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Big Storm.—A high old thunder-
 storm visited Brainerd on Monday
 night of this week, at about 12 o'clock,
 which eclipsed anything of the kind we
 have experienced in many a day. The
 heavens were all ablaze with light,
 and the thunders piped a merry tune,
 to which the inhabitants danced in a
 lively but not willing manner. The
 writer hereof was reposing in the
 arms of Morpheus at the time, and
 dreaming of the far west gold fields,
 in the Black Hills, when an unearthly
 crash lifted him from his bed, and
 summarily restored him to con-
 sciousness. From that time on there
 was music in the air. The lightning
 flashed and the thunder belted. Anxious
 mothers screamed, and children
 were frantically with fright. It
 seemed as if the storm was playing
 just over the tops of the trees, so
 close was its proximity to the earth.

The next morning everybody seemed
 to be looking around for some
 "pieces," expecting to witness some
 work of destruction at every turn. A
 tree was struck by lightning at the
 No. 1 Saloon. The electric fluid passed
 down its trunk part way, and then
 leaped off upon the Saloon building,
 passing down the chimney and into
 the room below. It removed some
 bricks in its course, and tore off a
 large patch of plastering. A shot
 gun which was standing near by had
 its stock badly shattered and its bar-
 rel partly melted, although the piece
 was not discharged. The bolt pas-
 sed within two feet of one of the
 sleeping inmates of the room, with-
 out injuring him. This is what we
 might term a close call.

The rain poured down in torrents,
 and the streets were transformed into
 so many rivers for a time. This
 morning, (Tuesday), it is found that
 life and property has sustained no
 serious damage, and confidence is
 again restored.

**Every time a person goes on a rail-
 road train he sees and hears characters**
 —generally at least one pair of nauseat-
 ing lovers, an old wisdom and a
 "gab-gut"; you are sure to find them,
 for they are always there; in fact we
 should take their absence from a train
 as an ill omen, and if we ever got on
 a train and they wasn't present we
 should certainly get off at the first
 station and wait for the next train.
 The last trip we made was very suc-
 cessful in this direction—particularly
 in relation to the talker. She had lip
 enough for three rows of teeth, talked
 all night, touched every subject under
 heavens except "putty," and talked
 every one except the undersigned into
 a sound sleep despite gnawing of mil-
 lions of mosquitoes. Her desartations
 on matters and things reminded us of a
 glass of soda water—suds on top,
 wind in the middle and nothing at the
 bottom.

A QUIET WALK.—A morning or two
 ago was a quiet, monotonous kind of
 morning; a morning when one could
 feel sort of sad without singing any—
 We felt constrained to take a walk,
 like; and so we did. Solitude is good,
 when one feels solitary, and so we
 sought the seclusion of the groves.

As we remarked, it was a singularly
 singular morning; a quiet, damp air
 stirred the boughs overhead; all na-
 ture seemed in repose; everything
 acted just as if waiting for something
 to happen. The little birds sat qui-
 etly on the limbs, some of them enga-
 ged in making their morning toilet,
 by stroking down their glossy feathers,
 or picking fleas and things out from
 under their wings. The untiring grub
 worms were the only creatures that
 seemed to be full of business. As we
 would pass a dead tree, several of
 them could be heard inside the trunk,
 their saw cutting away with regular
 and unceasing energy, just as though
 they had a government contract in
 war time. Pretty soon the quietude
 of the time was broken by a loon who
 passed over, screaming as though
 some great convulsion of the elements
 followed closely in his rear. From
 over the stream came the sad, plaintive
 lulla-lu of the Indian mother, as in
 its barren cradle she rocked the
 infant to and fro, for the purpose, no
 doubt, of distracting its attention
 from the pangs of an early attack of
 bellyache; the murmur of the river,
 the moan of the zephyrs among the
 tops of the pine trees, all conspired to
 make one feel as though it was "a
 fearful thing to live." We felt the
 force of this quotation to almost an
 oppressive extent, and agreed with
 ourselves that there was only one thing
 that could "raise it" in the way of
 fearfulness, and that was, to die. We
 would stake our money on living, fear-
 ful as it was, at all times and under
 all circumstances, win or lose. Our
 soul seemed sad; and the reflections
 incident to solitude crowded in upon
 our mind to such an extent that we
 seemed transported to another world,
 for the time being, and were conscious
 of nothing save the most sublime medita-
 tions as we gazed away up into the
 blue vault of heaven; so deeply intensi-
 fied had become our whole being
 that it is very difficult to decide
 whether or no we should not have
 been actually taken away from this
 cold earth then and there, had it not
 been for the timely relief brought to
 us by a neighbor's dog. He had prob-

ably seen us through the trees, moon-
 ing around in what seemed to him to
 be a most idiotic manner, and deemed
 our case one that demanded his im-
 mediate and earnest consideration—
 His earnestness was praiseworthy; the
 first pass he made carried away our
 rear guard altogether, and had we
 not been fortunate enough to find a
 club right at hand, his next assault
 would probably have carried our rear
 bastion completely. Fortunately, how-
 ever, we dissuaded him from any fur-
 ther advances, and being fully brought
 to consciousness again, we sought our
 ivot, by the back way, arriving
 just in time for breakfast, and during
 the breakfast hour we explained how
 it all happened.

