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Endeavor to be patient in bearing with the defects and infirmities of others, of what sort soever they be, for that thyself also hast many failings which must be borne with by others.

—THOMAS A. KEMPIS.

THE FIRST FARM TOUR

GOVERNOR BRUMBAUGH and Secretary of Agriculture Patton have returned to Harrisburg at the end of the first of three three-days' farm tours of Pennsylvania. In a measure these trips will be similar to the Governor's "Seeing Pennsylvania" tour of last October, except that agricultural observations and visitations will be parts of the program.

CONSISTENCY DEMANDS IT

THE Philadelphia Evening Ledger thus reckons up the cost of "Watchful Waiting": It is estimated that the military expenses of the President's Mexican policy have already exceeded \$100,000,000, and word now comes from New London that the Mexican commissioners are preparing to ask for the payment of an indemnity of not less than \$100,000,000 more than \$200,000,000 because of the humiliation of the Mexican nation.

THE PERFECT DAY

THUS sings our old friend, The Bentztown Bard, the Whitcomb Riley, of Baltimore, and the poet laureate of Maryland: The perfect hour is mine When I can lift my head And facing all the ills that shine Feel quiet and comforted In the calm thought and cheer, And the whistling of the breeze, That through the day which trembled here I've done no one a wrong.

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in their corporations, their business, their laws and their wealth. But as a matter of fact this immense income is a cause of trouble.

For years it was the custom of the State to carry a balance in banks which was the talk of the nation. At one time it had \$10,000,000, at another \$12,000,000 and so on. It does not have that balance now. It can hardly meet its current bills. For months requisitions for money have been lying on the desk of the State Treasurer and that official has had to scrape around to get cash for pay rolls at times.

The State adopted a policy of appropriating pretty close to the revenue a couple of years ago. The result has been that when money was in hand the requisitions were paid and when it was not in the treasury hospitals and other objects of appropriation went unpaid. If the State is to continue its present plan the appropriations will have to be made and paid on a seasonal basis because its revenue comes in that way.

NEW HOTEL ASSURED

EVERY lover of Harrisburg must feel gratified over the announcement that at last this city is to have a hotel commensurate with its dignity and importance as the seat of government of a great Commonwealth. The movement which has now eventuated in the practical certainty of a modern hotel again emphasizes the importance of community co-operation as against the watchful waiting policy involving help from the outside. For years the question of adequate hotel facilities has been uppermost in the minds of many thoughtful citizens, but time after time the proposition has received its quietus through a trusting confidence in the nonresident investor. He was always held up as the hope of the community, but it finally dawned upon the live wires of Harrisburg that the only way a hotel could be assured was through a demonstration of good faith in an investment of local capital.

And when this realization came it didn't require more than a few weeks to put the proposition on its feet and thereby provide the one great necessity of a thriving city. The Telegraph has consistently and persistently advocated the building of a new hotel for several years; time was required to educate a large number of our own people to the importance of modern and adequate hotel facilities. But with the conference of the leaders of the movement at the Harrisburg Club last night came the practical consummation of the project. As the guests of Mr. Wallower, the indefatigable and far-seeing leader of the movement inaugurated by the Chamber of Commerce, those who gave substantial support to the preliminary canvass discussed the whole proposition and authorized the real start upon the final steps which will lead to the erection of a handsome building that will be a credit to the city and which will supply a need that was becoming serious in many of its phases.

Once more we are impressed as a community with the get-together spirit which has made possible so many of the big things that have been done here during the last few years. It ought to be a matter of only a few days to complete the fund that will be necessary to provide all that is contemplated for the new hotel. Every citizen, however humble, who can afford to take even one share of the stock should do so as an earnest of his desire to participate in what is not only a business proposition, but an important civic achievement. To Mr. Wallower and all the other live wires who have made possible this much-desired public place of entertainment the community owes a distinct debt of gratitude.

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backers is almost an enemy to the republic. In some instances speakers yesterday resorted to language which indicated that the Democratic leaders were disturbed over what was coming and wondering whether their defenses would hold.

Those young voters who will cast their ballots for the first time this year will not want to lose their initial vote. That is why thousands of them will align themselves with the Republican party and give their support to Charles Evans Hughes.

