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WOULDN'T IT BE A GREAT OLD WORLD?

It has always been held that confession is good for the soul, but the confession of Judge Gary of the Steel corporation, before the Ways and Means committee, suggests that liberal confession on the part of our millionaires might be good for the whole country. Would it not be possible for our great corporation managers and makers to thaw out a little and becoming real philanthropists, tell us how they did it in such a short time? Surely they have enough and they can hardly be interested in seeing the coming generation eclipse their magnificent fortunes. Certainly the poor people whom we have always with us, do not want to see the size of individual fortunes increased. Judge Gary was asked how the government could ascertain what profits are made by its "protected industries." He replied "by publicity and government control." What a jolly idea for Judge Gary who has made his fortune, to suggest that his successor be compelled to submit to government inspection and publicity! Would Judge Gary and the men who have assisted him in building up the steel business like to submit to this plan? Therefore it appears that Judge Gary leads the march for a millionaires change of heart. The business man of the future, he thinks, should be made to show his hand at every stage of the game. What a lovely kind old world this would be if business could be conducted by the beginners along the lines suggested by the men who have won riches and are now retiring!

SUCCESS OF LAW SCHOOL IS ASSURED.

The wonderful success of the Lincoln-Jefferson School of Law is a common-sense old and that over five thousand young men over the United States are pliant to its promoters. When it is considered that the school is but five taking the correspondence course and scores are taking the resident law course, the triumph of the gentlemen who have planned their faith in Hammond is more readily seen.

The new collegiate course on which the college officials are now working is destined to be even more successful, for it will embrace features that have never been taken up in the curriculum of any like school. Those who have faith in the greatness of Hammond will rejoice with the founders of the school at their success. They hope to see a magnificent building put up in Hammond next year where the Lincoln-Jefferson School of Law will have a home of its own, one that will be a credit to the city, justifying the expenditure of a large sum of money and bringing students to the institution from all parts of the world. The school itself is no longer a dream or a speculation. It is firmly established, based on right principles, backed by practical men, taught by men at the head of the profession, and Hammond will in the near future be known not as the erstwhile packing industry town but as the seat of a great law school.

STANDING BY THEIR LEADERS.

With fraternal loyalty towards their revered leaders, Messrs. Gompers, Morrison and Mitchell, the Carpenters' union of Gary have added their mite towards the prayers and petitions that are rolling towards Washington for executive pardon. It is a commendable trait of labor unionism to stand by its leaders through thick and thin and the desire to aid them when they need aid is most admirable. If labor unions believe that the leadership of these sentenced men has helped labor to gain any desirable end, it is meet that they should lend a hand. The people of the United States will regret that these labor leaders are to be jailed, believing merely that they were doing what was right, and it is to be hoped that a solution may be had out of the vexatious problem that confronts the nation. There is no dispute that it is a problem and less dispute that it is vexatious.

THE HELPING HAND EVER READY.

It is a far cry from San Francisco to Sicily but the horror of the news that comes from the sunny land of the citron and olive only recalls the horror in our own country when the fearful quake at the Golden Gate killed its hundreds. The comparison between the two catastrophes is infinitesimal. However, for thousands have been slain in Italy where hundreds were in Frisco. The human language is deficient in words to express the awful calamity in the Isle of Sicily and the land of the Messianic straits. There is only one ray of light in the gloom and that is the eagerness with which cities and bodies in the United States have turned to the work of raising relief funds. There is no time where our country stands out with more beautiful prominence than when other lands need aid and succor. There is no time when we can be prouder of it. No other nation can compare with it in its charity and fellow-feeling when there is suffering to be ameliorated and the pall of death to be raised.

"IT IS NOT so much the grafting in Pittsburgh," says a former East Chicago councilman, "as it is the piker-like methods that hurt. Fancy a paltry \$45,000 to be cut up among sixty councilmen. It is shameful in these days of universal uplift."

