

THE WEEKLY PANORAMA

QUAY AS A READER.

Pennsylvania Statesman Not Exclusively Immersed in Politics.

Few men in the present United States senate are farther "up" in modern English literature than Senator Quay of Pennsylvania, and he has something more than a passing acquaintance with Wordsworth, Tennyson, Carlyle and Ruskin. For Herr Teufelsdröckh and his philosophy he has a special liking, and Ruskin's "Ethics of the Dust" is one of his favorite works. The senator is rarely without a book in his pocket. On railway journeys he always takes up a book as soon as he has finished looking over the newspaper. Thus it will appear that Mr. Quay is not, as he has seemed to the general public, exclusively immersed in politics. —Leslie's Weekly.

GOES TO HAGUE TRIBUNAL.

William L. Penfield Represents United States in Arbitration Case.

William L. Penfield, solicitor of the state department, is on his way to The Hague to represent the United States government before the arbitration tribunal, which is to meet on Sept. 5 to settle the controversy between the United States and Mexico over "the pious fund of the Californias." Mrs. Penfield accompanies her husband. They sailed from New York on the Campana.

The four arbitrators whose names have been announced are all members of the permanent tribunal of arbitra-



tion which was provided for by The Hague conference. They are to select a fifth arbitrator or umpire, who will have the deciding vote.

This case is regarded with a great deal of interest by all the powers, because it is the first to come before the permanent tribunal and will in a measure serve as a test of the efficiency and necessity of such a body.

WOULD TRAIN PRIESTS HERE

Plan Evolved for Training of Filipinos in America.

Father McKinnon, a priest officially connected with the public school system in Manila, who went to that place as chaplain of the First California regiment at the outbreak of the Spanish-American war, has urged the authorities of the Philippines church to send 400 of the younger native priests to America for a couple of years' training in seminaries in the United States. Father McKinnon says he discussed this plan with the late President McKinley, who approved it, as it was believed that in this way Filipino clergymen would become imbued with the broad spirit of American priesthood. It is believed possible that money for carrying out this project could be raised in America. It is estimated that the seminary expenses



of each priest would be about \$150 a year. The natives are favorable to the plan. The fact that the native priests speak a different language from those in America would be no hindrance, because all Catholic clergymen have a common knowledge of Latin, and besides a number of priests in the United States speak Spanish.

St. Bernard Dogs Superseded.

The dogs of St. Bernard, so long renowned for their life-saving service, are at last to take a second place to modern invention. All the refugees on the mountain side, says a message from Turpin, are shortly to be connected by telephone with the principal hospital. The number of travelers, tourists, workmen seeking employment, pilgrims who cross the St. Bernard at all times of the year, make this measure highly necessary. But it seems hard on the dogs' pride.

Persons, Places and Things

HOLDS OFFICE OVER MORGAN

Joseph C. Hendrix, Once a Reporter, Now a Financial Power.

The man who is president of a firm or corporation of which J. Pierpont Morgan is vice president must be something of a figure in the financial world. Joseph Clifford Hendrix is president of the third largest bank in the United States and Mr. Morgan is



vice president. It is the National Union Bank of Brooklyn. Mr. Hendrix came to his present high place in the financial world in a unique way. Twenty-six years ago he was a reporter on the Sun. He took care of the Beecher trial for that paper, which indicates his standing in journalism at that time. None but a good man could have had such an assignment. Later he was made secretary of the Brooklyn bridge, with a salary of \$4,000. Then he was made postmaster and was sent to congress. Somebody thought he would make a good candidate for mayor and in 1883 the Democrats put him forward. Seth Low defeated him. But his friends took care of him. He was taken into the National Union Bank as an officer and today he is a power in the financial circles of the country. He has recently been president of the American Bankers' Association.

OLDEST SOLDIER IS DYING.

Hiram Cronk the Last Survivor of the War of 1812.

Hiram Cronk, the last survivor of the war of 1812, who also has the distinction of having lived in three centuries, is dying at his home in Oneida county, New York. He is now in his one hundred and third year and was quite vigorous on his last birthday, April 29. Shortly after the celebration of his anniversary his health began to fail. He was finally compelled to take to his bed. He became weaker daily, sleeping occasionally three days and two nights at a time. Within the last week he has been unable to sleep



at night, and this fact, although he sleeps peacefully in the daytime, has worried him and has tended to hasten the end.

