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NOTICE OF A SPECIAL ELECTION.

The qualified electors of the city of McCook, Red Willow county, Nebraska, are notified that a special election will be held in said city on Tuesday, February 27, 1906, between the hours of nine o'clock a. m. and seven o'clock p. m. central standard time for the purpose of submitting to the qualified electors of said city the following propositions: Shall the city of McCook, Red Willow county, Nebraska, borrow money and issue the bonds of said city in the sum of ten thousand dollars on the first day of May, 1906, in a series of \$500.00 each bearing interest at five per cent per annum, payable on the first day of May of each year after the issue thereof, the principal and interest payable at the local agency of the state of Nebraska in the city of New York. Said bonds to mature on the first day of May, 1931, provided that any or all of said bonds may be redeemed at any time after the first day of May, 1911, at the option of the city of McCook. Shall the mayor and council of the city of McCook annually at the time required by law for making estimates for the levy of taxes for city purposes and in addition thereto levy a tax of two mills on the dollar valuation of the taxable property within the limits of the city of McCook both real and personal to pay the interest on said bonds and to create a sinking fund to pay said bonds to be known as the sewer tax. Said bonds to be sold at not less than par or face value and the proceeds applied to the construction of the main sewer of McCook sewer system. The proposition to be submitted upon the ballots to be "For Sewer Bonds and Sewer Tax." Against Sewer Bonds and Sewer Tax." The voting place of the first ward will be the basement of the Commercial hotel and the second ward at the hose house. Authorized by the mayor and council of the city of McCook.—125-4th. W. A. MIDDLETON, City Clerk.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTES.

The following books have been received from the school library.

JUVENILE.
Old Rough and Ready (Life of Gen. Z. Taylor)—John Frost.
Giant Men and Gallant Deeds—John G. Edgar, Little Corporal, The (Life of Napoleon Bonaparte)—John Frost.
Mill Boy of the Slashes (Life of Henry Clay)—John Frost.
Old Hickory (Life of Gen. Andrew Jackson)—John Frost.
Swamp Fox, The (Life of Gen. Francis Marion)—John Frost.
Old Bell of Independence, The—Henry C. Watson.
Noble Deeds of American Women—J. Clement May Covelry.
Chataqua Girls at Home—Pansy.
Water Babies—Charles Kingsley.
Stories of Indiana—Maurice Thompson.
Stories of Georgia—Jed Chandler Harris.
Stories of Missouri—John R. Musick.
Miss Toosey and Laddie.
Myths of Old Greece, vol. 2—Mara L. Pratt.
Wee Willie Winkie—Rudyard Kipling.
Boat Club, The.
Pinnocchio's Adventures in Wonderland—Joseph Jacobs.
Aesop's Fables.
Rab and His Friends—Brown.
New England Boyhood, A—Edward E. Hale.
Betty Lincester—Sarah Orne Jewett.
Elsie at the World's Fair—Martha Finley.
Robinson Crusoe—Defoe.
Child's History of England—Dickens.
Flower Fables—Louisa M. Alcott.
Pilgrim's Progress—John Bunyan.
Cuoro (An Italian School Boy's Journal)—Edmondo De Amicis.
Gulliver's Travels—Dean Swift.
Lion of the North, The—E. A. Henty.
Boy Joe, The, and Samuel Weller—Dickens.
Story of Lincoln, The (For Children)—Frances Craven.
Great American Industries—N. F. Rocheleau.
Ponkay Branch Road, The—Sophie Swell.
Pinks and Blues, The—Rosa Abbott.
FICTIONS.
Donald Grant—George McDonald.
Bricks Without Straws—Albion N. Tourgeoe.
Treasure Island—Robert L. Stevenson.
Midshipman Easy—Marryatt.
Tour of the World in Eighty Days—Jules Verne.
Lorna Doone, vols. 1 & 2—R. D. Blackmore.
Thomas Wingfold Curate—George MacDonald.
Queen's Twin, The and Other Stories—Sarah Orne Jewett.
Invaders, The, and Other Stories—Count Lyof N. Tolstoi.
Ivan Ilyitch and Other Stories—Count Lyof N. Tolstoi.
Romance of Dollard, The—Mary Hartwell Catherwood.
Children of the Ghetto—Zangwill.
Ladies Lindors, The—Mrs. Oliphant.
Hugh Wynne—S. Weir Mitchell.
Red Badge of Courage, The—Stephen Crane.
Nicholas Minturn—J. G. Holland.
Robert Falcone—George MacDonald.
Childhood, Boyhood, Youth—Count Lyof N. Tolstoi.
Hetty's Strange History—Helen Jackson.
Flute and Violin and other Kentucky Tales—James Lane Allen.
HISTORY.
Wilds of Africa (Stanley's Adventures) J. H. Headley.
Mary, Queen of Scots—P. C. Hendly.
Homer Greeley, Life of—Ingersoll.
Daniel Webster, Life of—Samuel M. Smucker.
Zacharia Chandler (Outline of his life and Public Services)—Detroit Post and Tribune.
USEFUL ARTS.
Origins of Invention—Otis T. Mason.
Stories of Inventions—Edward E. Hale.
Heroes and Martyrs of Invention—George Makepeace Towle.
During the month of January, 1906 there were 1573 people visited the library and 970 books were loaned.
Library hours: Mornings from 10:30 to 12 o'clock; afternoons from 1:30 to 6 o'clock; evenings from 7 to 9 o'clock; Sunday afternoon, 2 to 5 o'clock.
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Short Stories About Folk In the News



