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Wilmington Messenger: An alligator seven feet long was killed in a pond near the residence of Mr. John M. Williams in East Wilmington yesterday. It was shot by Mr. Bob Eaton who lives near the pond. The alligator has been in the pond for the past year, but had evaded every effort to capture him until yesterday.

HEADACHE

Pain back of your eyes? Heavy pressure in your head? And are you sometimes faint and dizzy? Is your tongue coated? Bad taste in your mouth? And does your food distress you? Are you nervous and irritable? Do you often have the blues? And are you troubled about sleeping?

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WASHINGTON LETTER.

From our Regular Correspondent

Unless Mr. McKinley stopped his ears, he heard the enthusiastic cheers given to the Boer envoys and the voices of the Senators and Representatives, who spoke in behalf of the two republics now engaged in a death grapple with the world's mightiest empire, to an audience which the largest theatre in Washington would not hold. The Speakers at that reception pointed out the fact that from all over this country there was a demand that this government should save the lives of those little republics, which all the world knows could be done by a word from Mr. McKinley to the British government, and yet that word remains unspoken. Instead the mouthpieces of the administration are saying, "hush! we know that England intends to wipe out those republics, but it is none of our business; we have promised to remain neutral and we must not say a word." A President who is afraid of England, is a novelty in this country, and a decidedly unpleasant one too. But the remedy lies in the hands of the people. Next November they can elect a President whose first act will be a dissolution of the partnership between the greatest republic and the worst land-grabbing empire on earth, and if present signs are not misleading, they will do it.

Hon. J. D. Campau, Michigan's member of the Democratic National Committee, has been in Washington to consult with Chairman Jones, on the work of the campaign. He is confident that Michigan will go democratic this year. Speaking of the matter, he said: "Even the republicans in Michigan admit that the democrats have reason to feel encouraged. The opposition is in bad shape. The republicans have given a very bad state administration. It cannot all be laid at the door of Pingree, because the legislature was a bad as the officers he appointed. If there was ever a reason for turning the governing party out, it exists in Michigan. It is not a matter of politics, but of common sense with regard to the interests of the State. The democrats will have a united party with a strong organization to put up a good fight."

A number of democratic Senators and Representatives have launched a boom for Representative McClellan, of New York, a son of "little Mac", the democratic candidate for President in 1864, as Vice President on the ticket with Col. Bryan, and are pushing it actively.

Senator Morgan threw a bomb in the right direction when he offered a resolution directing the Senate Committee on Inter-oceanic canals to investigate the two Canal trusts organized under the laws of New Jersey, and report whether the object of these trusts is to control any canal built across the isthmus, or in default of such control to embarrass this government, and to prevent the construction of a Canal. Senator Morgan says that in asking an investigation of the new Panama Canal Company, he did not intend that the action on the Nicaragua Canal bill, which was favorably reported to the Senate last week, notwithstanding Boss Hanna's opposition, should be delayed, but to "enable the President of the United States to check, escape from the destroy and the conspiracy, founded in fraud and corruption and arrogance—against the highest rights and privileges of the people and government of the United States." Mr. Morgan will try to get a vote on the Nicaragua Canal Bill this week, but success is doubtful, owing to republican opposition.

Secretary Root's second reply to a Senate resolution asking for a detailed report of receipts and expenditures under our military government in Cuba, was only a little more satisfactory than the first. The details are still lacking, but the report makes it plain that the charge of extravagant expenditures in Cuba, is well founded. For instance, the civil salary list of the Cuban government for last year, exclusive of \$1,337,000 paid on what the report calls the "labor payroll" was \$4,330,587. Adding these totals together and more than one third of the total receipts—\$16,000,000—are shown to have been paid out for civil salaries, not to mention the cost of the Military Establishment, which is, of course, paid by the United States Government. How long could a political party remain in control of one of our states which spent one third of the State's receipts for salaries?

The Clark case has become a badly complicated. Mr. Clark resigned and was appointed to fill the vacancy by the acting Governor of Montana. Gov. Smith denounced that appointment as fraudulent and appointed ex-Congressman Martin Maginnis. The vacancy is likely to continue until the Montana legislature elects another Senator.

The Republicans in Congress are afraid to adopt either of the resolutions offered by democrats in the Senate and House for a Congressional investigation of the Cuban stealings. The total of those stealings, already known, and the number of officials already implicated, makes the republicans fear fearless democrats might trace some of the stealings to Washington, and implicate bigger officials than those now known to have been in the conspiracy at the Cuban end of the line.

J. C. Kennedy, Roanoke, Tenn., says, "I cannot say too much for DeWitt's Hazel Salve. One box of it cured what the doctors called an incurable ulcer on my jaw." Cures piles and all skin diseases. Look out for worthless imitations. Coffey Bros. Phillips & Son.

Brookside Letter. Editor Democrat:

One of the most gigantic and hideous object lessons of the cruel and destructive working of the gold standard is now being presented to the people. This too just at the time that the gold bugs are trying to delude the people in to the belief that the money question is dead.

