



The Big Holler.



Once a certain Genius who thought that the Moon was inhabited proposed that at a certain moment on a certain night every man, woman and child on earth should holler just as loud as possible, so that the Man in the Moon might hear the sound and know that he had neighbors.

Everybody said it was a Fine Idea. Everybody agreed to holler with a big H. For a month in advance everybody practiced lung exercises, so as to cultivate the Biggest Holler possible. Everybody was sure that the Moon Man couldn't help but hear the Vast Volume of Vociferation.

The Eventful Night arrived. The Moon Man was looking down through a cloudless sky. Everybody on earth drew in two large lungfuls of air and got ready for the Big Holler. The Mighty Moment came at last!!!

Silence! Absolute silence! It was the silentest moment since the morning stars first sang together.

When the returns came in it was known that only one man, a negro in Darkest Africa, hollered, and one woman in Oshkosh, Wis., who was so excited that she just couldn't help it, let out a faint hysterical shriek.

Everybody else had kept Mum in order to hear the Big Holler that all the others were going to make.

But nobody made the holler because they all waited for the other fellows to do it—all except the African, who had no curiosity, and the Oshkosh lady, who had hysteria.

And the Man in the Moon just laughed! It was enough to make a comet splutter, for it revealed a very amusing trait in human nature.

You will find lots of people right here in this community who refuse to join in the Big Holler because they want to get the full benefit of the holler when the other people make it. Sometimes by making a Big Holler all at once we might get a new factory located here, but when \$99 men stand around, each waiting for all the others to do the hollering, and only one man hollers, the man looking for a factory site doesn't hear any sound.

If it takes a Big Holler to get what we want, every fellow must lend a lung.

This is not just a funny story. It is Full of Philosophy. It ought to set you thinking.

MORAL: Now's the time for the Big Holler!

The longer we live, the more we learn, and the more we learn, the less we think we know. The less one knows, the greater his opinion of his abilities and wisdom. The ignorant man who realizes his ignorance, and who does not seek to pass himself off for more than he is worth, is pardonable; but the self-conceited man who tries to pass himself off at a premium, is to be pitied. It is better to be a good five-cent piece than a bogus quarter; in other words, it is better to hold our selves at what we are honestly worth. The world is full of people who never learn anything, because they think they know enough to begin with. Thousands are teaching when they ought to be taught; thousands believe themselves wise when their ignorance is lamentable; thousands believe themselves clothed in gold when they are only thinly plated, and the copper shows through in many places.

Patriotism manifests in many and various ways. Some people are willing to die for their country, and a few are willing to live for their country—which is much harder. The small ways in which patriotism may be shown seldom attract attention. A soldier attacks the enemy of his country, and we call the soldier a patriot. But it is patriotic also to cut down the weeds on your back lot. The soldier gives his life in a day, but the scientist who gives his life in a generation is also patriotic. Two kinds of citizens are in every town, patriots and traitors. There is no middle ground of neutrality. Every man is in one or the other camp. The patriot does his full duty to the community, votes, expresses his opinion, takes part in meetings for civic good, bears cheerfully his portion of the community's work. The traitor lets the other fellow do the work, and reaps benefit by the other fellow's patriotism. Treason consists of levying war against the republic—so says the foundation law—or giving aid and comfort to her enemies. He gives aid and comfort to the public enemies who does not assist in making better the community in which he dwells. He is himself a public enemy.

EDUCATE CHILDREN.

Every child has a right to such an education as will qualify for life's duties. This is recognized as a patriotic duty by the state. The permanence of our political institutions depends on the intelligence of our citizenship. "The bayonets of foreign soldiers are less to be feared than the ballots of ignorant voters." The welfare of the state depends more on the moral training of her citizens than on their intellectual training, yet the state makes no provision for this moral discipline. In some cases it makes it difficult or even impossible to secure the moral training of the mind at all. There must be a training of the moral sensibilities, particularly the will. Not all this is the duty of the church, but the largest part is the function of home. Every child deprived, by whatever means, of this education and training is defrauded out of an inalienable right, and when he comes into the inheritance of his citizenship may be depended upon to avenge himself on the society that perpetrated the fraud upon him.

Who Was the Man?

