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EPITOME OF A WEEK'S NEWS

Most Important Happenings Told in Brief.

Washington

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Personal

While racing at 60 miles an hour after Mr and Mrs John H. Kennedy, who a short time before had been married, a corning car driven by Mrs. Gormely, overturned in Walnut avenue, Roxbury, Mass. Two women were killed, one woman and two men were seriously injured.

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John H. Brooks, indicted at Memphis, Tenn., on a charge of having diverted funds and securities placed in his hands while a director of the Planters' Loan and Trust bank of that city, was arrested at St Louis, Advertisers found him at work as a clerk in a lumber office.

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The building trades department of the American Federation of Labor has reinstated the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, refused to reinstate the International Association of Steamfitters.

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Seven persons were injured, one fatally, when the Joplin (Texas) and Pacific passenger train left the tracks and plunged down a 50-foot embankment near Carthage, Mo. The work was caused by a broken rail

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A sensation was caused among the Socialists of Kansas by the announcement that Paul Lafargue and his wife, Laura, both grandchildren of Karl Marx, committed suicide at Draveil, where they lived.

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During a suit in the trial of James B. McNamara for the dynamiting of the Los Angeles Times explosion, came the sensational arrest of Burt Franklin, a detective, in the employ of the defense, charged with having bribed a prospective juror.

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Just as a football game between the University of Mississippi and Agricultural and Mechanical college was about to begin the temporary grand stand at the state fair grounds at Jackson, Miss., collapsed, and about sixty persons were injured, a score more or less seriously.

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An explosion of an acetylene gas generator in the home of J. H. Hollon, one of the wealthier farmers residents of the county, near Hanlon, resulted in the deaths of two members of the family, the injury of Mrs. Hanlon serious injury to the three daughters, and the partial wreck of their beautiful residence.

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A contract for $50,000 for logging and sawmill machinery to be used in Florence has been awarded by the Japanese government to a Michigan company.

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The Missouri supreme court, in an opinion by Judge Woodson, held that the Missouri 16-hour railway train-some law was nullified by the federal 16-hour law.

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Father States Bostmaster George Fenlody Wetherlee of Rhode Island may be a candidate for reelection when his present term expires next year.

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Senator Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts delivered 3,000 people at Raleigh, N. C., and vigorously advocated the initiative, referendum and recall.

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Announcement is made at Butte, Mont. that Cue F. Kelly, chief counsel for the Amalgamated Copper company, has been chosen to succeed the late F. P. Addams as vice-president of the Anaconda Copper company.

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Mrs. Elizabeth Westerhouse, wife of Frederick Westerhouse, a former business lumberman died at St Paul, Minn., died seventy-three. Mrs. Westerhouse was born at Nesler, Saalbeln, Germany

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Hon. Irving Dudley of Evanston, Ill., a former Supreme Court judge, has declined suddenly from his attendance in the Presbyterian Theological Seminary. His wife also is a patient in the same hospital. It was not told of the death of her husband.

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Miss Alice Fairbanks, aged forty, a teacher of Upper Darby, Pennsylvania, committed suicide by swallow an ounce of carbolic acid at the home of her mother, Mr. Matilda Fairbanks, in Morehand, Mont. Despondency is said to have led to her act.

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The engagement is announced at Chicago of Her Dr Frederick W Hamilton, president of Tufts college, and Mrs Alvena Tuttle James, a former pupil and a descendant of Ralph Waldo Emerson.

SECOND DISTRICT TEACHERS MEET

IMPORTANT SESSION ON AT HOPKINSVILLE, WHICH IS AN ANNUAL AFFAIR.

GOOD ATTENDANCE'S REPORTED

The Program Is Said to Be One of the Very Best in the History of the Organization.

Hopkinsville—The Second Kentucky District Teachers' association is in session in Hopkinsville at the court house and the program is said to be one of the very best in the history of the organization. Following are the officers: President, H. G. Brownell, president of Bethel Female College; secretary, Miss Jennie West, superintendent of Christian county schools; chairman of reception committee, H. A. Robinson, of Hopkinsville.

