

## TRACTION PROJECT LAUNCHED FRIDAY

### BUSINESS MEN OF RICHMOND, LIBERTY AND BROOKVILLE, TAKE INITIAL MOVE.

Representative committees from the Liberty, Brookville and Richmond Commercial clubs met at the rooms of the local club yesterday afternoon to formulate plans for a campaign to get a traction line built from Richmond to Harrison, O., connecting the Terre Haute, Indianapolis and Eastern lines with those of the Ohio Electric Traction company. It is the present plan to have the line built through Brookville and Liberty, thus taking in the most populous districts between the terminals of the proposed line.

In a few days plans will be laid for the proposed line and an organization perfected by the appointment of an executive committee composed of three members of each Commercial club. Also represented will be the Young Men's Business club of Richmond. There were many suggestions offered yesterday but no definite action was taken.

Much enthusiasm was shown and it was proposed to appoint a prospect committee consisting of two members from each club, which will go over the route of the line with a civil engineer and decide on a prospective route.

Following are those who attended the meeting:

E. R. Beard, W. R. Payn, J. S. Mitchell and O. L. Stivers of Liberty; J. C. Shirk, W. B. Bradt, Louis Federman, George E. Mullin, I. A. Popper, Charles Samonel, James Johnson, George Personett, Albert Riedman and R. L. Head of Brookville. The Richmond committee was Isaac Dungan, Charles W. Jordan, S. E. Swayne, A. H. Bartel, B. B. Johnson, Paul Comstock, W. H. Bailey, W. W. Rele, E. H. Harris and J. H. Helms.

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### CHAMP CLARK IS STUDENT OF BIBLE

Washington, Dec. 3.—Champ Clark is a close student of the Bible. It is often remarked by those who have heard the Missouri leader address the house that his knowledge of the Scriptures is remarkable and that his memory for verbatim quotations parallels his learning on Biblical subjects.

During the recent campaign in Mr. Clark's district his opponent for the seat in congress was Judge Reuben F. Roy.

Mr. Clark wanted an appropriate quotation with which to clinch his argument against the jurist with which to clinch his argument against the jurist. He turned again to the Scriptures as the most fertile field.

At the conclusion of every one of his stump speeches he paused, lowered his voice and said:

"Reuben, unstable as water, thou shalt not excel."

"Reuben didn't," Mr. Clark now says with an unctuous inflection.

### THOUGHT HE RAN OVER LION, ONLY SKIN

Hackensack, N. J., Dec. 3.—"Gee whiz, I just run over a lion," exclaimed a motorman on the Hudson river trolley line, as he stopped his car on Passaic street, Hackensack, and opened the front door to arouse the sleep passengers. There was considerable excitement and Inspector Harry Haddon was the first to speak.

"How did you know it was a lion?" he asked.

"My heavens, man, the searchlight shone right on his head, and there were the big eyes wide open and the mouth wide open, showing his teeth, and I hated to do it," was the motorman's answer.

Inspector Haddon never hunted in the jungles, but he bravely walked back along the track. There was the lion's head, all right, but the balance of it was a monster lap robe. The trolley wheel had ripped the skin in the middle. The inspector took the lion to police headquarters and for a moment Sergeant O'Shea was rudely shocked. The valuable robe was no doubt dropped from an automobile.

### MCLEAN ASKS PAY FOR REFUSING DRINK

Cincinnati, Dec. 3.—Larry McLean, the big catcher of the Reds, will soon make a new proposition in regard to his salary if he is to play with the team next year. Larry says he will insist upon being paid at the rate of 25 cents for every drink he refuses during the coming year.

"I was made to sign a fool contract last year," said Larry today, "and now I'm going to have a contract of my own. I was to lose \$25 every time I touched a drink after my flag at Hot Springs. Now I want to be paid for every drink I refuse."

"I will pay for a man to go around with me, eat with me, sleep with me and be with me all the time to see that I don't take a drink, and to get the correct number of times I am asked to take a drink a day. This may sound foolish, but it is on the level."

McLean insists that he means every word he says about his new contract, and proposes to have it drawn up within a few days.

Two concessions for supplying Mexican cities with gas plants have recently been secured by an American and both run for 50 years, during which time the plants shall be exempt from taxation.

