

### UNDER TONS OF WHEAT.

**Eight-Year-Old Boy at St. Louis is Drawn into Grain Elevator on Endless Chain.**

St. Louis Republic, 17th.

George, the 8-year-old son of William Heller of Hemp Station, about three miles northeast of French Village, St. Clair county, was caught in a stream of wheat on Monday afternoon and smothered to death before help reached him. The wheat was being automatically moved into an elevator when the accident occurred.

George, with his father, had gone to Hemp Station to unload a quantity of wheat into the elevator there. The wheat was in freight cars, and an endless chain was used to transfer the grain from the cars to the elevator.

While the men were engaged in unloading the grain, George was playing about the cars. Toward the latter part of the afternoon Mr. Heller missed the boy and sought him everywhere. The children about the elevator said they had seen him last near the endless chain of buckets which raises the grain into the elevator.

For some time the father and his friends hoped against hope almost that the little fellow had not been caught and buried beneath tons of wheat in the elevator, but finally a party was set to work digging in the mass of grain.

This was transferred as well as could be from one bin to the other and finally one of the workmen caught sight of a little shoe. He hurriedly notified the other men and silently they worked about him.

It was almost impossible they knew for the boy to be alive under the weight of grain, and when they finally released his body they discovered that he was dead.

The grief of the father when he was notified of the death of his son was pitiable. Friends assisted him to his home and others formed a stretcher on which they carried the form of the little fellow. Deputy Coroner Brichler, of East St. Louis, held the inquest last evening, returning a verdict of accidental death.

**Cuban Annexation Issue.**  
St. Louis Republic, (Dem.)

Representative Cooper of Wisconsin, does not use too strong a word when he characterizes as "brutal" the talk of the annexation of Cuba now being indulged in by certain Republicans whose imperial spirit cannot approve of the establishment of an independent republic which could be so easily conquered instead and added to our insular possessions.

The Wisconsin Congressman is right also in declaring that the forcible annexation of Cuba, against the consent of the Cuban people, which is undoubtedly the object of those now so loudly urging a discussion of the annexation issue, would be in violation of our pledges to Cuba and to the world.

We cannot afford to deal treacherously with Cuba if we are to maintain our national honor. There is no escape from this view of the situation.

Trust interests behind the movement for the early annexation of Cuba must not be permitted to stultify the United States for the advancement of selfish ends. They are all-powerful with the Republican party, but the American people must take an honest stand against them and the party which they own.

This government's good name is vitally at stake in the matter of our dealings with Cuba. No power should be great enough to make us prove false to a little country now glorying in liberty and self-government and looking to us, the world's example of the blessings of liberty and self-government, for that support and encouragement to which we are bound by our creed of freedom.

**Speaking of the Weather.**  
Boston Transcript.

Hilton—What fools we mortals be!

Wilton—Think I've heard something like that before.

Hilton—Tillings and I got so heated the other day about the temperature, each of course swearing by his own thermometer, that there has been a coolness between us ever since.

Wilton—Well, wait until next winter and the coolness will pass away when you get into a heated argument about the lowness of the temperature.

Statesville's free delivery of city mail goes into effect December first.

### FROM CAPE TO CAIRO.

**Indications That Rhodes' Ambitious Dream May Soon be Realized.**

Washington Post, 17th.

Before many years the world may be astonished to find that the long-fostered dream of the late Cecil Rhodes for the opening up of the Dark Continent has become a reality and that a constructive line of steel rails stretches from Cairo to Cape Town. The State Department made public yesterday an interesting report on railroad development in Africa from United States Consul Rayndal, at Buerit, bearing date of May 10. The consul says that by an agreement signed at Brussels the previous month by Robert Williams with the King of the Belgians, the German route was abandoned and the railway from Cairo to the Cape is to be carried through the Congo Free State to the upper waters of the Nile. From Stanley Falls on the Upper Congo a railway is to be built to Malagi on Lake Albert Nyanza, and this connection will supply the missing link between the Cape and Egyptian railways.

