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INCONSISTENT



She—You treat me very badly of late, George.

He—And only the other day you accused me of never treating you at all.

Catty.

"Mrs. Edgemoor spoke very admiringly of you," said the woman of conciliatory disposition. "Yes," replied Mrs. Filgitt. "She is always doing that. It's a way she has of conveying an impression that she is one of my intimate friends."

Dickens' Real Home.

For 14 years Dickens made Broadstairs his principal summer home in England. London alone held a superior place in his affections. He felt his powers at their apex when he was at the little channel coast town.

Japanese Shun Factory Life.

Of the Japanese factory laborer the average "work life" is short, very few being able to last longer than five years. Hence the rural population hesitates to migrate to the city when country employment is abundant.

INDEPENDENT.

If you would independent be, These things you must not do: Ask any one to favor thee Or for assistance sue.

You must not stoop to do a wrong, Or ever be unjust, For evil is a ruler strong, That cries aloud, "You must!"

Nor must you compromise with sin Or parley in the fight, And though you lose or though you win, Care not, if you are right.

If you would independent be And servitude shun, The path of right you first must see, Then travel it alone.

Shaw's Modesty.

Stepping out between the acts at the first production of one of his plays, Bernard Shaw said to the audience: "What do you think of it?"

This startled everybody for the time being, but presently a man in the pit assembled his scattered wits and cried:

"Rotten!"

Shaw made a curtsey and melted the house with one of his Irish smiles.

"My friend," he said, shrugging his shoulders and indicating the crowd in front, "I quite agree with you, but what are we two against so many?"

Manager's Revenge.

Author—I see you gave Blinks an important part in this play. I thought you were not good friends.

Manager—That's all right. He gets mobbed in the last act by a bunch of supers.

"But that's all stage play."

"Not this time. I have selected these supers from among his creditors."—Life.

Unappreciated.

"Me latest trouble," said Plodding Pete, "arose from mistaken kindness."

"You didn't give me none of the money you got for your hard-luck monologue last week," protested Meandering Mike.

"No. But I saw a lonely policeman at three o'clock in the morning and tried to cheer him up by singin' 'He's a Jolly Good Fellow.'"

BIG CAMPAIGN OPENED SUNDAY

Thousands At Meeting of Men and Religion Movement.

STRONG WORKERS ON TEAM

Pittsburghers Welcome the Vanguard. No Discussion of Creed or Polity.—Famous Agnostic Launches Crusade.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—The Men and Religion Forward Movement—the most gigantic campaign of its kind in religious history that has as its object the finding of 3,000,000 men missing from participation in church life—had its formal inception here Sunday. Its eight days' program of diversified meetings for the promotion of practical, everyday Christianity in the lives of men and boys was opened by a mass meeting in the Exposition music hall at 3:30 Sunday afternoon.

That Pittsburgh is ready and eager to greet the team of specialists who are spreading the propaganda of this movement—that Pittsburgh is the city prepared, as the harbingers of the crusade have depicted was apparently evinced at the initial session by the presence of thousands of men representative of the religious, professional and business life of this city.

Raymond Robins of Chicago, Ill., the famous social service leader, and a former agnostic launched the crusade here being the man selected to make the opening address. He is regarded as the leading apostle of the movement. His associates are men hardly less distinguished in the respective lines of endeavor that have been assigned them.

Robins and his illustrious team mates, without discussion of creed, ritual or polity, will endeavor to educate the Christian masculinity of this section in the five great themes in the movement—boys' work, Bible study, evangelism, social service and missions—so that after their going the fruitful days of the work may be long in this section.

