

CURRENT TOPICS.

The number of Mormons living in Berlin is 120.

R. G. Parvin, of Denver, has refused \$1,500 for a dollar of 1804.

A scientist says there is no doubt to beco assists intellectual labor.

Enormous grain mills are being built in the vicinity of Spokane, Wash.

Five couples were wedded at the same ceremony in Armstrong, Mo.

Electricity is the motive force employed on 1,625 miles of rail in Italy.

Bets on billiards are recoverable by law, so the Paris courts have decided.

A movement for the building of a labor temple is on foot at Kansas City, Mo.

Lily Langtry owns a Nevada gold mine, said to be one of the richest in the world.

The first celebration of Christmas in the white house occurred on December 25, 1800.

After a 30-years' courtship a couple, both over 50, have just been married at Leeds, Eng.

The eruption of Mont Pelee is said to have lessened the flow of oil in the Beaumont oil fields.

The southwestern rice crop has fallen on 5,000,000 bags last year to 2,700,000 bags this year.

Mme. Patti, it is said, preserves as a talisman the boots she wore at her debut, over 40 years ago.

The fruit growers of Southern California say that 1903 will be the biggest orchard and vineyard year of that state.

The irrigated area of the United States is 7,510,500 acres, of which Colorado contains 1,611,271 and California 1,446,119.

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PAINFUL PERIODS

to overcome by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



Miss Menard cured after doctors failed to help her.

Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured me after doctors had failed, and I want other girls to know about it.

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Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound cured female ailments when all other means have failed.

HIS LIFE NOT HAPPY.

Archduke Karl of Austria Exists in Splendid Misery.

Little Boy Who May Become Emperor and King is Deprived of All the Pleasures and Sports of Childhood.

Owing to a combination of extraordinary circumstances, it is highly probable that after the death of Emperor Francis Joseph, neither his heir-presumptive, Archduke Francis Ferdinand, nor Archbishop Otto, who stands second in the line of succession, will ascend the throne, but that the crown of Austria-Hungary will pass to Archduke Karl, now a boy 15 years of age.

Although this strange break in the succession has been a possibility for some time, it has become a decided probability only recently. It is now reported that the boy's father and uncle have definitely promised to stand aside for him and that a formal declaration to this effect is about to be made.

It might be supposed that the altered situation would cause the small Karl to be an enviable young person—which same supposition is a grievous error. He is the unhappiest boy in Europe, and his future promises even more misery than the present confers upon him.

All his life, says the Chicago Record-Herald, he has been kept in restraint on the ground that the future emperor must not do this, that and the other. He has enjoyed none of the frolics and amusements that make the lives of other lads merry.

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The task of acquiring all these varied accomplishments is laborious in the extreme. The archduke rises at five every morning, and begins his studies at six. After two hours' work with one of his many tutors, he takes an interval for breakfast and goes back to his books from nine till 12 o'clock.

Lunch is taken at noon, and from one till three in the afternoon the archduke performs military drill, which consists of riding, fencing, gymnastics, marching, sword drill, revolver drill and trench digging. Studies are resumed at 4:30, and continue till six p. m., which is the dinner hour.

After dinner Archduke Karl spends an hour with his mother and younger brother, and goes back to his books for another hour before retiring to rest punctually at nine o'clock.

Twice a week he attends lectures on science at the Schotten high school, in order that he may see something of life at a public school. But he has none of the fun. He goes solemnly in the court equipage with his tutor, Count Wallis, and with detectives in plain clothes swarming about—for his life is valuable. He sits in the front row with the other pupils, but is permitted to have practically no intercourse with them.

It can be no particular gratification to him that he is heir to great wealth. He gets \$40,000 a year just for being an archduke, and as it accumulates until he comes of age at 20, he will then have nearly \$1,000,000, besides a continuation for life of the \$40,000. When he ascends the throne he inherits the private property apportioned to each emperor, supposed to be worth about \$3,000,000 a year.