RUSSELL SAGE has reached eighty-nine, but says in Wall street parlance that he wants to go to par, so he does not usually leave the comfort and protection of his Fifth avenue home if the weather conditions are forbidding, but the chance to loan money at 100 per cent interest which presented itself the other day was too much for him to resist. Calling an automobile, he was soon at his desk and, it is said, placed over \$6,000,000 at the service of those who wished it badly enough to pay high interest rates. He could have received as high as 120 per cent, but all he exacted was 85 to 90, which was about the average between the extreme fluctuations. It is stated that he made \$20,000 in three hours, which was considered pretty good for a man who became an octogenarian almost ten years ago.

It is said in Wall street that Mr. Sage was never duped on an investment. There is a story that two promoters once called on him to interest him in a certain scheme. They took their leave, having been told that Mr. Sage's decision would be mailed to them in a few days. "I believe we've got him," said the first promoter hopefully on the way home. "I don't know," rejoined the other. "He seemed very suspicious." "Suspicious?" said the first. "What makes you think he was suspicious?" "Didn't you notice," was the reply, "how he counted his fingers after I had shaken hands with him?"

Midshipman Stephen Decatur, Jr., who was acquitted of the charge of hazing fellow cadets, is a descendant of the famous Commodore Stephen Decatur who fought the Barbary pirates in the early part of the last century. Midshipman Decatur was one of four cadets who represented the Annapolis academy as aides on the staff of Lieutenant General Chaffee when he acted as grand marshal of the inauguration day parade last March. Young Decatur was appointed to Annapolis from New Hampshire in 1902. He is considered a bright fellow and stands sixth in a class numbering 124, making him one of the star members. He is the fifth of his name to serve in the navy. The first Stephen Decatur was a French naval officer, who came to America in the middle of the eighteenth century and settled in Rhode Island. His son Stephen was the first American commodore of the name, and he served in the Revolution and in the difficulties with France in 1798. He was the father of the Commodore Stephen Decatur who was the hero of Tripoli. The midshipman who has been on trial is fourth in descent from the officer who won honors for America on the Barbary coast. His father, Stephen Decatur, Sr., served in the navy during the Spanish war.

Admiral George Dewey, as active head of the navy, has a keen interest in the Annapolis Naval academy, and he is strongly opposed to hazing, believing that such practices at Annapolis are seriously interfering with the work that institution should perform in turning out good officers for ships of war. He is not opposed to evenly matched fist fights, however, as he says "a man who is going to make fighting his profession in life must not be afraid to fight." As for hazing, he thinks the limit of toleration has been reached and says: "Whatever the attitude taken regarding it elsewhere, it simply must be eliminated from the Naval academy. It has been stopped at West Point, I believe, and it can be wiped out at Annapolis."

