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First Citizen—"Fine report from the city light plant, wasn't it?" Second Citizen—"You bet. Those newspaper chaps must have been mistaken when they said the plant need investigation." The Little Bird that Knows (sotto voice)—"Yep, that's just what the big manufacturers want you to think while they go right along getting electricity for their factories and for their families at just one-half what you are paying for it."

So our county republican executive committee has reconsidered and will allow candidates to hire carriages, but will not allow them to hire drivers. At that rate the winning candidate will probably be the one who shows a streak of genius by importing a car load of educated horses from some circus to bring his lazy friends to the polls.

A Terre Haute newspaper carries an advertisement announcing that John R. Walsh, the convicted Chicago banker, will continue to attend to his business affairs. Yes, but he may do so in the near future from the stone pile instead of from his office desk.

Why doesn't council ask Brer. B. B. Johnson about depreciation on the light plant? He has shown great skill as press agent and news bureau for the anti-investigation gang and ought to be able to get them around that embarrassing point somehow.

Providence was blamed, in the long run, for the Iroquois theatre disaster, as the manager escaped conviction. Let us hope something more substantial will be blamed and punished this time in the case of the Boyertown catastrophe.

To those who believe in America for Americans, the statistics just published, showing an enormous increase in the number of foreigners returning to Europe and the comparatively few coming to this country, will have no terrors.

Resolved, That all the congressional candidates of the Sixth district each contribute a quarter to one Thomas Davidson of Greensburg for the bouquets he threw yesterday and that he also be compelled to contribute."

Mr. Davidson is correct in his contention that all the candidates are a fine lot and the one that draws the congressional plum will be going about for ever afterward trying to convince us that he is the finest of the lot.

Evelyn Thaw says that White was very kind and thoughtful to the young girls he knew. Cats often times exhibit great kindness and playfulness, mice for some time—and then devour them.

Is there a big depreciation on the municipal light plant? Well, inasmuch as some one's feelings might be hurt if an investigation were held it will be hard to tell.

From Evelyn Thaw's story White was a human cat. He was kind and thoughtful to moral young girls until the opportunity presented itself to deviate from their morals.

Any boy who is willing to walk 5,700 miles in four years for an education—as Jesse Eilar of Hagerstown, is doing, deserves to walk the rest of his life through easy and rosy paths.

But then if that outflow of foreigners continues, some people will have to make up for the population decrease by practicing the doctrine of Rooseveltian families.

And now just after the Brazilian police have relieved us from an anarchist scare, Russia comes along with the declaration that Japan is making preparations for war.

It is true that the owners of billboards have some property rights, but it is equally true that a nuisance can be done away with no matter in what form it is.

The rubber tip on the end of lead pencils made its inventor rich, and the red tips on drinking men's noses are making the brewers and distillers wealthy.

But then how could any one expect

to secure an investigation of the light plant with all the "power" there is down there to fight it?

The squeals and not the price of hogs are going up, as our farmers rush to the market to dispose of their porkers this year.

That pole ordinance is a good deal like a telegraph pole—always up in the air—as far as any settlement is concerned.

HIS SATANIC MAJESTY
BLAMED FOR FIREHamilton, O., Woman Burned
To Death.

Hamilton, O., Jan. 22.—Mrs. Fred Lamke, forty years old, of South Second street, rushed from her home into the street today, with her clothing in flames, and shouting that the devil had set her ablaze. She died after removal to Mercy hospital. It is said that she was insane, and that she set fire to her dress while in the cellar of her home, after first saturating it with coal oil.

PANTHER STILL AT
LARGE IN SWAMPStrange Beast Seen and
Heard in Gulch.

The idea of neatness possessed by

DIVORCE EVIL CAUSE
OF YOUNG CRIMINALSJudge Stubbs Would Never
Grant a Decree.

"If I had my way about it, there would never be a divorce granted in the country, except on a proved charge of immoral conduct. This business of people quarreling and then separating, leaving their children without a chance to get on in life as they should have gone entirely too far, and it is time it was stopped—and stopped quick and hard."

