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A HORSE OF ANOTHER COLOR NOW.

It will be extremely interesting to note now in the face of the revelations at Crown Point what some of the democrats have to say about frauds in naturalization. They probably will not be so keen in their accusations. One of their pet arguments has been that the republicans paid for the naturalization of what the democrats were pleased to call "Hunkies." The evidence introduced at Crown Point in the Simon-Wickey contest shows that some of the democratic leaders were also quite busy paying for naturalization papers for the foreigners whom they inveigled into the democratic fold. Of course this will be an apple of another tree. To get the foreigners to vote the democratic ticket, the pure and unimpeachable democratic ticket, will be quite commendable but when the republicans try to make republican voters of Lake county's newest citizens an awful squawk goes up from the democratic organs all over the state and the republican leaders are charged with devilish fraud and wholesale vote buying. It wasn't so very long ago that some of the local democratic leaders at a city election simply fell all over themselves with laughter when they succeeded in taking away a bunch of foreign railroad men from the republicans, when the latter thought they had them lined up. The whole business of a contest is a farce anyway. Does any sane man think that if the democrats had had the opportunity to vote foreigners at the recent election, they would have voted them by the thousands and if they could have done so. Look how they put it over poor Sam Ableman in the Standard Steel district in Hammond. Talk about the kettle calling the frying pan black! Pish!

JUSTICE IN EDUCATION.

It is quite customary for the laity to criticize teachers and it is often the case that only the teachers' journals are the only publications that give them their modicum of praise. People are all too prone to pick all the flaws they can in the teaching corps and give it no credit for the good it does. The mistakes magnified and the good things ignored, is a too common rule. This often extends to the supervising body in educational institutions as well. Those in executive positions are often amiss in giving the under pedagogue the praise he or she deserves. There should be some justice in education. His "School and Class Management" Felix Arnold truthfully says:

In all his dealings with teachers, the principal should show a wide toleration and a benevolent consistency in word and deed. Social groups of individual teachers should not be looked upon with suspicion. Slight errors of individual teachers should be overlooked, especially if the work on the average is good. A principal should not take one mistake which may have offended him and hold it over a teacher's head all term. Differences of a personal nature should have no influence on official actions. . . . Justice is a difficult thing to procure, but an approximation to it is possible. Careful study of the official requirements, impartial weighing of the evidence, disregard of any personal feelings or emotion bias is necessary. Teachers should exist for the principal as human co-operative agents of a certain efficiency, and this efficiency should always have in view the good of the child.

NOTHING NEW UNDER THE SUN.

Suffering shoe laces! The man with time to burn has just collected a lot of information touching the antiquity of corsets. If it will not offend some of the old women—men we might say—that Homer referred to them in describing the toilet of Juno and the corsetiere who is coming this way from abroad with a special brand of stays for—well, plump ladies—is probably posted on the fact that Terence's enamored youth ridiculed a woman who had to compress the waist to such an extent so as to resemble a rush. We can now await the glad news of someone digging out a Venus wearing one of those lace collar thingamajigs with clothes props under the ears. But we just go no farther or the old women—men will be virtuously indignant again.

THE TESTS SHOULD BE SEVERE.

The appearance of tuberculosis in Lake county cattle and the measures that are being taken for its being stamped out are significant of the trend in cattle breeding these days. The appearance of the disease is justification for strict quarantine against it. The origin of the trouble should be carefully watched, lest it become more than sporadic. The necessity of drastic action to check the ailment is apparent. Wholesale slaughtering may seem to be a costly method but its wisdom should not be questioned. It will of course be hard on the farmers whose stock is found to be affected, but it will in the long run be money in their pockets for it will advance the market prices and enable breeders and the dairyman to get better prices for their product.

WE BELIEVE THIS same Billy Blodgett, whose virtuous and undefiled pen wrote about the "most astounding tale of political trickery ever unfolded" in re-nationalizations, is the same Blodgett who wrote to his paper that Gompers spoke to a crowded house in Gary and was escorted by 600 enthusiastic laboring men from the depot, when Gompers spoke to a score of people from the top of a flat car. Oh, it is to laugh at Blodget!

THESE GENTLEMEN WHO are fathoming the movement for a library course in Hammond have turned us all from our hunt for the illusive dollar to thoughts of better things in seeking to further the city's culture and educational work. The program they propose is a creditable one and will make for better things for Hammond. Congratulations.

THE PULLMAN CARS carried 18,800,000 passengers last year, according to the companies annual report. In the same year the railroads of the country carried 85,000,000 passengers. According to the inter-state commerce commission's report, it thus appears that about one passenger in every fifty used the Pullman accommodations.

