WASHINGTON TOPICS

Only Two Days Left for the Fifty-First Congress.

20,000 BILLS WERE INTRODUCED

The Time Until Adjournment to be Mainly Devoted to Conference Reports

Senator Manderson the Caucus Nominee for President Pro Tempore—An Objection Raised to a Negro Postmaster—Mr. Coon's Nomination Expected for Assistant Treasurer.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—There is practically but two working days remaining for the 51st Congress to complete its labors and adjourn, as it must at noon on Wednesday next. The time of both the Senate and the House during these two days will be mainly devoted to the consideration of conference reports on appropriation bills, and several other important measures which are now in conference.

In the House the chairmen of the special committees to investigate the work of the Civil Service Commission, the alleged misconduct in office of Commissioner of Pensions Raum, and the silver pool investigation have all made reports, and will endeavor to have the House, before the final adjournment, take action on them. The chances, however, for action on these matters before the close, in view of the limited time and the urgency of the appropriation bills now in conference, are very slim.

WORK DONE BY CONGRESS.

Over 14,000 Bills Presented in the House and 5,000 in the Senate.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The number of bills and joint resolutions in the Congress now drawing to a close is up to this time 14,191, and by the hour of adjournment on Wednesday will be, in round numbers, 20,000, as members are still introducing measures in great numbers, although there is not the slightest chance of the passage of any now offered.

This is nearly 20 per cent. in excess of the number introduced in any preceding Congress. These bills have all been referred to their appropriate committees, and about 7,000 reports have been made from these committees upon bills. Of the 19,500 bills and joint resolutions introduced, over 14,000 have been presented in the House and over 5,000 in the Senate.

Of the 14,000 introduced in the House over 4,000 have been reported upon by committees, while 2,000 were passed by the House and a greater number by the Senate.

Among the most important measures which have been made laws are the bill regulating immigration, the Direct Tax Refunding bill, the bill authorizing the construction of bridges over streams under the direction of the Secretary of War, the Anti-Lottery bill, the bill for the relief of the Supreme Court by establishing Courts of Appeal and the appointment of additional Circuit Judges, the Tariff act and its accompanying reciprocity features, the Pension bill of last session, the bill increasing the purchases of silver and the issuance of certificates therefor, the Customs Administrations bill, the measure relating to the Hawaiian treaty, and the bill to carry out a large number of important treaty obligations with Indians.

They Object to the Negro Postmaster.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—A dispatch from Vicksburg says a large and enthusiastic meeting of citizens was held at the court house to protest against the appointment of James Hill, colored, as postmaster. Speeches were made by many prominent men. A series of resolutions denouncing the appointment was adopted and will be forwarded to Mississippi Senators and Representatives. They charge that Hill is not a citizen of this city or district, and has been repudiated by its voters. Republicans as well as Democrats took part in the meeting, which was distinguished rather for intensity than bitterness of feeling. It is a fact that any negro, resident or not, would be objectionable to the people.

The President's Trip.

WASHINGTON, March 2.—The President and Mrs. Harrison have not yet settled all the details of their southern and western journey, or in fact whether they will go; but in a few days, if they decide to go, their plans will be in such shape that something definite about the trip may be announced. This much, however, is known—that the proposed trip. The President will start from Washington early in May, and the itinerary of the journey will be planned so as to permit the President to make a number of speeches while en route—most of them in the Southern States.

Railroad Terminal Facilities at the Fair.

CHICAGO, March 2.—Vice President Thomas of the Western Indiana Railroad Company, E. T. Jeffery, formerly of the Illinois Central and several other prominent railroad men are organizing a company to build the terminal facilities at Jackson Park for the World's Fair. The project is being supported chiefly by the tenant companies of the Western Indiana and is being kept as much of a secret as possible.

Death of Edward R. Hauckel.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 28.—The death Thursday at Tarpon Springs, Fla., of Edward R. Hauckel, manager of the advertising department of the Pennsylvania railroad, was not a surprise. Mr. Hauckel had been in ill-health for some time, and in December last visited Florida in the hope of gaining new strength. He was 30 years of age, and leaves a widow and three children. His remains will be buried at Charlottesville, Va.

THEY APPEAL TO THE LAW.

Warrants Sworn Out Against Labor Leaders in the Connellsville Region.

PITTSBURG, Pa., March 2.—The Connellsville coke region strikers again raided the works of W. F. Rainey at Paull and Fort Hill. Another detachment of Pinkerton men arrived to-day in the region under the command of Captain Johnson, of Mollie Maguire fame.