The admiral, though so good a disciplinarian, has a soft heart under his coat. Just before the battle of Manila when the order was given to strip for action the smallest powder boy on the flagship dropped his coat overboard. He asked permission to jump after it, but was refused. He went to the side of the ship, dropped overboard, recovered his coat and was promptly arrested for disobedience. Admiral Dewey spoke kindly to the youngster, who broke down and said that the coat contained his mother's picture, which he had just kissed, and he could not bear to see it lost. Dewey's eyes filled with tears. He fairly embraced the boy and ordered him to be released, saying, "Boys who love their mothers enough to risk their lives for their pictures cannot be kept in irons on this fleet."

Senator J. C. S. Blackburn, who was recently defeated for re-election and who charges Governor Beckham of Kentucky with opening his letters, has almost the same initials as the executive of the Blue Grass State. The governor's name is J. C. W. Beckham, and

he says the fact of their names being so much alike renders his mistake in opening the letters excusable. But the senator has not accepted the governor's apology.

Senator Blackburn is one of the picturesque characters of the upper house of congress and is famous for his pointed remarks and apt stories. He tells one story of a lawyer in Kentucky who was generally very fortunate in winning his suits in the lower courts of that state and equally unfortunate in losing them by reason of reversals by the supreme court of the commonwealth. One day the senator chanced to find the lawyer in a train pulling out of Louisville, and on the attorney's knee was spread a huge law volume, which he appeared to be devouring with much interest. "Well, my friend," said Mr. Blackburn, "don't you get time enough in your office to read law without fetching law books on a journey?" The lawyer sniffed contemptuously. "This isn't law that I'm reading," said he. "It's a volume, sah, relating to the decisions of the supreme court of the state of Kentucky."

Harry St. George Tucker, who recently succeeded the late General Fitz-Hugh Lee as president of the Jamestown Exposition company, has been in Europe urging upon transatlantic countries acceptance of President's Roosevelt's invitation to participate in the international naval and military display which will be held in connection with the exposition. President Tucker was born in Virginia in 1853, graduated from Washington and Lee university in 1875 and the following year was admitted to the bar. He served in the house of representatives from 1880 to 1897 and in the latter year succeeded his father, John Randolph Tucker, as professor of constitutional and international law and equity in Washington and Lee university. He has been dean of the law school of that institution and also dean of the law school of the George Washington university at Washington and president of the American Bar association. He is the author of "Tucker on the Constitution," has been twice married and inherits in his family traditions associations with the history which the Jamestown exposition will make an effort to illustrate.

Charles A. Stillings, the new public printer, is a strenuous young man of thirty-five who has won a reputation for extraordinary capacity in typographical work. He is a native of Boston, and his father, E. B. Stillings, a veteran of the civil war, served on the staff of the late General Blackmar, commander in chief of the G. A. R. The elder Stillings established, with others, the Boston printing firm of Griffith, Stillings & Co., and the son entered the employ of this company and rose from "devil" to executive manager of the establishment. He was secretary of the Washington Typothetae for two years and in that position received a salary of \$2,500. The printers' board of trade of New York offered him double this salary to act as its manager. In becoming public printer he will take a salary smaller by \$500 than he received in New York, but it is considered quite an honor to be the head of Uncle Sam's printing department, and this is supposed to overbalance the loss of income involved in the case of Mr. Stillings.

Congressman George Edmund Foss, chairman of the house naval committee, who advocates building more battleships and armored cruisers, speaks with authority on naval affairs, for he has made a thorough study of the subject. He succeeded to the post of chairman of the naval committee on the death of Congressman Boutelle, and to better qualify himself for his duties made a trip to Europe and carefully investigated the navies of the leading foreign powers. He has often been mentioned as a possible secretary of the navy. Mr. Foss was born in St. Albans, Vt., forty-two years ago, was educated at Harvard and the Columbia Law school and began the practice of law in 1889. About a dozen years ago one of his best friends was making a canvass for the congressional nomination in his district. Foss was working in behalf of this friend night and day, when a complication arose in the form of a railroad strike. The friend was attorney for a railroad, and the party committee feared this fact would affect him adversely if he were the candidate. The result was the friend drew out of the race and Foss took his place. Since he became chairman of the naval committee the appropriations for the navy have almost trebled in volume.

