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TAKE UP A COLLECTION FOR IT.

The avaricious, greedy, nay hoggish Lake Shore railroad company runs through Gary and, as is customary with a lot of railroad corporations, gives as little and gets as much as it possible can. A great deal of indignation has arisen over the fact and it is loudly voiced by the good people of Gary. So impoverished has the railroad company become and so depleted its treasury that it must have every penny possible. On this account, as soon after darkness sets in, the station agent renders the exterior of the structure completely dark by turning off the electric lights leading to the platform and passengers arriving in the city are compelled to grope around in the dark, at the mercy of thugs and hold up men to say nothing of the many narrow escapes from personal injury that they suffer to their bodies. The town authorities, up to the present time, are powerless. Chief Martin of the road from yeggmen and blackguards. Complaints continue to pour in at the police station and with sweet placidity the Lake Shore officials proceed to laugh in their sleeves and ignore the requests that they light up their station. There is only one way for the Gary officials to do with the parsimonious Lake Shore railroad and that is to pass an ordinance that will bring it to time so quickly that it will make its collective head swim.

There is one other way of course and that is to take up a collection for the poverty stricken corporation.

HARD UP FOR PATRONAGE.

The Imperial Stock company, which has been playing at a Hammond playhouse for a week has reached the limit as far as sensationalism, and nasty sensationalism at that, is concerned. Business must be mighty poor when a stock company will advertise such a play as "Dealers in White Women." No doubt the company is in need of the patronage of theater goers and needs its money mighty badly when it will seek to draw crowds by such means. By and by the Imperial Stock company may be expected to advertise Black Women and Red Women, as well as other colors. We are not apprised as to the nature of the entertainment which the repertoire company provided for its audience last Saturday night, but it must have been very enabling and elevating and—all of that.

THE WORLD'S EYE ON THE UNITED STATES.

The world is giving a great deal of attention these days to American diplomacy. Whether or not there is a rapprochement with America, England and Japan, there is an increased respect for the United States in all the governments of the world and a recognition that our country is a world power if not the world power. Our foreign policy and the great voyage of the battle fleet, have given the nations of the earth something to scratch their heads about if they have done nothing else. Wonderful progress has been made during the Roosevelt administration for which the president himself and the secretary of state must be given their need of praise and credit. They have seen that this nation has neither gone back nor stood still in its part of the modern history of nations. The strides it has made have been wonderful and critics of the administration have at least been compelled to concede this—the all important point.

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PARENTS OF THE young football players on the various high schools of Lake county are breathing easier again, for the football season is over and most of the youths have come through the season unscathed. There are plenty of the young athletes, however, who are still nursing sore spots and bruises that cause them to shrink now and then, but the parents aforesaid never knew it. If football does anything good it learns some to be game and suffer in secret.

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THERE ARE SOME loan companies that don't propose to be labelled by a sheet after being held up and robbed by one of its employees. The loan companies generally have lawyers who know the law of libel and can "make 'em take it back."

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IT IS ALL OFF. There is no oil trust. How we were all mistaken! Testimony shows it! Head of the concern was simply a lovable old citizen to whom everybody hands money. Drop the whole business.

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CROWN POINT MERCHANTS are about to get together and try to keep the trade at the Hub, instead of letting it come to Hammond. About the only safe and sane way of doing it is to advertise and that extensively.

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A HAMMOND MERCHANT is reported to have received a Black Hand letter. As the first of the month draws near, a good many bills will be sent out that will be worse than Black Hand letters.

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ALAS POOR BABY emperor Pu Yi! His constant crying in the palace indicates that uneasy lies his head.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

Nov. 30.

1819—Cyrus W. Field, projector of the ocean telegraph, born in Stockbridge, Mass. Died at Ardsley, N. Y., July 12, 1892.

1852—Funeral celebration in Boston for Daniel Webster.

1861—Jefferson Davis elected president of the Confederate state of America.

1862—Confederate troops victorious at the battle of Honey Hill, S. C.

1873—George Henry Lewis, husband of George Elliot, died. Born April 18, 1817.

