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MOON'S PHASES
 Full Moon, 1st, 31st; Last Quarter, 8th; New Moon, 15th; First Quarter, 23d.

WEATHER FORECASTS
 Harrisburg and vicinity: Fair weather to-night and Thursday with not much change in temperature.
 Eastern Pennsylvania: Fair weather to-night and Thursday with not much change in temperature.

YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE IN HARRISBURG
 Highest, 41; lowest, 23; 8 a. m., 26; 8 p. m., 40.

MR. BROWN AND THE CONSTITUTION

There is something refreshingly frank about the way Attorney General Brown, in the statement he handed out to the newspapers yesterday, figuratively tore up the State Constitution and consigned to the waste basket. His outspokenness goes a great way toward convincing us that, notwithstanding the apparent belief of an influential Philadelphia newspaper that his appointment to his high office was in some measure influenced by political considerations, he is, at least in large measure, independent of the Republican organization which placed the present administration in power.

For it must be concluded that if the Constitution is as faulty as he believes it to be and if we in Pennsylvania are "woefully in the rear" of other states because of the burden that such a Constitution imposes upon us, it must be laid chiefly to a lack of the progressive spirit in the Republican organization which has for so many years dominated the affairs of this Commonwealth.

Certainly if the present Constitution is so bad that we "do not and cannot in this State" have government by and for the people; and if, as the Attorney General says, it is absolutely necessary to adopt another Constitution if Pennsylvania is to maintain its position in the nation, then it is the fault of the Republican machine for not having long ago brought about the changes that Mr. Brown believes to be essential to permit us to arrive at the fulfillment of the hopes of our forefathers.

Mr. Brown's courageous criticism of the Constitution in its present form, for which instrument his own party is responsible because of its failure to keep it abreast of the times which it might have amended by amending the Constitution as occasion required in the past, or by paving the way to throw out bodily to give place to a new one, strikingly suggests that Mr. Brown is the right man for his job. It puts him in the light of the man who is independent enough to break away from what he believes to be wrong in his own party, and an official of such courage can hardly, with fairness, be classed among those who owe their offices to servience to a political machine that has stood for the things that he now opposes.

SOLDIERS IN POSTMEN'S CLOTHES

Not only are Great Britain's Postoffice employees bearing a greater burden than the men in any other department of the country's civil service, because they are required to handle a vast volume of letters and parcels passing to and from the troops in France and in other places, but they have now been deprived of their uniforms that newly recruited soldiers may be clothed in them to go to the front.

Through the sacrifice by the Postoffice of its surplus of uniforms, the War Office has been able to equip a hundred thousand soldiers, most of whom are now on the field. These troops, in the uniforms of postmen, must be objects of much curiosity to the khaki-attired predecessors at the front, and doubtless are not able to escape good-natured quips led forth by their appearance.

It seems strange that men should go forth to war in the uniforms of peaceful postmen. Such an arrangement is, of course, merely temporary and intended to continue after sufficient supplies of khaki uniforms are on hand, but it is a little high on the postmen. The workers of the busy Postoffice Department are made by the war to toil usually hard, and now their clothes are taken

from them and put on soldiers that the soldiers may be made presentable for slaughter.

Of course, if the women in England continue to take upon themselves men's responsibilities so far as to invade the mail service, postmen's uniforms, as heretofore designed, will no longer be serviceable and may in that event just as well be worn by the soldiers as not be worn at all.

ENGLISH AS SHE IS WROTE

Reasonable persons would hardly search the columns of a country town newspaper for models of good English. If they were to do so they would be wasting their time. It is not essential that the contents of such papers be perfect in unity, mass and coherence. The issues as they appear are circulated by the publishers with entire complacency so long as they are presentable typographically. Readers cannot expect to find in the news items phrases fashioned like those of a Ruskin or an Emerson, considering the low subscription rates.

It is not altogether unreasonable, however, to look for fairly good grammar and somewhat respectable rhetoric even in the smallest and most insignificant papers. An awkwardly constructed sentence may not only lack clearness as to its intended meaning, but may convey a meaning entirely different from that intended. The following ambiguous sentence is taken carefully, word for word, from a rather well-printed paper in a nearby county:

Ezra G—— and John H—— have again bought some cows since they are rid of the foot and mouth disease.

