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General News

The Venezuelan government has ordered from the Cresent works, in France, thirty batteries of field artillery and twelve batteries of mountain guns of 70-millimeters caliber.

Rate legislation will be the first business of the senate when the fifty-ninth congress convenes in December. At least, this is the opinion of Senator William B. Allison of Iowa.

A meeting of the wholesale local potteries of Wheeling, W. Va., has been called to ratify the sale of their plants to a proposed pottery combination ith a capital of $40,000,000.

Taft will sail on a naval vessel from New Orleans for Panama about November 1. He goes to look over the canal situation as it now exists in the way of construction and preparation.

Thomas Jefferson, son of Joseph Jefferson, after five years of touring with Dion Boucicault's stage version of "Rip Van Winkle," is givin New York play goers a test of his quality in the play.

Francis A. Byron, a lawyer of Bradley Beach, N. J., was arrested in the United States district court room by postoffice inspectors. Byron is charged with attemping to influence witnesses in the Francis trial.

Waving a red flag during a thunderstorm, Mrs. Peter Koeing of Dubbuque, Ia., saved a train from toppling into the Mississippi and the officers of the Great Western road will give her a substantial reward.

The commissioner of the general land office has ordered the withrawal from entry of all the public lands in twelve townships in the Alliance, Neb., land district on account of the North Platte irrigation project.

Elihu Root, the new secretary of state, feels much at home in the big state, war and navy building, and many of his old friends in the war department called to pay their respects and to extend congratulations.

Secretary of the Navy Bonaparte has under consideration a recommendation made to him that he request congress to increase the tonage of the two battleships authorized at the last session from 16,000 tons to 18,000 tons.

The president has appointed W. V. Wilcox, of Iowa, to be pension agent at Des Moines, Ia., to succeed Dr. A. H. Thompson, who was appointed to tempororily fill the vacancy occasioned by the recent death of R. H. Clarkson.

The authorities of the naval academy at Annapolis announced that the situation in regard to the diptheria among the members of the fourth class of midshipmen is now well in hand and that no further danger is anticipated.

Railroad rate legislation was the principal subject of talks President Roosevelt had the other day with several members of congress. He indicated to them that it would be the leading topic of his forthcoming message to congress.

News has just reached Bainbridge, Ga., of the lynching of a negro seventy-eight miles west of there by a mob of his own race. The negro had assaulted a negro girl and had attempted to assault another, who cut cut him in the breast.

Justice J. Hay Brown of the Pennsylvania supreme court handed down an opinon in which he decided that a threater proprietor is a private individual engaged in a strictly private business and is under no implied obligations to serve the public.

President Roosevelt has appointed Charles W. Russell, formerly special assistant attorney general, in charge of insural bureau of the department of justice, to the office of assistant attorney general, vice William D. Pudy, recently promoted to the position of assistant to the attorney general.

John G. Sullivan has been appointed assistant chief engineer of the isthmain canal commission, according to a notice received from Chief Engineer Stevens at Panama. Mr. Sullivan is a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers, and was division engineer of the Canadian Pacific railway with headquarters at Winnipeg.

In a statement made public J. L. Pierce, deputy state auditor of Nebraska in charge of insurance, says license held by New York life insurance companies enabling them to do business in Nebraska, will not be revoked before the result of the investigation board in New York is known. While policy holders of the state are entitled to protection, he sees no reason for haste.

The supreme court of the United States convened for the term of 1905 and 1906 with all the members present.

John F. Gaynor and B. D. Greene, the men who fought extradition to the United States from Canada for so many years arrived at Savanah,, Ga.

An international sanitary convention began at Washington.

"David Harum," the novel written by the late Edward Noyes Wescott, netted the author's estate about $125,000, according to a statement made in surrogate court Syracuse, New York.

Look to Future Lumber Supply.

The rules and regulations adopted by a large lumber comapny in Louisiana promise to so cut its timber that it will never be exhausted, only the surplus timber being cut and steps being taken to plant all cleared areas in young trees, say that there will always be a supply for the mills, and it would be well if this policy were generally pursued as a measure of protection against inadequate supply in the future.

Dead Reckoning.

Dead reckoning is a term used in navagation to express the estimation that is made of a ship's place without having recourse to observation of the celestial bodies. It is made by observing the way she makes by the log, and the course on which she has been stered, making allowance for drift, leewway tc.

