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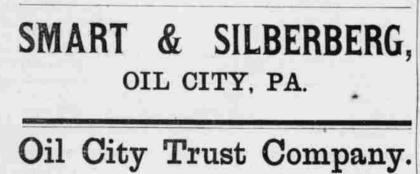
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DR. DIXON'S PLEA FOR VACCINATION State Health Commissioner Earnestly

Appeals to Parents to Protect Their Children From the Horrors of Small-pox.

SAYS PEOPLE ARE MISGUIDED Anti-Vaccinationists Fill Parents

Minds With Prejudice, But In Spite of Opposition the Law is Being Enforced in Thousands of Schools.

Dr. Samuel G. Dixon, state commissloner of health, has given out the following interview in reference to the enforcement of the vaccination law:

"While the United States government licenses and holds under supervision the vaccine farms of the country in order that our people may have vaccine virus produced in the purest state for protection against the most terrible and loathsome disease known to man, and while the Prussian empire by compulsory vaccination has practically exterminated small-pox, the great state of Pennsylvania has depended largely on the intelligence of her peo-

ple to guard against the disease by voluntary vaccination.

"To the credit of our citizens this precaution has been widely taken, but the 17,000 cases of small-pox that have occurred in Pennsylvania during the last few years, and which have given this state a black mark among her sister commonwealths, show the need of enforcing the laws that have been passed by our legislatures for the purpose of getting our people vaccinated.

"One of those laws, the act of June 18, 1905, provides that our children in the schools must all be vaccinated. and that if the parents of the children refuse to permit their children and the community to be thus guarded against small-pox such children shall not be permitted to attend the schools. Thousands Being Vaccinated.

"While thousands of school children throughout the state are being vaccinated with the consent of their parents, who desire to protect their little ones against the ravages of smallpox, I am ashamed to say that certain men are going about the state seeking for self-advertisement to incite the ignorant against vaccination and to influence our school teachers to become law breakers.

"The wildest literature is circulated depicting alleged horrors of vaccination. In some districts you will find that the death of nearly every child in the community is being laid to vaccination

Danger of Small-pox.

"I realize how a parent will oppose the vaccination of his child when the mind of such parent has been filled with blind prejudice and ignorant superstition. If this parent could only realize the crime he or she commits against the child by leaving it exposed o the horrors of small-pox.

"The anti-vaccinationists go into a community and they say to the parents: 'You have no small-pox around here now. There is no danger from small-pox. Why then submit your children to vaccination?' These men

## am working day end night to try and save their lives. It is not pleasant to me to make work for myself and give up the comforts of a home life at this

up the conforts of a home life at this age. Two-thirds of my stay on this earth has been spent in scientific laboratory work, wallowing in communicable dis-enses to try and discover prophylac-tics in other diseases, such as Jenner found for small-pox, and this without money reward. It is, therefore, under these circum-stances, discouraging to read the ar-

It is, therefore, under these circum-stances, discouraging to read the ar-ticles in your local papers, which al-most incite your people to believe that I delight in doing their children harm. This is a great mistake. I have but one child and she has been vaccinated about every five years of her life. Why? Because I know the horrors of small-pox, the innocence of vaccha-tion, and its great preventive quality. Prussia has exterminated small-pox from the empire by vacchation to

Prussia has exterminated small-pox from the empire by vaccination to such an extent that she has done away with her small-pox hospitals. In the Municipal Hospital in Phila-delphia we have had 9000 cases of small-pox spreading over a series of years, during which time not a single doctor, nurse or attendant who was suc-cessfully vaccinated contracted smallcessfully vaccinated contracted small-

pox. Such statistics as these I could cite Such statistics as these I could cite you at great length, but it would be tiresome. Where vaccination is not carried on we get the opposite result. In the city of Valparaiso. Chile, there were 11,000 cases of small-pox during the year of 1905, with more than 5000 deaths. During the last half of the year 1894 the record of deaths from small-pox in the United States of America was 606, of which number 404 were charged to our own state.

Were charged to our own state. You ask if time cannot be given be-fore legal action is taken to punish those who defy the beneficent law to guard the health of our people in this commonwealth. The resistance to vaccommon wearth. The resistance to vac-cination alone demonstrates the im-portance of having a law to require the vaccination of those who desire to take advantage of the schools support-ed by the generative ed by the commonwealth.

