

CHINESE WED AT NEW YORK.

The Gorgeous Ceremony Is Held in the Council Chamber at the City Hall.

There was a gorgeous wedding in the beautifully fitted chamber of the board of aldermen, in the New York city hall, the other day, the bride, bridegroom and attendants being Chinese, in brilliant costumes of silk.

It was the second marriage of Ching Ping Lee, known better as Sam Ping Lee, and Chon Quay Chin. They married themselves in apartments in Mott street, the other morning, just after midnight, by the process of exchanging vows and reciting prayers before an altar. Mr. Lee, however, is American by birth and ideas, and feared that the courts here might in some exigency refuse to recognize the ceremony. Alderman John S. Georgan, who is the city passenger agent of the Canadian Pacific railroad, of which Mr. Lee is a general agent, officiated.

To American eyes the bride looked like a Chinese boy ten years old. She is very small and has a round, plump, smooth face. Long, broad, glittering pendants hung from her ears and shining links, loops and festoons of brilliant glass blubs were coiled through and around her knot of hair at the back. Her blouse, descending to her ankles, and with its wide red-lined sleeves falling so far below her hands that those members were never visible, was made of heavy silk of many colors and shades, with broad stripes of red, white and purple.

The bridegroom wore the costume of his country, made in bright blue silk, with silk skull cap to match, surmounted by a scarlet topknot.

The bride gave her age as 19 years.

RUNS OFF WITH LOCOMOTIVE.

Dare-Devil Deed of a Young Desperado of Unsavory Record at Port Reading, N. J.

John Shanaphy, a young man employed on a tug boat, stole a locomotive at Port Reading, near Perth Amboy, N. J., the other morning. Shanaphy gained some notoriety last year by getting married while serving a term in jail for stealing a 200-pound anchor. On the morning in question he assaulted Michael Redmond, a captain of the tug boat on which he was employed, and went ashore.

Seeing a locomotive standing on a siding of the Port Reading railroad, he jumped aboard and began to run up and down the siding. Railroad men, seeing him, shouted to him to stop, but instead of doing so he pulled the throttle open and ran down the main track toward Metuchen.

Word was telegraphed ahead to keep the track clear, and Engineer Alfred Bidding started after the fugitive on another locomotive. After being chased for four miles Shanaphy reversed his lever and rushed back toward Bidding. The latter had to reverse to avoid a collision.

Shanaphy then deserted his locomotive and ran into the woods. Later he walked back to Port Reading, where he was arrested on the charge of stealing the locomotive and of assaulting Capt. Redmond. The Port Reading road is a one-track affair, used mainly for transporting freight.

HOME LIFE OF MRS. GRANT.

Description of Her Library—Intends to Write Her Memoirs for Her Children.

Mrs. U. S. Grant is in the best of health and spirits in her Washington home. She is still suffering with impaired sight, and this interferes with a work she planned a year ago. It is her intention to write her memoirs for her children and grandchildren. Her library is one of the most ideal spots of the kind you will see anywhere. It is bright and cheery. The windows face south. The furnishings are all in ebony. The cases that surround the walls, filled with books, are black, too. The table in the center is exceedingly rare. With all these dark woods the rugs and hangings are red. In the parking in front of the house the crocus are now in bloom with the jonquils. These are earlier this season by several weeks. They are the delight of Mrs. Grant, and she watches them jealously for fear they will be trampled upon.

FERNSEHER CALLED A WONDER.

Herr Szczepanik Explains His Invention That Is to Supplant Telegraph and Telephone.

The Vienna correspondent of the London Daily News has had an interview with Herr Szczepanik, inventor of the Fernseher, ad apparatus which has already been described in the cable dispatches. Herr Szczepanik claimed in the interview that it was possible not only to adapt the Fernseher to the instantaneous reproduction of manuscripts, but to print them on photographic plates at any distance. For instance, a newspaper as it leaves the press in Vienna can be inserted in the apparatus and reproduced the next moment in New York. Herr Szczepanik predicts that telegraph and telephones will thus be completely superseded.

To Hold the Dishcloth. One of the new kitchen utensils is a cloth holder for washing dishes and woodwork and for dusting, the device having a handle in which a rod is mounted with a spring in the upper end to hold a cap set in a curved socket at the lower end to clamp the cloth in position.

Mozart's Notebook. Mozart's note book of the first draughts of compositions made when he was a boy of eight has been discovered in Berlin, and will be published soon by the Berlin Mozart society. It consists of 42 octavo leaves, bound together.

ANNOY CONGRESSMEN.

Women Lobbyists the Bane of Senators and Representatives.