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The sea otter is nearly twice the size of the common river otter, and the fur, without finishing or preparation of any kind, is more beautiful as it is stripped from the animal than the richest seal-skin, which has to be scraped, plucked of the long upper hairs and then dyed before it could be recognized as the beautiful object which the finished fur undoubtedly is. In the sea otter's fur the soft undercoat, the true fur, is as thick as that of the seal and nearly twice as long, while the long outer hairs are as soft as a sable's tail and often a pale gray, which gives to the whole coat an appearance as of dark fur slightly frosted over.

A BALL OF FIRE.

Camille Flammarion in his book "Thunder and Lightning" describes some of the phenomena of electrical storms. Of the actions of a ball of fire in Paris he says: "It was in the Rue St. Jacques, near the Val de Grace. The fire ball burst into the room from the chimney, knocking over the paper guard in front of the fireplace. In appearance it suggested a young cat gathered up in a ball, as it were, and moving along without using its paws. It approached the tailor's legs as if to play with them. The tailor moved them away to avoid the contact, of which he naturally was in terror. "After some seconds the globe of fire rose vertically to the height of the man's face as he sat, and he to save himself leaned quickly back and fell over. The fire ball continued to rise and made its way toward a hole which had been made at the top of the chimney for the insertion of a stovepipe in the winter, but which, as the tailor put it afterward, 'the fire ball couldn't see,' because it was closed up with paper. "The ball stripped off the paper neatly, entered the chimney quite quietly and, having risen to the summit, produced a tremendous explosion, which sent the chimney pot flying and scattered it in bits all over the neighboring courtyard and surrounding roofs."

LIFE'S LITTLE THINGS.

They Go a Very Long Way Toward Making the World Happy. A wild bird's song is a little thing—lost in the depths of a frowning sky. And yet as it falls on a listening ear and leaves its message of melody earth's green seems brighter and life is sweeter all through an autumn day. The coo of a babe is a little thing—meaningless sound from a vacant mind. But 'tis the only sound that all nations heed—the one clear language that all races know. A mother's love is a little thing—too soon, alas, forgot! But it typifies to blind humankind the love and trust and hope divine that bear with patience calm and sweet the willful wrongs in these lives of ours. A passing smile is a little thing—lost in a world of toil and care. And yet the soul with gloom oppressed and the life grown wearied with burdens hard will happier be in the afterglow of a smile that is warmly kind. A kindly word is a little thing—a breath that goes and a sound that dies. But the heart that gives and the heart that hears may know that it sings and sings and sings till at last it blends with the wild bird's song and the coo of babes in what men call the celestial choir.—Milwaukee Journal.

Lessons For Schoolboys.

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The Sea Otter.

Mr. Bell's aviary presented a pretty evidence of mutual confidence among birds. A pair of Java sparrows lived in a compartment with a "bleeding heart" pigeon. The latter fell in love with them and at night always cuddled a sparrow under each wing. When seen by the light of a lantern the pigeon seemed to be cuddling two babies, one under each wing, from which the cheerful countenances of the little sparrows looked with blinking eyes.—London Spectator.

Bird Confidence.

A teacher in a certain school asked for the definition of a furrer. A hand was raised. "Well, John, you tell us what a furrer is." "A man who deals in furs," correctly replied the pupil. Then, turning to another scholar, the teacher asked for the definition of a currier. "A man who deals in curs," was the unexpected reply of the eager boy.

All In the Bill.

"I'm afraid," said the junior member of the law firm, "that we are causing our client unnecessary trouble." "Oh, that's all right," rejoined the senior member. "We'll charge him for it."—Chicago News.

Good Old Remedy.

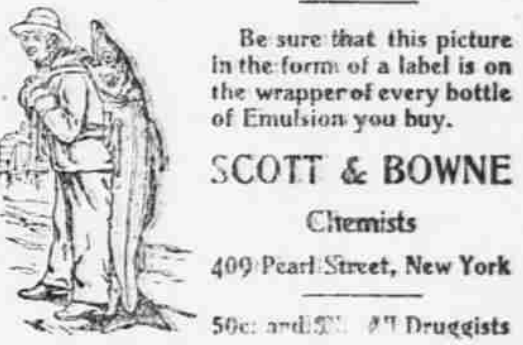
"How did you cure your boy of swearing?" "By the laying on of hands, principally."—Chicago Record-Herald.

All Run Down

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