### Sunday Services At the Churches

First English Lutheran Church—Corner Eleventh and S. A. streets. E. G. Howard, pastor. Morning worship 10:30 a. m., with sermon by the pastor, "The Working Church." Vespers will be resumed at the 4:30 hour with the first of a series of Advent sermons on "The World's Need of Christ." Music for these services will be led by the string quartette which will also furnish several special numbers during the day. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Dr. A. L. Bramkamp, superintendent. All will be cordially welcome.

Christian Science Services—Masonic Temple. Sunday services 10:45 a. m. Subject "God the Only Cause and Creator." Wednesday evening experience meeting 7:45 p. m. Public invited. Reading room No. 10 North Tenth street, open to the public daily except Sunday 9:00 a. m. to 12 noon, 1:30 p. m. to 5 p. m.

Reid Memorial Church—Corner Eleventh and North A streets. Rev. S. R. Lyons, pastor. Preaching by the pastor 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Morning subject "Life's Expression." Evening subject "Christian Evidence." Sabbath school 9:15 a. m. Christian Union 6:15 p. m.

St. Mary's Catholic—Masses every Sunday at 6:00, 8:00 and 9:00 o'clock a. m. and High Mass and sermons at 10:30 a. m.; Vespers and Benediction every Sunday at 3 p. m. Rev. J. F. Mattingly, rector. Rev. M. T. Shea, assistant.

St. Andrew's Catholic—Fifth and South C streets. Mass at 7:30; High Mass at 9:45; Vespers, sermonette and benediction at 3 o'clock. Rev. Frank A. Roell, rector; Rev. M. H. Welland, assistant.

Second Presbyterian Church—Nineteenth and C streets. Rev. Thomas C. McNary, pastor. Morning theme "Call to the Heights," 10:30. Evening, "Life's Railway," sermon to railroad men. Sabbath school 9:15 a. m. C. Reigel, superintendent. Prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30. All children not attending elsewhere are invited to come to Sunday school and take part in the Christmas cantata.

Earlham Heights Presbyterian—Sunday school 2:15. All children of community invited. Come and have a part in the Christmas program.

First Christian Church—Corner of Tenth and South A streets. Samuel W. Traum, pastor. Bible school 9:05 a. m. George Mansfield, superintendent. Christian Endeavor 6:30 p. m. At 10:30 a. m., Alexander Ying Lee, of Nanking, China, a graduate of Hiram college, and now in the missionary training school at Indianapolis, will speak in the interest of the Christian woman's board of missions. In the evening at 7:30 Oliver W. Stewart of Chicago, traveling secretary of the temperance board of the Christian church will speak. All cordially invited to both these special meetings.

United Brethren—Corner Eleventh and N. B. streets. H. S. James, pastor. Bible school at 9:30 a. m. Evangelist Gibson will preach at 10:30 a. m. and 7:30 p. m. Also each evening next week. Welcome to all.

Universalist Church—In Masonic Building. Rev. Martha Jones will preach at 7:30 p. m. Y. P. C. U. at 6:30 p. m. Everyone welcome.

Salvation Army—Capt. and Mrs. Deuter in charge of local corps. Services in Rhoda Temple, 515 N. A street. Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday at 8 p. m. Sunday at 7:30 p. m. Sunday school 10:30 a. m. Officers residence 119 S. Second street.

Universalist—Boston. Rev. Martha Jones will preach at 11 a. m.

First Baptist Church—H. Robert Smith, pastor. Preaching by the pastor at 10:40 a. m. Subject "The Denial of Peter," and at 7:30 p. m. Subject "The Sun of Righteousness." Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. Junior at 2:30 p. m. Y. P. C. U. at 6:30 p. m.

First Presbyterian Church—Thos. J. Graham, pastor. Sabbath school 9:15 a. m. Morning service 10:30 a. m. Vespers 5 p. m. Preaching by the pastor. Prayer meeting Thursday 7:30 p. m. All are cordially invited.

East Main Street Friends—Truman C. Kenworthy, pastor. Bible school at 9:10. Arthur M. Charles, superintendent. Meeting for worship 10:30. Christian Endeavor 6:30. "Consecration service. A full attendance desired." Gospel service at 7:30. Monthly business meeting Fifth day evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited to any of these meetings.

