

## HOPES TO BLOT OUT OLD STIGMA

Athletics at Local High School  
To Be Put on Clean  
Basis.

THE STUDENTS WILL AID.

TEAMS WILL BE UNDER CONTROL  
OF BOARD COMPOSED OF FAC-  
ULTY MEMBERS AND STUDENT  
REPRESENTATIVES.

A meeting for the reorganization of the Richmond high school athletic association will be called next week. It is proposed at this meeting to put the association on a firm basis so that it will be able to support school teams during the present school year.

An entirely new form of management will be inaugurated. A new constitution will be adopted; one that will be similar to the constitutions of Shortridge, Ft. Wayne and other first class high schools of the state. The president will be a faculty member and the treasurer a student or vice-versa. The board of control will be made up of the president as an honorary member and three members of the faculty and three students. This will give the association the co-operation of both the faculty and student body, which the athletics at the school has always lacked.

Principal Knoff said last evening: "I know that the athletics at the school, with the proper management, can be put on a firm basis but it will take the co-operation of the students and the faculty and the coach. There is plenty of fine material for good teams in the field this year."

"Efforts will be made this term to live down the bad reputation of the local high school that has been made by teams of former years. The local school is known all over the state for the bad manner in which former teams have acted when out of the city. The fellows may think I am radical on some of the questions, but it is for their good. It is time that a reform of the athletics of the school is started. The Richmond school I hope will be recognized this year for its clean athletics and its clean moral boys who play on its teams."

The stand taken by Prof. Knoff on the athletics of the school is welcomed by the students.

## FRENCH RUNNER WINS MARATHON

Falls in Arms of Wife After  
Crossing Line in Chicago.

Chicago, Sept. 19.—Albert L. Corey, an unattached runner, won the fourth annual Marathon race of the New Illinois Athletic club today. The great French runner covered twenty-five miles from Ravinia park to the Michigan avenue club house in 2 hours 57 minutes and 30 seconds. Sidney Hatch, one of the American runners in the great Olympic Marathon at London, sprinted across the line second just one minute behind the winner. John Feltes, unattached runner, was third. Those that finished behind him in the order named were, James Thompson, Ed Dryer, Charles Tobert, William Andres, A. Reisler, Calvert Health and B. F. Brocksmitt. The record for the course is 2:41:33.

Corey has run several Marathon races in Chicago and others elsewhere and has always finished among the leaders. As he entered the Illinois Athletic club doors his wife was the first to greet him. He nearly collapsed in her arms.

## NAPOLEON LAJOIE HAS MADE MONEY

Veteran Baseball Player Must  
Now Be Wealthy.

New York, Sept. 19.—Napoleon Lajoie will in all probability have made as much money as any other baseball player in the business by the time he is ready to quit. In his twelve years of big league experience he has netted about \$83,000, and since the Nap manager and second baseman appears to be of a careful nature, he is probably well off in this world's goods.

HOLD ANNUAL MEETING.

Modern Brotherhood of America to As-  
semble Next Month.

Davenport, Ia., Sept. 19.—The Modern Brotherhood of America, a fraternal beneficiary society, organized in 1897, will hold its annual convention here October 14. The society has a membership of more than 110,000, and has more than \$136,500 of insurance in force. It has paid claims to the amount of more than \$3,300,000. There are 2,311 subordinate lodges in the United States. There will be 148 delegates at the convention.

IS REPRESENTATIVE.

John H. Russell will represent the American Text and Decorating company which received the contract for the street decorations for the coming Fall Festival.

## Christenings to be Licensed Just As Boxing Matches and Circus

Waterbury, Conn., Sept. 19.—Because of the numerous riots precipitated by attempts to endow Polish and Italian infants with names, the authorities of Bristol have served notice that hereafter no christenings will be allowed except upon written permission of the chief of police.

The naming of the little Pietros and Ignaces is always accompanied by merry wassail, the simple pleasure loving peasantry usually concluding the picturesque christening customs of their native lands by a fusillade of revolver bullets and impromptu orgies with stiletos. Fortunate indeed is

the guest who sees the little stranger acquire all his name and escapes with all his own anatomy.

