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MOON'S PHASES—

Full Moon, 2nd; Last Quarter, 10th;
 New Moon, 17th; First Quarter, 24th.

WEATHER FORECASTS



Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair to
 night and Thursday, not much change
 in temperature. Lowest temperature to-
 night about 36 degrees.

Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair to-night
 and Thursday. Moderate southwest to
 west winds.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG
 Highest, 45; lowest, 28; 8 a. m., 30; 8 p. m., 41.

DO IT NOW FOR BELGIANS!

"Out of the fullness of the heart the mouth
 speaketh."

There is a text on which any minister in Harris-
 burg might preach an eloquent sermon, his theme
 being an appeal for help for the starving Belgians.
 This is a subject that is in the heart of almost every
 American citizen, and it is something all Americans
 want to talk about; not that it is a pleasant sub-
 ject, but they want to express their horror of the
 great sorrow that has befallen an innocent people,
 and the great reason there is for the people of the
 United States to take of their abundance to bestow
 it upon these unhappy and afflicted folk.

An American newspaperman in Europe—a real
 newspaper man, one trained as a reporter, one with
 the broad grasp and keen analytical mind of a
 newgatherer of the finest type—sends the message
 to this country that the people of the United States
 must act quickly or whatever they do may be too
 late. His words have a touch in them that goes to
 the heart. Help these starving, miserable, homeless
 people NOW, he cries in words that burn deep into
 the hearts of the American people, and they are
 responding in a way characteristic of their big-
 heartedness.

But what is being done now will not last during
 the entire period of these people's distress. They
 must be cared for until the end of the distress, or
 at least until they can take part in caring for them-
 selves, and America, with its great stores of food,
 the greatest in its history,—must act the part of the
 bigger brother in showing the unhappy nation that
 America does not propose to withhold its charity,
 but will be ready to do what can be done to help
 a starving people.

But the help for Belgium must come NOW. Food
 is needed NOW, and food should be sent NOW.
 Will you give according to your ability to aid this
 miserably afflicted people? DO IT NOW.

DUNDONALD'S DREADFUL DEVICE

When we are told that the government of one of
 the battling nations in Europe possesses somewhere
 in concealment the plans of a device which if it
 were put in operation to-day would annihilate all
 its enemies at a stroke and which if let loose could
 overcome the entire world, we may at first be
 inclined to think of Jules Verne's tales and wink
 one eye. When we learn in more detail the facts
 about this mysterious thing, however, the awful-
 ness of it grips us, and we may rather blink with
 both eyes in the terror of it.

More than a century ago Dundonald's Destroyer
 came into being as a mysterious suggestion, a neb-
 ulous possibility. In the brain of the Earl of Dun-
 donald in the year 1811 plans were forming, plans
 for a device to be used in warfare which at a stroke
 would annihilate the enemy and bring victory be-
 yond question for the operators of the thing.

The earl was a naval officer and a scientist of
 standing. He whispered his scheme to the govern-
 ment of Great Britain and it won respect. It was
 manifestly no maniac's invention, for a secret com-
 mittee reported to the government that it was all
 Dundonald claimed for it,—all powerful, all hor-
 rible.

Dundonald had said that his device afforded "in-
 fallible means of at once commencing and terminat-
 ing a war by one conclusive victory. No power on
 earth could stand against this attack," and the
 committee of investigation reported that the inven-
 tor was entirely right.

The committee members did more than that. They

advised the British government under no circum-
 stances to put the scheme into practice, asserting
 that its processes were too terrible for words, that
 its use would be cruel beyond human conception.

So the government of Great Britain did not
 adopt Dundonald's destroyer, even against Napo-
 leon. It was strongly tempted to do so in the
 Crimean war, and the inventor was about to con-
 struct his device when the war ended. In 1860
 Dundonald died, and since then the British govern-
 ment has quietly kept its secret. It seems unlikely
 that the plans for the Destroyer perished with Dun-
 donald. The probability is that Great Britain could
 use them to-day if deemed expedient.

