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What if Missouri has no poets? There's more money in raising mules anyway.

We call attention, as worthy of reading and consideration, to the article we print in this issue under the head of "Phenomenal Railroad Results." These results go to show that the Erie railroad is fast forging to the very front in progressive railroading. They have gathered together a force of railroad men whose equal for efficiency can not be found on any other railroad organization on this continent. Every detail of operation along safe, prompt and profitable lines to the traveling and shipping public, have been brought to a condition that is remarkable, and each month reports are issued from headquarters which show a steady, upward increase in the volume of business handled, prompt delivery of freight, and a record of arriving and departure of passenger trains on time, that is not surpassed by any other road; and the men behind the guns, the intelligent, faithful, hard-working corps of operating employees deserve great credit for the high state of efficiency acquired through their devotion to, and ability displayed in the discharge of their duties.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

A nation never tires of honoring the birth of its greatest men. The 22nd of February brings to us the one hundred and seventy-eighth anniversary of the birth of George Washington, and celebrations in his honor will be held in every section of this broad land.

Washington was great as the world measures greatness and there is a constant calling to mind his earthly deeds to true greatness. It is true he did not have to struggle with poverty, as so many of our Americans, who have obtained greatness have done, for his parents were wealthy for the times in which he lived. But his wealth did not, as is so generally the case, fasten upon him idle and dissolute habits. From the beginning of his career until its close his life was a busy and active one, free from vices of every kind. Indeed, Washington's morality has ever been held up as an example for the youth and even the mousing historian has failed in his attacks upon it. His devotion to his country in times of war and peace are conspicuous features. His public services as President were devoid of selfishness and ambitious motives, free from party prejudices and prompted by motives that he believed to be for the best interests of the nation. In purity of character and freedom from vices of every kind, Washington stands as a model for American youth. His reply to his indignant father, whose impetuous nature was aroused by the apparent wantonness of the cutting of his favorite cherry-tree: "Father I cannot tell a lie; I cut the tree," was a striking symbolical illustration of the development in boyhood of the character of his manhood. It was not his public life and services alone that have given him the commanding positions he holds in the affections of the American people. His personal character, his unimpeachable integrity, the purity of his motives and the tenor of his whole private life have had much to do with it. No better evidence of the esteem in which he was held by his contemporaries could be given him than the fact that the public observance of his birthday began during his lifetime. This has been true of no other American.

DAIRY AND FOOD DEPARTMENT.

James Foust, Dairy and Food Commissioner, is out with a circular letter making a comparison between the work done under his administration and that of his predecessor in the war on oleomargarine. During three years of Commissioner Foust's administration, 497 cases have been terminated and \$45,366.28 of fines and costs paid into the State Treasury, as against 435 cases and \$28,961.69 paid into the State Treasury in six years, which goes to show that Foust has been paying into the State Treasury at the rate of \$15,133 per year, while his predecessor averaged only \$4,827. This ought to be a satisfactory showing to those who are interested in this department, enough to keep tab on results.

HARRISBURG LETTER.

February 19, 1910.

The question of who is to be State Treasurer of Pennsylvania after the first Monday of May next seems in a fair way to be settled. Attorney General Todd has advised the Governor that he has the power to appoint an official to fill the vacancy occasioned by the death of Treasurer-elect Stober, and there is no doubt but the Governor will perform this duty, in reasonable time. Mr. Sheatz will serve until noon of the first Monday of May and his successor will undoubtedly be qualified by that time.

The present Treasurer believes that because he took the oath of office to serve until his successor was qualified and because his commission reads until his successor is qualified, that he is bound to serve until that time, regardless of the spirit and letter of the law, which clearly provides for a single term for the State Treasurer, the same as for the Auditor General. No oath or commission, however administered or issued, can extend the term of an official beyond the limit fixed by the law. The Constitution as amended, and prior to the amendment, provides for a single term, and that is all that was intended. It is believed that Mr. Sheatz has taken legal advice and intends to retain the office, at least until the Supreme Court decides he is not entitled to it.