TROUBLE ALREADY.
 We like a partner in business. Bei-
 ng of a social disposition, we find it
 very pleasant to have the association
 of a person equally interested in the
 business, and equally concerned as to
 the success of the business. But no
 pleasure is without its pain, as will be
 seen by the following two notices, one
 written by each of the editors of the
Tribune, neither one knowing that
 the other had written up the items
 till the discovery of both versions of
 the affair in the proof sheet. They
 concern the application of a certain
 party for divorce.

[One Account.]
A SAD CASE.—The sad duty de-
 volves itself upon us this week, as a
 faithful reporter of matters and things,
 of writing up a case of domestic
 trouble that makes our heart bleed,
 and the great drops of sweat stand
 out on our mansard brow like car-
 buncles, as we pen the account. A
 brute by the name of McGinnis Mc-
 Cracken, has maltreated his noble
 wife so horribly during the past year,
 that she has finally been driven in her
 desperation to seek a bill of divorce,
 and has employed counsel to take the
 matter in hand for her. She left her
 own hearthstone the other day—the
 home that should have been her
 earthly heaven, instead of the hell it
 is—with a child under each arm,
 and is now stopping at the house of a
 friend. The abuse imposed upon her
 by the fiend, McCracken, is enough to
 consign him to the contempt of the
 most degraded scum of the human
 family, and forever shut him out from
 the good offices of any creature above
 a dog—dog on him! On the other
 hand, Mrs. McCracken is one of the
 most lovable creatures in point of
 disposition, that ever blessed any
 home, and is, withal, a most pious
 and exemplary lady, whose whole
 life, so full of promise at the outset,
 has been converted into a shameful
 misfortune by a miserable wretch in
 human form, but possessing no more
 of a heart than a lizard and no soul
 more lofty than the miserable sold of
 his foot. We sincerely pray that this
 estimable lady may speedily get re-
 lief from such a monster.

[The Other Account.]
DOMESTIC INFELICITY.—We have an-
 other opportunity to record woman's
 inhumanity to man, in the case of Mrs.
 McCracken vs. McGinnis McCracken.
 One of our most highly respected citi-
 zens. Mrs. McCracken has applied
 for divorce, as a cap-sheaf to all the
 misery she has heaped upon her hus-
 band during the past year, and she
 has also taken the two youngest chil-
 dren and abandoned her home, and
 the bed and board of Mr. McCracken,
 without even the foundation for an
 excuse. We have often remarked Mr.
 Mc as one of the most indulgent fath-
 ers and loving and providing hus-
 bands we ever met. But we have fre-
 quently noticed as a fact, that the
 very kindest and best men in the
 world are sure to be won in marriage
 by regular "she devils," and the in-
 stance in question is one of the most
 aggravated cases of this kind. No
 longer than yesterday morning, as Mr.
 McCracken was in his kitchen, grind-
 ing the coffee—after starting a fire,
 putting over the teakettle and wash-
 ing up the supper dishes of the night
 before—she came in and because the
 poor man didn't happen to have the
 drawer of the coffee-mill next to his
 leg, to keep it from working out, like
 she let the skillet fly at his head with
 all her diabolical strength; and had
 Mr. McCracken not dodged behind
 the stove pipe, he would no doubt
 have been murdered in cold blood, by
 the deadly weapon. He says his life
 will be far more secure by a separa-
 tion, but that he would stand up for
 rather than see the family broken up.
 But no, this female fiend—for she
 does not deserve the name of woman
 —goes off to the lawyers, and seeks
 to destroy what, (were it not for her
 awful waywardness,) might be one of
 the happiest homes on this continent,
 with such a good and noble man as
 Mr. McCracken at its head.

One of the editors of this paper is a
 married man, the other is not; and it
 is not to be wondered at, probably,
 that in matters of this character, our
 opinions may not exactly correspond,
 in matters of detail.

A GREAT DROUGHT has pervaded the
 East this summer. There has, in
 fact, been so little rain that the farm-
 ers have found it necessary to soak the
 grunting portion of the population in
 order to make them hold still.

There is not a saloon or place in
 Martin County where there can be
 purchased "for love or money" a drop
 of any beverage of an intoxicating
 nature. —[St. Cloud Press.