W. J. Rainey has filed a bill in the United States Court against the following principal officers of the Miners' Union: John Meshay, John McBride, Peter Wise, C. M. Parker, Mike Desinat, Frank Kerfoot, Frank De Haven and J. D. Rea. Mr. Rainey states that he employs 1,000 men who are now idle on account of the actions of the strikers; that on Feb. 25 a mob attacked his men at work, firing shots, etc., compelling them to cease work; that Feb. 15 one of his mines was set on fire by incendiaries, causing great losses; that defendants were participants in the violent and unlawful acts complained of. He asks for an injunction restraining the strikers from assembling near his works and from making threats and menaces to compel his men to quit work.

R. L. Martin of the Fair Chance works, swore out a warrant at Uniontown for the arrest of Peter Wise. Wise went to Fair Chance and tried to get the men who had reshmed to come out, and made, it is said, an incendiary speech, in which he stated that if Superintendent Martin didn't come to time by Tuesday they would give him a dose of the same medicine they gave Rainey.

TRAIN ROBBERS ARRESTED.

A Brakeman's Wife the Medium for Disposing of the Plunder.

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—Since last June the wife of a Reading Railroad trainman has probably sold more valuable silks, laces and velvets than the richest lady in the land has purchased in the same time. She was the medium, through whom an organized gang of train robbers in the railroad's service disposed of their wholesale plunder.

Part of the gang are under arrest and will have a final hearing at Doylestown this afternoon.

For months past numerous complaints have been made to the officials of many thefts of merchandise from freight cars, and claims have been presented to the company for the loss of silks, cloths, velvets, hosiery, etc. Detectives were put on the road. The case was placed in the hands of Chief John G. O'Brien of the Reading Railroad's special officers to ferret out.

The clues were traced to the North Penn branch, and the thefts located as taking place in Bucks County on trains between New York and Philadelphia. Lewis Ransell, William Coyle and Abraham Kulp, brakemen, were arrested and taken to Doylestown for a hearing today.

The value of the goods taken will amount to many thousands of dollars.

INDIANS UNEASY.

Sioux Emissaries Arrive in the Indian Territory and Trouble is Feared.

ARKANSAS CITY, Kan., March 2.—It is learned from trustworthy sources that a small party of Sioux Indians from the Northwest reservations are now in the Osage reservation, south of here. They have been traveling about through Indian territory, visiting different reservations, and have held long secret conferences with members of each tribe. Just what their mission is, it is impossible to learn. Trouble is feared from their visit.

It is a significant fact that several of the tribes who were in favor of allotment a few weeks ago are now opposed to it, and that the Kaws have a new prophet who says that in five years the whites will leave the land. The Wichitas, Comanches and Kechis have also resumed their ghost dances.

WANTS TO DIE IN PEACE.

Eva Steele Asks to be Allowed to Commune in Silence.

NEWARK, N. J., March 2.—Eva Steele, who occupied so much of the public time and attention during her trouble over the unfortunate Robert Ray Hamilton affairs, has settled in Roseville, near this city. Her name crept into a Newark newspaper last week, and Eva has written a letter in which she says:

"I had hoped in this beautiful little village to have remained undisturbed. Left with the few short years that remained of my checkered career and to make such atonement and peace with my Maker that might give me the solace that I might in the next world meet the one I so cruelly wronged. All I ask is to be allowed to commune in silence. Do not you and the public know that I am human? That I have a heart like everybody else? That God knows that that heart is broken? Won't you please let me rest in peace? Respectfully,

"EVA STEELE."

Labor Leaders Arrested.

LYNN, Mass., March 2.—A great sensation in labor circles has been caused by the arrest of Master Workman John McCarthy of National Trade Assembly 240, K. of L., which embraces all the organization of leather workers in this country, for an alleged attempt with other persons, to "conspire, combine, confederate and agree" to unlawfully molest and intimidate non-union workmen employed in the morocco factory of John Donallon & Son and J. J. Moulton, at which there were riotous occurrences two weeks ago. The morocco manufacturers will make every endeavor to secure McCarthy's conviction, though in discussing the case they are inclined to be reticent.

NEW YORK, March 2.—Charles F. Fardon, who was wanted in Connecticut for burglary, and whom Governor Hill refused to hand over to the Nutmeg State authorities, has been set at liberty. Fardon declares that he will sue the city of Waterbury for having caused his imprisonment.