The climax came last week when rival godfathers slashed each other over the god-child's head and the lady who thought she ought to have been godmother laid the lady who really was godmother out with a chair.

It was feared that this sort of early training might tend toward the encouragement of recklessness in growing citizens. Hereafter the police will issue permits exactly as they do for boxing matches, fireworks, and circuses. Patrolmen will be detailed to preserve the peace and save the pieces.

## WHO WILL WIN?

NATIONAL LEAGUE.			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
New York	87	47	.650
Chicago	86	53	.619
Pittsburgh	86	54	.614
Philadelphia	73	61	.544
Cincinnati	67	71	.486
Boston	57	81	.413
Brooklyn	47	90	.343
St. Louis	47	91	.341

AMERICAN LEAGUE.			
	Won	Lost	Pct.
Detroit	78	58	.573
Cleveland	80	60	.571
Chicago	78	61	.561
St. Louis	75	67	.528
Philadelphia	65	70	.481
Boston	65	72	.474
Washington	59	74	.444
New York	46	89	.340

## RESULTS YESTERDAY.

National League.			
	R.	H.	E.
Chicago	4	12	0
Philadelphia	2	9	3
Brown and Kling; Corridor and Doolin. First game.			
Chicago	8	3	
Philadelphia	0	7	1
Reulbach and Klink; Ritchie and Doolin. Second game; called end 10th inning; darkness.			
Pittsburgh	11	1	
New York	2	8	1
Leifield and Gibson; Ames, Crandall and Bresnahan.			
Cincinnati	6	8	5
Boston	5	8	3
Spade, Rowan and McLean; Chapelle, Mattern and Graham.			
St. Louis	6	8	1
Brooklyn	1	7	6
Higginbotham, Raymond and Bliss; McIntyre, Holmes, Pastorius, Dunn and Farmer. First game.			
St. Louis	3	0	
Brooklyn	0	4	2
Raymond and Bliss; Wilhelm and Dunn. Second game.			

American League.			
	R.	H.	E.
Washington	2	9	1
Chicago	7	12	1
Withoupe and Street; White and Sullivan.			
New York	6	10	1
Detroit	5	8	5
Warhop, Manning and Blair; Mullin and Schmidt.			
Boston	2	8	1
Cleveland	5	9	3
Steele, Wood, Morgan and Donohue and Criger; Liebhardt and Bemis.			
St. Louis	0	3	0
Philadelphia	2	7	4
Howell and Spencer; Schiltzer and Bowers.			

## PUPILS OF SCHOOL TO BE PROTECTED

Fire Escape to Be Erected at  
High School Building.

Work of putting up the new fire escape on the east side of the high school building will be started Monday. Carpenters will be put to work by the school board to put a door in the east wall of the chapel according to the instructions of the state fire inspector. The school board hopes that the new escape will be ready for use by the last of September.

The question of installing the new safety fire lath on the front doors of the high school building now confronts the board. One of the latches has been placed on the Garfield school front door, and has proved satisfactory. Their use will be decided at the next meeting of the board.

HORSE SHOERS MEET.

Will Hold a Convention at Buffalo  
Next Month.

Buffalo, N. Y., Sept. 19.—The seventeenth annual convention of the master horse shoers' national protective association will open here Monday, October 12. Addresses of welcome will be made by the mayor and other public officials, and the national president of the association will make the response. Several papers will be read on subjects pertaining to the trade.

A LIKELY STORY.

Owensville, Ind., Sept. 19.—Rattlesnakes were found in an abandoned well near Grayville, Ill. Men attacked the snakes with clubs and guns, killing more than one hundred.

## IMMENSE AMOUNT FOR RECLAMATION

Uncle Sam Has Given Thirty  
Millions to Reclaim  
Lands.

AN IRRIGATION CONGRESS.

MANY INTERESTING ANNOUNCE-  
MENTS WILL BE MADE AT THIS  
MEETING WHICH WILL BE A  
VERY INTERESTING ONE.

Chicago, Ill., Sept. 19.—The report of the work of the government reclamation service for the past year at the coming session of the National Irrigation Congress will be the most interesting in the history of the service, say engineers at the headquarters of the office in Chicago, established by Uncle Sam. Figures have been compiled showing the extent of the work to date and the possibilities for future progress along this line.

