

WILL BE FACTOR IN COTTON.

Improved Methods in China Promise to Make American Manufacturers Hump for Trade.

"With better methods and greater skill in Japan, and with the Chinese cotton mills free from the obstacles which have hitherto crippled them, the American manufacturer will have to be alert," said Samuel H. Houseman, a New Orleans cotton broker. "When the Chinese cotton mills started it was predicted," continued Mr. Houseman, "that they would eventually supply the needs of the oriental market. The Chinese cotton producers, in resorting to various plans of squeezing, virtually killed the goose before it began laying golden eggs. They attempted to obtain higher prices by cornering methods, they utilized unfair ways in attempting to increase the weight of the bale, and such methods, coupled with the fact that the Chinese cotton product did not equal that of the United States, hurt the industry in China, at least temporarily.

"Now, however, these defects and obstacles are being removed. Japanese manufacturers are becoming interested in the Chinese mills, better methods prevail, and with markets favorable and friendly to the native product, the outsider will have to offer, in due time, additional inducements."

Reincarnated in Lizard.
An old Chinese woman, who lived in an ordinary native hut by herself, died and was buried. On the following day a large iguana (a species of lizard which attains a length of about two feet) was seen by a gentleman living close by and attacked his poultry. Hearing the noise and commotion, he came out and, on ascertaining the cause, got his gun and shot the iguana. No sooner had he done this than there arose a great uproar from the relatives of the old woman, who declared that he had killed her, because her spirit had passed into the lizard. In proof of which they pointed triumphantly to the fact that it had never before been seen in the vicinity and only appeared after her death. Rupees finally appeased the outraged feelings of the old woman's descendants.—Java Times.

In Examination Time.
A Massachusetts (Pa.) school teacher read at a recent sociable some funny examination answers of this season's culling. Some of the answers were: "The two most famous volcanoes are Sodom and Gomorrah." "A demagogue is a barrel containing beer and ale." "The blood is putrefied in the lungs by inspired air." "In Austria the principal occupation is ostrich farming."

"Mediavalism is a wicked man who has been tempted." "The food passes through your windpipe to the pores and thence through the body by evaporation through a lot of little holes in the skin which we call capillaries."

From a Legal Point of View.
Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor, is a collector of pictures and a patron of the arts. When he lived in St. Louis he had Zorn, the artist, at his elbow for a time. Zorn painted a portrait of Mr. Nagel. Mrs. Nagel looked at the portrait when it was finished.

"Do you know, Mr. Zorn," she said, "that while I like the picture very much there is something about it that is lacking? It does not seem to be just the man who is my husband."

"Madame," replied Zorn, "that may be true. I did not paint a picture of your husband, I painted a picture of my lawyer."—Saturday Evening Post.

Profitable Shade Trees.
A stranger coming to Tallahassee is surprised at the great number of trees grown in the yards, gardens and on the streets. They are everywhere, and thousands upon thousands spring up every season, where the nuts are washed by the rains or dropped by the birds which feast upon them. If these trees had been budded with merchantable varieties when young they would now be producing thousands of bushels of nuts annually, but of even these inferior varieties Tallahassee sells hundreds of dollars' worth each year.—Tallahassee True Democrat.

Mexicans Taking to Autos.
The automobile demand in Mexico is shown to be on a steady increase. That the taxicab system has proved a success is shown by the fact that the city are now on voyage, and it is the intention of the company operating them there to increase the number until they will form a formidable competition with the blue-banded coaches.

Clothes Insurance.
"Rock insurance against holes and blue serge suit insurance against fading are comparatively new things," said an insurance man, "but never still is underwear life insurance." "Superior life insurance?"

"Precisely. You buy a pair of dollar-denominated of a certain brand, and if you die while you are on your family life \$150. I put this scheme through myself. It is working very well in the west. A couple of years' business have already been made in it."

NEWS OF A WEEK IN CONDENSED FORM

RECORD OF MOST IMPORTANT EVENTS TOLD IN BRIEFEST MANNER POSSIBLE.

AT HOME AND ABROAD

Happenings That Are Making History—Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Globe and Given in a Few Lines.