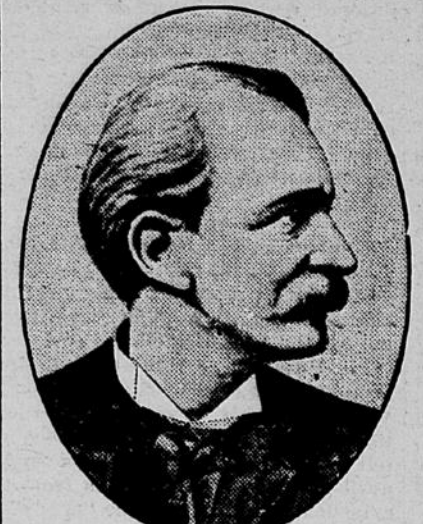
Shark with Ample Family. A huge shark was lately captured by the marines of the British warship Urgent, at Port Royal, Jamaica. Forty-nine young sharks, all alive and kicking, were found in the mother's stomach.

Beet Sugar Production. In 1880 the beet sugar produced equaled only five per cent. of the world's production; now it is 67 per cent.

SIGNOR ZANARDELLI.

Although a Thorough Democrat, Italy's Prime Minister is Highly Esteemed by His King.

Italy is particularly fortunate in having two really strong men at the head of her affairs, Sig. Zanardelli, the premier, and Sig. Giolitti, the minister of the interior. The situation is, however, curious as these two men, although never having been real rivals, are as jealous of each other as a couple of women. But notwithstanding this they have worked in harmony in the same cabinet for over two years, recognizing the fact, perhaps, that they are necessary to each other, and that the retirement of either would



SIGNOR ZANARDELLI. (Premier of Italy and Friend of King Victor Emmanuel.)

mean the certain fall of the ministry. Sig. Zanardelli's democratic principles have interfered with his political ambition, as in the days of King Humbert democratic principles were at a discount and any effort to depart from the accepted way was nipped in the bud.

Once Zanardelli was requested to form a cabinet, and, thinking young blood necessary, chose comparatively unknown men, some of them now the highest in the political world of Italy. King Humbert looked at the list and then at Zanardelli and said severely: "These are the under-secretaries, of course, and the ministers?" That day Sig. Crispi again took the helm, and the career of the new premier was considered at an end.

The prime minister is exceptionally tall and thin, usually badly dressed, with a stoop about his shoulders, but a power in the cabinet much above the ordinary. At court he is no better liked than the minister of the interior, although the king supports and values him above all. Last Christmas, as is customary, he and the cabinet asked an audience of the queen's mother, who replied refusing, saying that it was too soon after her husband's death, but that event had not prevented her from receiving the Saracco cabinet one year earlier, four months after King Humbert's death.

Opposed to Dancing. Nebraska's New Governor is Down on Inaugural Balls and Will Not Wear Full Dress.

The inaugural ball at Lincoln has been dispensed with because Gov. Mickey refuses to wear regulation evening clothes and positively declines to lend his countenance to dancing.

Presumably he takes the old parson's view of it, that the "postles didn't dance and go around in swallow-tail coats, though John P. Robinson he says "they didn't know everything



JOHN H. MICKEY. (Governor of Nebraska Who Objects to Balls and Full Dress.)

down in Judee." Still, as a member of the Methodist Episcopal church and a trustee of the Wesleyan university, the governor is justified by a triumphant conscience, says the Chicago Post. Gov.-elect Mickey killed the idea of a dance at the inauguration by announcing he would not attend such a function. Mr. Mickey owns a large farm in Polk county, Neb., and is president of the Osceola state bank. He has been county treasurer and member of the legislature.

Mice in Last Year's Hat. A New York street car incident a few days ago should furnish a dreadful warning to women who wear last year's hats. A tolerably young and charming woman boarded a suburban car on the other side of the river, and after having seated herself discovered that her hat was alive. The next instant saw the millinery on the floor and the woman standing on the floor with skirts lifted rather indecorously high. Four mice scampered around the floor in great consternation at having been dispossessed of their tenement. After the mice were killed the woman explained that the hat was an old one which she had not worn for a year.

