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OIL ON ROADS.

SOME experiments made seemed to demonstrate the practicability of the use of oil for road building. It was claimed that on dirt roads especially, where used in moderate quantities, the tendency was to harden them in summer and render them impervious to frosts in winter, so that the usual discomfort of mud in the spring was dispensed with. The road before application should be sufficiently rounded to shed water, then the oil is sprinkled over and if practicable a roller passed over to harden the surface.

Crude oil can be cheaply obtained and it might be a wise plan for some few to combine in defraying the expense and try the experiment on a short piece of road where the value could be fully tested. There is a movement for better roads which is universally spreading and if the above method can be utilized it might with cheapness solve one of the great problems of good roads.

If sufficient oil is used to saturate the ground to several inches it would seem that the qualities might endure for several years in fact be almost permanent with slight subsequent treatment.

For some reason Monday night when the storm was at its height the gas was not lighted and if belated wayfarers ever needed light on the street it was then. We could dispense with it on bright moonlight nights when the walks are clear, but a friend in need is a friend indeed.

THE STORM.

The recent severe storm and unprecedented cold will pass into history as being the most severe record ed. The blizzard of 1888 was a realization to us of what the elements in their untamed fury can do, but the recent storm surpassed even that in the intensity of cold and its widespread effects. The reports from all parts of the country are of a similar character, travel blocked, business suspended, and great suffering among the poor. In the south especially where the unpreparedness renders the people more susceptible to extremes of cold has the greatest inconvenience been felt. In certain parts of Kentucky the thermometer registered 30 below zero which was probably twenty degrees lower than it reached any where in this vicinity. There seems to be no meteoric explanations of these phenomena. The elements have no fixed laws regarding heat and cold, both come and humanity shivers in summer and shivers in winter, the sport alike of a blazing sun or a drop in the mercury.

An Eccentric Heroine.

Dr. Mary Walker, who created such an excitement a few years ago by her peculiar dress, and who is widely known, possesses a medal of honor for services rendered during the war. The records show that the medal was presented to her June 13, 1872, but at the war department the clerks hold that the records in this case are wrong. They say Secretary Stanton himself gave it to her, and one of them says he saw the presentation. She served as a surgeon during the war, but had no commission.

Old Items From Everywhere.

Senator Allen, of Nebraska, declares that there are "25,000 loafers on the payrolls of the government departments in Washington as clerks."

An elephant fell from a car at New Albany, Ind., and broke its leg. Its sufferings were horrible, and it was dosed with whiskey and opium to keep it quiet while its leg was set.

The well in which hung "The Old Oaken Bucket" is situated on the edge of Marshfield, only a short distance from Edinburg Centre, on North Schuette, in the Cape Cod part of Massachusetts.

THE NEW REPORTER.

HIS GRAPHIC DESCRIPTION OF THE STEAMER CRUSADER.

He was from the Country and was eager to distinguish himself. The Accommodating Captain gives him some very important information.

"Go," said the editor to the new reporter, "and write up the new English steamer just arrived. Give a thorough account of her from stem to stern."

"From what?" said the young man recently arrived from a far interior State, and to whom a vessel of any sort was a mystery and a wonder.

"From stem to stern," said the editor, "fixing a suspicious and threatening eye upon him."

This was the young man's first mission. He was eager to distinguish himself. He had already done so on his village paper, but he wanted a wider field for his aspirations, and had come to New York.

Yet he went out of the office anxious and doubting. "I will go to the captain," said he; "he will explain to me the ship and its uses. He will tell me all."

"Captain," said he, "I am sent to write up your ship. Oblige me by stating how many masts she has."

"Eighteen," promptly answered the captain.

"Where are they?"

"We have sent them on shore to be painted."

"How much water does your vessel draw?"

"Three inches."

"How do you draw it?"

"By steam-power from the well."

"Were you ever in a storm at sea?"

"Never," said the captain.

"Are you ever seasick?"

"Awfully; can't leave my berth from the time we leave New York till we arrive at Liverpool."

"Are the rest of your officers and crew seasick?"

"Always. We're only on deck and about in port."

"Why, who steers the vessel at sea?"