MARKET PRICES.

Latest New York Quotations—Cattle Market.

BUTTER.—State Dairy, new, fancy	26
State Dairy, fair, new, good to choice lb	25
Western Dairy, fancy, per lb	21
Western Dairy, good to choice, per lb	19
Western Dairy, fair to ordinary, per lb	18
Eastern Creamery, fancy, per lb	27
Eastern Creamery, good to choice, lb	24
Imitation Creamery, fancy, per lb	24
Imitation Creamery, good to choice, lb	22
Western Creamery, fancy, per lb	28
Western Creamery, good to choice, lb	24
Factory, fresh, per lb	20
BEANS AND PEAS.—Beans, Mar., choice	2.75
Beans, medium, choice, new	2.30
Beans, Red Kidney, choice, new	3.00
Beans, Foreign Pea,	2.25
Beans, Pea, choice	2.50
Green Peas, Jersey, per bushel	1.05
Beans, Lima, Cali ornia, per bag	5.00
CHEESE.—State Factory, fine	10½
State Factory, full cream, choice, lb	10
State Factory, part skim, per lb	9
State Factory, full skims, per lb	4
DRIED FRUITS.—Apples, evaporated, fcy	11½
Apples, sun-dried, fair to choice, per lb	2
Raspberries, evaporated, per lb	29
Raspberries, sun-dried, per lb	27
Cherries, per lb	30
Blackberries, per lb	9
Huckleberries, per lb	10
Peanuts, fancy, per lb	11½
Pecans, per lb	1.75
Hickory Nuts, per bushel	1.00
EGGS.—Eastern, new laid, choice, doz	16½
Western, choice, per doz	15
POTATOES.—Sold, per bbl	2.50
FRUITS.—Apples, Ben Davis, per bbl	5.50
Apples, Wine Sap, per bbl	5.25
Apples, Greening, per bbl	6.50
Apples, Northern Spy, per bbl	5.10
Apples, Baldwin, per bbl	5.00
Cranberries, Cape Cod, per bbl	11.00
Grapes, Western N. Y., 5 lb. basket	24
Oranges, Fla., Mandarins, per box	3.00
Oranges, Fla., fancy, per box	2.87
Oranges, Fla., tangerines, per box	5.00
HAY AND STRAW.—Hay, No. 1, per 100 lb	65
Hay, Clover, mixed	50
Hay, Salt	50
Hay, shipping	45
Long Rye Straw	90
Short Rye Straw	65
Oat Straw	55
Wheat Straw	50
POULTRY, ETC.—Live Western Geese	1.00
Chickens, near-by, choice, lb	11
Ducks, near-by, per pair	95
Fowls, State, N. J. and Pa., per lb	12
Fowls, Western, per lb	12
Roosters, per lb	7
Turkeys, per lb	13½
Chickens, Philadelphia, choice, per lb	16
Chickens, New Jersey, prime, per lb	17
Ducks, New Jersey, per lb	16
Ducks, West'n, per lb	15
Turkeys, choice, per lb	15
Turkeys, medium, per lb	14
Turkey Squabs, white, per doz	4.50
Turkey Squabs, dark, per doz	3.50
Pigeons, per doz	2.00
English Snipe, per doz	2.00
Hares, per doz	1.75
VEGETABLES.—Potatoes, Carm., per bbl	3.25
Potatoes, N. J., Peerless, per bbl	2.87
Potatoes, N. J., Blush, per bbl	3.25
Potatoes, New Jersey, Queen, per bbl	3.25
Sweet Potatoes, Virginia, per bbl	3.25
Sweet Potatoes, N. J., per bbl	2.25
Onions, Conn., white, per bbl	6.00
Onions, Conn., red, per bbl	4.00
Onions, Orange Co., red, per bbl	3.75
Cabbage, Long Island, per 100	6.00
Egg Plant, Southern, per bbl	12.00
Lettuce, New Orleans, per bbl	9.00
Turnips, Russia, Long Island, per bbl	75
Squash, per bbl	1.50
Celery, per doz. roots	50
Carrots, per bbl	2.00
Beets, per crate	1.25
CATTLE.—Choice to extra	5.75½
Good to prime	4.95
Fair to good	4.55
Sheep, per lb	5½
Lambs, per lb	7

THUNDER AND LIGHTNING.