Mahogany Stain.

A good serviceable mahogany stain may be made as follows. Boil 1-2 lb. madder and 2 oz. logwood chips in 1 gallon of water, and apply while hot. When dry go over with a solution of 2 drachms pearl ash to 1 quart of water. The color can be varied by using different strengths of the solution.

We Have Often Wondered.

Why is it that when you tell a girl she has pretty hair she always says she just had it washed the other day and hasn't been able to do a thing with it since?—Cleveland Leader.

Fuel in Irish Bogs.

Experts calculate that Irish bogs are capable of turning out 50,000,000 tons of fuel a year for a thousand years in $60,000,000, a year.

"Acetylene Jones."

See his advertisement in this paper and write him to-day for free booklet.

A married man is seldom older than he looks.

Absent-Minded Comment.

"I first met my wife on a trolley car," he said. "What awfully funny looking people do meet on trolley cars, don't we?" she replied absentmindedly.—Yonkers Statesman.

MACHINERY.

The Machine which skims the cream from milk does not lose a drop, while the old skimming process was crude and wasteful. Washing machines, which will relieve woman of the drudgery of cleaning clothes have not proved an encouraging success up to date, but when it comes to manufacturing exclusively by machinery without the touch of human hands, there is nothing more interesting than the history of Pillsbury's Vitos—the best breakfast food in the market to-day.

The white heart of the wheat kernel is cut out by steel rolls, conveyed to sterilizers, and then packed in two-pound, air-tight packages (this is the whole story), all by polished steel appliances, no handling, no cooking, no coloring, no adulteration, just the white heart of the wheat berry sterilized, nothing added, nothing taken away.

Pillsbury's Vitos is therefore a healthful, substantial breakfast dish, actually the "Meat of the Wheat."

Price 15c, Rocky Mountain Territory 20c.

A package will supply a week's breakfast for five persons.

See the economy.

Ask your grocer to-day.

Poetical Place Name.

The voortrekkers had a fine sense of the poetry of things. Up in the Transvaal there is a little place which rejoices in the name of Wanchteenbeitjebeideboschfontein. It is a name which speaks of leisure; whose gentle invitation to the thirsty traveler to rest a little by the brook beneath the cool shode of the tree calls up at once the thought of a green oasis in a dry and barren land.—Capetown Times.

Hungarian Geese.

The plans of Hungary are well adapted for the raising of geese, and travelers in that country are often entertained by seeing, from passing trains, great flocks of geese feeding in the fields and watched by gooseherds. So many feathers are yielded by these geese that four "bed-feather markets" are held annually at Buda-Pesth, and at each market from 600,000 pounds to 700,000 pounds of bed feathers are placed on sale.

Decay of Individuality.

The decay of individuality in England, says the London Graphic, is a most curious circumstance, and it is this that is injuring our literature and art. There is scarcely a writer who dares to strike out in a new line; his work would probably be rejected, however good it was. It is the same with art. What ordinary Englishman now ventures even to dress differently from those about him

OUT OF THE ORDINARY

The Tearful Bard.

You soar about from star to star,
Oh, poet! and you wing afar
To spaces where we cannot go—
We are so earthly, here below,
Our flights are made by trolley car.

Of course, it is an awful jar
When you hit earth, and leaves a scar;
Yet, you recover from the blow—
You soar about.

You should be happy. Singular
It is that anything can mar
Your happiness—yet it is so
You sing of pain and death and woe—
Great Scott, man! Tell us, please, what are
You sore about?
—Cleveland Leader.

A Puzzling Find.

Some very curious iron hippo sandals of Roman origin, which were brought to light some time ago in the course of the extensive excavations which have been in progress in the neighborhood of Moorfields and London wall, have been added to the collection of antiquities in the Guild Hall Museum.

Although believed to be horseshoes, there is a wide divergence of opinion among antiquaries as to the real use to which they were put. Some, indeed, owing to their peculiar shape, have actually supposed them to be hanging lamp stands of a kind which were much in vogue at that period.

Others have suggested that they were wheel shoes, or skids, which were attached to military wagons at a time when such vehicles were built without wheels, and merely rested upon a couple of shafts protruding from the rear.—London Daily Telegraph.

Smuggled Goods in Cork Leg.