PERSONAL.
H. Clay Pierce, an old magnate of St. Louis, and Mrs. Virginia Prickett Burrows of Edwardsville, Ill., were married in London.

William Dean Howells, the author, he reported ill at his summer home at Elliot, Me. He will sail for Cuba next week with his daughter, Caleb Poyer, recently pardoned after long term in a Kentucky prison for alleged complicity in the murder of Gov. Goebel, is said to be a candidate for congress in the next Kentucky election. It is also said he will soon wed Miss Eleanor Robinson of York, Pa.

Leslie M. Shaw, former secretary of the treasury, in an address at Canton, N. Y., said the people had made cowards of their congressmen and that Hearst would beat La Follette for the presidency if Roosevelt, Taft and Bryan should die.

Gov. John A. Johnson of Minnesota was the orator and central figure of "Swedish day" at the Alaska-Yukon-Pacific exposition at Seattle. Thousands of Swedes from all the festivities took the oath as mayor, succeeding the late Col. Leopold Markbrett, president Reyes of Colombia.

His successor will be elected August 3.

GENERAL NEWS.
Complaints by western senators that there is a "joker" in the leather schedule of the tariff bill caused delay in action on the measure by the senate.

When the czar of Russia arrived at Cowes, England, he was surrounded by the guns of 154 warships. Mrs. Mary Copley was tried for murder when it was desired to show him irrational was used against Harry Thaw, who now is fighting to prove that he is sane.

A report from Barcelona, Spain, said the city was quiet after its bloody battle and people were returning to work.

After Alexander Graham Bell's address made three short, but successful flights near Ottawa, Can. It was wrecked in landing.

The New York police believe Lok Wing, the Chinese vice-consul, was murdered because he had killed the body of the body for Leon Ling, slayer of Elsie Sigel.

When she had failed to touch the end of her nose with the point of her index finger with her eyes open, Mrs. Harriet R. Hild was sent to an asylum for observation concerning her sanity by a New York magistrate.

The state of Missouri has offered a reward of \$500 for the arrest of George Johnson, white slayer of John W. Moore, a farmer at Platte City, Mo.

Marysville, Tex., was destroyed by fire and several men had narrow escapes from the flames.

The \$5,000 forfeit posted by James J. Jeffries for a fight with Jack Johnson was covered by the negro and a battle between the heavyweights now seems very probable.

Secretary Wilson of the department of agriculture has announced that a quarantine will be declared against Kentucky sheep to prevent the spread of scab.

The steamer Cadillac of Cleveland was sunk in a collision with an unknown vessel opposite the St. Clair falls in the St. Clair river. The crew remained on the steamer, which was only partially submerged.

Two messmates named Foster and Williams had a boxing bout on the battlefield Vermont at Provincetown, Mass., and Foster received injuries which resulted in his death.

Five West Point cadets said to have been involved in the recent hazing of Cadet Sutton are to be sent home to await action by President Taft on the recommendation for their dismissal.

Hay dealers and shippers of Michigan convened at the Agricultural college at Lansing, Mich.

It is announced that the government has ordered the purchase of \$600,000 on fortifications at San Pedro, Cal.

Night riders have warned the builders to cease work on new schoolhouse near Bethpage, Tenn., close to the Knoxville road. They had demanded the resignation of a trustee.

William H. Marker, cashier of the First National bank, Tipton, Ind., whose brother fled after stealing more than \$100,000.

A person seeking revenge turned out the revolving apparatus in a coal mine at Pittsburgh, Kan., and 40 miners were overcome by gas.

Chicago from heat and injuries sustained in an electrical storm.

William McCracken of Otago county, Otago, was arrested in London, Ky., charged with attempting to defraud an insurance company out of \$50,000.

The thirty-ninth annual convention of the Catholic Total Abstinence Union of America opened in Chicago with solemn mass at the Holy Name cathedral. Hundreds of churchmen and laymen were in attendance.

The Associated Ohio Dailies held their yearly meeting at Columbus, Ohio, and were addressed by the Auditor of State E. M. Fullington.

A report received in London said rebels at Barcelona, Spain had proclaimed a republic and that the city was conquering with renewed ferocity. Official announcements from Madrid declared the rebellion has been put down.

