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Our deeds still travel with us from afar.

DAIRIES AND INOCULATION

THE recent unfortunate experience of this city with typhoid, an outcome of indifferent dairy inspection...

An interested citizen, who has been a sufferer through typhoid, has suggested to the Telegraph that in the adoption of new regulations affecting the dairies and ice cream plants...

There are always those who insist that inoculation is a mere fad, but this case, like thousands of others, is a direct refutation of the theory that the serum is of no account.

Now that the epidemic has passed, we should not rest in fancied security until another outbreak arouses the community to the importance of protecting itself against further invasion.

New York has authorized by popular vote a bond issue for ten million dollars for forest extension work.

THE ELECTION IS OVER

THE Adams law was a makeshift. It settled nothing. This quotation is from The Patriot's "Spirit of the American Press," a page which that newspaper says "is the newest, the most informative and the strongest intellectually published in any American newspaper."

There ought to be some "worthy" Democrats for those seven judicial vacancies in the higher courts which will be filled by President Wilson within the next few weeks.

MEN AND RELIGION

SEVERAL thousand Methodist Men of Pennsylvania will attend the conference to be held in Harrisburg next week, and the announcement draws attention to the marked increase of interest in the men of America in recent years...

THE YOUNGEST OLD MAN

CHAUNCEY M. DEPEW is the youngest old man in the United States. He recently gave a talk on the art of growing old, declaring that the "don't worry" class helps make octogenarians.

Our national honor in Mexico is so high these days that an American can, with perfect safety, admit he is a German or an English citizen.

of social betterment, toward total abstinence and for better living conditions for the masses. If this has not been the result of this new interest of men in religion it is certainly coincident to a very remarkable degree.

INTERESTING SUGGESTION

MAYOR MEALS has suggested a method for keeping down the tax rate which is worthy of serious consideration. He observes that some legislation may be necessary to give his plan force and effect, but the scheme has much to commend it.

It is, in short, the diversion to the general fund of the excess revenues of the Water Department. For years the city's water plant has been a profitable proposition and notwithstanding the rates were reduced a year or two ago by Commissioner Bowman the surplus continues to accumulate.

In short, as the taxpayers and consumers of water are under the same umbrella it ought to be easily possible to reduce the pressure by making the water pay the cost of the light and thus avoid increase of taxation for municipal purposes.

Mayor Meals should lose no time in finding out whether his suggestion is practical and within the law. If legislation is necessary, the Legislature can be asked for such relief as the situation demands.

And here, again, the need of a larger measure of home rule for cities of the Third Class is emphasized.

If the turkey roasts as high as the prices charged, few will be stolen this year.

ENLARGING SCHOOL USES

THE friendly attitude of the city school authorities toward enlarging the usefulness of school buildings is a step in the direction toward which other cities of this size are moving and which has been the subject of repeated reports by Superintendent F. E. Downes for some years.

But it is difficult to see why the School Board should bear all of the expense of social center work. Simply because the school houses are logical headquarters for gatherings of the kind is no reason why the city government should not share in it.

—Candidates for mine inspector and a number of other offices who are not required to file statements of expenses at the Capitol are sending accounts to the Capitol. They are being sent back with regularity and dispatch, as the candidates must file in their home districts.

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AIN'T IT A GRAND AND GLORIOUS FEELING?



Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committeeman

Representative Richard J. Baldwin, of Delaware, appears not to be losing any time in getting about the State in his campaign for election as Speaker of the next House.

It is believed that the administration people will decide to support an up-State man and will start things moving, among the steps being to make some prompt and radical changes in departments of the State government.

—The North American of to-day calls attention to a change of front on the part of Senator Vore on the assistance clause question.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Germans Open Ghent University. Newspaper headline. There will be a course in international law.

The latest demand on the Greek army is, in effect, that it shall get out of Greece.

If O. Henry really learned to write short stories in prison a good deal better than he did now.

The present high price of wheat has its pleasant side when one reflects that many days ago an economy—Milwaukee Journal.

One newspaper refers to the strike at the Edison phonograph plant as "without a parallel." It is to be hoped, however, that it did not break all records.

The farmer who is being congratulated on \$2 wheat is now in a position to appreciate exactly how that fellow who sold his Bethlehem steel when it reached thirty feels. Send your congratulations to the Chicago speculators.

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The hide-bound, thick-and-thin, ever-lawing-to-overlawing party organ is to be doomed. The late campaign demonstrated that beyond question, newspapers supporting Wilson printed many Hughes advertisements, while the Hughes papers ran columns of paid matter boosting Wilson.