It would melt the heart of a stone almost to read of the terrible suffering and misery death and desolation thro' famine in India. To the gold standard is traceable much of this. Not that any one would suppose that the gold standard caused a failure of crops. But from statements made by those who have issued the call for aid. It is clear to all that it is not for a lack of money with which to purchase the food. The same authorities who call for the aid tell us that two cents will purchase food for a day, and that corn can be bought for forty cents a bushel. From these and other statements it will be seen that very little money would be required to sustain life. But, England having forced the people up on the gold standard, and having been a silver using people their money was more than half destroyed and has left the poorer classes literally without a purchasing medium.

This is not the first famine in India in the memory of men now living, but is much more horrible than anything yet heard of. In former famines the people could take silver trinkets, of which they possess many in the shape of ear rings, rings, pins, and idols and have them coined into money with which they could purchase food. All this is now changed and the poor suffering millions must die of starvation that the Rothschilds and their brother bondholders and bankers may revel amid their heaps of gold.

The English government does not do her duty by these poor subjects of hers, after having brought them to this terrible plight. She turns her attention to the conquering and making more subjects that she may be able to exploit and get more gold. But we too are just now engaged in the conquering business, that we may be able to force our laws upon other people. The gold standard for instance, and we will soon have starving millions of our own subjects. It won't do to let England get before us, *dontcher know*. But put your ear to the ground, Listen!

I looked to the west
And I looked to south,
I saw Bill Bryan a comin'
Sixteen to one, de music's begun
And we start for de happy land ob canon,
Refrain. Den fall in line
And foller Mister Bryan
For de bimetalic hoss am a gainin'
And de democratic band
Am comin' fru de land
Playin' o' de Hapy lann o' Canon.
H. A. D.

Something About You.

You are a complex and ingenious machine, "fearfully and wonderfully" made. If your age is fifteen years or more you can be figured up to a dot.

You have 160 bones, and 500 muscles; your blood weighs 25 pounds. Your heart is nearly 5 inches in length and 3 inches in diameter. It beats 70 times a minute 4200 times an hour, 100800 times a day, and 30,722,200 times a year. At each beat a little over two ounces of blood is thrown out of it. Each day it receives and discharges about seven tons of that wonderful fluid. It is the most remarkable pump in the world.

Your lungs will contain a gallon of air, and you inhale 21,000 gallons a day. The aggregate surface of the air cells of your lungs, supposing them to be spread out, is 20,000 square inches.

The weight of your brain is three pounds or more. Your nerves exceed 10,000,000. Your skin is composed of three layers, and varies from one-eighth to one-fourth of an inch in thickness. The area of your skin is about 1,700 square inches, and you are subjected to an atmospheric pressure of 15 pounds to the square inch—a total of 127 tons.

Each square inch of your skin contains 3500 sweating tubes, or perspiratory pores, each of which may be likened to a little drain tile one-fourth of an inch long, making an aggregate length in the entire surface of your body of 201,166 feet, or a tile ditch for draining the body almost forty miles long.

In the future have more respect for your body, and see that it is well taken care of.—Exchange.

The Billionaire in Sight.

Atlanta Constitution. The newspapers are determined to push John D. Rockefeller to the front as our richest man.

According to the St. Louis Post Dispatch, Mr. Rockefeller now has an income which is 5 per cent of a capital of \$1,500,000,000.

If these figures be correct, the billionaire has arrived. The power wielded by men of such vast wealth is tremendous, and the day is coming when a few Rockefellers will be more powerful than our government.

But there is one safeguard. Death loves a shining mark, and under his touch the wealth of the billionaire scatters among their heirs and becomes more generally distributed.

Alarmists overestimate the danger of a plutocracy in this country. The chances are that before many years the Jeffersonian idea of income tax will crystallize into law, and this, with an inheritance tax, will materially check the growth of great fortunes.

In this big country there is room for billionaires. Let them come. The American people will take care of them selves in the future, as in the past, and for every evil they will find a remedy when they need it.

Seeing the Point.

Youth's Companion. The following story is told of a Philadelphia millionaire who has been dead for some years. A young man came to him one day and asked pecuniary aid to start in business:

"Do you drink?" asked the millionaire.

"Once in a while."

"Stop it! Stop it for a year, and then come and see me." The young man broke off the habit at once, and at the end of a year came to see the millionaire again.

"Do you smoke?" asked the successful man.

"Now and then."

"Stop it! Stop it for a year and then come and see me again."

The young man went home and broke away from the habit. It took him some time, but finally he worried through the year, and presented himself again.

"Do you chew?" asked the philanthropist.

"Yes, I do," was the desperate reply.

"Stop it! Stop it for a year; then come and see me again."

The young man stopped chewing, but he never went back again. When asked by his anxious friends why he never called on the millionaire again, he replied that he knew exactly what the man was driving at. "He'd have told me that now I have stopped drinking and smoking and chewing, I must have saved enough to start myself in business. And I have."

J. Q. Hood, justice of the peace Crosby, Miss., makes the following statement: "I can certify that One Minute cough cure will do all that is claimed for it. My wife could not get her breath and the first dose of it relieved her. It has also benefited my whole family." It acts immediately and cures coughs, colds, croup, grippe, bronchitis, asthma and all throat and lung troubles. Coffey Bros. Phillips & Son.

We meet at the table three times a day in most families, and our best opportunity for conversation is found there. To sit at a meal in silence, speaking only about the affairs of the moment, asking and answering questions but having no genuine table talk is a mistake.—Ladies' Home Journal.

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