

LIVING THEM OVER.

In spite of late events and songs
With which our lives are crowded,
Where is the man who ever forgets
The stunt the nimble cow did,
The tale of which he listened to
When just a little shaver,
And did repeat in childish tone
With happy thrill and quaver?
They're more to us, those old songs are
We listened to while sweeping
Down the stream of Rockaby
Into the lap of sleeping
Than any newer, later songs
The sons of Genius bring us,
Than any songs of any thing
The grandest singers sing us.
We who have wandered far afield
With sweet Bo Peep a-hunting,
We who have gathered rabbit skins
To wrap up Baby Bunting,
Have sacred chambers in our souls
For the mait house Jack builded,
And wander there along old ways
The suns of childhood gilded.
Where Jack the Giant Killer did
His mighty deeds of daring
At bedtime we drop off our ears
And often go a-faring,
And we are gladder in those ways
By gnomes and goblins haunted
Than we have been in all the years
Since we were disenchanted.
We watch the beggars come to town,
And hark the dog a-barking,
The tunes of Tom the Piper's Son
Full oft reward our harking,
With Mistress Mary quite contrary
We watch cowboys growing,
And the cow with the crumpled horn
Across the fields comes lowing.
Jack climbs the beanstalk as of old
Soon as his bean is planted,
And chases giants as of old
Through vasty halls enchanted,
We ride down the paths of night
The steed of Mother Goose's
Ah, they are fancies sweet and old
That steepy time uncovers!
Ah, heroes of our baby days!
And tales of what we heard them,
We take our babies on our knees
And sing to them, and tell them
The sweet old tales, to them all new,
The sweet songs all new to them,
And hand in hand and hearts through them,
We knew and amble through them.
—Judd Mortimer Lewis in Houston Post.

Billy's Report

When Billy's report for the month was handed to him he thrust it into his pocket without a glance, being satisfied from past experience that there was that upon it which would give him a bad quarter of an hour.

Rapidly through his mind went the possibilities of what his punishment at home would be this time. Of one thing he was certain—he would not be kept in on Saturday. I suppose his mother had said the last time that she didn't see why she should also be punished for his bad reports at school. Suddenly a cold fear seized him. If the array of red "poors" was unusually large his father might make him give up his beloved bull pup. If he could only defer the showing of the card until he had taught Spotty to stand on his hind legs without being held up all the time the sight of so much talent might save the pup.

He thought of losing the card for a day or two, but remembering the unhappy fate of Johnny Hughes, who tried that plan only to have his father dragged from work to be told more emphatically of his deficiencies than the card would have told, he concluded not to do so. Such was his desperation that he almost resolved to learn his lessons thenceforth.

When he reached home that evening his sister Victoria's card bearing one "excellent" to which she ostentatiously called the attention of the family several times, had been signed and delivered and her 5 cents reward had been carefully tied up in her handkerchief.

"Walk up, kid, and get it over with," said Jack, the 16-year-old brother, with a grin. "Don't pretend that you can't find it," as Billy fumbled in his pocket, "because it won't go. Elizabeth told Vicky all about it. What did she say, Vicky?"

"Said she's as ashamed if her brother had a card full of red 'poors,' and that you were a stupid," announced Victoria.

Billy, too miserable to say anything, put the card on the table as far from his father as possible, and was commanded to pick it up and hand it over like a gentleman. With an air of knowing only too well what it contained his father opened the envelope, looked at the card, looked at it again, scrutinized the name at the top, and then—was the day of miracles come back—smiled.

"Well, son, you were trying to fool us were you? Just look, mother! Full of 'excellent!' Let me see how many—six, if you please. I'll be bankrupt with two such smart children. Will you give me six for a quarter, Billy?"

"Sure," said Billy, wondering when he would wake up.

"Well, I guess not; I think I'll pay my 'excellent' debts if I have to do without cigars."

"Gee!" said Jack, examining the card. "I never got a report like that and I wasn't so worse. You must have sprained your brain, kid. I'll tell you what we'll do to celebrate; we'll go and get one of the sweater vests that you are so wild about."

