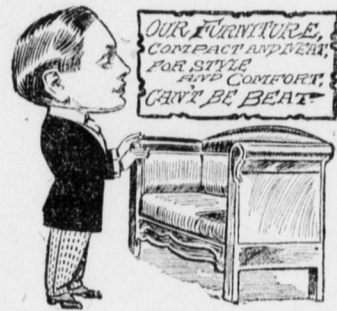


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AUDITORS' REPORT

Of the Receipts and Expenditures, Liabilities and Assets of the Borough of Emporium for the Year Ending March 1, 1908.

W. F. LLOYD, Treasurer, in account with the Borough and Electric Light Funds. Receipts, Borough Fund. Balance in hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1907, \$236 22. Received from Fred Seger, Coll., 1906 tax, 17 26. Received from John Glenn, Coll., 1907 tax, 3163 38. Received from Liquor Licenses, 1282 50. Received from all other sources, 914 91. Receipts, Electric Light Fund. Received for Commercial Lighting, \$150 00. Received from Fred Seger, Coll., 1906 tax, 125 41. Received from John Glenn, Coll., 1907 tax, 2103 43. Total receipts Boro-El. Light Funds, \$5233 11. Expenditures, Borough Fund. Paid for Police, \$692 00. Paid to Fire Department, 560 00. Paid Auditor's Fees, 42 00. Paid for work on streets, 834 83. Paid Sewer Extension, 1972 74. Paid for Sidewalks and Crossings, 235 48. Paid for all other purposes, 634 96. Expenditures, Electric Light Fund. Paid for Gas, \$252 00. Paid Engineer's Salary, 915 00. Paid Supplies, Etc., 736 81. Total expenditures Boro-El. Funds, \$6875 82. Balance in hands of Treasurer, 1417 29.

Assets, Borough and Electric Light Funds. Balance in hands of Treasurer, \$1417 29. Due from Fred Seger, Coll., 1906 tax, 7 40. \$1424 69. Liabilities, Borough and Electric Light Funds. Outstanding orders, \$444 77. Excess of Assets over Liabilities, 979 92. \$1424 69.

W. F. LLOYD, Treasurer, in account with Emporium Borough Water Fund. RECEIPTS. Balance in hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1907, \$1329 57. Received from Fred Seger, Coll., 1906 tax, 57 13. \$1386 70. EXPENDITURES. Paid Emporium Water Co., for one year, \$1000 00. Balance in hands of Treasurer, 386 70. \$1386 70.

ASSETS. Balance in hands of Treasurer, \$386 70. LIABILITIES—NONE.

W. F. LLOYD, Treasurer, in account with Emporium Borough Bond Fund. RECEIPTS. Balance in hands of Treasurer, March 1, 1907, \$2481 43. Received from Fred Seger, Coll., 1906 tax, 178 21. Received from John Glenn, Coll., 1907 tax, 2100 00. \$4760 64. EXPENDITURES. Paid Nine Electric Light Bonds, \$900 00. Paid Sixteen Sewer Extension Bonds, 1600 00. Paid interest on outstanding bonds, 449 50. \$2949 50. Balance in hands of Treasurer, 1755 14. \$4760 64.

ASSETS. Balance in hands of Treasurer, \$1755 14. LIABILITIES. Outstanding Electric Light Bonds, \$3600 00. Outstanding Sewer Extension Bonds, 5400 00. Outstanding Interest Coupons, 142 00. \$9142 00. Excess of Liabilities over Assets, \$7386 86.

FRED SEGER, Collector 1906 taxes, in account with Emporium Borough. Balance due March 1, 1907, 516 89. Paid Treasurer, \$373 84. Exonerations, 136 48. \$509 49. Balance due Borough, \$7 40.

JOHN GLENN, Collector 1907 taxes, in account with Emporium Borough. To amount of Duplicate, \$7520 15. C.R. By amount paid Treasurer, \$7366 81. By exonerations, 153 34. \$7520 15.

We, the undersigned Auditors of the Borough of Emporium, do certify that we have examined, audited and settled the accounts of the Treasurer of Emporium Borough and that the foregoing is a true statement of the same. Witness our hands this fifteenth day of April, 1908. GEO. A. WALKER, JR., GRANT'S ALLEN, I. K. HOCKLEY, Auditors.