Several Churches and Houses Destroyed or Damaged.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 2.—A destructive winter thunderstorm accompanied by lightning visited this city and vicinity about 9 p. m. In the city proper not much damage was done. In South Dartmouth the Congregational Church was struck by a bolt and damaged to the extent of $300. The house of Joseph Head, in the same place, was also struck and destroyed by fire.

At Mischaun Point, a barn owned by Robert Wilson was struck by a bolt and burned to the ground.

At Horseneck, in Westport, the barns of Captain John Howland and Captain Warren Gifford were struck and burned causing a loss of nearly $8,000.

At Mattapoisset the lightning struck the Congregational Church and set the structure on fire. One side of the place was completely destroyed before the fire could be extinguished. The loss is about $1,000. The residence of William Faunce was burned and a barn near Pine Island was also destroyed.

General Sherman Left No Will.

NEW YORK, March 2.—General Wm. T. Sherman left no will. In all his business relations the General was noted for his exact methods, and it was generally supposed that he had many years ago made his will. If he did, however, no trace of it can be found. His sons made a thorough search of his papers, which were all carefully arranged, but there was nothing among them that indicated any disposition of his property. Application has been made to the surrogate's court for the appointment of the Rev. Thomas E. Sherman and P. T. Sherman, sons of the deceased, as administrators on the personal property.

Sullivan Nearly Caused a Riot.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Feb. 28.—The Harrison-Sullivan Company reached here yesterday, and last night the Opera House was packed from the pit to the gallery and at 9 o'clock Duncan B. Harrison appeared on the stage and announced that Mr. Sullivan was unable to appear and that there would be no performance. Sullivan had been drunk all day, and it was with the greatest difficulty that he could be kept in his room at the hotel. A riot was almost precipitated at the box office when angry patrons demanded their money.

Banker Sistare Held for Trial.

NEW YORK, Feb. 28.—Banker William H. M. Sistare, who is charged by Richard Beckshee of Philadelphia with the embezzlement of $33,000 worth of the second mortgage bonds of the Wabash railroad was held for trial by Justice Hogan in the Tombs Police Court. Bail was fixed at $2,500, which was furnished. In the civil action now pending, from which this case arose, the prisoner is held in $3,000 bail.

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The Manufacture of Matches.

The operation of making matches from a pine log may be divided into four heads, viz., preparing the splints, dipping the matches, box-making, and filling. When the timber is brought into the cutting room of the factory it is seized upon by a gang of men, who place it before a circular saw, where it is cut into blocks fifteen inches long, which is the length of seven matches. It is then freed of its bark and taken to the turning-lathe, where, by means of a special form of fixed cutting-hand running its entire length, a continuous tool, the thickness of a match is cut off. As the block revolves and decreases in diameter, the knife advances, and a band of veneer of uniform thickness is obtained. As the veneer rolls off the knife it is met by eight small knives, which cut it into seven separate bands, each the length of a match. By this one operation, seven long ribbons of wood, each the length and thickness of a match, are obtained. These are then broken into pieces six feet long, the knotty parts removed, and they are then fed into a machine which looks and acts like a straw-chopper, which cuts them into single matches. The machine cuts 150 bands at the same time, and a mechanical device pushes them forward the thickness of a match at each stroke of the cutter. This little machine with its one sharp knife can cut over 10,000,000 matches a day. From the cutting room the splints are taken to the dry room, where they are placed in revolving drums, which absorb all the moisture the splints may contain. They are then prepared for the dipping process, which is a very important operation, as each splint must have sufficient space to be fully coated; and yet not placed so close to the others as to cause the mixture to clot the heads of the other splints. To do this they are placed under an ingeniously constructed machine, which seems to work with almost human intelligence, and are caught up and placed closely, but at regular intervals, into a dipping frame. These frames contain forty-four movable laths, and between each lath the machine places, with clock-work regularity, fifty splints, making over 2,000 splints in each frame. The heads of the splints are all on the same level, and a single attendant at each machine can place over 1,000,000 splints in the frame per day. The dipping-vat is a stove of masonry, which contains three square pans. The first pan is for heating the splints so they will absorb the mixture, the second contains molten paraffine, in which the points are dipped, and in the third they are coated with the igniting composition. Over 8,000,000 matches can be dipped by a skillful workman in one day. After the dipping process, the matches are dried while in the frames, and are then taken to the packing-room, where they are put into boxes, by hand, ready for sale.—*The Woodworker.*

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One two-ounce bottle of White Vaseline	25c.
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HE SHEDS HIS SKIN.