What the dreadful device really is we have no
 means of knowing. Mention of it made at various
 times by its originator indicate that its construc-
 tion is extremely simple and that it can be used on
 both land and sea. An important point about it,
 brought out by Dundonald himself, is that if it
 were to be once used and revealed to the world, all
 nations could utilize it.

That feature lessens the usefulness of the device
 to any one nation and increases the dreadfulness
 of it. If all the world knew the secret of Dundon-
 ald's Destroyer at this moment when the nations
 are at one another's throats, assuming that the
 device is as effective as affirmed, it is doubtful
 whether there would be a single human being left
 alive on the globe to tell the tale of slaughter, nor
 would any records be necessary, since the race of
 man would be extinct.

Dundonald's dreadful Destroyer may of course
 be ineffective in this day of wonderful armaments.
 It might be, in practice, the case of an alleged ir-
 resistible force coming in contact with an avowedly
 immovable body. It was conceived of a century
 ago, but things military have changed greatly since
 then. Yet it may have a power which nothing can
 resist, a power not yet brought to light and one for
 which no defense has been provided.

If John Bull has such a force concealed in his
 secret pockets, may he keep it there safe from the
 clutch of war crazed brutes,—keep it forever, for
 humanity's sake.

"Who's who in Mexico" seems to be a question that
 will remain unanswered until there are a couple of first-
 class funerals.

Meantime President Wilson is keeping a straight path
 in that European affair, to the great admiration of the
 American people.

Reports state that the apple crop of the country this
 year is more than 228,000,000 bushels. That many ap-
 pear to have rotted on the ground over in Adams county.

Kind friends are picking out a nice berth in Wash-
 ington for Congressman A. Mitchell Palmer after March 4.
 Mr. Palmer is a gentleman who can take care of himself
 under any circumstances.

The claim of the Republican State Chairman that the
 next Legislature will have 169 Republicans out of the
 207 members of the House and 38 Republicans out of the
 50 Senators means that Democrats and Washington party
 people who held positions in the last Legislature need not
 apply in 1915.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

BREVITY

Judge—"Name?"
 Prisoner—"Smith."
 Judge—"Occupation?"
 Prisoner—"Locksmith."
 Judge—"Officer, lock Smith up."—Exchange.

A TRUTHFUL WARRIOR

Jesse R. Grant, the famous general's son, said the other
 day:

"There's too much war talk in the papers. Turn to
 what page you will—the religious news page, the woman's
 page—a kind of war flavor is given to all the items. It's
 getting to be a joke. It reminds me of Gaff. Gaff, an
 old soldier, was so bored once by war talk that he broke
 out into a war story on his own account. He worked his
 story up in the conventional way, and at the climax he
 said:

"Yes, gentlemen, men fell by the dozen on every side
 of me. Bullets pelted down like hailstones. The roar of
 the big guns was deafening. Legs and arms, to say nothing
 of heads and bodies, were flying through the air in all
 directions. And then, by jingo, I saw we were cut off!"

"Holy smoke, man, what did you do?" asked a listener.
 "I did," Gaff answered, "six miles in 48 minutes."—
 Washington Star.

WHAT DID HE EXPECT?

"Jones," said a hotel manager to a waiter, "what did
 that gent from table No. 7 leave so suddenly for?"
 "Well, sir," said the waiter, "he sat down and asked
 for sausages, and I told him we were out of them; but if
 he would care to wait a few minutes I could get the cook
 to make some."

"Well," said the manager, "what then?"
 "I went to the kitchen," resumed the waiter, "and
 accidentally trod upon the dog's tail, and of course it
 yelped. And suddenly the gent got up and left."—Lon-
 don Tit Bits.

THE CLERGYMAN'S VICTORY

A clergyman, while traveling, stopped at a hotel much
 frequented by wags and jokers. During dinner these
 worthies opened fire on the clergyman, who, however, stood
 their gibes and sneers with a calm indifference. At length
 a fellow diner said to him:

"Well, I wonder at your patience. Have you not heard
 all that has been said to you?"
 "Oh, yes; but I am used to it," replied the clergyman.
 "I am chaplain of a lunatic asylum. Such remarks have
 no effect upon me."—Exchange.