If Ezra and John really were themselves afflicted and refrained from buying cows until they were rid of the disease, then the grammar is all right, but such a condition of affairs is so peculiar that it seems improbable. The natural assumption is that the cows had the disease and that the rural correspondent had difficulty in expressing himself properly.

From the same newspaper many examples of remarkable sentence structure might be taken, which are not exactly misleading but which nevertheless grate on sensitive persons. One more gem will suffice. It is the introductory sentence to a startling account of a secret marriage and jolts along as follows:

Frank S——, one of our jovial and well-liked citizens, known by the synonym of 'Butch', he being a butcher by trade, but at the present time conducting a fruit store on North Prussian street, succeeded in keeping his wedding a long secret it becoming only generally known the past few days.

It is only to be regretted that a newspaper which shows so little respect for the English language does not have a contemporary in its community which conducts a so-called funny column and makes a practice of seeking diligently and then exposing the opposition's grammatical and rhetorical errors. Such an arrangement would be the means of showing the offending paper the error of its ways and perhaps of reforming it.

Make the boys behave on that Southern trip, Governor!

The fuller skirts of women ought to help the "buy-a-bale-of-cotton" movement.

Pennsylvania has thrived wonderfully well considering it has such a weak Constitution.

If you haven't a theory to advance as to the origin of the word "jitney" you are as much behind the times as if you don't know how to fox trot.

Dr. Leland O. Howard, Chief of the United States Bureau of Entomology, has promised to give his brains to Cornell. We doubt whether our universities need brains as much as some of our other institutions.

TOLD IN LIGHTER VEIN

FOR A TIME

Even a cheap skate may cut quite a lot of ice.—Cincinnati Times-Star.

EXPERIENCED

"I hear Mamie trowed you down."
 "Aw, she needn't brag. I been trowed down by better girls dan Mamie."—Life.

EXPRESSING IT POLITELY

The French are the most polite people in the world. They don't call a man a "bore." They say he is a "raconteur," and let it go at that.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

WOULDN'T MATCH

Wife (with newspaper)—"Here's some one advertising to sell a green baby carriage for only \$6."
 Husband—"But our baby is pink."—New York Evening Post.

THEY ARE ON TO HIM

Jim—"What kind of a fellow is Briggs?"
 Jack—"Oh, he's the sort that leaves his car in front of the church and goes across the street to shoot a game of pool!"—Yale Record.

OUTFIGURED

"What's the professor of mathematics making the fuss about?"
 "He was just short-changed by a banana-peddler."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

CLEVER ACTOR

Patience—"So she married an actor?"
 Patrice—"Oh, yes."
 "Was he a good actor?"
 "Oh, yes; he acted as if he loved her."—Yonkers Statesman.

JUST THE SAME

"Every time I read Shakespeare I discover some idea that hadn't struck me before."
 "Yes," replied the man who yawns; "but isn't it pretty much the same way with an insurance policy?"—Washington Star.

SAME AS WAR

"So you're not to be married?"
 "No. He says he has changed his mind."
 "What's his excuse?"
 "The war."
 "And you have no witnesses nor love letters?"
 "No."
 "Well, isn't war just what they say it is!"—Buffalo Courier.

Tongue-End Topics

Largest Typewriter in the World

One of the exhibits at the Panama-Pacific Exposition which can hardly escape observation, is a typewriter of gigantic proportions, says the "Scientific American." Lest their product be overlooked among the myriads of typewriters that are to be put on exhibition, an enterprising company has had a machine built 1,728 times larger than a standard typewriter. It is not merely a colossal image, but a working model that actually writes; and during the Exposition it will type news bulletins on a sheet of paper 9 feet wide, in letters 3 inches high and 2 inches apart. The monster machine will be operated by electrical connection with a typewriter of standard dimensions. For instance, on depressing a key of the small machine the corresponding key of the large machine will respond. A lever is used for the return of the carriage and for line spacing or rotating the cylinder. The big machine weighs 14 tons as against 30 pounds, which is the weight of a standard machine. It is 21 feet wide, in action, by 15 feet high, and requires for its operation a room measuring 25 by 30 by 25 feet. The platen, 9 feet 6 inches long by 21 inches in diameter, weighs 1,200 pounds, and the carriage 3,500 pounds. Each key cup, which is the part of a typewriter that is pressed by the fingers, is 7 inches in diameter, while each type bar is 52 inches long and weighs as much as a standard typewriter. This mammoth typewriter has been under construction for about two years and cost \$100,000.