Congressman Kreider is not only the able and popular representative of this district in Congress; he is also an adopted son of Harrisburg. When he joined forces with our own people on the big hotel proposition he became more than ever before one of us. It is now Mr. Kreider, of Annville and Harrisburg.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeemen

Democratic leaders, State committeemen, State candidates and county chairmen went home late last night pleased and sorry. They were pleased at the manner in which the postmasters had responded to the call for cash and the hints that if they could not get into partisan politics they could at least get their friends busy. They were sorry that the formal opening of the campaign in Pennsylvania should have been marred by the recalcitrance of what the President has done and defense of his various actions or lack of actions.

The Democratic campaign, which really began in Congress, he is now an adopted son of Harrisburg. When he joined forces with our own people on the big hotel proposition he became more than ever before one of us. It is now Mr. Kreider, of Annville and Harrisburg.

—Taken on a basis of words the notification meeting extended to a notable even for the long-winded gatherings and self-admiration assemblages which have come into vogue since the reorganization clique got control. State Chairman Coffey was the only one who did not make a speech and he is commencing to loom up as a real leader. Ex-State Chairman Morris, who was the breaker of the news to the candidates, made a good Democratic speech, but a trifle longer than usual; ex-Judge Ellis L. Orvis, candidate for senator, made another long speech in which he lambasted the Republicans and whipped the progressives. Candidates Murrin and Creamer spoke more than they wanted to, but seemed to have been infected by the verbosity of the day and J. J. Moore, another candidate, seemed a bit miffed that he did not have more time. But it was National Committeeman A. Mitchell Palmer who was the most interesting speaker. He was a regular Niagara of words. He criticized Hughes for criticizing, said things about Governor Brumbaugh which indicated that the Governor was worshipping him. Coffey roared and ranted for three-quarters of an hour. When it was all over the dazed candidates and stupefied committeemen meekly went home.

—The threatened row in the Democratic executive committee over the substitution of Bull Moose M. Clyde Kelley for Arthur C. Kenney as Democratic Congressional candidate in the Thirtieth district without Kelley declaring for Wilson, was ironed out by Palmer, Kelley and others. The committee let Arnold get off and put on Kelley without a whimper. It seems to be a case of anything to beat Congressman Coleman, who will go back to Washington.

—Philander C. Knox and other prominent men will speak to-morrow at Montgomery county's big Republican gathering. Congressman John R. K. Scott, one of the chief Vars leaders, declared yesterday in Philadelphia that the Fragar murder case showed the uselessness of the office of coroner and that it should be abolished. The coroner, Coroner Knight is a leading member along with Scott, of the Vars organization, which is dominant in the Smith administration and which will be influential in the forthcoming session of the State Legislature. Were the coroner's office to be abolished a Vars leader would be put out of office by his political allies.

—Philadelphia's Committee of Seventy announced last night that four more arrests had been made yesterday on charges of irregularities at the polls. The men accused are Republican workers in the Forty-eighth ward and are recognized as followers of Director of Public Safety Wilson. The Philadelphia Inquirer, in commenting, says: "The fact that the men arrested are loyal to the Vars interests in the local Republican organization is declared as proof that the committee is making a distinction between the carriers 'are more interested in holding their jobs and in giving good service than they are in politics.'" If that was intended as a broad hint to the carriers that activity against the administration might cost them their jobs, it won't have the desired effect. It is true that most of them are interested in giving good service, and that is why most of them are against this administration.

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THE CARTOON OF THE DAY THE "KEYSTONE" OF GOOD GOVERNMENT



TELEGRAPH PERISCOPE

—Some women are like quinine pills —only sugar coated.

—If looks mean as much to women as some observers think, then it's a cinch for Hughes in the suffrage States.

—How many middle-aged men preserve the youthful color of their hair is one of the dark secrets of life.

—If we were as sure of getting a million dollars in November as we are that Dauphin county will go Republican this Fall we'd begin to spend the money.

—They are called lawn fetes because that's where many young men find their.

MAINE LEADS THE WAY

Listen to the voice of Vance McCormick, chairman of the Democratic National Committee: "The result of the election in Maine indicates a sweeping Democratic victory in November. Two years ago this same gentleman was filled with this same sort of enthusiasm when he was appealing in his own behalf to the voters of Pennsylvania. He was going to be a Republican. He was elected Governor and Penrose was elected to the United States Senate and the sweep was all Republican. So it is observed that Brother McCormick is not much of a prophet when it comes to forecasting political elections.