SO GARY CITIZENS are going to attend the Taft inauguration in March. Well, here's hoping they won't have to be delayed by any interurban and go without their dinners until a hambone and a crust of bread would be a welcome sight.

WHAT, OH, WHAT would have happened had Justice Wright announced his decision in the Gompers-Mitchell-Morrison cases before instead of after election?

BETTER FIND OUT whether the wheels of the water wagon are greased and that the guard rails inside of the seats are new.

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

Dec. 30.
1775—Pennsylvania Society for the Abolition of Slavery was organized.
1804—Port of Havana opened to American vessels.
1829—A congress met at Bogota to frame a constitution for Colombia.
1861—Banks in New York, Boston and other cities suspended specie payment.
1868—General Sheridan captured the Indian chiefs Santanta and Lone Wolf.
1871—Large section of Monroe, La., destroyed by fire.
1894—Amelia Bloomer, noted female dress reformer, died in Council Bluffs, Ia.
1902—Six hundred lives lost in burning of Iroquois theater in Chicago.
1905—Ex-Governor Steunenberg of

Heart to Heart Talks.

By EDWIN A. NYE.

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IF YOU WERE SANTA CLAUS.

What would you give to America if you could be the national Santa Claus? A magazine editor has asked this question and has received all sorts of answers from well known men and women.

For instance: Mrs. Schoof, president of the Mothers' Congress, gave a fine reply: "I would make it possible for every child to have a square deal all the time."

And Edwin Markham, author of "The Man With the Hoe," would give "a system organized by the state to provide work at living wages for all workless men and women."

Bishop Fallows would present "an ideal American home for all." Mayor Whitlock thinks "economic liberty" the best gift. Governor Glenn of North Carolina regards a national temperance law as the best present.

Elizabeth N. Phillips would "rekindle love on every hearthstone where the fires have gone out." And Julia Ward Howe if she were Santa Claus would give a more vigilant national conscience.

And Rev. Anna Shaw? You can guess what she would put into the national stocking:

"So harmonize the letter and spirit of the constitution and Declaration of Independence" as to bring equal privileges, equal justice and "true freedom to every citizen without distinction of sex."

And so on. What would be your Christmas gift to your country were you permitted to select it?

Think it over. Suppose that you, like Aladdin, had a wonderful lamp which when you rubbed it on Christmas eve would bring to you whatsoever you wished. What would you select for America?

The square deal for children? Work for the workless?

An ideal home for all? Economic liberty?

A national temperance law? Equal suffrage for all.

You see, a national Santa Claus would find it about as difficult to please all as does the children's Santa Claus.

And yet one gift might be suggested that would include all the other excellent presents, and more, much more.

And that would be—

The continued prevalence EVERY DAY OF THE CHRIST SPIRIT, the spirit of Christmas day.

Idaho assassinated by a dynamite bomb.

THIS IS MY GIST BIRTHDAY.

George F. Parker.

George F. Parker, well known as a journalist and writer, was born in Terre Haute, Ind., Dec. 30, 1847, and received his education at the State university of Iowa. He began his career as editor of a country newspaper in Iowa. After a few years of this experience he returned to Indiana and subsequently became a special correspondent at Washington, D. C. Mr. Parker was the first managing editor of the New York Times. He has also been a frequent contributor to the London Times and to leading American and European magazines. In the meanwhile he has found time to take an active interest in politics. He was secretary of the democratic state committee of Iowa in 1874 and 1875 and since then he has been prominently connected at different times with the democratic state committee of Pennsylvania and with the national democratic committee. During the three years beginning with 1885 Mr. Parker was assistant postmaster of Philadelphia.

RANDOM THINGS AND FLINGS

Quite a few people are seen on our streets these days—also these nights.

Have you listed your swear-offs?

ALTHOUGH WE HEAR SO MUCH ABOUT VOTES FOR WOMEN, NO BETTER WAY OF GETTING THE UPPER HAND OF MEN HAS YET BEEN DEvised THAN BY MARRYING THEM.