"I'd rather have a collar for Spotty," said Billy, eagerly. "One of the kind full of nails that makes him look like a fighter."

"I'll see to the collar," said his mother, beaming with pride.

Sometimes he seems so modest and retiring and smiles at me in such a secret way that I have the feeling that we are fellow conspirators in the same plot."

At the end of the month when she took up Billy's card and saw the full array of "excellent's" she had an illumination.

"I hate to do it," she said to her neighbor, sitting with eraser poised over the card, "I really think these marks have been the making of him. My eye must have slipped last month."

"I'm glad I haven't got to solve the problem," said the other teacher laughing.

Billy's card went home unchanged, with a small footnote to the effect that a blunder had been made last month, but that Billy was everything that could be desired this month and the teacher was proud of him.—Chicago News.

WHERE WE LOSE BUSINESS.

Foreigners Like American Goods, but Not Smashed.

It is an old story that American merchants are losing annually hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of trade with foreign countries because they pack their goods so carelessly. But the complaints seem to have little effect. At any rate they keep on coming.

An American occupying an important post on a railroad in Colombia writes to American Industries:

"I have seen lantern globes packed in a barrel with iron bolts and panes of glass 26 by 30 inch sent without sufficient layers of straw to prevent breakage. As an example we received 120 car window glass (panes) of which but six reached us intact, and this from the United States.

"Six steam gauges (indicators) packed with iron bolts in one end of the box reached us utterly jammed—to pieces. Pianos are rolled over and on to steamboats and up steep banks in unloading, and not even a shotgun would prevent the wild Indian stevedore here from throwing from his shoulders to the ground a box of costly chinaware or glass vases.

"To reach Bogota, the capital, some 700 miles from the coast, goods after their 200 miles of ocean journey have to pass over a railway at the coast, then by a steamboat, then by another short railway, another steamboat in the upper Magdalena river, then another railway, and finally upon pack animals for a two or three days journey and then by another railway. You may say this would break iron. It does.

"The European merchant or manufacturer besides granting long time credit also packs very securely in his effort to secure trade in South America, and so gains much trade, even though American goods are considered greatly superior in most cases."

Queer Use for Old Hats.

"Oh, yes, I am always in the market for second hand derbies and silk hats. They sell better than anything else."

The old clothes dealer pointed to a room filled with shocking hats.

"There's not half enough there to meet my demand," he said. "If you was to bring me a carload of old hats this morning I'd take 'em all."

"You bet there's a demand. Especially among old maids and widows that live alone. They buy these hats and hang a couple on the hall rack. Then, when a beggar or tramp gets too rambunctious at the door, they turn and say:

"George is home. That's his hat. George! Oh, George! Will you come down here and turn this rascal away?"

"Then the tramp sneaks, thinking there's a man in the house.

"Restaurants, when they open up new stands, generally lay in 25 or 30 hats. They hang them in the lobby to make people think business is brisk."

Philadelphia Bulletin.

Absent-Minded at Barber's.

"You see a lot of absent minded men around a 'barbershop,'" remarked the barber with the bristly hair, as he shaved one more little gob of later in to the customer's mouth. "You'd be surprised at the number of people who come in here and make preparations to go to bed," he continued. "No, they don't take this place for a hotel. It ain't that. Here's how it happens: A man will come in and take off his coat and collar and necktie preparatory to getting shaved or having his hair cut. Then when he sees himself in the glass he looks so much like a man about to retire for the night that about half the time he will go ahead and wind his watch. A few of the more absent-minded ones may start to undo their suspenders before they are reminded that they aren't going to bed at all. But scores of them wind their watches, just as they do at night. That much of it is a common occurrence."—New York Press.

Home Work.

There are strong pros and cons so far as home work for women is concerned. If it can be conclusively proved that such employment is against the interests of both individual and general health, then, although such a course may be a hardship to many, it should be done away with. But before any radical steps are taken the whole matter should be far more closely investigated than it has been investigated up to the present time.—Sanitary Record.

Street Cars in Shanghai.

COLLEGE TO PATENT OFFICE.

