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"Drunkards now form 55 per cent of the insane persons in Paris asylums."

The Pennsylvania Legislature passed a resolution censuring Congress for not putting General Grant on the retired list.

Tramp's house at Greystone Park is four hundred feet long and contains ninety-nine rooms, quite a house for a reformer to have.

In Oklahoma, the lawyer is looked upon as the natural enemy of mankind, and are plainly told that they are not wanted there.

The destruction of the English army at Klantown, seems only to have intensified the desire of the English to occupy that country.

SENATOR CAMERON delivered a speech in the Senate in favor of appropriating the surplus in the United States Treasury to the shipping interest.

The chance for Irishmen to get off under Cleveland, is said to be poor, for the reason that the Irish are suspected of having given their support to Blaine.

The two houses of Congress assembled in joint session last Wednesday, and counted the electoral votes, in accordance with the way prescribed by the constitution.

The vote was announced to be two hundred and nineteen for Cleveland and Hendricks, and one hundred and eighty-nine for Blaine and Logan.

The Philadelphia record remarks: Mr. Faunce intimates that there must be some school-book job behind the bill to teach children in the common schools the effect of spirituous liquors and the pathology of drunkenness. This is the only way to account for the activity displayed in favor of so absurd a measure. A close search will doubtless discover a pious book agent at the bottom of it.

In Arkansas, the man that steals a horse, or steers a chance of being hung to a tree without trial by jury, and men in that State do not hesitate, to shoot to kill, when offensive language is used toward each other, and yet with all that the State Senate has passed a law prohibiting base-ball playing on Sunday, and making the offense punishable by a heavy fine.

One day last week they had a nice little time in Congress, over member White, who was ordered to take his seat by the Speaker. White would not sit down, the Speaker called in the sergeant-at-arms to seat him. The officer rushed up to White. The members who were friendly to the talking man, noticed that the officer had not his mace or club, with a silver gilt eagle, on top of it. They declared the sergeant must have his mace. The officer hastened back to get his instrument of official power, and while he was gone, White sat down. The Journal clerk recorded the transaction that the member took his seat when the sergeant-at-arms appeared with his mace. The next day when the journal was read, the friends of White said that the record in the journal was not correct, that it should read, that before the sergeant-at-arms appeared, he had taken his seat. Nearly all the members took a word or two in the tongue-roler that prevailed for the period of more than an hour. As a last resort, the Speaker ordered the Sergeant at arms to put the house in order. The officer took up his mace and went for the members and they scampered to their seats, sat down, and were quiet, and order was restored in the Congress of the nation.

The Congressional apportionment bill before the Legislature apportions nine of the twenty-eight Congressional districts to the Democrats. That is what was offered to them when they sat in extra session. They held the Legislature in extra session almost one year to get more than nine districts. They proclaimed it every day that injustice was done to them in not giving them more than nine districts. If the Republican Legislature would do as the Democratic Commissioners have done in Juniata, the Democrats would be apportioned out, that would be, given nothing. If the Republican Legislature would rule the Democratic party out of apportionment what would be said of it. If the Democratic Legislature will waste over half a million of the public money to secure more than nine congressional districts, what would they do if they were cut off with nothing? Here in Juniata where the Democracy are the present ruling power, they have not apportioned anything to the Republicans. The haughty Czar of Russia, or the amorous Sultan of Turkey, are not more one sided in their apportionment of government than are the so called Democracy of Juniata.