Twenty thousand buildings were destroyed and thousands of persons faced starvation in a fire at Osaka, Japan.

The conference report on the tariff bill was adopted by the house, 195 to 183, and will be sent to the senate. It is believed it will be adopted before the end of the week.

Human beings of Milwaukee may be called upon to give up part of their skin to be grafted on the leg of a kamikaze.

After spending two days as the guest of the president of France, Emperor Nicholas of Russia departed for Cowes where he will visit the king of England.

By chaining tramps to trees and letting mosquitoes bite them, Special Officer Habner of Delanco, N. J., has caused all "boobies" to give the town a wide berth.

After trailing her husband and Mrs. Clara Piazzi from New York to Canton, O., Mrs. Tony Panilla killed him with a revolver and then murdered her husband.

Emperor promulgated simultaneously a reciprocal patent treaty which will have far-reaching importance in both countries.

The law which prohibits the sale of cigarettes in Minnesota went into effect August 1.

Twelve persons were killed and 75 injured in the collision of electric trains in New York.

Lak Wing, Chinese vice-consul in New York, was slain by Wong Hong Chung, who claimed the official had mistreated him.

London, England, has a report to the effect that an army officer, stationed at Fort Omaha, Neb., has invented an apparatus for projecting an electrical column capable of destroying a fleet at many hundreds of yards.

A gale, blowing 60 miles an hour, carrying hail and rain with it, struck Huron, Armour and Pierre, S. D., causing thousands of dollars' worth of damage and destroying many small buildings in its path.

John Haker, a farmer living ten miles from Lansing, Mich., died from a bullet wound in the back by his divorced wife in a quarrel.

It is announced that Argentina will cease diplomatic relations with Bolivia pending a settlement of difficulties with that country.

The annual session of the National Grand Lodge, International Order of Good Templars, was opened at Camp Cleghorn, Waupaca, Wis.

The National Association of Window Trimmers began its annual convention at Philadelphia with a large attendance.

The Goldfield Consolidated Mines Company of Nevada has absorbed the Mohawk, Laguna, Red Top, Jumbo and Goldfield Mining Companies, all representing a capitalization of \$15,000,750.

A bronze bust of James J. Hill, paid for by public subscription, was unveiled at the Seattle exposition. Gov. Johnson of Minnesota delivering the address.

Incomplete reports from the district devastated by the earthquake in Mexico indicated that more than 100 persons lost their lives and several towns were nearly destroyed.

Noah R. Marker, the absconding assistant cash National Bank, returned to his home in Tipton, Ind., was arrested, taken to Muncie and released on a \$10,000 bond. He said he had been fishing in Mississippi and returned to spend his birthday with his family.

Following the report that the rebels had surrendered in Barcelona and the Moors had retreated from Mellilla, official announcements given from Madrid said the situation in Spain was improving. It is said 400 were slain and 1,000 wounded in the Barcelona battle.

Orville Wright won the \$100,000 prize offered by congress, surpassing the government's requirements and set a new speed record for aeroplanes, in the final test at Fort Myer.

Claude Brooks, a negro, was hanged at Kansas City, Mo., for the murder of Sidney Hersey, a well-to-do real estate owner, formerly of Tyler, Tex., Jan. 13, 1908.

Philip Swift, son of Edward P. Swift, the Chicago pecker, was seriously injured by a car accident, running a mile a minute, struck a telephone pole at Lake Geneva, Wis.

Gro. Griswold, who was arrested at Georgetown, Cal., on suspicion that he had slain a slayer of Peter Ward at Belleville, Ill., proved an alibi and was released.

W. P. Kreis, a union pressman, was shot and seriously wounded at Atcham, Ind., by a police officer, a union pressman, who was attacked by union sympathizers aroused by a strike.

The Chicago grand jury, which has indicted a police inspector, a detective and others, returned indictments against 20 keepers of illegal establishments.

Arthur Eulen, John Ament and Henry Zebotzky, while raising snakes from the Wisconsin river, about two miles south of Merrill, Wis., were drowned.

ANOTHER MAN THEN A TRAGEDY

DOMESTIC TROUBLE OF FAM LY ENDS IN SHOOTING THE AGED HUSBAND.

