

Summer Tours to the North.

Two Tours to Canada via Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the Summer of 1896 the Pennsylvania Railroad Company has arranged to run two personally-conducted tours to Canada and Northern New York.

The first tour, leaving July 22, includes Niagara Falls, Toronto, Thousand Islands, Rapids of the St. Lawrence, Quebec, Lake St. John, The Saguenay, Montreal, Au Sable Chasm, Lakes Champlain and George, Saratoga, and Highlands of the Hudson, occupying seventeen days. Round-trip rate, \$125.

The second tour, leaving August 12 covers the same territory with the exception of Lake St. John and the Saguenay, and occupies fourteen days. Round-trip rate, \$100.

Each tour will be in charge of one of the company's tourist agents, assisted by an experienced lady as chaperon, whose special charge will be unescorted ladies.

The rate covers railway and boat fare for the entire round trip, parlor car seats, meals en route, hotel entertainment, transfer charges, and carriage hire.

For detailed itinerary, tickets, or any additional information, address Tourist Agent, Pennsylvania Railroad Company, 1196 Broadway, New York; 860 Fulton Street, Brooklyn; 789 Broad Street, Newark, N. J.; or Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. 7-6 2t

Beecher's Wise Advice.

The advice once given to his son by Henry Ward Beecher is deserving of high consideration. It was as follows:

You must not go into debt. Avoid debt as you would the devil. Make it a fundamental rule: No debt—cash or nothing.

Make few promises. Religiously observe the smallest promise. A man who means to keep his promises cannot afford to make many.

Be scrupulously careful in all statements. Aim at accuracy and perfect frankness, no guesswork—either nothing or absolute truth.

When working for others sink yourself out of sight; seek their interest. Make yourself necessary to those who employ you by industry, fidelity and scrupulous integrity. Selfishness is fatal.

Hold yourself responsible for a higher standard than anybody expects of you. Keep your own standard high. Never excuse yourself to yourself. Never pity yourself. Be a hard master to yourself, be lenient to everybody else.

Concentrate your forces on your own business; do not turn off. Be constant, steadfast, preserving.

Reduced Rates to Indianapolis

Via Pennsylvania Railroad. Account Epworth League International Convention.

On account of the Epworth League International Convention, to be held at Indianapolis, Ind., July 20 to 23, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell excursion tickets from points on its line, to Indianapolis, at rate of single fare for the round trip.

Tickets will be sold on July 18 and 19, and will be good to return until July 24, inclusive, except that by depositing ticket with the Joint Agent at Indianapolis before July 24, and the payment of fifty cents, the return limit may be extended to leave Indianapolis not later than August 20, 1899.

For specific rates and conditions apply to ticket agents. 7-13-2t

The Answering of Letters.

Time was when men and women took letter-writing very seriously, and sat down to the desk as if to an important task. The scrawls of the modern girl; her hasty dashing off of an epistle to catch a post; her dozen notes scribbled in hot haste and illegible penmanship, sealed with sprawling wax, and dismissed with a sigh of relief, would have filled a young woman of Jane Austin's day with unfeigned horror.

Apart from the stilted style, affected by persons who had the courtliness of their period and its leisure, without the inborn grace of the raconteur who is of no period, but belongs to all time, the epistolary remains of the last century and of still earlier centuries, possess an interest which we shall vainly seek in the annals of our own day when we come to search for them in letters.

Cowper, Madame de Sevigne, Mary Mitford, the ladies of the Hare family, Mrs. Browning in a yesterday just past, and others, whose memoirs form part of our literary wealth, are good examples of the perfect letter.—Harper's Bazar.

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How Nebraska Regiments Charge.

It was during the campaign along the Railway that the duty of charging the enemy fell on Nebraska. They occupied the extreme right of the line, and as the enemy invariably moved off, before our advance, from our front to our right, Nebraska had hard fighting every day, even when the rest of General McArthur's division found little resistance. It came to such a pass that the mere appearance of Colonel Stotsenburg was the signal for a charge.

