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## EDITORIAL NOTES.

ONLY one person in a thousand dies of old age.

The turkey was domesticated by the Indians before the arrival of the paleface.

Philadelphia's police has taken the census and the population is 1,142,353.

The youngest New York burglar is said to be a 9-year-old lad captured a few days ago.

The nick name for the new dress skirt—"sticktight dress"—isn't elegant, but it is at least expressive.

MINNESOTA taxes the gross earnings of railroads in that State and gets a revenue of \$1,500,000 a year from it.

The Duke of Norfolk gives a far more money for charity than any other member of the British peerage.

That New York Syndicate which has, it is said, paid \$10,000,000 for the gold cure must have had 'em very, very bad.

According to Spanish writers the cost of discovering America was only about \$7,500. Bargains such as that were seldom put on sale.

There appear to be a doubt in some quarters as to whether the international naval review was gotten up to display our war ships, or society's marriageable girls.

It may be that the Tennessee legislature went to Washington in a body merely to see the sights, but there lingers a suspicion that the visit was made for other purposes.

Who should olive-seekers worry? Prof. Totten insists that the world is going out of business next September. Totten, however still charges an admission fee to his lectures.

There have been more lynchings than legal hangings, for murder, in the United States during the last ten years. Perhaps if the last were not so infrequent the first would not be so frequent.

It is always claimed by those who go into towns that prices are not advanced, and just as regularly prices of trust-controlled articles are advanced. It is about time the people got up a credulity trust.

New York capitalists are reported to have purchased all the interests of the Leslie E. Kealey Company in the so-called cure, paying \$10,000,000. Ten years ago, Dr. Kealey was almost unknown physician in Dwight, Ill.

The World's Fair will be opened promptly on May 1, and notwithstanding many reports to the contrary, everything except, possibly, a few minor details, will be completed and in readiness for inspection by the public.

The Earl of Craven, the latest English nobleman to marry an American heiress, is said to be fattened from his neck to his ankles. Perhaps he intends exhibiting himself for a living, after he has spent all of his wife's money.

The Kansas women are not even a little bit afraid of the ballot, which is no longer monopolized by men in the Southwestern State. It remains to be ascertained what effect the privilege of voting will have upon the taste for fashionable spring bonnets.

If the killing of two men by a Kansas bridegroom shall put an end to the barbaric custom, prevalent in some sections, of giving newly wedded couples a tin pan serenade the deaths of the two unfortunates will have served a good purpose.

The man who struts around proudly because he happens to own the tiniest little bit of a diamond should be reminded of the fact that diamonds enough to fill the cars of two long coal trains have been taken from the Cape fields alone in the last twenty five years.

The Chicago Journal enters a protest against lumbering up the Exposition with relics of by-gone ages, and track the only attraction of which is not antiquity, or oddity.

The Exposition was intended to be an exhibit of the resources and industrial triumphs of this age, and not a museum for the exhibition of curiosities.

The new Law and Order League of Dittsburg is causing arrest by conditions of the old Sunday laws, so that they may bring into contempt the work of the Law and Order Society of that city. Railroad officials, toll takers at bridges and other such employes, employed on Sunday will be proceeded against.

The case of Richard H. Wright against his former partners in the firm of W. Duke's Sons & Co., to recover half a million dollars, in which he claims to have been defrauded by defendants when he was induced to sell his one-fifth interest in the concern for \$40,000, before the absorption of the firm in the American Tobacco Company, has been reopened in Supreme Court Circuit before Judge Patterson.

Recently Mr. Cleveland has been endeavoring to so arrange his time as to give fuller attention to the enormous amount of public business which awaits his disposition.

As a part of this arrangement, Monday is reserved as the day upon which the President takes to his executive session with himself, as they say in the Senate, and confers with his cabinet.

Conferring with his cabinet is interrupted attention," as the New York Herald puts it. Upon these occasions he is obliged to seclude himself within the innermost recesses of his private office and only his presence to all comes save those with whom he has previously made appointments. These favored ones are usually few in number, and their attendance at the President's executive session is connected with the matters under consideration.

