

COMMISSIONER GARFIELD'S REPORT

It is Found to Be Favorable to the Great Packers.

The report of Commissioner of Corporations Garfield on the beef industry, after about eight months' investigation in Chicago and elsewhere, shows that there has been an enormous amount of exaggeration in the statements that have appeared for some time past in regard to the beef business. This investigation was set on foot by a resolution of the House of Representatives adopted March 7, 1904, and the ascertained facts after a most rigid examination of the methods and general conduct of the business are contained in a report covering 308 pages. Its figures and tables conclusively show that the popular belief in enormous profits made by the large packers, such as Armour & Co., Swift & Co. and Nelson Morris & Co., and in the exclusive control of the business which many think they enjoy, is really without foundation.

The report made to President Roosevelt by Commissioner Garfield is really the first official statement of the actual conditions of the beef business that has been made, and as all the conclusions arrived at are based, as shown by him, upon data officially obtained, there seems to be no reason why they should not be regarded as reliable and in all respects trustworthy.

This report shows why the price of both cattle and beef advanced to the highest level ever known after the short corn crop of 1901, and states that because of the decrease in number of cattle and also in decreased weight, "the high prices of beef which caused so much complaint among consumers at this time were attributable wholly to these abnormal cattle prices."

All the figures of the live weight and live cost of all dressed beef cattle were obtained from actual killing records, and all information of every kind obtained by the Commissioner was voluntarily and freely offered by the packers, all books of record and papers connected with the business having been placed at his disposal.

To make certain that the results of the investigation should be absolutely accurate, the Commissioner states that a double method of ascertaining profits was adopted, and, without going into detail here, it is found that the conclusion arrived at shows an average profit of 99 cents per head. The Commissioner says "the close parallelism in the results of the two methods of ascertaining the profits confirms completely the correctness of the general conclusions." It is clearly established that "Western packers do not control more than half of the beef supply of the United States," the conclusion of the Commissioner being that the business done by them amounts to "about 45 per cent." of the total slaughter of the country.

The whole report is extremely interesting and well worthy of careful perusal. As an official report it may be regarded as worthy of confidence, and it certainly leads the reader to the conclusion arrived at by the Commissioner when he states that "the capitalization of none of these concerns is excessive as compared with its actual investment," and that from thorough and rigid examination of original entries in books and papers to which he had access there was also "indirect evidence that the profits of the packers in their beef business are less than is frequently supposed," as shown by comparison between the total profits and the total amount of sales.

Kansas as Center of Universe. Thomas A. McNeal, Kansas state printer, believes the state to be "the center of the universe," and he justifies his belief in this convincing way: "Scientists have noted that if a man starts from Kansas and travels eastward and keeps going until Kansas is again reached and then takes the same journey, but starting to the westward, the distance traveled is precisely the same."

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WOMAN'S WORLD

NOTED WOMAN ARTIST.

Cecilia Beaux has been so closely identified with the life of Philadelphia that she holds a nearer relation to the city than the others to the actual growth of taste. She has been a serene and intimate influence, without assertion, but with quiet firmness in the choice of things of beauty as opposed to things of fashion. Her example has made for elevated opinion and helped to form standards high and clear in those narrow paths between the ephemeral and the enduring which confuse the uneducated. Doubtless she is as little aware of all this as are the passive objects upon which our character has reacted; but to those who have felt consciously the spell of her clear-headed personality, and know the true ring of her sense of beauty, it is no idle fancy. Her painting had won the approval and patronage of her fellow townsmen long before her reputation had gone beyond the borders, and now that she stands forth as one of the three or four leaders of American art, the old affection has blossomed into frank admiration.

All the world joins in this—the cultivated world whose sentiments make opinions—and in testimony I am tempted to quote a very few lines from a remarkable private letter written by a noted French critic when Miss Cecilia Beaux's pictures first appeared in the salon. "There is one name," he writes, "which you may conjure with, and around it the laurels entwine themselves—Mme. Cecilia Beaux. She shows us a side of America free from hurry, retired and tranquil, and we rest content and meditative in the atmosphere created by her admirable talent. This, to be sure, is but one phase of your country. Would that all corners of America equally had their Cecilia Beauxes."—The Century.