We heard a rather pitiful tale the other day of an Indiana Harbor girl who couldn't hang her stocking up on Christmas because she had a bad cold and had it wrapped around her neck.

You never imagine what a big man your wife thinks you are until you find that she has given you a pair of kicks, two sizes too large, for a Christmas present.

Important if true—Our snake editor says that One Lung, his Chinese washee has not dunned him for his bill for three days.

When

The new woman
Chooses a career and
Becomes a breadwinner,
The old-fashioned girl prefers to
Choose a husband and
Become a
Breadmaker.
It seems more and more patent that

UP AND DOWN IN INDIANA

GRAND HOTEL IS SOLD.

An important real estate deal, involving the Grand hotel property in Indianapolis, was completed yesterday when Jacquelin S. Holliday purchased that part of the real estate owned by the William Haerle heirs. Mr. Holliday paid \$110,000 for his purchase, which included a frontage of fifty-four feet and six inches on Illinois street and 121 feet and three inches on Maryland street.

FIGHT LOCAL OPTION.

A last effort to prevent the Wabash county local option election, which will be held today, came when the attorney for the Liberal league appeared in court and asked a restraining order preventing the inspectors from holding the election, on the ground that there is no provision in the law to contest the election after it is held. Judge Plummer declined to issue the order.

TO SELL BEN HUR ROAD.

From what is apparently good authority comes the story that on or about Jan. 1 the control of the Ben Hur traction line, running between Crawfordsville and Indianapolis, will pass under the control of the McGowan syndicate, which owns practically all interurbans in Indiana.

TRUSTY WALKS AWAY.

Terry Tyler, an inmate of the Reformatory at Jeffersonville, who was made a trusty and put to work outside the prison walls, made his escape by walking away last evening, despite the fact that he would have been recommended for a pardon within sixty days. The fact that Tyler knew his parole was almost assured caused the prison officials surprise when he left.

KILLED BY FALLING TREE.

Charles Caldwell, a well known farmer residing near Sedalia, eleven miles north of Frankfort, was killed yesterday by a tree falling on him. He and his son Faye were cutting wood when one of the trees fell in a direction opposite to that planned.

FREED OF THE CHARGE.

William Kollmeyer and Clifford Grove of Columbus, who jointly with Mrs. Frances Foxworthy Cooper were charged with the murder of her little daughter Hazel, who was found dead in Lick Creek last December, are now free men, the charges having been dismissed for lack of evidence.

Cipriano Castro ducked his nut at the right time.

Bryan says that he hopes he won't have to run again. Well, that's what we all hope.

THE MARRIED MAN WHO FINDS THAT AS SOON AS HE BREAKS A BILL IT SEEMS TO GET AWAY FROM HIM, SHOULD TRY LOCKING HIS TROUSERS UP IN THE REFRIGERATOR EVERY NIGHT BEFORE HE GOES TO SLEEP.

The schedule of the stopping places for the water wagon in the Calumet region next Thursday night is being made up. The plan to run the wagon on wheels instead of skids has been proposed, but nothing definite has been done about it.

A girl will overlook the fact that you are embarrassed when you propose to her, that is providing the embarrassment isn't of a financial nature.

Mr. Norman Cole must be related distantly to old King Cole.

Well, Gary carpenters, perhaps you helped Mr. Gompers some.

What has become of the old-fashioned man anyway, who wore ear tabs with a derby bonnet?

The question resolves itself into: At which kind of a goose-cooking does Hon. Henry Pettit of Gary really shine?

Voice of the People

Hammond, Ind., Dec. 30, 1908.

To Editor of THE TIMES, Hammond, Ind.