The World has no more right to refuse to print these advertisements than it has to refuse to print the speeches made by Mr. Hughes. We have our own opinion of the Hughes speeches and likewise of the Hughes advertisements, and we shall continue to discuss them with searching frankness; but print them we must. They are a part of the record of the campaign.

A New Experience It's a new experience for Poland to have all the great powers tumbling over themselves in the effort to present her with independence.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

NATURAL METHOD. Did the signs down your way show how the election was going? Not much they didn't. The returns simply made hay of all our straw votes.

CRUEL. Do I dance well, Dorothy? Yes, but for two things. What are they? Your feet.

Student on the War. The following bit of poetry has turned up which is based on the present war, being an attack on England. It was written by one of the boys of the Senior class of Central High School, and is entitled "Where the Shamrocks Used to Grow."

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Where the shamrocks used to grow, Oh, Johnny Bull! Oh, Johnny Bull! What are you going to do? You said that you would whip the Dutch.

And now it's up to you, But if you don't get a hustle on, There's one thing you should know, They'll be giving plants for sauerkraut.

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"CHANCY" DEPEW DECLARES "DON'T WORRY" CLUB HELPS TO MAKE OCTOGENARIANS

ONE night this week ex-United States Senator Chaucey M. Depew, who will be 83 years young next April, delivered an address in New York entitled "The Art of Growing Older and the Value of an Interest in Public Life."

"I'm afraid," began the distinguished speaker, in a resonant voice, "that if you reveal how dense I have come to rely on a physician the old tradition about a man being his own best physician after he is fifty would disappear. The octogenarian may not think a doctor is necessary—but his wife would have a hard time finding a state-licensed physician after he is fifty would disappear. The octogenarian may not think a doctor is necessary—but his wife would have a hard time finding a state-licensed physician after he is fifty would disappear."

"Seventy-five years ago when I—I say, seventy-five years ago when I was 7½ years old—I remember that our village had any number of old men and old women. They advertised their age."

"I haven't got that sort of people nowadays. To-day you can't tell a mother from her daughter because of the way mother and daughter dress, and you'd have a hard time finding a state-licensed physician after he is fifty would disappear."

"Everything helps old age now. There is the telephone: A man can reach his friends now by telephone; he can give his office, club, or he can listen to a sermon, an opera or a speech without leaving his home. The cable, the wireless, connect a far spread world and so help to keep alive mental activity."

"Of course seven ages of man do not exist to-day. Shakespeare died at 52 thinking himself an old man. He was only a young fellow. [Laughter.] He spoke of the sixth age of man, the lean and slipped pantaloons period."

"That sort of man to-day is at the bar—the legal bar, I mean [laughter]—or in the pulpit and giving the world the best of his maturity."

"Shakespeare's seventh age—sans teeth, sans taste, sans eyes—why, my friends, the dentist of to-day gives us better teeth than nature gave us in the first place; the oculist improves our sight. As for taste, every good wife knows that she had better look out if the old gentleman finds something on the table that does not come up to what he was accustomed to have in the old days. [Laughter.]

"One of the greatest influences on the world has been David's nineteenth psalm, in which David said that three-score and ten years were the limit of life. There's no telling how many men and women live because of the psalm. I've had all that he could get. [Laughter.] If there were any husbands in the way David said to it that they were sent to the forefront of the nearest battle. [Laughter.]

"My grandfather died at the age of 76. One of my great-grandfathers died when he was 80 years old, and he spent the last years of his life lamenting the absence of the age—because Jefferson had been elected President. [Laughter.] The only centenarian I ever knew was a French chemist named Chevreul. I attended his hundredth birthday celebration in Paris."

"I attended his hundredth birthday celebration in Paris. He had a grand concert in the Opera House the night before. When I left him at 2 o'clock in the morning he was still in his box at the opera house. The next morning, his birthday, he helped lead the troops of the Republican army in the afternoon. He read a scientific paper and in the evening he attended a great banquet. [Laughter and applause.]

T. R.'s Wilkes-Barre Speech [Kansas City Star.] It is interesting to note that Luzerne county, Pennsylvania, in which is located Wilkes-Barre, where Colonel Roosevelt made one of his fiery speeches during the campaign, gave Mr. Hughes a majority over President Wilson of approximately seven thousand.

John J. Casey, Democratic congressman, was overwhelmingly defeated by Thomas W. Templeton, Republican. Casey had served two terms and was a member of organized labor, having been business agent of his local union. Luzerne county's union labor population is larger by comparison than that of any other congressional district in the United States.

It was because of this exceptionally large labor vote that Colonel Roosevelt singled out the district for his speech dealing at greatest length with the Adams law. At the time of the Colonel's appearance there, partisan organs, for political effect, carried reports of his reception in which it was said that the miners resented to appeal to the aid of Mr. Hughes. The Colonel, according to these reports, was jeered as he led a procession from the train to the place where he spoke.

