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THE LIBRARY AND ITS FUNDS
It is to be hoped that the Harrisburg School Board may see its way clear to grant the application of the trustees of the Harrisburg Public Library for an increased appropriation for maintenance of the new institution at Front and Walnut streets, which has achieved such large popularity in the less than sixty days during which it has been in operation.

THOSE who are fond of indulging in alcoholic beverages and others who are engaged in the sale thereof who believe they are being badly used by those who are urging the adoption of a prohibition amendment to the United States Constitution would do well to study the methods by which China is seeking to blot out the curse of opium smoking.

OLMSTED AND PORTO RICO
The development of Porto Rico since its occupation by the United States is doubly interesting to Harrisburg, in view of Democratic criticism of our success in insular affairs, and no less so from the fact that the late Congressman Olmsted was largely instrumental in framing the laws that now govern the island.

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\$8,511,316, an increase of twenty-six per cent. over the preceding year. Proof that the foundation of a diversified agriculture has been laid by the Olmsted law is found in the increase of oranges, pineapples, grape fruit and other fruit from a total of \$108,801 in 1901 to \$2,377,762 in 1912, and \$3,120,919 last year.

Speaking of the closing year of his administration, Governor Colton says it has been one of marked development, with industries more productive than ever before, and willing labor closely employed under improving conditions.

It is stated that in 1898 there was but one building in the islands especially erected for school purposes, the total enrollment in the public schools was but 26,000, and eighty per cent. of the entire population was unable to read or write.

Instead of one school house erected for that purpose, there are to-day 105 graded school buildings, many of which compare favorably with the better class of school buildings in the cities of the United States, and 264 rural school buildings. The school enrollment has increased to 161,785 and the general percentage of illiteracy has been reduced to 65 per cent.

Few Harrisburgers realize the extent to which Congressman Olmsted was identified with the development of our insular possessions. He was President Taft's chief lieutenant on insular affairs on the floor of the House. His work for the up-lift of Porto Rico stands as a splendid monument to his personal talents, broad statesmanship and splendid achievements while in Congress.

"The campaign opened on Saturday with the circulation of nominating petitions," says a Philadelphia newspaper. Glad to hear it. Circumstances had led us to believe that the campaign had been on for a month or more.

Felix Kafansky, sentenced to twenty days for kissing a girl, asks if the public doesn't think the sentence unjust. Let's have a look at the girl first.

Knocking down icicles is now about the best and most profitable amusement that the average kid can engage in and while the passersby and occasionally some breakable property may suffer during an attack upon the stalactites that hang from roofs and eaves, the boys are doing a good work.

The frisky squirrels and the fat clumsy pigeons in Capitol Park are not the only quadrupeds and bipeds that have essayed terms of intimacy with the average person in the hope of obtaining some sort of extra cash living on the outskirts have remarked the friendliness of crows.

A Smyrna correspondent sends in the story of a chickentender who carried off fifteen pullets and dropped a wallet containing \$90 in the coop. Somebody has been peaching crudely on Ellis Parker Butler's "Slim Santa Claus" idea.

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What's the use of establishing a zoo up in Wildwood park, anyway. We've got it right along the River Front if we could only spot its members and it appears to be in existence summer and winter.

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FIRST UNDER WIRE

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Nothing Over 25% MILLINERY EXCEPTED EVERYTHING UNDER

A List of Needed Things at "Can-Afford" Prices From the Store That Brings Quality Merchandise Within the Reach of All

MILLINERY
This Department is now filled with advance styles in New Spring Shapes representing the last word in models and colors.

NOTION SPECIALS
Thread, spool 1c and 5c
Darning Cotton, spool 3c and 5c

UNDERMUSLINS
New Styles — Best Quality
Ladies' Drawers 15c, 20c and 25c

SEASONABLE HOSEY and RIBBED UNDERWEAR
Ladies' black and tan hose 10c
Ladies' black and tan hose, special 12 1/2c

SPECIAL NEWS FROM THE DRY GOODS DEPARTMENT
Daily new lines of attractive new Spring merchandise in Wash Goods, Silks, etc. are being received and placed in stock.

EXTRA! EXTRA! BIG WEDNESDAY SPECIAL
On Wednesday morning we will place on sale 25 dozen LADIES' BUNGALOW PLOWNS, regular 50c value, special while they last 25c

POLITICAL SIDELIGHTS
Frank Herman always was an early bird.
Congressman Focht has started his nominating papers going.

A LITTLE NONSENSE
Her father mentioned that Wall Street had been tied up last yesterday and she thought it was about time something was done about better traffic regulations.

JUST A DREAM
By Wing Diager
Last night I dreamt I had a dream.
And, O, it was so fair!

BOOKS and MAGAZINES
MASEFIELD'S "POMPEY"
John Masefield's play, "The Tragedy of Pompey the Great," is published this week.

A FEATHER IN OUR CAP
The fact that most of our customers have sent us other patrons is indeed a "feather in our cap," as it demonstrates without doubt that our work is as good as it's possible to make it.

A SCHOOL FOR "TREASURES"
A home problem touched upon in Kathleen Norris' new novel, "The Treasure," is that of the servant. One way to solve this, in her opinion, would be to train servant girls in a school, fix their wages by a scale and arrange regular hours for their employment.

AN EVENING THOUGHT
A being so profoundly felt must inevitably be.—Horace Bushnell.

THE TELEGRAPH
Art and Engraving Department

THE PATH TO PROFIT
The trade drawing power of a well lighted store is too well recognized to require discussion.

Edison Mazda Lamps
In your store and show windows, and watch the result.

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In the meantime ask him to give you the latest facts about light and lamps.

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