Consul Rayndal points out that the new railway project does not necessarily replace the original central lines through German territory as planned by Mr. Rhodes and the German government. In fact, he says that it is quite likely, if the proposed railroad is built from the coast of Dar-es-Salaam, the capital of German East Africa, that the original Cape to Cairo scheme by way of Tabora will be realized. "Both lines," says the consul, "may astonish the world before many years as full-fledged realities."

Consul Rayndal says that all maps of Africa more than six months old are obsolete, because history is being made so rapidly and is changing the face of the country so materially. The consul says that the United States is not playing an important part in the development of Africa, and that "Stanley's momentous work in the seventies has not been followed by his quondam countryman." Only with Cape Colony is our commerce of any material importance.

**Salted His Well in Vain.**  
New Orleans Times Democrat.

"Some years ago," said the narrator, "an oil boom hit Litchfield, Ill., and everybody for miles around was sniffing for oil, and every stranger suspected of being an expert looking for a good thing. An old farmer named Loomis, had a big place three miles out of town, which would have been a fortune for him had he not been possessed of a mania for swapping, manifested in a perennial attempt to trade off his land for twice its value.

"When the boom was at the top notch Loomis received a visitor who took so much interest in the farm, so liked its appearance, location, etc., that the old man scented a petroleum man and saw visions of incalculable wealth. Being a shrewd mau, Loomis did not care to take any unnecessary chances with Providences, and on the quiet he sent the hired man out the back way with orders to dump the kerosene oil can into the well. The visitor liked the entire place, inspected the barn, the chicken yard and then, as if by chance asked for a drink of water.

"Loomis was waiting for that and hauled up a brimming bucket before the man's own eyes and poured him out a gourd full with a fine, opalescent scum upon it. The visitor smelled it, tasted it, made a wry face and asked if the water was always like that. 'Oh, yes,' said Loomis 'but you soon get accustomed to the taste, and our doctors say that it is the finest water on earth for the stomach.' 'Well, I'm dinged if I'll ever get used to it,' was the unexpected reply. 'I am looking for a farm not an oil well, and if I've got to haul my drinking water three miles from Litchfield I guess I'd rather buy nearer town.'

"It took Loomis six months to get the taste of oil out of his well, and by that time the boom was over, and nothing was left of the oil craze, but rotting derrick and abandoned shafts."

The loss by the recent fire at Clinton as sent in to Insurance Commissioner Jas. R. Young by Mayor H. B. Chermitt, amounted to \$73,100; insurance \$17,500. Some smaller losses that could not be estimated at the time will probably make the loss \$75,000.

### MORGAN'S GREAT BUMP.

**"Sublimity" Which is Decidedly Different from "Check or Assurance"**

Chicago Inter-Ocean.

The current number of the Phrenological Journal prints a portrait of John Pierpont Morgan, with this brief comment upon that gentleman's cranial development:

Sublimity is very actively displayed in Mr. Morgan's head, as in all large investors who strike out for extensive control of immense corporations. It will be noticed that whatever Mr. Morgan does he does on a large scale. Firmness, self-esteem, combativeness, all help, but sublimity sets the ball rolling, starts the commercial tune and finances the enterprise.

The sublime faculty is located midway between the faculty of acquisitiveness and Hope and is flanked on each side by idealism and cautiousness. In the ordinary lead the space occupied by sublimity depends a good deal upon circumstances. Like all the other faculties, sublimity is, of course, subject to contraction and expansion and, like all other, it may be cramped by discouragement or developed by success.

There was a time when phrenologists were wont to speak of this faculty as assurance, and irreverent persons, even in our days, are prone to allude to it as check. And it is, perhaps, interesting to note the peculiar conditions which make the use of each of these terms appropriate.

Should a man rush into Mr. Morgan's presence on a busy morning, for example, and say to him: "John, I need fifty thousand dollars immediately; kindly give me a credit slip and I'll send you around collateral after awhile," that was assurance.

Should a man rush into Mr. Morgan's presence on a busy morning and say: "See here; I've got to have fifty thousand before noon and I haven't got a thread of security, but I'm making a turnover on the exchange, and I'll pay it back by 3 p. m.," that would be check.