These reports were discredited by the responsible press associations. The election returns show conclusively what the workers thought of Colonel Roosevelt's analysis of the law to increase wages.

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Evening Chat

Men elected to seats in the next Legislature are commencing to come to Harrisburg to look up boarding houses and to make their arrangements for the session as well as to become familiar with the State Capitol. The bulk of the visitors are the new members who have never been here calling at the offices of Secretary W. Harry Baker of Inty Senate, and President Clark W. S. Leib, of the House, where lists are kept of hotels and other places where members and their families may get accommodations for the session. Men who will sit in the next House are also commencing to ask about their seats, although such things are not assigned until late in December. The usual number of applicants for front row places is given, although for years these places on the aisles have been given to members of extended service. As soon as the official returns are completed the Governor will issue his proclamation announcing results of the election and the members will receive their notices.

Within the next week or so Governor Brumbaugh will draw a special warrant of emergency funds for the payment of the mileage of men who went to the Mexican border to take the votes of the Pennsylvania National Guardmen on the recent election day. Under the act of 1864 election commissioners are allowed ten cents a mile for each mile going and coming but no other compensation. The accounts are being audited by Executive Controller Samuel G. Todd.

Election returns of almost twenty counties were sent back to prothonotaries by the Department of the Secretary of the Commonwealth to Secretaries of the counties. It is estimated that the votes of the soldiers should be included in the official figures. In each case the official returns had fled the returns without regard to the soldier vote, some assuming that it would be added here from the duplicated books sent to the Capitol and others just forgetting it. With the returns went new blanks and definite instructions that the soldier vote must be added to the total of the votes of the county according to candidates and be entered at the county seats. In some instances county officers wanted to know if they could not send the soldier vote separately. The tabulation work, which was done in this week, has been stopped until the complete official returns come in which will not be over a week at the least. The State has no poll books used at the voting places in each organization. There are several hundreds of them and in a number of instances the poll book had to be made out because of one man. One instance is where a man detailed to the field bakery lived in Conneville, although the section of the bakery to which he was attached was located in Pittsburgh.

The coming of the Methodist Men of Pennsylvania to Harrisburg for their State convention next week, recalls the fact that one of the earliest and largest of men's Bible classes in the country was that organized by and taught by the late venerable James McCormick. While the late McCormick no longer takes an active part in its affairs, the McCormick Bible class continues to be one of the most prominent religious organizations in the city. It has numbered among its members many of the most prominent men of the city and some of the humbler ones. Mr. McCormick's great delight was to visit homes of members. Never did one of them fall upon days of misfortune or sorrow that the ready hand of the pastor was not extended in aid, always with the injunction, "his name be withheld. The McCormick class was one of the forerunners of the present Bible classes that now number their members by the thousands.

The president of the Rotary clubs of the third district, which comprises Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware, will meet in Harrisburg November 26 in the parlors of the Commonwealth Hotel for a day's conference. International President Edmund V. McCormick, of Philadelphia, Vice-President Gundaker and Governor McClellan will be in attendance. This will bring to Harrisburg a number of Rotarians from other prominent cities and well known figures of the East. President Howard C. Fry, of the Harrisburg Club, is in charge.

Several of the Democrats who plan to attend the inauguration of the President next March are men who were present when Grover Cleveland took office in 1885. They are trying to get the same location to see the parade next year.

WELL KNOWN PEOPLE —E. Lowry Humes, United States district attorney for Western Pennsylvania, is taking a big interest in elections in western Pennsylvania. He has directed watching of some ballot boxes. —Secretary of Labor Wilson will make several speeches during this State year. He will attend meetings of various kinds. —Senator E. H. Vore, who is preparing a bill to end the drug habit, says it is driving more young men to destruction than anything else. —Dean McClellan denies any attempts to muzzle Penn professors. —E. H. Vore, who is preparing a bill to end the drug habit, says it is driving more young men to destruction than anything else. —James M. Beck, former assistant United States Attorney General, has written a book on the war and humanity.

DO YOU KNOW That Harrisburg is exporting woolen goods and shoes? HISTORIC HARRISBURG This city entertained two French dukes within a decade of its founding. Trade Briefs Golden and silver pheasants are being raised in large numbers in southern Ohio. At present the city's fire fighting apparatus is very inadequate. There is a market in Venezuela for barbed wire, buttons, dynamo, hardware and lard. A firm in Newmarket, Auckland, has started a piano factory. This may result in a demand for American piano parts and knockdown piano cases. American hardware is in demand in Italy.