A Methodist minister in a small Western town, entering the office of the local weekly, said to the editor: "I am soliciting aid for a gentleman of refinement and intelligence who is in dire need of a little ready money, but who is far too proud a man to make his sufferings known." "Why?" exclaimed the editor, pushing up his eye-shade, "I'm the only chap in the village who answers that description. What's the gentleman's name?" "I regret," said the minister, "that I am not at liberty to disclose it." "Why, it must be me," said the editor. "It's me. It's me, sure. Heaven prosper you, parson, in your good work."

IT IS BAD BUSINESS to allow people to look in vain through the columns of THE STAR for an advertisement of your business.

OFFICIAL DIRECTORY.

Below will be found the names of the various county and district officials. Unless otherwise indicated, their addresses are Somerset, Pa. President Judge—Francis J. Kooser. Member of Congress—A. F. Cooper, Uniontown, Pa. State Senator—William C. Miller, Bedford, Pa. Members of Assembly—W. H. Floto, Meyersdale; A. W. Knepper, Sheriff—Charles H. Weimer. Probationary—J. B. Gerhard. Register—Bert F. Landis. Recorder—Norman E. Berkey. Clerk of Courts—F. A. Harsh. Treasurer—Russell G. Walker. District Attorney—John S. Miller. Coroner—Dr. H. S. Kimmell. Commissioners—Josiah Specht, Kantner; Rush S. McMullen, Rockwood; Hiram P. Hay, Berlin. Solicitor—Charles W. Walker. Jury Commissioners—George J. Schrock, M. L. Weighley, Jenners. Directors of the Poor—J. F. Reiman, William W. Baker, J. C. Dietz, Listie. Attorney for Directors, H. F. Yost. Superintendent of Schools—D. W. Seibert. County Auditors—Jacob S. Miller, Friedens; W. H. H. Banker and Samuel A. Kretchman, Rockwood. Chairmen Political Organizations—Jonas M. Cook, Republican; Alex B. Grof, Democratic; Fred Groff, Berlin, Prohibition. tf.

THE MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS.

Tuesday's election was hotly contested by the Democrats in Salisbury, Elk Lick, Summit and Meyersdale, while there was but little interest on the part of the Republican candidates. As a result, many Democrats were elected in the four districts named, and, as is always the case, some of the best qualified men in both parties were defeated, while in a few cases, at least, some of the poorest material was elected. Following is the vote cast for each candidate in Salisbury borough and Elk Lick township:

Table listing candidates and their vote counts for various offices in Salisbury and Elk Lick, including Mayor, Council members, School Directors, and Tax Collectors.

MARK ANTONY PRYNN.

A Popular Sergeant of the State Police Force Laid to Rest.

The subject of this sketch, whose death and the circumstances which led thereto were fully related in last week's edition of THE STAR, was laid to rest in the I. O. O. F. cemetery, at this place, last Friday afternoon. The remains were followed to their last resting place by a large concourse of grief-stricken people, for Sergeant Prynn was loved and highly esteemed by the many good people who knew him. The floral tributes from his comrades and others were extensive and most beautiful, fittingly showing the high esteem he was held in.

Sergeant Prynn was not only a model officer, but he was also a model man in every sense of the word. He was not only a man of fine physique and good personal appearance, but in addition thereto was the possessor of a most affable disposition, a kind and generous heart and all that is lovable in man. His was truly a blameless and noble life, and a man of better habits and more cheerful disposition would be hard to find.

His death was due to complications arising from a wound caused by the accidental discharge of a gun in the hands of one of his comrades, and his age was 29 years and a few months.

As an officer, Sergeant Prynn was fearless and just in the discharge of his duties, but at no time cruel or unnecessarily severe. He was an honor and a credit to the State Police, an organization which is a credit to our commonwealth and an enduring monument to the memory of Governor Pennypacker, upon whose recommendation that body of useful and necessary officers was created.

The State Police force has been instrumental in accomplishing much good in the matter of protecting property and human life, and the force should be largely increased. Only would-be outlaws and their sympathizers are in favor of abolishing the State Police. It is an honorable calling to be a good peace officer, hence Sergeant Prynn's life was sacrificed in a good cause.