Give us your hand, Martin! Crow
 Wing county hails! Probably the only
 two counties in the State where a
 single drink cannot be had. Our jeal-
 ous enemies outside, keep the report
 going that Brainerd even sells whis-
 key to the Indians—the very worst
 kind of whiskey, too. Now we know
 of our own knowledge, that the In-
 dians cannot get a single drink of whis-
 key in Brainerd or Crow Wing county.
 If they get it by the keg or barrel,
 and go out around the town in the
 brush, or over the river in Cass county,
 and drink and whoop, and cut one an-
 other all to pieces just because there
 don't happen to be a white man or
 woman or child conveniently at hand
 to butcher up in good shape, why that
 is another thing, and cannot possibly
 be productive of the slightest harm,
 or danger of harm. The gentlemen
 of Brainerd who are engaged in the
 noble calling of supplying the docile
 Pillager Indians with this staff of life,
 should be defended at any cost from
 the base insinuations hurled at them
 from outsiders; because, the citizens
 of Brainerd are very grateful that the
 Indians are thus made to raise hell so
 amusingly.

THE ORFUL HOPPEL-GRASS.—While
 at Detroit we saw enough grasshopper
 to convince us of just about how
 they would look in case we saw them
 as they ought to be—to be grasshop-
 per in earnest. They have only as
 yet taken in the garden vegetables,
 etc., in the vicinity of Detroit, but
 are depositing their eggs by the mil-
 lion. At Hawley, however; they are
 represented as doing a good deal of
 damage; Mr. Van Vlietinger who has
 600 acres of wheat near Hawley is suf-
 fering heavily from them, and will
 probably lose half or more of his crop.
 The Holland gentleman who has 1500
 acres of wheat at Lake Park, we are
 sorry to learn will probably not get
 more than five or six bushels to the
 acre, whereas he did not been for the
 pestiferous hoppers he would have had
 thirty bushels.

AN IDEA.
 As we have seen the hundreds of
 Memmoites pouring along in the cars
 to locate in the northern Red River
 Valley, our heart has kind of gone
 out after them in sympathy as we
 thought of the close relationship they
 were hereafter to occupy with the
 destructive grasshoppers—at least per-
 iodically but we learned through an
 interpreter that our tears of sympathy
 were entirely wasted and uncalled for;
 they laughed at our fright and assured
 us that they could get away with all
 the grasshoppers in the contract, with
 but little trouble, just the way they did
 in Russia, where they assured us they
 had more grasshoppers than we have.
 There they turn out two or three
 hundred farms families, (which would
 probably aggregate some five or six
 thousand persons,) when the grasshop-
 pers come along, encircle a tract of
 country, and with clatter-traps they
 drive the hoppers to a common cen-
 tre, and when they get them down to
 a circle small enough so that the hop-
 pers are about six inches deep, they
 drive heavy rollers over them and
 smash the daylight out of them.
 That plan may prove effectual in this
 country. But.

FRONT DOOR SHIRT.—A fellow went
 into one of our stores to other day and
 says he:
 "Have yer got any front door fine
 shirts?"
 The clerk said they had a magnif-
 cent line of shirts, the latest styles;
 but they all opened in the back;
 which was just the thing now, and no
 other kind was worn.

"Well," said the customer, "I
 dont keer a cuss what you all wear;
 I dont want no shirt with only a back
 door to go into it; I alers went to my
 shirts the front way, and if yer
 hav't got no shirts like I alers wear,
 yer ken keer yer new-fangled truck,
 and I'll wear my old red one till the
 fashion changes back again."
 And off he went, independent as a
 bovine monarch on congealed water.

FINE INVESTMENT.—Not a great many
 days ago, an Indian wagon-load of fine
 blue berries came to town, and were
 disposed of by the young Indians in
 charge; the berries were probably
 worth near thirty dollars in cash.
 Now, let us go to the home of these
 Indians a moment, and see the condi-
 tion of things there. We find a very
 aged man and woman, and some small
 children. All these had been enga-
 ged for a week in gathering these
 berries, without scarcely a mouthful
 to eat, outside the berries themselves,
 and the old couple had not seen a bit
 of tobacco for three weeks, which was
 a hardship equally severe to them as
 to be nearly starved to death in get-
 ting berries with which to supply their
 pinching necessities. But now the
 fruits of their hard labor had gone to
 market, and soon they would have
 something good to eat and some to-
 bacco to cheer their evening hour.
 The wagon finally returned, all the
 young Indians cry drum, and not a
 solitary bite of provision in the cart;
 not even a single plug of tobacco for

the aged couple. All there was to
 show for the load of berries and the
 week's work was some five or six gal-
 lons of the vilest whiskey—not an-
 other thing had been obtained. We
 relate this exactly as described to us
 by respectable authority. Comment
 is wholly unnecessary. We only desire
 to ask who is running this town?

