

### Irony of Life.

"It is sad to realize," said a woman, "that those who love us most usually please us least, while those who please us most don't love us at all."

### Uses of Adversity.

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If.

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### ALL SUBJECTS TOUCHED UPON

### Religious, Social, Agricultural, Political and Other Matters Given Due Consideration.

A Taft organization has been formed at Peru.

Hastings is discussing the 6 o'clock closing movement.

Stock sheds, valued at several hundred dollars, were burned at Geneva.

Rev. Mr. Buechner has tendered his resignation as pastor of the St. Paul Lutheran church at Blue Hill and asks to be released from his duties in about three months.

The annual Johnson county farmers' institute will be held in Tecumseh on February 11, 12, 13 and 14. Six state speakers will be in attendance and there will be a corn show.

The smallpox condition at the state industrial school at Kearney is much improved, and it is thought that in a short time the quarantine will be raised. There were three cases of genuine smallpox.

Joseph M. Shively, deputy land commissioner, has announced his candidacy for land commissioner, to succeed his chief, H. M. Eaton. Mr. Shively hails from Dodge county, the home of Mr. Eaton.

The diner attached to Burlington train No. 3 took fire between Dorchester and Friend. The burning car was pulled to Friend, where the fire was extinguished, though the car and contents are a total loss.

August Swartlund, a wealthy farmer living near Holdrede, tried to kill himself with a razor. He made two deep gashes from ear to ear, when the razor broke. He was found unconscious, but will probably recover.

A 14-year-old son of Peter Obbody, a Bohemian farmer residing eleven miles south of Friend, lost one of his legs while driving the horse-power of a corn sheller. Physicians amputated the limb just below the knee.

Attorney Charles W. Seymour, one of the best known and, perhaps, the oldest attorneys in this state, at this writing is lying dangerously ill at his home in Nebraska City, and no hopes are entertained for his recovery.

Governor Sheldon has received \$9,300 from the government as the semi-annual appropriation for the support of homes for soldiers and sailors in Nebraska, being at the rate of \$100 a year for each member of the homes.

Orland Pierce, by his attorney, John C. Watson, has filed a suit in the district court of Otoe county against the Morton-Gregson Packing company, asking for \$15,000 damages for injuries received while working for said company.

Senator Norris Brown, emphasizing "the importance of the financial legislation now before congress," has written to the secretaries of the commercial clubs, including that of Lincoln, for a statement by the secretary as to the wishes of the members of the club.

Valeria W. Coad, wife of Mark M. Coad of Omaha, filed a suit for divorce in the district court at Lincoln. According to information received in Lincoln, Coad is a ranch owner and erstwhile business partner of W. F. Cody, known as "Buffalo Bill." Mrs. Coad's petition is brief. She alleges non-support.

The state auditor has returned the \$15,000 school bonds of the Sidney district, properly registered. The bonds are in denominations of \$5,000 and run from one to twenty years, drawing 5 per cent interest optional after five years, issued for the purpose of building an addition to the high school building in Sidney.

The railway commission issued two orders, one permitting the Union Pacific to put in a lower rate on feed corn to St. Paul, Amherst, Riverdale, Odessa and Buda and intermediate, and to permit the Union Pacific to put in a lower corn rate to Genoa, Kent and Merchison and intermediate points.

Succumbing to an attack of nervous trouble, Jerry Hennen, a Fremont drayman, who came into possession of a fortune eighteen months ago by a legacy, died last week. Mr. Hennen, who was in moderate circumstances, was bequeathed a valuable farm, iron and coal land worth \$25,000 by a distant relative, who died in West Virginia.

State Food Commissioner Johnson announces that the requirements of the law in regard to the handling of milk and cream will henceforth be enforced. In regard to testing cream, he says: "The Babcock test must be employed, using a weighed sample of eighteen grams, weighed on a delicate balance and tested in a nine-inch bottle, graduated to at least 5 per cent of the fat column and read between the temperature of 130 and 140 degrees Fahrenheit.

Three fine milk cows belonging to J. A. Zimmerman, who resides northwest of Beatrice, were drowned in the Blue river. The animals disappeared, and after a search of two days their bodies were found in the stream.

