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THE CHAUTAUQUA.

The people of Beatrice have an opportunity this year to give substantial evidence of their desire to stand up for deservng home institutions, by patronizing the Chautauqua as liberally as they can.

The Beatrice Chautauqua is celebrated throughout the west, and deservedly so, for in point of excellence it is equal to any institution of a similar character in the country, and nothing could be a severer blow to the reputation of the town than the death of this enterprise. All that it has become is due to the unselfishness of a few prominent citizens, who have sacrificed time and money to build it up.

This year, owing to circumstances which mortals cannot control, it is impossible to have large audiences from outside points, and the Chautauqua must be largely supported by home patronage. Beatrice people should prove themselves equal to the emergency. They should take this matter seriously, and do all they can to make the assembly a success, and thus encourage the management to make renewed efforts next year.

AS TO "LEADING CITIZENS."

THE EXPRESS takes exception to having Mr. Bryan alluded to as "the leading citizen of Nebraska." It confesses it admires his fine traits but it cannot agree that he is the Abou Ben Adhem of the state.

THE EXPRESS says: "Nebraska has hundreds of manufacturers, and any one of them is of more value than Mr. Bryan; the man who keeps the smoke coming from a factory chimney is a better institution than the dealer in words."

Mr. Bryan is now a publisher. He doesn't own a plant, only a tripod or two and a paste pot and a few silver slogans. But he hires an editor and an office cat and contributes to the channels of industry by keeping men in other print shops busy. His editor, Will Maupin, keeps enough smoke coming from his pipe to make it a good substitute for a factory chimney.

But counting all these in Mr. Bryan's behalf it is still true, as THE EXPRESS affirms, that he cannot be rated as the "leading citizen of Nebraska." There are so many other men who pay so many times more for labor and the production of useful things that they successfully dispute with Mr. Bryan his title to the distinguished honor. He may be the leading entertainer or the entertaining leader but not the leading citizen.—Fromont Tribune.

MANY widely different stories as to the death of King Alexander of Serbia are published in the dispatches; the only thing reasonably certain is that he is dead, and that is regarded as sufficient by most people. And now that the smoke of battle has cleared away, it may be admitted that however the deed was done, the murder was brutal and cowardly, and no good can come from such a method of overthrowing a dynasty. The prince who profits by it is likely to meet a similar end in time. The army has felt its power, has tasted blood, like a tame tiger, and can no longer be depended upon.

On the Fourth of July the good people of Lincoln will have the opportunity of being amused; they may hear Tom Johnson denounce the trusts in impassioned language, which is equivalent to the pot calling the kettle black, or the devil rebuking sin.

KANSAS papers are full of heart rending stories concerning the recent floods. Every creek in that country seems to have spoiled a few towns. The town of Hutchinson, for instance, reports a loss of \$2,000,000 by the overflowing of

Cow creek. The inundation was bad enough in Nebraska, but it was fifty times worse in Kansas.

The Serbian people approve of the murder of the king and queen. They are nice refined people.

Some of the farmers are beginning to hint that a rain would not be a bad idea. If there is no rain until the end of June the country will not suffer.

The democratic party may yet be obliged to accept Dave Hill as its presidential candidate. Every other man thus far mentioned has been howled down.

The republican paper in Gov. Bailey's home town in Kansas, which is usually full of stories concerning him, devotes three lines to his marriage. And so people are wondering.

Up to the hour of going to press we had received no dispatch stating that ex Secretary Porter had handed over to the commonwealth that large roll of greenbacks he has been owing so long.

TOO LATE TO CLASSIFY

At morning all the birdlets
Are singing merry lays;
And I would like a shotgun
To serenade the jays.

Everything possible should be done to encourage people to attend the Chautauqua, and the first thing necessary is to build a good sidewalk to the grounds. People can get along without many of the necessities of life, but they can't get along without sidewalks.