The Capitol at Washington Haunted by a Persistent, Insistent Class of Females That Cannot Be Shaken Off.

"Women claimants who haunt the corridors of the capitol," said a congressman to a correspondent of the Chicago Tribune, "are among the most persistent and obnoxious persons with whom we are brought into contact. Not content with intruding their cases to lawyers of experience, these claimants insist upon coming up to the capitol to look after their interests personally. This means calling out a congressman and pouring into his ears every day in the week the same story as to the merits of the cases in which the caller may be interested.

"Some of the most troublesome people we have to deal with in this line are women whose husbands have been in the army or navy, but have been dismissed for some cause and are seeking reinstatement. They seem perfectly oblivious to the fact that they are doing their cause more harm than good by boring congressmen when they wish to be engaged in other directions, but this apparently makes no difference. Every day they come trudging up to the capitol, and after settling themselves in the private gallery proceed to spot congressmen on the floor and send in their cards, asking for a consultation. A couple of women whose husbands were formerly paymasters in the navy have made life a burden for a majority of the members of the Fifty-fifth congress for the purpose of having their husbands reinstated. It is evidently their intention to drive the lawmakers to desperation and thereby accomplish the desired end. At least that seems to be the principle upon which they are working. In both of these cases there are capable lawyers employed who are moving heaven and earth to secure the reinstatement of the officers. It is not a pleasant spectacle to see a woman buttonholing a congressman in regard to her husband or somebody else who may have a claim against the government, and there should be a regulation adopted to prevent the continuation of such practices about the capitol."

SEVER ABNORMAL HEAD.

Remarkable Surgical Operation on a Double-Headed Child Performed in Missouri.

A remarkable surgical operation was performed at Sweet Springs, Mo., the other day on the three-month-old child of John Hamilton, which was born with two heads. After consultation with surgeons at the sanitarium it was decided to remove the abnormal head, which was located back of the natural head. This was done, and over three ounces of brain matter were taken out.

The abnormal growth was nearly as large as the natural, and there was considerable doubt among the surgeons whether the abnormal could be removed without affecting the natural. The surgeons say that the child will rapidly recover from the effects of the operation.

They also maintain that there is no danger that the child will be mentally weak as a result of the operation, but that its life will be saved and it will be a robust child.

MIXING THE RACES.

Decided Views Held by the Late B. K. Bruce, Register of the Treasury.

Register Bruce's death recalls the fact that he could never be induced to pay any attention to white women who linked their lives in matrimony with colored men. There were two notable cases of the kind here, in one of which a colored Moses married a white woman who was employed in his office, and in the other a colored physician persisted in going outside of his own race for a wife. Both men were prominent in the councils of the Afro-Americans, but this made no difference to Bruce, who was almost white himself. If they had married decent colored women it would have been all right, according to his ideas, but when they persisted in taking white women for wives he drew the line and would neither receive visits from them nor permit his wife to visit them.

A DAWSON CITY DEED.

The Unique Legal Instrument Which Transferred a Klondike Gold Claim.

The following is said to be a copy of a transfer deed filed at Dawson City in the office of the Yukon gold commissioner in December:

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no all man by these presents that i william thompson of this place doest hereby sell to john smith, to his heirs ancestors and assigns forever the following property namely a full ore half interest or all my write and title in claim no one hundred and six (106) acres of land in the Klondike creek in the Yukon mining division for the consideration of \$100000 cash in hand in witness whereof i set my hand and seal.
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Queen Margherita's extravagance in dress is the one grievance of her royal subjects. Italian ladies have a reputation for spending more on their dress than any other women in Europe, and their husbands and fathers attribute this state of things to the queen's fatal example.

Japan's Merchant Marine. It is said that the present strength of Japan's mercantile marine is 275 vessels.

A ST. LOUIS MUMMY.

An Undertaker Who Claims to Have Discovered the Process of Preserving Bodies.

Since mummies were first found in tombs of Egypt there has been a question as to how these images were preserved. An Olive street undertaker of St. Louis claims to have discovered a process of preservation which is superior to that followed by the Egyptians.

In the cellar of an undertaker whose place is not far from Twelfth street there is a mummy which has been preserved since last December. The possessor of it claims there is nothing remarkable about the case, but is nevertheless proud of his achievement.

Early last December a woman died at the female hospital. The owner of the mummy obtained the body, and attempted to preserve it by a process which was his own. That he succeeded is evident.

A Republic reporter saw the mummy the other night. It is of the same dark brown color as is the Egyptian mummy, save that it has not dried, withered appearance of one of those bodies. The body is firmer and has more the appearance of a person of recent death than the ordinary mummy. Still, the skin is dry and stretched tight across the bones.