The delegates were formally welcomed by Mayor C. M. Meacham. Principal Dehall of the Clark grammar school on behalf of the local schools. C. H. Gifford, principal of the Gerhardt school, responded. Some special addresses are announced as follows:

Several Tendencies in secondary Education, McHenry Rhoads, of Frankfort, superintendent of Kentucky reformatory.

Some Needed Legislation, Hon. Lunt T. J. Coates, President, Cumberland college, Williamsburg, Ky.

Work, T. W. Vinson, of Paducah, president of the Kentucky Press association.

Duty of the Hour, Hon. Augustus E. Willson, of Louisville, Lafayette Square. Care of Pupils, Dr. Hunter Boerling Green, and The Key Board Movement, Dr. Richard Burton.

Among the other speakers will be Miss Cynthia Dunbar Fuqua, Miss Nannie Buckner, Dutch county; Elizabeth Hendrick, of Louisville; Miss Lee, Christian county, C. E. Brown, Hawesville; W. M. Alexander, Eddyville; Ralph E. Bailey, Madisonville, and E. L. Hillenmeyer, Hopkinsville.

SEPULCHER UNEARTHED

Containing the Skeletons of Prehistoric Giants.

Pine Grove—Evidences of a prehistoric race have been discovered by Hugh Yates, a prosperous farmer of this county, on his farm, a few miles west of here. While excavating beneath a high cliff on his place, he unearthed a large sepulcher containing a human skeleton. The frame was about 12 feet.

His curiosity aroused, Mr. Yates had the earth removed from the entire side of the cliff and found an immense cavern. Here he found the skeletons of nine other giants, all of which were buried in the same position as the first one found. One of the bodies measured 12 feet.

Along with the skeletons were found curiously wrought jewels and other ornaments, while cooking vessels and implements of stone and other designs were unearthed in great profusion. The explorers are still at work and expect to make even more important finds.

SEEDING COMPANY.

Glasgow—A $5,000 cashier suit has been filed in the Barren circuit court against the American Seeding Co., at which time the company entered into a deal, trust, or combine with other companies, for the purpose of controlling and fixing the price of fertilizers, grain drills, disc harrows, peanut drills and a number of other products of several companies, together with repairs. The companies named in the petition are the Hoosier Drill company, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Keystone Drill company, Ft. Wayne, Ind.; Ohio Farmer Drill Co., that is the P. P. Mast Co.

STANDARD OIL TO MOVE OFFICES

Louisville—Reports that the Standard Oil Co. of Kentucky has let a contract to several offices in Cooling Gap building, Louisville, for the use of the general offices in Louisville, are denied by officials of the company. Vice President C. T. Collins and Secretary Treasurer Wm. Muir, who were in town with the recent reorganization of the company, stated that the standard Oil Co. of New Jersey has no intention of moving its offices from Louisville in the future. The duties of the Louisville office will be the same as heretofore transacted by Secretary Muir.

MANGLED BY TRAIN.

Mayfield—Peter Austen, 25 years old, from Virginia, employed by Curlee Bros. & Co. of Georgetown, Ind., was killed here while attempting to and board a freight train. He was mangled, his right leg cut and his skull fractured.

PET CAT SAVES LIFE.

Beckport—A pet black cat rescued to be an omen of good luck around the home of Mrs. J. H. Liddell and cursed near the children, proved a blessing in disguise. Mrs. Liddell and children were Train No. 101, Louisville & Nashville, when the car jumped the track and spread the entire contents of the interior, including its mistress on the face new then in the aisle. Mrs. Liddell was unconscious for her to arise the children in man. Then the cat began to mew and scratch at the door, and her mistress fell to.

KILLED WHILE HUNTING.

McKee, Ohio, Farmer, of Powell county, while bird hunting, was shot accidentally shot by his brother John Farmer, and died two hours later, before a physician could be secured. John was arrested and held to the grand jury without bail. The shooting was done by mistake, John supposing his brother to be a bird. He is heartbroken over the affair. Both men are prominent farmers.