Mr. Wright has gone into the country, ostensibly to take orders for the G. H. Johnson patent wire stretcher and churn combined, but the fact that he has his wagon equipped for chickens leads conservative citizens to the belief that the farmers should keep their henhouse doors locked.

The Beatrice cereal mill is a pronounced success. It cannot supply the demand for its finished products, and the demand for the by-products is constantly increasing. We point with pride to Ed Miller.

When a newspaper man hears a story that promises to be good hot stuff, the best thing he can do is to write it down at once; for if he investigates, he is pretty sure to find that it is made out of whole cloth.

Hens are the silliest animals in the world, and they always get up bright and early in the morning. It is possible that you have no more sense than a hen?

We are pained to learn that Hon. Porto Wilson had some of his eyes discolored during the course of an argument with Hon. A. G. Wolfenbarger, the celebrated prohibition orator. Gentlemen of their age and standing should be contented to let dogs delight to bark and bite, for 'tis their nature.

Round Trip Rates Via Union Pacific to many points in the states of California, Colorado, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Montana.

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- \$45 to San Francisco and Los Angeles and return, May 12 to 18, inclusive, Aug. 1 to 14, inclusive.
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The Sacred Plants of the Druids.

The Druids held many plants sacred, as, for instance, vervain, selago, mistletoe, and among trees the oak and the rowan. There is, I think, no serious doubt as to the identity of any of these except the second (selago), which is generally thought to be the club moss. Oak mistletoe is certainly rare, and that may have been the reason why it had an especially sacred character, but it does exist.

A WAY THEY HAVE

What This Beatrice Citizens Says Only Corroborates the Story of Thousands.

The particulars related by this representative citizen of Beatrice are similar to hundreds of others in this city. When there are scores of people, all anxious to tell about the benefits received from the use of Doan's Kidney Pills the greatest skeptic in Beatrice must be convinced. Read the following:

Mrs. Maxwell Sisco of High street, corner of Fifteenth, says: "I was troubled with a deranged condition of the kidneys growing more and more severe until the pain in my back was almost constant and my rest much broken at night. All the symptoms pointed to irritation of the kidneys and the auxiliary organs and when I learned of people being cured by Doan's Kidney Pills Mr. Sisco procured them for me at Hoagland's drug store. Use of one box ended the trouble and up to the present time there has been no recurrence."

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ARSON IN TRIAL

Hotel Belonging to Chief Witness Burns—Militia Fight The Flames—Doubt of Conviction.

Jackson, Ky., June 15.—The City hotel, a three-story building, owned by Captain B. J. Ewen, the principal witness against Jett and White, now on trial here for the assassination of Lawyer J. B. Marcum, was burned to the ground. There were fifteen guests in the hotel, but all escaped without injury. There was no insurance on the structure, and the hotel, together with its furnishings and the effects of the guests, is a total loss.

The town has no fire department and its citizens were awakened by the firing of pistols and guns and much excitement prevailed. A detachment of militia came on the double quick from their camp across the river and rendered valuable aid in assisting the guests to escape and preventing the flames from spreading. Captain Ewen has been kept at the camp of the militia since he testified last Monday that he saw Curtis Jett fire the shot which killed Marcum. It was only two days ago that Jackson was put under martial law.

The fire is not only considered as incendiary, but also as accessory to other acts of intimidation in connection with the pending trial of those accused of the murder of J. B. Marcum, who was an attorney of contestants for county offices now held by leaders of the faction with which the defendants were identified. It has been openly predicted that there would be the flashing of incendiary warnings, that arson would go along with assassination, as disciplinary measures might be needed in Breathitt county.

The fire threw a community, accustomed to violence, into unusual excitement. Even those who have tried to be neutral in the Breathitt county troubles are apprehensive that their homes may be the next to be fired. All dreaded the coming of night. The provost marshal has only a handful of men and should it be decided by conspirators to burn other houses, it is believed there are many who would attempt to execute the order.

SHAMROCK III ARRIVES.

