

BREVITIES

THE HALL OF FAME.

Thomas A. Edison, the noted electrician and inventor, is extremely fond of music.

Francis Geromini, the guardian of the Bastille column, has been pensioned by the French government.

Champ Clark, the Missouri congressman, never writes his full name, James Hennepin Clark, except on important documents.

Professor Herschel C. Parker of Columbia university has returned to New York after an unsuccessful attempt to ascend Mount McKinley. He will make a second effort next year.

J. Royce Clark of Ohio, who has been appointed assistant auditor of the state department, is regarded as a high authority on international law and is a graduate of Columbia university.

Percy Modderbury of Rockford, Ill., who is in his thirty-ninth year, recently went on a winter trip to Warsaw, Me., to visit his father George, who is 100 years old. He has a sister ninety-two years old.

Lord Washington, the famous explorer, who holds the record for the largest individual bag of grapes in a single day—421 bunches to his own gun, or rather, to his gun—is an entomologist whose collection of insects and butterflies is the best in the world.

Spencer F. Eddy of Illinois, first secretary of the American embassy at St. Petersburg, has been transferred to a similar position in the American embassy at Berlin, succeeding H. Percival Dodge of Massachusetts, who has been appointed first secretary of the American embassy at Tokyo.

Lord Iveshagh has one of the most curious hobbies in the world. This is the collection of old silver potato rings, which are large silver sockets in the form of rings into which the wooden bowl used for potatoes used to be fitted. These rings have become very scarce and are much sought after by bric-a-brac hunters.

Mrs. Kendal's idea of the qualifications necessary to become a successful actress are brief and to the point. Here is her answer to a stage-struck girl who asked her what were the essentials for "the profession." "You must have the temper of an angel," wrote Mrs. Kendal, "the figure of a Greek statue, the face of a goddess and the skin of a rhinoceros."

MODES OF THE MOMENT.

It is decreed that the separate blouse shall not leave us for yet another season at least.

Lightweight silks—that is, the soft taffetas, chinas and oriental weaves—are enjoying a vogue of unusual popularity.

The newest craze is the pinafore, an exact duplicate of that worn by children and donned usually over a lace or lingerie blouse.

For dressy occasions the Dolly Varden hat will continue the same popularity in felt that it has had during the past season in straw.

Embroidered silk roses are applied on the revers of many of the dressiest suits. The roses are worked on taffeta and are usually of the color contrasting with that of the suit.

Trimmings are important features of fashions this season—unusually so—stitched bands of silk or velvet of the color of the gown material being first in favor. Ribbon ruffles are frequently used to border them and are also used by themselves in place of circular boucans.—New York Post.

GERMAN GLEANINGS.

Germany's consul service consists of 26 professional consuls and 621 merchant consuls.

Mattresses made of paper shavings are in use in Germany for soldiers' beds. They are said to be more comfortable than straw.

A fire alarm was turned in recently in Berlin for a swallow caught by the leg on the edge of the roof of a high building. The firemen reared a ladder and released the bird.

The German reichstag proposes to raise more revenue by taxing picture post cards sent through the mails one-half cent each. Consul Britain of Kehl writes that 500,000,000 of these cards are sent through the mails annually, which would produce \$2,500,000 revenue.

The most astonishing recent outbreak in all Germany was the wrath of the tradespeople of Essen and of Berlin at the Krupp girls and their wedding garments. The richest heiresses in Germany are blamed for taking the bread from the poor man's mouth. They made their own wedding clothes.

OLD FASHIONED.

Speaking of old fashioned things, what has become of corn pone?

What has become of the old fashioned boy who had his schoolbooks covered with calico?

What has become of the old fashioned person who used to refer to children as the trundle bed trash?

What has become of the old fashioned man who put all jams, preserves and jellies under the one head of "spread?"

What has become of the old fashioned breed of pony known as a "buckskin?" There never was a mule as mean as a "buckskin" pony.

Speaking of the departure of old fashioned customs, what has become of the woman who took the tablecloth to the door after a meal and shook it?—Archon Globe.

ODD FELLOWS.