The other specialists are: Fred B. Smith, who is recognized as one of the great evangelistic great to meet in the world; the Rev. Clarence A. Harbour, secretary of the Religious Work Department, International Young Men's Christian Association whose specific message will be to pastors; the Rev. Dr. David Russell, evangelist and missionary worker of Johannesburg, South Africa; William A. Brown of the International Sunday School Association, an expert in the history and interpretation of the Bible and a specialist in organization and methods for its study; John L. Alexander, the leading author on Boys' Scout work, who will present clearly the advantage derived by the church through the existence of the boy scouts; Yukio Minakawa, an aborigine of Japan, who is a fine platform orator and leader in missionary enterprise; the Rev. John M. Dean of San Jose, Cal., a former chaplain of the United States army, who will lead the institutes on community extension.

Attendance that will compare favorably with that of the first session of the campaign is expected for the mill and other meetings that have been arranged for the other seven remaining days of the crusade here. The convention throngs are expected to be greatly augmented on Tuesday and Wednesday, when thousands of visitors from Western Pennsylvania, Eastern Ohio and West Virginia will flock to the city to participate in the exercises that have been specially arranged for the days. More than 4,000 men attended the first meeting in Exposition hall here.

LUCKY CORAOPOLIS MEN.

No Excitement, However, for They Control Big Territory.

Coraopolis, Pa.—A 100-barrel day oil well has been struck by some real gems of Coraopolis on the McCormick farm, three and a half miles south of the town. Nicholas Nolte, John Leonard, J. T. O'Reilly and a man named Eaglefield from Oklahoma are the lucky men. Eaglefield, who came west from the southwest a few weeks ago and took an interest in the well, which was then drilling. Lots of Coraopolis people have bought interests in oil ventures before now that did not "pan out," so they are in position to appreciate Eaglefield's good fortune.

There is no excitement in the neighborhood for the reason that Mr. O'Reilly controls leases on 500 acres immediately surrounding it.

Good judges, watching the oil coming out and hearing that twice it has spouted over the derrick, estimate that the well will retain its power. O'Reilly drilled a well a couple of months ago, 1,300 feet away, and got a "gasser."

Goos to Prison by Accident.

Westfield, Pa.—Albert Weeks, alias Earl Bliss, formerly of this place, who pleaded guilty of manslaughter in shooting and killing Mrs. Fred Cozlet in December at Cadillac, Mich., was sentenced to from two to 15 years in Indiana prison. The prisoner is 22 years old and it was asserted in his behalf that the gun was accidentally discharged while he was cleaning it.

Donora Mills Cost \$2,000,000.

Donora, Pa.—Additions and improvements that will cost approximately \$2,000,000 are planned for Donora by the United States Steel Corporation, which already has big steel mills here. Recently agents of the Steel Corporation have been buying up tracts of ground at the southern extremity of Donora and as soon as possible ground will be broken for the construction of at least four open hearth furnaces and finishing mills.

Revolutionary Leaders, Lynched in Ecuador by Infuriated Mob.

Its Origin Lost.

The property of the English crown has been marked with the broad arrow from times so early that no one can now tell when it was first used for this purpose or what was its meaning.

Inoperative Adage.

"Politics likes strange bedfellows," said the ready-made philosopher. "Not out our way," rejoined Senator Sorghum. "When a man gets into politics there he doesn't have time to sleep."

TO PROBE SCHOOLS

STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION IS PLANNING FOR INQUIRY INTO STATE INSTITUTIONS.

MUST SECURE 1912 AUTO TAGS

Conference to Be Held in Harrisburg on Feb. 20 and 21 to Discuss Chestnut Blight—Many States Invited.

Harrisburg, Pa.—Professor J. George Becht, secretary of the state board of education, is planning the inquiry to be made by the board into the systems in vogue at educational institutions receiving state aid. Professor Becht, who was placed in charge of what is expected to furnish more information about the way things are managed in colleges and schools than any inquiry ever started in Pennsylvania, hopes to begin at an early date. Just at present he is looking into the general situation, getting an insight into the methods in use and in so doing has visited institutions in Philadelphia, Pittsburgh, Williamsport and other places.

"The inquiry will be pushed when I have it outlined," said he, "but it will take a while to prepare. Meanwhile we are going ahead with our bulletin showing the plans for model schools in rural districts and hope to get it out soon. The demand for such information is heavy and we have been striving to meet it."