SHOOTING FOLLOWS ROW

After Twenty-two Years of Wedded Life, Woman Kills Her Spouse and Scandal is Revealed.

In the Clinton county jail, barred from any communication with the outside world by order of the sheriff, Mrs. John Haker sits almost a nervous wreck waiting the next scene in the tragedy in which she shot and killed her aged former husband in his farm at Lansingburg, Friday. The murder formed the climax to a bitter quarrel between the Hakers over the alleged attachment of the wife for a man other than her husband. They had been married 22 years and had eight children. Haker was 81 years old and had several grown children from a previous marriage. Haker is 42. They had lived together happily until the appearance of the other man in the little drama drove them apart. Ten years ago Mrs. Haker secured a divorce and ordered the woman to leave the house. She had a job at Lansingburg. In 1914, insisting that her husband divide his property with her to assure her a means of existence.

Haker had refused to divide his property with the woman, and with her stepchildren in the home made existence most unpleasant for the wife. According to the statements of the neighbors, a day or so ago she became despondent and purchased a revolver with which she declared she would end her own life.

After supper Friday night the divorced pair again discussed their affairs, the man insisting that he would leave the farm at once and she repeating her demand for a share of his property. After a bitter argument on the rear porch the old man turned to enter the house, when the woman produced the revolver and charged one shot. The man over his back and he died within an hour.

Who is the Woman?
That there may have been a woman in the Rosenberg murder affair, as Joe Rodgers' current theory is, St. Clair Falls, is the surprising suggestion raised for the first time by the testimony at the hearing of Samuel Fricke, held for complicity in the Charles Felt, bartender at the Felt hotel, a partner in the murder, the witness who injected the new element of surprise into the justice court hearing, and he did it by testifying that he had heard a woman scream and then heard her plead: "Don't hit him any more." Then, added the witness, he heard a man reply, "He's dead now."

The State Treasury.
The state treasury has just been stretched by \$5,117.18, the proceeds from the sale of the Michigan buildings at the Jamestown exposition. Wednesday morning \$25,113.40 was paid by the Detroit City and County and Milwaukee railroad as back taxes but this amount will be turned into the primary school fund, which at present amounts to \$68,000. The general fund contains \$57,000.

MICHIGAN ITEMS.
William Schaub, an Owosso farmer, fell 23 feet out of his hayrack and is dying of paralysis.

Grant Sparks 12-year-old son of a Marquette farmer, trying to ride a cow, was thrown and badly cut on the head.

William Lorenzky found dead on the ground in front of his home in Marquette alone is believed to have been strangled by lightning.

Henry Chapman, arrested in a street brawl in Flint, was recognized as a former army deserter from Fort Wayne and will be returned to Detroit.

Roger Miller, aged 16, of Congress township, placed some dynamite under a stove and his face and hand were painfully burned by the explosion which resulted.

Emma Schriener, 22, from Saginaw, was committed to the Michigan State hospital for insanity and no home. Her relatives desistly to care for her, she will be placed in an institution as a private patient.

While building a fence with a wire stretching machine Friday afternoon, Charles W. Lewis, of Eickford township, had his jaw broken and his arm dislocated by the strain.

The capital stock of the New Haven Coal Mining Co., which is completing its railroad from Owosso to Saginaw, at its annual meeting of the stockholders, was increased to \$750,000. The railroad will be finished within six months and the force of men increased from 50 to 200.

Because Ernest Hergel, aged farmer of Saginaw county, needed his property to his use in the future for support he didn't get, the younger Hergel is ordered by the court to pay to his father, for care and maintenance, \$100 a year, and \$171 for failure to provide for him before.

The officers at Jackson prison state that Conis Noyes and Sullivan, who escaped from the hospital ward of their underwear and were later captured in Chicago, are in the prison side the walls. When arrested both the men were clad in good suits of clothes.

The northbound Pere Marquette train between Allegan and Holland had a narrow escape from being wrecked when the engineer stopped less than ten feet from a freight car which had been placed on the track. There is no clue to the culprits. There were 20 passengers on the train.

