

## A NEW FRANCHISE NOT REQUIRED BY THE WATER WORKS

It is Intimated That the Company May Break Off Negotiations With City and Wait Until 1912.

## ALMOST PERPETUAL IS THE FRANCHISE

This Fact Was Pointed Out to Corporation After an Investigation Made by Attorney Robbins.

Does the Richmond City Waterworks Company's franchise expire in 1912, except inasmuch as one section is concerned? This section relates to hydrant rentals.

It is believed it does not. The fact that the company may not need a new franchise is somewhat of a surprise to its officials and likewise to the city officials and the general public. It is very probable that unless the company desires to continue negotiations with the city, now pending, everything will be broken off and nothing further done until 1912.

While prosecuting their perusal of the present franchise, officials of the waterworks company called the attention of their attorney, John F. Robbins, to it. He made an examination and enlightened his clients with the statement that the franchise is practically the same as perpetual. It will require no renewal except in the one section referred to.

Unless the city can find some way to compel the company to secure a new contract, it will be without power to require a duplicate main for the purpose of better fire protection. Neither will the city be able to require more powerful pumps, nor increased pressure.

The circumstances governing the franchise subject are the most peculiar that ever have prevailed in this city regarding a public service corporation. Some officials of the city and of the company were under the impression the franchise now existing expired in toto three years hence. Preliminary steps have been taken toward bringing about a revision. But now it becomes known the franchise will be just as good in 1912 as it is today with the exception of the one small part.

Hold The City Haa. The only hold the city has upon the waterworks company, according to the franchise-ordinance under which authority for constructing and maintaining its system was given, relates to the rental of hydrants. The ordinance provides that in consideration of the benefits to accrue to the city, the city shall agree to rent a certain number of hydrants.

This provision originally was for seven years. Then it was renewed for twenty years and this is the clause that expires in 1912. Can the city, when making a new contract for the hydrant rental force in other provisions, such as duplicate mains, abolition of meter rental charges, etc? Unless it can, there will be no need for any revision of any kind. The city attorney believes it can be done. Officials of the company are skeptical and probably hope it can not.

May Be Repeated. The city was able to secure additional consideration when it renewed its hydrant rental contract in 1892. And what has been done once probably may be repeated. In the year referred to, the city required that as additional consideration for the extension of the franchise and the privileges thereunder, the company should agree to put in enough additional pumping machinery to double the then capacity of the waterworks.

As the result of this provision the company now maintains two engines at its pumping station. It is seldom that both engines have been in use at the same time. But the city in 1892 proceeded upon the theory an accident might happen and one pump

become disabled. In such an emergency, the city would have been without pressure, so the extra pump was required.

What City Seeks. Can a duplicate main be secured this time when the contract is renewed? This is one of the things the city seeks but it must seek it in connection with the renewal of the hydrant rental portion of the franchise. If it can not be done, the city may as well give up the fight before it has gone further. There is a difference of opinion on the subject and the settlement must either come in court or by amicable adjustment.

It becomes necessary to destroy the impression that seems to have become general among the citizens that the franchise of the company is expiring and a new one must be obtained. The franchise will be permitted to remain, in all probability, as it now stands and the only alteration come in connection with the hydrant rental contract.

Argument of Cates. In discussing the subject with the board of public works recently, Edwin H. Cates, president of the company and a heavy stockholder, spoke several times of a new franchise. He suggested that the company prepare a new franchise and the city prepare another. The company's representatives are to meet with the city's and add to or eliminate until a satisfactory agreement is the result. It would be gained from Mr. Cates' remark he was under the impression an entirely new franchise had become necessary. It may be that in order to bring about a revision of the hydrant rental matter, the company will propose to surrender its present franchise and accept one entirely new in form, but slightly different from the old in details. If such a plan be undertaken the city will be compelled to worry with a far larger proposition than it appears on the face.

The fact the city has obtained concessions previously when the company sought to renew its contract portion of the franchise, perhaps may be taken to augur something to the city's advantage in future dealings.

Dance, Beallview Park. Music by Renk's Orchestra. Tuesday night, August 3.

## HAD DEMONSTRATION

London Women Enthusiastically Cheer Companions Freed From Jail.

## PRESENTED WITH MONEY

(American News Service) London, July 31.—A great suffragette demonstration in honor of the leaders who were recently released from jail as a result of their hunger strike took place in Trafalgar square this afternoon. The women who were freed led a long procession waving flags to the square, and there addressed a crowd describing their prison experiences, while thousands cheered. Lady Cook, formerly Tennessee Claflin, entertained the ex-prisoners at breakfast and gave them \$500 for the Woman's Freedom League.