One of the Greek tribes of centuries ago, indulged a practice of making intertemperate men drunk on festive occasions, and then invited the children in to see the disgusting, drunken antics of the intoxicated men. They maintained that the foul language of the intoxicated, and the sickness that too much drink brought on the intertemperate men, with the offensive conduct of the drunkard disgusted the children and caused them to be temperate in the use of liquor. The tribe became temperate and old writers say that the temperance habit was brought about as above stated, namely, by teaching by example—by making men drunk who had no control of their appetites and then calling the children in to witness the debauchery of the drunkards. There is a bill before the Pennsylvania Legislature that proposes to teach in the common schools a lot of "stuff" from a book, relative to the effect of liquor interference on the health and morals of the people, with the object of impressing the minds of the young against the use of intoxicating drink. The probability is that it is not the temperate habits, or the morals of the children that the owner of the bill is after. It looks like a book job enterprise at the expense of the state with temperance and moral pretensions, to cover tracks. How would it do to amend the bill by adopting the old Spartan law, of making men drunk on festival or holidays? Say, for instance, the 4th of July, Christmas, New Years, Easter, and so forth, and after the drunken men had reached the height of their debauchery, take them before schools of children and put them on exhibition, to show the effects of the imtemperate use of intoxicating liquors.

A Chrono To Tramps. A despatch from Bloomfield, Perry county, under date of January 31, explains itself as follows: The last enforcement of the tramp laws has caused a good deal of trouble to Perry county of late years. A Justice of the Peace in this place, in order to make business for himself and reap the fees allowed for the commitment of tramps to jail over night, at one time gave a "chronon" in the shape of a ten cent plug of tobacco to all tramps who applied to him for a commitment. Healers were also employed in the outlying districts to direct tramps to this particular Justice and it was not an unusual thing for tramps when they arrived in town to ask: "Where is the office of that Squire who gives a commitment to jail and throws in a plug of tobacco?"

It was not long before a rival Justice went into the "chronon" business, and as a consequence the fees for harboring tramps swelled up into hundreds of dollars for a single month. Although New Bloomfield is six miles distant from the railroad and there is no direct communication with any of the points of the compass the town was overrun with tramps, as many as sixty being in jail at one time. One able-bodied tramp and his wife, who remained in jail an entire winter, returned the following winter and again sought accommodations at the hospital prison and its well filled larder. They were denied admittance which so enraged the husband that he sent a large boulder crashing through the parlor window of a Main street residence. He succeeded in gaining admittance to the prison, but only for repairs, as he was clubbed half to death by the enraged householder and his son. A laughable incident occurred at the expense of one of the Justices in question. Observing a rough-looking man on the street the official rushed out of his office and rudely accosted him with: "Do you want to go to jail and get a plug of tobacco?" The rough-looking man was a well-to-do farmer and it was only by the intervention of mutual friends that the 'Squire was saved a thrashing. As a last resort the County Commissioners refused longer to pay for the keeping of tramps, which time but few of the turnpike sailors have guided their crafts into this port.

High Explosives. NEW YORK, Feb. 12.—General H. L. Abbott, of the United States Engineer Corps, read a paper before the Military Service Institution at Governor's Island today entitled "Recent Progress in High Explosives and their Uses in War." The large number of military men present evinced great interest in the subject. General Abbott gave a history of the various explosives, dividing them in to five classes and stating their special uses in warfare. He said incidentally that although a fairly professional question, a few remarks upon the problem presented by the murderous abuses of these new agents now starting the world might not be out of place. That such attempts should be suppressed by the strong arm of the law admits of no question. How can this be best accomplished? He thought the only way was to treat crimes of that sort just as piracy is treated, making it a crime against humanity, and placing the operators and their instigators and abettors beyond the pale of the law and subject them to arrest and delivery upon proper requisition wherever they may be found.

"When a wretch or even a misguided fanatic is made to appreciate that nowhere in the wide world can he find a place of refuge, but that justice, sided by all the powers of the telegraph, railroads and ocean steamships, will follow his trail like a bloodhound, and that his capture and punishment are only matters of time I cannot but believe that the beginning of the end will be at hand. Yesterday's papers state that a bill has been introduced in the lower house of the Pennsylvania Legislature imposing a penalty not exceeding \$10,000, and a fine not exceeding \$5000, for selling, exporting or using dynamite for other than legitimate purposes, and also for contributing to any dynamite fund, or for soliciting contribution for such a fund."