HOW GRIFFONS ARE MADE.

Yet true it is. All sorts of scandals have developed in Paris and London through the discovery, and now the echoes are disturbing the serenity of metropolitan fashion on this side of the water. It appears the griffons are made to order in Brussels itself, the ferris in their own home—Halifax, a center of Yorkshire industry. How do they make the imitation griffons? Oh, well they're not entirely false; they're griffons, fast enough—yet not fast enough in the laundry sense, for—whisper—they won't wash! The same treatment is given to both breeds. The poor little griffon or Yorkshire is taken as a pup and dosed with arsenic on a graduated scale until its hair acquires the leaden hue so highly admired by society women. It is kept in a vaseline bath pretty much all the time, and when its hair begins to grow is suspended on oars to keep the silky locks off the ground. The dog passes directly from manufacturer to dealer, and from dealer to buyer. His new owner changes his diet, omits the arsenic, of course; washes him with water instead of vaseline, and the next known of that doggie he is under a little white slab—if his mistress be as sentimental as the average belle. Of course, there are genuine griffons and Yorkshire. But how to tell them—that's what worries the club members.

MY LADY'S LOCKS.

Do you know the rich, clear, brilliant brown of the topaz? All those adjectives fail to describe its clear deep golden qualities, if you don't know it. At any rate, topaz-colored hair is the latest thing, if your locks are of such a shade that they can be cultivated into a topaz-like bloom, blessed are you among women. But don't dye them, for that will take off the rich, shining bloom. It is merely a question of cultivating and invigorating, and urging the hair to bloom as the gardener urges the rose to flourish.

The reason for this popularity of topaz-colored hair is the reported transformation of the hair of Mrs. Spencer Clay, formerly Miss Pauline Astor, who recently appeared at a London dinner with her hair a new color. It had been changed from a dark, unsatisfactory hue, to a remarkable new brown—a topaz-brown, the same color as the brilliant Brazilian jewel, of which the young woman has a whole apronful.

The enhancing of Mrs. Clay's beauty has been brought about by a treatment by an expert hairdresser. He had used no harmful drugs, either. And now topaz-colored hair is the rage.

VALUE OF EXAMPLE.

Teach your child truthful, be truthful. To have him kind to others, be yourself kind to others. To have him honest, present to him in yourself a living example of honesty. The chief part of a child's knowledge comes through observation. Acts mean more to him than speech. To have him temperate, be temperate in all things. Prove to him by your life that a good name is to be chosen before great riches. Teach him that riches are not to be

despised, but should never be gotten by doing harm to others; that when acquired should be treated as a trust, not as a hoard. Prescribe healthful amusements, and so far as you can, take part in them.

Fathers, the boys need more of your time than most of you give. You are anxious that they should develop into men of whom to be proud.

A TIED GIRLDE.

It is quite possible to have a different girdle for every gown, and to have them look natty and nice with no trouble at all, by adopting the following plan:

Take two yards and a half of ribbon, more or less, according to the waist measure. After skirt and waist are properly adjusted place the center of the ribbon at the center of the waist front. Run the ribbon around the waist, cross at the back and bring the ends in front again. Cross them in the middle and pin securely with a safety pin, through bodice and corset, and tie the remaining ends in a smart little bow exactly over the pin. If the sides of the girdle show an inclination to slip down they can be fastened up with a pin, which is put in "blindly," that is, just under the edge of the ribbon; this edge is turned over and covers the fastening. The same applies to the point in front.

When properly put on and fastened, this girdle bears all the earmarks of the latest thing in French belts, even to the jaunty bow in front, and no one would guess that it owned its style to one large safety pin and a piece of ribbon.—Washington Times.

WHY WOMEN TAKE HUSBANDS' NAMES.

The custom which makes it proper for the wife to assume the name of her husband at marriage is involved in much obscurity. A recent authority advances the opinion that it originated from a Roman custom and became common after the Roman occupation of England.