CINDERS FROM OUR "STOVEPIPE."
 "The Pioneer says that most of the clergy
 of St. Paul say Beecher is guilty. They
 probably know how it is themselves." —
St. Paul Rapidist.
 Why, Ben?
 He said had an "opening," and didn't
 invite us in. Two horns on their end
 would be more gentle than we, because of it.
 "Is Beecher going to climb from the pulpit
 to the editorial tripod?" —**Mail.**
 We pray not; editors are virtuous if they
 are poor.
 The Indians say now that they "dont
 want to fight a bit; but would rather get
 right up and get it."
 "Troy has a Beecher and Tilton base ball
 club. Foul an' out!"
 "Benzine and clay will clean marble." —
 "Benzine" and "clay" will also fill graves
 under inarble.
 "If I should die, dear, where would you
 go?" "I would go after your insurance
 money." That's business, we must confess;
 and withal how kussedly kind!
 An Irishman found a government blanket
 recently, and putting it under his arm re-
 marked to himself as he walked off, "Yis,
 that's mine—U for Patrick, and B for Mc-
 Cart; be me sowl, but this larmin' is a
 fine thing."

While riding out west on a night train
 recently we reflected thusly—Indeed we did:
 We cannot see the steekest point,
 But feel that it is there—
 As he sings his Stanic song
 And works amongst our hair.
 How doth the little steeker-um
 Improve each darker'd hour,
 And go for blood and bloody "grab"
 With all his might and power.
 If we could only beg them all,
 Guess we'd retaliate
 For all the smarming misery
 They've given us of late.
 We'd pound the bag till we've played out,
 Then have another man
 To lay it on both thick and fast
 And we'd sit back and fan.
 We've'er can love the steeker-um—
 "Cause the howling little ones
 Can't enjoy our company
 'Thout poking his bill at us.
 And if we wasn't enjoying a real "poetical
 mood," what was it?

How THEY DO IT.—We never wit-
 nessed the far famed grasshopper
 plague till a few days ago; they were
 not plaguing anything very much
 where we saw them, but still they
 were—the regular plague sort, and it
 was with great interest that we squat-
 ted down and watched their manuev-
 ers. They were depositing their eggs,
 and to say that the operation inter-
 ested us would not half express it.
 They seem to prefer a sort of sandy
 loam in which to place their eggs,
 and we saw spots along in the beaten
 roads and paths that were so literally
 full of little holes that the entire
 surface resembled a honey comb, or
 the top of a pepper box. They seem
 to be mated, all around, and we
 could not discover a single case of
 bigamy among the legions. The fe-
 male, when she concludes it is about
 time to put in a few, takes leave of
 her mate—who is not quite so large
 as she, retires a few inches, squares
 herself around, bumps up her body,
 and with her little "rear," which is
 about three-quarters of an inch long,
 she commences to back-down into the
 hard ground, at the rate of about a
 mile a minute. She inserts her body
 into the ground at an uniform depth
 of half an inch and, as we discovered
 by prying up some nests with our knife-
 blade, she lays from thirty to forty
 eggs each time. The eggs are small
 white particles about the size of a
 pin's point—a very dull pin. It may
 seem strange, to strangers to this
 strange sight, how they can go into
 the ground with such facility—it was
 certainly very strange to us; but they
 seem to have a little post-hole anger
 on the tip end of their dash-board,
 sharp and hard, and by a little half
 circular motion to their body—their
 legs, meantime, all braced forward
 doing some heavy pushing—they are
 very soon into the ground clear up
 under their arms, where they remain
 gazing upward in the most philoso-
 phical manner for, we don't exactly
 know how many minutes, and that
 particular batch is deposited. Some-
 times, when a layer has got her well-
 auger dulled or out of repair, by
 much use, and is too provided with busi-
 ness to go to the village blacksmith
 for repairs, she inserts herself into a
 hole made by another. To sum up
 with, the most prominent character-
 istics of the frisky grasshoppers are,
 voracious appetites, muchness of num-
 bers, bountiful and frequent lay-
 ers, high flyers when traveling, and as
 "nest hidlers" they cannot be o'er-
 shadowed this side of Brooklyn.

A SQUAB, grown in a Brainerd gar-
 den was cut open the other day, and
 inside among the seeds was found a
 piece of white paper with figures on
 it; the squab was perfectly sound,
 without a blemish. Will somebody
 figure on this thing a little!

Cool nights and hot days is now our
 portion.
FLOTT LAKE, sailing, big mill, and
 some other things, next week.
 The river has fallen wonderfully
 during the past fortnight, and is now
 very low.