Mr. Cronk, aside from being the only pensioner of the war of 1812, is distantly related to Senator Depew and has taken active part in some of the greatest state undertakings in New York. His pension until two years ago was \$8 a month. At that time Congressman James S. Sherman secured the passage of a special bill giving him \$25 a month.

Believe if You Like.

Your older brother or sister will enjoy a longer life than yourself. Examination of a thousand pairs of brothers and the same number of sisters revealed the fact that the elder brother had an average life of six years more than the younger, while in the case of the girls the excess was slightly less. These figures do not prove that the younger will die before the elder; it may be that there is a difference of ten years between the dates of birth, so that your elder brother, although having a longer life, may die before you.—Pearson's Weekly.

Of Benefit to the Blind.

A discovery has been made which will enable the blind to read and write, using the same alphabet. The existing process has made it necessary for the blind to learn two alphabets. By this new discovery the letters are raised as they face the writer. By this means the blind person may write with the right hand and read with the fingers of the left.

A Patriotic Citizen.

Rev. W. Burdof of Belle Center, O., traveled 300 miles to get home to vote at the Beal law election recently. Of the distance he went 145 miles by rail, seventeen miles by carriage, 130 miles on a bicycle and seven miles afoot. He led the prayer meeting joyfully over the result.

BEFORE THE PUBLIC EYE

FINE JAPANESE SWORD BLADES.

One Thousand Sheets of Magnetic Metal in One Saber.

What do you think of a sword blade that contains a thousand sheets of metal? Yet the Detroit News-Tribune asserts that they are not uncommon, and, as you will readily imagine, are of oriental workmanship. Our painstaking, patient Japanese friends are the makers of them.

The blades of these sabers are made from magnetic iron ores. The steel is produced in small, very thin sheets, and the workman begins by fixing one of them to end of an iron rod, which serves as a handle. To this are soldered other small sheets, until the mass has a length of about eight inches, a width of about eight and a thickness a little more than a quarter of an inch.

This bar is brought to a white heat, doubled on itself and hammered until it is down to its original dimensions. This process is repeated fifteen times. Four similar bars are then soldered together, doubled upon themselves, resoldered and heated, the operation being repeated five times. This process makes the superimposed layers so thin that a saber contains at least a thousands sheets of metal.

MAN WHO DEFEATED GATES.

Osgood of Denver Gives Setback to Chicago Plunger.

President Osgood of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company has the upper hand in the fight for the control of the company. The injunction issued in Denver prevents John W. Gates and his friends from holding a meeting and voting their proxies to oust Osgood. The stock of the company has depreciated over \$10,000,000 since the fight began, and with the injunction



secured by the interests friendly to him Osgood inflicted a loss of millions on Gates and his friends.

WHISKY AND TYPHOID FEVER

Doctors Deny That Alcohol Gives Immunity From Disease.

Coupled with an epidemic of typhoid fever, which has invaded twenty households in the village of Bayside, L. I., and incapacitated the only physician in the place, Dr. Charles B. Story, comes the curious statement that all the families stricken by the dread malady are strict teetotalers, while the drinking portion of the community has thus far escaped.

Drinking members of the community are boasting that drinking kills the fever germs. Instead of inviting a man to have a drink, the Bayside salutation now is "Have a germ killer?" The physicians, however, say the drink question has nothing to do with the epidemic.

AMERICAN MAY BE CHOSEN

Church Circles Urge Appointment of Bishop Blenk to Philippines.

Church circles of New Orleans are greatly pleased by the news from Rome that Rt. Rev. James E. Blenk



may be chosen to fill the post of apostolic delegate to the Philippines. At the present time Bishop Blenk occupies the see of Porto Rico, having been consecrated to that office three years ago. Bishop Blenk is a native of this city and for some years was in charge of one of the city parishes. The hope has long been expressed that an American be selected for the post.

Too Late for Enjoyment.