Dear Sir—I take this means of expressing my hearty thanks to Mr. John E. Fitzgerald, for his kind donations to the citizens of Hammond during Christmas of last week, would like to say to the citizens of Hammond that Mr. Fitzgerald, of the Hammond Distilling company, is one of a very few that comes to the front in time of need. However, I wish to say John is always Johnny on the spot when it is for a good cause, when we consider the amount of his donations amounting to \$500 or more. I think he can with satisfaction wear the title of Lord Fitzgerald. I also wish to thank the officers of the police department for giving their assistance and information as to the needy, and especially to their chief, also not forgetting the Mathall Bros for their assistance. Wishing you all, especially Lord Fitzgerald, a Happy New Year, I remain Yours truly,

SAM ABALMAN.

MUNSTER.

The town board of Munster held its regular monthly meeting last night at the school house.

Carl Stallbohm visited Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Kaske last evening.

Cornell Kikkert was in Highlands yesterday on business.

Mrs. Charles Stallbohm and Miss Mollie Stallbohm were in Lansing Monday visiting relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. P. D. Schoon have rented a large farm about three miles beyond Highlands, and intend moving the first of the year.

JANITOR TAKES ACID.

John White, 52 years old, city night watchman at the court house, Indianapolis, an old resident of that city and for years well known as a ward political worker, committed suicide Sunday night by swallowing the contents of a four-ounce bottle of carbolic acid in the rear room of the city controller's office.

CHEMIST FINDS ARSENIC.

In the trial of Fred Ellis at Shelbyville, charged with attempting to poison his wife, State Chemist H. E. Barnard testified to the presence of arsenic on a plate from the Ellis home. A bottle examined by him contained, he said, one and thirteen-hundredths grains of the poison.

MYERS IN MOCK TRIAL.

Quincy A. Myers, of Logansport, supreme judge-elect of Indiana, was defendant in a mock trial at a banquet Monday night patterned after the grilling politicians got at the Gridiron club banquets in Washington.

AGAR TRIES TO SELL PROPERTY.

In the papers today Henry E. Agar, who is under bond here to face a charge of forgery in connection with his failure and disappearance, inserted advertisements of Texas land over his own name.

CITY TURNS DOWN ELEVATION.

In the track elevation conference at Fort Wayne between officials of the Pennsylvania railroad, the Wabash railroad and the city, the latter turned down a proposition made by the railroads for immediate elevation, provided the city would consent to bear 25 per cent of the whole cost, instead of only 25 per cent of the cost at the street intersections, and provided the city would also consent to a greater depression at Calhoun street.

FORFEITS \$5,000 BOND.

Judge Van Fleet of South Bend Monday forfeited the \$5,000 on which William Fleming was held to answer in the superior court on a charge of conspiracy, bunco steering and receiving stolen property. The court refused to issue a capias warrant at this time. Judge Van Fleet said he would give Fleming a chance to appear this term of court. If at the end of the term he had not appeared the judge said he would then enter a capias warrant. Fleming is accused of engineering a fake wrestling match by which W. J. Springfield of Cleveland, O., was bunked out of \$10,000.

WABASH COUNTY GOES DRY

FIRST TEST UNDER NEW OPTION LAW RESULTS IN VICTORY FOR ANTI-SALOON LEAGUE

News of the greatest importance reached Lake county last night, that Wabash county, the first in Indiana to vote under the new county option law, yesterday went 397 dry after a hard-fought campaign in which both the Anti-Saloon and Liberal Leagues poured money and their best efforts into this county. Noble township, with its sixteen saloons, went wet.

Lake county saloonkeepers have been watching anxiously the Wabash county weather vane as it is quite probable the Anti-Saloon Keepers' association will be getting busy.

Newcastle.—The temperance forces of Stony Creek township have prepared a remonstrance signed by 160 voters voters, and there will be no saloon opened at Blountsville, a small town in the northeastern part of the county.

Evansville.—Chief of Police Fred H. Brenneke has filed an affidavit against Joseph Peters, a saloonkeeper of this city, who is charged with the violation of the Nicholson law. It is said that Peters failed last Sunday to take down his blinds and remove all obstructions in the front part of his saloon.