For best blue-joint and red-top
 Hay, apply to Wm. Wick, at Union
 Hall, Brainerd.
Mr. Wm. Jones, a fine old gentle-
 man, from Hastings, recently paid the
 Northern Pacific country a visit.
 It is an awkward thing for a person
 to be caught "in the wrong pow,"
 even in a railroad car—isn't it Bi-
 —?

Rev. Mr. Boyles, of Cedar Rapids,
 Iowa, will officiate at St. Paul's Epis-
 copal Church, to-morrow. Services
 at usual hours.
 We learned while out west that our
 good friend, W. A. Wilkins, Esq., was
 just recovering from quite a severe
 attack of "cucumbers."

ENOUGH red hot chain and sheet
 lightning to burn up a small universe,
 accompanied with heavy rain, was
 experienced on Monday night last.
 The Festival, at Bly's Hall, on
 Wednesday evening, given by the la-
 dies of the Methodist Society, was a
 gratifying success. The receipts were
 \$55. We were prevented from at-
 tending, on account of sickness in our
 family.

DEAD.—We are pained to learn that
 an interesting little son of our friend
 Mr. P. A. Gatchel, of Wadena, died
 recently while down below going to
 school. We did not learn the char-
 acter of the disease from which he
 died.
FIND.—The blueberry crop and
 harvest came to a very sudden and
 untimely end this year. They ripened
 more uniformly this season than last,
 and being very ripe when the hail
 storm came the other night, they
 were all knocked off the vines.

ELEVATOR AT MOTLEY.—A Mr. Wait,
 from Long Prairie, is building a fine
 wheat elevator at Motley Station,
 and will have it ready for the recep-
 tion of this year's crop of wheat from
 the rich Long Prairie country, which
 will find its best market at Motley, on
 the Northern Pacific.

The hail storm cut the gardens in
 this vicinity very badly. Mr. Brown,
 who has a splendid and extensive gar-
 den four miles south was the heaviest
 sufferer, we believe, by the storm.
 The vegetables, which were as fine
 as could be, were torn to pieces badly,
 inflicting a loss of two or three hun-
 dred dollars upon Mr. B.

A GREAT many persons, (one of
 whom we are which,) seem to have a
 cough now-a-days, with no well-regu-
 lated cold to back it up. Last year
 humanity had a big run of epizootic,
 and this year people are having the
 heaves. What horse disease we shall
 try next year is hard to tell—prob-
 ably either the bots, or scratches.

A good hotel is Byron's "Park
 House" at Detroit. The house is neat
 and clean all over; the beds are good;
 Byron is a good fellow and clever land-
 lord; the house is pleasantly located,
 and at the table a man can find the
 very best "stuffing" to be had on the
 line. Always stop at Byron's Park
 House, whenever you find yourself at
 Detroit.

On Saturday last, we learn, a squaw
 was badly shot by an Indian. Jeal-
 ously, or something of the sort, was
 what was the matter, we believe.
 Whether she died or is dying, or is in
 her usual health, we cannot promise.
 The shooting took place in lower
 town. Any man—Indian or other-
 wise—who would shoot a woman—
 squaw or otherwise—ought to be
 hung, sure.

Nice Fresh Eggs,
 at
DAVIE & McAVOY'S.
NEW SCHOOL BUILDING.—We are
 pleased to learn that the enterprising
 and liberal citizens of Wadena have
 all the arrangements made, and will
 soon commence the construction of a
 fine public school building, which they
 have completed in time for a fall
 winter's term of school. This is a
 grand step in the right direction, and
 does credit to the enterprising and
 refined people of that promising town.

Ripe Water-melons,
 at
DAVIE & McAVOY'S.
 Some Doctor and Doctors has sent
 us a circular, marked "private and
 confidential." It goes on to say that
 if we or any of our friends are "sick,"
 or anything in the matter with us,
 just hold on, and they will soon be
 here and attend to our respective ca-
 ses, by the most effectual and scien-
 tific treatment. Now, what we won-
 der at, is, what do these "humanita-
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THE NEWS.

Crimes and Casualties.

Several incendiary attempts have been lately discovered in Chicago, and the offenders arrested.

ROBERT WATSON was recently arrested in New York for attempting to pass a forged \$1,000 bond on the sub-treasury.

At Anaheim, California, Cipriani Dye Davis tried to resist Jose Moreno for rape on Mrs. Eldridge Moreno during a pistol man.

A colored man named Kessler was drowned by a white river at Indianapolis, Ind., July 26.

A boy named Reeves was drowned in a bath room at Terre Haute on the same date.

The East.

The Massachusetts Democratic State Convention will be held at Worcester, December 9.