If the average dead man could read the lines on his monument he would be very much puzzled to solve the mystery why his friends did not think of such nice things to write about him when he was alive.

Chilians Anxious to Learn.

Joaquin Figueroa Larrain of Chili has been commissioned by the government to study the organization of public libraries in Europe and the United States.

A FEATURE OF THE FAIR.

Large Collection of Historical Relics and Documents.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 1.—The state historical society will display at the state fair a large collection of historical relics and documents in a tent just south of the west entrance of Mercantile hall. It is the intention to cover pretty thoroughly the field of the state history so far as possible with the material at the disposal of the society. Archaeological specimens from various sections both in mechanical and farm implements and pottery will be shown. Modern Indian work will also occupy a part of the space. Nebraska relics from old Ft. Calhoun will be exhibited. A number of early newspapers published in the state during the territorial stage and its early statehood will also be shown. An instructive part of the display will be the methods of preserving and filing the papers. A library of books by Nebraskans and old works of interest will be a part of the exhibit.

Many of the members of the First Nebraska volunteers while in the Philippines made collections of interesting bits of native work and natural products of the islands. Many of these collections have been either loaned or given to the society and a part of them will be displayed to the public. Photographs and domestic and agricultural utensils used in Nebraska in early days will be on exhibition.

FIND INTERESTING RELICS.

They Will Go Into the Collection of the Historical Society.

LINCOLN, Neb., Sept. 1.—The members of the historical society staff have made some interesting additions to the stock of old documents on file at the library. E. E. Blackman and A. E. Sheldon, while on a recent trip into Kansas, secured for a small sum the entire library of ex-Congressman Davis of that state. Besides several hundred volumes, the collection includes a complete file of a paper published by Mr. Davis during the flowery days of the Farmers' alliance; Davis was one of the originators of the movement and the copies of his paper which he used to spread the influence of the organization will be a valuable contribution to historical literature.

Mr. Sheldon recently spent some time in the southeastern part of the state investigating the French settlements in Richardson and Nemaha counties. They are near Rulo in Richardson and Glen Rock and St. Deroin in Nemaha county. Many of the old families have been there since 1859. He succeeded in borrowing the council and court records of the town of Rulo covering a period of nearly twenty years between 1859 and 1877.

President Burt in Court.

OMAHA, Sept. 1.—When Horace G. Burt, president of the Union Pacific railroad, appeared in police court to be arraigned on the charge of false imprisonment on ten separate counts, he found as large and interested audience as has appeared in police court for many a day. The strikers were out in a large force to see their late chief, and he in turn carefully scanned the court room to see who was there, and probably to make mental notations for future reference. A plea of "not guilty" was entered in each case, and through his attorney, Edson Rich, Mr. Burt asked for a continuance that W. Arnett, the labor agent who brought the ten complainants from Indianapolis, and is named in the complaints with him, might be located and brought here as an important witness. The case was continued to Wednesday, September 3, and Mr. Burt furnished bonds in each of the ten cases in the sum of \$300, which were signed by Edson Rich and Charles Dundy.

Suicide of a Barber.

ATKINSON, Neb., Sept. 1.—William Donnelly, a barber, committed suicide here by shooting himself through the head. The ball entered the temple and came out at the back of the head. He lived an hour, but was unable to speak. Donnelly had been drinking heavily of late and had lost his job. He was unmarried and about 28 years old.

Coopers Want More Pay.

NEBRASKA CITY, Neb., Sept. 1.—The coopers at the Nebraska City Coopers company's plant walked out because demands for a raise in wages were not acceded to by the company.

Farm Hand and Horse Disappear.

LEIGH, Neb., Sept. 1.—A stranger who had been working in the neighborhood for a couple of weeks disappeared Monday night and with him a horse, saddle and bridle, valued at \$100. He was employed by Henry Heltman, a wealthy farmer near here, and in the evening he drew his wages and borrowed the horse to ride into town. The last seen of him was on the streets of Leigh about 12 o'clock at night.

BUSINESS GROWS

NEBRASKA BUILDING AND LOAN ASSOCIATIONS.