Lipton's Fleet Now Lying at Anchor Off Tompkinsville, S. I.

New York, June 15.—Safe and sound after a rough passage from Gourock, Scotland, of sixteen days and twenty-two hours, Sir Thomas Lipton's latest challenger for the America's cup, the Shamrock III, is now lying at anchor off Tompkinsville, S. I., in company with the steam yacht Erin, that had towed her most of the way across the Atlantic, and the Shamrock I, towed by the British tug Cruiser. The 156 men which manned the yachts and their convoys are all well, and there were no accidents to mar the passage. Between Gourock and Fayal, Azores, where the steamers stopped for coal, calms and squally weather were encountered. The Erin and her tow became separated from the cruiser and the Shamrock I before reaching Fayal, but they never lost sight of each other after leaving there. On June 12 the yachts were caught in a gale from the southeast and while it blew very hard and a heavy sea was running very little water was shipped and no damage was done.

The yachts passed Sandy Hook light-ship soon after daylight. They were saluted by every vessel that passed them all the way to quarantine. When they arrived there the crews of the yachts gave three cheers for each other as they stood lined up on deck. Both yachts flew the pennant of the Royal Ulster Yacht club.

The new challenger is a far handsomer yacht than Shamrock I or the Shamrock II. She looks not unlike the Columbia above the water line, and her beam seems greater than either of those yachts. She tapers easily, making very little broken water at the bow and leaving a clean wake. Her captain, Robert Wringe, says she behaved splendidly under all conditions of weather during the passage across the Atlantic.

Pope Annoyed by Rumors.

Rome, June 15.—Dr. Laponi, the pope's physician, continues treatment of his difficulty, which would not be worth mentioning were it not for the pope's age. All rumors regarding his indisposition and premature reports of his death are kept from him as far as possible, as they give him much concern, for the pontiff takes them most seriously. "Why do they want me to be gone?" he exclaims, "I do no one any harm." It is impossible to make his holiness understand that it is the interest taken in his person which leads to the publication of these rumors.

Sunday Trading at Stock Yards.

Kansas City, June 15.—The first Sunday trading at the stock yards in the history of the local market prevailed here, all departments being open. The business of buying and selling cattle and hogs progressed the same as on a week day. The market was kept open at the request of shippers and feeders close to Kansas City, who have experienced difficulty in obtaining feed at reasonable prices because of the conditions resulting from the recent flood.

Flood Threatens El Paso.

El Paso, Tex., June 15.—The flood condition is regarded as serious by even the most conservative persons. The river continues to rise and the water is striking the levee with great force. All available policemen have been placed on duty along the river and a large force of men are strengthening weak spots.

Cabinet Crisis in Italy.

Rome, June 15.—The political crisis continues. Former Premier Zanardelli was unable to go to the quinal to see the king, owing to illness. This circumstance is delaying the solution of the crisis. It is reported that if Sig. Zanardelli persists in his refusal to form a cabinet the king will call on former Interior Minister Giolitti.

WHOLESALE CATTLE RUSTLING.

Confession of Four Indians Said to Have Uncovered Gigantic Plot.

Sioux City, June 15.—A "secret circle" formed for the purpose of rustling cattle, which in its sensational details reads like a dime novel, has just been unearthed in Lyman county, South Dakota. The scheme is a gigantic one, involving several of the more prominent cattle raisers. Some of the more honest ones have been forced into the organization through fear and at present a bounty of \$500 has been placed on the head of one of the Hancock brothers, who has been especially stern in his hostility to the rustlers. A secret agent of the government has been at work on the case for some time and the confessions of Claude Eagle Pipe, William Black Bull, Henry Pipe and Moses Goodvoice, a quartet of Indians employed by the rustlers, is thought to complete the chain of evidence against the rustlers. The confessions were secured by C. H. Wilkie, special agent for the Stockmen's association, Lyman county, with Oacoma as headquarters, has been the chief scene of the depredations of the rustlers, but their thieving has been carried on by an elaborate system, over a large part of the range country. A veritable cattle war is threatened. It is not believed the rustlers will submit to arrest and the more reputable cattle dealers are determined to rid the country of them. Bloodshed is expected.