Must Get Auto Tags for 1912.

State Highway Commissioner Edward M. Bigelow has issued a warning to all owners of automobiles who have not registered for 1912 that they must secure the new license tags for their cars or stand the consequences. Speaking of the matter, he said: "The law requires that the new license tags be displayed on and after the first of the year and we have allowed a reasonable period for people to procure these evidences of registration, but although almost three weeks have elapsed, I still see that many people are operating cars with the yellow 1911 tags. The law makes such neglect punishable and folks who fail to display the proper tags may be arrested and fined."

The department has issued over 15,000 registrations to owners of cars to date.

To Discuss Chestnut Blight.

Harrisburg.—States in the pathway of the chestnut tree blight will be formally summoned to conference in this city on February 20 and 21 by Gov. John K. Tener, it being the idea to have some method of confining the tree disease ravages to a certain territory by means of an interstate agreement.

The governor will issue the invitations and in personal letters urge the representatives of the states to either come themselves or send representatives, the arrangements for the conference being in the hands of the chestnut tree blight commission, named last summer, and the state's forestry department. All of the meetings will be held in the capitol and it is planned to take an opportunity for the most complete interchange of reports and data on the blight that has ever been held in this country.

In the invitation will be a statement of what this state has done in the way of combating the tree blight, and all states will be urged to be prepared to wage a strong campaign.

Food Commissioner Busy.

Harrisburg.—One of the odd effects of a rise in prospect for the price of butter has renewed demand for state licenses to sell oleomargarine and the office of Dairy and Food Commissioner James Foust has had all its attaches can do. The activity of the state agents in prosecuting sellers of oleo without license used to result in much licensing, but all the work of officials is as nothing compared to the effect of an advance in prices. Two years ago when butter went up there was a mild demand for licenses, but last winter's rise in butter caused such a great market to be opened for various products that firms which a few years ago would have scorned to sell anything but the best creamery or dairy butter took out licenses and made oleo a regular line. The same is being done this year and the news from the west that butter is likely to go to a high point has stimulated state licensing.

Foley Named an Inspector.

Governor Tener has announced the appointment of Thomas B. Foley of Pittsburgh to be a member of the board of inspectors of the western penitentiary, vice Thomas A. Dunn, resigned. Mr. Dunn recently sent his resignation to the governor, asking to be excused from serving on the board.

State Capitol Notes.

The Philadelphia and Western Railway company paid the state treasury \$18,500 as bonus on an increase of stock to amount to \$5,500,000.

The state highway department has reached the 20,000-mark in issuance of automobile tags.


Additional arrests for the sale of decomposed eggs have been ordered in Philadelphia by Dairy and Food Commissioner Foust.

The Latest Cut.

The young man was disconsolate. Said he: "I asked her if I could see her home." "Why, certainly," she answered; "I will send you a picture of it."—Ladies' Home Journal.

No Excitement.

"A man doesn't seem to take any pleasure in writing letters to a woman after he has married her," said Mrs. Gloomer. "No," replied Miss Cayenne; "he seems to lose all interest when there is no possibility of his letters being read to a jury."



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BEST ATTITUDE FOR SLEEP

French Physician Says Position Which One Finds Most Comfortable Is Best.

As practically everyone is more or less addicted to the habit of sleeping, the question of the best and most healthful attitude during slumber is of general importance. There is an ancient and widespread idea that to sleep on the left side interferes with the heart action and is consequently injurious and that to sleep on the back develops the inclination to snore. Modern authorities are not at all agreed on the matter, however, one of the greatest health specialists declaring that it is quite immaterial whether a person sleeps on the right or left side, while another equally famous doctor asserts emphatically that one should always lie on the right side if heart trouble and indigestion is to be avoided. Eliminating the question of snoring—a habit quite possible to break one's self of—there is little doubt that the most restful position, when once a person has become accustomed to it, is flat upon the back, using no pillow, and with the arms above the head. This straightens drooping shoulders and gives the lungs full play.