SCHOOL BOARD DOES SOLD.

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OFFICERS' SCHOOL CLOSES.

Officers To Report Information To Men of Their Companies.

Lexington—The officers' school of instruction closed after a final examination of the officers and guards, which was settled, state with the president and that it officers, who school, to report information to their respective companies that they have received here.

Col. Morton Merrill, United States Infantry; Capt. Charles Richardson, Fourth Infantry; Capt. J. C. Nichols, United States Infantry, and Capt. Chas. Burnes, Fifth Cavalry, United States inspectors.

This is the third officers' school of instruction conducted at Kentucky, the first having been held for about a month in Lou

TEACHERS OF NINTH DISTRICT

Effect Permanent Organization at Carlisle.

Carlisle—The first meeting of the Ninth district teachers' association was held here Saturday and resulted in the permanent organization of the district, effecting the following officers: W. L. Thomas, vice president; Miss Lida Thomas, secretary; T. Sanford Wilson, treasurer. Mrs. Mary Morehand, Miss Marvillia, and Miss Lucy Hinton, directors.

The second annual convention of the district association will be held in Carlisle on Friday and Saturday, December 25 and 26, the Mason county delegation, aside from the above officers, to take account Award of the Ninth district.

DUTCH METHOD

Of Refining Oil Will Be Tried By the Standard.

Georgetown—The dead silence that has surrounded the secret refining process of the Standard Oil company, the largest independent oil refinery in the United States, has been broken by a report that 21 barrels of crude oil arrived here from Georgetown for the purpose of making a new form of refining in which the experiment upon refining crude oil in the manner in which it is conducted in the old country by the Dutch plant. It is said that the oil was matured some time ago that the plan had been perfected by the Indian Refinery, and that if this experiment proved it will entirely change the face and energies of the plant.

HEAD CUT OFF BY ENGINE.

Corbin—One of the most peculiar accidents ever known to occur here when Will Sanders met in death. Sanders was driving a wagon on which was a portable engine boiler. Sanders passed back into the wagon and his head became caught in the boiler and was severed from his body. His body, with the head still attached, was brought to this place for burial.

MIDDLESBORO HAS WHITE WAY.

Middlesboro—In a very few weeks Cumberland Avenue, the business section of Middlesboro, will be lighted with the white way. Much work has taken up a subscription list has been placed along the avenue for several weeks.

FIRST SICKNESS AT 85, FATAL.

Falmouth—William Colvin (Uncle Will), at his home in this city, died at his residence at the age of a few months of a few months ago. He was a native of Virginia, but came to Kentucky in childhood until he married Miss Mary Ann Colvin, a wife and two sons.

AGED SCHOOL TEACHER DIES.

Georgetown—Mrs. ... McDonald, the ... in point of service ... Kentucky, died ... 25 years of age, ... Mrs. McDonald ... years. He is survived ... and one daughter, ... of Clark county.

HOLD UP TRAIN.

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NEW MODEL CITY.

Hundreds of Men at Work at Town of McRoberts.

Wittensburg—A great transformation is taking place in the Wright's Fork, of Boone section, in this county, as well as on Elkhorn, where the Consolidation Coal Co. has wrought a new change of the past few months in the way of building and development. Wright's Fork a mining village, known as McRoberts, is going up by leaps and bounds. The Consolidation Coal company, started the building of McRoberts a few weeks ago and already has telephones, electric lights, a store, warehouses, boarding houses, barns, residences, sawmills, handmills, planing mills, dry kilns, etc., with which to prepare the building material necessary for the rapid construction. The postoffice department has just sent a representative to the town, who will advise the immediate establishment of a postoffice. The hundreds of men employed there anxiously await the establishment of mail facilities, as they are now five miles from a postoffice.

HORSEMEN GO TO NEW YORK

To Attend Old Glory Sale Held At Madison Square.

Lexington—A special train of five horse cars and passenger coach went from Lexington to New York with a valuable collection of trotters and pacers, the property of horsemen, trainers and many prospective buyers of the famous Walnut Hall stock farm during the week at Madison Square Garden.