A History of the Lodge—Some Trifling Link Notes.

Do lodges realize how fast they are making history? And yet how little of it the secretary's minutes really show, and who will go through them to find out what information they do give! The person who named the lodge and many other interesting things, if grouped together, will be highly prized in years to come. A lodge in a western jurisdiction had a charter member who took the minute book and from his memory wrote quite an interesting history of the lodge. That was three years ago, and now the lodge has asked another member to bring the history up to date. It is a labor of love to both these members, and they enjoy it greatly. There are probably very few lodges but that contain some member or members who could do this work, and in years to come those who take their places will prize it very highly and will no doubt continue the work industriously, making a complete history of the lodge.

Old Washington lodge, No. 1, of Baltimore, the great mother lodge of the American order, was formally incorporated a short time ago in the office of the superior court of Maryland.

Among the recommendations of the retiring grand master of Minnesota to the grand lodge was one cautioning lodges about loaning money to their own members without proper security.

When you talk in the lodge room don't be long winded, says the Independent Odd Fellow. Make your remarks brief and to the point. The story of the creation is told in 300 words, and that was quite an important event too.

The grand lodge of Colorado has decided that a lodge cannot lease its lodge room to any person or society that permits the use of intoxicating liquors at a banquet in the lodge room.

For thirty-five consecutive years G. J. McBain has served as warden of Moscow lodge of Moscow, Ida.

Make the good of the order the most attractive feature of the lodge and you will create an interest that will bring the "stay at home" members out to witness what is going on.

At a recent session of the grand lodge of South Dakota a resolution was adopted that all past grands pay \$1 for the assembly degree, the money to go to the home fund of that state.

The supreme chaplain of the sovereign grand lodge, Dr. John W. Venable, has held this office since 1868. He became an Odd Fellow in his twenty-first year at Covington, Ky.

In jurisdictions where homes are maintained the cost varies from 25 cents to \$1 per capita, and the general consensus of opinion in those jurisdictions is that the money is well invested and that in no way could the order invest its money to give more satisfactory results.

Frederick Botsford, who has been grand secretary of Connecticut for thirty-seven years, has, at his own request, been retired from active service and the grand lodge made him secretary emeritus with a retiring allowance of \$500 per annum.

UNITED WORKMEN

Work, work, work; don't shirk, shirk, shirk, for there is plenty to do and the workers are few; so work, work, work. With all the splendid record of our magnificent order behind us and the best working foundation on earth upon which to offer protection to the homes, it is up to you to work.—A. O. U. W. Emblem.

The death of Past Supreme Master Workman Walker of Wisconsin removes one of the best known and best beloved members of the supreme lodge.

The enthusiastic individual members make the local lodges count. Be an enthusiast.

The grand lodge of Indiana upon request has been transferred to the supreme beneficiary jurisdiction.

At the recent meeting of the grand lodge of Ohio the grand master's salary was abolished, and the salary of the receiver was fixed at \$100 instead of \$300 per annum and the grand trustee \$30 per annum and the necessary expenses.

Eastern Star.

In olden times it was said to account for the beautiful blossoms that angels came down and walked upon earth, and that those blossoms grew where their feet touched the ground. And so, like the footsteps of angels, the Order of the Eastern Star has caused flowers to grow wherever it has touched the earth—flowers of pity, truth, charity and loving kindness.—Edward Jackson, P. G. P., Illinois.

In the San Francisco disaster the grand chapter of the Eastern Star lost everything it possessed. Six out of ten chapters lost all their property. One chapter jurisdiction was entirely wiped out.

There are 34,000 members of the Eastern Star in Michigan and 322 chapters.

Junior American Mechanics.

Recent reports from a number of jurisdictions show that large gains are being made in membership.

The annual report of the state secretary of Pennsylvania shows that the order is stronger numerically than at any time since the factional disputes. Many of the rebellious councils during the past year resumed their loyal allegiance to the parent body, and the reports show almost 50,000 loyal Juniors in Pennsylvania.