According to C. J. Blanchard, statistician of the government reclamation service, the appropriations of the government now amount to \$30,000,000 and as much more will be appropriated when the present projects are completed. Already 3,198,000 acres have been brought under water through public and private efforts, and 3,270,000 acres additional are now contemplated. This will add \$200,000,000. It is estimated, to the taxable wealth of the United States, and will provide homes for 80,000 families.

Together with progress in the actual work of reclamation the financing of projects has become easier, owing to growing recognition of the peculiar security of irrigation bonds that are issued under the Carey act. Unlike most other bonds, the security for these investments increases all through the term, both by the increase in value of the property after the water is on it and by the annual payments made under the Carey act by the people who buy the land. At present the rate of interest on such bonds is high, but under the increasing investment demand it will probably be materially reduced in the next few years.

Another interesting point in irrigation work is the gradual employment of reclamation methods outside the arid regions, wherever a regular supply of moisture is desired. According to engineers of the service, the time is not far distant when artificial water supply will be received in the heart of the grain belt, in sections where the farmers at present suffer heavy losses through occasional droughts.

## HE ATE THE SOAP.

Garland Would Have Swallowed It If  
It Had Killed Him.

Augustus H. Garland, who was attorney general under President Cleveland, was very fond of practical jokes and during his term of service in the senate frequently turned the laugh on his colleagues. Senators Voorhees and Vest, with whom he was very friendly, finally determined to turn the tables. Mr. Garland had a habit, like Voorhees, of munching candy, and Vest and Voorhees made it up between them to take advantage of his fondness for sweets to play their trick. They had some tempting looking chocolate caramels prepared, with the interior filled with brown soap. These they took to the senate chamber, and Voorhees placed them on his desk. The lid being off, when Mr. Garland sauntered down the aisle he noticed them at once.

"What have you there, Dan?" he inquired.

Voorhees looked up carelessly from his writing and responded: "Caramels. Eat yourself."

Garland needed no second invitation, and, picking up two or three, placed one in his mouth. Steadily he chewed away, his face betraying no sign of the conflict within him. This alarmed Voorhees, who went to Vest's desk and said:

"He's eating them, Vest! What shall we do? The stuff will kill him sure!" Senator Vest replied that it could do no more than make him sick. Garland swallowed the stuff, although he was foaming at the mouth from the soap-suds. He related the incident afterward with great gusto and said he would have swallowed it if it had killed him.

## CAN YOU SOLVE THIS?

A Problem That Seems Simple, but  
That Will Invite Discussion.

How much greater than three-fourths is four-fourths?

At first sight it seems an easy question, but put it to your arithmetical friends and you will probably find that it will divide them into two parties, one contending that the answer is one-fourth and the other as positively affirming that it is one-third, while both will be ready to prove the accuracy of their respective solutions.

The party of the first part (to use a legal phrase) may argue their point in this way:

Five shillings is the fourth part of a pound. If you have 15 shillings, or three-fourths of a pound, and somebody gives you another fourth part you have a sovereign—ergo, your four-fourths is one-fourth greater than three-fourths.

But this will not suit the other party at all, and they will proceed scornfully to point out that the argument is all wrong, since if you have 15 shillings and somebody is generous enough to add 5 shillings to it the donor is only giving you one-third of the amount you already possess (5 times 3 equals 15), therefore your sovereign is only one-third more than your 15 shillings.

It is a pretty problem, and expert accountants have been known to wrangle over it for hours.—London Answers.

## OLD NEW ORLEANS THE MEETING PLACE

Louisiana Metropolis to Enter-  
tain International Mis-  
sionary Convention.

HUNDREDS OF DELEGATES.

WILL ATTEND THIS ASSEMB-  
LAGE WHICH WILL BE ONE OF  
THE LARGEST EVER HELD IN  
THAT CITY.

New Orleans, Sept. 19.—Dr. W. M. Taylor, pastor of the Soniat Street Christian church, in charge of the many details in connection with the big convention of the International Christian Missionary convention of the churches of Christ, which will be held here October 9 to 15, is completing the program of entertainment, and the order in which the convention will be conducted. It is estimated that several thousand persons will attend the New Orleans meeting.