HIS "NAME"

A young spark, notorious for his conceit, was boasting
 in the presence of several gentlemen about the conquests
 which he had gained over the female heart.

"Look," said he, "here's a handsome present I had from
 my last innamorata," at the same time handing round a
 beautiful cigar case.

All admired the article, which had an indorsement of its
 quality stamped upon it.

"Very nice gift," remarked one of the company. "I
 perceive your lady-love even had your name put on the
 case."

"Well, that's queer," answered the boaster. "I never
 noticed it."

"Look again," replied the candid one. "The case is dis-
 tinctly marked 'Real calf.'"—Exchange.

Tongue-End Topics

Tracing Typhoid in University

Even persons not apparently suffer-
 ing from typhoid may carry the germs
 of that disease about them and in doing
 so spread the disease. A case in point
 is the epidemic of typhoid in Lehigh
 University, in which a large number of
 students suffered and several died. Dr.
 C. J. Hunt, chief medical inspector of
 the State Department of Health, was
 called in on the appearance of the epi-
 demic at the university, and made a
 long and careful investigation to ascer-
 tain its origin. By a system of scien-
 tific deductions he eliminated both milk
 and water as having been connected
 with the disease's appearance, and he
 looked elsewhere for the cause. Mak-
 ing careful inquiry, he discovered that
 one of the employees in the kitchen had
 suffered from typhoid years ago, and
 he found on that person typhoid germs,
 still active.

Found Germs on Well Man

The man had been employed in the
 preparation of peaches which had been
 used to flavor ice cream served to stu-
 dents, and it was by this means that
 the disease was communicated to the
 people who were taken ill. It was
 found that the original cream from the
 source wheeze the university obtained
 its supply was not contaminated, and
 in sifting the matter down the disease
 was found to have been communicated
 to the cream through the fruit pre-
 pared by the man afflicted with typhoid
 years ago. It took a lot of research
 and investigation in sleuthing out the
 cause, but it was demonstrated beyond
 a doubt that Dr. Hunt was correct
 when typhoid germs were found on the
 man. The students at the university
 gave Dr. Hunt a splendid reception
 when he gave them a talk the other
 night on the causes of typhoid.

Baldwin Out for Speakership

Richard J. Baldwin, Representative
 from Delaware county, is going to be a
 candidate for Speaker of the next
 House of Representatives. "Dick," as
 he is familiarly known, is not an-
 nouncing his intention to go after the
 Speakership for the sole purpose of get-
 ting a chairmanship of a fat commit-
 tee. No, indeed. He is a sure-enough
 candidate, and he wants his friends to
 know it. Mr. Baldwin first entered
 the House as a member in 1895, and
 served three terms. Then he was re-
 legated to the rear to make way for
 various and sundry hungry Delaware
 countians who thought he had had
 enough. He took his setback good-
 naturedly, but in 1910 he was again in
 the field for Assembly and was elected
 to the session of 1911, being re-elected
 in 1912. This year he again came to
 the front and again will hold down a
 place in the House during the 1915
 session.

Baldwin and His Voice

But Baldwin wants to be Speaker,
 and he points with pride to the fact
 that in the last House—in 1913—he
 was regarded as the "whip" to keep
 Republicans into line and when the or-
 ganization needed a mouthpiece
 "Dick" was sent to the front, and, as
 he has a voice of Bull of Bashan power,
 he was generally heard. He is an ac-
 complished parliamentarian and ever
 ready to jump into an argument in fa-
 vor of organization measures. As the
 Republican House "whip" he saw to
 it that every Republican was on hand
 when his vote was needed, and alto-
 gether he was regarded as one of the
 most useful organization members on
 the Republican side. If merit—what
 particular kind of merit possessed by
 Mr. Baldwin—is to be rewarded, then
 he comes in for his share; but he will
 have to make the contest against a
 dozen other aspirants who are eager to
 fill the Speaker's chair.

PEOPLE'S COLUMN

The Star-Independent does not
 make itself responsible for opinions
 expressed in this column.