Commissioner Says the Latter is a Post-Graduate School.

College men by the score finish up their education in the patent office at Washington, according to the commissioner of patents. In an article in American Industries the commissioner calls his department a post-graduate school.

"The examiners in the patent office," says the commissioner, "are all graduates of colleges, and 90 percent of them have been graduated in general and patent law. With office experience they become invaluable in the service, but after almost three years of experience in the patent office, when they are most valuable in its work, they resign and accept outside positions. Thus this office has become a post-graduate school for the technical and legal education of young college men who enter its service.

"The General Electric company has in its patent department at least twelve men formerly examiners in this office, and other corporations have taken hundreds. Out of a corps of 300 examiners 135 have resigned from the Patent Office within a period of less than five years. It is only necessary to remark that the salaries paid principal examiners in this service are the same today as when they were fixed in 1848.

"Patents in the craft of telegraphy were scrutinized by three examiners, whose progress in their task was interrupted by their successive resignations so that the net result was that \$3200 was paid for the acquirement of the knowledge of this art, only to have that knowledge lost to this office through resignations because of insufficient salaries. The same thing is occurring to a greater or less extent in all of the forty-one examining divisions."

Assassination Wave.

Portugal, Servia, Sweden—where next will attack upon the lives of rulers be made? The quick succession of these several attempts to murder the heads of nations, one of which was successful, seems to point to the prevalence of an assassination wave. It is a bad symptom. Nor is there anything in common in the countries where the outbreak of an anarchistic or crazy violence has appeared to indicate a basis for grievance against government.

The apparently insane man who made an attack upon the palace of Sweden's monarch, sending a fusillade of bullets through the windows of the edifice, from which the royal occupants happened to be absent, may or may not have been fed upon the pabulum that makes anarchists. But it is safe to assert that about every other person who commits such deeds is unbalanced, whether or not he be a member of an assassination order.

The psychologists say that suggestion accounts for the various kinds of "crime waves." The same rule should hold good for their correction. The execution of every person making an attempt upon the life of a ruler would furnish a powerful suggestion to disordering persons of the danger of gratifying their ill-balanced propensity and tend to discourage such acts.—Baltimore News.

Chief Causes of Coal-mine Disasters.

A French expert, M. Taffanel, who recently investigated for his government the conditions under which coal is mined in this country, says in his report that the most elementary apparatus for safeguarding life were unknown in the Monongah mine in Pennsylvania, where about 400 miners were killed by an explosion, and that in general the precautions taken in American coal mines are far inferior to those adopted in France. He condemns especially the unprotected miner's lamp; the primitive methods of blasting (filling drilled holes in the coal with black powder, charging them with cartridges made by the miners themselves, and then setting off the charge); the failure to sprinkle the coal dust to lessen the danger of its explosion; and the careless handling of dynamite, which the miners carry in their pockets. He believes that the Monongah disaster was caused by a short-circuit, or by a miner's lamp igniting the dust-laden air.—Leslie's.

Canadian Pacific's Coal Mines.

The Canadian Pacific railway company is spending between \$1,000,000 and \$2,000,000 in sinking shafts and erecting machinery at Hosmer on the Crow's Nest pass line through the Rocky mountains, to develop its great coal property there. The first mine to be opened will start next January, with a production of 3000 tons a day, most of which the company will use, according to the engineer who is superintending the work. The company is erecting cottages for its miners, and the town will probably have about 2000 population by this time next year.

Education and the Drama.

There is no fear that drama will "go under." It is one of the perennial interests of mankind, and will remain so to the end. Education, for great masses of the people, is still in a transition state. Drama has everything to gain from its spread.—London Stage.

Up in a Balloon.

Floating softly up into the blue ocean of air, watching the earth sink slowly away beneath us and fade and change quietly to an immense map spread before our wondering eyes—such are the first impressions of balloon voyagers.—Century.

PENNSYLVANIA STATE NEWS

COMMISSION TO DECIDE

Governor Stuart Refers Canal Question to Railroad Body.