Portland.—It is not probable the local county option election, if one is held in this county at all, will be called before the latter part of February or March. This decision was reached at a recent meeting of temperance workers, held in this city, at which the situation, from all sides, was carefully gone over.

Bloomington.—Figures which show the number of intoxications and arrests for drunkenness in Bloomington when it was "wet," and since it has become a town without saloons, have been compiled from the police court docket by Mayor Malott. They follow: 1905, 579 arrests for plain drunk; 1906, 253; 1907, 158; 1908, 132. In 1907 there were 667 arrests on all charges, as compared with 237 this year—a decrease of about 60 per cent.

Columbus.—The time has elapsed for filing a petition before the county commissioners, asking them to call a special local option election at their January meeting, and no petition has been filed. As predicted by the temperance workers who were not in sympathy with the movement at this time the effort to obtain sufficient signatures in this county failed. More than 1,400 signatures were needed, and it is said that 800 were obtained.

Sullivan.—Jerry Thornton, a miner, was arrested yesterday as he stepped off an Indianapolis Southern train, and a charge of selling liquor without a license was placed against him. For some time miners have been coming into town to induce the sale of liquor, and officers have been unable to find where they got the liquor. Yesterday, an officer was on one of the coal trains, and saw Thornton selling "drinks" out of four bottles, which he carried with him.

New Albany.—A scheme to move an entire section of land from one township to another, in order that it might be included in "wet" instead of "dry" territory, was defeated yesterday, when a majority of the county commissioners expressed themselves as opposed to the move, and the petition was withdrawn. Several months ago a blanket remonstrance put the saloons of Georgetown township out of business, and among those affected was James Thornton, whose place was on a section of land adjoining New Albany township.

THE CREAM OF THE Morning News

One hundred thousand dead is the latest estimate of the victims of the Italian earthquake, many cities are destroyed, and the tidal wave and fire add to the loss of life.

King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Helena leave on special train for scene of the earthquake disaster.

Dr. Arthur S. Cheney, American consul at Messina, and his wife are among earthquake victims and fears are felt for many American tourists.

Disaster causes mourning in the Italian colonies in New York and other cities and prompt steps are taken to gather funds for relief work.

President Roosevelt cables America's sympathy with Italy and Red Cross takes steps to aid in the relief of the stricken country.

Guglielmo Ferrero, historian, discusses in New York the effects of the earthquake and tells of the great peril from stone buildings.

Chicago Italians cable \$2,000 to aid their stricken countrymen, and other contributions are to follow.

Justice Crane, in the Hains-Annis trial at Poughkeepsie, N. Y., declares that the "unwritten law" shall play no part in the jury's deliberations.

Old account book found in the false bottom of a trunk wins for Mrs. Nellie Knight the right of which she had been deprived by her foster parents.

Chief Shipley and President Farwell of the Chicago Law and Order league are at variance on the propriety of being observed in Chicago on New Year's eve.

Former employe of Morris & Co., now working for the government, is said to have given information to the federal officials that led to the packing inquiry.

Ohio senatorial situation is complicated by Burton's opposition to the plan for holding a caucus.

Legislative Voters' league takes initial step in the movement for a constitutional convention.

National prohibition leaders may out plan of battle for 1912 campaign.

Castro's followers in Venezuela resist new government, and in battle twenty men are killed, but, after repulsing attack, friends of the ex-dictator yield.

IN POLITICS

The petition, signed by a number of residents on the section of land, filed with the county commissioners, asked that the boundary lines between the two townships from Georgetown to New Albany township.