The man who owns the mummy disclaims all the credit for the experiment. He says he simply tried a new fluid, and it preserved the body. He admits that many physicians say that the body cannot be preserved, but he is willing to prove it by showing the body.

Many doctors have already seen the mummy, and while some say this is an exceptional case, all admit the body has undergone a peculiar transformation.

RARE MEDAL FOR DARTMOUTH

Was Presented to a General of War of 1812 for Meritorious Service.

Dartmouth college, at Hanover, N. H., has just come into possession of a rare and handsome gold medal, struck by congress in 1814. It is one of the few gold medals presented by the president to certain heroic generals of the war of 1812 for gallantry and good conduct.

This particular gold medal was given to Brig. Gen. James Miller, and on one side bears the portrait of Gen. Miller, and underneath it his name and the words: "I'll Try." On the other side is recorded the resolution of congress and the battles for distinguished conduct in which the medal was given.

The battles recorded are: Chippewa, July 5, 1814; Niagara, July 25, 1814, and Erie, September 17, 1814. It is mounted on a wooden base made out of timber from the hull of the frigate Constitution.

The medal weighs about 8½ ounces, and, commercially alone, is worth about \$200. The medal has for a long time been in the possession of the Prescott family, of Brookline, Mass., and has just been given to the college by Miss Ruth Prescott, whose father was a graduate of Dartmouth. The fact that Daniel Webster received the medal for Gen. Miller makes the curio of additional and significant value to Dartmouth.

ROMANCE LEADS TO ALTAR.

Pretty Story Behind the Marriage of Walter S. Thomson and Louisa M. Gordon.

The announcement of the engagement of Miss Louisa M. Gordon, of Atlanta, and Walter S. Thomson, of Philadelphia, discloses a pretty romance which began in Bremen, where Miss Gordon was sent to complete her education. Miss Gordon is the daughter of Mrs. Louisa Gordon, vice president of the International Woman's Press club, and famous in club movements throughout the country. She is only 17. Mr. Thomson is the son of W. P. Thomson, a millionaire physician of Philadelphia. He is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania.

A short time ago Mr. Thomson went abroad to take a position as junior partner of the Inman cotton firm, with offices at Bremen. Miss Gordon, in company with Mr. and Mrs. William Dickson, the general manager of the European branch of the Inman cotton firm, went abroad to study about five months ago. While in Bremen she met Mr. Thomson at receptions and dinners.

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When Washington Became a Mason.

The certificate hanging in the Alexandria (Va.) lodge shows that Washington was made a mason before he was

Bulletin Financier.

Bulletin Commercial

Mardi, 12 avril 1898.

COMPTOIR D'ÉCHANGES (CLEARING-HOUSE) DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

Jusqu'ici cette 6,695,088 00 \$703,092 00

Même temps la semaine dernière..... 4,045,913 00 \$354,595 00

MARCHÉ MONÉTAIRE.

Nouvelle-Orléans—
Papier exceptionnel..... 7
do..... 7
do sur gérance et consolida..... 4
Time do..... 4
Papier hypothécaire..... 7

MONNAIE AMÉRICAINE ET ETRANGÈRE.

Souveraine Victoria..... 84,806 490
20-francs..... 83,802 890
10-francs..... 81,801 180
5-francs espagnols..... 79,979 74

Argent unifié américain, par

do..... 52,954

Bols portuaires..... 43

Pass. chililiens..... 43

Billets de la Banque d'Angleterre..... 84,804 890
Banque de France..... 18,926 190

LONDRES—
Tresorier Banque d'Angleterre 4 0/0.

DOUILLES pour l'argent 11 1/2%.

PARIS—
do 1/2%.

ARGENT LINGOTS (PARIS)—
London 25%

PARIS—
do 1/2%.

CHANGE.

Le STERLING est facile.

do (60 jours)..... 478 467 8

Les FRANCS sont faciles.

Francs de commerce (60 jours)..... 5,267

Francs de banques (60 jours)..... 5,183

EXCHANGE—
do 1/2%.

Le CHANGE à VUE SUR NEW-YORK est lourd.

Taxes de commerce \$1 00 d'exc.

Taxes de banques par pair.

VENTES A LA BOURSE DE LA NOUVELLE-ORLEANS.

SUR PLACE.

Inactif..... 94

Oates—Middling Gulf Gt.....

CALMES.

Janvier..... 5,74 55,78

Février..... 5,74 55,78

Avril..... 5,56 Bid

Mai..... 5,59 65,61