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The Message on His Watch. In "Memories of Eight Parliaments" Mr. Lucy, the author, tells a story about Mr. Pyne, member for West Waterford, who, when under the crimes act a warrant was issued for his arrest in 1887, shut himself up in his Irish home, Lisfarny castle, had the trenches filled with water, the drawbridge up, took in supplies by a window in the battlements and thus lived for months, while he poked fun at the policemen who were wandering about below with the warrant in their pockets.

"The originality of Mr. Pyne's mind," continues Mr. Lucy, "was further indicated upon his watch. On its dial he had roughly engraved 'Pay no rent.' Whenever in troubled times any of his neighbors came to him for advice as to what they should do in the presence of a demand for rent, Mr. Pyne solemnly shook his head. 'I cannot,' he said, 'express my views on the subject, for Mr. Balfour says they are illegal. But I'll tell you what I'll do. I'll show you what time of day it is,' and, holding out his watch, the perturbed tenant read upon it the admonitory legend, 'Pay no rent.'"

Laws Against Beggars. Begging was a capital offense in England in the days of Henry VIII, when the laws were very severe against beggars, and under a statute passed in that reign any one caught begging for the first time, being neither aged nor infirm, was whipped at the cart's tail. If caught a second time his ear was slit or bored through with a hot iron. If caught a third time he suffered death as a felon unless some honest person having £10 in goods or 40 shillings in land or some householder approved by the justices would take the offender into his service for two years, entering into a bond of £10. So the law of England remained for sixty years. First enacted by Henry VIII, it continued unreppealed through the reigns of Edward and Mary. Reconsidered under Elizabeth, the same law was again formally passed, the two legislative houses thereby expressing their conviction that it was better for a man not to live at all than to live the life of a beggar.

Tainted Diamonds. The lapidary was about to cut the tail off a tadpole shaped yellow diamond. "The chances are," he said, "that this fellow will turn white from terror when I split him. If he does his value will go up 200 per cent." The lapidary set his steel knife in position. He prepared to strike on the knife's back the momentous blow. "Wish me luck," he said. "And the hammer fell, the amputated tail dropped into the box underneath, and, lo, the yellow diamond that had been split was now quite white. "The yellow taint," the cutter explained, "was only in the tail. Yet the taint was reflected all through the stone, and this made it seem of a uniform yellow throughout. Now the taint is gone, and our yellow diamond is a pure white one. "The miracle happens fairly often."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Epigrams of an Indian. Chief Joseph of the Nez Perces was a truly remarkable Indian. He rarely spoke, but when he did his lips dropped wisdom. Here are a few of the sayings attributed to him: "Look twice at a two faced man." "Cursed be the hand that scalps the reputation of the dead." "The eye tells what the tongue would hide." "Fire water courage ends in trembling fear." "Big name often stands on small legs." "Finest fur may cover toughest meat."

Fish, Chicken and Veal. Raw pullet, raw veal and raw fish make the graveyard fat. This is hundreds of years old. A New York caterer (perhaps the most efficient in the city) said to me: "There are three important articles of food that must under no circumstances be served underdone. They are fish, chicken and veal. By chicken I mean all poultry of a domestic nature. All game birds should be rare. You want to be a little careful about lamb too. Give it plenty of cooking."—New York Press.

Buttermilk. "Which is the cow that gives the buttermilk?" innocently asked the young lady from the city, who was inspecting the herd with a critical eye. "Don't make yourself ridiculous," said the young lady who had been in the country before and knew a thing or two. "Goats give buttermilk."—Springfield Journal.

Few and Far Between. "If men really would 'vote as they pray,'" remarked Goodley, "this world truly be a happy world." "Yes," replied Wise, "but in that case you wouldn't get some men to the polls once in ten years."—Washington Star.

Must Be Stylish. "Why do you wear that ridiculous hat?" he growled. "Do you really think it ridiculous?" she replied graciously. "How lovely of you! I was afraid it wasn't quite the style!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Permanent Receiver. "Patience—I hear Will is going to marry that girl he's been spending so much money on. Patrice—Yes. He's going to make her a permanent receiver."—Yonkers Statesman.

Revenge a wrong by forgiving it.—French Proverb.

