

THE IDEAL NEWSPAPER.

How One Was Tried and What the Result Was.

Mrs. Byron Sherry defended the newspapers at the tenth May meeting of the Illinois Universalist church, Prairie Avenue and Thirtieth street.

"I hear a great deal about the 'ideal' newspaper in the clubs and literary societies I visit," Mrs. Sherry said, "but in the face of this theorizing and knowing I will be thought heretical if I must say the newspapers are just what you make them."

"Continuing, she said: 'The ideal' newspaper would, of course, have only matter pertaining to purity and temperance and kindred things. Well, I've seen one, and I took pains to find out what people thought of it, and the verdict wasn't encouraging. The paper I am speaking of was a woman's edition of a big daily, and it was filled with columns about suffrage and the W. C. T. U. and the white-ribbon movement and homes for cripples and half-orphaned and a lot of other things that interested the dear sisters. The next morning I started out to talk to the men, for I knew the women would voice a chorus of praise. I asked my husband how he liked it. He reads the paper before he eats his breakfast, usually, but that day he said he 'guessed he'd let me and the children read it.' I talked to a merchant, and he said he had looked it all over and hadn't found any news, and another friend said: 'It's long on essays but a little short on news!'

"I asked another if he didn't feel better inside for having seen an 'ideal' paper, and he answered: 'No; it made me swear this morning. I had a little money invested in wheat and I wanted to see how the market was, and there isn't a line of markets in the paper.' And that was the way this 'ideal' paper was received. It's much easier to criticize than to perform. Newspapers were established to meet a popular demand. They have their vices and their virtues just as the people do. As humanity gets better they will get better. They reflect your moral condition perfectly. If you want a 'good' newspaper be good yourselves." — Chicago Record (Ind.).

EXTENSION OF LIMIT

On Excursion Tickets to Southern New Jersey Seashore Resorts via Pennsylvania Railroad (West Jersey and Seashore Railroad).

Beginning June 1 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will extend the limit on excursion tickets to the Southern New Jersey seashore resorts from ten days to fifteen days, including date of sale. This extension covers Atlantic City, Cape May, Ocean City, Sea Isle City, Avalon, Stone Harbor, Anglesea, Holly Beach, Wildwood, Somers Point, and all other resorts on the south Jersey coast reached via the West Jersey & Seashore Railroad, and applies to tickets from Philadelphia, Wilmington, Harrisburg, Williamsport, Elmira, Wilkes-Barre, Pottsville, Reading, Phillipsburg, New York, and intermediate stations.

This extension of limit, covering the usual two-weeks' summer vacation, will, no doubt, receive the hearty approval of business men, and others filling clerical positions. The limit on excursion tickets reading from any of the above seashore points to Philadelphia will also be extended from ten days to fifteen days.

No More Fakirs.

Mayor Schaadt, of Allentown, has issued instructions and an order to the police department not to issue any more licenses to fakirs and street merchants. The first day after the order was issued the streets were cleared and the business men are elated at the action of the Mayor. The city, they say, can well afford to lose the small sum of one dollar a night, instead of having the crowds gather about the hawkers and lose their dollar and fifty-cent pieces without any substantial returns.

Big Boom in Lumber.

The Lumbering industry in the vicinity of Williamsport is experiencing the biggest boom that has occurred in years, and prices are fast going up. White pine has gone up from \$2 to \$4 per thousand feet, according to grade; and hemlock took a jump of \$1 to \$2 per thousand feet. Laths are now worth 60 and 70 cents more per thousand than they were last year. Oak and wormy chestnut are scarce at any price.

A VALUABLE PUBLICATION.

The Pennsylvania Railroad 1899 Summer Excursion Route Book.

On June 1 the Passenger Department of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will publish the 1899 edition of its Summer Excursion Route Book. This work is designed to provide the public with short descriptive notes of the principal Summer resorts of Eastern America, with the routes for reaching them, and the rates of fare. It contains all the principal seashore and mountain resorts of the east, and over fifteen hundred different routes or combination of routes for reaching them. The book has been compiled with the utmost care, and altogether is the most complete and comprehensive handbook of Summer travel ever offered to the public. It is bound in a handsome and striking cover, in colors, and contains several maps, presenting the exact routes over which tickets are sold. It is also profusely illustrated with fine half-tone cuts of scenery at the various resorts and along the lines of the Pennsylvania Railroad.

On and after June 1 it may be procured at any Pennsylvania Railroad ticket office at the nominal price of ten cents, or, upon application to the general office, Broad Street Station, by mail for 20c.

Important to Junk Dealers.

An act just passed by the legislature and signed by the Governor makes it unlawful for any keeper, owner, proprietor, or employe of a junk shop to barter, purchase, or exchange with anyone except licensed plumbers or the owners of buildings from which the material is taken, any pipe, faucet, boiler spigots, coils or any other like material, without providing and keeping books and entering therein at the time of purchase or barter, in the English language, a description of all and every article, the name and residence of every seller, and the day and hour of the purchase. Such books shall at all times be open for the inspection of any and every member of the police force and detective agency of the city. A fine of no less than \$20 or more than \$500 is imposed for violation of the law.

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From a Laboring Man to a Millionaire.

