

GENERAL NEWS

NEWS FROM ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD.

John P. Kelly, of White Cloud, Kansas, was the first fourth-class postmaster appointed last Friday.

Col. Fred D. Grant has declined the appointment of First Assistant Secretary of war created by President McKinley.

Four men, Mexicans, were hanged at Santa Fe, New Mexico, last Friday for the murder of the Sheriff of the county in 1892.

It is reported in Spain that General Maximo Gomez, commander of the Cuban army, is suing for peace with the mother country.

At Augusta, Ga., last Friday J. F. Whitton, a freight conductor on the Augusta Southern Railroad, was crushed to death while coupling cars.

Frank Butler, the Australian murderer now in jail in San Francisco, tried to commit suicide last Friday by cutting an artery in his arm.

The legislature of Nebraska has passed a bill prohibiting all corporations from contributing to the campaign fund of any political party.

The Dingley tariff bill passed the House of Representatives last Wednesday by a vote of 205 to 121. The Democrats voted almost unanimously against it.

The great auditorium at St. Louis, in which the National Republican convention that nominated President McKinley was held, was blown down by a wind storm last Wednesday.

More than 100 miles of the Yazoo and Mississippi Railroad track in the Mississippi delta are under water and it is feared will remain under water for a month or more.

Two brothers, named Blane, were hanged at La Fayette, La., Friday in the presence of 3000 spectators. They killed a merchant at Scott that state, about a year ago.

Cambridge Springs, Pa., a health resort, was almost destroyed by fire Thursday. One person lost his life and the loss of property was estimated at \$200,000.

The 17 year old son of Governor Atkinson, of Georgia, eloped last Friday with Miss Ada Bryan Bryd fourteen years of age. The parents of the children notified the officers to stop them.

The United Press Association has gone into the hands of a receiver and all news service will be discontinued by it after April 8th. Nearly all the large newspapers of the country withdrew their patronage from it and this forced it to the wall.

The Kentucky legislature in special session is wrangling over the election of a United States Senator, and the probability is that it will adjourn without electing one. Hunter the Republican candidate is receiving the most votes but not a majority. Senator J. C. S. Blackburn is the candidate of the free silver Democrats.

A cyclone struck Chandler, Oklahoma Territory, a town of about 1500 inhabitants last Tuesday evening about dark and blew down and wrecked every house in the town but four killing twenty people and injuring some two hundred others. Also one visited the little town of Star City, Arkansas, the same evening doing much damage to property.

The British Steamer Maroa which sailed from Norfolk, Va., March 10th, arrived at Hamburg, Germany, March 31st. She had on board four survivors of the steamer St. Nazaire, which went to pieces off Cape Hateras on March 7th. The four survivors were picked up by the Maroa on the 13th of March after floating about in a boat for six days without food or water. The four survivors are the Captain, Chief Engineer and two seamen. There were five others on the boat with them but they had died from exposure and from drinking sea-water.

A block of Mica weighing 104 pounds has been placed in the State Museum at Raleigh. It was taken from the mines in Macon county and is said to be the largest and finest block of Mica known and is valued at \$600.

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SAM JONES ON THE "SECOND BLESSING."

[Continued from first page.] town a few years ago. That brother had preached this great blessing with all the earnestness and power of his soul. The tidal wave of salvation was sweeping over the people. He was urging a full and uncompromising consecration of all to God, and that accompanying supreme act of faith which procures the downpour of the Spirit in all his fulness. We were walking alone after one of the services had closed and turning to me, he said: "Sam, why in the world, brother, don't you turn loose everything that lies between you and God's fulness, and lay hold on this great blessing?" I said: "Brother P., everything that stands between me and my God and the uttermost which he can do for me is not worth more than a nickle. I wouldn't give a nickle for anything under the burning sun that I wouldn't turn loose in a second that stands between me and God's fulness."

Brother P. said: "Then, Sam, you are just within one nickle of the blessing." I replied, "Well, a nickle shouldn't split such an important matter."

When I got back to the church at the next service the meeting had commenced, and this brother was praying as I entered the church and knelt down, and he truly had hold of the horns of the altar. Such praying I never heard since I was born in the world. The very windows of heaven seemed open. I felt the very presence of my God; heaven and earth came together. It was a time of heart-searching, heart-emptying, heart-surrendering and heart-filling. At that meeting, in that solemn and never-to-be forgotten hour, I turned loose the willows that overhung the banks and swept out into the very midst of the ocean of God's infinite love; and the joy of that moment lingers sweetly and ineffaceably to-day. Its memory and power have swept over the lapse of years, and it has been my solace in a thousand sorrows, my strength in a thousand struggles, my star of hope through a thousand nights, and like a sheen of glory will canopy with its light and peace and triumph my dying hour. Thank God, there is water enough in the River of Life to cleanse every heart from all sin.—The American Outlook.

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She is the Rule in Japan - The Gueschas' Dancing.

Among our ladies the custom of "painting" themselves is not uncommon, but it is not practiced by most sensible women; in Japan it forms part of the ordinary woman's daily toilet, says the Fortnightly Review. This is the way in which it is done: A thick layer of white chalk is first smeared with a soft brush over the face, neck, shoulders, arms and hands; then the pretty mouse, dipping her first finger in red paint, gently rubs this on her cheeks, her temples, and over the upper eyelids. The middle finger is the "black brush," and adds sentiment to the expression by a blackening under the eyes; and some times, when the eyebrows are not shaved, it is also used to accentuate them. A piece of burned cork is often used as a substitute for black paint. The fourth finger has no occupation that I know of, but the little one gives the finishing touches, brightening up the mouth with carmine and adding a bit of gold on the lower lip.

Most well-to-do women undergo this process daily. The gueschas, or singers and dancers, paint themselves to a much greater extent than the generality of women, and also use much brighter colors. The guescha in Japan is a curious institution. Her moral qualities, as a rule, do not bear very close examination, but she is usually not immoral enough to be called "fast," though "fast" to be classed as "moral." Their music and posturing have a great charm for the Japanese, and large sums of money are spent in keeping up these feminine musicians and their establishments.

A guescha is a singer or dancer (posturer) or both. A dinner party or a festivity of any kind is seldom given in Japan without one or more of them attending the entertainment. Some sing with self-accompaniment of the shamesen, others display their wonderful powers of mimicking and posturing, in which, I must confess, grace is never lacking.

TEA DRINKING. It is the Universal Beverage of All Classes in England.

There is no doubt as to the tea-drinking propensities of the English race. We flirt with coffee, but tea is our only serious love. With the exception of Russia, we drink more of it than all the rest of the continent put together. It is the one universal drink of all classes, and, it is to be feared, by all classes it is abused in the same fashion. The grande dame and the charwoman both find solace in the teacup, and both turn to it rather too frequently. The volume of tea consumption has steadily increased with the fall of the price of tea, and now that it is within reach of even the poorest, it is no longer a luxury, but a necessary of English life.

Afternoon tea is the most unchangeable of social functions in London. Our neighbors across the channel, with that sincere flattery which they sometimes pay to our failings, have attempted to borrow this custom also, but have never succeeded in actually drinking the tea. French people may invite each other to "five o'clock," but they have far too great a respect for their digestions to wander, as we do, from house to house, drinking at each a tepid cup of unknown strength. For, after all, it is in the making of the tea, and not in the amount that is consumed, that the real danger lies. The Russians are even greater tea-drinkers than we are, but they would never touch the terrible black draught which is our insular delight.—The Spectator.

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