It is evident that if we had no such a law our innocent people would con-stantly be thrown in contact with a disense which is sickening to even the medical man, let alone those who are not constantly thrown in contact with diseased persons.

## Effects of Epidemics.

law has been on the statute books for ten years, during which time it has not been enforced, with a result of two or three severe epidemics, which I suggested it.-Chicago Tribune, cost the state and different municipali-ties thousands and thousands of dol-lars and many precious lives, independent of paralyzing industries in certain centres.

Now notwithstanding that the new department has been in active exist-ence since June 6 there has not been a law suit brought by it to punish any one. The person made responsible for one. The person made responsible for the executive work has trusted to the intelligence of our people and tried to educate them and disabuse their minds of the fallacies that they have been taught by the charlatan. From the fact that the department

From the fact that the department has given out on request over 450,000 blank certificates and that it takes about 2000 a day to supply the present demand, it is evident that vaccination is going on most satisfactorily in the greater part of our community. There-fore, I still have hope that those in your community will come to their senses and take advantage of the great protective — vaccination — without the department being forced to punish any-one for violating the law which was one for violating the law which was created for the public good.

The law reads that no child shall be admitted to school without producing a certificate of successful vaccination, a certificate of successful vaccination, or of having had small-pox. Therefore, it is not in the power of any one in this form of government to set aside the law of the commonwealth. No one will ever succeed in doing away with a vaccination law in this state, leaving us a prey to one of the most horrible diseases that can invade our commonwealth. While other states and the federal government are pass-

and the federal government are pass-ing laws to protect the health of their people we certainly will not take a step backward toward the dark ages.

## MUSIC AND HUMOR.

### An English Critic Says That the Two Cannot Be Linked.

There is little room in music for humor and no room at all for wit. When I hear some one speak of the wit of a Chopin scherzo I think, "My friend, you had better see a doctor at once; you are slightly deranged mentally." In association with words there can be humor in music, as, for example, the prolonged low notes Handel gives to Polyphemus when he asks for a hundred reeds "for my capacious mouth." But the humor of Haydn and Beethoven in their instrumental works consists entirely of practical jokes-a sudden low C on the basseon, a horn passage which no horn player can ever hope to play, a bass who enters a bar too soon or too late. The late Harold Frederic summed up the question beautifully. He said to me one day when I had not laughed at one of his storles: "Musicians have no sense of humor. When I was a young man touching negatives in a photographer's studio I was very musical. I had notes in my volce that couldn't be found in any plano in our parts. I had no sense of humor. Afterward I developed a sense of humor and lost my voice."-London Saturday Review.

### New Zealand Animals.

Experts say that probably there is no country in the world where imported species of animals, wild and domestic, have flourished as they have done in New Zealand. The red deer grow to over 500 pounds in weight in the forests, the trout to twenty pounds in the rivers. The sheep have not expanded to any giant size, but they multiply at a faster rate than elsewhere. They grow a finer wool and a better mutton

#### Finttering.

Young Featbertop-If your parents still oppose our marrying why can't we elope? Miss Sharpe-Chinn-It would never do in the world. Everybody who knows us both would say at once that

### An Account to Settle.

The Lawyer-Madam, I find that our husband's will leaves you nothing but what the law compelled him to leave you. The Widow (angry and forgetful)-Just wait till I see him!