Harrisburg.—Governor Edwin S. Stuart referred to the state railroad commission the resolution passed by the last legislature for a commission to inquire into the abandonment of the canals of the state and the abandonment of the construction of competing railroads by corporations and to recommend legislation on the subject. The resolution carried an appropriation of \$2,500, which Governor Stuart vetoed, stating that he withheld his approval for the reason that the work can be done and report properly made by the railroad commission.

The commission is to report to the governor its recommendations and ways and means to restore the abandoned canals and to establish new canal companies to the realm of transportation. The resolution also empowers the attorney general to take such steps as will secure the charters of abandoned railroads, as well as to act on franchises.

MOVEMENT OF TROOPS

Three Brigades of the National Guard to Go to Gettysburg on Separate Days.

Harrisburg.—By means of a plan adopted by Adjutant General Stewart, the movement of troops to and from the division encampment of the National Guard at Gettysburg next summer is to be greatly facilitated.

Each of the three brigades is to be moved on a separate day, the Third on July 16, the Second July 17, and the First July 18. All will go by train, except the Governor's troop, which will ride from Harrisburg.

The same order will be preserved in breaking camp. The Third brigade will move July 24, the Second and First following on the 25th and 26th. All the brigades will be together in camp.

POISON ROOT KILLS TWO

Boys Eat of Deadly Plant and Die in Field.

Kittanning.—Two boys are dead and a third narrowly escaped a similar fate, as a result of eating a plant with a pleasant taste which they found in a field.

Two sons of Jacob Garver and one son of William Garver of Hawthorn, Clarion county, just over the Armstrong county line, crossed a creek near their home in search of flowers. Shortly after finding and eating the root all became desperately ill and two died in the field before help could be obtained.

One son of Jacob Garver was saved by the prompt use of antidotes. The dead boys were aged 10 and 13 years, respectively.

FLAMES DESTROY PLANT

Lumber Yard at West Newton Burns With \$50,000 Damage.

West Newton.—Fire at 1 o'clock in the morning destroyed the planing mills and lumber yard of Bailey & Campbell, causing a loss of \$50,000 with but slight insurance.

The blaze, which started near the middle of the plant, is believed to have been of incendiary origin. It had gained such headway when discovered that the local fire department was powerless, and the flames spread through the entire establishment. R. B. Campbell and George T. Finley compose the fire.

FOREST FIRE CAUSES LOSS

Hundreds of Acres Denuded and Oil Rigs Menaced.

Butler.—A forest fire which started from a locomotive spark along the Bessmer & Lake Erie Railroad, in the "pine tract" near Onelda, north of here, destroyed timber on hundreds of acres and endangered a score of oil rigs. Farmers from miles around turned out to fight the blaze, which was checked by plowing furrows in its path.

William Young was overcome by heat in the woods and was rescued by friends in time to prevent death in the flames.

BUYS COALING COAL TRACT.

Uniontown.—It is reported here that the Pittsburg Steel Company, whose big finishing mills are located at Monessen and Glassport, has purchased a 400-acre tract of Connellsville coaling coal from the Sherrick's and will develop it, making coke to use at its large open hearth furnaces at Monessen.

POPULARS MUST GO.

Kittanning.—The share trees commission of Wickbore has decided that all the poplar trees in the boroughs streets must be cut down by next fall and give place to maple trees. This action is taken because roots of poplars force their way through walls and sewers and cause much damage.

WOMAN INDICTED FOR MURDER.

Sharon.—The Mercer county grand jury returned a true bill against Mrs. Ann Dahlinger of Sharon, accused of murdering her husband last September. Gabor Molnar, charged with having killed Charles Copax here last December, was discharged as it was shown he shot in self-defense.

MORE MINES RESUME.

Coal mines in the vicinity of Avella, on the Wabash Pittsburg Terminal Railroad, will resume operations after a protracted shutdown. It is estimated 1,500 men will go back to work. The mines of the Meadowlands Coal Company at Meadowlands, Washington county, will reopen, giving employment to 600 men.

GREENSBURG.—DESPONDENT.

Isaac Williams, a furnace man, drank two ounces of laudanum at Scottsdale and died in a few hours.