Some correspondence was given out on the subject this week, which showed that the Attorney General's Department was trying to get a decision in advance of the date when the vacancy would occur, so as to avoid any troublesome complications in this important office, and it is possible that the case may get into court in time to get a decision. In case of failure to do this, there are possibilities of grave difficulties, and no State official should invite such a situation. Should Mr. Sheatz serve several months beyond May 2d, and the court finally decide that he was not entitled to, he would have to hand back some salary. Few people care to serve the state without compensation and this feature may help to solve the difficulty.

The death of Colonel John E. Stott on Wednesday last removed from service one of the oldest clerks on the Hill. With the exception of Hon. Henry Houck, the Secretary of Internal Affairs, Stott had been about the Capitol longer than any other official. He had not been in good health for some time, but his death was due to a stroke of apoplexy. He had been to his home at Coatesville the day before to participate in the spring election, and had expected to report for duty as usual at the Auditor General's Department, when the summons came. It is generally supposed that Stott was an important witness in the Capitol cases but such is not the case. His only connection with it arose from the fact that he was for many years, and during the time that the new Capitol was planned and constructed, Secretary of the Board of Public Grounds and Buildings.

The Colonel had but few intimates and not many were taken into his confidence, but his friends held him in high regard. A service of nearly thirty years on the Hill had given him a very wide acquaintance among public men, and he could talk entertainingly of political men and measures of the last quarter century. He was buried at Coatesville to-day.

Governor Stuart recently reappointed Thomas L. Montgomery of Philadelphia, to succeed himself as State Librarian. No one can criticize this appointment for Mr. Montgomery has made the Library more and more useful to students each year. To use a slang expression "He is onto his job." He knows what a good Library should be, and what this particular one should contain. He makes a competent and popular official, and should be kept where he is so long as competency is shown. Candidates for the Legislature are blossoming out, rods are up in hopes of drawing the lightning and booms are being nursed and coaxed along, preparatory to a fight for the nomination. This said that local option will play an important part in this year's fights.

Congressman Pratt has made a capable Representative in Congress at Washington. The district would do wisely to return him for another term. Length of service in that office counts for more effective service and better results for constituents.

N. E. HAUSE.

NEW STEAMER ON LAKE GEORGE

The officials of the Lake George Steamship Co., have decided to call the new steamer, which will be ready for service on Lake George next year, the "Horicon." The name "Horicon" signified Silvery Waters, and has its origin from a tribe of Indians once inhabiting the shores of the Lake; it is suggested by the romance of J. Fenimore Cooper's "Last of the Mohicans."

The present steamer "Horicon" has been in service on Lake George since 1877 and has carried thousands of people through the Lake each season without interruption or accident. She has been a steamer popular alike with all, and it is notable that no serious accident or loss of life has ever occurred in her long and distinguished career.

The advent of the new steamer will mean the discontinuance of the old one, and trips operated by the new boat will be from Lake George to Baldwin and return, and will be the service which is now and has been performed by the "Sagamore" since 1902. The "Sagamore" will perform the service from Baldwin to

Lake George and return, which is now operated by the "Horicon," and will also take care of the large number of excursionists who come to Lake George over the Delaware & Hudson R. R. for a day's outing.

Every effort has been made to provide commodious and comfortable accommodations for the tourist travel; the dining room will have twenty-five per cent. greater seating capacity than the "Sagamore" and most careful attention has been given to the kitchen arrangement, providing larger quarters and greater facilities for prompt service. Other marked improvements have been arranged for and it is expected that the New "Horicon" will be a most welcome substitute for her ever popular predecessor.

GOOD NEWS FOR PRINTERS.

Washington, Feb. 16.—A restriction of the printing duties of the postoffice department is included in the postoffice appropriation bill, which is practically completed. This prohibits the department from furnishing stamped envelopes containing the names and addresses of business houses to which they are supplied. Heretofore for a slight additional compensation the department has been permitted to perform this work, and banking firms found it particularly useful. Various printing firms throughout the country protested, however, and the committee decided to stop the practice. It will still be permissible for the department to print the words, "If not delivered in — days, return —"

"THE THIRD DEGREE."