And why does he predict a "sweeping Democratic victory" based upon the returns from Maine? Because he finds that there has been a falling off from the Republican majorities of years ago, when everything in Maine was overwhelmingly Republican. But we are not living in history; we are in the present. The fact that Maine has been considerably upturned, as have been many other States. In 1912 Wilson carried it. In 1914 a Democrat was sent to the United States Senate. For three terms a Democrat has been chosen from one of the congressional districts.

A Republican is elected Governor. A Republican is elected to the United States Senate. The Democratic Congressional district turns Republican. If that is an indication of the manner in which the Democratic party is to sweep the country in November, Chairman McCormick—the pathetic Democrat—ought to be welcome to every crumb of comfort he can gather out of the wreckage of Democratic hopes in Maine.

The contest has been of a national character. True, local issues of importance in the gubernatorial fight, but when it came to the choice of United States Senators and to Congressmen the issues were National-wide. The record of President Wilson and of his personally conducted Congress was before the people for judgment. And the verdict has been rendered in no uncertain words.

The only possible chance for Wilson to win is to obtain a large Progressive vote. If Maine is any barometer at all, the Progressive vote is largely and safely back in the Republican Party.

CHEERFUL ACQUESCENCE

"See here, Mary, I am determined to put my foot down on any new household expenses. I don't care what you say. All right, John, as long as you put it down on a new carpet."

THE HARRISBURG WAY

By Wing Dinger Well, we're going to have a hotel that we'll all be proud of, and we ought to be the prouder. 'Cause we didn't have to go out of town to get the people. So let's all together get. For the project, think it over. That's the finest thing of all.

Why we ought to take our hats off to the men who've pledged enough to the cause to make it certain. But that's just the kind of stuff for which Harrisburg is noted. So let's all together get. And complete the fund that's started. We'll soon do it—that I'll bet.

THE CHILD'S FAIRY GARDEN

By Lois Kammerlin Booker

BY special request of Dr. Richard Morse Hodge, of Columbia University, secretary of the National Story Tellers League, Miss Lois Kammerlin Booker, of this city, has prepared for the Year Book of the National Story Tellers League the following article and list of fairy books. Miss Booker was the first president of the Harrisburg Story Telling Club and had a wide reputation in story telling and as a writer of charming verse. In the child's garden of fancy, if it is a real Fairy Garden, are Fairies—exquisite wee beings in fluttering veils and shimmering wings with voices comingling in sweet mystic music with the songs of bright little streams, and the whispers of tall shadowy trees—playing beauty and idealism into the thought life of childhood.

Unfortunately, the enchanted garden of many children's minds are places at times, which even a grown person would fear to enter. At the requests of anxious mothers, who fail not account for the serious nervous symptoms of what their children were suffering, medical psychologists have been admitted into the Klingsor's Realm through the gates of Dr. Faustus. They have told physicians and astonished mothers shuddering dreams of "giants, wizards and slimy monsters," and like creatures of the primitive mind.

The ethical code of many fairy tales is "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth." The higher civilization does not accept that idea of justice for child man or woman. It does recognize the law of retribution. To satisfy the child's inherent sense of fair play, the story should lead him to see that the law of retribution and not megal vengeance dominates the lives of the human characters in the story, while the good fairies are supernatural agents of adjustment.

Many fairy books, old and modern, should be expurgated of the stories of unnecessary descriptive details of witches and wizards' snake-eyes, abodes, and of deeds of ferocity and betrayal man, bird or beast. Let them live as an embodiment of a spiritual expression of primitive thought, but let us cease planting seeds there of monsters and vices which were sown in the mind of man when his highest moral law was self-preservation at the cost of another's life by sword or cunning.