Among the trotters on the train was Peter the Great, the sire that was sold Bond, by The Bondsman, dam Electric Bell, by Ashland Wilkes, which was sold to Frank Work, of Paducah, Ky., for Denmark, for $2,600.

SUPERINTENDENT FOR HOME.

Lexington—George M. Moore, of Louisville, has been appointed by the board of trustees of the Home of the Friendless and Orphans' Home to be superintendent of the institution, succeeding Mrs. Lowery, resigned. Mrs. Moore will assume charge of the home as matron of the home. The changes in the management of the home.

Mr. Moore is a member of Hooser, Moore & Co., wholesale grocers, of Louisville. He is married and has a family of children. He has recently been engaged in the grocery business and had been previously connected with the Louisville Hospital, the Widows' Asylum for the Insane, and the Humane society of Louisville.

SERIOUS TRAIN WRECK.

Burnside—The Queen Flyer No. 1, bound for New Orleans, ran into a freight train two miles south of Burnside at Alcorn's spur, killing the engineer and fatally injuring five of the crew. The train was running at a high rate of speed, being 15 miles an hour. The pony trucks of the engine struck the freight train on a curve and the front engine was thrown from the rail, crashing into a rock bridge and turning completely over. The second engine also was also derailed and both turned over on their sides.

Engineer John McPartland, of Somerset, was instantly killed. His fireman escaped without a shaking up.

BOYS RAISE GOOD CORN CROP.

Franklin—The Boys' Corn growing Club met here to report the results of their work in the business men of Franklin. There were 100 boys in the contest. The first prize, a trip to Chicago, was awarded to Lee Ward, who reported 94 bushels to the acre; the second to Oscar Ward, who produced eighty-nine bushels, and the third to Ernest Ward, whose record was eighty-five bushels to the acre. Each received a handsome cup.

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CONVICTS HAVE MIXUP.

Eddyville—Patrick Collins, a convict in the Kentucky penitentiary, would have completed his term in eight months, is now on solitary confinement, charged with the murder of Thomas Hunter, a fellow prisoner. Angered at a remark made by Hunter, Collins leaped upon him and inflicted a mortal wound with a barrow knife before he could be overpowered by other convicts.

RECORD OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Sharpsburg—Michael Rooney, a saddler and harness maker, of this section, has received by mail a silver dollar and one that perhaps is without parallel in the United States. The dollar was coated, as he says, thirty-five years ago, his trade without missing a single day's work.

CHILDREN BURN TO DEATH.

Middlesboro—The home of Henry Stevens, colored, was destroyed by fire, which occurred in his absence. Two months and 2 years, respectively, were burned to death. The fire was started by the explosion of an oil stove.

DIES WITH BROKEN SKULL.

Cloverport—Wm. Sanders, of this city, was killed by falling on some machinery at the saw mill here. His head was crushed.

FAMOUS HOTEL SOLD.

Shelbyville—The Armstrong Hotel, one of the most famous hostelries in Kentucky, was sold at public auction by M. T. and J. H. Wakefield to J. C. Perryville—The first snow of the season fell here to the depth of one and one-half inches. Heavy sleet storms over the pikes, interfering with the traffic.

SNOW MAKES TROUBLE.

Woman Her Home, Her Interests.

From Curly Locks.

What is a girl to say when told she is pretty? After a dance, should she call it "just the gentleman or the gentleman the lady?—Curly Locks.

It is a man's privilege to thank the lady for the dance she has granted him. When any one is kind enough to say you are pretty, just say, "Thank you, it is very nice to hear pleasant things," or something like that.

Card Etiquette.

Is it necessary to leave cards every time I make a formal call? When one has charge of the cards, or do we each take care of our own?—Mountcello.

In making a formal call it is always necessary to leave cards whether the persons are home or not. If you are the wife to carry the cards and leave them at the proper time when paying visits together.

Sending "Congratulations."

I wish you would tell me at what time, and to whom, to send a telegram of congratulations. The occasion I know very well, but the bride-elect is a stranger to me.

