: "I know that such and such a bank is perfectly good. My money is as safe there as it would be in my own pocket." That is true if the money were deposited in your name, and the only way to have it in that good bank and have it deposited and so credited. A man may give a check that is good to-day and to-morrow, but which may not be worth the paper on which it is written next week. Whoever keeps a check more than 24 hours, if he can possibly get to a bank, is taking more or less risk, according to the reliability of the maker. The business of the country is done in checks and millions of money changes hands every day through them as a medium, but the good business man, no matter who sends it, puts the check in the bank within 24 hours of its receipt and commences. People unfamiliar with the business sometimes look on a check for \$10 with just as much respect as they would on a \$10 bill. One is good when it is proven so and the other is good anywhere and any time. Checks are unlike wine, in that they do not improve with age. When you get a check, even if it be from a man's or John D. Rockefeller's, take it right to a bank, have it cashed and put to your credit.

Tip for the Minister.—Tammie Tomson was the "ne'er-do-well" of a Scottish village. He had been frequently convicted of poaching and other offenses, and had paid the penalty in prison. Unwilling to work, he persistently tried all sorts of plans and ploys for extracting money from his township. One day he met the parish minister.

"Mr. B.," Sam began, indignantly, "I've some information to give ye, that might turn out very useful to ye. But I maun ha' half a crown for what I'm gaun to tell ye—it's worth it, a' I assure ye; it might come in real handy to ye some day."

"I'm hurrying to a funeral. I have no time to stop and listen to your story."

"Oh, but, sir, ye'll be sorry if ye dinna get this hint frae me!"

"I'm, I must go on, and keep my appointment, but there's a shilling for you; let me proceed."

"Minister, I'll tell ye for the shilling this time," said Tam, in excess of gratitude. "Ye'll no tak ye a minute to hear it. It's this: If ye're pit in the jail, try and get the second cell on the left-hand. It's by far the maist comfortable ane o' them."

Camphor from Florida.—The latest industrial possibility discovered in Florida's varied semi-tropical vegetation is the commercial production of camphor. The camphor tree has been grown in many parts of Florida as a foliage plant and curiosity, but it remained for the department of agriculture experts to realize the commercial possibilities of this exotic plant.

During the last year a number of trees in different parts of the state were placed at the disposal of the department's investigators, and from these 30 pounds of camphor gum was produced. This, upon refining, proved to be in every way a perfectly satisfactory substitute for the original article.

It is declared by the department's plant experts that the camphor tree can be grown to advantage in many parts of Florida which have been abandoned for orange culture, owing to the danger incident to occasional visitations of frost.

Frenchmen Balk at Checks.—Frenchmen have never cared for checks. They do not understand them. A few days ago a French journalist who had received a check on a well-known London bank showed it to me and asked me what he ought to do with it.

"Has it any value?" he asked.

"Why, certainly," I said. "You simply endorse it on the back, take it to your banker and he will give you the amount written on it."

But he seemed somewhat skeptical and I could see that he would much have preferred a postal order. But at last a serious attempt is to be made by parliament to teach the Frenchman how to make use of the check. It will, however, require the sanction of a special law before the masses will believe that there is any real good in the system. It is proposed to introduce the check with the assistance of the post office and to issue checkboards for a sum not inferior to \$20.—N. Y. Times.

Proposed French Piano Tax.—The monster which French legislators intend to attack is ubiquitous. Its name is "piano," and the minister of finance seriously thinks of proposing a tax on those instruments not used in a professional capacity and they, of course, from the majority. There are in France about 500,000 pianos, and a tax of, say, 1 per cent, would bring in the respectable sum of \$250,000. It is very tempting to a minister who struggles with an annual deficit.—London Bystander.

Progressing Finally.—Lovett—I suppose a fellow ought to have a good deal of money saved up before he thinks of marrying?

Marryat—Nonsense! I didn't have a cent when I married and I'm getting along fine now.

Lovett—That so? Installation plan?

Marryat—Yes, and we've only been married and keeping house for a year, and I've not the engagement ring all paid for now.

NOTES FROM MEADOWBROOK FARM

By William Pitt



The hen needs grit to succeed as well as man.

It's not the lazy hen that fills the egg basket.

Clean milking and milking clean are not exactly the same, but they are both essential to profitable dairying.

It is not so much overproduction which lowers prices sometimes as it is underdistribution.