"The cook; he's the only well man on board."

"Do you sail nights when out of sight of land?"

"Never; we anchor."

"What! in mid-ocean?"

"Of course, you landlubber. There's docks to tie up at regular distances all the way across."

"How do you see to sail dark nights?"

"We send our boats ahead with lanterns, which light up the road."

"Are they there now?"

"Yes; anchored in a line all the way across the Atlantic Ocean."

After getting much other information, which the captain said he was only too happy to impart to such an interesting young gentleman, the reporter returned and wrote as follows:

"The new steamer Crusader is a splendid specimen of naval architecture. Her keel revolves on hinges, so as to be readily unshipped in a storm, when it is not wanted. The rudder, also, by a patent contrivance, can be drawn out of its socket and deposited on deck during the night and in hurricanes. The Crusader has folding decks which can be doubled up when she has but little cargo, and her tonnage in this way can be decreased from four thousand to two hundred tons. The sail can, if necessary, be used as a sky-sail or wind-sail, and the saving of canvas effected in this manner reduces the wear and tear of her running rigging one-half. The main brace passes from the end of the bowsprit over the fore, main, and royal masts, thence down over the spanker-boom to the taffrail and into the cabin windows, where it is secured by a double-banked sheavehook to the head of the captain's berth. She has compound engines, which boil water at an extremely low temperature. Her screws revolve at the rate of ten thousand times a minute, and can, if necessary, be brought forward and used as paddle-wheels. The Crusader is also constructed on the crab principle and by bracing up everything sharp on the wind and wearing ship frequently she can go as fast sideways as any other way. The engines are furnished with condensers, which condense milk as well as water. Her cabins are constructed on the French-flat principle, their being six stories with kitchens, etc., for each family of passengers. The Crusader also carries her own docks, and thus saves all the expense of wharfage when in port. She also carries her own quarantine, and so can never be detained if there is any malaria or measles on board. The pilot pilots her all the way across the Atlantic and comes back with the ship each time. Her compasses in the binnacle give daily the direction of the wind. The captain's cow is milked by the boatswain in the foretop."

National Soldiers' Homes.
 No man receiving more than \$16 per month can be admitted to a soldiers' home. The enrollment at national homes for soldiers on Jan. 1 was:
 Central home, Dayton, O. 5,083
 Southern Home, Hampton, Va. 4,638
 National home, Leavenworth, Kan. 2,305
 Northern home, Milwaukee, Wis. 2,798
 Eastern home, Togus, Me. 2,518
 Marlon home, Marion, Ind. 2,372
 Pacific home, Los Angeles, Cal. 2,953
 Total 22,546

Mysterics of a Violet Soap.
 The mysterious of a violet soap served recently at a luncheon, which took on this color scheme, was obligingly explained by the hostess. "It is nothing else," she said, "than chicken consommé in which some red cabbage is boiled."

A Fortune For Clothes.

Suit has been brought against one of Baltimore's leading society men by his London tailors for \$5,042.50 for clothes. Nearly eighty separate garments are mentioned in the itemized bill, all of which were purchased within a period of two months. It costs money to be thoroughly "English" now.

COMMISSIONERS ANNUAL STATEMENT
 Of Receipts and Expenditures of the County of Pike, for the year ending January 2 1899.

Cash received from Collectors 1898.

TOWNSHIP.	COUNTY TAX.	INDT. TAX.	STATE TAX.	DOG TAX.	TOTAL.
Big Grove	\$ 618.00	\$ 160.44	\$ 41.78	\$ 801.90	\$ 801.90
Delaware	1080.44	236.49	99.08	161.37	1577.38
Hingham	751.78	225.38	55.23	195.18	1227.57
Greene	708.91	272.38	67.50	81.44	1130.23
Lackawanna	300.00	286.43	48.15	51.44	1286.02
Lehman	827.90	333.00	494.88	29.55	1935.33
Palmyra	1198.80	96.82	39.92	18.91	1474.57
Porter	515.00	209.00	35.00	25.00	779.00
Shohola	102.30	18.38	1.35	1.35	133.38
Westfall	1092.58	496.02	130.70	65.86	2215.16
Totals	8480.11	3594.86	1087.67	448.58	12561.22

Cash received from Collectors 1896-1897.