A YEAR OF PROSPERITY

Increase in Number of Stockholders and Also in Business Done—State School Lands Sold—Miscellaneous Nebraska Notes.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 26.—Another year of prosperous growth has gone into history for the building and loan associations of Nebraska. The showing of the twelve months exceeds even the expectations of the sanguine and demonstrates undeniably that the associations have been a great factor in the building of homes throughout the state, as well as having afforded a wide and profitable field for investment.

In the year ending June 30 the number of shares of all associations in force increased from 119,985 to 130,085 and the loans increased from \$3,641,452 to \$4,090,595. The total business transacted was \$3,078,938.80. At the end of the period there were fifty-six associations doing business, an increase of one during the year.

The figures are taken from the annual statement issued by Secretary Royce of the state banking board. Mr. Royce expected a substantial increase in loans, but he thought the number of shares in force would be about the same as a year ago. He based this estimate upon the reports from the associations in the smaller towns, which suffered through competition with the tontine building associations. Later returns, however, coming mostly from the cities, showed a good increase in all items. The itemized statement follows:

ASSETS.		1901.	1902.
First mortgage loans	.....	\$3,641,452	\$4,090,595
Second mortgage loans in process of foreclosure	.....	25,436	20,776
Stock loans	.....	123,511	141,879
Real estate	.....	110,269	111,238
Furniture and stationery	.....	2,849	3,423
Cash	.....	192,299	177,668
Delinquent interest premiums and fines	.....	33,619	30,691
Expenses and taxes paid	.....	21,233	23,659
Other assets	.....	164,013	158,999
Totals	.....	\$4,314,744	\$4,758,292
LIABILITIES.			
Capital stock—running (dues and dividends)	.....	\$3,291,920	\$3,829,966
Full stock paid	.....	622,415	644,300
Reserve fund	.....	57,881	75,329
Undivided profits	.....	134,997	169,999
Due shareholders on incomplete loans	.....	48,637	48,641
Premiums unearned	.....	37,214	33,783
Advance dues	.....	29,372	17,682
Advance interest and premiums	.....	5,825	1,761
Other liabilities	.....	96,458	47,792
Totals	.....	\$4,314,744	\$4,758,292

STATE SCHOOL LAND.

Several Thousand Acres Sold to Lease Holders.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 26.—Several thousand acres of state land were sold to lease holders by the state board of educational lands and funds last week. Some land in the vicinity of Milford brought as high as \$40 per acre.

According to the ruling of the department of justice any owner of a school land lease taken out between the years 1879 and 1897 may, provided he has fulfilled all the obligations of his contract, buy in at an appraised value the land so rented. The price paid must be equal to the actual value of similar land in the same vicinity and all costs of appraisal or review must be paid by the purchaser.

Burglary at Lyons.

LYONS, Neb., Aug. 26.—The hardware store of Lease & Allison was entered by removing a window glass in the back end of the building. Several boxes of cartridges and some pocket knives were the only booty. This is the third entrance of the kind within ten days.

Brakeman Severely Hurt.

FAIRBURY, Neb., Aug. 26.—W. J. Vincent, a brakeman on the Rock Island railroad, was brought here in a critical condition, suffering from injuries received in falling from the top of a freight car near Moromos, Kas.

Traffic Poor for Grant Shippers.

GRANT, Neb., Aug. 26.—Nearly \$12,000 has been paid out here for cattle during the past week. Shippers have considerable trouble getting their stock out because of few trains.

Ship Swine to Iowa Fair.

FAIRFIELD, Neb., Aug. 26.—George Briggs & Son shipped to the Iowa state fair thirty-five head of the finest Duroc-Jersey show swine that ever left Clay county.

Preparing for State Reunion.

HASTINGS, Neb., Aug. 26.—About all the necessary preparations have been made for the entertainment of visitors at the Nebraska state G. A. R. reunion, which is to be held here from September 8 to 13. The grounds have been carefully platted and the water mains were extended so that there will be plenty of fresh water at various convenient places. Nearly eleven hundred tents will be put up.

NINE BANKS INCORPORATE.