An ounce of changed diet with the sheep is worth more than a pound of medicine.

Training has much to do with the making of the good dairy cow, and the training should begin back with the sire and the dam.

Sheep won't thrive on poor food and raise a good fleece any more than the farm horse can do a good day's work on half rations.

We speak of the poultry business. Business is it? Then it won't run itself any more than any other business. Attention is essential to success in any line.

Too much water in the soil is a serious handicap to many an orchard, and the trouble can be easily corrected by laying tile between each row of trees.

Many turkey growers retain the small immature turkeys because unfit for market and then breed from them the next spring. This results in weak and stock which is more liable to disease.

One farmer who has tried it and says it works cured a kicking cow by passing a small rope in front of the udder and tying it back of the hip joints. No harm to try it if you have a kicking cow.

The farmer ought to take an inventory every year just as the business man does. The winter time is the convenient season for this work. Find out where you stand. Let cold, hard facts tell you how you did last year. Don't guess at it.

An Ohio reader tells how he cleaned out a field badly infested with sasparilla. His plan was to cut them up with a grubbing hoe at the top when the ground was frozen hard and then, in the spring turned in the cattle, which finished up what was started.

Get a microscope and examine clover and other seeds you expect to sow next season. Know whether there is dodder and other noxious weed seeds in the mixture. A little study and practice makes one quite proficient in judging the quality of a lot of seed.

Method of feeding has much to do with the value of the feed itself. Skim milk if sprayed into steamed hay or straw or ground feed is worth as much as 25 cents per 100 pounds for feeding calves and hogs, but without such treatment it is not worth more than ten cents per 100 pounds.

Milking machines operated by electricity are to be installed by the Nebraska university dairy department and if the experiment proves successful it is probable that many dairy farmers throughout the state will adopt the method. Interurban trolley wires will be the source of the electrical current for the work.

Blackhead in turkeys is simply liver trouble, and therefore a germ disease and contagious. The primary cause of the disease is said to be the overtaxing of the digestive organs with grain feed as a result of insect life being scarce, a diet which is essential to the keeping of turkeys in healthy condition.

The Percheron Horse society of France has offered to the Ohio Agricultural college a trophy which will probably be a bronze figure of a Percheron. This is to be competed for annually by the students taking instruction in horse judging at the university, the one showing the greatest proficiency to have his name inscribed on the base of trophy.

The eleventh annual poultry, pig and pet stock show will be held in Chicago January 23 to 30, 1907. It is under the management of the National Fanciers' and Breeders' association. Fred L. Kinnery, 325 Dearborn street, Chicago, is secretary, and all information in regard to exhibits, premiums, etc., can be secured from him.

W. A. Henry, dean of Wisconsin Agricultural college, reports two young men who are preachers as among the students in the college taking the short course. They came to the agricultural college because their pastorates are in rural districts and they desired to become well informed on agricultural subjects so as to be able to help their parishioners. This is an index of the growing interest in agriculture.

The United States department of agriculture through a series of experiments is going to try to settle two important questions in poultry culture as to whether mash should be fed to turkeys wet or dry—a much mooted question—and as to whether "hopper" feeding—the placing of the feed in bins

and allowing the fowls to help themselves—really pays. The settlement of these two questions by satisfactory experiments will be welcomed by poultrymen all over the country.

Prof. W. A. Henry, dean of Wisconsin agricultural college, advises that only a few acres of tobacco be grown on each farm if the fertility of the farm is to be maintained. He says the remainder of the land should be devoted to a rotation of crops and a large amount of live stock kept. Dairying or sheep raising go particularly well with tobacco growing. In order that cows or sheep be profitably kept, let there be a large production of clover hay and Indian corn.

The use of commercial fertilizers and manures on agricultural crops gives so wide a range of results from success to failure that the many cases is worth your consideration. "The solubility of all substances," says the American Fertilizer, "is the first consideration that should be given by the farmer when he proposes to use them. Barnyard manure is sometimes a complete fertilizer, but to be complete it must be in such condition that before the maturity of the crop its beneficial salts must be dissolved by water.