Thus, Julia and Octavia, married to Pompey and Cicero, were called by the Romans Julia of Pompey and Octavia of Cicero, and in later time the married women of most European countries signed their names in the same way, but omitted the "of."

In spite of this theory, it is a fact that as late as the sixteenth century and beginning of the seventeenth century a Catherine Parr signed her name without any change, though she had been twice married. We also hear of Lady Jane Grey, not Dudley, and Arabella Stuart, not Seymour, etc., says the Philadelphia Inquirer. Some think that the custom originated with the Scriptural idea that he husband and wife are one. This was the rule of law as far back as 1268, and it was decided in the case of Von vs. Smith, in the reign of Elizabeth, that a woman by marriage loses her former name and legally receives the name of her husband.

HOW TO ACQUIRE A BEAUTIFUL MOUTH.

The mouth is bound by no beauty laws, and has but one requirement, that it be shapely. The most beautiful shape is the "Cupid's bow." In all cases the lips should be a fresh, brilliant red. The lips are too frequently neglected, and because sensitive they deserve tender treatment. The best and simplest emollients are cold cream and vaseline, while sweet olive oil, though disagreeable, is often beneficial. A small quantity of either of these should be put on before washing or going outdoors.

Gentle friction with a rough towel is a good if not lasting method of imparting color to pallid lips. If the mouth is washed out after each meal it will tend to keep the breath sweet. Limestone is a good wash for the teeth, mouth and throat. To rinse the mouth night and morning with water in which are a few drops of listerine is particularly desirable.—Newark Advertiser.

MAKING OVER A WAIST.

A pretty way to refresh worn white China India silk waists is to put in a gumme and full half-sleeves of colored lace. This lace, by the way, can be easily colored at home with any one of the prepared dyes. One girl recently made an old China-silk waist by these means. She took some quite dilapidated Renaissance lace which had been on another gown. One of the last was put through a gumme and full half-sleeves with the under-sleeves effect. Then she dyed the medallions in the lace a delicate blue. A big bow of the same shade of blue in velvet decorated the just above and completed an original and much-admired waist.—Harper's Bazar.

The record price of \$1,300 was paid the other day at the auction sale in New York of Bishop John F. Hurst's fine collection of Americana for a first edition of the Mohawk Prayer Book.

THE KEYSONE STATE

Latest News of Pennsylvania Told in Short Order.

While talking with his wife and Michael Gruber about the sudden death of Rev. David Harbinson, Dr. William C. Detwiler, a dentist, was stricken with paralysis of the heart at his home in Easton, and died in a few minutes. He was 71 years old.

Mrs. Henry Schooley, of Kingston, is suffering from a broken bone in her foot. She has been in the habit of sitting on her foot and believes she broke the bone in that way.

Oscar Knorr, aged 76 years, Delaware County's oldest printer, is dead. While setting type in the Norwood "Sentinel" office he was stricken with paralysis and was rendered speechless. He was removed to the home of his daughter, Mrs. North, at Glenolden, where he died shortly afterward.

Sixteen cases of diphtheria are reported in the village of Intercourse and two deaths have occurred.

Patrick O'Donnell was sent to the Berks County jail charged with robbing Jacob Dry, a Douglassville farmer. Dry says that he gave employment to O'Donnell, who was a tramp, and that O'Donnell stole \$3 from a child's bank and Dry's best suit of clothes. O'Donnell decamped, but was arrested at Port Union.

A cave-in occurred on the public road two miles west of Mt. Carmel. A cemetery is situated alongside the road at this spot, and it is feared part of it will sink into the mines.

Henry Ocker and Edward Anthony, of Middlesex Township, were arrested charged with forging the name of Mrs. Wetzell to a \$500 note, cashed by I. W. Wetzell. Anthony was committed to jail and Ocker entered bail.

District Superintendent M. E. Coombs, of the Carnegie Steel Company, announces that the Greenville plant of the company would resume as soon as the machinery could be put in order. The mill has been idle a year.