TOWNSHIP.	YEAR.	CO. TAX.	STATE TAX.	DOG TAX.	TOTAL.
Hingham	1897	\$ 100.00	\$.25	\$.00	\$ 100.25
Lackawanna	1897	404.39	44.39	14.39	479.28
Lehman	1897	46.42	46.42	46.42	139.26
Palmyra	1897	48.32	48.32	48.32	144.96
Totals		609.63	149.38	119.13	878.14

Balances in hands of Collectors 1898.

TOWNSHIP.	CO. TAX.	INDT. TAX.	STATE TAX.	DOG TAX.	TOTAL.
Big Grove	\$ 303.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$.00	\$ 303.00
Delaware	988.38	\$ 80.96	\$ 90.18	\$ 18.26	1277.78
Lehman	118.53	45.75	7.39	13.00	204.67
Palmyra	205.74	1.08	1.08	1.08	211.98
Porter	1.08	18.70	1.08	1.08	21.94
Totals	1585.85	444.00	109.70	33.44	2168.99

GEORGE DUMANN JR., TREASURER.

Dr.	Cr.
By road orders pd.	\$217.61
Com. 2% on 20218 recd.	53.30
Com. 2% on 2711.61	54.35
Balance	92.93
Totals	\$318.19
By cash from collect- ors 1898	643.93
To balance from 1897	\$ 500.00
Cash from collect- ors 1898	643.93
Totals	\$1647.96

REDEMPTION MONIES.

Dr.	Cr.
To balance from set- tlement 1897	\$ 155.36
Cash recd.	3020.17
Totals	\$3175.53
By cash refunded	\$182.05
By cash	348.48
Totals	\$530.53
To balance from set- tlement 1897	\$ 155.36
Cash recd.	3020.17
Totals	\$3175.53

H. I. COURTHRIGHT, SHERIFF.

Dr.	Cr.
To jury fee collected	\$ 4.00
By payment to Treas.	4.00
Totals	\$ 8.00
By inquisition and body of Christian Neff	\$ 10.75
To check to balance	\$ 10.75
Totals	\$21.50

CURRENT EXPENSES.

Dr.	Cr.
Eastern Postmaster's	\$127.33
Insurance	272.50
Tax refunded	2.00
County Supt.	75.00
Postage	204.35
Milford Water company	21.32
Coms. notes & interest	4307.78
Asylum Expenses	161.75
Stationery	31.20
Huntington Reformatory	124.50
Sheriff	327.56
Fuel & cartage on same	402.32
Jones Gravel & Traverser	750.00
Court Scribe	40.00
Bridge Visiting	11.50
Telephone Service	21.00
Janitor/Court House	175.00
Comr. Binsley	570.42
Comr. Clark	450.00
Comr. (C)	450.00
Merchandise	5.05
Printing	194.50
Comr. (C)	394.00
Courthouse repairs	299.48
Registering births and deaths	14.50
Express & freight	18.08
Jail Expenses	422.54
Bridge repairs	130.74
Military Enrollment	37.68
Commonwealth Costs	182.96
Assessors expense	466.33
Registering School Chil- dren	196.00
Bridge Building	426.24
Bondless Fees etc	273.00
Justice Fees	75.25
Jury Comm.	43.52
Comr. Heller	750.00
Comr. Newman	750.00
Election Expenses	1263.91
Stationary Books etc	303.11
Registering Voters	482.00
Copiables attending Court	187.25
Stationary Books	35.00
Expense on Co. land	227.02
Milford Gas Co.	8.80
Totals	\$16988.99

COMMISSIONERS' ACCOUNTS.

Dr.	Cr.
By bill rendered	\$ 746.82
To checks pd.	\$ 746.82
Totals	\$ 1493.64
By cash paid	\$ 738.60
To cash	2.37
Totals	\$ 740.97
By cash	\$ 690.17
To cash	17.58
Totals	\$ 707.75
By bill rendered	\$ 545.33
To cash	15.42
Balance in Co.	9.47
Totals	\$ 570.22

BRIDGE ACCOUNTS.

