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LOVERS OF BASEBALL WOULD WELCOME IT.

Sport loving people in all the cities in the Calumet region will be glad to hear that the plans for a Calumet district baseball league next season have passed the formulative stage.

If there is any one sport which appeals to the people of America it is baseball and the men in the cities of Hammond, Gary, East Chicago, Indiana Harbor and Whiting will gladly welcome the formation of baseball league. There is no question but that such an organization would be well supported. Hammond has shown that in past years. The trouble always was that it was difficult to find teams that would come to Hammond to play. The expenses of transportation would be comparatively small and the rivalry between the cities and towns mentioned would be nominal. There are of course four other towns that might be taken into such a league. These are Crown Point, Lowell, Hobart and Tolleston. They have splendid material for baseball teams and indeed the Lowell team for the past three years has been very strong. It would be well for the promoters not to forget these four towns.

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"MEN WANTED" SOON TO BE THE CRY.

It is gratifying to the people of Hammond who had been led to expect that there would be an increase in prosperity after the election to find that the signs are pointing that way. Evidences of it increase daily. Business in all departments is growing and the industries which support the people view the industrial aspect with equanimity and satisfaction. The news given out yesterday that the Knickerbocker Ice company would work 500 men on a new 200,000 ice house in Hammond this winter is indeed gratifying. It means that there will be no hunger in the city this winter. The man who wants work can find it. There is no army of unemployed over which some calamity howlers shrieked themselves blue in the face. There are still plenty of loafers, it is true, who stand around the corners, howling calamity and roasting everybody who works and earns honest wages, but even they haven't the nerve scarcely to say that they cannot get work. If the spirit is willing, it is easy to find work. If there is work there is money for the necessities of life and many of the comforts and at least smaller luxuries.

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DID THEY REMEMBER THEIR MOTHERS?

Some men have very little modesty and shamefacedness. It makes a man blush with shame for his sex to read the accounts of the sale of the Leslie Carter lingerie in New York. Of course the receiver's sale was a necessary proceeding, but putting up each article, each particular night cap, night gown and other dainty articles of women's wear for the jeering crowd of male freaks to bid on was cruel, not to say wicked. The man who would even linger in the vicinity of such a spectacle, let alone bidding on the articles, for souvenirs and other objects not known, is certainly not to be classed as a gentleman. Neither does it speak very well for the son of Mrs. Carter nor her relatives, when they permitted her personal attire to be auctioned off to a mob. Thank heaven, that some of us, who do not live in the effete East, at least have a little respect for womanhood and motherhood. It is a fine commentary on the civilization as exploited in the East.

WU SAYS SOMETHING.

Wu Ting Fang is talking again. He says that pure diets produce pure thoughts and that crimes are committed alone by meat eaters. This is a horrible knock at our business interests. The pure food law, following newspaper exposures of our packinghouse systems, is still fresh in the public memory, but we have changed all that and "blood tubs" and "bull whackers" now have to be manacled before they can enter the Chicago stock yards. Still, any one, who markets the Wu Ting Fang Breakfast Food and Life Preserver, will have a corking good press agent.

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THE ATTENTION OF THE reading public, patrons and readers of the Times, is called to the columns of advertising in this paper. There are many bargains presented for the bargain buyer. They are advertisers whose patronage is merited. There are no drybones among them. You won't find any showpon and dusty goods on their shelves and all that is necessary is a visit to their stores and a glance to convince you.

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JACKSON DAY WILL be celebrated with speeches from all the governors-elect. This really looks as if the democratic brethren had at last concluded to get off the hearse and give up the worship of the exponents of defeat and disaster.

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SOME WOMEN MAKE an awful fuss over the fact that they haven't the ballot. Well, they have most everything else. We see by a paper that at an undergraduate reception they passed out steins as souvenirs. Surely that is sooth.

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IT WILL BE a bulky sight to see the versatile Col. Roosevelt leading all the editors and reporters on the Outlook for a fifty mile hike through the mud.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

THIS IS MY 67TH BIRTHDAY.

November 20.
Sir Wilfrid Laurier.

1672—Island of Tobago taken from the Dutch by the English.

1752—Thomas Chatterton, English poet, born. Died August 24, 1770.

1806—Napoleon declared a blockade of the British Isles.

1841—Sir Wilfrid Laurier, Canadian premier, born at St. Léon, Quebec.

1866—Judge Kenesaw M. Landis of the United States district court at Chicago, born near Millville, Ohio.

1868—Discoveries of silver ore reported from the White Pine region in Nevada.

1882—Earl of Elgin, former governor-general of Canada, died in India.

Born July 20, 1811.

1892—The great Homestead strike declared at an end.

1893—Twelve thousand lives lost by an earthquake at Kuchan, Persia.

1904—President Roosevelt in public address declared America's future rested on the quality of the individual home.

Sir Wilfrid has announced

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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THE MOTHER'S TREK.
Look, how this love—this mother—runs through all the world God made—even the boast—

—Tennyson.