The congratulatory telegram should be addressed to the bridegroom and timed so as to reach him about the hour the ceremony is to take place. If you find it a there bit a early rather than too late.

An Afternoon Gathering.

Please suggest some way of entertaining twenty-five little misses of the afternoon. Would you serve any kind of refreshments?—M. L. R.

I heard recently of a very jolly "tramp party." The lady was asked to tell her most interesting experiences in travel; each one was also asked to wear or bring an especially prized object obtained while traveling. The result was a most fascinating time.

Regarding the refreshments, I hardly know what you mean by "most any kind." Don't serve a little bit of anything much; a deliciously cold salad with sandwiches, nuts, glazed fruits, coffee and chocolate is sufficient, or an ice with a variety of small cakes.

For a Christmas Present.

Can a gift sweetheart would it be proper for me to give a Christmas present to a man very much my senior? He gave me a little gift last Xmas and we are very friendly. If you think so, please tell me what would be suitable.—Brown Eyes."

Certainly, remember your friend with a Christmas gift, and I think if you could make him something that he would like. If you can embroider, make him a half-dozen handkerchiefs, or "clock" a dozen pairs of silk hose.

MADAME MEERE.

New Motor Veils.

The newly imported automobile veils are a delight to the eye. One was seen a perfect sunset of color—a blended pink and gold yellow, with another shaded from moss green to pea green. Still another was in moss green and shaded violet to Vogue.

Dresses for Girls

THERE two little dresses may be had for children, easement cloth or sun's veiling.

The first is in blue easement cloth. The sides of bodice and skirt are made separately and joined to the same belt; but the panel front is continued from bodice to lower edge of bodice.

The sides and back of bodice are laid in fat, well pressed pleats. The sleeves are cut in with the sides of bodice; the little square yoke is of lace. A line of feather stitch is worked on the edges of square opening, at each edge of band and on yokes.

Materials required: Three yards forty-two inches wide, three-eighths yard lace eighteen inches wide.

The second dress is in plain easement cloth. Here the skirt is pleated all round, the pleats being taped at the back to keep them in position. The right front of bodice wraps over to the left and the buttons sewn on which simulate a front fastening, though the actual fastening is at the back; a yoke of finely tucked muslin fills in the space. Muslin cuffs finish the half length sleeves.

Materials required: Three yards forty-two inches wide, one-half yard muslin thirty-six inches wide.

DYED FURS OUT OF STYLE

Natural Shine Have Supplanted Them in Popular Favor—Leopard for Automobile Wear.

The dyed furs so prevalent a few years ago are steadily being pushed into the background, and natural furs are coming to the front. Even the dyed mixed tones are as to be found in combinations of various kinds, are taking their place with the natural furs. Next to the fur of the reasonably priced sable, the mink fur, and leopard is another striking fur that is to be found much in evidence.

The cost of leopard recently brought out has a scarf that is shaped to fit the neck in back and has two long stole ends that touch the hem of the gown in front. Leopard is popular for automobile wear.

A special automobile fur set has a huge muff that may be spread out to form a lap robe or rolled into ordinary muff size when the wearer leaves her car. It is made of white arctic fox and rare beauty. The scarf to match has two full skins of the fox, the heads of which come together on the left shoulder, resting on a bow of black and white velvet and satin. The tails hang on the right side, one in front and one in back.

Mohair Rugs.

Imported mohair rugs in one color schemes may be had in a great variety of colors and shades and in many sizes. The centers of the rug are woven in a kinky stitch and the plain stripe borders are a darker shade. There are several shades of green and blue and such unusual rug colors as purple, old rose, the taupe, terra cotta, etc.

Tulle Plumes.

Quite new for hats to be worn in propitious weather, when the sun shines forth, are feathers or plume of tulle evolved from shirred tulle and quill. The tulle is doubled and the quill kidds the shirring; there is also a wider wire by which this artificial plume may be curved to the most becoming angle.