Dr.	Cr.
Mass Hope No. 1 painting	\$ 15.00
Repairs to Bridges	15.00
Kimbles	29.00
Shohola Falls	10.25
Glenn Eye	11.00
Totals	\$ 70.25

It Hangs On!

If it was only health, we might let it cling. But it is a cough. One cold no sooner passes off before another comes. But it's the same old cough all the time. And it's the same old story, and it's the same old story, and it's the same old story.

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Hamiltons	\$ 11.00
Knowlton	13.75
Shohola Glen painting and plank	130.70
Commissariat and plank Mrs. Brown's painting and guard rails	31.75
Gordons Mill painting and guard rails	14.00
Mount Pleasant painting and guard rails	9.75
Gilpins Mill painting and guard rails	8.75
Mil Hill plank and repairs Klips Mill painting and guard rails	62.50
Roadside painting and guardrails and plank Rose town painting and re- pairs	210.46
Klippers mill painting new abutment and repairs	19.92
Mort St. painting	427.44
North mill plank and repairs	15.00
Paupers plank and repairs	1.40
Leedsdale plank and repairs	35.20
Loris Valley plank and re- pairs	15.00
Schwartz guard rails	4.42
Swamp Brook new plank	23.00
Inspecting work on contracts & incidental expenses for year	125.35
Totals	1307.34

BRIDGE BUILDING.

Bushkill Bridge, paymt material and tempo- rary bridge	\$ 195.93
Knob mill part paymt	4.50
Temporary bridge	37.51
Deep Hollow Bridge, pay- ment masonry and tem- porary bridge	74.80
Barbers paymt.	185.00
Mort St. approach	9.00
Totals	496.74

We the County Commissioners of Pike County Pennsylvania do hereby certify the foregoing is a true and correct statement of the receipts and expenditures of the said county for the year ending Jan. 2 1899.

Wallace Newman | County
James H. Heller | Commissioners.

Attest Geo. A. Suspendier
Comms. Clerk | Milford Feb. 17, '99.

A man died recently in a town not far from Philadelphia, with the remarkable record of having been injured twenty-five times in railroad accidents. Some of his injuries were very serious, yet he lived to a good old age and died from natural causes.

Last week a woman of Dowling, Ohio, dreamed that some goods stolen from a store in the town in January had been hidden under a haystack on a neighboring farm. The next day she went with a constable to the stack, and found the most of the stolen goods.

A man who went to do some gasfitting in a Baptist church in Honesdale, Pa., fell into the baptismal pool, which had been filled for Sunday, and, not knowing how to swim, would have been drowned had not the sexton heard his cries and rescued him.

A poor priest, who died lately in the Province of Messina, in Sicily, left to his heirs—all poor country people—an old piano, which they offered to sell for 15 francs. No one would buy it, so they decided to break it up for firewood, when they discovered, under the keyboard, bonds and bank notes to the value of 108,500 francs.

A Missouri locomotive recently ran 100 miles solely to carry a bottle of medicine. A physician broke his leg and lockjaw followed, the medicine to cure him had to be brought from that distance, and time meant life.

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 Physician and Surgeon.
 OFFICE in Drug Store on Broad Street.

J. H. VAN ETEN, Attorney-at-Law,
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John A. Kipp, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW,
 OFFICE, opposite Court House MILFORD, PIKE CO., PA.

CHURCH DIRECTORY MILFORD.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH, Milford;
 Sabbath services at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sabbath school immediately after the morning service. Prayer meeting Wednesday at 7.30 P. M. A cordial welcome will be extended to all. Those not attending other churches are especially invited. REV. THOMAS NICHOLES, Pastor.

CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD, Milford;
 Services Sunday at 10.30 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Sunday school at 11.45 P. M. Weekly prayer meeting on Wednesdays at 7.30 P. M. Class meeting conducted by Wm. Angle on Fridays at 7.30 P. M. An earnest invitation is extended to anyone who may desire to worship with us. REV. B. S. LASSITER, Rector.

M. E. CHURCH, Services at the M. E. Church Sundays; Preaching