The funeral service was conducted by the Rev. Mr. Wagner, pastor of the local M. E. church, and the sermon was most impressive and appropriate. Deceased was a native of England, but came to America several years ago, with his uncle, Mr. John Meager, who had been on a visit to England, his native land, at that time. Two brothers, John and Luke Prynn, came to this country at the same time. Luke has since returned to his native land, and John died here from the effects of a mine accident, a couple of years ago. The father of the Prynn brothers lost his sight in this country, many years ago, as the result of a mine accident, and returned to England, where he died. The mother still survives, and the sympathy of this community goes out across the great ocean which separates her from the great nation which has proved to be so unfortunate a place to those near and dear to her. Deceased is also survived by a sister residing here, Mrs. George James, to whom we also extend our sympathy.

REVOLTS AT COLD STEEL.

"Your only hope," said three doctors to Mrs. M. E. Fisher, Detroit, Mich., suffering from severe renal trouble, lies in an operation, "then I used Dr. King's New Life Pills," she writes, "till wholly cured." They prevent Appendicitis, cure Constipation, Headache, 25c. at Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

Death of Mack H. Bowman.

The editor of this paper was much grieved, last week, to learn of the death of Mack H. Bowman, a genial and whole-souled man well known to many people in Salisbury and vicinity. For several years he was in the employ of his brother-in-law, C. H. Jennings, at Jennings, Md., but later went to Jenningston, W. Va., where also he was employed by Mr. Jennings. Deceased was a brother of Mrs. C. H. Jennings, and he was instantly killed by a log train on the Jennings Brothers' railroad, at Jenningston, W. Va., on the 5th inst. The Towanda Review, published at Towanda, Pa., near which place Mr. Bowman was born and reared, gives the following account of the accident which caused his death:

Mr. Bowman was employed as conductor on a log train operated on the Jennings Brothers' private railroad, at Jenningston. Friday afternoon he was riding on the first log truck of the train of empty trucks which was being pushed by the locomotive. He was getting ready to drop off the truck to run on ahead to throw a switch, when the speed of the engine was diminished. As the slack was

taken from the train, the front car being the last affected, the sudden jerk took Bowman unawares, and he was thrown from the truck, falling on the rails.

Three cars passed over him before the train could be stopped. When taken from under the train, he was dead, death having been instantaneous. Deceased was aged 34 years.

PNEUMONIA FOLLOWS LA GRIPPE.

Pneumonia often follows la grippe, but never follows the use of Foley's Honey and Tar, for la grippe coughs and deep-seated colds. Refuse any but the genuine in the yellow package. Elk Lick Pharmacy, E. H. Miller, Proprietor. 3-1

A Shamefully Conducted Sheriff Sale.

Frank and James P. Murphy, who conducted a restaurant in Salisbury during the past few years, have moved to Akron, Ohio, where they intend to conduct a boarding house, if we are correctly informed. Their restaurant was closed by the Sheriff, recently, and last Monday their goods, equipments, etc., were sold, or rather given away, at Sheriff's sale. It was one of the most shamefully conducted Sheriff sales the people of this town have ever witnessed. We say shamefully, because the sale was conducted in the wrong manner to get anything like a fair value for the goods. Things were sold too much in bulk and in too much haste to realize the largest possible amount for the goods, but that did not seem to make any difference to Sheriff Weimer.

A sale conducted after the manner of the Murphy sale is a great injustice to the persons being sold out, as well as to the creditors. Furthermore, we believe a sale so conducted is contrary to the letter and spirit of the law. Just because a man has been unfortunate is no reason why his goods should be lumped together and sold in such a manner as to practically sacrifice them, thus leaving the person sold out deeper in debt than is necessary, and giving the creditors as little show as possible to realize the full amount of their claims. If the goods had been Sheriff Weimer's own personal property, we feel confident that the sale would have been conducted in quite a different manner. But it makes a difference whose ox is gored, and some officers have very little human sympathy for their unfortunate fellow men. It is also a fact that a good blacksmith can be spoiled by converting him into a very poor sheriff, and we believe time will amply prove that that very thing has been done in Sheriff Weimer's case.

SOLDIER BALKS DEATH PLOT.