WE GIVE THE glad welcome to Joseph Feeley, Gary's new fire chief, whom we have been led to believe is in his glory when fighting fire. The city needs a real, sure-enough fire fighter and if Mr. Feeley fills the bill he will be a public benefactor and a righthand man for Garyland. Again and altogether: "All hail the chief!"

SOME WONDER IS expressed at finding a man who has paid rent in one home for forty-nine years. Nothing strange about that. The fact that the tenant has been there that length of time is evidence enough that he paid the rent.

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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MISS BROWN'S ADVERTISEMENT.

Margaret Brown, a Chicago stenographer, wanted a position.

There were other stenographers in Chicago who also wanted positions. Miss Brown's friends suggested advertising. She looked over the long columns of "Situations Wanted" printed in the newspapers. She read scores of advertisements modeled after the following:

Situation Wanted—Young girl of twenty-three, five years' experience, desires position as stenographer; trustworthy and rapid; references exchanged. Box X Y Z.

Miss Brown shook her head. To go into the newspapers with that sort of an advertisement would be like going into a lottery. Doubtless many of those girls were as capable as she. How could she catch the eye and arrest the attention of the manager who was looking for help?

After wrinkling her forehead many times Miss Brown finally worked out this unique ad:

Situation Wanted—A brown-haired girl of the name of Brown would like a position as stenographer with a firm named Brown, although others would be considered. Address X 62.

The result?

A great bunch of letters came to the newspaper office in answer to X 673. From these the girl took her choice.

The next day shrewd Miss Brown sat at her desk taking dictation. She had found her job.

And the other girls were still advertising.

The lesson of the incident is plain. This is an age of advertising. The quickest road to publicity is through the daily newspapers. The business world nowadays does not wait. Micawber-like, for "something to turn up." It turns something up—by advertising.

But—

There is advertising and advertising. Originality counts. He or she who can devise a new method of publicity, a new style of advertising, other things being equal, will best succeed in reaching the public.

Miss Brown got the idea. Her advertising was different.

And this story, retold, will have accomplished its purpose if it shall lead some girl or boy to thinking along these lines.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

December 15.

1852—Izaak Walton died. Born Aug. 9, 1593.

1789—The first circulating library was established in Salem, Mass.

1796—General "Mad" Anthony Wayne, died in Presque Isle, Pa. Born in Easttown, Pa., Jan. 1, 1745.

1835—Patent office and postoffice in Washington burned.

1846—The first regiment to fight against Mexico was organized in Pittsburgh.

1892—Tandall L. Gibson, United States senator from Louisiana, died at Hot Springs, Ark.

1893—A provincial plebiscite in Prince Edward Island supported prohibition of the liquor traffic by an overwhelming majority.

1906—The new law separating church and state went into force in France.

THIS IS MY 63D BIRTHDAY.

John E. Pillsbury.

Captain John E. Pillsbury, chief of the navigation bureau of the navy department, was born in Lowell, Mass., Dec. 15, 1845, and was appointed to the naval academy in 1862 by President Lincoln. He was at the academy through all the days of the civil war, although he incidentally saw some active service. Graduating in 1866, he put in his first and practice cruise on the old frigate Minnesota. His first regular assignment after reaching the old rank of master was to the Boston navy yard. In the years that followed he saw much service on land and sea. He did much valuable work in the coast survey service and was stationed at various times in Asiatic and European waters. During the Spanish war he commanded the dynamite cruiser Ve-suvius. In 1902 he became a member of the general board and later was appointed assistant to the chief of the navigation bureau. In 1905 he was chief of staff of the North Atlantic fleet. Early in the present year he became chief of the navigation bureau. Throughout the naval service Captain Pillsbury is recognized as an expert in hydrographic and geodetic work and much of his service in the navy has been in these lines.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

And how many of us have hung on to those New Year's resolutions we made the first of January?

A lemon is a lemon—and a reflection slip is just as sour by any other name.

Black and White and Four-Legged.

There is a gang of chicken thieves operating nightly in Tina. Scarcely a night passes without one or more hen houses being raided. These thieves have no fear of constables, but no constable will serve a state warrant on them, and if he did no justice would allow the thief to be brought into his court. Too much and too loud perfunctory—Hale (Mo.) Hustler-Leader.

THESE ARE THE DAYS WHEN LITTLE WILLIE BOY FINDS IT AWFULLY HARD TO KEEP FROM

MOUNTING A CHAIR AND SEEING WHETHER THERE IS ANYTHING ON THE TOP SHELF FOR HIM FOR CHRISTMAS.

Educational Note.

The superintendent of the schools has moved into the house south of us and the Akers kid has removed his playground to the north side of our house for an indefinite period.—Stafford (Kan.) Republican.