Richmond.—With Henry county "dry" and Wayne county still numbered among the "wets," the thirty-one of Newcastle have found that the traction line, coupled with a suit case, will bring desired results. Cambridge City is the nearest town to Newcastle that dispenses intoxicating liquors, and the exodus from the seat of Henry county to the Wayne county town is made by way of the trolley line. Yesterday afternoon a party of Newcastle men spent much time and evidently considerable money in Cambridge City saloons. One man, who came with two empty suit cases, took them back full of beer. Four dozen pint bottles were snugly packed in them. "When this gives out we can return at little cost," the man remarked laughingly, as he displayed his cargo to a thirsty man on an interurban car.

Bowser for Rivers and Harbors.

Talk of the assignment of republican senators to the various committees for the session still continues. It is said now that Senator Crumpacker will probably be the chairman of the committee on counties and township business. This will be one of the important committees. Last session Crumpacker was chairman of the committee on railroads which put through the two-cent fare law.

Senator Bowser, of Lake and Porter counties, is talked of for the chairmanship of the committee on rivers and harbors, because both of his counties border on Lake Michigan and are more deeply interested in harbors than any other counties in the state.

Foraker for Military Affairs.

Senator Foraker, of New Castle, is touted for chairman of the committee on military affairs, and Senator William Gomeran, of Posey county, a prominent manufacturer, will probably be chairman of the committee on manufactures.

Senator Ralph Kane, of Noblesville, will probably get a place on the judiciary committee and Senator Higgins, of Clinton is expected to land a berth on the committee on mines and mining. He is a retired mine operator. Senator C. W. Kimmel, of Kendallville, is slated for a place on the committee on insurance. Until recently he was an insurance agent.

Last Republican Card.

A good many persons have been wondering how it happens that the inauguration of Governor-Elect Marshall does not take place until Monday, Jan. 11, while the legislature opens its session on Jan. 11. It has been pointed out that the fact that the legislature will have four days the start of Marshall might mean that the republicans would undertake to organize the senate as well as the house, elect speaker, appoint committees and do everything else. The fact is that Lieutenant Governor Miller will preside over the senate during those four days but he will not do anything except preside. He will not make any committee appointments.

A Constitutional Provision.

It is understood that no bill of any kind will be introduced in either branch of the legislature before Governor-Elect Marshall takes his seat. Some of the democrats looked on the difference in the dates as a republican trick and an innovation. But the time when the legislature shall meet and when the governor and lieutenant governor shall be inaugurated is fixed by the constitution.

The constitution provides that the legislature shall convene on the first Thursday after the first Monday in January and that the terms of the governor and the lieutenant governor shall continue for four years from the second Monday in January.

MANY BILLS FOR NEXT SESSION

Legislators Arming Themselves With Shot and Shell of Every Size; Local Option Bill to Be in Preparation by Republicans.

BOWSER SLATED FOR RIVERS AND HARBOR

Question is Raised Why Marshall Does Not Take Office When Legislature Convenes — Constitutional Provision, However, Sets the Day — Assembly in Session First.

TIMES' BUREAU AT THE STATE CAPITAL.

Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 30.—Representative Andrew Jackson Behymer, of Madison county, one of the several democratic candidates for speaker of the house, was in town yesterday buying a typewriter. He declared while here that he is going to start right in today and do nothing but write bills which he will introduce in the house during the coming session of the legislature.

Behymer has ditch bills, cities and towns bills, metropolitan police bills, local option bills and all other kinds of bills—enough to keep the house busy a month.

Republicans to Repeal County Option?

Incidentally while he was here Behymer said he had information that a township and county ward local option bill will be introduced in the senate by a republican senator. He says it will not be necessary for the democrats to start the movement for the repeal of the county option law and that the republicans are going to do that themselves. But it is believed that Behymer is talking through his hat on that proposition. It is known that a good many of the democratic members believe that would be the wise thing for the republicans to do and that it would relieve the democrats of the blame for bringing about the repeal, but no republican has yet said, as far as can be learned, that he will introduce a repeal bill. So Behymer is probably wrong in supposing that a township and ward bill will be offered by a republican senator.

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