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The only man who was ever literally skinned alive in this city is now in a Montana mining camp and he left his skin behind him. His name is not for publication for the reason that he is the most natural freak in existence, and being a modest man he objects to the unpleasant notoriety which would unavoidably follow. A rough experience two years ago undoubtedly had something to do with his desire to avoid publicity. He was in a mining camp when his queer disease paid its annual visitation, and he went out of his head through fear and excitement. He was unable to leave the camp for treatment, and when the miners saw his condition they thought he was a leper and decided to shoot him. The mob advanced on him, but his brother, with his revolver cocked, stood over the afflicted man and drove them off by threatening to shoot the first man who drew his weapon.

In one of the office rooms of St. Elizabeth's Hospital hangs the strangest picture that can be seen in Chicago, or in the United States for that matter. Within the frame are four photographs representing a man in the act of shedding his skin. The most characteristic parts of the skin are in the frame also—both hands perfect, with the exception of the finger nails, and the soles and heels of both feet, with a little of the upper portion—in fact a perfect pair of gloves and a pair of moccasins. In the centre of the picture are half a dozen perfect nails, which formerly belonged to this skin-shedding man. Then there are several large plates of the cuticle taken from various parts of the body.

One of the photographs shows this strange human being with his arms outstretched, the old skin peeling off and hanging from his body in shreds like a tattered shirt, while the new skin can be detected by the whiteness of the photograph. All the skin has been oiled, and some of the pieces are perforated, while others could be used as a gourd without a drop of water escaping. The hands and feet are of a yellow tint from being handled professionally and from being used as gloves and slippers by the former owner, the rest of the skin being of a milky hue.

The man who once wore this skin for natural purposes is now at work in full possession of a new skin, which will leave him next summer. He has been peeling off his skin from the crown of his head to the soles of his feet for thirty-three years, the same day of each year, and it was only on the last occasion that publicity followed and the medical profession became aware of this phenomenon of nature.

He is the second eldest child of a family of thirteen, all of whom are living, and his grandmother is ninety-seven years old. In the winter of 1857 the home of his parents in Franklin, Mo., was burnt down during the Kansas-Missouri troubles. His father was away and his mother escaped to the banks of the Meredenesn river, where this remarkable man was born, exposed to the open air. This may in may not have had something to do with his skin shedding. At any rate at six months of age his first crop of new skin appeared all over his body. At that time and for several years afterward his mother thought it was only the eruptive fever of childhood and paid little attention to the yearly event. He remembers distinctly shedding his skin at five years of age while playing around his old home. He has always been healthy in other respects.

A photograph which was taken of him just before he shed his skin for this city shows a tall, well-proportioned man of splendid physique, his muscles standing out like those of a prize fighter. He has an intelligent countenance, wears a small light mustache and is without spot or blemish. Last July he left his home at Phillipsburg, Mont., intending to go to Philadelphia. He arrived in Chicago the latter part of the month, and as his skin-peeling spell of sickness always begins July 25 of each year he decided to use a letter of introduction from a Montana friend to Dr. Jacob Frank, Lincoln avenue.

When he quietly informed Dr. Frank that he wanted to be admitted to a hospital, so that he could shed his skin, the physician was incredulous, but when the Montana miner went on to say that in three days, between the hours of 12 noon and 6 p. m., he would be taken sick with fever and vomiting and would be sick all that night and within a day or two an eruption resembling scarlatina would appear, that the skin of the hands and feet would come off first like gloves and moccasins, that his hair would fall away and that all his nails would come off, Dr. Frank mentally decided that the man was either a lunatic or a practical joker. But the doctor arranged for the patient to be given a room at St. Elizabeth's Hospital and invited Drs. Montgomery, Newburg, McArthur, Whitehead, Sanford, Anthony and other skin specialists to observe the case.

As predicted—and this is the most remarkable feature of a remarkable case—at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of July 25 the patient had to be put to bed. Then came a fever, followed by vomiting, and the neck, face and hands became as red as a lobster. It took two days for the old skin to resume its normal color. After the sickness the old skin began to loosen and a whole new skin took its place within two weeks. It takes between two and three weeks for the nails to come off. He is able to be up and about after the first day's sickness, and as his feet and hands are tender he uses the old skin for protection. The minute that he takes sick he stops perspiring and no medicine can make him perspire except between the old skin and the new one which is forming. He returned to another mining camp in Montana, before all his old nails had come off, and when they did he forwarded them by mail to Dr. Frank.