For the most part the sessions will be held in the Athenaeum, and in the First Methodist church. Mr. R. A. Long, a multi-millionaire of Kansas City, Mo., will preside over the convention.

On Saturday, October 10, there will be a business session of the American and Foreign Missionary societies. During the evening hours there will be a gathering of the members of the Christian Endeavor societies, under the direction of Rev. Claude E. Hill, national secretary.

Many of the visiting delegates will occupy different pulpits in this city, Sunday, October 11.

During the afternoon of Sunday, Rev. H. H. Moninger, national superintendent of Sunday school work in connection with Mr. Elzie state superintendent of International Sunday school work, will conduct a special service.

Monday and Monday evening will be devoted to sessions of the Foreign Christian Mission societies.

Tuesday and Wednesday the American Christian Missionary society, with affiliated interests, will meet in general session. The affiliated interests are: Board of church extension, board of ministerial relief, board of education and the board of benevolence.

Thursday will be the last day of the convention and will be devoted to the interests of all denominations. The services will be closed Thursday night with an evangelistic address by Rev. Dr. Herbert Yewell, a distinguished English minister, whose headquarters are at Washington.

The music throughout the monster gathering of ministers will be under the direction of Prof. W. E. M. Hackleman, of Indianapolis.

Among the prominent ministers who have announced their intention of attending the convention are the following: Drs. J. H. Garrison of St. Louis, Herbert Bell Willet of Chicago, university, T. A. Abbott of Baltimore, Rev. Charles Reigh Scoville, Chicago, Frederick D. Power, Washington, pastor of the church in Washington, attended by the late President Garfield; Dr. S. T. Willis of New York and Dr. John T. Boone of Jacksonville, Fla.

Delegates from all over the United States, various parts of Canada and from many of the foreign countries will attend the convention. India will be represented by Dr. and Mrs. G. W. Brown, who will make the trip from far-away Jubbulpore, India.

## STREET CAR MEN.

Atlantic City Will Be Host to Trolley  
Artists.

Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 19.—The annual convention of the American Streets and Interurban Railway association will be held here October 12. A feature of the convention will be an exhibit by the Manufacturers association, located on Young's Pier. The convention will include meetings by the Claim Agents' association, Transportation and Traffic association, Engineering association and the Accountants' association.

## REPORTS SATISFACTORY.

Trade Conditions in St. Louis Sure to  
Improve.

St. Louis, Sept. 19.—The merchants and manufacturers of St. Louis report trade conditions through that section of the country as very satisfactory, giving assurance of enlarged proportions in the near future. The commerce for the third quarter of this year, it is estimated will appraise up to that same period of 1907 and the final quarter promises to be larger than similar periods for many years previous.

## BIG INCREASE SHOWN.

Canadian Wheat Crop Increases  
\$35,000,000.

Quebec, Sept. 19.—The Canadian wheat crop this year, on the basis of current prices is valued at \$85,000,000 as compared with \$50,000,000 last year, \$60,000,000 in 1906 and \$52,000,000 in 1905. The Northwest Dealers' association estimates the 1908 yields at 107,000,000 bushels.

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CONCERN ONLY HANDLED 5 PER  
CENT ANNUAL CATCH BUT  
DOMINATED THE SEA FOOD  
MARKET.

Chicago, Sept. 19.—Receivership for A. Booth & Co., established 40 years ago, was a financial thunderbolt that struck throughout a very wide area, on sea and on land, for the concern had boats on the great lakes and the Gulf of Mexico and Atlantic; oyster plants on Chesapeake bay, and branch houses in Canada and on the Pacific coast. It has been called the "fish trust," and although it handled only 5 per cent of the yearly catch of fish of the country, its business in fish and sea foods has been so enormous that conserved under a receivership, the company is likely to become prosperous again.

The business was allowed to grow too fast for the capital of the company. Of fish the company is said to have handled over 50,000,000 pounds annually. This figure is interesting, in comparison with the total of the New 400,000,000 pounds annually. In the great lakes the annual catch is about 200,000,000 pounds.