TEXTILE STRIKE NEARS END.

Another Firm Gives Way While Yarn Shortage May Force Settlement.

Philadelphia, June 15.—There were no new developments in the textile workers' strike other than the granting of the demands by Coxie Bros., haircloth manufacturers, making eighty-nine concessions up to date.

A scarcity of yarn has resulted from the strike and the idle operatives assert that yarn mills will soon be compelled to grant the demands if an utter stagnation of the textile industry is to be averted. With all the yarn mills idle, it will not be long before the plants conceding the fifty-five hour week will be forced to close for lack of material.

Hangs Herself in Penitentiary.

Anamosa, Ia., June 15.—Christina Behrens of Scott county killed herself in the state penitentiary. She was given clothing for her own use and some cloth out of which to make something, and she fashioned a rope with which she succeeded in hanging herself. Mrs. Behrens was received at the penitentiary in 1897 on a life sentence from Scott county for killing her husband. She tried in vain to get the legislature to consider an application for pardon and since that was refused she has been despondent. She was forty-seven years of age at the time of her commitment. She was the only life convict in the female department at the state prison.

Young Fountain in Mexican Jail.

Chihuahua, Mex., June 15.—Thomas Foley Fountain, son of Colonel A. J. Fountain, is having a peculiar and trying experience here, where he is held a prisoner on the charge of threatening to kill Grant Gillette of Kansas, who took refuge in Mexico to escape his creditors. Young Fountain has been in jail a month or more and there seems little prospect for his immediate release. It appears that Fountain had been imprisoned on the accusation of Gillette, who had his fears aroused when he was informed that several persons had entered into a conspiracy to kidnap him and deliver him to the Kansas police for a reward.

Monument to Negro Slaves.

Barrington, R. I., June 15.—A memorial monument to negro slaves and their descendants in recognition of valuable domestic and patriotic services before and during the revolutionary war, the first of its kind to be erected in the United States, was dedicated here. The memorial in a large granite boulder, buttressed at the corner with large black stones, emblematic of the interdependent relations of the white and black races, and bears a tablet inscribed: "In memory of negro slaves and their descendants who faithfully served Barrington families."

Twenty-two Ordained as Preachers.

Bloomington, Ill., June 15.—A general synod of the Swedish Lutheran church at Paxton celebrated communion at the morning service and listened to a sermon by Rev. M. C. Larson of Seattle, Wash. Twenty-two men were ordained as preachers. The address of ordination was delivered in Swedish by Rev. N. Forsner of Rock Island, Ill.

Serious Floods in France.

St. Etienne, France, June 15.—Violent rainstorms have flooded many mines in this region, compelling a suspension of work. Washouts have also interrupted railway traffic. The River Loire overflowed, while the Loire is ten feet above the usual level at Baldigny. The damage caused by inundation is already estimated at 10,000,000 francs.

TELEGRAMS TERSELY TOLD.

The steamer Charles H. Davis foundered off the mouth of Cleveland harbor.

Five persons were burned to death in a flat building at 344 East Fifteenth street, New York. It is believed the fire was of incendiary origin.

Mrs. Lettie Mason Quine, president of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society of the Methodist church, died at her home in Chicago Sunday.

The grain and seed warehouse of D. S. Gay at Winchester, Ky., burned Sunday, including the largest stock of bluegrass seed in the world. Loss, \$100,000.

Dr. J. C. Buchanan of Eastman, Ga., was shot and killed by his son, Ogletree. The father had seized a pistol and threatened to kill his wife and children.

In a quarrel with one of his stable hands at the Harlem race track, Sydney Bender, a well known horse owner, was struck with a pitchfork and so badly injured that he may die.

