

DEATH RATE IS LOW.

Fast Improvement Reported in the Health of Manila.

Medical Officers of the Army Are Proud of the Work They Have Done for the People of the Philippine Islands.

Surgeon General O'Reilly has received an interesting report from the medical officers in the Philippines, showing especially a steady decrease in the death rate of the city of Manila as a result of the operations of the medical officers of the regular and volunteer army since the establishment of the board of health under their direction in 1906. The sanitary improvement which has been brought about is shown by comparative statements of the death rate of Manila for the last quarter of the past year compared with each month of the same quarter in each of the four preceding years. It appears that the death rate for the same quarter in 1906 was 10.5, in 1907 10.5, in 1908 10.5, and in 1909 10.5. These figures show that so far as the death rate is concerned Manila has been about the same as the healthiest cities in the world.

ROADS AND SCHOOLS IMPROVEMENT

MOUNTAINS OF HORNS.

Yorks and Yanks of Them Are Sent from Argentina to Europe for Exporting Purposes.

Twenty years ago the principal value of the cattle of Argentina lay in their hides and bones. All this has changed now, and the country has entered upon a new production on a large scale, and the old, long-horned, half wild cattle have given way to herds of Shorthorn



THOUSAND TONS OF HORNS.

The traffic in the horns of cattle is the great business of the country. The horns are exported to England and used mainly in the manufacture of fertilizers. The horns are from a photograph taken in a home near at Rosario and represents part of a pile composed of horns alone, the whole pile containing more than 1,000 tons of horns.—Orange Judd Farmer.

ROADS AND SCHOOLS.

Improved Highways Contribute Materially to the Progress of Rural Education.

The farmers of east Tennessee are aroused on the subject of road improvement, and especially enthusiastic for the plan of cooperation between the state and nation. At the recent east Tennessee farmers' convention, with an attendance of 1,200 men, the Brownlow bill was unanimously endorsed. The measure was especially commended as a means of improvement in the country schools. This is one of the strongest reasons for the systematic improvement of country roads. Unimproved roads are perhaps the greatest drawback to the success of rural schools. When the season of hot weather comes, the attendance at school becomes small and irregular, the classes become discouraged, and but little progress can be made.

One of the principal reforms of today consists in the consolidation of rural schools. It is to be feared that the present number of small unsatisfactory schools are being replaced with larger centrally located schools. This will reduce the expense and greatly increase the efficiency of the country schools. It may be shown that people have adopted the plan of sending out women at public expense to bring in the children to the various schools. But this plan is only feasible where the roads are sufficiently good. Hence the road which prevails in more sections seems to be the one of educational progress.

The principal reason why the policy of national road building was abandoned early in the last century was the invention of the steam railroad. For three-quarters of a century we have gone on developing our road system in the world. Now that this development approaches completion attention is turning to the importance of the common road, and especially to the plan of building roads and working enthusiastically and devoting the means to the improvement of the public roads. The second step is to build roads, not highways, but roads of the most highway type. The first step is to build roads, not highways, but roads of the most highway type.

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She Will Do It. Lady Member of the Advanced Brigade—I cannot understand why you men seem to prefer the silly, foolish, insane women, who have not two thoughts in their empty heads. If I were a man, I should select a girl with a mind of her own. Male Outsider—The worst of that sort of woman is that she is always so fond of giving pieces of it away.—Ally Kipper.

Bobby's Logic. Mamma—Bobby, what are you doing? Polish your shoes as I told you to. Bobby (from the bathroom)—Yes, Mamma. Light the gas, then. You can't see when it's so dark. Bobby—Don't have to, mamma. I'm using black polish.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

A Wonderful Actor. Winks—Talk about stage realism! You should see Strident in "Love and Wee". Jinks—He can't hold a candle to my friend, Mowbray. Why, sir, he played the heavy villain in "Woman's Wrong" so realistically that his wife sued for a divorce the next week.—N.Y. Weekly.

Who's In Was a Failure. Tomboy—Next time you're late you may bring an excuse. Don't you forget that. Tommy—Who from? Tomboy—Your father. Tommy—Oh, he isn't no good at excuses. Mother finds him out every time.—The Bits.