How a Hat is Sized. C. writes that the size of a hat is calculated on a curious principle. It is the length plus the breadth divided by 2. Thus a head 8 1/4 inches long and 5 1/4 inches broad would require a hat size of 14 1/4 divided by 2, which is 7 1/4—Gladstone's size.

Your correspondent C. is perfectly right in his description of the curious way in which the size of a hat is obtained, writes G., but his sample dimensions are slightly misleading. Such an "oval" as 8 1/4 inches by 5 1/4 inches would scarcely be met with twice in a lifetime. The normal difference between the length and width (technically called the "oval") is invariably through the gamut of sizes 1 1/2 inches. Thus an ordinary 6 1/2 hat would measure 7 1/2 inches long and 6 inches wide and a 7 1/4 (four sizes bigger) 8 inches long and 6 1/2 inches wide. The longest head I have measured in many thousands was 8 1/2 by 7 1/4, which is the equivalent of a 2 1/4 inch oval. Needless to say, the inside of the hat was the shape of a canalboat. —Manchester Guardian.

It Did Not Work. Mrs. Billings was installing the new cook, a maiden from Finland, to whom the kitchen contrivances of America were new and wonderful. "This, Ina," said the lady, indicating a perforated wooden board that hung against the kitchen wall, "is the order list. See, it says 'butter, eggs, sugar, coffee, tea, molasses'—everything that we need to eat. Whenever we are out of any of these things all you need to do is to place one of these little pegs in the hole opposite the name and the things will be ordered."

Mrs. Billings is not a methodical housekeeper. There were several consecutive days when she completely forgot the existence of the order list in the kitchen, but Ina labored with it faithfully. "Meesis," pleaded Ina, after struggling with the order board for three days, "I tank dose board must be out of order. I push dose peg in yust so far as I can, but noting will come—no egg, no butter, no nothings."—Youth's Companion.

The Voice and the Phonograph. A vaudeville monologue man met a friend in a Broadway car. After they had talked awhile the friend said: "I've been conscious ever since we began to talk of some change in you, but I couldn't make out what. I know now. It is your voice. You speak so much more distinctly than you used to."

"That is because I have been talking into a phonograph," said the vaudeville performer. "The surest remedy on earth for slovenly speech is to hear a little lecture of your own rolled off a phonograph record and find that about half the words have been pronounced in direct opposition to Webster and all the rest of the authorities. That was my experience. I practiced for two months hard before I could improve a speech that had been good enough for the theater up to the point where it would pass muster in a talking machine."—New York Sun.

A Curious Ear. The catfish uses his lungs as an organ of hearing. The needless lung becomes a closed sac filled with air and commonly known as the swim bladder. In the catfish, as in the suckers, chubs and most brook fish, the air bladder is large and is connected by a slender tube, the remains of the trachea, to the esophagus. At its front it fits closely to the vertebral column. The anterior vertebrae are much enlarged, twisted together, and through them passes a chain of bones, which connects with the hidden cavity of the air. The bladder therefore assists the ear of the catfish as the tympanum, and its bones assist the ear of the higher animals. An ear of this sort can carry little range of variety in sound. It probably gives only the impression of jars or disturbances in the water.

More About Crusoe. Robinson Crusoe had just discovered human footprints on his island. He followed them up. They led him to a knoll overlooking the sea on which somebody had put up a billboard with this inscription painted upon it: Use Bunk's Pills For All Liver Troubles. 25 Cents a Bottle.

Owing to the avarice and greed of the publishers, however, who refused to incorporate this incident in the story unless paid regular advertising rates, it was omitted, and the book went to press in the garbled and incomplete form with which the reading public is familiar.—Chicago Tribune.

The First Monotheists. So far as we know, the Egyptian priests were the first monotheists. There existed in Egypt two kinds of religious teaching, the "exoteric" and the "esoteric," that for the masses of the people and that for the select few, the little company of the "wise." The masses were polytheists, believing in a multitude of gods, while the few believed only in one god, of whom Osiris, head of the popular deities, was but a weak reflection.—New York American.

Stands For Many. Boy—Cow is a noun, feminine gender, third person singular, and stands for Mary. "Stands for Mary?" asked the master in astonishment. "Yes, sir," responded the urchin, with a grin, "for if the cow didn't stand for Mary how could Mary milk the cow?"—London Express.

Some family trees seem never to bear anything but lemons.—Dallas News.

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