A Modest Hero

All prizes for brevity, and a few more besides for modesty, go to a Baden peasant who for some time has been with the forces in Flanders. His wife has just made public the following laconic letters from him. The first reads:

"Dear Wife: I am still alive, and have received your bundle. If the boy is bad, spank him. Greetings, Adolph."

Shortly afterward came a second:

"Dear Bertha: I am still alive, which surprises me very much. If the boy still is naughty, spank him again. Greetings, Adolph."

The third communication was in the form of a photograph of Adolph's troop, showing him decorated with the Iron Cross. No mention, however, was made of the medal, and the picture merely bore out on the reverse side this brief note:

"Dear Bertha: I was wounded but am well again, and to-morrow I go at it again. If the boy is naughty, box his ears. Greetings, Adolph."

Perplexed, the wife wrote her husband demanding to know how he had received the Iron Cross, and received the following illuminating reply:

"It was very simple about the Iron Cross. The major ordered me to stand still, and the sergeant-major pinned it on. Greetings, Adolph."

Counterfeit Money in Mexico

In an effort to check the widespread activities of counterfeiters, the Mexican authorities are making a special round-up of these criminals who, when caught in the act of making the bogus money, are to be shot without trial. Coinage has long since disappeared, even the despised copper centavos having been hidden away for safe keeping, so that paper cents, dimes and twenty-cent pieces, together with dollar and half-dollar bills are the exchange units of every-day transactions. As this money is made on the ordinary printing-press, the temptation to make bogus money has been too great for many to withstand. It is estimated that millions of dollars in counterfeit paper are now floating about the republic.

May Melt the Statues

Swiss newspaper reports of a meeting of iron manufacturers in Dusseldorf February 4 say that a Dr. Shuster stated to the meeting that the lack of metal was becoming a grave question in Germany and suggested, the reports add, that it might be easily solved if all the bronze monuments raised to the honor of the Emperor and other members of the royal family were melted down.

Redemptionist Dies Bravely

The Rev. Frere Jean Baptiste Jeanmarie, who died of wounds received in the battle of Vigny November 12, was the thirty-first of the Redemptionist Brothers killed in this war.

"I am not afraid to die; I shall only regret not to have been able to say mass" were his last words.

CYCLE COMPANY'S GROWTH

West End Industry, Established Seven Years Ago, Makes Rapid Strides in the Business World

The West End Electric and Cycle Company was first established seven years ago in a small frame building size 10 by 12 feet and one story high, on Susquehanna avenue, near Peffer street. Five years ago the business was moved to the present location at the N. E. corner of Green and Maclay streets, at which place in 1913 the second story was added, now being used as a machine shop. Connected therewith is the only concrete motorcycle garage in this section of the State.

The West End Electric and Cycle Company now gives employment to ten persons and at times as many as twenty people are employed. H. Z. Ross and G. F. Hewitt are the owners of this business and are the local dealers of the Indian motorcycle. They are exhibiting at the Chestnut street show this week. They invite full examination and careful survey. The new model is a brilliant example of engineering skill and mechanical progress.—Adv.

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POPE MOTORCYCLE AGENCY

Chester B. Smith, Local Dealer, Fully Equipped for Repairs and Carries Big Line of Sundries

The Pope Manufacturing Company completed its great plant at Westfield, Mass., last year. The location is in the beautiful Worcester valley, surrounded by hills and mountains, 147 feet above sea level and close to the center of production for the large variety of raw material required in the production of up-to-date motorcycles. The engineers of this company stand upon their simplicity of design, beauty of lines and finish, power and durability.

Chester B. Smith, local dealer, has fully equipped his present location, 1815 North Third street, for all repairs and carries motorcycle and bicycle sundries. In the early part of 1914 he secured the Pope agency and feels that he may be safely classed at the head of motorcycledom. He is exhibiting at the Motorcycle and Bicycle Show on Chestnut street this week. Adv.

Senator McConnell Recovers
 Senator McConnell, of Shamokia, who had been seriously ill with tonsillitis, is again in his seat.

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