For the first time in the history of American theatricals, a play showing the workings of the detective department of a large city, is vividly shown and faithfully portrayed in Charles Klein's latest contribution, "The Third Degree," which comes to the Lyric theatre on Wednesday, Feb. 23rd, for one night. "The Third Degree," Mr. Klein attempts to show the methods used by ambitious police heads, who in their efforts to produce a perpetrator for every crime, resort to the sweating process of the third degree and in many instances, one of which provoked Mr. Klein into writing this vital drama, by reason of their liberties, never endowed by law, succeed in convicting an innocent man. The cast of "The Third Degree" includes Marion Kerby, James Seeley, Margaret Drew, A. W. Ellis, Walter Thomas, Lawrence Eddinger and others of equal note.

LEAP-YEAR MASQUERADE.

An old-fashioned leap-year masquerade would be good for any February evening. Send out quaint little invitations written in old English on folded parchment paper. The following curious extract, which I once stumbled across, could be stiffly inserted in the invitation:

"Whereas it hath now become a part of the common law in regard to social relations of life that as often as Leape Yeare doth return, the ladies have the privilege during the time it continueth of making love either by wordes or by looks, as to them it seemeth proper; and moreover no man will be entitled to benefit of clergie who doth in any wise treat a prosopale with slight or contumely."

Have the guests come in "powder and patches." The "ladies" with their gentle escorts should be blindfolded and turned loose in the reception-room to find partners for the evening. Each "lady" should be told that, while blinded, she may address a proposal to any man she comes across without having the slightest idea who that man may be. Give each girl a heart and man a mitten. When a maid delivers her proposal she must at the same time hand over her heart. If her proposal is declined her heart is returned to her and she has the proud privilege of again addressing a member of the sterner sex. When a blindfolded man declines a proposal he must surrender his mitten; if he accepts the proposal he may hold fast to his mitten, and also the heart that his unseen sutor presents to him.

To escape impending matrimony a man may be allowed any number of chances, but in the long run the mandates of Saint Valentine require his ultimate self-sacrifice. Accepted couples should hold fast to each other until a signal from their hostess permits them to lift the blindfolds and discover not only each other's identity, but also the ridiculous mistakes into which they have been led. Who can gauge the feelings of a lovesick girl when she finds she has ardently chosen another girl for her partner, or what a bit of fun for the company when, standing hand in hand, two men are revealed to each other!

Acting on an old unwritten law, which tradition tells us governed the Leap Years of the good old times; that a man declining a proposal should soften the disappointment of his answer by the presentation of a silk dress to the unsuccessful sutor for his hand, each man must be called upon to give an account of his mitten, the absence of which is proof positive that he who fails to produce it has declined a proposal, and hence, in accordance with aforesaid law, is subject to the full punishment thereof.

CASTORIA For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of J. C. Watson

JURORS FOR MARCH COURT.

The following Grand Jurors will serve for week commencing March 1. Berlin—S. N. Dills, Buckingham—J. A. Carey, Cherry Ridge—Robert Bonear, Clinton—Fred J. Cook, Damascus—E. B. Sheard, Dreher—D. L. Frey, Dyberry—Wesley Bodie, Hawley—Louis Geisler, Honesdale—Walter Fowler, Alton VanHorn, Lake—Samuel Black, Lehigh—M. E. Smith, Lebanon—Frank Avery, Manchester—Richard Nichols, Mt. Pleasant—J. D. Brennan, Preston—James Hoag, Frank McKee, Salem—Frank Westlake, Seelyville—George Moules, Scott—L. E. Becker, South Canaan—John Buckley, Delbert McKinney, Texas—John Myers, Thos. R. Varcoe.

TRAVERSE JURORS.