When Colonel Stotsenburg crossed the field towards his men they rose from that ditch with a shout. For hours they had lain under the scorching sun, exposed more or less to the enemy's fire, without answering. Many wounded had already been taken back. There came their Colonel. He would lead them to victory, as he had always done. Nebraska with a wild cheer started forward. They had gone some distance before General Hale realized what they were doing.

"Why," he exclaimed, "they are not coming back; they are going forward, stop them! Stop them!" "I'll try," said Maj. Mulford, "but when they once get started they are hard to stop."

When the Maj. reached the Nebraska line, however, it was so near the insurgent trenches that he realized the folly of bringing it back over that open field, and instead of delivering General Hale's order he joined in the charge.

Colonel Stotsenburg had to run to get up with his regiment. When he reached them the first enthusiasm of the charge had worn off. He shook them into form, and the little companies now went ahead by rushes—alternate companies kneeling to fire while the others ran forward. The insurgents made an effort to stop them. Every Mauser from the trenches emptied its contents across the open field. As the American line advanced the Utah guns had to stop firing. With good marksmen in those trenches, the position could not have been taken by infantry on a direct charge. Gradually the firing from the trenches grew less and less, showing that the insurgents were retreating, and at last the first American crossed the trenches. It was another victory for Nebraska, but dearly paid for.

When the losses for the day were counted, it was found that seven were killed and forty-four wounded. Nearly all of this loss was from the troop of the Fourth Cavalry and the Nebraska regiment. Greatest loss of all, Colonel Stotsenburg was shot through the heart two hundred yards from the insurgent earth-works.—John F. Bass, in Harper's Weekly.

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Niagara Falls Excursions.

Low-Rate Vacation Trips via Pennsylvania Railroad.

The Pennsylvania Railroad Company has selected the following dates for its popular ten-day excursions to Niagara Falls from Philadelphia, Baltimore, and Washington: July 27, August 10 and 24, September 7 and 21, and October 5 and 19. An experienced tourist agent and chaperon will accompany each excursion.

Excursion Tickets, good for return passage on any regular train, exclusive of limited express trains, within ten days, will be sold at \$10.00 from Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, and all points on the Delaware Division; \$11.25 from Atlantic City; \$9.60 from Lancaster; \$8.50 from Altoona and Harrisburg; \$8.90 from Sunbury and Wilkesbarre; \$5.75 from Williamsport; and at proportionate rates from other points. A stopover will be allowed at Buffalo, Rochester, Canandaigua, and Watkins within the limit returning.

A special train of Pullman parlor cars and day coaches will be run with each excursion. An extra charge will be made for parlor car seats.

Tickets for a side trip to the Thousand Islands (Alexandria Bay) will be sold from Rochester in connection with excursions of July 27, August 10 and 24, September 7 and 21, good to return to Rochester or to Canandaigua via Syracuse within five days, at rate of \$5.50.

Tickets for a side trip to Toronto will be sold at Niagara Falls for \$1.00 on July 29, August 12, and 26, and September 23. In connection with excursion of September 7, tickets will be sold to Toronto and return at reduced rates, account Toronto Fair.

For time of connecting trains and further information apply to nearest ticket agent, or address Geo. W. Boyd, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Broad Street Station, Philadelphia. 7-6 8t

She—"He said he would do anything in the world I wanted him to." He—"An' what did yer tell him?" She—"I told him to go chase himself."

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FLOWERS FOR OLD STAMPS.

How the Women of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Chicago Get Altar Decorations.

One church congregation in Chicago collects 25,000 canceled postage stamps every week, and 1,300,000 in a year. This is St. Mark's Episcopal church, corner Cottage Grove avenue and Thirty-sixth street. These stamps are sold to a florist for eight cents a thousand, and in return he furnishes flowers for the altar every Sunday. For a long time the committee of ladies in charge of the church decoration were dismayed at the scant appropriation for the purchase of flowers. At last one of them hit upon the plan of selling old postage stamps. Enthusiasm was communicated to the Sunday school pupils. They visited offices of vestrymen and prominent church members downtown and got them to save the postage stamps on their correspondence. Ladies of the church began to carry on a correspondence with long-neglected friends for the sake of accumulating canceled postage stamps, and the habit is now fixed, says the Inter Ocean.

