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Around the man who seeks a noble end, Not angels but divinities attend.

—EMERSON.

A FREE RIVER BRIDGE

To the Editor of the Telegraph: Noting with interest the editorial in your newspaper calling attention to the need of a free river bridge between Harrisburg and Cumberland county, I take the liberty of addressing you briefly on the subject. The evils of the present toll bridges are too evident to require discussion, but I believe there may be devised a proper way in which the relief so sorely needed can be procured, and without an impossible burden upon anybody.

The foregoing letter is well worth consideration. The suggested bridge at State street fits so well into the proposed treatment of Capitol Park that beyond question some day it will be built. But the suffering public wants immediate relief from the payment of toll. It is shameful that the toll bridge has been permitted to exist so long. A large part of the upkeep of both the Market street and the Walnut street bridge is borne by every resident who uses produce brought into the city from Cumberland or York counties—and that includes every consumer in the city, for the bulk of our market and farm products comes from those districts. It is an indirect tax levied upon the people by the bridge corporations.

Politics in Pennsylvania

By the Ex-Committee

Announcement made in Philadelphia last night by the Penrose forces to the effect that they intend to abide by the decision of the Republican caucus meetings in organization of the two houses of the next general assembly is generally believed here to mean that the senator and his friends are confident that they will be in control. There has never been any question about the re-election of Senator E. E. Biddleman as president pro tem notwithstanding reports to the contrary, but there has been a lot of talk whether the State administration and Vero men would go into a speakership caucus.

A statement issued last night and printed this morning says: Senator William C. Sproul, of Delaware, the dean of the Senate, will issue a call for a caucus of the senators, and Representative Henry Gransbach, who has served longer at Harrisburg than any other member of the House, will call a caucus of the Republican members of that body. Both caucuses will be held at Harrisburg on Monday, January 1. The General Assembly convenes the next day.

—In this connection the Philadelphia Inquirer to-day says: "The persistent circulation of reports of the probability of an agreement upon a compromise candidate for the speakership brought forth a declaration yesterday from Senator Sproul, who is taking a lively interest in the proposition to make Richard J. Baldwin, of Delaware, the next speaker. Senator Sproul reiterated a statement which he made to Senator Vero 'that Mr. Baldwin is the right man to finish and is going to be elected speaker.'"

—The Evening Ledger last night printed a story that there would be a general agreement on legislative matters between the senator and the Governor and that the session would be inaugurated with a "compromise speaker in the House. The wish of many people throughout the State is that the session shall not be characterized by factional fighting, but as the Evening Ledger points out in the editorial of its story, neither the senator nor the Governor has as yet agreed to a protocol.

—Not in years has so much attention been given to Pennsylvania congressional contests as to the count of the votes in the districts in Allegheny county now represented by Congressman Barchfeld and Coleman. The Democrats claim the defeat of those two men and effect upon the organization of the national House of Representatives may be far-reaching.

When a Feller Needs a Friend

By BRIGGS

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ROBERT—WHOSE PARENTS ARE ACCEPTING THE HOSPITALITY OF THE JONES' FOR THE NIGHT, IS COMPELLED TO WEAR THE NIGHT GOWN OF YOUNG MISS JONES.

Bits of the Out o' Doors by "Suskie"

The Hut at Losh's Run If yer sick of the hurry an' worry An' long to get out with a gun, Go pack yer grip fer a couple days To the Hut at Losh's Run!

CURSE THAT MARKED EVERY GENERATION OF BUCKS FAMILY

THIS is the story of a family curse, a curse that even time and death have not served to erase, and which put a dark mark on every generation for a century and a half. In the little cemetery at Bucksport, Me., stands a granite monument to Col. Jonathan Buck, founder of the town back in 1783.

EDITORIAL COMMENT

"The people of the United States," says a writer, "have eaten the bitter bread of shame." And, to add injury to insult, the price of the loaf was raised to six cents—Boston Herald.

OUR DAILY LAUGH

A PEARL OF GREAT PRICE. Miss Fikit—Why don't you go after the Ponderosa girl? She'd make you a pearl of a wife.

Canada's Command

The action of the Canadian Government in putting the ban on a group of American newspapers, whose editors have offended John Bull, is one of the little sidelights of the war that in some way relieve its tragedy. It is scarcely credible that the authorities of the Dominion believe that by this action they have altered the course of the war, or will influence the expressions of the editors who are thus excluded from hearing in Canada.

Advertising Drawing Power

Newspaper advertising, backed by direct methods, has made the store of Garver Bros., of Strasburg, Ohio, the biggest country establishment in America. There are about 1,100 people in Strasburg, which is located on a trolley line within a short distance of such centers as Akron and Canton, but because these merchants make use of the newspapers, they not only hold all the trade of their community, but reach out into surrounding fields. Last year the total volume of receipts of Garver Bros., who employ seventy people, reached \$428,000 before the end of 1915.

DO YOU KNOW

That Harrisburg is making steel that is used for steel cars for New England lines? HISTORIC HARRISBURG Early Harrisburgers worshipped in oaks, when their churches were being built.

THE NEEDED WEDDING

Do you think your folks will object to our marriage? No, I heard mother say the other day that if we didn't have a wedding in the family soon we'd be out of the social swim altogether.