1900—Royal Canadian troops reviewed at Windsor by Queen Victoria.

1902—Academy of Music in Brooklyn destroyed by fire.

1905—Celebration in New York of the 250th anniversary of the landing of the first Jews in America.

THIS IS MY 40TH BIRTHDAY.

Jefferson De Angelis, the well-known comedian, was born in San Francisco, Nov. 30, 1869, of Jewish parentage. Both his father and mother were play-

ers. He received a common school education and made his first stage appearance when but a child. In 1871 he and his sister, Sarah, began a tour on their own account in two or three little sketches, working their way eastward from San Francisco. Next they went to Australia, where they failed to reap the harvest of dollars they had expected. More successful financially was their tour that followed in India and South Africa. The comedian finally returned to San Francisco, but it was a long time before he won his way to fame. With the McGaugh Opera company he played for three years, principally in the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, then at the height of their popularity. In 1880 he became principal comedian at the New York Casino, where he remained three years, participating in all the successes of that playhouse. In more recent years he has headed his own company and has appeared successfully in numerous comic operas.

If you have a house or a room to rent you can inform 40,000 people by advertising in the classified columns of The Times.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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Young Turkey makes the sultan pick one wife out of his harem, stick to her exclusively and "can" all the rest.

Men are so used to hearing
The joyous chatter of
Women that
They
Are afraid
Of them when the dears are silent.

SALUTING A STATUE.

The character of Peter in F. Hopkinson Smith's latest book of that name is a fine old gentleman who lifts his hat to the statue of George Washington.

This is the way the author tells it: "Peter wheeled and lifted his hat to the statue. 'Good morning, your excellency,' he said in a voice mellowed by the same respectful tone with which he would have addressed the original in the flesh."

His companion laughs at the strange conceit, whereat Peter says:

"He wasn't put there for ornament, my boy, but to be kept in mind, and there is no place in the world where his example is so much needed as in Wall street. Nobody reverences anything nowadays. * * * Even our presidents have to be murdered before we stop abusing them."

Afterward, moralizing, Peter says: "Let our maw give respect for tradition, reverence for the dead, decency, love of religion, sentiment, beauty. They are back numbers."

"Do you wonder, my boy, why I touch my hat to his excellency?"

Nor was Peter a crank.

He was the hard headed paying tenant of a Wall street bank.

BUT—he had old fashioned ideals. Indeed, this novel itself is a story of the clash between modern business and ideals.

Perhaps Peter was too sweeping in his indictment, but it is true that lack of reverence is the crying sin of our day.

Fancy one of the money mad brokers lifting his hat to that statue of Washington across from the subtreasury! Impossible!

To such a man, absorbed in money, tradition has no glamour, greatness has no precedence, goodness has no prestige, heroism makes no appeal, and the "tender grace of a day that is dead" is nothing to him.

And what of the boy, who calls his parents "the old man" and "the old lady," to whom father's advice is only "dope?" And the girl distressed at mother's accent and ashamed of her table manners? What of these youngsters who deprecate the experience of the old folks?

Imagine such youngsters saluting the statue of "that old party," George Washington!

Peter Grayson was right. Lack of reverence for parents, teachers, the aged; lack of reverence for tradition and for righteousness—for these the statue of George Washington is a perpetual rebuke.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

All that you have to do is to simply compare THE TIMES with the other papers. Yet get twice as much news by paying half as much money.

Have patience with the pessimist; he may be billions and unable to help it.

NO MENN CITY.

Many houses are being remodeled, given a coat of paint, and otherwise improved in appearance. For civic pride the people of Honey Grove cannot be surpassed.—Honey Grove (Tex.) Signal.

The brand of love labeled "True" is still at times yellow-backed and on sale at the bargain counter.

A falling off in the attendance at medical colleges has started the report that there is going to be a shortage of doctors. In that case, we may hope to see a decided increase in the number of people who die of old age.

THE CLEVEREST GIRL IS SHE WHO ARRANGES HER POMPADOUR OVER A BUNCH OF HORSE SENSE.

Frank Talk.