How many of us there are who like to stay with the crowd, and how few of us love to stand alone.

Germany is experimenting with beer bottles looking for a color that best protects the contents from the light. Why not do all the drinking in the cellar?

The people who save on the little things are the ones who have money to spend on the larger things.

An actress for a coming production advertised recently for a perfect man. Mother says she refuses to let us go on the stage.

There are many ways of being generous, and any one can get money out of some men except Their wives.

Pittsburgh minister says the city is one of fragile morality, and bridge whist. Seems as if some ministers try to see how far they can go.

The joys of Christmas last about a week, for with the new year the bills begin to come in.

Mr. Roosevelt is hardly the "setting sun," as he has been referred. He is more like the "passing storm."

The only consolation for the rejected man is to have the girl who refused him grow into an old maid.

Lead pipe has advanced 52 per cent in price in 11 years. It costs more to have a cinch now than it used to do.

Lead pipe to the fairy tales of a book agent is told in court.

"Mignon" will be presented this afternoon under the auspices of the Chicago English Opera society in order to show the worth of local operatic singing.

Rev. Johnston Myers pleads with passers to sanction more fun in "melancholy Chicago," and defends theater, dance and church courtship.

State's Attorney Wayman promises thorough investigation of auto accident in which Phelps E. Hoyt was killed.

Mandatory ordinance introduced in Chicago council compels Oak Park Elevated company to elevate its tracks west of Fifty-second avenue.

United States supreme court decides that E. H. Harriman cannot be compelled to answer questions by the interstate commerce commission relative to private transactions, reversing lower court.

Six jurors are selected to try T. J. Jenkins Hains on charges of being accessory in the killing of William E. Annis on Long Island last summer.

Otto Kelsey, superintendent of insurance, whom Governor Hughes twice tried to remove from office, will resign Jan. 1 and become deputy to the New York state comptroller.

Rev. Admiral Evans in answering critics of the American navy declares that the new ships are vastly superior to the British Dreadnought.

Relations between employers and the workers are discussed at the annual meeting of the National Civic Federation in New York City, many prominent men giving their views on the subject.

Congressman McGavin, when his term expires next March, will take charge of the development department of the Dupont Powder company.

Secretary Straus plans big conference of labor leaders and employers to consider industrial problems.

Seizure of Venezuelan vessel by Holland calls forth decree from Acting President Gomez putting the nation in a state of defense.

Judging from the tone of the Wall street market by the action of leading brokers, it is very weak, but there are notable exceptions.

Forced Draught Realism.

"How is it that Scribner's novels thrill with such vital, gripping, realistic portrayal of human passions?" asked Danks.

"Well," said Hanks, "when he gets ready to write a novel, he orders a general housecleaning, sends for the plumber to fix the gas jets, and for the tinner to fix the stove pipes, bids his little daughter to stay at home to practice five-finger exercises, hires a street piano to play German, Irish and Italian national airs in front of the house, and tells his wife that her family is not as good as his own. Then he sits and takes notes of what happens."—Brooklyn Life.

In the Doctor's Family.

On her sixth birthday Ethelberta's father gave her a little ring with a tiny pearl in it. Not very long after that she appeared in her father's office, looking very woebegone.

"Oh, daddy," she said, "I've lost the little pearl out of my ring!"—Philadelphia Ledger.

Letters To Santa Claus

The Little Ones Write To Tell Santa What They Want

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 12, 1908.

Dear Santa Claus: Please bring me a flute, a train and a magic lantern. My little brother Everett wants some building blocks and a fire engine and a blackboard. I am nine years old and my brother is seven years old. Don't forget a Christmas tree. We will have lunch on the table for you. Lots of love for you.

ADELBERT AUSTIN.

544 Torrence avenue.

Dear Santa Claus: I would like to tell you what I would like to have for Christmas. I would like to have a pair of mittens and a piano and a set of brown-furs and an A. B. C. book and lots of nuts and candy. And I wish you would bring me all these things.

MISS FREDA LOHMEYER.

26 Gostlin street, Hammond, Ind.

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 12, 1908.

Dear Santa Claus: I am a little girl ten years old, and as Christmas is very near and as I am going to write a little letter to you so as not to forget me and sister. I want a stocking full of nuts and candy and some hair ribbons and a bone and a couple of boxes of crayons, and a box of paints, and a ring and two story books.

Sister wants a Christmas tree and a stocking full of nuts and candy, and a pair of shoes, size 7, and a drawing box of paints and a couple of tablets, and some hair ribbons. Well, goodbye, dear old Santa, goodbye. From your loving little girl.

MAUDE MEYER.

217 Indiana boulevard, Robertsdale.

East Chicago, Ind., Dec. 12, 1908.