A unique item of the company's equipment is the tank cars in which carp caught alive in streams in Illinois and other western states are shipped to New York for kosher markets, where the Jews buy the live fish for demand. The receivership has followed quickly upon the return of W. Vernon Booth from Europe, where he has spent much time—too much time it proves. The heads of successful concerns, J. Ogden Armour, for instance, are tremendous workers, at their offices when many of their subordinates are at breakfast.

## DISTINGUISHED MEN

Will Attend Big Meeting at Clinton,  
Iowa.

Clinton, Ia., Sept. 19.—The Upper Mississippi river improvement association will meet here September 22. Delegates will be present from all of the towns and cities between Indianapolis and St. Louis to the number of 225. Among the speakers at the convention or banquet will be Governor Johnson of Minnesota, Governor A. B. Cummins of Iowa, Governor Charles S. Deneen of Illinois, Senator Clapp of Minnesota, Hon. Gifford Pinchot and Dr. W. J. McGee of Washington, Congressman W. W. Wilson and William Lorimer of Chicago, Frank Lowden of Oregon, James McKinney of Idaho, Illinois, and George W. Prince of Galveston, Ill. Lyman E. Cooley and Isham Randolph of Chicago, Congressman A. F. Dawson of Preston, B. B. Birdsell of Clarion, and D. W. Hamilton of Elcombury, Ia. Congressman Charles R. Davis of St. Peter and Fred C. Stevens of St. Paul, Minn., Congressman James W. Murphy of Plattville, J. J. Each of LaCrosse, and James H. Davidson of Oshkosh, Wis., Congressman Jas. T. Lloyd of Shelbyville, and Edgar C. Ellis of Kansas City, Mo. Jon. E. Randall, president, and J. F. Ellison, secretary and treasurer of the national rivers and harbors congress. W. K. Kavanaugh, president, and W. F. Saunders, secretary lakes to gulf deep waterway association. Ellis B. Usher, Milwaukee, Wis.

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## SCHOOL "FRATS" GIVING TROUBLE

Chicago School Authorities  
Have Awkward Prob-  
lem on Hand.

ABOLISHMENT PROTESTED.

THOUSANDS OF BOYS AND GIRLS  
OBJECT TO PROPOSED ELIMINA-  
TION OF THEIR VARIOUS SE-  
CRET ORGANIZATIONS.

Chicago, Sept. 19.—The Chicago school board this year has an awkward problem of school fraternities and sororities very much on its hands. Such a violent crusade was conducted against them last year that the board decided to abolish them. In spite of the protests of thousands of boys and girls and many parents, the order went into effect. Every pupil this year who has been a member of a secret society has had to sign a pledge renouncing his membership. The sorority members have already done so, but the majority of the boys have flatly refused and are now defying the board. As the matter stands they will not be allowed to return until they submit and the question is thus a burning one in thousands of households.

Over 300,000 tanned and sunburned school children filed reluctantly to their places when the public schools opened. One hundred medical inspectors have begun a hurried examination of 300,000 throats and 600,000 eyes. The primary object of the inspection is to prevent possible epidemics of contagious diseases, but great attention is paid to eyesight and to "adenoid" growths in the children's throats, which doctors declare are the cause of 80 per cent of the backwardness and lack of attention in pupils, as well as fertile breeders of disease. The preliminary examination will take several days and will be followed later by a thorough one.

## CUMBERLAND ARMY

Will Hold Reunion at Chattanooga  
Next Month.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Sept. 19.—The Society of the Army of the Cumberland will hold its annual meeting here October 14. Judge Oliver B. Liddell, of the Sixty-Eighth Indiana regiment, now of Denver, Col., has been invited to make the principal address. If he is unable to come the invitation will be extended to Capt. William Rule of Knoxville, Tenn. This place will prove of special interest to the veterans. Lookout mountain, Mission Ridge and Sherman Heights are the suburbs of the city, and Orchard Knob where General Grant gave the fateful order for the advance of the Army of the Cumberland is now within the city limits. Mission Ridge rising four hundred feet above the plain, is now dotted with beautiful residences and marked with monuments and tablets showing the location of all troops engaged in this memorable battle.

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