Grace M. E. Church—Corner Tenth and North A. Arthur Cates, pastor. Sunday school 9:15. The pastor will preach at 10:30 and 7:30. The morning service will be devoted to the interests of the Woman's Home Missionary society. The subject of the evening sermon is "The Christian Paradox." Epworth league 6:30.

Second English Lutheran—Corner Pearl and Third streets. Rev. E. Miller, pastor. Preaching at 10:30 a. m. Sunday school at 9:15 a. m. At 7 p. m. the children's mission band will give a program of songs and recitation in charge of Miss Ellen Knollenberg. A cordial welcome to all.

West Richmond Friends—Held at Earlham College. Bible school at 9 a. m. Prof. E. P. Trueblood, superintendent. Meeting for worship at 10:30. Prof. Elbert Russell, pastor. Midweek meeting Wednesday 7:30 p. m. Women's aid society second and fourth Tuesday of month. All interested are cordially invited to every service.

Whitewater Friends—A. Trueblood, pastor. Morning worship and sermon 10:30, subject "Help from the Sanctuary." C. E. 6:15. Evening service 7:30. Midweek prayer meeting Thursday evening at 7:30. A cordial invitation to all.

A new form of epistolary politeness has been devised by a business firm which wrote to a delinquent: "Oblige us by remitting the amount of our bill or we will oblige you."

### BOTH SEXES VAIN

#### Men Undergo Operations to Improve Appearance.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 3.—"Vanity is about equally distributed between the sexes," said a beauty doctor to a Boston reporter. "Men are not more vain than women, nor women than men, though I believe that women get the credit generally for more vanity. I could tell you many tales of the operations men go through with to be made more beautiful.

"Look at this picture of this old beau. Isn't he handsome? He is 85 if he is a day, and I think there is hardly a part of his countenance that he hasn't come here to have some line of his face carved into greater mobility and beauty. I have cut open the bags under his eyes and sewed them up again, taken out unnecessary cuticle; I have sewed up the wrinkles around his mouth, doctored his double chin and shaped up the lobes of his ears to suit his idea of grace and beauty.

"These operations are not painful at the moment, because I use plenty of cocaine, but you'd think the after-effect would be too much for such an old gentleman. Wouldn't you? But it is not. He is bound to be beautiful.

"I had another old customer who was a queer guy. He wanted his chin made into the shape of Napoleon's. He brought a little bust of Napoleon with him every time he came for me to carve it by. Had me take piece after piece out of his chin to square it. I was glad when I got his chin to his liking and he took himself and the bust off.

"Men are fairly steady of nerve when it comes to these delicate operations, but they aren't in it with the women. They seem to be able to stand any sort of pain better than men. A woman came to me not long ago to have her ears sewed back. They stood out in a way that was anything but beautiful, put her in the chair and examined her ears. They were in a frightful condition. I found many places that had been stitched again and again, some that were not healed yet.

"You have already been operated on," I said.

"No; she hadn't. Finally she admitted the truth. Her ears were so abnormal she was ashamed of them. When she went to a party she had her maid sew them back to her head with a common needle and thread.

"What do you think of that? No cocaine, no anything, and yet she stood it again and again, many times, from the looks of her ears.

"You should see the list of Newport swells I have operated on, who telegraph me to come down, all expenses paid, whenever they want a tuck taken in an eyelid or a reef in a double chin or a stitch in an upper eyelid or an eyebrow carved into more graceful lines than those followed by Nature. The common people must remain as God made them, but not so the rich. I make them over. When you've got money to burn, it's a quick way to burn it."

### ALLIGATORS' NESTS.

#### They Resemble Haystacks and Are Natural Incubators.

"An alligator's nest is an interesting thing," said Alligator Joe. "Wild alligators build their nests on the bank of a river or in marshy places. They are made of mud, saw grass and leaves and mold. They are sort of natural incubators for the eggs, which are laid from thirty-five to eighty in a nest at one time, are hatched out by the steam which comes up through the mud as much as by the sun. Around the nest a pile of grass is laid, sometimes as high as six feet, and from a distance resembles a stack of hay. The mother gator has her den near by. She makes it by burrowing into a bank of soft mud, and sometimes it is seventy feet or more inland. The only way to get her out of a den like that is to take a long steel rod and thrust it down the tunnel, which is always slanting. When the gator feels the prodding she will come out to see what the trouble is.