Week Commencing Feb. 14. Bethany—H. A. Bennett, Berlin—R. L. Woodley, Buckingham—Ralph Dillon, Canaan—Wm. H. Reilly, Clinton—Thomas Bates, Cherry Ridge—Thos. Rutledge, Damascus—Junius Young, Clifford Blair, P. J. Keesler, Dreher—Christian Lang, A. C. Angel, Dyberry—Spencer E. Bates, Fred Stephens, James Hensley, Hawley—Wm. C. Ames, John J. Sheridan, Honesdale—Frank Wasman, Christian Hartung, Henry Theobald, Lake—George Swingle, William Brooks, Lehigh—James Surplus, Lebanon—Thos. Ridd, Manchester—Alfred Oden, John W. Keyes, Mt. Pleasant—Clark Spencer, Frank Hauenstein, Thos. Meagher, Oregon—Wm. Colwell, Arnold Sluman, Palmyra—Augusta Laabs, Paupack—Charles Utt, Preston—Richard Sherman, Prompton—E. R. Bodie, Salem—Thos. Gerrity, Samuel Kimble, Scott—Wm. Rockwell, C. D. Tarbox, South Canaan—A. J. Platt, Harvey Daniels, Sterling—L. M. Kipp, Starrucca—F. A. Stoddard, Texas—Julius Keltz, Fred Clark, Clifford Gray, Bert Bassett, A. W. Eno, Waymart—B. S. Hull, Second Week, Commencing Feb. 21. Berlin—Fred Frey, Buckingham—Bernard McGarry, Canaan—Geo. Munson, Cherry Ridge—Peter Switzer, Clinton—John Schermer, Damascus—A. M. Rutledge, F. W. Tegeler, Walter Branning, Dreher—Merriett Smith, Dyberry—A. K. Kimble, Lucian Mumford, Hawley—James Flynn, M. J. Bohan, Honesdale—L. S. Partridge, J. A. Brown, Leopold Fuerth, R. P. Schmidt, Walter B. Kimble, Lake—Geo. E. Miller, Lehigh—John Roth, Manchester—John Ewain, John P. Flynn, Mt. Pleasant—Simon Pomroy, J. F. Connor, Oregon—J. M. Knorr, Warren Miller, Palmyra—John Kellerman, Preston—T. C. Caffery, Prompton—Stephen Kegler, Paupack—John Drake, Salem—Henry Stermer, Scott—Wm. Evans, South Canaan—John Bronson, Sterling—Samuel Fitz, Starrucca—George F. Brooker, Texas—Perry Tallman, John Dorflinger, Geo. J. Bergman, Chester Smith, Waymart—F. S. Hinds.

DEAFNESS CANNOT BE CURED by local applications, as they cannot reach the diseased portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube is inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing, and when it is entirely closed, Deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by Catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

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FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL. Closing Stock Quotations. Money on call today was 2 1/2 per cent; time money and mercantile paper unchanged in rates. Closing quotations of stocks on the New York exchange Feb. 22 were:

Table with 2 columns: Stock Name and Price. Includes: Amal. Copper, 76 1/4; Atchison, 115 1/4; B. & O., 112 1/2; Brooklyn R. T., 75 1/2; Ches. & Ohio, 52 1/2; C. & St. L., 78; D. & H., 175 1/2; Erie, 27 1/2; Gen. Electric, 154 1/2; Ill. Central, 143 1/2; Int.-Met., 22; Louis. & Nash., 151; Manhattan, 126; Missouri Pac., 71; N. Y. Central, 112; Norf. & West., 161; Northwestern, 157; Penn. R. R., 153 1/2; Reading, 152 1/2; Rock Island, 49; St. Paul, 146; Southern Pac., 125 1/2; Southern Ry., 28 1/2; South. Ry. pf., 65 1/2; Sugar, 125 1/2; Texas Pacific, 20; Union Pacific, 190 1/2; U. S. Steel, 80 1/2; U. S. Steel pf., 130; West. Union, 72.

SMASHES AT SATAN.

By The Rev. Billy Sunday.

