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The action of the appropriations committees at Harrisburg in making \$90,000 available for the payment of bills in connection with the stamping out of the foot and mouth epidemic among Pennsylvania cattle, indicates the cost of the successful effort to check this disease that has cost European countries millions of dollars to stamp out. Of the new appropriation \$35,000 will be returned to the state treasury to make good for money already expended in the emergency. About \$40,000 will be required to pay for the cattle that have been killed and the cost of inspection, quarantine and damages to property will amount to as much more. An idea of the manner in which the recent cattle disease affected prices may be gleaned from the prices bid by farmers of Bucks county quite recently on a load of cows, the lowest figure being \$52 per head. High prices will no doubt prevail until such times as there is a greatly increased supply of cattle.

The new and bright comic features are now appearing in the PHILADELPHIA PRESS. They are entirely new and very funny, drawn especially for the Philadelphia Sunday Press.

Mr. Soffleigh is an easy old gentleman and is always getting into trouble because "He cannot say no," his experiences are very interesting and funny.

The other new feature is an interesting little chap called "Clumsy Claud" who tries to help his papa in all his undertakings. He is very ambitious and industrious, but his results are always the reverse, for he is always getting into some mischievous trouble on account of being so clumsy.

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How Fast He Could Go.
 A breeder and trainer of race horses who is known almost as well in England as he is here recently sold a horse to an Englishman. The Englishman before paying for the horse quibbled a bit about the price and then said:

"You know, I'd like to see the horse first just to see how fast he can go."
 "Never mind about that," said the trainer. "He can't go any faster than I can tell it."—New York Sun.

Oil Roads in Illinois.
 A most interesting experiment is being conducted in central Illinois, near Springfield. The state highway commission is making a test of oil on country roads. While oil roads are no novelty in many parts of the United States, they are not known on the heavy black soil of central Illinois. The top soil of the road is being mixed with an asphalt oil to a depth of six inches. What the results will be no one can predict, but this may be the solution of the good roads problem. In many parts of the Sucker State stone roads are out of the question. Without the material near at hand the great prairie states cannot expect to have stone pikes, as do some of the eastern states. Good roads must be secured by drainage, special care and possibly by the use of oil. This experiment will be watched with a great deal of interest.

Road Building Picnic.
 "Don't you people ever work the roads in this section?" asked an automobilist as he pried the rear wheel of his machine out of a rut with a fence rail.
 "Work 'em? Well, I should say we do," answered Uncle Charlie Scaver from the top rail of the fence. "Why we work these roads on th' assess ment plan. None of that money system for us fellers. Every farm is assessed so many days' work on th' highway, an' after th' farm work is all done an' we ain't nothin' else ter do we all turn out, thirty or forty o' us, with plows, horses, picks, shovels an' hoes to work th' roads. I tell you it's a picnic. Work? Why, they make th' dirt fly until they get tired. Then we find some shady spot to rest, eat our lunch, drink some cider, smoke an' maby play a game or two of seven up an' we call it a day."

ham and Keiley and noted civic authorities from all over the United States. Only last week Vice President Fairbanks, while here to deliver the Lincoln Day address, after a tour of Capitol Hill, said:
 "I am very much impressed with your state capitol. The entire building is one of which you may well be proud. For the scheme of park extension from the capitol I have only commendation. It is badly needed. I have thought so frequently in passing by on railroad trains. Never was I more impressed in this way than today. By all means extend the park, and do it now. The thousands of travellers will then be able to obtain a satisfactory view of your handsome state house."
 Aside from the appearance of things there are practical and economic reasons in support of the park extension project. Harrisburg is rapidly developing as a manufacturing city, and property values are going up by leaps and bounds. Every year of delay will largely increase the price that the state will have to pay for the property. It is only a matter of time until the growth of the state government will require an extension of the present building or the erection of new groups of buildings. The public grounds as they are today would not permit of such addition.

Leaders of all parties and public men generally are outspoken in their belief that now is the time to make a start on the extension of Capitol park. During a visit to Harrisburg on Jan. 19 last, Senator Boies Penrose said:
 "I am earnestly in favor of Capitol park extension. It is an entirely proper and legitimate undertaking for this great commonwealth. Harrisburg has for several years expended large sums as a municipality, and through the direct investment of its citizens is making the seat of the state government ideal in every way, and it is therefore right that the commonwealth should exhibit the same enterprise in providing for its magnificent capitol building in a proper and adequate setting."
 "There is no reason whatever for postponing this needed improvement. The state is abundantly able to undertake the work and it would seem to be the height of folly to further delay the inevitable extension of the public grounds. Millions of dollars are being expended by the national government in improving the city of Washington, and no loyal citizen of Pennsylvania will object to the making of a proper setting for the capitol here."

"From what I can gather of the sentiment of the legislators there is little doubt that the capitol park extension measure will be sent to Governor Stuart for his approval at the present session of the legislature."
 Senator Penrose's confidence in the passage of the bill at this session is shared by members of the legislature generally. They realize that the park extension can now be authorized without curtailing the necessary appropriations for schools, roads, local charities and other legitimate objects of state aid.

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No. 19.

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