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Reuterdaal, who published the famous article dealing with defects in our battleships, should investigate the recent fatalistic battle aboard the training ship "Cumberland" and see if the victim's armored belt wasn't too low down.

And now the mayor of Evansville has placed the ban on tights and will not allow chorus girls to kick high enough to show anything but ankles. Indiana authors had better look out or they will be crowded out of the lime-light by Indiana mayors.

Union B. Hunt, chairman of the state railroad commission, says the commission will discourage expensive litigation with the railroads this year. Well, Union had better look out if Richmond doesn't get that freight interchange pretty soon.

If William Lett is chafing under his confinement in the jail, it is likely to have a different effect on him than it did on the bold-headed convict who grew a new crop of hair.

But about that St. Valentine's dance of the Tourist club—someone is apt to go home in a huff if his wife indulges too freely in that good old childhood game of "postoffice."

And now Bryan has offered to help Beckham land the senatorship in Kentucky. He was never very good at helping himself, let alone helping someone else.

"Glory be," is the cry of candidates as a new one enters their ranks, for the individual political assessments will be correspondingly lower.

Maybe Jerome Shurley announced himself for county treasurer because he thinks the shurley ought to get it.

Those anarchists down in Brazil must have read Reuterdaal's expose and determined to hit above the water-line.

## BLIND MAN'S BUFF.

This Common Game Is of Great Antiquity and French Origin.

Blind man's buff is of French origin and of very great antiquity, having been introduced into England in the train of the Norman conquerors. Its French name, "Colin Maillard," was that of a brave warrior, the memory of whose exploits still lives in the chronicles of the middle ages.

In the year 999 Liege reckoned among its valiant chiefs one Jean Colin. He acquired the name Maillard from his chosen weapon being a mallet, wherewith in battle he used literally to crush his opponents.

In one of the feuds which were of perpetual recurrence in those times he encountered the Count de Toulouse in a pitched battle, and, so runs the story, in the first onset Colin Maillard lost both his eyes.

He ordered his esquire to take him in the thickest of the fight, and, furiously brandishing his mallet, did such fearful execution that victory soon declared itself for him.

When Robert of France heard of these feats of arms he lavished favor and honors upon Colin, and so great was the fame of the exploit that it was commemorated in the pantomimic representation that formed part of the rode dramatic performance of the age. By degrees the children learned to act it for themselves, and it took the form of a familiar sport.

The blindfolded pursuer, as, with bandaged eyes and extended hands, he gropes for a victim to pounce upon, in some degree repeats the action of Colin Maillard, the tradition of which is also traceable in the name "blind man's buff."—London M. A. P.

PENNSYLVANIA  
PLACES BIG ORDER

10,000 Tons of Rails to Be Delivered Soon.

The Pennsylvania Railroad last week placed an order for 10,000 tons of rails with the Carnegie Steel Company, delivery to be made as soon as possible. This order is somewhat unusual with reference to the weight, as the specifications call for sixty-pound rails. It is understood that the Pennsylvania intends to relay many of its sidings with the lighter rails, using the 100-pound rails to the yard only on its main track.

The rubber tip on the end of lead pencils made its inventor rich.

SMALL FIRE LOSS  
DURING THE YEAR  
1907 SAYS REPORTChief Miller Shows That Only  
\$29,035 Loss in Fires During  
Twelve Months Which Is Considered Little.RECOMMENDATIONS FOR  
DEPARTMENT'S BENEFIT.Chief Would Have Chemical  
Engine and New Team of  
Horses Placed at No. 1  
Hose House.

Fire Chief Miller submitted to council Monday evening his report for the year 1907. If it makes some minor suggestions for the good of the department. In part the report is as follows:

## Manual Force.

The force of the department remains the same as the last report, one chief, one assistant chief, and nineteen men, divided into five companies.

## Apparatus.

The apparatus in service at this time consists of one hook and ladder truck well equipped and in good condition, one steam fire engine in fair condition, located at No. 3 hose house. Also five two horse hose wagons, two combination hose wagons and chemical engines, all in good condition.

One of the hose wagons is held in reserve. I would suggest to your honorable body that you place a chemical engine on No. 1 hose wagon. There is also one chief's wagon in fair condition.

## Hoses.

During the year there has been purchased for the No. 3 hose company a new team to replace the old ones making eleven head of horses to be provided for by this department. I would suggest a new team be purchased for No. 1 hose company.

## Fire Alarm Telegraph.

The fire alarm system remains the same as at last report, sixty boxes in service with about twenty-four miles of No. 10 hard drawn copper wire on poles divided into four circuits, with switch board and batteries with four combined siren and indicators, four strikers, four automatic trips for opening stall doors, all of which worked satisfactorily except newer striker at No. 2 hose house.

## Hoses.

Our supply of hose remains about the same as at last report. I would suggest that you purchase five hundred feet for this year.

## Water Supply.

During the past year the water supply for fire purposes has been very satisfactory. The number of fire hydrants in use 322.

## Fires.

For the fiscal year ending December 31, 1907, there have been alarms of fires as follows: Regular box alarms 71; telephone alarms 41, making total number of alarms 113. There was used during the year for fire purposes, 18,650 feet of hose.

Total value of buildings endangered ..... \$494,200

Insurance ..... 209,450

Loss ..... 29,035

Actual cost of department for year ..... \$19,179.50

In conclusion, I desire to express my thanks to all city officers for courtesies shown me. To all members of the department my thanks are expressly due for the satisfactory manner in which they have performed their duties.

Respectfully submitted,  
EDGAR MILLER, Chief

## In the Smoker.

"What's my state? Wash.—and the cleanest state in the whole Union."