Exeter was visited by another fire. It was the West Side livery barn. The contents of the barn were owned by Attorney Delaney and consisted of eleven head of horses, several carriages, a lot of hay and feed, harness, blankets, robes and other things, all of which are a total loss, as there was no insurance.

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### In the Language.

"Some one has said that a kiss is the language of love," remarked the young man in the parlor scene.

"Well," rejoined the fair maid on the far end of the sofa, "why don't you get busy and say something?"

### The Reason for Marrying.

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"I don't think the Lord'll ever accuse me of being ungrateful," answered Uncle Hosea. "Six of my boys is preachers."

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## Commissioner Smith vs. The Standard Oil Co.

From the Railway World, January 3, 1908.

Mr. Herbert Knox Smith, whose zeal in the cause of economic reform has been in no wise abated by the panic which he and his kind did so much to bring on, is out with an answer to President Moffett, of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana. The publication of this answer, it is officially given out, was delayed several weeks, "for business reasons," because it was not deemed advisable to further excite the public mind, which was profoundly disturbed by the crisis. Now that the storm clouds have rolled by, however, the Commissioner rushes again into the fray.

Our readers remember that the chief points in the defence of the Standard Oil Company, as presented by President Moffett, were (1) that the date of six cents on oil from Whiting to East St. Louis has been issued to the Standard Oil Company as the lawful rate by employees of the Alton, (2) that the 18-cent rate on file with the Interstate Commerce Commission was a class and not a commodity rate, never being intended to apply to oil, (3) that oil was shipped in large quantities between Whiting and East St. Louis over the Chicago & Eastern Illinois at 6 3/4 cents per hundred pounds, which has been filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission as the lawful rate, and (4) that the 18-cent rate on oil was entirely out of proportion to lawful rates on other commodities between these points of a similar character, and of greater value, such, for example, as linseed oil, the lawful rate on which was eight cents. President Moffett also stated that thousands of tons of freight had been sent by other shippers between these points under substantially the same conditions as governed the shipments of the Standard Oil Company.

This defence of the Standard Oil Company was widely quoted and has undoubtedly exerted a powerful influence upon the public mind. Naturally the Administration, which has staked the success of its campaign against the "trusts" upon the result of its attack upon this company, endeavors to offset this influence, and hence the new delivance of Commissioner Smith.

We need hardly to point out that his rebuttal argument is extremely weak, although as strong, no doubt, as the circumstances would warrant. He answers the points made by President Moffett substantially as follows: (1) The Standard Oil Company had a traffic department, and should have known that the six-cent rate had not been filed, (2) no answer, (3) the Chicago & Eastern Illinois rate was a secret rate because it read, not from Whiting, but from Dolton, which is described as "a village of about 1,500 population just outside of Chicago. Its only claim to note is that it has been for many years the point of origin for this and similar secret rates." The Commissioner admits in describing this rate that there was a note attached stating that the rate could also be used from Whiting.

The press has quite generally hailed this statement of the Commissioner of Corporations as a conclusive refutation of what is evidently recognized as the strongest rebuttal argument advanced by the Standard.

In fact, it is as weak and inconclusive as the remainder of his argument. The lines of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois do not run into Chicago. They terminate at Dolton, from which point entrance is made over the Belt Line. Whiting, where the oil freight originates, is not on the lines of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, which receives its Whiting freight from the Belt Line at Dolton. The former practice, now discontinued, in filing tariffs was to make them read from a point on the line of the filing road, and it was also general to state on the same sheet, that the tariff would apply to other points, e. g., Whiting. The Chicago & Eastern Illinois followed this practice in filing its rate from Dolton, and making a note on the sheet that it is applied to Whiting. This was in 1895 when this method of filing tariffs was in common use.