GOES INSANE IN PULPIT

Pastor Resigns, Then Collapses and Forgets About It.

Philadelphia.—The Rev. S. G. Wilson pastor of the Baptist church at North Wales, Bucks county, became suddenly insane in his pulpit during the Easter services, though at the moment his congregation did not realize it.

Tendering his resignation as pastor, he immediately retired to a room in rear of the pulpit, where he was found by some members of the church in a condition of complete nervous collapse, having no recollection of having resigned, nor of his sermon. He was placed under medical care and his wife conducted the service in the evening.

Mr. Wilson is one of the most eloquent and popular preachers in the vicinity.

LICENSE IS REFUSED

Judge Ingraham Hands Down Decisions in Greene County.

Waynesburg.—Judge James Ingraham handed down four decisions in the five license applications in Greene county. Licenses were refused for South's distillery and the Bald Hill and Lippincott's distillery at Lippincott. The former plant has not been operated for several years. It is in close proximity to a schoolhouse. Remonstrances were presented against both concerns.

The application of Patrick Reilly for a retail license at Rice's Landing was refused upon remonstrances. It is 30 years since the last retail license was granted in Greene county. A distiller's license was granted to R. W. Higginbotham at Gray's Landing. No decision was made in the Waynesburg brewery application.

PENSIONED BY CARNEGIE

Philadelphia Librarian Granted \$50 a Month for Life.

Philadelphia.—Fifty dollars a month from Andrew Carnegie is the pension John Edmonds, librarian emeritus of the Mercantile library will receive for life. He is 83 years of age and resides in this city. Mr. Edmonds became connected with the Mercantile in 1856 and was librarian for many years. He has been librarian emeritus and assistant treasurer for the last six years.

FIND BODY OF SUICIDE.

Oil City.—The body of Mrs. Lavina Samms, who jumped into the Allegheny river March 23, was found floating 30 miles south of Oil City. The woman committed suicide the day following the burial of her husband. The leap from the bridge was witnessed by several hundred persons powerless to prevent it.

STATE FLAG OVER CAPITOL.

Harrisburg.—The state flag was raised on the new capitol at noon on the 21st in accordance with the resolution passed by the legislature on February 26, last, and approved by Governor Edwin S. Stuart March 4. The flags are erected on the wings, the main building being occupied with the national flag.

BOY ATTACKED BY WOLF.

Washington.—John Hathaway, 8-year-old son of Mrs. Mary Hathaway of Carmichaels, Greene county, was attacked by a prairie wolf chained in a stable at the rear of the Hathaway home and but for the timely assistance of James Cure, a neighbor, the lad would have been devoured. The child's body was terribly lacerated.

OLD CUSTER SCOUT DEAD.

Pottsville.—Benjamin Miller, a United States soldier, who was with Custer in many Indian fights, died here today. He was a scout under Custer at the time of the historic massacre, but was in the hospital at the time, and so was saved from the fate that befell his comrades.

MEANS WORK FOR 200 MEN.

Washington.—A haulage system, completed at the Meadowlands Coal Company's mines at Arden station, will, it is estimated, increase the daily output 3,000 tons. Two hundred additional men will be employed. The plant cost \$40,000.

TOBACCO AND LIQUOR BARRED.

New Castle.—Men using liquor or tobacco, who apply for "bread line" aid here, are now being refused. Men in the line whose appearance indicated they had been drinking were asked to drop out.

BULLET STRIKES MOTHER.

Waynesburg.—Glen Funk, while cleaning a rifle at his home, 10 miles west of here, accidentally discharged it. The bullet entered his mother's face below the right eye and the wound may prove fatal.

ROBBERS LOOT STORES.

Bellefonte.—Robbers broke into the store of Montgomery & Company, clothiers, and Heller's drug store, both near police headquarters. In the first store they carried off clothing and almost ruined a \$1,000 cash register.

FORD CITY BOY DROWNED.

Ford City.—The 5-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Smith Kilgenschmidt of Rosston, was drowned in the Allegheny river.

SAMUEL R. SHIPLEY DIES.