"Ole Luk Ole, the Dream God," "Snow Queen" (except Story V), "Goblin and Hucker," "Elder Tree Mother," "Little Tiny," "The Nightingale," by Andersen; "Peter Pan," by Barrie; "Fountain of Youth," by Baumgardner; "Fairy Foot" (Hero, Robin Goodfellow), by Browne; "The Welsh Fairy Tales," by Chittren Love; "Two Gifts," "Fairy Gifts," "Rosanella," "Prince Narcissus and Princess Potentilla," by de Caylus, in Lang's "Green Fairy Book"; "Sylvania and Jossua," in Welsh's "Fairy Tales Children Love"; "Fiddler in the Fairy Ring," "Beautiful Palace East of the Sun" and "North of the Earth," "Bar of Gold," by Coussens, in "Diamond Story Book"; "Piper of Hamelin," by Crommelin; "Adventures of Visu," "Lady White and Lady Yellow" (Japanese), Davis; "MAGIC Fish Bone," by Dickens; "Undine," by Fouque, translated by Courne; "Honey Bee," by France; "Wonderful Adventures of Nils," by Lagerlof; "Golden Goose," "Fisherman and His Wife," "Elves," "Little Briar Rose," "Three Feathers," "How Six Men Got on in the World," "Water Nix," by Grimm, and in Lang's "Green Fairy Book"; "Jorinde and Joringel," "Twelve Huntsmen," "Spindle, Shuttle and Needle," "Crystal Coffin," "Golden Lads," "Golden Mermaid," "Three Musicians," "Iron Shoe," "Kumpelstuck," "The Plover and the Shoemaker," "Blue Light," "Fairy Tell True," in Welsh's "Fairy Tales Children Love"; "Star Lovers," "Black Row," "Wind in the Pine Tree," "Rite of Feathers," "Singing Bird of Heaven," "Espousal of the Rat's Daughter," "Spring and Autumn Lovers," "Broken Images," "Tongue Cut Sparrow," "Moon Maiden" (Japanese), in "Green Wing Book"; "Adventures of John Dietrich," "Lost Bell," "Dwarf in Search of Lodging," "Elves," "Gift of Golden Chips," in Keightley's "Fairy Tales"; "Nix," "Glass Mountain," "Little Green Frog and Magic Swan," by Kletke, in Lang's "Green Fairy Book"; "Alph Stork," "Hok Lee and the Dwarf," "Prince Feather-stories," "Princess Celandine," "Pucloct," Lang; "Princess Mirror," "Stolen Dream," "Maker of Rainbows," by Le Gallienne; "Tom Thumb," in Mable's collection; "Blue Bird," "Riquet with the Tuft," by Perrault, in Welsh's "Fairy Tales Children Love"; "Good Little Henry," "Little Grand Mouse," by Segur; "Peonies," "Prince Ahmed and Fairy Pari Banon," "Pinks," by Singleton; "Peronella," "Blanche and Rosalind," in Welsh's "Fairy Tales Children Love"; "Fairy Story Shop," by Works; "Zerbin, the Woodcutter," "French of Labonlaye," "Three Sisters and Their Glass Hearts" (Russian); "Slippers of Aton Karem," "Fairy Dust," by Dudevant; "Rajeh Reward," "French of Granval," "Drak the Fairy," "Lost Spear" South African; "The Golden Fairy Book."

Note.—No stopdaighter stories are listed, because I was unable to find even a reasonably kind stepmother or an imperfect stepdaughter.—L. K. B.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

BIG BOOST FOR KIDS To the Editor of the Telegraph: Harrisburg is fast earning a name for doing things, but she has not done much more than touch on the fringe of her possibilities. Leaving alone the big things that the grownups are most interested in to the grownups, will you let me make one or two suggestions for the benefit of our children and outline a few plans for their greater development and greater share in putting Harrisburg still more on the map. The suggestions will center round the public schools which have already contributed so much towards this end. Can we not devise some practicable method of extending that athletic spirit which finds such a good outlet in the track meets of the early Spring? Does it not seem a pity that the healthy rivalry and school spirit which is created each year should be confined to the one form of athletics and to one short period each year?

Marathon Clubs Conceding that "School Football" is too far advanced to meet the need, why not "School Marathon" on the fringe of her possibilities. Leaving alone the big things that the grownups are most interested in to the grownups, will you let me make one or two suggestions for the benefit of our children and outline a few plans for their greater development and greater share in putting Harrisburg still more on the map. The suggestions will center round the public schools which have already contributed so much towards this end. Can we not devise some practicable method of extending that athletic spirit which finds such a good outlet in the track meets of the early Spring? Does it not seem a pity that the healthy rivalry and school spirit which is created each year should be confined to the one form of athletics and to one short period each year?