John Staver was held in \$500 bail for trial charged with assaulting John Danko and smashing his cornet. Danko is a member of St. John's Band, of Hazleton. It is said that rivalry due to the attentions to a girl caused trouble between the men.

Dependent because of continued illness, Charles T. Trout, aged 50 years, junior member of a Girardville drug-gist firm, committed suicide at the home of his brother-in-law, Dr. W. H. Robinson, of Pottsville, by shooting himself with a revolver.

A. T. Duffy, of Scranton, chairman of the Grievance Committee of the union railroad firemen on the Lackawanna system, has been appointed inspector of safety appliances on railroads by the Interstate Commerce Commission.

At the sale of the property of the late Richard Finney, at Cornwallis, upward of a thousand persons gathered, the majority to see the accumulation of relics, many a century old. Old gold and silver watches were sold by the dozen. Stocks of flint lock guns and pistols sold for a mere song. A good price was received for a gig in which it is supposed Washington once rode.

Wild ducks in great numbers are now appearing in the Susquehanna River at Columbia, but sportsmen are unable to shoot them owing to the high water. Flocks of wild geese are also appearing on the river.

After being idle for three years, the Duncanville iron works, owned by the United States Steel Corporation, is to resume operations this week, giving employment to 500 men.

After several attempts to end his life Calvin Shultz, a bachelor, 43 years old, of Reading Township, has succeeded. Three weeks ago he cut his throat, and physicians saved him by inserting a tube through which he breathed. He was recovering when, during a mental aberration, he removed the tube from his throat and died.

W. R. Wilcox, of West Fairview, Cumberland County, who fasted sixty days to get rid of indigestion, says he will start on April 1 to walk from New York to San Francisco, Cal.

United States Commissioner of Corporations James R. Garfield has appointed Attorney P. E. Kicullen, of Scranton, his special agent to Lackawanna County. Mr. Kicullen has appointed John T. Brown, also of Scranton, as his assistant, and will at once begin to investigate conditions as to corporations in this vicinity.

A cave-in over an abandoned mine is causing much damage at Claridge, a mining town. A church and three stores, with their contents, have been wrecked, while two other houses are gradually sinking into the mine, forcing their occupants to vacate. The people of the town fear a further cave-in that will swallow up other buildings.

A Grange of the Patrons of Husbandry has been organized in Fremont, by Organizer C. H. Diddie, of Columbia County. This is the only grange in Snyder County.

While returning on a freight train from a visit to his brother-in-law, William Hinkle, in Lebanon, William Garrett, a Pottstown boilermaker, fell from the train at Douglassville and was killed.

A petition is being freely signed by the residents of Prospect Park asking the Philadelphia, Washington & Baltimore Railroad officials to replace the present wooden station with a stone and brick building.

Dr. I. C. Gable, medical inspector of York County, has made his final report on the smallpox outbreak in several townships of York County. The report, which goes to the State Board of Health, shows that there was a total of 145 cases of the disease. No new case has been reported since February and only one family remains in quarantine. John Reppert, of Bests, aged 82 years, died from burns received in trying to save his wife, aged 80 years, whose dress caught fire while she was working at the kitchen stove and who died the same night.

WOMEN NOT TRUTHFUL

This Statement Has Been Unjustly Made, Because Modest Women Evade Questions Asked By Male Physicians.



An eminent physician says that "Women are not truthful; they will lie to their physicians." This statement should be qualified; women do tell the truth, but not the whole truth, to a male physician, but this is only in regard to those painful and troublesome disorders peculiar to their sex. There can be no more terrible ordeal to a delicate, sensitive, refined woman than to be obliged to answer certain questions when those questions are asked, even by her family physician. This is especially the case with unmarried women.

Is it any wonder, then, that women continue to suffer and that doctors fail to cure female diseases when they cannot get the proper information to work on?

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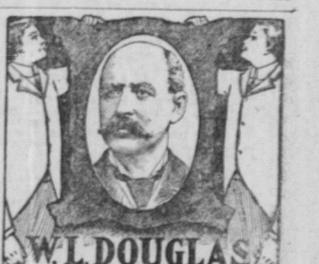


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