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T. J. D. G. M. S.Items Gathered in
From Far and NearHistorical Floats.
From the New York World.

The half hundred historical floats which are to be a feature of the Hudson-Fulton celebration will graphically depict the city's development from the Indian through the Dutch and colonial periods to the present time. They will form a striking panorama of municipal progress. Yet as regards their historical significance the man in the street watching the pageant pass has seen more real history in the making during a brief lifetime than will be represented by these tablaux of Indian chiefs and colonial governors. A modern mayor of New York in a single administration helps to make more real history than was made by all Manhattan's Dutch and English governors combined. Thanks to the better conception of what history is which we owe to a new breed of historians, it is not the kings and captains who make a nation's history. They are but pawns in a game in which wars are effects rather than causes. It is not what Peter Stuyvesant did that constitutes the history of the infant metropolis, but what the people were doing under his governorship, what their mode of life was and what social and political changes they were influencing.

Faunal Specimens.
From the Syracuse Herald.

This is going to be a great year for the Smithsonian Institution.

Soaking the Explorers.
From the Milwaukee Times-Leader.

Won't it be hard for the explorers when they get home to pay a dime for a chunk of ice weighing five pounds?

The Old Pole.
From the Detroit News.

Perhaps up north there is both a positive and a negative pole, but then both of 'em are positive about it.

Not a Pleasant Place.
From the Milwaukee Free Press.

Neither Dr. Cook nor Dr. Peary tarried long at the north pole. They were both as anxious to get away as they were to get there.

Bad Streets.
From the Baltimore American.

Municipal progress is apparent in everything but the character and quality of Baltimore's streets.

Affidavits Needed.
From the Baltimore Sun.

There are still a few old-fashioned women who wear their own hair.

TWINKLES

(By Philander Johnson)

A Melancholy Oversight.
"Poor Columbus died in poverty!"said the sympathetic citizen.
"It was his own fault," answered the explorer. "Before he started in discovering things he neglected making proper arrangements with publishers."

"Some men," said Uncle Eben, "is it de weather. De mo' it ain't fit to talk about, de mo' it isn't on bein' noticed."

Disappointing.
The pumpkin is most fair to see.
For yellow lustre you can't beat it;
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A "gold brick" when you try to eat it.Climatic Ethnology.
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ANALYSIS OF DES MOINES PLAN.

OFFICERS.—The legislative and administrative functions of city government are all vested in a mayor and four councilmen who are elected at large at a non-partisan election.

PRIMARYS.—All candidates for the above offices must file a petition signed by twenty-five legal voters.

The two mayoralty candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the primary become the candidates for mayor in the election.

The eight councilmanic candidates receiving the highest number of votes in the primary become the candidates for councilmen in the municipal election.

MANNER OF ELECTION.—In the final municipal election the mayorality candidate receiving the highest number of votes becomes mayor; the four councilmanic candidates receiving the highest number of votes are elected.

TERM OF OFFICE.—The mayor and councilmen serve for a term of two years unless recalled by the people.

ADMINISTRATIVE POWERS OF MAYOR AND COUNCIL.—The mayor is the chairman of the council. He has no veto, but before any measure goes into effect, it must be signed by the mayor and two councilmen.

All the administrative and executive powers of municipal government are transferred from the former status of previous management to the mayor and council.

In the administrative side of the government each member of the city government is apportioned to the management of a department and take the place of all other city officers theretofore elected by the people.

These departments are:

1. Public Affairs.
2. Accounts and Finances.
3. Public Safety.
4. Streets and Public Improvements.
5. Parks and Public Property.

Each councilman is elected to the head of the above departments by a majority vote of the council.

The council has the power to elect such other officers as police judge, clerk, solicitor, assessor, treasurer, auditor, civil engineer, marshal, fire chief, market master and all other officers and assistants. These are subordinate in power and may be removed from office by a majority of councilmen.

LEGISLATIVE POWERS IN DES MOINES PLAN.—The legislative powers are vested in the mayor and council under the restrictions of initiative and referendum.

INITIATIVE.—A petition accompanying any proposed ordinance is signed by twenty-five per cent of the voters requesting that the ordinance be passed or be submitted to a vote of the people.

Council must in that event either:

- (a) Pass the ordinance without alteration within twenty days.
- (b) Submit the measure to a special vote of the people unless a municipal election is to occur within ninety days.

If the petition is signed by not less than ten or more than twenty-five per cent of the voters, the Council shall within twenty days pass the measure and submit it to the people at the next city election occurring not more than thirty days after the petition has been presented.

THE REFERENDUM.—No franchise may be granted by the council unless first submitted and approved by a vote of the people.

Ordinances do not go into effect for ten days. If during that time they are protested by twenty-five per cent of the voters, the ordinance is suspended and follows the same procedure as under the initiative above mentioned. A majority vote against it of course acts as a veto.