## SILENCE IS BROKEN

After Six Months Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Taylor Announce Their Marriage.

## ILLNESS CAUSED DELAY

After a silence of six months during which time not even their marriage, the event was announced last evening by Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Taylor of this city. The marriage took place last February in Kentucky. In a communication to this office, Mr. and Mrs. Taylor state that they remained silent owing to the serious illness of Mrs. Taylor, who was before her marriage Miss May Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Hunt. The bride is a graduate of the Richmond High school of the class of 1900. Both are well known in this city.

## RURAL CARRIERS GET INVITATIONS

They Plan to Attend State Meeting.

Invitations have been received by the local rural mail carriers to attend the annual convention of the Indiana Rural Mail Carriers' Association at New Castle Monday, September 6, which is Labor day. A very interesting program is being prepared and it is hoped by the arrangements committee to make this year's event one of the best ever held. The majority of the local carriers as well as those from all parts of the county will attend.

## WILL ARRIVE TODAY

The first advance car of the Barnum and Bailey circus was scheduled to arrive in this city today. The advance men have just completed billing Springfield, Ohio, and vicinity. The bill posters will start out Monday and bill Richmond and vicinity.

## A TRIP TO BUFFALO

William E. Toms Will Take a Long Journey on a Motorcycle.

## PLANS TO MAKE FAST TIME

One of the longest trips to be taken by a local motorcyclist will begin today when William E. Toms leaves for Buffalo. Mr. Toms intends to make the entire trip both ways on his machine. Unless the condition of the roads interferes, he expects to make splendid time. Mr. Toms' machine had a narrow escape from destruction yesterday afternoon and it was only by persistent work at the repair shop it was put in condition for the trip. The machine was standing at the curb in front of the Waking shop on Main street, when an automobile was cranked up with the clutch open. The car leaped forward and struck the motorcycle. A horse and buggy were struck also, and a horse, buggy, motorcycle and auto were entangled in a beautiful mixup. The cycle suffered the worst damage. The automobile was the new Ford of Clarence Mayhew.

## Baseball Results

NATIONAL LEAGUE.		
	Won	Lost
Pittsburg	25	719
Chicago	30	655
New York	35	593
Cincinnati	44	506
Philadelphia	48	455
St. Louis	37	490
Brooklyn	32	564
Boston	25	64

AMERICAN LEAGUE.		
	Won	Lost
Detroit	34	638
Philadelphia	38	594
Boston	34	557
Cleveland	49	44
Chicago	47	48
New York	43	50
St. Louis	40	52
Washington	26	68

## RESULTS YESTERDAY

National League.		
	R. H. E.	
First Game—		
Brooklyn	0	5
Cincinnati	3	1
Bell and Berger; Gasper and McLean.		

Second Game—  
Cincinnati-Brooklyn, rain.

R. H. E.		
New York	4	10
Pittsburg	0	1
Wiltse and Meyers; Maddox and Gibson.		

R. H. E.		
Philadelphia	0	6
Chicago	1	7
Corrigan and Doolin; Ruelbach and Archer.		

R. H. E.		
Boston	2	7
St. Louis	3	6
Brown and Graham; Harmon and Phelps.		

American League.		
	R. H. E.	
First Game—		
Cleveland	3	6
Philadelphia	1	4
Joss and Clark; Morgan and Lapp.		