However, this is a matter in which one may do as one pleases, and have good authority therefor, as a very distinguished French physician has dismissed the subject by saying that the best position for sleeping is that which a person finds most comfortable.

JOKE ON POLICE SERGEANT

Thought He Had Officer Trapped in Undertaker's Shop When Pincolo Game Was On.

"Here's the best joke I ever heard on a sergeant," said a high official in the police department. "He was going the rounds when he saw a policeman whom we'll call Mullaney go into an undertaker's shop where there is generally a pincolo game in the back room. He knew there was no back way out for Mullaney, so 'rounds' planted himself at the door and waited."

"After a time he sent in word by one of the men working in the shop that he knew Mullaney was in there and that he had better come back on post, because the longer he waited the worse the complaint against him would read."

"There was much commotion in the back room, and as there were a number of coffins being loaded on a wagon outside they put Mullaney in a coffin and loaded him on the wagon. They drove him down the street a couple of blocks and Mullaney climbed out. He stroled back up to where the sergeant was doggedly watching the door and saluted."

"Hello, rounds, pleasant evening, isn't it?" he said, and the sergeant stared for a moment and then stamped away too mad to speak!—New York Sun.

Polyglot Chicago.

The introduction of Polish as a course in the public schools of Chicago, by Superintendent Ella Flagg Young, is an interesting experiment, though some may regard it as a rash one. There is a tendency among children of foreign parentage to drop their native language, while it would no doubt add to the general culture of the rising generation in our large cities if they would retain it along with the prescribed studies. If the experiment is successful, Mrs. Young proposes to follow it up with other languages. There are perhaps 150,000 Poles in the city, but there are 14 tongues, each of which is spoken by more than 10,000 persons. Newspapers appear in ten languages and church services are held in twenty. In all there are forty different languages of dialects employed to express the thoughts, needs and emotions of the population. Chicago is the second largest Bohemian city in the world, the third Swedish, the fourth Norwegian, the fifth Polish and the fifth German. If all these are to be instructed in their national language and literature the city will eventually need an Elihu Burritt or a George F. Marsh to direct its educational activities.—Boston Transcript.

Don't Forget the Waiter.

"Well, our vacation is over. We leave for home today."

"I see the waiter has decorated our table with rosemary."

"Rosemary, eh? Ah, yes; that's for remembrance."

Measurement.

"Your wife thinks a lot of you, doesn't she?"

"I suppose I might say so," replied Mr. Meekton. "When she starts in to tell me what she thinks of me it takes a long time."

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SLOW PAY

Physician—The majority of my patients are victims of a peculiar hallucination.

Druggist—Indeed! What is the nature thereof?

Physician—They seem to think I haven't any earthly use for money.

Importance of Being Correct.

The Sunday school teacher was telling her class about the wicked children mocking the good prophet, and how two she bears came out of the mountains and "ate up" over forty of the wicked children. "Now, boys," she concluded, "what lesson does this teach us?" "I know," said one youngster; "it teaches us how many children a she bear can hold."

Touching Tenderness.

A tender parent has been discovered in New York. Having been warned that the milk he sold to others and fed to his own babe was slowly killing the latter, he promptly took an expensive bottled milk for the child, though he cheerfully continued to supply the infants of his poorer neighbors with the condemned stock.


Trick May Earn Monument.

Pioneer residents have inaugurated a movement to have a tablet placed in the new state capitol of Minnesota in memory of Joseph Rolette, who, in the early days saved the prestige of St. Paul. By act of legislature the capitol of Minnesota was removed from St. Paul to the rival town of St. Peter, but the bill never was signed by the governor, for, during the last ten days of the session the bill was in custody of a committee of which "Joe" Rolette was a member, and he disappeared with the bill in his pocket. His disappearance with the bill rendered the act of the legislature void.

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