The Wisconsin experiment station in co-operation with the government agricultural department is at work breeding up barley in an effort to get two or three good varieties to take the place of the 60 or 70 varieties now produced in the state. During the nine years of experimenting the effort has been to produce a rust-resisting variety. In the attempt to destroy rust on the heads of barley the formaldehyde treatment has been used for several years, but it was found that while this killed the covered smut, it did not reach the naked smut, and a new method, a modification of the Swingle method, has seemed to correct the difficulty. The grain is soaked in cold water for 12 hours and then submerged in hot water (130 degrees) for ten minutes. That kills the germs and the experiment station reports that the fields on which that kind of barley was sown showed remarkable results in the way of barley free from smut.

The Oregon state board of agriculture has ordered nurserymen to plant trees in lime sulphur mixture instead of the customary kerosene. President W. K. Nesbitt of the board says that the standard mixture will be used, that is 15 pounds of lime and 15 pounds of sulphur to 50 gallons of water. In addition to this method of treatment to destroy the scale and prevent the spread of the pest, the state inspectors have the right to seize and destroy fruit found on the market which has the scale on it. It would seem that if ever the scale pest is to be checked and removed

it must be by the general adoption of such drastic measures. In New Zealand it is said the laws relating to infected fruit are quite as stringent as those of Oregon, and appear to have worked satisfactorily for years. British Columbia has similar laws regarding the confiscation of insect-infested fruit.

Feeding experiments carried on by the Washington state agricultural experiment station at Pullman during the last ten years have shown that wheat yields better results with cattle and swine than any other cereal, and now the station has begun a series of experiments with work horses to test the feeding value of wheat in the northwest states and barley here. The traditional feeds for horses, wheat and corn, have been used in mixtures but there has always been a feeling of foundation that the idea being it is too "heating." However, in the case of hogs and cattle such uniform results have been attained that it would seem unlikely that horses should be peculiar in this respect. It is probable that the vast number of work horses on the farm, in the towns and cities and on the many construction lines for railroads and irrigation enterprises in the northwest, can use wheat as the foundation and the largest part of the ration. To get exact data on this point and thus promote the interests of consumer and producer, is the object of the projected experiment at Pullman, Wash.

The Storrs agricultural station sends out a warning against a new pest of the apple. It is known as the apple leaf miner or the trumpet miner of the apple. It was first observed in Pennsylvania and described by Dr. Clemens in 1860. Later its occurrence has been recorded in Kentucky, New York, Illinois, Texas, Minnesota, Michigan, New Jersey, Vermont and Ontario. The injury is caused by the tiny caterpillars mining in the leaves, making large, brownish patches. Early in June the egg, which is so small that it cannot be seen with the naked eye, is deposited singly on the upper surface of the leaf. A drop of wax seals it to the leaf. In about six days it is hatched, and the young caterpillar, without exposing itself to the outside world, bores into the leaf. At first it makes a narrow channel, but with the increase in the size of the insect and its appetite, the channel becomes wider, and a trumpet-shaped mine is the result. The full-grown caterpillar is not more than a quarter inch in length. The color is green, with a brown head. It changes to a pupa about the middle of July. After about ten days in this condition, the adult, which is an inconspicuous brown moth, appears. These moths soon commence depositing the eggs that produce the second brood. The second brood caterpillars are much more destructive than the first. They reach maturity about September 1, when they cease feeding and prepare for winter. After hibernating until spring, they settle down until spring, when they change to pupae. They remain in this condition only a few days, when they become moths. As the caterpillars feed beneath the leaf surface, application of insecticides is useless. The most effective remedy is to gather up and destroy the leaves in the fall. Where orchards are regularly mowed, the early spring plowing will be equally effective.

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The entertaining author of "Collections and Recollections" has been writing on the favorite beverages of great men. Thackeray's choice was claret. He said that "our intellect ripens with good cheer and throws off surprising crops under the influence of that admirable liquid class." Mr. Gladstone, to whom the other pleasures of the table meant nothing, was a stickler for port. He believed in it, a judge of it. Mr. Russell says that the only feeble speech he ever heard from Gladstone was made after dinner at an otherwise hospitable house, where wine was not suffered to appear.

Lord Tennyson drank his bottle of port every day, and drank it undecanted, for as he justly observed, a decanter holds only eight glasses, but a black bottle nine. Mr. Browning, if he could have his own way, drank port all through dinner, as well as after it. Sir Moses Montefiore, who lived to complete his hundred years, drank a bottle of port wine every day after he came to his man's estate. Mr. Finching, the wine merchant in "Little Dorrit," thought champagne weak but palatable, and Lord St. Jerome, in "Lothair," was esteemed by the young men a patriot "because he always gave his best champagne at his ball suppers."—Town and Country.