R. H. E.		
Second Game—		
Cleveland	3	6
Philadelphia	4	9
Young and Easterly; Coombs and Lapp.		

R. H. E.		
First Game—		
Chicago	1	3
Washington	0	2
Burns and Payne; Johnson and Street.		

R. H. E.		
Second Game—		
Chicago	4	9
Washington	0	4
Smith and Sullivan; Groom and Street.		

R. H. E.		
First Game—		
Detroit	2	3
New York	7	10
Mullen and Schmidt; Wilson and Kleinow.		

R. H. E.		
Second Game—		
Detroit	7	9
New York	4	8
Summers and Schmidt; Warhop and Sweeney.		

R. H. E.		
St. Louis	2	7
Boston	7	9
Powell and Creiger; Arreilanes and Donahue.		

## RALSTON ARRESTED

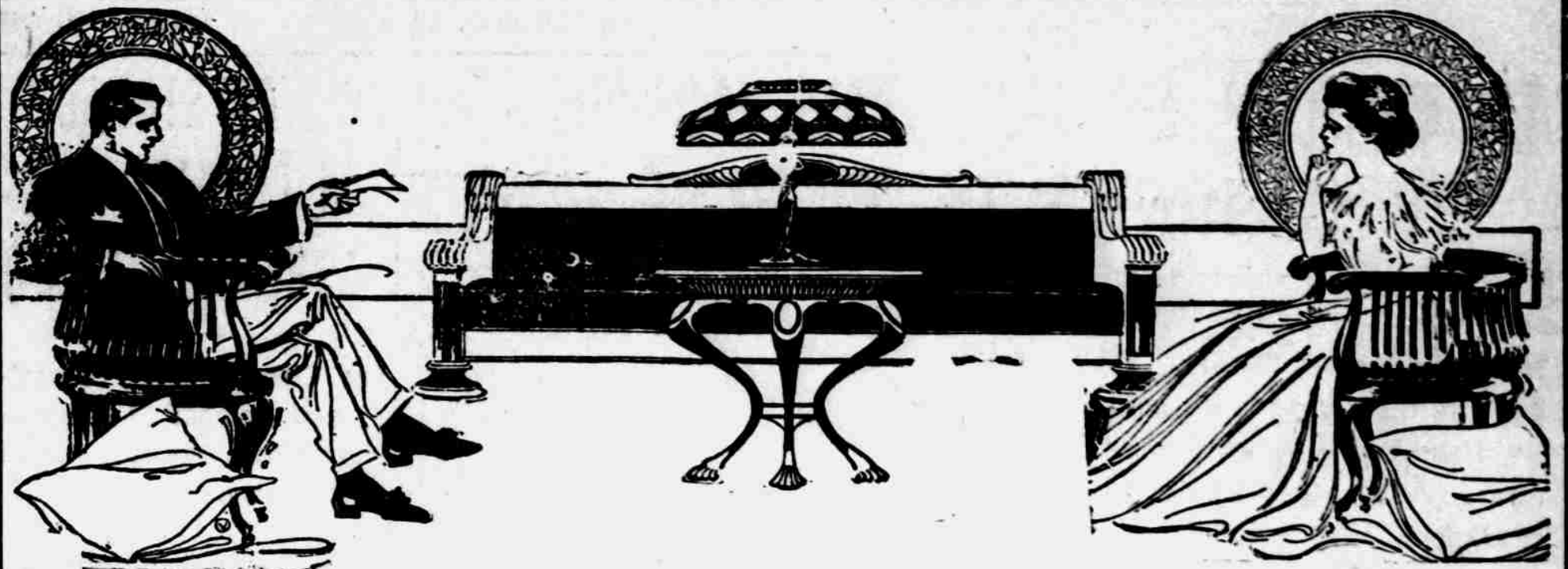
Harry Ralston, a young colored boy was arrested at Fourteenth and North G street last evening by Officer Bundy for the theft of a bicycle several days ago from a man by the name of Johnson living on North Fifteenth street. Ralston had taken the wheel and given a portion of it to a small girl in the north end. It is not known whether he has had more extensive operations in this field.

## A Grim Suggestion.

When income taxes are required. What fearful sights the world may see. If, to obtain the facts desired, They have to use the third degree!

Dr. L. F. Ross has moved his office to 18 N. 10th street.

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\$2.50 Rockers, now .....\$1.92  
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## GOINS IN A DENIAL

States That He Was Misrepresented in Statement By Williams.

## HIS VERSION OF AFFAIR

Harry Goins, colored, rural route carrier No. 5, who was said to have assaulted Albert Williams on South B street near Sixth street, Friday evening, after the latter had seen Goins talking with his wife and ordered him to depart, paid this office a visit last evening and said that his adversary was a jail bird. He strongly denied Williams' charges.

According to Goins' version of the affair, he and Mrs. Williams had not been talking together more than five minutes when Williams made his appearance from the alley and ordered Goins away. Goins was told by Williams that he was tired of his wife meeting him every time she stepped out of the house. Goins suspected trouble in store for himself and made a grab for his hip pocket where upon the pursuer, who is a giant in stature, made a hasty departure. Goins picked a rock and Williams increased his speed. Goins said the last he saw him, he was still running. Goins says Williams served in the Delaware county jail for an offense committed while a resident of Muncie. Goins further states that his relations with Mrs. Williams has only been that of a mere acquaintance. Goins has never been in trouble in this city and has borne a good reputation.

## TRACTION EXPRESS PROVES A SUCCESS

Local Company Is Doing a Big Business.

The handling of express on the trolley systems is proving very successful, according to reports from different parts of the state. The United Express Company, which has an office in this city, and delivers its express over the Indianapolis, Terre Haute, Indianapolis and Eastern and the Dayton and Western systems, reports an increased business in this city. This line is not very strong on the railroad lines in this section of the country, but is making a bid for business by handling express on the electric systems.