The examination of members of the bankrupt firm of Jay Cooke & Co. has not resulted in any important disclosures.

A vortex on the shore of the People's Fire Ins. Co., of Philadelphia, the 24th ult., announced.

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Assistant, will be permitted to resign, Mr. Jewell preferring a confidential friend for the position.

ATTORNEY-GENERAL WILLIAMS is absent from Washington, and it is believed he has settled down in some quiet place for recovery.

The south wing of the new state department building will be ready for occupancy Oct. 1.

The postal car controversy between the Postmaster-General and the railroads will still unsettled on the 31st inst., but hopes were entertained of a speedy and satisfactory adjustment of the matter.

The bids for supplying beef, flour, coffee, and sugar for the Indians of Arizona and New Mexico were opened at the Interior Department on the 1st inst. There were twenty-two parties bidding. The offers ranged from \$2 to \$5 for beef; flour, \$5 to \$13 per 100 pounds; coffee, 25 to 40 cents; and sugar, 15 to 40 cents.

Secretary Cowan and Commissioner Smith have the bids under consideration. The award will be made in a few days.

AMERICANISTS have been concluded by agents of the houses of Seligman & Co., and August Belmont, with Secretary Bristol, to take all the remainder of the loan, some \$150,000,000. The arrangement is absolutely made, and the loan disposed of in the second month of Gen. Bristol's administration. The Rothschilds are the principal purchasers.

SECRETARY BUSTOW says the civil service will continue in full force in his department, and has referred (ten Spinners' appointments to the remaining boats.

FRANCIS is a larger number of persons in Washington without employment than was ever before known since the close of the war.

The government offices and workshops have largely reduced their forces, and the District works employ only about one-fourth as many persons as they did one year ago, and many private establishments have cut down the number of employees.

A copyright declaration respecting trademarks of the houses of Seligman & Co., and August Belmont, with Secretary Bristol, to take all the remainder of the loan, some \$150,000,000.

JOSEPH H. BLACKMAN, Superintendent of our foreign mail-service, will doubtless be again deputed to represent the United States at the International Postal Congress.

THE government party for Peking, China, to serve the transit of Venice, sailed from San Francisco on the 28th ult.

THE Centennial Commission have issued an address to the people of the United States calling for additional funds for the grand celebration.

COMMODORE THOMPSON DARWIN SHAW, a retired officer of the navy, died at Germantown, Pa., July 27, aged 75 years.

It is thought that a true bill of indictment will be brought against Dana, editor of the New York Sun, on complaint of Gov. Shepley. It is said the President hopes for such a result of the grand jury's deliberations in the case.

THE President has issued his proclamation ratifying the extradition treaty with Peru; also the treaty of friendship, commerce, and navigation with the same government.

THE American base ball clubs, the Boston and Athletics, arrived in Liverpool July 27. They were to play a match in Liverpool on the 28th ult.

THE deciding games of hand ball of the series between James Farou and Alderman James O'Brien, of Chicago, against James Casey and James Dunn, of Brooklyn, were played in Philadelphia, and resulted in favor of Brooklyn.

FRANCE.—On the 1st inst., there was a stormy scene in the Assembly. Galland-Francia, Bonapartist, recently used the expression that the republic had succumbed before the scorn of honest men, he was challenged by members of the left to repeat the words, which he did.

THOMPSON, gave him the lie, and several deputes on the left rushed toward him, shouting and striking their fists. The President of the Assembly, unable to restore order, suspended the sitting. It is probable that several duels will follow.

THE Bonapartists are wholly excluded from the permanent committee which is to get during the recess of the Assembly.

CANADA.—Three members of the Canadian cabinet, Chaplin, Olmstead, and Arch. Ambant are charged with quietly swapping a piece of government land, worth \$250,000, for another plot outside of the city which could not exceed \$40,000, and defrauding the public.

GERMANY.—Official papers say the object of sending a German squadron into Spanish waters is merely to protect German residents in Spain.

MORAVIA.—The damage done by the storm in Moravia far exceeds the earlier estimate. Eleven villages and towns are devastated. The government has sent troops to assist the inhabitants.

ENGLAND.—The great Pacific Dock at Liverpool was destroyed by fire July 28, by the upsetting of a kettle of boiling lead. Loss \$1,000,000.—The international channel yacht race was won by the Enchantress. The government has sent a representative to the Birmingham congress.

Why Napoleon Fell.