"Why, I'd as soon think of throwing away car fare as to waste old postage stamps," said one. The stamps at first were counted, but now an arrangement has been made with the florist to take them by weight. It is said that they are purchased by foreign paper mills. Owing to the fine quality of the material used by Uncle Sam for stamps they make over into an excellent brand of paper.

SHE IS GROWING RICH.

Chicago Woman's Hands Bring Her About \$3,000 Yearly—She Is a Masseuse.

Half the world is as ignorant of how the other half makes its money as of how it lives. There is a Chicago woman, for instance, who earns with her hands yearly sums that would make the average brain worker envious. She does not print, nor write, nor design, nor make dresses, nor do any of the things that one usually picks out as woman's work. She earns all this money by giving massage to women.

She is not in any way an impressive woman. She is of medium size and middle age. She gives one the idea of being in perfect health and of being kindly and sympathetic. Otherwise there is nothing noticeable about her. But her patrons consider her a wonderful woman.

Most of her work is done at the homes of her patrons, though they may come to her establishment at about half the home rate. She rubs a woman an hour at each visit, and her patrons are positive that she imparts to them a tremendous amount of vitality.

Of course, there are many women engaged in massage. The only remarkable thing about this particular woman is the amount of money she earns. Her monthly receipts run from \$200 to \$300, every dollar of which she earns personally.

GOTHAM'S INFAMOUS CAFES.

A Glimpse at the Interior of a Notorious One That Was Raided by the Police.

Through one of the most infamous of the cafes a Leslie's Weekly writer went recently, just after the police had raided it with axes. The entire ground floor was a drinking hell of tawdry elegance. On the second floor was a gambling room reached by devious passages through heavily barred gates. The upper floors were lodging-rooms of almost unimaginable dinginess and squalor. Throughout the entire establishment was a series of signal bells, peep holes, falling bars and special locks, and ready exit was given by no less than four specially constructed and supposedly secret passages. The rickety old tenement had been made into a veritable labyrinth of pseudo-mysterious precautions against the police. When the police did come the warning was given by a man stationed in the street for that purpose—called appropriately enough a "light-house"—the signal bells clanged, the bars fell, the special locks slid into place, eyes blinked at the peep holes and at the last moment the aroused inmates scurried through the secret passages into the arms of the officers who were waiting for them. That cafe went out of existence, but others are still doing a cautious business.

EELS IN CAPTIVITY.

They Keep Their Appetite and Grow Fat and Appear to Get Along Very Well.

Eels appear to be pretty hardy in captivity. There are in a tank at the aquarium a number of eels that have shrived and grown fat there, although they must there content themselves with a gravel bottom instead of one of mud, which they would seek in nature, says the New York Sun. The eel in captivity is rather susceptible to fungus, but the disease responds readily to treatment, and the eel never loses its appetite. All the eels in this tank have increased materially in size and weight there. The eel that has been in the tank the longest time came from Cold Spring Harbor and has now been in the tank about three years. One of the eels was caught about a year and a half ago right in the aquarium; taken from the valve of a pump which had become choked up. The eel was got out substantially uninjured. It has about doubled its weight since then.

The eels are fed on chopped-up clams, with occasionally some live killies, which they are easily able to catch and which they like. Killies, in fact, make a good bait in fishing for eels, with the killie hooked through the back in such a way as not to kill or deprive it of the power of motion.

A Surprised Barber.

"Wearing wigs has not gone out of style by any means," said a New Orleans barber who has an eye for the oddities of the trade. "The only reason why we don't notice so many of them is that they are made a great deal better than they used to be. Why, even the barbers get fooled now and then."

"The other day a gentleman came into the shop to get shaved. The barber finished the job without noticing anything unusual, and as he laid aside the razor he sprang the usual chestnut. 'I notice a good deal of dandruff is accumulating on your scalp,' he said, 'and if you don't look out you'll begin to get bald.' That seemed to tickle the customer, and he grinned from ear to ear. 'Oh, I guess I've got hair enough to last for awhile!' says he, still grinning. 'You have plenty now,' says the barber, 'but with all that dandruff it will soon commence to thin out. Better let me give you a nice shampoo.'