Seranton has been all agog for the past few days over the announcement on Saturday that Chas. W. Westley, a lowly citizen, had become a millionaire. His aunt, Mrs. J. E. Ayres, eighty-three years old, at Andover, N. J., notified him by letter that she had settled upon him as her sole heir and she desired that he change his abode from Seranton to Andover and look after her in her declining days. The aged lady is worth a great deal over a million, and has among other property a 100-acre peach orchard and a town site. It is needless to say that he has moved.

The Blatherskites.

The Punksutawney Spirit of last week says, and we are of the same opinion, that one of the gravest offenders against human society and against whom we have no protection is the blatherskite. We find him everywhere—always eager to express an emphatic opinion upon all subjects. He is a blatherskite because he is by nature and education a rattlebrain. No amount of snubs and rebuffs will cause him to realize that his wisdom is not appreciated. He is a heartrending notice and yet we dare not kill him because the naturalist classes him in the genius home.

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SPAKE GREEK AT HIS BIRTH.

Story Told of Arthur Twining Hadley, the New President of Yale University.

Arthur Twining Hadley, who has recently been elected to succeed Timothy Dwight as president of Yale University, is the son of the late Prof. James Hadley, of Yale, whose name is more or less pleasantly associated in the minds of students of the ancient Greek language and literature for the last 70 years as the author of a grammar of that wonderful tongue. The younger Hadley was a student from the cradle, always standing at the head of his class. He was the valedictorian of the class of '76 at Yale. He might have said of himself, as did John Stuart Mill, that he could not remember the time when he did not know Greek.

In his undergraduate days, says the Chicago Chronicle, this story was current as showing his precocity: When he was born the infant gasped almost instantly the Greek word, "Erechmal," which is usually translated "I come," sometimes "I have come," although it is of the present tense. Prof. Hadley smiled with pride at this evidence of heredity, patted the infant on the back and mildly corrected him by saying: "Elthon," another tense of the same verb, known as the "second aorist," and expressing to the ancient Athenian the idea of indefinite past time.

It is common report that at an age when most boys are in the kindergarten the distinguished scholar would not have been able to trip up his son in even so trifling an error.

SUNSET AND SUNRISE.

It is Much Like the Beauty of a Woman and That of a Young Girl.

Sometimes one sees a sunrise. Generally it is on a sleeping car or elsewhere when one cannot claim credit for the seeing, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. Poets are lazy creatures, else they would write more about sunrises than sunsets. Sunrises really suit them better; at least such of them as are "of the air, airy." A few are sunset men, but most of them, in spite of the babble about passion, are rather shimmery creatures and the shimmery colors are the sunrise colors—delicate pinks and yellows, such as the sunset never equals, though its colors are richer and more satisfying in a way.

The evening colors are like the beauty of a woman. It seems as if the long experience of the day had given them the depth and richness that the experience of life gives to the woman. The morning colors are like the young girl, beautiful in her promise more than in her present self. The sunset is what we need at the end of the tiring day. We steep our souls in its glorious coloring and in its strength, and lose the dust and weariness of the day. The sunrise comes to us as we awaken. Its purity appeals to us not to let our souls be dragged down by the sordid day to come. The sunrise is the consecration preceding the action.

NEVER WENT ABROAD.

Very Few of the Presidents of the United States Have Ever Crossed the Ocean.

Ex-President Harrison will spend the summer abroad in the performance of his duties as counsel for Venezuela in the boundary dispute with Great Britain. Our presidents in recent years have mostly been home-keeping folks, says the Philadelphia Enquirer.

McKinley and Cleveland have never been across the ocean. Neither had Abraham Lincoln nor Andrew Jackson. We believe that Gen. Hayes was among the presidents whose lives were too full of domestic work to permit them to cross the ocean. President Hayes fought through the civil war, then was governor of Ohio, and afterward president. Perhaps he shrank from going abroad after his retirement from the presidential office, because to have done so after Gen. Grant's ovalation journey would have seemed like inviting to himself a repetition of these attentions. James Buchanan was one of the most successful of our foreign ambassadors, but between the time of Franklin Pierce and that of the earlier presidents, some of whom were called abroad by negotiations growing out of the revolutionary war, there is a long list of presidents of the United States who never crossed the Atlantic.

AMERICAN POTTERY.

The Souwels is Almost as Lovely as Rookwood—Costs About Half as Much.

American pottery has few peers in these days of Souwels and Rookwood and the pale, pearly, exquisitely-tinted glaze ware shown in such graceful designs, says the New York Commercial Advertiser. The Souwels is first cousin to Rookwood, but a poor relation, as it costs about half as much as do the symphonies in polished greens and browns. It has the same finish, the same designs and tones, but seems to lack the richness of Rookwood, although the difference would not be perceptible to the person perfectly sane on the question of brie-a-brac. The enthusiast can tell the difference in the dark, she says.

The pale-tinted American pottery is highly polished and the flowers of the decoration seem to bloom mistily through the glaze, like flowers seen through a frosty window-pane. A high-shouldered jar of this ware is softly shaded from palest blue at the top, where it forms a background for a graceful rose-hued iris, the long, pale green stems of which stand out delicately against the misty gray below.

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