"It takes alligator eggs two months and six days to hatch. When the little ones come out the mother calls them together by a noise which is something between a cluck and a grunt, and they all scramble down from the nest to her den. If it is on the edge of a river the den is filled with minnows. As the mother enters the den she swishes her tail around with terrific force, killing the smallest fish, and when they float the little alligators nib them up.

"A mother alligator will sometimes have four or five dens, and she takes her brood from one to another, repeating the swishing process in each one until the young ones have had a full meal."—Harriet Quimby in Leslie's.

### Tom's Memory.

"Before I went away I told Tom just what I wanted him to do about the house from day to day, and to make it doubly sure I talked my orders into our photograph so he could play the record each night and so remember."

"And did he then forget?"

"I found everything in the house about ruined. He said he couldn't bear to play the phonograph in my absence; it reminded him so of me and mad him lonely."—Boston Herald.

### A Spider With a Lasso.

Spiders have a number of ingenious ways of alluring and catching their prey. A writer in Popular Science describes an American spider which haunts evergreen trees and shares its dinner by means of a kind of lasso. The web of the spider is triangular in form. Two corners of the triangle are attached to twigs, but the other corner, which ends in a single thread, is held by the spider, perched on a neighboring twig. When a fly strikes the web the spider loosens its hold and the elastic threads instantly entangle the victim.

### The Scrap Book

#### SURPRISED THE MINISTER.

The Nice Present Sent Him by One of His Parishioners.

As an office boy Master George, employed in a certain downtown place of business, is the dynamic essence of efficiency and solidarity into a complete victory for the union. Incidentally this fight has resulted in an upheaval in the bricklayers' organization, which will result in greater solidarity among the unions in New York city.

But there may be such a thing as too great promptitude. A few days ago George's employer emerged from his office and, seeing the office boy, requested him to take a package which he would find on his employer's desk and deliver it to the Rev. Dr. So-and-so.

With a bound that would beat the starter's pistol easily George was into the office, out again with a large package under his arm and off to his destination. Now, Dr. So-and-so is

surprised to find the package on his desk.

The strike has resulted in crushing a group of union officials who have for years been blinding the rank and file of the New York unions with trade agreements with the master builders which were in defiance of the laws of the international union. These officials were deposed and preparations made to reorganize the bricklayers in that city.

The dunces and other business affairs of unions Nos. 1 and 7 are to be turned over to the international officials until the thirteen New York unions can be reorganized.

#### A FRIEND OF LABOR.

Governor C. E. Hughes, the New Supreme Court Justice.

Now that Governor Hughes has retired from politics and ascended to a place on the highest judicial tribunal in the world the fact can be acknowledged, without hurting anybody's political corus, that he was the greatest friend of labor laws that ever occupied the governor's chair at Albany. During his two terms he has signed fifty-six labor laws, including among them the best labor laws ever enacted in this or any other state. He also urged the enactment of labor laws in his messages to the legislature, even going so far as to place the demand for a labor law in one of his messages to an extra session of the legislature.

Only 162 labor laws have been enacted in the state since its erection in 1777—133 years ago. One-third of these, exceeding in quality all of the others, have been enacted and signed during Governor Hughes' terms of three years and nine months. With such a record of approval and suggestion of progressive legislation in the interest of humanity to his credit, it is easy to believe that human rights will have a steadfast and sympathetic upholder in the new associate justice of the supreme court of the United States.

The final revised edition of the New Testament, together with the first completed book of the Old Testament, the Psalms of David, is now issuing from the press at Pekin in Chinese.

#### Alarmed Him.

In a churchyard an old man deep in thought sat on a flat tombstone. It had been raining, and all the trees looked fresh and green. A traveler passing by made a remark on the weather. "Grand morning."

"Yes," said the old man.

"Just the sort of weather to make things spring up," said the tramp.

"Hush, hush!" said the old man. "I've got three wives buried here."

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#### Children's Furs