GOOD-BY ONLY SPARK To the Editor of the Telegraph: Regret that "Jiggs" has passed away, and the only spark of genius connected with your paper passed with him. C. KRINGLA

Evening Chat

"I wonder," said a man who has studied Pennsylvania all his life and who is keenly interested in public utility matters of all kinds in more ways than one, "if they will have to revive the waterways and how they will do it." We were standing along the river about the city and the lines of the old Pennsylvania canal were to be seen stretching away, the luxuriant foliage of the trees which have grown up in the bed of the waterway marking the course as far as a bend in the Susquehanna. "If the freight rates keep going up, if government and business demands force the railroads to keep on advancing the price for hauling we will have to turn to the waterways for purposes." Now we will find that with few exceptions the railroads have them," he continued. "Then, the railroads will find that they will need them and that it is poor business to put the canal out of business. The result will be, in my opinion, that there will be some sort of development of streams like this Susquehanna, and a comparison of the waterways with what a canal would make fun of it. Do you realize that it is not going to be so hard to make a channel for light draft boats and that with the continued improvement of the motor its decrease in size and increase in power, that there will be an opening for commercial boating along the river. Your city has shown what can be done for improvement of the waterway. It is not a matter of dollars and cents, but of the future of the city. I have seen what German cities have done to rivers on the trade side. Now I would hate to see anything happen to detract from that splendid improvement of your river. But when you can build dams as a municipality to get water for the pleasure and appearance side of it what is there to prevent the city or county building dams for waterways purposes? Now just you think how freight rates have gone up in the last few years and what is in store. Then look at your river and the fact that some of the comparatively small, considering the magnitude of the trade, it would take a channel for motor barges. Only look out that the railroads do not do it first. They are facing some big problems and they doubtless are thinking about waterways to take care of traffic whose shippers will not be able to pay the freight rates which must be asked for to put the railroads in the conditions I speak of ever come the Susquehanna will come into its own for navigation. Sounds rather odd, doesn't it? But you travel and read and see what has happened in other places."

"Do you know," remarked a buyer in one of the downtown clothing stores the other day, "the man who bought more than one suit last winter is fortunate. It is next to impossible to get good clothes at low prices and even the higher priced goods are not nearly of the quality which was being sold last season. The manufacturers blame it on the war and since the war seems to be a long one, it is more than likely that the war's what has raised the price of wool. Another funny thing," he went on, "is that nearly every man who tells me he needs a new overcoat. Most years a large percentage of men expect to depend upon the old one."

Some of the reports coming from El Paso about the conduct of the Pennsylvania troops are funny and yesterday afternoon, at various parts of the State were talking about well-behaved men in camp. A western man and a Harrisburg man were together and the latter put out the record of arrests in the Pennsylvania division last month. It seems that the Eighteenth, a Pittsburgh regiment, had 63, the Sixth had 48, the First Artillery 27, and the Eighth, 21. The First, Second and Third all Philadelphia regiments, had nineteen, eighteen and eight respectively. The cavalry and Fourth Infantry were the best behaved of the discharges.

It will not be very long until football will come into its own and once again the gridiron will resound with the yells of students from Tech, Central and Steelton. While there is no school, nevertheless the squads are busy every afternoon and the teams will be better shaped than usual because of the greater opportunity which has been afforded for practice, so the sporting editor opines.

Ex-Judge Ellis L. Orvis, the Democratic nominee for Senator, who was here yesterday for notification, was formerly on the bench in Center county. He hurried in court trials here several times.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE

A Mitchell Palmer motored to this city for the Democratic meeting. He was accompanied East last night by several friends. Philander C. Knox is spending the summer at his Valley Forge home, but has been getting in some automobile touring. Ex-Congressman G. W. Logue is at the seashore for a time. William Armstrong, a county officer and brother of the mayor of Pittsburgh, was arrested on a charge of breaking traffic regulations. Chief William Connell, of the Philadelphia Highway Bureau, says that he has doubts about the value of women as highway inspectors.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg manufactures engines for government lighting plants?

HISTORIC HARRISBURG

The first State arsenal was located here in the twenties.

Our Daily Laugh

LOST OPPORTUNITY Daughter — Father went off in good humor this morning. Mother — Heavens! That reminds me. I forgot to ask him for any money.

ALL TRUE. A bird in the hand is worth two in the bush. A boll on the stove is worth two on the neck. A man with a pull is worth two with a push. And an ace in the hand is worth two in the deck.