It seemed to J. A. Stone, a civil war veteran, of Kemp, Tex., that a plot existed between a desperate lung trouble and the grave to cause his death. "I contracted a stubborn cold," he writes, "that developed a cough that stuck to me, in spite of all remedies, for years. My weight ran down to 130 pounds. Then I began to use Dr. King's New Discovery, which restored my health completely. I now weigh 180 pounds." For severe Colds, obstinate Coughs, Hemorrhages, Asthma, and to prevent Pneumonia it's unrivaled. 50c. and \$1.00. Trial bottle free. Guaranteed by Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

Common Interests of Three Nations.

Washington, February 13.—Keen interest is manifest as to what will be the program of the North American Conservation Conference which opens in Washington on February 18, has been completed and the main features of it have just been made public. The President will receive the Canadian and Mexican Commissioners at 10 o'clock on Thursday morning in the East Room of the White House. The members of the Cabinet and of the National Conservation Commission will be present. The Canadians and Mexicans will be presented to the President by Secretary of State Bacon. This session will be wholly informal and brief. At its conclusion, the Conferees will proceed to the Diplomatic Room of the State Department, where the regular sessions will be held. It is probable that the remainder of the morning will be taken up with formal addresses of welcome and responses of the visitors. In the afternoon the Conference will take up its work in earnest. It is expected that the sessions will continue the remainder of the week.

The evenings of the foreign delegates will be very fully occupied with various social functions that have been arranged by their compatriots and Government officers in Washington. The personnel of the delegations from Canada and Mexico guarantee the accomplishment of real results from the Conference, for all the members are experts in the natural resources of their countries. Canada will be represented by the Honorable Sydney Fisher, Minister of Agriculture of the Dominion, the Honorable Clifford Sifton, Ex-Minister of the Interior, under whose administration many of the regulations concerning the use of Canada's resources were adopted, and Dr. Henri S. Beland, a member of the Canadian parliament, who is a well-known authority on these subjects. The Canadian delegation will also be accompanied by Robert E. Young, land expert in the Canadian Department of the Interior, who will act as its Secretary. To represent Mexico, President Diaz has sent Romulo Escobar, Manuel A. De Quevedo, and Carlos Sellerier. Senor Escobar, who heads the delegation, is one of the foremost authorities in Mexico on the agriculture of the country. He has been at different times Minister of the Department of Agriculture and of the Department of Forestry. With his brother, he edits the farm paper El Agricultor Mexicano, and he presented a paper on "Agriculture in Mexico" at the time of the St. Louis Exposition. Senor De Quevedo is the present Minister of Forestry.

receive them. Their representatives at the international meeting will be prominent specialists on the various phases of the subject to be discussed. Conservation has not been limited to the United States. Early last year, for instance, every acre of the public timberlands in British Columbia, except what has been leased, was placed in forest reserves. This action was taken to check waste by bringing the care and cutting of timber resources more effectively under Government control. The action affected 150,000,000 acres—as much land as was put into all National Forests of this country up to 1907. In the Yukon all water power rights are granted for only twenty years, and at the expiration of that time their control reverts to the public. The water power question is now one of the most important and far-reaching before the United States today. President Diaz, of Mexico, has a comprehensive knowledge of forestry and understands fully the benefits to be gained by its application. He is also deeply interested in the improvement of agricultural methods, and the farmers of the country are rapidly adopting scientific methods. Mexico has few large waterways, but the nation has provided for the expenditure of several million dollars for the improvement of internal navigation.

Recent discussion in the Canadian parliament of President Roosevelt's proposal for co-operation for the conservation of the natural resources of the whole continent indicates that the support of the conservation movement in the Dominion will be as thoroughly non-partisan as it is in the United States. R. L. Borden, leader of the opposition, was as enthusiastic in his support as Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Premier, who expressed his deepest approval of the movement.

THE SECRET OF LONG LIFE.

A French scientist has discovered one secret of long life. His method deals with the blood. But long ago millions of Americans had proved Electric Bitters prolonged life and makes it worth living. It purifies, enriches and vitalizes the blood, rebuilds wasted nerve cells, imparts life and tone to the entire system. It's a godsend to weak, sick and debilitated people. "Kidney trouble had blighted my life for months," writes W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me., "but Electric Bitters cured me entirely." Only 20c. at Elk Lick Pharmacy. 3-1

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