WASHINGTON GOSSIP

Nation Loses Millions by Bad Roads

WASHINGTON—In the United States there are in all about 2,500,000 miles of roads of one kind or another—enough to encircle the earth 100 times. Much of this, however, is of a character not worthy of the name road. Some of it is little better than a rock pile, and others are wide tracks through ditches and swamps. Of the whole only seven miles in each hundred can be said to have any improvement. Two miles more on the most of it the improvements are such as to be worthy of mention. Altogether not ten per cent. can be called first class. With the growth of improvement of this network of roads will appear a saving that will richly repay the cost.

The roads in the United States may not be the worst in the world, but they are bad enough as a whole, that the difference between them and other civilized countries. Europe is a network of splendid roads. Even Germany, France and England one can look for miles without striking a hole or a puddle. This does not add to pleasure alone. It is the means of saving millions of dollars each year that is now being wasted here and must be maintained.

The cost of hauling over our country roads is now about 23 cents per ton per mile. In the European countries as long as 18 years ago the cost had been reduced to 10 cents, and it is much lower today. On some of the roads going into London, by the motor cars now in use, it is less than 2 cents, and by wagon freight can be hauled almost anywhere on the continent for from one-half to one-third its cost in the United States. The saving effected under this system would amount to many millions of dollars every year.

According to the report of the interstate commerce commission in 1906, our railroads hauled more than 800,000,000 tons of freight which originated on their respective lines. All this had to be taken to and from the cars. A great deal of it is made up of the products of the farm and the forests, and is therefore bulky and heavy. Ordinary tons of it had a haul of nine miles to the railroad station. If the haul alone would represent more than the entire cost of the railroads and the hauling would run the sum to $500, or more, or over. Now suppose we are able to reduce this haul in half, or to 4½ cents a ton, which is still far from what we are able to do. If you think so, please tell me what would be suitable.—Brown Eyes."

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Government Busy Cleaning Out Opium

SLOWLY the federal arm is sweeping in the opium fiends. The record said here by treasury officials is that when $8,000 worth of the drug, prepared for smoking, was confiscated and the distributing organization for the District of Columbia broken up, it was one of a series of big hauls in the larger cities which, within a few months, as a result of which several hundred thousand dollars' worth of the drug is now in government possession.

"In the last five months just such hauls, many larger and more important, have been made in the cities in which agents have in many cases been able to trace the source to the illicit manufacturers, thus dealing the most serious blow of all. In Terre Haute, Ind., where the richest haul of all was made, nearly $100,000 worth of the drug was found which the inspectors traced to another city, where the bulk of the crude opium was being prepared, for the New York, Washington, Baltimore, Providence, Chicago, Terre Haute, Detroit, Cincinnati, Kansas City, Omaha, Seattle, Los Angeles, San Francisco and other large markets. These hauls have all brought out somewhere and given a line on the traffic generally.

Big Buck Shot in the Adirondacks.

D. P. Webster, Ernest Hendricks and Clarence Lage returned Saturday from the Adirondacks with the largest buck killed in that section for several years. It was shot by Mr. Lapp and weighed 310 pounds. It measured nearly nine feet from tip of nose to tip of tail. It was a splendid specimen of antler having five uniform and nicely matched points. The hunters have been trodding the Adirondacks for four years, and in that time have killed what is indicated that he was well along in years.

Mr. Webster, who each year visits the Adirondacks, when he first saw the deer after it fell, thought that he had so started at the size of it that he was positive it was a moose. It is said the guides also informed the Port Chesters that there is no more room for deer in the Adirondacks than there are for moose. Mohawk Valley Register.

Sled for Summer Coasting.

A novelty for summer coasting is a sled on wheels designed for summer coasting. It has a regular sled runner, but the wheels are not high and they are placed so that the runner, when in motion would be, the two rear wheels on a stationary axle, the two forward wheels on an axle that is pivoted and has a connection with the steering bar of the sled a crossbar like the crossbar on a bicycle handle bar. Between the wheels one sled has steel spokes and between the wheels is a plank. It is not intended for country use on soft dirty roads, but for use on roads where there are asphalt street pavements or brick pavements.