But should Mr. Morgan call a group of capitalists together and say: "Gentlemen, you represent interests which combined have a value of \$100,000,000. I propose to consolidate you and stock the combination for \$400,000,000, taking \$100,000,000 or an amount equal to your original capital stock, for my share as a promoter of this magnificent enterprise." It goes without saying that this would be sublimity.

It is well for students of phrenology to heed these shades of difference. A close observance of them is likely to prevent awkward mistakes. One who has merely assurance may perhaps attain to a certain degree of success, particularly if it becomes known that this assurance is based upon what the world calls nerve. Another who has check may for a time sweep everything before him. But it requires the faculty of sublimity in its largest and most perfect development to sweep up everything from a coal trust to a steamship combination and then to keep right on sweeping without pause.

**The Thames Tunnel.**  
New York Press.

The Thames tunnel is a small affair in comparison with the immense borings which are soon to connect New York with New Jersey and Brooklyn, yet eighteen years were consumed in its construction. It passed through nearly as many vicissitudes as have been encountered by the Hudson River tunnel, and the active labor involved about nine years. It cost \$3,000,000 and was a financial failure from the beginning, the tolls being only \$25,000 a year, hardly enough to keep the lining in repair. Half a century ago it was spoken of as a "stupendous work." Each foot passenger paid a toll of one penny. The tube was reached by means of cylindrical shafts of 100 steps each. In 1850 the "Fancy Fair" was held in it, and this under-the-Thames exhibition attracted 60,000 persons in five days. In 1865 the East London Railway Company bought the tunnel for \$1,000,000 and is now running fifty trains a day through it.

**The Shirt Waist in the Pulpit.**  
Pioneer Staff Column.

The Rev. J. H. Rice, pastor of the Methodist church, created quite a sensation by appearing in his pulpit clad in a neat-fitting shirt waist. Several members of the congregation were attired in the popular garment, which has apparently come to stay.

### SUGAR LANDS IN THE SOUTH.

**Sufficient to Supply Entire Demand of United States if Properly Cultivated.**

Wilmington Star, 15th.

Judging from the antics of the beet sugar men, and the onset they made on Congress when a little tariff concession was asked for Cuban sugar, one would think that this country's future dependence for sugar is upon the beet farms and the beet sugar factories, while as a matter of fact there is sugar-growing land enough in the South to produce all the sugar this country can consume for years to come. At present the sugar cane growing area is practically confined to a portion of Louisiana and Texas. Small quantities are grown in Mississippi and Florida, while there is a good deal of sorghum grown throughout the South, mainly for domestic use, which does not figure in commercial calculations, which does not figure in commercial calculations. There is of sugar lands proper enough to produce all the sugar that can be consumed in this country for years to come and leave a considerable margin for export, and the cane can be grown and the sugar manufactured, too, more cheaply than beets can be grown and the sugar manufactured.

It is estimated by competent authorities that in the State of Florida alone there are 5,000,000 acres of land now unproductive, which would if put under cane culture produce 10,000,000 tons of sugar, or over four times as much as this country now consumes. This land could be cleared and prepared for sugar at an average cost of \$10 an acre. But in addition to this there are millions of acres in the South on which it has been demonstrated that sugar cane can be profitably grown and to produce sugar enough for the world without a single beet. And yet what a howl is raised when it is proposed to reduce the population of the beet sugar "infant."

**Tracy the Boldest Outlaw of Years.**  
Collier's Weekly, 10th.

Not since the days when the insane desperado Charlie Rand terrified whole counties in Southern Illinois has there lived such an outlaw as the wild creature Tracy, who for nearly a month has held at bay sheriff's posses, militia and vigilante committees in the State of Washington. He escaped from the penitentiary after killing three of the guards, and by great daring and really marvelous cunning and marksmanship has held his freedom against thousands of pursuers, now appearing in a woodman's slanty to take toll at the muzzle of his gun, now racing across Puget Sound in a stolen launch, now lurking in a graveyard on the outskirts of Seattle. Up to the present moment he has killed nine men and wounded many others. It is hard to conceive at first how one man can become a figure of terror to a whole resolute community, how his outlawry can last for even a day; but the "bad man" of the West, with all the strength, endurance and acuteness of the insane, is a hard proposition even for the border sheriff who is looking to kill him, but always has a sage thought for his own safety. One thing is certain, though—that he will be taken dead or alive. The "alive" is added for cuphony.