Storm Was a Howler.
The electric storm "which" raged over Detroit and vicinity from 10 p. m. Wednesday until 6 a. m. Thursday was one of the worst in the history of the city. In one way it was a record breaker, the rainfall, being the heaviest Detroit has ever experienced. The battle of the elements appeared to collapse all former engagements for fury, but there have been fiercer electric displays and more violent thunder. As a matter of fact, the lightning didn't do much damage. Some trees were struck, but no buildings suffered from bolts so far as is known. The great flood was too much for the sewers in different parts of the city, and many cellars were flooded, causing much damage to household effects. The storm was entirely local. While the rain came down as it never did before, not a drop fell from Grand Haven, Mich. Grand Haven only a fraction of an inch fell; Port Huron got but half an inch, and Toledo the same.

MICHIGAN IN BRIEF.

There is a water famine in Mexico City as a result of the earthquake shocks which injured the mains. Lawrence Edwards, of Standish, was drowned while trying to recover the cars lost from his rowboat.

Tearing down a fireplace in the old postoffice building at Flint workmen found a treasure of \$143 before the city came into existence.

At sunset Monday every dispensary in South Carolina closed its doors—some of them probably permanently, the others for a period of about three weeks or a month.

The rain which visited Niles and vicinity Thursday will do much toward saving the fruit crop of southern Michigan, which had begun to suffer from drought.

The binder twine plant at the Jackson prison will resume operations next week after the two weeks' shut down. There are now orders ahead for 2,000,000 pounds of twine.

The Allegan county jail is empty, the first time in many years. The officers ascribe the lack of prisoners to the local option law which was adopted at the spring election.

Mrs. Lenora Sarkka has begun habeas corpus proceedings to get her two daughters, aged 1 and 2, out of the state school at Colwell, where they were placed by their father.

Children playing with matches set fire to a barn on the farm of Andrew Carridge, near Flushing, and the building and contents were destroyed. The loss will amount to \$4,000, partially insured.

Nicole Sam's pocketbook suffered a big shrinkage because of the prohibition law during the fiscal year ending June 30 last, during which period there was a decrease of \$3,250.71 in whiskey tax receipts.

Boston and the surrounding district is threatened with a shortage in the milk supply, owing to the recent drought, which has killed the grass on many pastures and led to the high cost of grain and other feed.

The officers of Ionia county are having their troubles enforcing the liquor laws. Numerous complaints are being made of the alleged increase in drinking and several cases are being investigated now.

The state ruling commission has withheld decision in the case of C. H. Jackson, Sparta, who refused to pay fare on a crowded Pere Marquette train. Jackson says his refusal was advised by Senator William Alden Smith.

A mad dog created a lot of excitement at Berry, a small station north of Muskegon, driving a crowd of travelers out of the depot and chasing the station agent up a telegraph pole. The animal was killed before he had bitten anyone.

"Bob" Budgette, the humorist and pastor of the Temple Baptist church, Los Angeles, Cal., is reported seriously injured at his cottage at Cliffside-on-the-Sea. He has not fully recovered from a severe injury to the spine which he sustained a fall last March.

Freight transfer yards in Chicago for each of the railroads embraced in the New York Central system will be abandoned as such, and a clearing house for the New York Central line will be established across the Indiana state line at Gibson, a suburb of Hammond.

Mrs. Russell Sage is preparing to do some cottage near her home at Cedarhurst, L. I., to be let to working people at nominal rents. It is valued at \$12,000 and will be the maximum. Each cottage will contain modern improvements and will be of frame and two stories in height.

The Western Michigan Development association has secured nearly 1,500 square feet of floor space for the exhibition of the products of this state during the Michigan irrigation congress and exposition which will be held in the Chicago Coliseum, November 20 to December 4. On Michigan's part the exhibit will show the western counties will be given to visitors.

Considerable opposition has been aroused to the plan of filling the flats along the west bank of the Saginaw river, on Genesee avenue, Michigan Central officials claim that the proposed improvement will cost the road \$100,000, and owners of land along the river have retained attorneys and will fight the plan. They say that the plan is to blame for the present condition on account of improper sewerage.