Clever Scheme. "My new play is sure to make a hit," said the eminent actress. "It gives me an opportunity to show 20 superb jewels." "Indeed, how many jewels do you possess?" "Only five, but one of them's a jewel in the assassin's pocket.—Philadelphia Press.

The Unreasonable Majorities. "These Loving Citizens—But why do you try to reconstruct society by force? Why not bring about your reforms by a resort to the ballot box?" "Very Agitated—We've tried that, and they outvoted us 40 to one. Damn the ballot box!—Chicago Tribune.

Somebody's Misfortune. "They had started for a stroll." "There is our minister," he said. "I'm going to ask him to join us." "To join us?" "Oh, George, this is so sudden! But hadn't you better speak to papa before engaging the minister, dear?"—Spartan Moments.

Talking an Interest. "You think that every young man ought to take an interest in politics?" "Certainly," answered Senator Sorgum. "If he can buy it cheap enough."—Washington Star.

His Wife. "He's an insignificant little creature. Underhand, too, isn't he?" "No, merely under-thumbs."—Philadelphia Ledger.

Too Practical. "How do you break off your engagement with Jack?" "Well, I asked him to give me a ring and he said—Chicago Daily News.

With an Intention. "That," said Willie, as he launched a heavy volume at the teacher's head, "is the coming book. It's bound to make a hit."—Columbian Jester.

In the Mountains. From the note which he left: "The mountain is very high. The mountain is very high. The mountain is very high."—Chicago Tribune.

Rare Opportunity. "This is a rare opportunity. This is a rare opportunity. This is a rare opportunity."—Chicago Tribune.

Some of the college boys who tried to get the \$1 per day offered by the farmers have not been able to stand the excessive heat. One may be able to endure hardship in a football game, but it requires more than strength to stand the blistering rays of the sun in a harvest field. It requires time to become accustomed to field work, and so men, however strong, can do from two to three weeks of work who have by long experience become trained to the summer heat.

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A Woman's Remarks. Mrs. Enpeck—I think, Henry, that our daughter has made a very satisfactory marriage, and that she will succeed very well in the management of her husband. Henry Enpeck—Why so? Mrs. Enpeck—I overheard her talking to him this morning, and she got him to agree to a proposition like this: "If you will do as I want, I promise to do the same."—Baltimore American.

Wanted to Be Sure of Her. The colored brother was bargaining for a monument for his late spouse. "How much does that big one weigh?" he asked. "Well," replied the white man, "if it's weight you're after, I should say about a ton." The widower thought a moment; then, turning to his friend, said: "You reckon that'll hold her down?"—Atlanta Constitution.

Proof Positive. Female Client—Can I secure a divorce from my husband on the grounds of insanity? Lawyer—Possibly; but can you prove that he is insane? Female Client—Well, he insists upon wearing the neckties I buy for him.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

All His Assets. "Well, sah," said Brother Dickey, "Br'er Williams also did fool de bailiffs one time in his life?" "How come?" "W'y dey come ter levy on him, en foun' dat all he had in de roun' worl' wur de rheumatism en one wife."—Atlanta Constitution.

Force of Habit. "The preacher made a great mistake on Sunday and lost a good collection." "How?" "Well, he appointed a bill-collector to go round with the plate, and bless me if every man in the congregation didn't ask him to call again on the 15th."—The Bits.

The Odds Against Him. Ezra Pike—Mother, you got ter stop talkin' in summer boarders, or else I got ter quit farmin'. Mrs. Pike—W'y, pa, what's the trouble? Ezra Pike—They's no use prayin' for rain with 14 summer boarders prayin' for fair weather.—Judge.

Pa's Idea of It. "Say, pa," queried little Johnny Bonpernickle, "what's the meaning of 'success'?" "It's a legacy Mother Eve left to her daughters to be used as an excuse for the 'unreasonable,'" replied the old gentleman.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

A Matrimonial Kelo. Old Friend—Your little wife is very highly educated, isn't she? Happy Husband—Bless you, no, his little wife isn't. She's just a good housewife. Why she even enjoys the society of the ladies' literary club.—N.Y. Weekly.

Lesson Was Short. Student—The minister said he was going to take us his text the morning's sermon. Minister—I suppose everybody has planned plans they knew the sermon was to be so short.—N.Y. Weekly.

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