Now let us see in what way the intending shipper of oil could be misled and deceived by the fact that the Chicago & Eastern Illinois had not filed a rate reading from Whiting. Commissioner Smith contends that "concealment is the only motive for such a circuitous arrangement," i. e., that this method of filing the rate was intended to mislead intending competitors of the Standard Oil Company. Suppose such a prospective oil refiner had applied to the Interstate Commerce Commission for the rate from Chicago to East St. Louis over the Chicago & Eastern Illinois, he would have been informed that the only rate filed with the commission by this company was 6 3/4 cents from Dolton, and he would have been further informed, if indeed he did not know this already, that this rate applied throughout Chicago territory. So that whether he wished to locate his plant at Whiting, or anywhere else about Chicago, under an arrangement of long standing, and which applies to all the industrial towns in the neighborhood of Chicago, he could have his freight delivered over the Belt Line to the Chicago & Eastern Illinois at a rate of 6 3/4 cents. Where then is the concealment which the Commissioner of Corporations makes so much of? Any rate from Dolton on the Eastern Illinois or Chappell on the Alton, or Harvey on the Illinois Central, or Blue Island on the Rock Island, applies throughout Chicago territory to shipments from any other point in the district. So far from the Eastern Illinois filing its rate from Dolton in order to deceive the shipper, it is the Commissioner of Corporations who either betrays his gross ignorance of transportation customs in Chicago territory or relies on the public ignorance of these customs to deceive the public too apt to accept unquestioningly every statement made by a Government official as necessarily true, although, as in the present instance, a careful examination shows these statements to be false.

The final point made by President Moffett that other commodities of a character similar to oil were carried at much lower rates than 18 cents, the Commissioner of Corporations discusses only with the remark that "the 'reasonableness' of this rate is not in question. The question is whether this rate constituted a discrimination as against other shippers of oil," and he also makes much of the failure of President Moffett to produce before the grand jury evidence of the alleged illegal acts of which the Standard Oil official said that other

large shippers in the territory had been guilty. Considering the fact that these shippers included the packers and elevator men of Chicago the action of the grand jury in calling upon President Moffett to furnish evidence of their wrong-doing may be interpreted as a demand for an elaboration of the obvious; but the fact that a rate-book containing these freight rates for other shippers was offered in evidence during the trial and ruled out by Judge Landis, was kept out of sight. President Moffett would not, of course, accept the invitation of the grand jury although he might have been pardoned if he had referred them to various official investigations by the Interstate Commerce Commission and other departments of the Government.

We come back, therefore, to the conclusion of the whole matter, which is that the Standard Oil Company of Indiana was fined an amount equal to seven or eight times the value of its entire property, because its traffic department did not verify the statement of the Alton rate clerk, that the six-cent commodity rate on oil had been properly filed with the Interstate Commerce Commission. There is no evidence, and none was introduced at the trial, that any shipper of oil from Chicago territory had been interfered with by the 18-cent rate nor that the failure of the Alton to file its six-cent rate had resulted in any discrimination against any independent shipper.—we must take this on the word of the Commissioner of Corporations and of Judge Landis. Neither is it denied even by Mr. Smith that the "independent" shipper of oil, whom he pictures as being driven out of business by this discrimination of the Alton, could have shipped all the oil he desired to ship from Whiting via Dolton over the lines of the Chicago & Eastern Illinois to East St. Louis. In short, President Moffett's defence is still good, and we predict will be so declared by the higher court.

The Standard Oil Company has been charged with all manner of crimes and misdemeanors. Beginning with the famous Rice of Marietta, passing down to that apostle of popular liberties, Henry Demarest Lloyd, with his Wealth Against the Commonwealth, descending by easy stages to Miss Tarbell's offensive personalities, we finally reach the nether depths of unfair and baseless misrepresentation in the report of the Commissioner of Corporations. The Standard has been charged with every form of commercial piracy and with most of the crimes on the corporation calendar. After long years of strenuous attack, under the leadership of the President of the United States, the corporation is at last dragged to the bar of justice to answer for its misdoings. The whole strength of the Government is directed against it, and at last, we are told, the Standard Oil Company is to pay the penalty of its crimes, and it is finally convicted of having failed to verify the statement of a rate clerk and is forthwith fined a prodigious sum, measured by the car. Under the old criminal law, the theft of property worth more than a shilling was punishable by death. Under the interpretation of the Interstate Commerce law by Theodore Roosevelt and Judge Kenesaw Landis, a technical error of a traffic official is made the excuse for the confiscation of a vast amount of property.

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