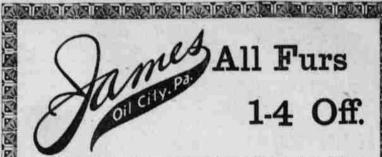
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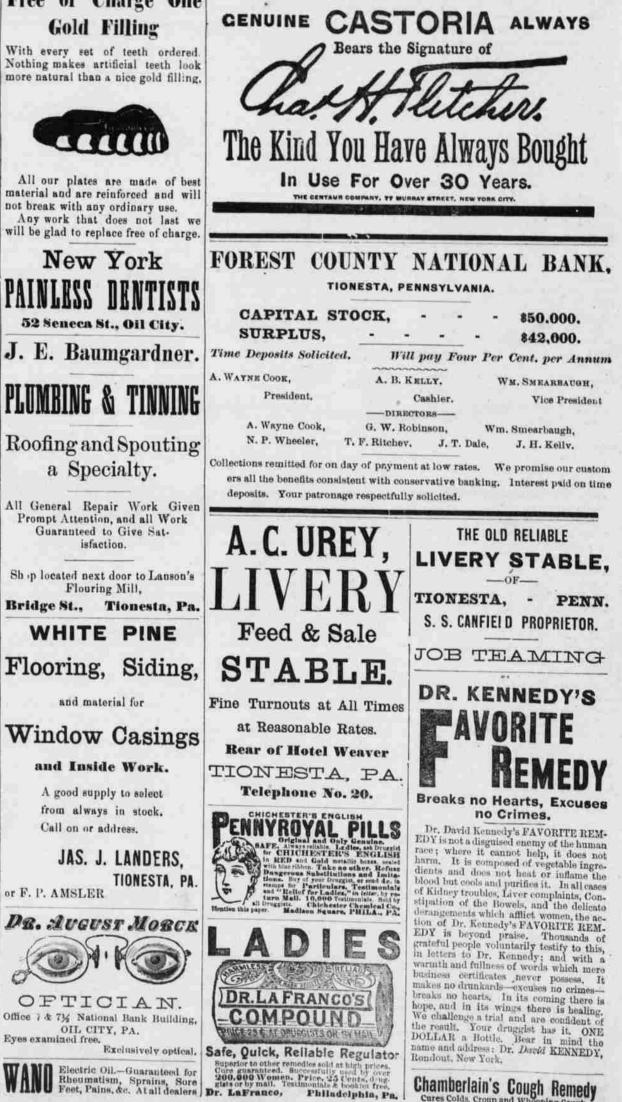


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## DANCING PILGRIMS.

#### The Annual Carnival of the "Saints" of Echternach.

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JOSEPH SEEP.

On every succeeding Whitsun Tuesday from time immemorial 19,000 to 20,000 pllgrims of both sexes and of every age and condition of life dance for four or five hours at Echternach, in the grand duchy of Luxemburg, to an rises to take part in debate he first of unmistakable polks tune and an apparently nonsensical refrain. The central figure of this great Echternach "springprozession" is St. Willibrord, who migrated from Northumberland to the frontlers of the Black forest twelve centuries ago. Emperars and kings have in vain forbidden the "saints" of Echternuch to indulge in their annual carnival.

With the pensantry of East Luxemburg and Elffel the "springprozession" is as popular today as it was in 1131, when King Lothaire came to pray at St. Willibrord's tomb. The simple minded dwellers on the banks of the Sure nd the Moselle are firmly convinced that their best hope of freedom from nervous diseases in this world and eternal salvation in the next lies in this mystic dance of five steps forward and two backward, by which, after three bours' indescribable toil, they cover the two or three miles intervening between the starting point, at which the pflgrims receive the episcopal blessing and the goal at the steps of St, Willibrord's shrine.

Other People's Business. Jenny-Their engagement has been broken by mutual consent. Kate-Isn't that tantalizing! I'll never be satisfied until I find out which one broke It .-. Smart Set.

Experience is the extract of suffer- | form. on-Howe.

It is in the House of Lords and Yet Is Not a Part of It. It is a curious fact that the woolsack on which the lord chancellor sits in the British house of lords is not, strictly speaking, in the house of lords, and this is why when the lord chancellor all moves away from the woolsack to his own place as a peer before he speaks.

Treasurer,

H. R. MERRITT.

lords who desire to avoid voting sometimes merely withdraw to the woolsack, where, not being in a parliamentary sense within the house, they are not counted in a division.

THE WOOLSACK.

now invariably a peer, he is not necessarily so, and as a matter of fact the office has been held several times in the past by commoners. In such cases the lord chancellor could take no part in debate, not having a place in the house as a peer, and his functions as speaker were strictly limited to the putting of questions and other formal proceedings regulated by precedent from the woobuick

## The Copts of Egypt.

The Copts in Egypt are the book coopers and scribes; they are also the lewelers and embrolderers. Their ancient tongue has fallen into disuse and is practically a dead language. They now use Arable, like all the rest of the nation, but the speech survives in their church service, a part of which is still given in the old tongue though it is said that even the priests themselves do not always understand what they are saying, having merely curned the sentences by heart, so that they can repeat them as a matter of

know that small-pox lurks in the handshake, that a victim of the mildest form of the disease may come into a community that has never known small-pox, and that the infection thus introduced may quickly attack an entire unvaccinated district, carrying off hundreds of children and adults before the epidemic has been checked. The very tramp that comes along the country road and asks alms of your child may in return for the little one's kindness infect it with deadly small-

"These are facts, and, therefore, the vaccination law is wise when it requires that unvaccinated children shall be debarred from school in the rural district as well as the crowded city." A Strong Personal Plea.

pox.