Frank Foley of this place was agreeably surprised on Saturday night by the people of this place when they went in and had a dance. Frank talked a great deal.—Upper Potomac Item, Baltimore Sun.

Two is sometimes a tired crowd—if they don't hurry happily.

Gary is making a valiant stab to get her a superior court, but the rest of the lawyers in the county figure that they have too much railroad fare to pay now.

Lots of people don't stop with manufacturing lies out of whole cloth—they put some embroidery on them, too.

In New York City a baby is born every three minutes, but it is not the fault of the baby and cannot be held against it.

LIFE IS SIMPLY TICKLED TO DEATH TO SUPPLY THE SOREHEAD WITH PLENTY OF GRIEVANCES.

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THE CREAM OF THE Morning News

Investigation of all surface and elevated roads because of wrecks service is to be demanded of the Chicago city council.

Resolutions are adopted at Chicago mass meeting appealing to the American government to prevent the extradition of foreign refugees for non-political crimes.

Robert F. Sutherland, speaker of the Canadian house of commons, in Chicago for the Illinois St. Andrew's society annual banquet, declares that the dominion must continue a rival to the trade of the United States.

Campaign for equal municipal suffrage is launched at a big mass meeting in Chicago, one suffragist starting her hearers by defending the saloons.

New York City assured of getting the collection of the late C. T. Yerkes, as the mortgage covers only the property in which it is housed.

Many bodies of victims of the mine explosion at Marianna, Pa., are recovered, and it is estimated the dead will be at least 128.

Many recommendations for imposing a tariff or increasing present duties on miscellaneous articles are laid before the house committee on ways and means, which is planning revision.

Postmaster General Meyer in his annual report again urges the establishment of postal savings banks and a rural parcel post.

Postal commission reports \$4,572,998 has been spent on the Panama canal and that labor problem is solved.

French press is loud in praise of the American-Japanese agreement and sees in it a promise of lasting peace.

Total deals in Wall street for the week show a falling off, but a strong feeling of optimism prevails.

Wheat trade awaits developments and is slow. Corn, oats and provisions show an easier tone.

Merdeca Brown is offered \$5,000 contract to take charge of the West End semi-pro club; Cubs demanding raise in pay.

Curtain is rung down on the association football season, the Woodlawn defeating Hyde Park Blues, leading the other teams in the league by three points.

Charley Hickman leads the batters in the American association with an average of .409; Hayden, new Cub recruit, figures close to the top with .316.

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"Sergeant Devil McCare" is the name of Andrew Mack's new play. He is seen as Sergeant O'Brien of the Canadian mounted police, a dashing and picturesque character, that strongly appeals to the audiences. Mr. Mack is still on the road, but will soon present his play in New York.

"The World and His Wife," in which William Faversham is now playing, is taken from the Spanish. It is built around the theory that one can stop a railroad train or change the current of a stream, but that one cannot stop a woman's tongue. This feature is the basis of the complications of the play.

A remarkable feature of the recent Wyoming coal miners' strike was that Japanese and Chinese miners and laborers made common cause with their Caucasian fellow-workers. It was probably the first time on record that the orientals and the Americans stood together in a strike, at least in this country.

About \$5 per cent of the employees of the cotton mills in Japan are women and girls, and they receive, on an average, 12½ cents a day for eleven hours work. The men average double what the women get. While there are no labor unions in this industry, there is prospect, that, before long, such unions will be formed.

De Wolf Hopper has completely recovered from his recent injuries and will appear soon in "The Pied Piper," the musical comedy by Austin Strong and R. H. Burnside, at the Majestic theater, New York. The cast includes, in addition to Mr. Hopper, a number of clever actors and singers, among them William and Grace Cameron.

LANSING.

Mrs. Robert Steinbach was a Hammondon visitor yesterday.

Mrs. Turner of Chicago Heights visited in town on Saturday.

Mrs. George Vansteenbergh and son, Harry, of Chicago were visitors in town yesterday.

M. Brunn was in Chicago yesterday.

W. J. Bryan's Daughter Will Sue Husband For Divorce