The way a lot of people are living in the church of God, you would naturally think they had a through ticket to heaven in a Pullman palace car and were waiting for the porter to wake them up when they head into the yards of the New Jerusalem. But they will be side-tracked with a hot box sure. You church members expect preachers and elders and deacons to be perfect, and then you live like the devil yourselves.

It's an insult to God for people to be overstocked with piety during Lent and then live like the devil the rest of the year. Some Christians eat only two spiritual meals on Sunday, and a prayer meeting cold lunch on Wednesday night.

A hypocrite is to Christianity what a scab is to a labor union. If there is anything I profess to be it is a pastmaster in skinning hypocrites. The world needs deeds and not words. There are too many pits now. Did any of you miserable scoundrels who have been renting your property for houses of ill fame or saloons, put any money into the collection? Keep your skinning money out.

Does the newsboy that some of you people have been skinning know you have been converted? Would some of the leading business men get to heaven on the testimony of their stenographers?

The church needs one accord, more than it does opera-singers in the choir scraping the kalsomine off the ceiling, and wiggling their diaphragms. At Pentecost there was no hand-shaking with two fingers and no danger of catching cold by sitting down in a seat just vacated by a member of the official board.

There are some preachers who hide the cross of Christ behind a capital I. It doesn't require spiritual life to sell oyster soup or conduct a rummage sale.

It's the church people who keep alive the theatre, the dance, and cards. Gamblers chuckle to see your names in the newspapers as giving card parties. Gambling rooms are

not as dangerous as card parties in the homes.

Cards would go out of business if it wasn't for prizes. I have as much respect for a hag at Monte Carlo as for a woman that plays cards for a prize.

The theatre was intended as the hand-maid of religion, but it caused so much trouble that the church had to drop it. They have nothing in common. The stage gives the people what they want, and the church gives them what they need.

When a man keeps his store open on Sunday, he is an anarchist.

PHENOMENAL RAILROAD RESULTS.

Although western railroads and several of the trunk lines report slow movement of freight and a heavy falling off in the number of cars moved, resulting in blockades and congestions during the month of January, the Erie comes out with a report of operating efficiency that seems very short of being phenomenal.

The Erie figures give a total of 597,344 loaded and empty cars handled over the several divisions during the month, an increase of 72,224, of which 70,879 were loaded cars. The cars loaded at stations and received loaded from connections increased 22,457.

The extraordinary thing in connection with this increased movement, which will bring the earnings up to a normal standard, is that during January a total snow fall of 12 feet was recorded, the heaviest for many years.

The explanation for such unusual efficiency is found in the superior condition at the present time of the Erie's motive power and utilization to the fullest extent of facilities which have always been regarded as insufficient. The company has spent large sums on both engines and cars and the wisdom of such outlays is borne out by the January operating results. The Erie is now receiving from the Baldwin locomotive works a freight engine per day on an order of 50 placed last fall.



AGNES FINLAY WITH "THE SOUL KISS," AT THE LYRIC THEATRE MONDAY NIGHT, FEB. 28TH.

HENRY Z. RUSSELL, PRESIDENT; ANDREW THOMPSON, VICE PRESIDENT; EDWIN F. TORREY, CASHIER; ALBERT C. LINDSAY, ASSISTANT CASHIER.

HONESDALE NATIONAL BANK.

This Bank was Organized in December, 1836, and Nationalized in December, 1864.

Since its organization it has paid in Dividends to its Stock holders,

\$1,905,800.00

The Comptroller of the Currency has placed it on the HONOR ROLL, from the fact that its Surplus Fund more than equals its capital stock.

What Class? are YOU in?

The world has always been divided into two classes—those who have saved, those who have spent—the thrifty and the extravagant.

It is the saver who have built the houses, the mills, the bridges, the railroads, the ships and all the other great works which stand for man's advancement and happiness.

The spenders are slaves to the savers. It is the law of nature. We want you to be a saver—to open an account in our Savings Department and be independent.

One Dollar will Start an Account.

This Bank will be pleased to receive all or a portion of YOUR banking business.