Many reasons have been given for the fall of Napoleon; only this one is left to me—"a poor thing, sir, but lead not eyes to see the power that is always behind it. Through life he needlessly and wantonly affronted the will of women. He found fault with the wife of ladies of his own rank; an insult that some women take more to heart than a slur on their beauty or reputation. He drove away Madame de Stiel when she would have adorned him, and so secured an enemy always fighting under cover. He outspoke the whole sex by divorcing Josephine, and when she arrived in the presence of the house of Austria, coming on her influence with her father. The simplest of women could have told him that it was needless when she had a stepmother. And he suffered Maria Louisa to offend in diamonds and other magnificence, when he held a review of royalty at Dresden. His minister Talleyrand, whose career is nearly as wonderful as his own, always heartily despised women, but never overlooked their influence. At the French failure of Waterloo, was a French failure of another order. There, almost as deeply indebted as his uncle to a friendly bullet in his back—Beaten Path.

Theatrical Economy.

Allie Vestral, who once figured so much in this country, both as an opera singer and an actress, is now playing Hamlet in Germany, and a person with whom she had professional dealings publishes the following statement: "She wanted to have bouquets and wreaths thrown at her. I demanded \$20 for it which she said was too much for one night. But I explained the whole thing to her. 'Madam,' I said, '\$20 are sufficient for two nights. To-day I and my men will throw the bouquets to you from the first tier. After the performance is over I shall take the flowers home in baskets and distribute them to the men their all night and the following day. To-morrow night one in the audience will find out that the bouquets have been used before. Thereupon she paid me the sum I had demanded."

BEARD the staff of life—the want of it the slave.

THE PUBLIC DEBT.

The following is the public debt statement for the month of July:

Table with columns for bond types and amounts. Includes Treasury bonds, gold certificates, and interest payments.

AN INNOCENT MAN IN PRISON.

A pardon has been issued by Gov. Taylor, of Wisconsin, to James B. Carter, who has spent over seven years in Waupun on a life-sentence for murder.

of which he was convicted largely on his own admission, at the LaCrosse County Court in 1867, but of which, it now appears, he was innocent. He was living with a shoemaker named Ira B. Wheeler, in Pepin County. He and his wife differed, and she was regarded as a quiet housewife.

Quarreling about some sheep-pegs she brushed over with her broom while he was at work, she picked up the handle striking him in the head and killed him. Carter, horror-struck, saw the deed, and attempted to fly, but threats of accusing him of the murder, and persuasion, induced him to stay and help hide the body.

Suspicion was aroused, and both were arrested. On the plea of insanity he was committed to the asylum, and his wife was discharged, and then her testimony with other influences, could be used to secure his release; he was induced by counsel to admit the crime. Both, however, were convicted. The woman's discharge was secured by a writ of error on technical grounds, by consulting the State Prison.

His brother has persistently labored to prove Carter innocent and secure his release, and recently left for Waupun with a free pardon granted by the Executive on a mass of documents showing the above facts, the man's good conduct in prison, etc., and a statement of the witnesses for the pardon, who relate that the record showed the man was made a victim of the woman Wheeler and her friends, and pardon is recommended among others by the Judge who sentenced him, the District-Attorney who prosecuted, and five of the jurors, several of the witnesses for the county officials, and nearly 600 citizens of Pepin.

HOW IT WORKS.

A dispatch from Bloomington, Ill., of the 30th, in relation to the effect of prohibitory laws, says: "One month ago an ordinance went into effect restraining the sale of all kinds of liquor in quantities less than one gallon, and prohibiting the drinking of liquor in the place where bought. This ordinance was an attempt to carry out the vote of the people on the license question, but it seems to have neither suited one party nor the other, and to have proved a decided failure. By various devices, more liquor than ever is sold and drinking is going on as freely as ever. Breweries that never before ran in the summer are running now at nearly their full capacity, and violations of the law are becoming alarmingly frequent. This being the case, public opinion is fast working up against the childlike attempt at prohibition, and it is entirely possible that the Council meeting to-morrow evening, this ordinance will be repealed. Public sentiment is such that more vigorous measures cannot be adopted, and it is likely that a change will be made in favor of license. The Pantagraph and other papers are openly advocating new legislation on this question. As Congress is similar dissatisfaction exists regarding the ordinance there in force, and a public meeting is appointed for Saturday to discuss the question."

A FEMALE MONOMANIAC.

Henrietta Waibel, aged 16 years, has been arrested on a charge of making three attempts to burn the hotel of L. Appel, in West Farus, N. Y., and an infant child. The girl admits that she tried to burn the hotel, and falling in this, attempted to set fire to the house. When questioned as to her reason, she said that when she saw the baby sleep she took a notion that she would like to burn it, and attempted to do so by setting fire to the bed.

She said that about two years ago she was employed by Mrs. Kinney, an Irish woman, and was holding a baby in her arms, she felt a desire to burn it up, and lit a match and was about to set fire to its dress, when the child looked up in her face and laughed, which had the effect of staying her hand. The girl afterwards went to live with Dr. Shilling, the man who buried a coffin load of bricks, and who is now in State Prison.