One's enjoyment of out-door exercise is perfect. The bright, bracing air, charged with the freshness of the sea, is a constant temptation to walk, sail, or drive. For the pedestrian a handsome board walk along the whole ocean front affords a fine field for exercise. A splendid variety of vehicles of all descriptions, offer fine facilities for driving, while the miles is famous as well for its sailing as for its fishing. There is no need of idleness, if one cares to be active.

No epidemic disease has ever prevailed at Atlantic City. The sanitary measures are in the hands of a board of health the members of which fully appreciate the responsibilities of their position. Pure drinking water is introduced from the interior, and a system of sewerage is now being provided, which promises to prove a most potent factor in preserving the health of the growing town. The topography of the town does not admit of natural drainage, and formerly the refuse and waste were carried off by conveyance. The plan proved unsatisfactory, and it was determined to employ some more effective methods. A commission was appointed to examine various systems of drainage, and devise the best possible plan from such as had worked effectively elsewhere. The committee studied the question with care, and chose as the best what is known as the "West System." By this method the waste and sewerage are forced through pipes to a central reservoir, and thence pumped out to a point beyond the corporate limits, where, by the aid of machinery, the solid substance is converted into phosphate, and the liquid, purified by filtration, is allowed to flow into the bay. This is a most effective method, and one that has been used with great success in this country and Europe. The work of laying the pipes is being pushed forward with vigor by a New York firm, and the early completion of the work is confidently expected.

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The Largest Diamond in the Country. The largest diamond in the United States is said to be the Cleveland gem, now owned by Mr. S. Dewart, of New York city, and for which Missie Palmer is reported to have offered \$40,000 in vain. The cutting of this stone was begun on the day following election and was completed at 6 o'clock on Saturday last, making continuous work for 81 days. It was placed in the care of John Werner, who first roughly shaped it by smoothing the corners. He fastened a ball of solder to an iron handle and sawed the diamond in the solder, leaving a little side bar. This was rest on an iron wheel, which made 2500 revolutions a minute, and diamond dust mixed with oil was applied. The wearing away and polishing of one facet took from four hours to a day, and the stone was cut with 128 facets, which accounts for its large size required. It weighs 424 carats. The Koh-i-noor weighs about 136 carats, but is not of perfect purity. The local gem will be shown to Governor Cleveland this week and to Gen. Grant at the New Orleans Exposition.

Krupp, the famous gun maker, employs 20,000 men. There are now 118 cotton seed oil mills in the United States. Scarlet fever has carried off four children in one Allegheny family since the beginning of the year. On a wager, a young man in Sullivan county, N. Y., a few nights ago drank a gallon of cider without removing the vessel from his mouth. The sea routes of Lykens Valley farmers are suffering from the depredations of a thief, who it is said drives a horse well blanketed, attached to a covered wagon, and is only seen after dark. It is said that the treasurer of Northampton county refuses to discharge the duties of the office because the commissioners have cut down the compensation to a point that takes away all the profit. In Pickens county, South Carolina, Deck Mulligan, while drunk, buried a chair at his wife. The chair missed her, but hit his little daughter, who happened to come in at the time, and killed her. Mulligan was sobbed by the tragedy, went to his bed-room and cut his throat. Miss Edna Nichols, an accomplished young lady, residing at Erie, has become insane and was taken to the Warren asylum. Her affliction is attributed to active participation in a protracted religious meeting. Three thousand visitors a year go through the Mammoth Cave, in Kentucky. The cave is on the line of the Louisville and Nashville Railway, ten miles from the nearest station. The cost of stopping over, including a moderately extensive exploration of the cave, is about \$10 to each person. Down in New Jersey, Mrs. Harley put coten oil on the underclothing of her husband, which had the effect of causing eruptions on the skin. This was done to keep her husband at home instead of spending his evenings at the club. The coten oil worked to the satisfaction of Mrs. Harley, but she could not keep her secret, and told it to some of her married friends, and they in turn told it to their husbands, and Harley getting to know his wife's secret now applies for a divorce.

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