"According to that," remarked the traveler from Pittsburgh, "I half from one fit only for pigs—or literary men."

"Wealthy sinners ought to settle in my state," was the contribution of the Bostonian.

The man from Nashville closed the conversation. "This is too smart a crowd for me," he said, "and yet my state can beat any nine others you fellows can pick out!"—New York Times.

## He Knew the Step.

A young constable arrived in a certain borough in Scotland and in the course of duty found it essential to apprehend a very old offender. Arrived at the police station, he ushered him into the cells with the comment: "Mind the step."

"Gae awa, man," said the prisoner, with contempt. "I kent the step afore ye was born."—Dundee Advertiser.

Waiting to be operated on in a Brussels hospital, a young man became so nervous that he went into an adjoining room and hanged himself with his handkerchief.

Saves the day for  
many a discour-  
aged dyspeptic  
Grape-Nuts

"There's a Reason"

PALLADIUM WANT ADS. PAY

## WEDS AT THE AGE OF 136.

New York, Jan. 21.—Just to prove that Cupid is no respecter of age, William Brooks Mason, a negro, who gave his age as 136 years, today applied for a license at the Marriage License Bureau. He gave his address as 118 East 15th street and his birthplace at Havana, Cuba and admitted that this was his second matrimonial venture in the last 100 years. His first wedding, he said, was a century ago, his wife dying 10 years ago.

Ella Haynes, 25 years old, who gave her address as No. 68 East 13th street, was the bride-elect, and it was her duty to lead the aged victim of Cupid's darts to the license window, as Mason's eyesight was very poor. In no other way did he show signs of being decrepit and was particularly brisk and keen about being married right away.

With that object in view he stepped nimbly downstairs to the marrying room in the basement, where Alderman Smith read the services joining the two in matrimony.

No More  
PILESNo Matter How Bad Your Case Is Or  
How Long You Have Had It, Pyramid  
Pile Cure Can Cure It.

## Free Package Sent To Prove It.

Half of the suffering and torture of piles has never been told. Whether your particular case of piles is almost too excruciating for any mortal to bear, or if you are fearfully tantalized by unreachable itching and bleeding or whether you have only a moderate case of piles, there is positive relief, and quick too, in Pyramid Pile Cure.

You need not take for granted all we say about our Pile Remedy. We want it to speak for itself.

That is why we say to every person suffering from piles or any form of rectal disease, send us your name and address and we will gladly send you a free trial package of the marvelous Pyramid Pile Cure. After using the trial you will hurry to your nearest druggist and get a 50 cent box of Pyramid Pile Cure, now admitted by thousands to be one of the most wonderful reliefs and cures for piles ever known.

Instant relief can be gotten by using the marvelous Pyramid Pile Cure. It immediately reduced all congestion and swelling, heals all sores, ulcers and irritated parts. It renders an operation absolutely unnecessary.

Send your name and address today for free trial package to Pyramid Drug Co., 138 Pyramid Bldg., Marshall, Mich.

## RECEIPTS.

January	\$ 7,225.14
February	6,744.27
March	7,425.51
April	5,708.40
May	5,053.63
June	4,969.12
July	5,254.75
August	4,864.63
September	3,578.78
October	6,040.96
November	6,652.27
December	6,998.44

## TOTAL RECEIPTS FOR 12 MONTHS.

\$72,913.85

## BALANCE.

\$72,913.85

## AMOUNT PAID CITY TREASURER.

\$72,913.85

## CASH ON HAND DEC. 31, 1907.

\$57.55

## \$72,902.49

## AMOUNT OF RECEIPTS FOR PAST 12 MONTHS.

\$72,913.85

## CASH ON HAND DEC. 26, 1906.

\$78.64

## \$72,902.49

## DISBURSEMENTS.

## OPERATING EXPENSES.

\$15,628.07

## COST OF BUILDING AND EQUIPMENT.

\$3,222.14

## METERS.

\$1,511.37

## TRANSFORMERS.

\$2,533.29

## INSURANCE.

\$636.70

## INTEREST AND COMMISSION.

\$5,767.29

## REPAIRS.

\$3,049.19

## MISCELLANEOUS.

\$2,586.65

## TOTAL.

\$44,928.77

## EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER OPERATING EXPENSES.

\$27,985.08

## C. H. ROGERS, Sup't.

## A report for the month of December was also submitted showing total receipts of \$63,068.44, and disbursements of \$3,526.02. The excess of receipts over operating expense was \$4,031.00.

## SIMPLE REMEDY FOR LA GRIPPE.

La grippe coughs are dangerous as they frequently develop into pneumonia.

Foley's Honey and Tar not only stops the cough but heals and strengthens the lungs so that no serious results need be feared.

The genuine Foley's Honey and Tar contains no harmful drugs and is in a yellow package.

Refuse substitutes. A. G. Lukens &amp; Co.

## CENTERVILLE, IND.

Centerville, Ind., Jan. 21.—Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Commons of Centerville, visited at Eaton, O., Sunday, as guests of E. L. Churchill and wife, who were married on Wednesday, to the surprise of all their friends. Mr. Churchill is connected with a prominent horse farm and is quite popular among horsemen.

IS THERE A BIG  
DEPRECIATION ON  
THE LIGHT PLANT?This Question Has Been  
Raised and Councilmen  
Would Like to Know Just  
What This Will Be.MERRILL NOT YET READY  
TO STATE WHAT IT IS.Expert Who Investigated the  
City's Property Held That  
The Depreciation Would  
Be About Eight Per Cent.No More  
PILESNo Matter How Bad Your Case Is Or  
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