Isaac Halten, a restaurant keeper of Breslau, has been arrested on the Russian frontier for smuggling arms and tobacco. The customs officers, who suspected him of carrying on a systematic contraband trade, searched Herr Halten, even to unscrewing his cork leg. Inside the limb were found two new revolvers, together with boxes of cartridges, besides large quantities of cigars and cigarettes. The authorities immediately confiscated the limb, forgetting the fact that Halten could not walk without it. He had to be carried in the arms of two custom house officials to the guardhouse.

Decision Worthy of Solomon.

In the Pekin Times this story is told of a troopship during a recent voyage from Hongkong. In the women's cabin were four wash basins, one of which was much larger than the others. There were three women in the cabin, whose husbands were about equal in rank. There was a great discussion as to which was entitled to the big basin. It was at last referred to the captain, who gave a decision worthy of a Solomon, saying: "It is only fair that the oldest lady should have the biggest basin." That basin was not again used during the whole voyage home.

Arrested Both Bear and Owner.

Some little time ago an Italian gave the police trouble in a certain small provincial town, and when the police were armed with a warrant to effect his arrest, they were faced with a difficulty which only tact could overcome. The alien was traveling the country with a performing bear, which he declined to leave even for a few minutes, and so it was decided to persuade the man to go quietly to the station with his animal. Eventually he consented, and both keeper and bear were placed in the same cell, and next morning duly appeared in the dock together.

Accident Made Theatrical "Hit."

In connection with the first appearance of Tamagno, the singer who died recently, in Verdi's "Otello," in February, 1887, the following story is told: At the rehearsal, in the last scene, when he should have fallen by his own hand prostrate across the body of Desdemona, he, not noticing a step leading up to the bedside, slipped and rolled to the ground. He was about to apologize, when Verdi, who was directing the performance, called out in excited admiration that it was as it should be done and he must never do it otherwise.

Blacksmith's Narrow Escape.

While working in his smithy at Bendigo, Victoria, Australia, a blacksmith had a startling experience. Upon throwing down a heavy drill he heard a peculiar rumbling noise. He had hardly time to jump back when the ground near his anvil opened, leaving a hole two feet in diameter and sixty feet deep. The hole turned out to be the shaft of an old gold mine, the slabs covering the opening having apparently been worn out and giving way under the weight of the falling drill.

Six Months Old, Weighs 41 Pounds.

If little Alma Raba of Elizabeth, N. J., barely six months old, weighs forty-one and a half pounds to-day, what will her weight be in another half year? It is a question that doctors and local scientists are asking. Though born of small parents, Alma has the reputation of being the fattest child in New Jersey.

Bears Stopped Electric Car.

An electric car loaded with people was stopped near Duluth, Minn., a few days ago by a big bear and her cubs, which emerged from the bushes and stood on the track. The bears became alarmed at the attention they attracted and soon moved off.

Revenge on Editor.

For revenge on the editor of the Neueston Nachrichten, Bamberg, Germany, who had published an unappreciative account of their exploits, some burglars entered his house and smashed everything on the premises.

A woman never judges a man's ability as a liar by the compliments he hands her.

A woman who stoops to marry finds it hard work to straighten up again.

"Vexation" School.

"Please may I come to the Vexation School?" is one of the many funny requests from little children received by Mrs. Humphrey Ward at her Vacation School at the Passmore Edwards settlement. "Mother wants a card for the vaccination school," was another equally wide of the mark.—London Daily Express.

Rejects "Undiscovered Merit."

I have never known a case of undiscovered merit, and I have never known a case where merit failed to achieve success. I have known many men gifted with great ability who failed miserably in life, but in every instance the failure arose from neglect to develop natural talent into trained capacity.—Bourke Cockran.

True Americans Left.

This country still has many things to thank God for, among them being the fact that there are Americans so poor that they haven't the price of their own funerals, but who yet would not change places with rich men who acquired their wealth by thievery and dishonesty.—Los Angeles Times.

To Refill the Ocean.

It has been computed by geographers that if the sea were emptied of its waters to pour their present floods into the vacant space, allowing nothing for evaporation, 40,000 years would be required to bring the water of the ocean up to its present level.

Methods of Peruvian Burglars.

In Peru when a burglar desires to break into a house, he often takes a sponge and a bucket of water and moistens the walls, which, being covered with only a thin coating of mud, are easily dissolved on the application of moisture.

Have men grown so wise that they may say, "Don't argue with a woman?"

"Women are foolish, for they were made to match the men," said George Eliot.