THE RECALL.—The holder of any elective office may at any time be removed by a vote of the people. This is done by a petition of twenty-five per cent of the voters at the last preceding election demanding an election of a successor. The election follows the lines already outlined as to the election of officers with the exception that the name of the officer sought to be removed may be on the ticket. The election of course is final.

ABANDONING THE PLAN.—If twenty-five per cent of the legal voters shall after six years of the operation of this plan desire to go back to the general laws of the State affecting municipal government they may petition for an election to decide the question. A majority shall determine this question.

Ancient Clock Displayed Here
Is a Very Highly Prized Curio

Probably the most unique novelty in the way of an antique relic, as well as a most valuable one, is the old fashioned eight day clock owned by Benjamin F. Drischel, of 30 North Twelfth street, now on display in the window of Walter J. Feeger, the Main street jeweler. The clock bears the unique distinction of being the only one of its kind ever seen by any local jeweler, and it is doubtful if there is another like it in the entire country.

The estimated age of the clock is between 125 and 200 years, although there is no way of obtaining exact knowledge in this regard as a close inspection disclosed the fact that it bore no date whatever. The clock is about nine feet high and about three and a half feet wide across the top. It strikes on the hour and at the time of striking plays a beautiful tune. The clock's repertoire consists of thirteen old-fashioned German airs, of a peculiarly pleasing charm, and melodiousness. By pulling a cord the clock can also be made to play between the hours.

The clock has been in the possession of the Drischel family for a number of years. It was brought to this country about 80 years ago by Mr. Drischel's father, Jacob Drischel, from Germany. The face of the clock is profusely decorated with flowers and there is a small landscape at the top, in brilliant colors, which stand out with unusual distinctiveness, considering the age of the relic. Directly above the face, and sitting back a little, is another landscape, a duck shooting scene. There

are three small wooden figures of men in the foreground which revolve when the clock plays an air. The body of the clock is of cherry wood, the lower portion being made in this country. The works of the clock are interesting and of a very high order of workmanship. There are a number of small music tubes varying in size and on the order of a pipe organ, through which air is forced in some manner and producing the musical sounds. The clock keeps perfect time and is attracting a great deal of attention. Some idea of its great age may be learned from the fact that the keys are lettered in the old style through H instead of repeating the alphabet again at the letter G. In the olden days it is said music was lettered in this manner.

Mr. Drischel has been offered fabulous sums for the clock from all over the country, but he stated that he does not intend to sell the article. Mr. Drischel is a brother to Daniel Drischel, marshal at Cambridge City.

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The Banquet Habit.
A hero has ventured "mid perils imminent!"Oh, how shall we show that we feel a gratitude vast and affection intense?
Oh, how shall we honor his zeal?
Shall we deck him with roses or crown him with bay?Or spread cloth of gold at his feet?
May! Let us proceed in a practical way
Let's all give him something to eat.How often we've heard of the wolf at the door
Of genius in all walks of life!
The statesman leaves office but seldom with more

Than enough to buy gowns for his wife.

The poet and painter oft blow out the gas.

Declaring that fame is a cheat.

So let's help the great ones along as they pass.

By giving them something to eat.

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UPPER MICHIGAN
TAKES TO BUTTER

New Industry Rapidly Growing in Thinly Settled Districts.

START MANY CREAMERIES

SEVERAL PLANTS ALREADY ESTABLISHED ARE THRIVING AND BUTTER MAKING IS BECOMING VERY POPULAR.

Marquette, Mich., Sept. 27.—Buttermaking in upper Michigan is gradually taking on the proportions of an important industry. Several creameries have been established within recent years, and so successful have they been that others are springing up in various portions of the region. The peninsula is still very sparsely settled, but its population is increasing steadily, and with the growth of the farming community it is promised that the number of creameries will become legion.

The latest butter making plant to go into commission has been established at Skandia, Marquette county. The company is composed wholly of farmers. The capital stock is \$5,000. Milk from four hundred cows is being delivered to the plant daily and next year much more will be furnished.

Another new creamery is being erected in Felch township, Dickinson county. The capitalization in this case is \$1,800, and practically all the stock is held by farmers in the surrounding country.

A third new creamery in Upper Michigan is being established at Chatham, Alger county. So enthusiastically was the project received that within forty-eight hours after the scheme was launched the stock of \$5,000 had been subscribed, a contract for the erection of the creamery had been awarded and excavating for the foundation of the plant had been started.

The new prospectus of the Young Men's Christian association, which is entitled "Richmond's Best Investment," has been published and is ready for distribution. It is very attractively illustrated with views of the different departments, in fact the prospectus being made up more of illustrations than of reading matter. The foreword of the prospectus is as follows:

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