The women of North Carolina desire specially to emphasize the birth and baptism of Virginia Dare, the first white child born in America of English parents. The history of America presents no conflicting claim. No name came with the colonists to Jervis, and Peregrine White, the famous "first child" of the Plymouth Rock Colony, was a boy, and was born aboard ship, while in Raleigh's Colony of 1587, Virginia Dare, the first white American, was born and baptized, on the soil of America.

All honor to Isabella, who pledged her jewels to secure the great discovery, but more honor to Eleanor Dare who braved with her husband, the dangers of the sea, shared with the colonists the terrors and privations of the primeval forest, and gave to the United States its first white woman, whose memory this Association proposes to perpetuate.

The lapse of time and the jangling of criticism leave facts almost unchanged. All possible embellishment is gone from the accounts of the early attempts at colonization in America, but the facts remain, upon which the structure of history may be reared.

The history of American women begins in North Carolina, and the advent of white women in America is a proper subject for commemoration since woman is recognized as a factor in all development.

Research has about expelled much of the pathetic mist which long enveloped the fate of Virginia Dare. We have root of her birth and baptism, and historians seem agreed that she grew to womanhood among friendly Indians, and finally found her way to her own countrymen at Jamestown.

Believing these facts of interest and importance the Virginia Dare Memorial Association asks for your aid in establishing this Memorial. It is not to be an ornamental statue nor a silent shaft, but an active, lasting benefit to women, such as an Industrial School for girls, because the true elevation of woman rests upon educational development, which shall make her helpful as well as elevated, strong as well as artistic, womanly as well as scientific.

The stock of the Association is for sale at One Dollar per share.

You are earnestly solicited to take stock yourself and influence others to do so, that this Memorial may be established and the path way of many be illumined by the light of higher education. Certificates of stock will be issued for all subscriptions. Money may be sent either to the President or Secretary.

Hoping for an early and favorable response.

Yours with great respect,  
MRS. SALLIE S. COTTON,  
See. Virginia Dare Memorial Association, Raleigh, N. C.

A woman has been elected City Weigher in Danbury, Conn. This seems to indicate that the sex will have its weigh one way or another.

If Bishop Perry be right in his assertion that we owe nothing to Columbus what an axial hole of trouble we are taking for nothing.

With potatoes a half dollar each and tobacco \$16 a plug it is not to be wondered at that smokers are hard to get even at \$10 a day in Alaska.

One million old-fashioned notions are wanted," says a prominent preacher. Aren't our fashionable fathers wanted just as exactly the same proportion?

Judge Speer holds that corporations are just as amendable as the laws are labor unions. This may be settling to the corporations, but it will strike most people's interest.

President Cleveland recently wrote for the New York Press Club souvenir book to be sold at the club's fair. "The people must be educated, for the people rule"—Grover Cleveland.

The Victoria railroad bridge over the St. Lawrence at Montreal is two miles long, cost over \$5,000,000, and contains 10,500 tons of iron, and 2,000,000 cubic feet of masonry.

It may have been only a series of coincidences that tornadoes and cyclones should devastate sections of the country just as the Senate was getting ready to adjourn and the base-ball season to open.

## THE NAVAL REVIEW.

Helpful Weather—German Squadron Arrives—Promotions of the Royal Navy.

The German squadron of 10 ironclads arrived at New York yesterday. The fleet was commanded by Admiral von Sigsbee.

The fleet was composed of the ironclads, the cruisers, and the torpedo boats.

The fleet was received by the United States Navy at the New York harbor.

The fleet was the largest ever to visit the United States.

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## DISASTERS FIRE AT KINGSTON.

Nearly a Score of Houses Destroyed—Help Summoned From Both New Berne and Goldsboro.

A fire broke out in Kingston yesterday afternoon at 5 o'clock, and nearly a score of houses were destroyed.

The fire was caused by a gas stove in one of the houses.

The fire spread rapidly and the houses were destroyed.

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