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Thursday, Sept. 9, 1897.

PUBLIC SCHOOL LAWS.

Some Facts Our Readers Will be Interested in Knowing.

The following laws relating to the public schools of the State were among those passed by the late Legislature, according to the Harrisburgh School Gazette:

That school boards may purchase flags and shall display them whenever they deem proper.

That school children shall have the use of the books of the board during vacation for pay or select school, provided the teacher has a valid certificate.

That school directors shall be authorized to provide transportation for school children, at the expense of the district, to the public schools of the district in which they reside or to the schools of neighbor districts.

That a copy of Small's Legislative Handbook shall now and hereafter following each decennial census, be placed in each public school of the Commonwealth, and biennially a copy of the School Laws and Decisions, by the State Superintendent.

That independent school districts now existing may be abolished by the courts whenever a majority of the taxable citizens of any school district, out of which any independent district may be created, petition for such action.

The school directors shall establish and maintain, out of the school treasury, free kindergartens for children between the ages of three and six years, residing in the district.

That it shall be unlawful for any industrial establishment to employ any minor who can not read and write in the English language, unless he has attended in the preceding year an evening or day school for a period of sixteen weeks.

The school boards shall have power to levy per capita tax of one dollar annually on every male inhabitant who is of age.

That the compulsory school law be so amended as to increase the compulsory age to 14 years, to require attendance continuously during at least 70 per cent. of the term, which period shall begin at the beginning of the school term, or at a time to be fixed by the school board at their organization; that between the ages of 13 and 15 a child shall be excused if he has regular employment.

DIED.

Aug. 21st, near Fremont, Benjamin Kremer, aged 87 years, 6 mos, 7 days.

Aug. 23rd, near Kremer, John Bickel, aged 85 years, 2 months and 29 days.

Aug. 28, near Richfield, John Lewis, son of Peter and Mary J. Watt, aged 4 years, 11 months and 19 days.

Sept. 3rd, at Selingsgrove, Mrs. Catherine Burns, aged 61 years, 5 months and 22 days.

Miss Clara Noetling, of Phila., and her brother, a student of Princeton University, Princeton, N. J., spent Tuesday in town—the guests of Miss Alice Smith.

Gum-Chewing and Widowhood.

Great grief heroically borne always commands respect, nor does the world resent any reasonable solace of suffering. I saw in a railroad station recently a widow chewing gum! It was not to be denied that the heavy mourning, the dark crape veil, the general habiliments of woe, gave a certain dignity to this operation. It was the last touch of hopelessness united to vitality. The slow-moving jaws closing upon a yielding and yet semi-elastic substance, which there was no hope of reducing to a powder or masticating into the character of food, added something to the pathos of bereavement. To be left alone in the world chewing gum! There has been no use made of this literature. Even the ingenious De Quincey thought of no such solace for his Lady of Sorrows. The best the poets could do before this American invention was to set their heroines to chewing the perfectly intangible conception known as the bitter end of memory. This was becoming at an attitude, but it had nothing in it to allay grief. Here is a new field for investigation. What is the underlying philosophy of the ruminant animals? What has this pleasing process to do with the acknowledged amicable and equable disposition of the cow? Could she support at the same time the loss of a relative and the loss of her cud? In finding a physical origin for all our emotions, it is certainly to be expected that we may be on the track of remedies for the alleviation of many distressing states of mind; and I confess that I have the same sort of hope in the gum-cure that I have in the mind-cure, and perhaps more in the cure of the action of the gums than I have for the cure of gums by the action of the mind. Certain it is that a widespread American habit ought to be turned to some account.—From the "Editor's Study" by Chas. Dudley Warner, in Harpers Magazine for September.

Stop My Paper.

After you get angry and stop your paper, just poke your finger into water, pull it out, and look at the hole. Then you will know how sadly you are missed. A man who thinks a paper cannot thrive without his support, ought to go off and stay awhile. When he comes back, half his friends will not know he has gone and the other half will not care, while the world at large kept account of his movements. You will find things you cannot endorse in every paper. The "Book of Books" is often very plain and hits some hard raps, but if you were to get mad and burn your Bible, the hundreds of presses would still go on printing it. So when you stop your paper and call the editor names, the paper will still be published, and what is more, you will read it on the sly.—Cocle.

Not Allowed to Give Presents.

The acceptance of presents by teachers from pupils has been forbidden by a number of school boards throughout the state. This step has been taken because the boards believe that many poor children are embarrassed at their inability to contribute along with other children. They also regard the practice as tending to influence the teacher's relations with the pupils.—Ee.

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Signs of returning prosperity are unmistakably perceptible in almost every line of business, and the wallings of the free silverites of a year ago have practically passed into history as a Nineteenth century wave of fanaticism, and all sane people, be they Democrats or Republicans, are thankful that they were saved from the clutches of Bryan, Tillman and Altgeld, whose ideas embodied, among other things, dangerous socialism and anarchy. That business is improving is beyond a doubt, it can be heard by the whirl of wheels in factories, by the increased



UNCLE SAM GREET'S PROSPERITY'S RETURNING BIRD.

traffic in the city streets, by the greater number of people hurrying to and fro in the corridors of the large office buildings, by increased earnings of railroads, by increased business of the telegraph companies, whose force of operators are called upon daily for extra service, while seashore resorts are reported to be crowded to overflowing. One of the surest signs of returning prosperity is a decided falling off in the number of people asking alms; of course some are still with us, but they are a class that always were beggars, always will be and would be nothing else if they could—they are for free silver and for free everything else. The topic about silver and wheat is of course becoming somewhat worn and battered, but every day brings fresh



"YOU ARE NOT BIG ENOUGH TO PLAY WITH ME."

truths to show that the argument that the metal and the commodity do not belong in the same class, and that the advance or decline of one brings with it a sympathizing movement in the price of the other, has been proven false. Silver sold within a few days at a price lower than ever before recorded; having been steadily declining since wheat has been advancing towards and past the dollar mark. The intrinsic value of the silver dollar at present is lower than ever, yet its purchasing power remains equal to that of the gold dollar, and will remain so as long as we have a government that will maintain the gold standard. A very few words will show that free silver would be impracticable; Mexico is on a free silver basis and the purchasing power of her silver dollar in that country is not half that of a gold dollar, nor is it half that of our own silver dollar in that country, simply because it is guaranteed by a government on a gold basis. It is not surprising to learn that Mexico contemplates abandoning the silver basis and joining Japan in being added to the gold standard countries.

The state of Pennsylvania, much to her discredit, still has a few followers of the Tillman-Altgeld platform. They are, however, suffering sadly for want of support by the Democratic newspapers. But after the disgraceful scenes enacted at the late Democratic state convention held in Reading, and the endorsement of Bryan and free silver, incorporated in the party platform, thousands of self respecting Democrats, who are too intelligent to be hoodwinked by the free silver chairman, will this fall vote the straight Republican ticket or remain away from the polls.

Getting More Money.

The followers of Mr. Bryan last fall made their rallying cry "More money." They did not get Mr. Bryan into the presidency, but they and all the rest of the people "are getting more money," and that speedily. The only way to get money is by work. By the passage of the Dingley bill the home market has been restored to American manufacturers. The wheels of industry are already beginning to turn, and a wider opportunity of labor is being offered to the American people. There will be plenty of work in the near future, and plenty of work means plenty of money.

The cheapness that would pauperize labor may be desirable in the estimation of the free traders who have been preaching it to the American workingmen for years; but the dose the latter have had of it for the last four years, when many of them, through lack of work, were not able to make purchases at any price, has sickened them of it for many years to come.—N. Y. Irish World.

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