Philadelphia.—Samuel R. Shipley, formerly president of the Provident Life & Trust Company of this city, and a well known financier, died at his home here, after a long illness. He was 80 years old.

Butler.—That a vicious dog is a public nuisance, and the owner must slay the animal and pay doctor bills of persons bitten, was decided by Justice Joseph Crisswell of Lyndora in the case of Lucius Davon, whose dog bit Frank Allis. The dog is dead.

One of the Essentials

of the happy homes of to-day is a vast fund of information as to the best methods of promoting health and happiness and right living and knowledge of the world's best products.

Products of actual excellence and reasonable claims truthfully presented and which have attained to world-wide acceptance through the approval of the Well-Informed of the World; not of individuals only, but of the many who have the happy faculty of selecting and obtaining the best of the world affords.

One of the products of that class, of known component parts, an Ethical remedy, approved by physicians and commended by the Well-Informed of the World as a valuable and wholesome family laxative is the well-known Syrup of Figs and Elixir of Senna. To get its beneficial effects always buy the genuine, manufactured by the California Fig Syrup Co., only, and for sale by all leading druggists.

Berlin's Shade Trees.

Three hundred Berlin streets are planted with 44,000 trees, which are said to represent a value of nearly \$200,000. About a thousand gardeners and assistants are employed to take care of them.

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for Children Coughing, softens the gums, reduces inflammation, allays pain, cures wind colic, 25c a bottle.

Esperanto State Proposed.

Prof. Roy, the French Esperantist, is urging the establishment of an independent Esperanto state in Europe. The site he has selected for this experiment is on a neutral strip of territory which lies on the frontier between Germany, Belgium and Holland, some five miles from Aix-la-Chapelle.

\$100 Reward, \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure now known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O. Sold by Druggists, 75c.

Take Hall's Family Pills for constipation.

Supreme Court Changes.

The president of the United States may be an uncrowned king, but there is a power even greater than his, and that is the power of the Supreme Court of the United States. Within the term of the next presidency there will in all probability be four vacancies in the supreme court which will be filled by appointment by the president, and these appointments will in a large measure determine the future bias of the highest judicial body in the country. There are nine members of the supreme court and their average age is 64, four of them being 70 years and over. The youngest member, Judge Moody, who was appointed in 1906, is 55. Three of these members have been appointed by Roosevelt during the last six years, but owing to the great age of several of the members of the court it seems likely that within the next presidential term the rather unusual number of four vacancies will occur. Therefore, the next presidential election will determine not only who shall fill the highest executive office in the land, but will also determine the political and economic bent of the supreme court.—Wall Street Journal.

Frost on the Moon.

Changes on the moon's surface, especially near the crater Linnaeus, are now recognized by Pickering, Barnard and others. "It is concluded that the diminution of a white frost must be a melting of hoar frost at sunrise and that the deposition and melting of frost must be taking place in other parts of the moon.

BUILT RIGHT

Brain and Nerves Restored by Grape-Nuts Food.

The number of persons whose ailments were such that no other food could be retained at all, is large and reports are on the increase.

"For twelve years I suffered from dyspepsia, finding no food that did not distress me," writes a Wisconsin lady. "I was reduced from 145 to 90 lbs., gradually growing weaker until I could leave my bed only a short while at a time, and became unable to speak aloud.

"Three years ago I was attracted by an article on Grape-Nuts and decided to try it.

"My stomach was so weak I could not take cream, but I used Grape-Nuts with milk and lime water. It helped me from the first, building up my system in a manner most astonishing to the friends who had thought my recovery impossible.

"Soon I was able to take Grape-Nuts and cream for breakfast, and lunch at night, with an egg and Grape-Nuts for dinner.

"I am now able to eat fruit, meat and nearly all vegetables for dinner, but fondly continue Grape-Nuts for breakfast and supper.

"At the time of beginning Grape-Nuts I could scarcely speak a sentence without changing words around or 'talking crooked' in some way, but my brain and nerves have become so strengthened that I no longer have that trouble." "There's a Reason." Name given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Read "The Road to Wellville," in pkgs.