"As he spoke he ran his hands through the gentleman's hair and gave it two or three hard rubs, and, upon my word, the whole thing came off just as if he had been scalped. The poor man yelled murder, and the barber stood there paralyzed, holding the wig in his hands and his eyes sticking out like bat pegs. He told me afterward he was never so scared in his life. Since then he hasn't said a word about dandruff."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

The Rushlight.

Home manufactured rushlights and candles were in constant use by the Scotch peasantry. Boiled animal fat gave the required tallow, and the same green rushes as were used for cruise wick supplied it also in this case.

In making rushlights all the green coating of these rushes was stripped off, but for candle wick a thin strip was left on either side of the pith to strengthen and support it. Otherwise the manufacture of these two lights was very similar. The substance from the rushes when dried was tied to a rod, then dipped into the boiling fat and allowed to cool, and this process was repeated until the desired thickness. In later years candles were made in molds. The tape was passed through a hole in the center of the mold and knotted to prevent it slipping. The fat was then poured in and allowed to cool.

These molds, during the days of the candle tax, were jealously guarded by the owners and hidden in the most secret corners from the prying eyes of the exciseman. The candles were usually made at night in some outhouse, and watchers were posted at convenient corners to give timely warning of any approach of the ubiquitous officer.—Good Words.

A Good Parrot Story.

A maiden lady of a certain town in Cornwall owned a parrot, which somehow acquired the disagreeable habit of observing at frequent intervals, "I wish the old lady would die." This annoyed the bird's owner, who spoke to her curate about it.

"I think we can rectify the matter," replied the good man. "I also have a parrot, and he is a righteous bird, having been brought up in the way he should go. I will lend you my parrot, and I trust his influence will reform that depraved bird of yours."

The curate's parrot was placed in the same room with the wicked one, and as soon as the two had become accustomed to each other the bad bird remarked, "I wish the old lady would die," whereupon the clergyman's bird rolled up his eyes and in solemn accents added, "We beseech thee to hear us, good Lord!"

The story got out in the parish, and for several Sundays it was necessary to omit the litany at the church services.—Household Words.

William Black's Disturbed Dip.

There lingers in Oban a legend to the effect that one hot day William Black, the novelist, went to a quiet place out of sight to swim. He addressed in a remote part of the rocks. When he was in the water, a woman, deeply immersed in a blue velvet, which was "The Princess of Thule," came and sat unwittingly near his clothes. The swimmer, tired with his exercise, was anxious to return to his garments, but the lady on shore was far too engrossed with the fortunes of Princess Sheila to heed the coughing intimations of his presence. Presently matters came to a crisis. A sportsman passed along the rocks and discerned Mr. Black's dark head bobbing above the waves. He took it for a seal and was taking a deadly aim when Mr. Black jumped up in the water and implored: "Don't fire. I'm a human man."

The Largest Trees in the World.

The largest tree in the world is to be seen at Mascali, near the foot of Mount Etna, and it is called "The Chestnut Tree of a Hundred Horses." Its name rose from the report that Queen Jane of Aragon, with her principal nobility, took refuge from a violent storm under its branches. The trunk is 294 feet in circumference. The largest tree in the United States, it is said, stands near Bear creek, on the north fork of the Tule river, in California. It measures 140 feet in circumference. The giant redwood tree in Nevada is 119 feet in circumference.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Through Lovers' Eyes.

Clara (on the wrong side of 30)—I am sure I don't know what he sees in her.

Cholly—Well, they say love is blind. Clara—Blind! Nonsense! I never saw a man in love yet who did not see ten times as much in his sweetheart as I could.—Harlem Life.

Saved.

"Spare me!" pleaded the trembling captive, falling upon his knees. "Very well," replied the cannibal, with a grin. "I will save you for my Sunday dinner."—New York Journal.

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