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Harrisburg, Nov. 6.--Another aggressive move has been made by the state department of agriculture, through Farmer Cope, the dairy and food commissioner, against the violators of the law regarding the sale of oleo colored in imitation of butter.

Farmer Cope is not taking anything for granted. While he is preparing to fight in court the cases in which he has had accused parties indicted, and to have the accused convicted and sentenced, he is still hard at work directing his agents, who are constantly on the go with the view to securing fresh evidence of violations of the law.

In Philadelphia last week a number of warrants were issued at the instance of Farmer Cope from the office of Magistrate Stratton, and more arrests are to follow.

The records of the department of agriculture show that over 3,000 samples have been gathered by agents of the department of agriculture in this state since the first of the year.

These have all been submitted to chemists for analysis.

When the results have shown that what was sold as pure butter was nothing more than oleo colored in imitation of the product of the dairy, arrests have been promptly made and the cases have been brought to trial as speedily as possible.

Secretary Hamilton and Commissioner Cope have been acting under instructions from Governor Stone to spare neither time, labor nor expense to bring every violator of the law to justice, and they have made a record for faithful and efficient work that can be matched by the officials of no other state in the union.

Recent cases in Philadelphia show that while the state officials were being denounced by a yellow journal and charged with neglecting their duty, they were quietly gathering samples and preparing their case, so that they might make a thorough presentation when the matter reached court.

While Secretary Hamilton and Commissioner Cope are not disclosing their hand, they have a number of cases under way which will be brought to light when the next batch of arrests shall be made.

Commissioner Cope said: "We are determined to prosecute all offenders, and our agents will not relax in their work of gathering samples wherever we have the least suspicion that the law is being violated. Since my incumbency in the position of dairy and food commissioner, a period of about four months, the department has brought about 700 suits and prosecutions, making nearly 1,000 for the year up to date, which is the best answer that could be given to any critics of this administration."

The records of the department of agriculture show that since Jan. 1 there have been over 3,000 samples taken by the agents of the department, and there have been 983 arrests.

A MARVELOUS SHOWING.

Here is a statement, taken from the official records at Harrisburg, showing the number of cases brought in each county since Jan. 1, 1900:

Table with 2 columns: County Name and Number of Cases. Includes Allegheny (679), Berks (2), Blair (25), Cambria (13), Carbon (4), Chester (1), Clearfield (8), Columbia (2), Crawford (4), Dauphin (6), Delaware (21), Erie (1), Fayette (8), Indiana (1), Jefferson (1), Lawrence (2), Lehigh (1), Luzerne (7), Mercer (3), Montgomery (8), Northumberland (1), Philadelphia (156), Potter (2), Schuylkill (4), Somerset (1), Tioga (2), Venango (1), Westmoreland (19).

Total 983

In the crusade secretly and thoroughly conducted in Philadelphia and Pittsburg the greatest care was taken to insure the best results. The agents did not know the plans of their superiors, nor were they acquainted with each other. In addition to the pick of the regular force of agents many young men and women, sons and daughters of farmers and dairymen, were specially employed, and they did most effective work in gathering samples and ferreting out violators of the law.

W. L. STRONG DEAD.

Sudden Demise of a Former Mayor of New York.

NEW YORK, Nov. 3.--The death of former Mayor William L. Strong, which occurred early yesterday morning after a few hours' illness at his home, 12 West Fifty-seventh street, was entirely unexpected and came as a great shock to his family and friends. Mr. Strong had been ill for several months.

At the bedside when the former mayor passed away as quietly as he had sunk into a sleeplike stupor a short time before was his wife, his son, Major Putnam Bradley Strong; his daughter, Mrs. Albert R. Shattuck; two nurses and three old family servants.

Mr. Strong appeared as well the previous night as he had been at any time since his old ailment, gout, attacked him six weeks ago and dined with the family in the evening. He retired at 11 o'clock and apparently went quietly to sleep.

Mr. Strong, who enjoyed the distinction of being the first Republican mayor of New York for many years and the last executive head of the old city, was 73 years old.

William L. Strong was born in Richmond county, O., on March 22, 1827. The greater part of his boyhood was passed in his native place. When he was 13 years old, his father died. He was thus thrown, in great measure, upon his own resources. He attended the common schools of the county. But the opportunity for a college education was by circumstances withheld from him. When he was 19 years old, he left home to enter a retail dry goods house in Wooster, O., where he served an apprenticeship of two years. Thence he removed to Mansfield, in the same state, where, continuing in the dry goods trade, his prospect were better. In 1853 he came to this city to enter the employ of the then large and influential dry goods establishment of L. O. Wilson & Co.

The firm suspended in the panic of 1857. Mr. Strong in the following year entered the employ of Farnham, Dale & Co., which was succeeded by Farnham, Sutton & Co. and in turn by Sutton, Smith & Co. In December, 1869, this last named firm was dissolved, and in January of 1870 it was succeeded by W. L. Strong & Co., which firm has continued to the present time.

BOER LAAGER SURPRISED.

Two British Officers Killed in a Fierce Fight.

LONDON, Nov. 6.--The war office has the following from Lord Roberts, dated Johannesburg, Nov. 3:

"On Nov. 1 Smith-Dorrien surprised a Boer laager at Witkop, but was prevented from following up his success by the inclement weather. While he was retreating he was attacked by the Boers, who were repulsed with heavy loss. Captain Charnans and one of the Canadian Mounted rifles were killed, and Major Saunders was wounded."

The queen has decorated and promoted 20 naval officers serving in South Africa. Rear Admiral Sir Robert Hastings Harris has been made a Knight Commander of the Bath.

To Welcome Kruger.