One Omaha Institution Included in the List.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—The state banking board has approved the articles of incorporation and authorized charters to be issued to the following banks:

Commercial State bank of Coleridge, Cedar county; capital, \$20,000; directors, George A. Gray, T. T. Linkhart, N. I. Nielsen, U. G. Bridenbaugh and John Horsch. Farmers State bank of Ithaca, Saunders county; capital, \$5,000; G. F. Wagner, president; W. E. Deck, vice president; J. M. Hall, cashier. American Exchange bank, Bristow, Boyd county; capital, \$10,000; John Frostom, president; Edward Renard, vice president; D. M. Schmitz, cashier. State bank of Bee, Seward county; capital, \$5,000; H. T. Jones, president; George B. Campbell, vice president; W. B. Thorpe, cashier. The Farmers' bank of Sholes, Wayne county; capital, \$5,000; M. S. Merrill, president. The Grafton State bank of Grafton, Fillmore county; capital, \$10,000; Frank W. Sloan, president; George E. Aldrich, vice president. Archer State bank of Archer, Merrick county; capital, \$5,000; incorporators, Joe A. Hays, J. B. Templin and C. Hostetter. First National bank, Hartington, Cedar county; capital, \$30,000; directors, J. G. Beste, George S. Scoville, J. C. Robinson, W. S. Weston, L. E. Jones, jr., Stephen Seim and C. D. Chandler. J. L. Brandeis & Son, bankers, Omaha; capital, \$50,000; incorporators, Arthur D., Emil B. and Hugh H. Brandeis.

DROWNING OF MR. OLSON.

Steps Off an Excursion Steamer at Burlington.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—Further details have been received concerning the drowning of Charles P. Olson of Lincoln, superintendent of bridges for the Burlington, at Burlington, Ia.

A telegram from an official of the road at Burlington to General Superintendent Calvert stated that Olson was on an excursion boat which was standing close to the landing. The railing on the boat on the river side was broken, and Mr. Olson, failing to notice the break, stepped off and was drowned. The news of the sudden death of Mr. Olson was received with keen regret and sorrow by his friends and railroad associates. He was a genial and companionable man, and was highly regarded by his superiors in office and those who labored under him in his department. Late reports from Burlington state that the body has not yet been found. The dead man was 58 years old. He leaves a wife and two children, Mrs. H. M. Stratton of Chester and a son about 22 years of age, who lives at home.

Blue River Baptists Elect.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 30.—The Blue River Baptist association held a three days' session at Union hall, Island Grove township. Officers were elected for the year as follows: Moderator, Rev. D. L. McBride of Liberty; clerk, Miss Nellie Winters of Western; treasurer, Isaac Staples of Beatrice.

Lightning Destroys a House.

BEATRICE, Neb., Aug. 30.—The residence of Mrs. Mary Hubka, located near Virginia, this county, was struck by lightning and burned to the ground with all its contents. The family escaped with only personal effects. Loss \$1,000, with \$550 insurance.

Mr. Bryan Will Speak.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—W. J. Bryan will address the Grand Army of the Republic reunion at Hastings on the afternoon of September 8 and will open the democratic campaign of Missouri with a speech at Joplin on the evening of September 9.

The Retail Grocers.

LINCOLN, Neb., Aug. 30.—Preparations are being made for the entertainment of the Nebraska Retail Grocers' association when it holds its state convention in Lincoln, October 16, 17 and 18. A banquet will be one of the principal events in the way of entertainment.

Railroad Sends Specialist.

STANTON, Neb., Aug. 30.—Hog cholera is quite prevalent northeast of town. Dr. Jackson, a specialist in that disease, sent out by the Fremont, Elkhorn & Missouri Valley Railroad company, is here and doing everything possible to check the disease.

Alleged Horse Thieves Arrested.

ALBION, Neb., Aug. 30.—Sheriff Clark of this county and Deputy Sheriff Frank Stout of Ellis county, Kansas, arrested on the Lockwood ranch, north of this city, Charles Howell and John Flynn. August 16 a farmer named Justis Walters, living near Hayes City, Kan., had four horses, two sets of harness, a wagon and fifteen bushels of oats stolen. The men under arrest are supposed to be the guilty parties.