Regular Habits.

It is a good plan to have a regular time for meals. One accomplishes so much more in this way, and besides establishes a kind of confidential habit that is a good thing in itself. In an hour, or even half an hour gives regularly each day to reading, a great deal can be accomplished. Do not confine your self to serious books. Although it is better to read books and do not attempt heavy reading when you are tired. Do not force yourself to be amused. Treat your books as friends. You will follow blindly the teachings of any book.

Pat Coon the Thief.

Mrs. Rand, living on Reed street followed a pet coon into her cellar. She found that it had more than $150 in bills buried in its nest. She made a considerable amount of jewelry that disappeared recently from houses in the neighborhood.

Families have been trying to capture a sneak thief. Mrs. McKinnon now fears the problem of getting the loot back to its owners.—New Castle correspondence Pittsburg Post.

MIKADO IS A POLYGAMIST

Japanese Royal Palace Is Separated From Other Places in Tokio by Tycoon Moat.

The mikado, earth-born son of heaven, and his court of demigods dwell in a forest solitude in the midst of the great city of Tokio. The palace would be separated from the world of the people by a triple moat of dead water and a double wall of granite crowned by twisted pine trees and mottled with the moss of ages. Except upon stated occasions, the mikado is as invisible to his subjects as the invisible as the sun goddess amid the brooding treasures of the law stirred in his august person the hotly disputed question of the war club in fiction, for he has the eyes of the thought, the celebrated and strict nature of the Mikado.

According to the report of the interstate commerce commission in 1906, our railroads hauled more than 800,000,000 tons of freight which originated on their respective lines. All this had to be taken to and from the cars. A great deal of it is made up of the products of the farm and the forests, and is therefore bulky and heavy. Ordinary tons of it had a haul of nine miles to the railroad station. If the haul alone would represent more than the entire cost of the railroads and the hauling would run the sum to $500, or more, or over. Now suppose we are able to reduce this haul in half, or to 4½ cents a ton, which is still far from what we are able to do. If you think so, please tell me what would be suitable.—Brown Eyes."

Certainly, remember your friend with a Christmas gift, and I think if you could make him something that he would like. If you can embroider, make him a half-dozen handkerchiefs, or "clock" a dozen pairs of silk hose.

MADAME MEERE.

New Motor Veils.

The newly imported automobile veils are a delight to the eye. One was seen a perfect sunset of color—a blended pink and gold yellow, with another shaded from moss green to pea green. Still another was in moss green and shaded violet to Vogue.

CAUSE OF CANCER IN CHINA

Eating of Steaming Hot Food Responsible for Prevalence of Disease Among Men.

In China, when a native family sits down to eat, each one of the household and the male guests, if there be any, are served first. The women come to them steaming hot. The women must wait until the men are served, and by that time the food has grown cooler. This fact accounts in part immediately the dishes of steaming food are placed before them. Rice, sow peas and other things are cooked by the Chinese have to be satisfied with only lukewarm dishes. So much has been said of late of the consequences. In China cancer of the oesophagus, or gullet, is very common among men. Among Chinese women the disease is very rare, practically unknown.

All of this, and more, was reported by Dr. E. D. Bashford at the recent annual meeting of the British Medical association, held in London. In China, according to the alarming figures given by Dr. Bashford, among Chinamen, that the frequency of the disease would be diminished if Europeans, such as the eating of very hot rice were discontinued. There is a belief that meat is cool and non-irritating, and that it prevents cancer.

Mammoth Guns to Guard Panama Canal

THE greatest gun ever built will become part of the coast defenses at the Pacific end of the Panama canal. The giant weapon is now at Sandy Hook, N. J., where it was taken after it received from the war department it will soon start on its long and possible journey over taken by a weapon of its size. It weighs 126 tons, is 50 feet in length, with a 16-inch caliber and power to throw a projectile a distance of 23 miles. The projectile a distance of 23 miles. The gun is being moved because war department officials believe there is no danger of being attacked than the west end of the Panama canal. There is no ship that poses its nose above the horizon will be safe against the mammoth gun for with a single well-directed shot it could send it to the bottom of the sea.