## MANY WERE HURT IN TRAIN WRECK

Smashup Came While Train Was Going Fast.

(American News Service) Des Moines, Iowa, July 31.—The Overland Limited, the fast train on the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railroad, eastbound, was wrecked while running at sixty miles an hour near Cambridge today. The accident occurred at 2:30 a. m. and was caused by a broken rail. A score of persons were hurt but none, it is said is fatally injured.

## BRITISH BULLDOGS

Great Home Fleet Passes in Review Before the King And Queen.

## MANY AMERICANS ATTEND.

(American News Service) Cowes, England, July 31.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra aboard the royal yacht this evening, reviewed 152 warships of the British fleet in the Solent. For half an hour the yacht steamed through the lines, making the review a spectacular event. Later a sham attack of submarine destroyers upon four dreadnoughts was carried out. Many American millionaires witnessed the splendid naval pageant from their yachts, including A. J. Drexel, Merton Plant and Allison Armour. Mrs. Beatty, nee Field of Chicago, was on the yacht Esmeralda.

## BRITT KNOCKED OUT

Johnny Summers, British Light Weight, Defeats the American.

## WAS THEIR THIRD FIGHT

(American News Service) London, July 31.—Johnny Summers, the British lightweight, won his third battle with Jimmy Britt tonight, knocking out his American opponent in the ninth round.

When they entered the ring the Briton was a six to four favorite and quickly showed that the confidence of his countrymen was not misplaced. He immediately began rushing tactics and by the end of the fifth round it was plainly apparent that Britt was a broken man.

By hugging his opponent however, he managed to stave off the knockout blow for some time.

In November, 1908, Britt was given the decision over Summers while on February 22, 1900, Summers gained the verdict.

## ONE MAN KILLED; TWO ARE BURNED

Explosion of Steam Pipe Was Fatal.

(American News Service) Pittsburg, July 31.—One man was scalded to death and two horribly burned in the explosion of a steam pipe at the Crucible Steel Spring Works on Chartress creek near Chartress avenue, McKeesport. John Padden was killed and the injured are a state inspector and the engineer of the plant. The dead, John Padden, 17 years old of McKeesport. John Padden was killed and the injured are a state inspector and the engineer of the plant. The dead, John Padden, 17 years old of McKeesport. John Padden was killed and the injured are a state inspector and the engineer of the plant. The dead, John Padden, 17 years old of McKeesport.

## ELEMENTS DESTROY

Terrible Heat Prostrates Pittsburghers and Floods Bring Destruction.

## RAILROADS WASHED OUT

Pittsburg, July 31.—The present heat wave has resulted in three deaths and much suffering among the poor for lack of ice and food suitable to such a high temperature. According to Forecaster Pennywit, still warmer weather is on the way. The three dead are John Bradley, Fred Gering and Frank S. Dowd.

## WATER RUINING CROPS.

Elkins, W. Va., July 31.—Traffic has been totally suspended on the Durbin branch of the Western Maryland railroad as the result of cloudbursts. Half a million dollars worth of property along the Tygart's Valley River and the Cheat river have been ruined by floods. The track along the Durbin branch was washed into the river and many wooden bridges have been swept out. Meadows have been completely inundated and crops ruined.

## MESSINA IN A PANIC

(American News Service) Messina, Italy, July 31.—Six perceptible earthquake shocks, two of them of considerable violence have again driven the inhabitants into a panic. The old talk of the city being doomed is renewed and it is feared by the inhabitants that the shocks are but the precursors of other and more violent disturbances.

## POPULAR EXCURSIONS

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Lv	Ex S	D	D	D	Sun
Chicago	8:15a	10:00a			1:15a
Peru Ar.	1:15p	2:15a			1:15p
Peru	1:30p	2:30a			1:30p
Marion	2:15p	3:15a	7:00a		4:30p
Muncie	3:01p	4:15a	7:59a		5:21p
Richmond	3:18p	4:31a	8:25a		5:38p
Cl. Grove	4:35p	5:48a	9:43a		6:53p
Cincinnati	6:50p	7:50a	10:10p		

West Bound—Cincinnati-Chicago

STATIONS	1	3	5	7	9
Lv	Ex S	D	D	D	Sun
Cincinnati	8:15a	10:00a			1:15a
Cl. Grove	1:15p	2:15a			1:15p
Richmond	1:30p	2:30a			1:30p
Muncie	1:50p	2:50a	7:00a		1:50p
Marion	2:30p	3:30a	7:30a		2:30p
Peru Ar.	3:15p	4:15a	7:59a		3:15p
Peru	3:30p	4:30a	8:25a		3:30p
Chicago	4:45p	5:45a	9:43a		4:45p

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