PARIS, Nov. 6.--The municipal council has adopted a resolution expressing warm sympathy and admiration for the Boers "in their heroic defense of their independence" and resolving that the president and other officers of the council shall welcome Mr. Kruger at the station upon his arrival in Paris.

Roberts Not Sure to Return.

DURBAN, Nov. 6.--According to a dispatch from Pietermaritzburg The Times of Natal says that the return of Lord Roberts to England may still be delayed for several weeks.

Senator Davis Doing Well.

ST. PAUL, Nov. 6.--Dr. A. J. Stone, the physician in charge of United States Senator Davis, states that the slight operation on the senator's foot yesterday afternoon showed it to be in much better condition than either he or Dr. Murphy had expected to find it and that only the simplest kind of an operation had been necessary in order to clear a passage for the pus that had collected under the foot. The former operation had been over the top of the foot, and this was under the foot in the same manner as the first. The senator had revived from the slight operation in good shape. He insisted there had been no question of amputation and that Senator Davis was getting along very well in every way.

D. and H. Hands Share Advance.

SCRANTON, Pa., Nov. 6.--Without solicitation the Delaware and Hudson Canal company has advanced the wages of its shopmen in Green Ridge 10 per cent. These hands turn out most of the carpenter work of the mines, and while hardly in the category of mine workers the company deemed it just that they should share in the advance given the other men of the mining department.

Gifts From Soldiers Free.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6.--The president has issued an executive order admitting free of duty Christmas presents and souvenirs sent by soldiers in China to friends in the United States. The privilege is the same as was extended to soldiers in the Philippines one year ago.

Swiss Minister Returns.

NEW YORK, Nov. 6.--J. B. Fioda, minister from Switzerland to the United States, was among the arrivals on La Touraine. He has been abroad on his vacation, spending the time in Switzerland, France and Italy.

New York Markets.

FLOUR--State and western steadier with grain but not active. Minnesota patents, \$4.45; winter straight, \$3.90; winter extras, \$2.65; winter patents, \$2.70. WHEAT--Fairly active and firmer on higher cables, bullish foreign statistics and European buying. December, 94.50; 79 3/4c. May, 82.50; 12-16c. RYE--Steady, state, 50c; c. l. f. New York, 48c. CORN--Stronger on firm cables, good cash demand west and active covering here. December, 42 3/4c; May, 42 1/2c. OATS--Dull, but steadier; track, white, state, 27 3/4c; track, white, western, 27 1/2c. HAY--Firm; mess, \$12.50; family, \$12.00. BUTTER--Firm; state dairy, 15 1/2c; creamery, 16 1/2c. CHEESE--Steady; large white, 10 1/2c; small white, 11c. EGGS--Firm; state and Pennsylvania, 17c; western, 16c. MOLASSES--Quiet. New Orleans, 49 1/2c. RICE--Steady; domestic, 6 1/2c; Japan, 5 1/2c. TALLOW--Dull; city, 6c; country, 6 1/2c. WAX--Quiet; shipping, 15 1/2c; good choice, 15 1/4c.

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Williamsport & North Branch Railroad TIME TABLE. In effect Monday Sept. 17, 1900.

Time table with columns for Read down, Read up, Stations, and times. Includes stations like Halls, Pennsdale, Hughesville, etc.

Connection with Phila. & Reading at Halls. For Philadelphia, New York and intermediate stations--Leave Williamsport 7:30 a.m., 10:00 a.m., Arrive Halls 7:48 a.m., 10:19 a.m.

For Shamokin and intermediate stations--Leaves Williamsport 4:00 p.m.; arrive Halls 4:20 p.m.

From Phila., New York and intermediate stations--leave Phila. 10:21 a.m. and 11:36 p.m.; leave New York via Phila. 7:30 a.m., 9:00 p.m.; leave New York via Tamaqua, 9:10 a.m. Arrive Halls, 6:34 a.m. and 5:21 p.m.

From Shamokin and intermediate stations--leaves Shamokin 8:10 a.m. Arrive Halls 9:49 a.m.

Connecting with L. V. R.R. at Satterfield. For Towanda and intermediate stations, leave Wilkesbarre 3:05 p.m.; arrive at Satterfield 6:25 p.m.

For Towanda and intermediate stations, leave Bernice 6:40 a.m.; arrive Satterfield 7:04 a.m.

For Wilkesbarre and intermediate stations--leave Towanda 8:10 a.m. and 2:25 a.m.; arrive Sat field, 9:02 a.m., 2:25 p.m.

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THE BRITISH-AMERICAN CO., Corcoran Building, opposite U. S. Treasury, Washington, D. C.

Advertisement for Major's Cement. Includes text 'Barn of Yours', 'WOULD look better with a coat of paint on it...', and 'Geo. W. Pitkin Co. CHICAGO, ILL., U.S.A.' Also features an image of a man and a 'MONEY' logo.

Advertisement for Jennings Bros., Lopez, Pa. 'ARE YOU GOING TO BUILD A NEW HOUSE OR LAY NEW FLOORS IN THE OLD ONE?' 'Hard Wood Flooring'. Includes text 'Kiln dried, matched sides and ends, Hollow backed and bored, MAPLE and BEECH.'

Advertisement for E. G. Sylvara Dushore. 'In a Pretty Pickle'. 'ON DRY GOODS WE ARE IN THE LEAD'. 'Perfectly Shaped Footwear'. Includes an image of a woman and a shoe.

Advertisement for Red Star Shoe Store. 'Red Star Shoe Store NENS, BOYS and YOUTHS SPECIAL BARGAINS'. 'LADIES' MISSES' AND CHILDREN'S SPECIAL BARGAINS'. 'J. S. HARRINGTON. OPERA HOUSE BLOCK. DUSHORE, PA.'