HEALTHY WOMEN

Praise Pe-ru-na as a Cure for Colds and a Preventive of Catarrh.



MRS. M. J. BRINK FIRST STAGE OF CATARRH

A Serious Mistake Which Thousands Are Making.

The first stage of catarrh is what is commonly known as "catching cold." It may be in the head, nose, throat or lungs. Its beginning is sometimes so severe as to cause a chill and considerable fever, or it may be so slight as to not hinder a person from his usual business. In perhaps a majority of cases little or no attention is paid to the first stage of catarrh, and hence it is that nearly one-half of the people have chronic catarrh in some form.

To neglect a cold is to invite chronic catarrh. As soon as any one discovers

the first symptoms of catching cold he should at once begin the use of Peruna according to directions on the bottle, and the cold is sure to pass away without leaving any bad effects.

Unless this is done the cold is almost sure to end in the second stage of catarrh, which is making so many lives miserable. If Peruna was taken every time one has a cold or cough, chronic catarrh would be practically an unknown disease.

Miss Elizabeth Uber, No. 67 Bassett street, Albany, N. Y., writes: "I have always dreaded unsettled weather because of my extreme liability to catch cold, when a catarrhal trouble would quickly develop through my entire system, which it would take weeks to drive away. I am thankful to say that since I have taken PERUNA I do not have any reason to dread this anymore. If I have been at all exposed to the damp, wet or cold weather, I take a dose or two of PERUNA, and it throws out any hint of sickness from my system."

Miss Elizabeth Uber.

Mrs. M. J. Brink, No. 529 Michigan avenue, St. Joseph, Mich., writes: "This past winter during the wet and cold weather I caught a sudden and severe cold, which developed a catarrhal condition through my entire system, and so affected my general health that I was completely broken down, and became nervous and hysterical and unfit to supervise my home. My physician prescribed for me, but somehow his medicine did me no good. Reading of PERUNA I decided to try it. After I had taken but three bottles I found myself in fine health."

Mrs. M. J. Brink.

Sybil A. Hadley, 26 Main street, Huntington, Ind., writes: "Last winter after getting my feet wet I began to cough, which gradually grew worse until my throat was sore and raw. Ordinary remedies did not help me and cough remedies nauseated me. Reading an advertisement of what PERUNA could do, I decided to try a bottle.

Proprietor (who has been looking over the accounts)—Mr. Waddie, do you ever take any money out of the cash drawer? Salesman—I occasionally take out a car fare.

"H'm, h'm! Do you live in San Francisco or Siltka?"—Boston Transcript.

It is often better not to see an insult than to avenge it.—Seneca.

Only Car Fare.

When I Came to Ornamental Letters on Packages Her Father Had Them Bearer.

An uptown reader tells of the "break" made by a little tot of the family who was one of a party of little girls at a large strawberry festival in the vicinity of her home.

"Every package that comes for my papa is marked 'D. D.'"

"An' every package that comes for my nana is marked 'M. D.'"

"I'm every package that comes for my nana is marked 'C. O. D.'"

"There now!"

A Popular Calendar.

The popular calendar issued every year by the North-Western Line (Omaha Road) is now ready for distribution.

Unnecessary.

The barber had about finished shaving the man in the chair, and, passing his hand over his chin investigatively, leaned forward and said:

"Shall I go over the chin again?"

"No, thanks," replied the customer, cheerfully. "I think I can remember everything you said."—N. Y. Times.

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The rolling stone gathers no moss, but it acquires a certain polish.—Judge.



MISS SARA MCGAHAN.

and you can imagine how glad I felt when it began to relieve me in a very short time. In less than two weeks I was completely cured."—Sybil A. Hadley.

Miss Sarah McGahan, No. 197 3d street, Albany, N. Y., writes: "A few months ago I suffered with a severe attack of influenza, which nothing seemed to relieve. My hearing became bad, my eyes became irritated and feverish. Nothing seemed right and nothing I ate tasted good. I took PERUNA and within two weeks I was perfectly well."

Miss Sarah McGahan.

If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be glad to give you his valuable advice gratis.

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