Mrs. William Narekierka, of Vriesland, had not one of her seven children place a quantity of turpentine in a kettle of lard oil which she later placed on the kitchen stove to boil, and in the explosion which followed her clothing was burned off and her body so badly burned that she lost her chance for recovery is slight.

Comelius Geddes has started suit against Saginaw township for \$5,000 damages, alleging that he was severely injured while crossing a ditch in Saginaw township that was swollen by the floods last spring. Geddes says the bridge was washed away.

STARTED THE TEARS AFRESH

Thoughtless Act of Little Girl That Reminded Rembrandt Widow of Her Loss.

Mrs. Jefferson had not been altogether "exemplary" husband and father, but he possessed certain engaging qualities which secured him many friends and made his death the cause of sincere mourning to his widow. "My" Jefferson, she once broke out in tears, "was being flogged for pneumonia," said one of the neighbors.

"She actually is," said another, "mourning round de house all de time." "Why, day before yesterday I was 'ther heeppa' her, an' she only stop cryin' once, an' dat was to spank de little Eben, for takin' his mother's de jug right into his mouth when her back was turned."

"When she spanked him good an' set him down, she say to me, 'He makes me think of my pa an' I can't cryt' her, an' bus' right out cryin' again.'—Youth's Companion.

HEARTLESS.

HOCA—Ah! Miss Grace, what should a young man do when he wants to write spring poetry?

Physician's Mean Trick.
A doctor was one day stopped in the streets by one of his woman patients whose mind was purely imaginary. The doctor, who was known for his intolerance of and sympathy with such invalids, after listening somewhat impatiently to the woman's detailed account of all her feelings and symptoms, told her to shut her eyes and put her tongue. She promptly did so. On opening her eyes in a few seconds the doctor was nowhere to be seen. The woman awoke in the fact that he had left her standing by herself in a busy thoroughfare with her eyes shut and her tongue hanging out.

Crop Growing on Small Scale.
A small holder in East Lothian is making an interesting experiment in barley growing upon his land to test the possibility of raising corn on a small scale. In 1907 he sowed 5 specially selected kinds of barley, which yielded 400 ears. The resulting harvest he sowed in 1908 and harvested in 14 weeks, with the result that he got a bushel of threshed barley, which he has sown this year. His object was to show what can be done in cereal cultivation from very small beginnings.—London Standard.

And the Old Man Grinned.
"Duke," said the barbers, "what do you see father?"

"A hair."

"What'd you talk about the weather?"

"What? Lose your nerve again? Why don't you brace up and talk like a man—a sort of a king up where the sun is to set?"

"Can't," moaned the duke. "All the time I was in your father's office he kept grinning at a full pajama."

"What pants?"

"The little of Bunker Hill."

THE NEW WOMAN
Made Over by Quitting Coffee.

Coffee probably wrecks a greater percentage of Southerners than of Northern people for Southerners use it more freely.

The work it does is distressing enough in its way, as an illustration, a woman of Richmond, Va., writes:

"I was a coffee drinker for years and for about six years my health was completely shattered. I suffered from all kinds of headaches and nervousness, also palpitation of the heart and loss of appetite."

"My sight gradually began to fail and finally I lost the sight of one eye altogether. The eye was operated upon and the sight partially restored, then I became totally blind in the other eye."

"My doctor told me to urge 'my' to give up coffee, but I was willing and continued to drink it until finally in a case of severe illness the doctor insisted that I must give up the coffee, so I began drinking Postum, and in a month I felt like a new creature."

"I steadily gained in health and strength. About a month ago I began using Grape-Nuts food and the effect has been wonderful. I really feel like a new woman and have gained about 25 pounds."

"I am quite an elderly lady and before using Postum and Grape-Nuts I could not walk a square without exceeding fatigue, now I walk twelve miles without feeling it. Formerly in reading I could remember but little but now my memory holds fast what I read."

Several friends who have seen the remarkable effects of Postum and Grape-Nuts on me have urged that I give the facts to the public for the sake of suffering humanity, so, although I dislike publicity, I can publish this letter if you like."

Read "The Road to Wellville" in Postum's "There's a Reason."

Ever read the above letter? A new one is being written. It is true. It is genuine, true, and full of human interest.