One woman journeyed on foot 1,000 miles, drawing a little express wagon that she might keep her children together.

Mrs. Ella M. Arthur performed this feat. She thus traveled all the way from Texas to Ames, Iowa.

Six years ago the husband deserted her and three small children. Her entire capital was a cow, a pig and two small hands.

Mrs. Arthur chanced to come across a flamboyant circular telling of a new town on the gulf coast. The land flowed with milk and honey—and opportunity, so it said. Selling cow and pig, she bought a ticket to the Texas town. Then came disillusion. The town was mostly on paper.

But the woman was gritty.

She found a temporary home for the older children in the Texas country. She bought a little wagon and had left 30 cents to get to South Dakota, where she had relatives.

Outward across the plains of Texas and Indian Territory wearily trudged the little mother, pulling the child. Kind hearted Texas farmers helped her. Sometimes she stopped to work for a few days. In this way she got to Ames, Iowa, where a ticket was given her to South Dakota.

At the latter town the husband turned up. He would agree to a divorce and alimony of \$2,000 if the mother would give up the baby. Penniless, tired, discouraged, after many tears Mrs. Arthur consented.

Then, having got the money, she repented the arrangement. And now she is looking for the baby, placed by the father in some orphan asylum. And the poor mother declares she will spend every cent to get her child back. This is no fancy story.

A LITTLE TAFFY AND A LITTLE TACT CAN'T BEATEN FOR GETTING ALONG IN HIS WIDE, WEARY OLD WORLD.

It is a true hero—only one of myriad in the annals of motherhood.

Mrs. Arthur cannot rest until she gets her baby and brings all her little brood together again.

THAT IS THE MOTHER OF IT.

The picture of the little woman's weary trek of a thousand miles needs no setting. It is a picture of the love that does miracles—the love of a mother for her own.

Somebody—who was it?—somebody once said that God made mothers because he couldn't be around himself all the time.

that upon the expiration of his present term of office he intends to retire permanently from public life.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

Mr. Powers doesn't consider it a bit too early to be arranging a baseball league to knit the Calumet region cities a little closer next season.

Oh, in this uncertain sea of life it only takes a little gust of wind to capsize the little craft holding all our ambitions!

Fifty thousand people, Mr. Business Man, are reading your advertisement in these columns tonight. That fact speaks for itself.

Who says inanimate things have no virtue?

A cash register is honest and a piano is upright.

A Firm Stand.

We know a fellow in this town who is such a conceited ass that if he were to stand against a hitching post for five minutes he would get the idea that the post could not stand without his support.—Spring Hill (Kan.) New Era.

IT IS VERY EASY TO SEE THAT THE PHRASE, "MONEY MAKES THE MARE GO," WAS INVENTED BEFORE THE DAYS OF AUTOMOBILES.

CITY FATHERS' FROLIC.

The mayor, with fifteen members of the council, with old wash boilers, dish pans, separators, stove pipes, sleigh bells, cow bells, and horns of various kinds, quietly proceeded to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Curtis. On reaching the front lawn without being detected a line, two by two, was formed, signals given, and, oh, gee, such a hideous noise.

Yet, it was an old-time serenade, supplemented with the howl of every dog for five miles distant. After marching three or four times around the house the doors of the hospitable home were thrown open by Mr. and Mrs. Curtis, who extended a cordial invitation to enter, where card tables were quickly arranged, and, 'ere long the council was deeply interested in its favorite amusement.—Pfeiffer's Corner Item, Baltimore Sun.

It isn't so much what you can do; it's what you can make others think you can do.

Bully for Gary! She got the next

UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

SPENDS MUCH FOR ROADS.

The Noblesville viewers filed their report on eight proposed gravel roads in Hamilton county and recommended their construction to the board of commissioners this morning at a cost of \$64,252.94. Ten other gravel roads reported prior to this session also came up.

FAULKNER FOR SPEAKER.

A new candidate for speaker of the house of representatives at the coming session of the legislature is being talked of in the person of Representative John Faulkner of Laporte county. Mr. Faulkner is a Michigan City newspaper man, and his friends assert he is well qualified for the place. He was a member of the house of representatives in 1907.

FALLS DOWN SHAFT.

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TELLS STORY AND DISAPPEARS.

After saying she had been drugged and robbed in a Ft. Wayne hotel last Saturday night by a man who had engaged her to be his housekeeper, Mrs. Verna Seares of Munice, Ind., who arrived in this city Sunday night, refused to accept assistance and advice of Indianapolis friends and mysteriously disappeared yesterday morning.

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REFUSES TO FIGHT GRAFT.

The county council yesterday refused to appropriate the \$1,500 requested by Judge Pritchard of the Indianapolis criminal court for the purpose of employing extra counsel to assist Prosecutor Elliott R. Hooton in the trial of the so-called "graft cases." The appropriation of \$2500 for the erection of a new county infirmary was posted.

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