His case is the second of its kind which is known to exist in the world, and in respect to its occurring the same day every year it stands alone. The medical name it has been given is "Yearly Recurrent Desquamative Erythema, Scarlatina Forme."

In 1876 a French physician reported to the Academy of Paris a case of skin shedding which occurred three or four times in one year, in another year several times. The only similar case to the American one is that reported by Prof. Besner, professor of dermatology in the University of Paris. Between March and May of every year this patient throws off the whole of his skin, but he was not attacked until sixteen or seventeen years old and his skin doesn't come off in as large plates. Personal idiosyncrasy is the only reason the profession can give for this mysterious visitation, and influence of the mind is the only way the professors of medical jurisprudence can account for its yearly recurrence in the American case.—[Chicago Tribune.

Sitting Bull's War-Club.

The recent killing of Sitting Bull, the famous Indian chief, recalls the fact that Mr. Max E. Dickerson, of Shelby, Ohio, editor of the Shelby Free Press, is the proud possessor of this great chief's private war club. Mr. Dickerson secured the club from Elroy Post, a scenic artist in the employ of the Union Pacific Railroad Company, who received it as a present from Sitting Bull himself, several months ago. Mr. Post was doing some work for the railroad company at the time in and around Sitting Bull's headquarters, and the chief took a great liking for him, but would have nothing to do with the rest of them en, although there were six in the party. He took Mr. Post all through his camp, introduced him to different Indians, and made things as pleasant for him as possible. In return for his kindness Mr. Post painted for Sitting Bull two large pictures of his two favorite ponies, Dry Camp and Never Fret, which so pleased the old chief that he said he would like to present him with something in return for the compliment. Noticing a large war club hanging up in the chief's tepee, Mr. Post said he would like to have it. Sitting Bull mentioned the fact that the club was an old relic, had been in service over forty years, passed through numerous battles, and because of its curiosity he would give it to him. Upon Mr. Post's return to Aberdeen, South Dakota, some months ago, he shipped the relic to Mr. Dickerson, who now has it on exhibition in one of the prominent business places of this city.

A peculiar coincidence in connection with the shipping of the club was the fact that the very train that brought the club to Shelby had aboard Sitting Bull, who was en route for Washington, D. C. The club is a vicious-looking weapon, about two and a half feet long, with a buffalo horn firmly secured in the club or heavy end, and bears the signs of having seen a large amount of service. Mr. Dickerson has the necessary credentials to prove conclusively that the club was the only one ever used by Sitting Bull, and that it is the one used by this chief during his career. Mr. Dickerson received two different communications from the Smithsonian Institution at Washington, D. C., relative to the purchase of the relic.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

They Met Their Match.

A man who would deliberately play upon the enthusiasm of an amateur deer hunter is a villain, whom it would be base flattery to call a confidence man, or words to that effect. The other day, up at Mt. Shasta, the guests sitting on the hotel porch descried an immense elk, standing composedly on the high trail, about 2,000 feet above their heads. Bucks were scarce enough, but elk!

Instantly eight enthusiastic sportsmen seized their Winchesters and began the ascent. Up the terrible grade they climbed, with the thermometer at 91 degrees, until they reached the top. As the foremost crept breathless into the trail he met a man placidly chewing the stem of an unlighted pipe.

"Did—did you see—see the way that elk went?" panted the climber.

The man pointed to where a group of campers out were unstrapping a pair of old buck antlers from the head of a mule.

"You see," said the man with the pipe, blandly, "we discovered just now that we hadn't a single match left in camp, so as it was a heap too far to go clear down below we thought that perhaps if we could decoy some of you fellows up here, as it were, you might have enough in your pockets to see us through—don't you see?"

And if the sportsmen hadn't all been too out of breath they would have slaughtered him on the spot.—Cottage Hearth.

The Kind Word.

Do we ever need reminder in our hurried lives, of the grace that lies in the kindly spoken word? It may be as we pass a friend in a crowded shop, or nod to her as we hasten by her door on our morning walk to the market or the ferry, that we utter the gentle greeting, leave behind us the flash of the happy smile, and brighten a day that was perhaps overcast. Kindness costs little. Why should we not be lavish of it in a world where nobody stands alone, but where rich and poor, sad and glad, lofty and lowly, are bound in one bundle?—Harper's Bazar.

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