Judge Stubbs of the Juvenile court, Indianapolis, gave his ideas on the divorce question briefly today. The judge was talking of divorce of persons who had children and left them unprotected against the world the youth's conditions being such as to encourage them to commit crime.

MOTHER TO FOLLOW
DAUGHTER TO ALTARMrs. Vanderbilt May Also Be
Wedded.

New York, Jan. 22.—The general impression is that the wedding of Miss Vanderbilt to Count Szecsenyi, of Hungary, will be immediately followed by the announcement of the engagement of her mother, Mrs. Vanderbilt, to another nobleman. An annual income of \$250,000 was left to Mrs. Vanderbilt by her late husband, Cornelius Vanderbilt, in addition to her son, who is said to have had several millions settled on her during her life, and she has a big fortune in jewels.

Mrs. Vanderbilt and Miss Vanderbilt became foreign in their proclivities, after the death of Mr. Vanderbilt, under the guidance of Mrs. Robert Goeler. They spent several months for three consecutive seasons with Mrs. Goeler cruising on her yacht Nahma in foreign waters.

The Arab's Pride of Blood.

Of the Arab's pride a traveler writes: "He is proud of his own blood and of his mare's blood for its own sake. He will show you a broken down little crock and inform you, with perfect truth, that she is of the best blood in the Jazirah; he will also show a fine stallion of his own and tell you he is a 'dash' or underbred animal, and there is no doubt it is the bad thoroughbred he admires and prefers to the finest made cross breed. As regards his shaykh and tribal leader, he discriminates in an equal degree between the clever warrior, astute diplomatist and good business man of low extraction and the shaykh of high lineage, who may be a miserable epileptic creature, and always to the disadvantage of the low born man."

Where He Would Have Shone.

Cardinal Mezzofanti, who died in 1849, at the age of seventy-five years, knew and could speak more than fifty languages. And he knew them thoroughly. He could entertain his English friends with specimens of Yorkshire dialect and his French or German visitors with the patois of their respective countries. "What a fine job he could have had as a universal interpreter should he have lived in the times of the tower of Babel!" was one of Lord Byron's caustic remarks.—Argonaut.

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Grape-Nuts

"There's a Reason"

Read "The Road to Wellville," in pgs.

STORIES FROM THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

From The Palladium's Special Correspondent, Ralph M. Whiteside

A congressman usually gets his share of strange requests from citizens. The other day a Washington man called upon Representative William S. Greene, of Massachusetts, and asked him to put a stop to cock crowing early in the morning.

"It murders my sleep," he said. Mr. Greene was stumped for a minute. Then he saw his opportunity and seized it.

"Is there any law on the subject?" he asked.

"There is, sir," said the sleepless one, "but it has been declared unconstitutional."

"Ah," commented the man from Massachusetts, "I'm sorry."

The man is still losing sleep.

United States Senator J. P. Dolliver of Iowa, is a mighty optimistic man, and he has a great amount of indignation stored up for any one who dares to tell him that the nation is going to the bad. "This school of criticism against the government which has grown up within the last few years," said the senator the other day, "has exaggerated slight defects until millions of people are downhearted. They have come to believe that our institutions are going to the bad. This is nonsense. For twenty-seven years the moral level has been rising. Drunkenness and gambling among members of both houses was a common thing a number of years ago, but today such a spectacle is incredible. Conditions are becoming better all the time."

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Vice President Fairbanks causes no of the country. He evidenced this in little comment and interest in the Senate's two hour speech, denouncing the financial transactions of the administration of recent date. Senator Tillman declared that it is all right for the president to "turn on the light," but he wanted handcuffs used with the light. This, of course, refers to financial men of the East. Senator Tillman is particularly bitter in his latest denunciation of the "barons of finance" as he refers to some bankers and speculators, and he loses no opportunities to advocate the jailing of those responsible for financial crises.

While it seems preposterous to predict that Thomas P. Gore, the blind Senator from Oklahoma, who has an enviable chance to make a brilliant reputation, will be shelved before he has gotten into his work, there are many predictions here that such will be the case.