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WOMAN IN STRANGE FIELDS.

Exploration and Discovery No Longer Left to the Sterner Sex.

Not long ago the triumph of a woman who had ascended one of the Himalaya peaks to a height hitherto unequalled by any mountain climber was duly chronicled. A few days later a foreign news item announced the arrival in South Africa of an American young woman who seeks the jungle in order to study the language of the monkey tribe. She is alone in her daring quest and appears to have a full realization of its perils.

Still another venturesome woman is Marguerite Selenska of German birth, who is to head an important scientific expedition to Java in the early part of the coming year. She goes there in the endeavor to establish the identity of a fossil man-ape found on the island, as the so-called missing link.

It is evident that these women are admitting no handicap because of their sex. They are going to conquer their regions that few men have penetrated and their action suggests that it may not be long before a supremacy of the sterner sex in the fields of exploration and discovery will be very seriously questioned.

A Wonderful Country.

"Eastern visitors to the west are generally prepared for any phenomenal showing in the line of agriculture, stock-raising and the like," says a Colorado man, "but once in awhile they are taken by surprise."

"A New Hampshire man, who was spending his vacation on the ranch of a relative in Colorado, went out one morning to inspect a large incubator in which the young chicks were hatching. In one corner of the incubator a neglected peach-wood, encouraged by the warmth of the atmosphere, had burst and a tiny sprout several inches long was growing out of it.

"Suffering Caesar!" exclaimed the New Hampshire man, as this caught his eye. "do you hatch out your peaches in this country?"—Harper's Weekly.

Fishermen Use Wireless.

The wireless telephone, it is claimed, has successfully entered into the deep-sea fishing industry. For the last week experiments have been conducted by the wireless telegraph station at Brant Rock, which is equipped with a wireless telephone, with a small vessel stationed among the fleet of the Massachusetts bay. Recently, it is asserted, the fishermen wished to learn the prices ruling in the Boston market. The operator on the wireless-fitted boat called up Brant Rock, and telephoned the fishermen's request. The land operator asked Boston, and the answer was forwarded back to the fishermen.—N. Y. Post.

Condensation With a Vengeance.

A Kansas editor is said to have entertained extreme ideas with reference to the value of a "condensed style." On one occasion owing to lack of space he wielded his pencil at the end of a syndicate serial story with this result in the way of compression: "Reginald took a small bandy, then his hat, his departure, besides no notice of his pursuers, meantime a revolver out of his pocket and lastly his own life."

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Then They Went On.

"It strikes me that you are loaded," said the pastor to the double-barrel shotgun.

"Oh, not quite," rejoined the latter. "I'm only half-loaded."

Whereupon they both exploded with laughter.—Chicago Daily News.

Knew Better.

"There's an changing a leopard's spots," remarked the visitor at the zoo.

"Oh, yes there is," said the keeper. "I saw a lion fighting with one once, and he kicked the spots clean out of him."—Detroit Free Press.

Married For Money.

"Here is an interesting item about a man who has married 1,400 times." "Gracious! He must be some eastern potentate."

"No, the item says he is an Indian, justice of the peace."—Houston Post.

Hard to Believe.

"I think Rigley is one of the politest men I ever met."

"I'm listening."

"He always thanks the telephone girl when she tells him the line is busy."—Milwaukee Sentinel.

When Love Does Fly.

"Love," remarked the sentimental maid, "makes time fly."

"It does during courtship," rejoined the young widow, "but after the parson has said his say time begins to make love fly."—Chicago Daily News.

Why She Suffered.

"Yes, she is a woman who has suffered a great deal because of her belief."

"Indeed! And what is her belief?"

"That she can wear a No. 3 shoe on a No. 6 foot."—Royal Magazine.

Not Positive.

He—Are you fond of Chopin, Miss Fangle?

She—Yes, I enjoy it as a rule; but the shops are fearfully overcrowded just now.

As Evidence.

Employer—Have you had any experience as chauffeur?

Applicant—Well, I can show you receipts for all the fines I have paid.

Too Well Posted.

Jinks—How did you come to lose 80 much money on the races?

Winks—Got too many tips before I started.—N. Y. Weekly.