**Education and Suffrage.**  
Southern Education Notes.

Many of the States are adding an educational clause to the requirements of suffrage, hence it becomes imperatively obligatory on the State to give the children ample opportunity and encouragement to prepare themselves for the demands of citizenship. Otherwise the State places itself in the attitude of requiring certain conditions from the citizen and at the same time depriving them of the means of meeting those requirements. It is not in high schools and colleges, says the Montgomery (Ala.) Advertiser, that the children are taught to read and write, but in the humble and unobtrusive common schools of the country, and these should be made as free and effective as the State is able to do.

Lenoir Electric Company has been incorporated to build and operate an electric light plant. Incorporators are G. L. Bernhardt, Geo. F. Harper, G. W. F. Harper, and L. M. Parks and the capital stock is \$50,000. This, says the News, looks like Lenoir is to have electric lights.

### York County Items.

Yorkville Enquirer, 19th.

Dr. J. W. Campbell has recently enlarged and remodeled his residence on Kings Mountain street, in Clover, and it presents quite a handsome appearance.

Mrs. C. C. Cornwell, of Dallas, N. C., spent several days in Yorkville this week, the guest of her cousin, Mrs. W. E. Hurt, returning home on yesterday morning.

Craig Byers was charged with assault and battery with intent to kill. He had tried to kill another Negro for being too attentive to his wife. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

In the case of Ella Gaither, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill, the jury was unable to agree upon a verdict. The defendant had tried to kill another woman for alienating the affections of her husband.

Mr. J. B. Pegram, who has been quite ill for the past two weeks or more, was on the streets again Wednesday. He fell off eighteen pounds during his illness and has evidently had a pretty hard rub of it. He went to Cleveland Springs on Thursday.

Mr. W. S. Wilkerson has about 25 acres of sorghum on his plantation this year and it is said to be looking remarkably well. The farmers of the neighborhood have not planted cane extensively as during some previous years, but including his own crop, Mr. Wilkerson calculates on having as much as he will care to manage.

In the case of Pharr, administrator of D. W. Hartness, vs. the Southern railway, tried in Charlotte this week, the jury found for the plaintiff in the sum of \$1,000. Hartness, who was a brakeman in the employ of the Southern railway, was killed in Charlotte on March 11, 1901, while engaged in coupling cars. Pharr, administrator, brought suit against the railroad for \$30,000 damages.

The annual reunion of the York regiment of Confederate veterans, is to be held at Mt. Gallant, the former residence of Colonel Cadwallader Jones, four miles northeast of Rock Hill, on Wednesday, July 30. General orders have just been issued to that effect by Major James F. Hart, colonel commanding. The order commands the veterans to gather at the time and place mentioned with their families and friends and to bring full baskets, with which to contribute to the comfort and enjoyment of the occasion.

The old school building at Clover, which was among the first erected in the town, having been built about 1877, is to be enlarged and generally improved before the beginning of the fall session. When the work shall have been completed in accordance with the prepared specifications, the building will be more in keeping with the progressive spirit that has made Clover what it is to-day—one of the most desirable towns in which to live in the Piedmont section, and of course everybody who knows much, knows that the Piedmont section is the most delightful on the continent.

In the case of the widow of Engineer Metcalf, who is suing the South Carolina and Georgia railroad on account of the death of her husband at Buffalo creek last summer, a Rutheford jury recently returned a verdict for \$15,000. The amount sued for was \$40,000. Mr. G. W. S. Hart represented the railroad. His principal contention, and the fact was sustained by undisputed evidence, was that Metcalf ventured on the trestle after due notice of its probably dangerous condition. He held, therefore, that the railroad was absolutely absolved from responsibility. The railroad has appealed to the supreme court principally on the ground of alleged error in the finding under the condition outlined.

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