Senator Gore drew the short term, while Robert L. Owen was allotted the six year term. When they were elected the line was drawn between Oklahoma and Indiana Territory.

In the house was B. T. Clayton, from a Brooklyn district, who is a West Point graduate. He is now a quartermaster in the army with the rank of captain. Captain Hobson, of Alabama, and Captain Weeks, of Massachusetts, at present in the house, are graduates of Annapolis.

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POSSIBILITIES OF
INLAND WATERWAYS
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Interesting Sessions in
Indianapolis Yesterday.CATHOLICS NUMBER
TWENTY-TWO MILLIONEqually That Number Under
United States Flag.

Milwaukee, Wis., Jan. 22.—There are 13,877,426 Roman Catholics in the United States, according to the advance sheets of the 1908 Wiltzus Catholic directory, published in this city. These figures show an increase of 788,003 over last year. Including the Catholic population of the Philippines, which amounts to 7,108,452, and adding the 1,000,000 Catholic population of Porto Rico and 35,000 Catholics of the Sandwich Islands, the entire Catholic population under the United States flag amounts to 22,018,808. As all figures are submitted to the directory publishers by the various Archbishops and bishops, the total may be taken as a very reliable estimate, a census having been taken in most of the archdioceses and dioceses, and the very latest figures have been submitted.

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GRANT OF \$7,000,000 IS
URGED FOR STREAMS.Indiana, Ransdell Said, Should
Require Representatives
And Senators to Indorse
Such a Bill in Congress.

Indianapolis, Ind., Jan. 22.—The possibilities growing out of the improvement of the inland waterways of Indiana and all of the states comprising the Ohio valley, were eloquently and vigorously discussed at the opening of the first convention of the Indiana branch of the National Rivers and Harbors congress.

The Ohio Valley was likened to a garden of Eden, with almost unlimited resources and magnificent streams, whose value to the commercial world can be revealed by judicious expenditure of government funds. From Lake county, on the north, to Evansville and other cities, on the south, there was a demand for money to begin improvements which, it was said, would add almost untold wealth to the state.

Prominent among the delegates in attendance are Joseph E. Ransdell, president and J. E. Ellison, secretary of the National rivers and harbors congress; Thomas R. Shipp, secretary of the United States Inland Waterways Commission and Perry A. Rauhalla, of Ft. Wayne, Ind. Among the speakers were Congressman James E. Watson, "Whip of the House," and Governor Hanly. Such veterans as Colonel Frank B. Posey, of Evansville, in the movement to improve the Ohio river and other waterways, are in attendance.

J. F. Ellison, of Cincinnati, secretary of the national rivers and harbors congress, gave a short address at the afternoon session. He said that the convention had assembled in the greatest inland city in the United States, and one that might well be directly interested in improvement of the waterways.

"Owing to the uncertain navigation of the Ohio river," said Mr. Ellison, "a Pittsburgh coal shipper told me that it was necessary to pay an excess of 20 cents for every ton of coal that is sent down the river, and it is not necessary for me to say who it is that pays this excess. Indianapolis pays it, as does every other city in which the coal from this locality is sent."

A permanent organization will be effected today.

Ransdell's Counsel.

One of the principal speakers was Congressman Joseph E. Ransdell, of Louisville, president of the National

Harbors and Harbors Congress, who spoke briefly of the purposes of the organization and the necessity of the carrying them out. He said in part:

"That in Adam's case it must have been a real re-leaf to change his clothes," said Willieboy. — Harper's Weekly.

For One's Own Comfort.

Half the sting of poverty or small means is gone when one keeps house for one's own comfort and not for the comfort of one's neighbors.—Dinah Maria Mulock.

Fooling the Cook.

"Your cook is telling that your husband gets a very small salary."

"We just tell her that to keep her from demanding a large one."—Hous-ton Post.

Each man judges things by his own conditions. No sunrise looks alike to two men.—Manchester Union

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