CREDIT MOBILIZE SUITS.

At Hartford, Ct., on the 30th ult., the clerk of the United States Circuit Court forwarded to the clerk of the United States Supreme Court, at Washington, a transcript of the record in the case of the United States against the Union Pacific Railroad Company and others. It will be remembered that the case goes up on an appeal by the Government, consequent on the decision of Justice Hunt, sustaining the demurrer. The Attorney-General will ask to have the case advanced on the docket, and a hearing is expected at the opening of the court in October. The record, when printed, will make an octavo volume of 600 pages.

Dr. entering a military hospital surgery, met Paddy Doyle, the orderly, and asked which he considered the most dangerous of the many cases then in hospital. "That, sir," said Paddy, as with an indicative jerk of his thumb, he pointed to where, on the table, lay a case of surgical instruments.

A Girl's Growth.

Louise Chandler Moulton's last poem appears in the Independent, and runs sweetly thus:

Just a little baby, lying in my arms— Would that I could keep you in your baby's arms; Helpless, clinging fingers, downy golden hair: Here the sunshine lingers, caught from other spheres; Blue eyes asking questions, eyes that cannot speak;

Body-petiole, dimpled in your cheek; Delicately blossoming in a world of woe, Thus I fain would keep you for I love you so. Royal little damsel, scarcely six years old— Feet that never weary, taste of deeper good; Begonia, busy glowing, all the time at play; Tongue that never ceases, talking 'all the day;

Blue eyes learning wonder of the world above; Here you come to tell me—what an eager about— Winsome little damsel, all the neighbors know; Thus I long to keep you, for I love you so.

Sober little school-girl, with your strap of books, And such grave importance in your puzzled looks; Solving weary problems, poring over sums; With tooth for sponge cake and for sugar plums;

Reading books of romance in your bed at night; Waking up to study with the morning light; Anxious as to ribbons, darts to tie a bow; Full of contradictions—I would keep you so.

Sweet and thoughtful maiden, sitting by my side, All the world's before you, and the world is wide; Hearts are there for winning, hearts are there, to break; Has your own, shy maiden, just begun to bloom;

Is that rose of dawn glowing on your cheek? Telling us of blueses what you will not speak; Soft and tender maiden, I would fain forever All the golden future just to keep you so.

Oh! the listening angels saw that she was fair; Elze for fair unfolding in the upper air; Now the rose of dawn glowing on your cheek; And the close-shut eyelids veil the eyes from sight;

All the past I summon as I kiss her brow— Babe, and child, and maiden, all are with me now; O my heart is breaking, but God's love I know— Safe among the angels, He will keep her so.

THE PROPHECIC PISTOL.

From Chamber's Journal.

"And that," said I, "is pretty nearly all that I have to tell you."

The above words formed the peroration of a synopsis of several years' traveling, communicated to me by a fellow passenger from Helsingfors to Stockholm, as we leaned over the side of the good ship Viborg, and watched the countless groups of rocky islets, crested with green foliage, which arose on every side from the smooth, transparent sea. My auditor was a long, lean, wiry American, with a cold, clear eye, and a look indomitable of firmness in every line of his pinched, sallow face, which gave him the aspect (to quote from a pugacious friend of mine), "of a man you would like to be back to back with in a row."

"Wal, stranger," remarked he, at the close of my narrative, "you have been about a bit, I reckon; but you ain't seen much, and what's more, you ain't done much, neither."

My dignity was somewhat ruffled by this plain-spoken criticism; for I privately regarded myself as a second Sibyl, on the strength of a moderate acquaintance with the majority of the countries which figure on the tourist's visiting list. Moreover, my listener had himself provoked my communication by a series of searching questions upon every point of my wanderings, from the color of my grand-father's hair to the amount of pocket money allowed me at Rugby. Consequently, there was perhaps a shade of acrimony in my tone as I replied—

"I've done what I could; but, of course, everybody can't have as many adventures as you."

"Wal, you air about right that," returned he, taking my words literally. "I've seen a few things in my time, I reckon; but mark my eye, it's cause I've looked about me, and fixed for doin' my own business wherever I went, sted of lettin' my eyes and my hands in other people's pockets, like some folk. Now, I'll tell you how I Britianers travel. I jest follow the railway track right square from one town to another, and see the open houses, and the theaters, and the promenade, and a heap of 'siff-ruff, and we stop get your eye teeth drawn, a leetle too sick; and a 'ter deathin' three weeks or a month to see in a country with some millions of people in it, you come back and take a tarnation big book to say, 'that's all the critters that air all lay and climb with my eyes and my hands in other people's pockets, like some folk. Now, I'll tell you how I Britianers travel. 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