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PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

In addition to "Paolo and Francesca," "The Lyons Mail," "Hamlet" and the little Stevenson drama, "Markheim," will be features of H. B. Irving's repertory in America.

Alexander Clark has been engaged to play the leading comedy role in "The Student King," a comedy opera. The role was played last season by Raymond Hitchcock.

Nance O'Neil has acquired the rights to "The Sorceress," the Sardou play in which Mrs. Patrick Campbell appeared. Miss O'Neil will discard her repertory and use the play exclusively.

William Faversham and Forbes Robertson will make a short tour in the spring in a revival of "Othello." Mr. Robertson will play the title role and Mr. Faversham will be cast as "Iago." David Belasco is to build a new theater in New York on Forty-fourth street between Broadway and Sixth avenue. Plans for the work have already been completed. It is expected to have the house open for occupancy by the fall of 1907.

Mary Shaw has concluded a five years' contract with Sweezy, Shipman & Co. Her first vehicle will be "Albee-Sit-by-the-Fire," and in connection with this tour she will also present Ibsen plays and later in the season "Lady Macbeth."

SHORT STORIES.

The black diamond is so hard that it cannot be polished.

The Bermudas have a parliament of thirty-six members, while the number of voters is only 1,200.

Promotion used to be most rapid in the French army, but today a man stands a better chance of rising in our own.

For a finger nail to reach its full length, an average of seven-twelfths of an inch, from 121 to 138 days of growth are necessary.

The population of the United States is estimated to be 85,000,000, and only 29,000,000 are connected with any church, Catholic or Protestant.

Billiards was brought into fashion by Louis XIV. of France in the seventeenth century, because his doctor ordered him to take exercise after his meals.

To protect an invention all over the world it is necessary to take out sixty-four patents in as many different countries, the estimated cost of which is \$2,500.

Got Him Mixed.

Miss Backbay—What I like about Henry James is the clarity of his style, his reserve force and his absolute mastery in the field of epigram and antithesis. Mr. Cahokia—Yes, but when it comes to the fast ball, you know, I think Walsh has got him skinned to death.—Chicago Tribune.

Watch Records.

"That man's watch holds the record for his town," a jeweler said. "It has run for twenty-two years without stopping. Aside from a little regulating, oiling and cleaning, it has never needed a repair. I know lots of men who try to establish records for their watches. I know five men in this little town whose watches have run day and night for ten years. Give a good watch to a man and he takes a pride in it. He never forgets to wind it. Soon he is trying to make a record for it. The record for continuous running is held, I believe, by a Swiss watch in Geneva that has run for twenty-eight years."

Money and Marbles.

Once there was a man who thought Russell Sage ought to stop work. He spoke to him about it. "Why get together any more money, Mr. Sage? You can't eat it; you can't drink it. What good will it do you?" "Ever play marbles?" Uncle Russell asked. "Yes, when I was a boy." "Couldn't eat 'em, could you? Couldn't drink 'em, could you? No use to you, were they? What did you play marbles for?"—Harper's.

The Result of Environment.

"I saw the oddest freak the other day," says the man with the honest eyes and the trustworthy face. "A three legged cat?" we ask, smiling.

"No. It was a chicken that had fur instead of feathers." "Fur?" "Yes. It was hatched from a cold storage egg."—Life.

Virtue's Reward.

Where is the reward of virtue and what recompense has nature provided for such important sacrifices as those of life and fortune, which we must often make to it? Oh, sons of earth, are ye ignorant of the value of this celestial mistress? And do ye meanly inquire for her portion when ye observe her genuine beauty?—Hume.

The World's Debt to Flowers.

I have never known a man or woman who has not improved in character by becoming devoted to the affairs of flowers, and I venture to say that the world at large is under the deepest obligation to pansies, violets, roses and lilies, to name but a few of the blossoms that silently help the good angel of mankind.—Christian World.

Exercising Dogs.

Never take your dog out for a run directly after he has had a meal. If the exercise is at all hard the food will remain undigested for hours. It is best not to allow a dog to play even directly after he has swallowed his dinner. In a little time he can do so, but do not encourage him to romp about.

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