Although the fortifications for the canal have already been fully planned, the details regarding them are kept secret. All that is known is that the two ends of the ditch will be defended by batteries of the most powerful guns. At all, three at the Atlantic end and four at the Pacific. The two systems of forts—the four at the Pacific and three at the Atlantic—will be like those at the Atlantic end. They will be built on the highest ground. A bottle fleet approaching the forts will see nothing but a long, low, a slope of grassy greensward, whether on the mainland or on the islands. There will be nothing visible to shoot at. The guns will be hidden in deep, wide concrete lined pits, from which they will be elevated mechanically by disappearing carriages to deliver their projectiles. Each fort will consist of each of the two groups of forts will be built to contain guns containing four 12-inch mortars.

The guns for the canal necessarily are extra powerful, and these will be defended by what are known as "disturbances"—that is, well constructed earthworks, with stitch bowlrows. These earthworks are intended, of course, for defense against land attack, but the chief reliance in war department is going to maintain the mobile army of troops at the isthmus. It may be taken for granted that the forts at the two ends of the canal will be able to defeat any attack from the sea.

Bar Unbidden Guests From Naval Ball

RECENT agitation over the new regulations enforced upon midshipmen at the naval academy in the matter of guests at academic dances brought forth from officials of the navy department a remarkable statement. The regulations are enforced before the doors of the naval academy have been opened to the first of the season's dances, and all presenting themselves at the doors dressed in full dress will have been admitted without question.

Several embarrassing situations have developed from time to time through the presence of self invited guests at academic officials will require that no person be admitted without presenting a card of invitation. It is the duty of all persons to whom such cards are issued are to be limited.

The invitations to balls and hops at the naval academy," says the official, "are issued with a source of misunderstanding or a cause for attempting to stir up class prejudice. Few fathers and mothers with sons at the naval academy but would desire and appreciate the authorities having their send in charge to endeavor to keep them apart from that special form of temptation that haunts all places where large bodies of young men are collected together.

"When the academy was much smaller than at present, the invitations were issued by the superintendent, but with the increase in the number of midshipmen it became necessary to delegate this duty to the commandant of midshipmen, and consequently fewer, there was little difficulty in keeping a careful scrutiny of the applications for invitations, but the number of guests attending has made this practically impossible.

"It is too much to ask that only such persons as are entitled by the standards of admission should be issued to authenticate the guests at the ball or assembly of any size which is not protected by some similar precaution."

Carrying a Short Revolver.

"Doctor," the caller complained, "I have headache all day long. I want you to see if you can't do something to relieve me." "Well," the eminent specialist said, "I shall have to make an examination, particularly at the base of the brain, and it will be necessary for you to take off that tall silk collar." The caller did so. "Why, doctor, the headache has gone!" he thought so. Wear loose collars. Five planks, if you please. Thanks. Good day.

NOTED COACH NOT TO QUIT MICHIGAN

Fielding Yost.

"As far as I know there is absolutely nothing to the rumor that Coach Yost will not be with us next year," said Director Baird when interviewed. "I am positive that he will be coaching the Michigan football team next fall." Coach Yost would not take time out even to deny the report, preferring by looking to next year's varsity and has been attempting to persuade Cornwell and Boyle to come back to college and get their work in shape for 1912.

Wells to Return.

Matt Wall before starting back for dear old England said he was coming back. Perhaps he heard Ad Wolgast say he is to cross the big pond and wanted an avenue of escape.

INDIAN CHIEF BEST PITCHER

Philadelphia Twirler Has Highest Average in Official Pitching Record in His League.

Chief Bender, the Indian, carried off the high honors in the official pitching records of 1911 of the American league. It is obvious that "Big Chief" Bender was the mainstay and prop of the organization, but he had to be extended to beat out that great southpaw chief of Cleveland. Gregg, who batted from the Pacific Coast league was one of the season's finds. Kopp was another of the season's finds and was right up near the top of