—If you want it, or if someone else wants it, or if you want to rent it or buy it, or borrow it, or find it, just let it be known in our "Want" column.

Terror Of Peons

How the Strangler Snake of Mexico Slays Its Victims.

Death of Three Indians In a Mining Camp Ascribed to This Monster—Choked In Their Sleep.

Winding its body about its horror stricken victim's neck and then drawing up its coils with the deadly effect of the garrote, the strangler of Mexico is believed to kill seemingly with the pleasure of a demon. Once within its folds there is no escape, for the monster serpent never relaxes its folds until the object of its grasp ceases to struggle.

George Godin, superintendent of the International Mining and Milling com-



IN THE GRIP OF THE STRANGLER.

pany's Whetstone camp of Sonora, Mexico, says that in all his travels he has never encountered any superstition which is the cause of such absolute maddening terror as that created by the strangler among the simple minded Mexican Indians of north Sonora.

"This dread being is a huge yellow and black snake, which is supposed to choke its victim to death and is thought by the Cholos, inhabiting that section of Mexico, to possess an intelligence diabolical in its malevolence, cunning and on the plane of that of human beings. It is also supposed to be inspired by the evil one, and its visitation is accredited to the occasion of vengeance for some slight to his Satanic Majesty.

"Of course no one takes any stock in the myth, not even the native Mexicans. But many of the Indians in the pinecone region believe in it.

"The alleged murderous serpent is a huge constrictor, reaching as great a length as from thirteen to sixteen feet and very fat about the body. It is colored in great blotches of yellow and black like the bull snake. It kills its prey by crushing it to death, then covering the victim with saliva and slowly swallowing it. Mexican stockmen call it the 'calf killer,' for it destroys young stock by winding about the throat or body and crushing it in merciless embrace.

"About a year ago two Mexican Indians who worked in the mine were found dead in the bunk house. They had been choked to death, and their faces bore a frightful picture of agony.

"The bunk houses at Whetstone camp are about 100 yards from the mess hall. The Mexicans were gathered in front of these and were greatly excited. The crowd parted as I approached. Going into the dim light of the adobe building, for it was yet early dawn, I found the two murdered men lying upon their bunks. Their faces were horribly swollen and congested with blood, the mouths were open and gaping in agony, and the staring eyeballs seemed to pop from the head. The whole countenance was congested in livid terror, as if the unfortunate men had seen the impending doom which they were powerless to avert. The elbows were crooked back toward the face, and the hands were clutched as if attempting to pull away the murderous death grip. Around the neck was a great black welt, where the constricted blood showed plainly on the dark skin.

"After much questioning I learned that the Mexicans did not believe that the murder had been committed by one of their number and that they ascribed the deed to the strangler.

"A short time after this another Mexican Indian was found dead in his bunk under circumstances similar to those attending the murder of the first two men. There were the same frightful distortion, the same extreme horror and anguish on the countenance, the same rigid, fixed, but impotent clutching of the dead hands as if to repel the murderer's grip."

When the Barber Was a Wit.

In original literature the barber is a great figure, and Arabian tales are full of him. In Italy and Spain he was often the brightest man in town, and his shop was headquarters for wit and intrigue. Jassamin became famous as a poet in southern France and recited his verses with razor, scissors, brush and comical gestures as he dressed the hair and beard of fine ladies and gentlemen in his shop. He had a great run, made money, lived fame, and smiles made a book about him.

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The cause of Eczema is a too acid and general unhealthy condition of the blood. The terrifying itching and burning is produced by the overflow through the glands and pores of the skin of the fiery poisons with which the blood-current is overloaded. While external applications, such as washes, soaps, salves and powders arrest itching and cooling they do not enter into the blood itself or touch the real cause of the disease, but S. S. S. does, and purifies, enriches, and strengthens the thin acid blood and cleanses and builds up the general system, when the skin clears off and Eczema with all its terrifying symptoms disappears.

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