The following letter has been sent by Health Commissioner Dixon to a leading citizen of a district where anti-vaccinationists have stirred up opposition to the enforcement of the law: position to the enforcement of the law: My Dear Sir—The fact that your people are misguided worries me much. They do not realize how I sym-pathize with those who are in immi-nent danger and yet refuse to protect themselves. They seem to be crazed on vaccination, which fact is inconsist-ent with their faith in antitoxin for diphtheris, demonstrated by the fact that they receive from one hand of the commonwealth the antitoxin which is produced in the horse, while they is produced in the horse, while they refuse to accept from the other hand of this state vaccine which is pro-duced from the cow.

very properties state would have her in-dustries paralyzed and her cemeteries overcrowded with the victims of that dread disease. Your people say they have not had small-pox for 40 years. Do they ever stop to realize the fact that many of them have owned their homes for a longer period without having had them reduced to ashes by fire, and yet dur-ing that entire time they have been wise enough to keep up their fire in-surance? Why is this? Because they know that fire may come at any time and leave them homeless. Why, therefore, do they not realize that small-pox may come at any mo-ment and take away from them those nearest and dearest to their hearts, robbing them of all that is in life to make them happy? Unjust Criticism.

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I have suffered much by having a people like yours criticise me when I

## TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

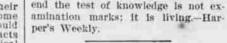
Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25c.



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Asking you to make any suggestions that you believe I could follow out to influence your people to take advant-age of vaccination, I am Yours vary truly, SAMUEL G. DIXON. KNOWLEDGE AND CULTURE. The Two Do Not Necessarily Walk Hand In Hand. High marks in examinations depend upon a trained memory and a power of acquiring irrelevant information. Culture, on the contrary, is a sympathetic assimilation of the best in the realm of thought and achievement. Culture is a slower process and a deeper, and its reward strikes further in. Assimilation of the best that has been thought and accomplished affects not merely the brain, but the characterthe whole spirit of a man. Culture

implies a soil plowed and fertilized, where whatever seed falls has the better chance for growth. Information even in vast quantities, so long as it remains mere information, used for purposes of passing examinations, need not affect the manners nor the morals of a man; both may remain hopelessly lax in an encyclopedian mine of facts. But culture affects primarily the manners and the morals A cultured gentleman has external methods of getting on with his kind; he has the true sense of relationship, the feeling that all he can learn to feel or to be is not for himself, but for service; he knows himself in a network of human inter-relations. In the end the test of knowledge is not ex-



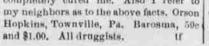
## How Starfish Are Killed.

It has been stated that the oyster's deadly enemy, the starfish, has been most successfully subdued in the Long Island beds by putting down within its reach an instrument very much like a long handled house mop. As soon as touched by it the starfish invariably grasps the strands and can be cap tured and destroyed by the thousand, for it will not let go until it has been held out of water long enough to secure the impossibility of its return.

"Consider the porous plaster, my on," remarked the philosopher, "and don't get discouraged. Everybody turns his back on it, yet it hangs on and eventually achieves success by close application."

Nobody ever pries into another man's concerns but with a design to do or to be able to do him mischief .- South.

-1 was confined to the house with kidney complaint for seven weeks and was most of the time in bed. Some time before I had been refused life insurance. as I was told I could not live many months. At the suggestion of the druggist, who was a friend of mine, I began taking Thompson's Barosma, Kidney and Liver Cure, and I am happy to make the statement, which my wife will adirm. that five bottles of Thompson's Barosma ompletely cured me. Also I refer to ny neighbors as to the above facts. Orson





The fact, too, explains why noble Again, though the lord chancellor is