ON GYMNASTICS IN THE PULPIT

Wants to Know Whether Clergymen
 Will Follow the Stough Plan

Editor of Star-Independent:
 Dear Sir:—In my recent communi-
 cation to your paper concerning the
 Stough campaign, I said that "a closed
 church is a sign of decay," and that
 the action of the minister in closing
 their churches at the demand of Mr.
 Stough was the hanging out of a "flag
 of distress."

Am I far wrong? Mr. Editor, when
 right in the face of the ministers pres-
 ent Mr. Stough stated the other even-
 ing that the churches are dying of dry
 rot, and that the churches are being
 run to-day "just to see the wheels go
 round."

I am wondering how the preachers
 who are throwing all their energies into
 making his work a success like to be
 referred to as the "gang."

Again have they learned their first
 lesson in making their churches as at-
 tractive as the moving picture show?
 Are they all ready to try floundering
 on their bellies in their respective
 churches as soon as they consent to
 open them again?

I wonder why they do this? And if
 not, why not? If such gymnastic
 stunts fill the tabernacle, won't they
 fill their churches.

I imagine the Godly Moody flopping
 around on his belly, if you please, Mr.
 Editor I believe in preaching. I be-
 lieve it is God's ordained plan to reach
 men and turn them from sin to salva-
 tion. I believe in men being imbued
 with powers from on high. I believe in
 a minister being indeed and in truth an
 ambassador for Christ; but when a
 man puts in his time at the show busi-
 ness it is time to repeat that part of
 the episcopal service which reads "Good
 Lord Deliver Us."

Respectfully,
 Mr. Harrisburger.

"No Alum"

must be the watchword when the housewife
 buys baking powder.

Alum is well known to be a powerful
 astringent, and should never be used in food.

Prof. Geo. F. Barker, M. D., of the Univer-
 sity of Pennsylvania, says: "I consider the use of
 alum baking powder highly injurious to health."

Food economy now, more than ever,
 demands the purchase and use of those food
 articles of known high quality and absolute
 purity and healthfulness.

ROYAL

Is a Pure, Cream of Tartar BAKING POWDER Contains No Alum

Perfectly leavens, leaves no unhealthful residues,
 makes the food more delicious and wholesome.

ALL FOR KRUGER FAMILY

Estate of Late Transit President Goes
 to Widow and Children

Norristown, Pa., Nov. 11.—The en-
 tire estate of Charles O. Kruger, late
 president of the Philadelphia Rapid
 Transit Company, is bequeathed by his
 will, admitted to probate yesterday, to
 his wife, who gets one-third of the
 \$100,000 absolutely, and to his chil-
 dren, who receive the principal of the

other two-thirds when they become of
 age, and the income thereof in the
 meantime; the Land Title and Trust
 Company, of Philadelphia, acting as
 trustee and executor, and their mother
 as their guardian.

Loses Cattle in Lancaster

Marietta, Nov. 11.—This section of
 the county is suffering from heavy los-
 ers of cattle due to the mouth and hoof
 disease. To-day on the D. M. Ever

farm, just west of town, 29 head of
 cattle and 12 hogs were buried in a
 trench 60 feet long, and the others in
 this section who are heavy losers are
 Charles Staley, 33 head; Henry Hos-
 tetter, 30 head; Amos Earhart, 28
 head; Jacob Ginder, 51; John Witmer,
 5.

Nature pays her debts except per-
 haps to the man who feels that the
 world owes him a living.

More Xmas Pianos & Player-Pianos Have Already Been Chosen in This Store Than Ever Before

Acting upon our suggestion Xmas piano buyers
 are NOW making investigations, comparisons and decisions, with
 the result that we already have more instruments in reserve than
 during any previous year.

If this is to be the
 Xmas of a new musical
 instrument in your
 home, its high-time
 you start finding out
 which instrument it is
 to be. Join the happy
 families that daily visit
 this store and let your
 own inspection prove
 the wisdom of choosing
 your Xmas piano or
 player-piano here.



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 Victrola or Edison Diamond Disc
 to help entertain on Thank-
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 any style Victrola or Edison, and
 a suitable number of records, de-
 livered to your home at once, by

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Begin paying monthly 30 days later, and
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 cash.

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