

THE COMMERCIAL TRAVELER.

Annual Meeting and Anniversary of the Iowa Association.

PLEASURE AND BUSINESS WELL COMBINED.

Traveler Colton's Edifying Address to Fellow Tourists at Swatara—A Fountain Pen Swindle—Samples.

Des Moines, Ia., Dec. 7.—[Special to The Bee.] The past two days have been of special interest to the traveling men of Iowa, being the tenth anniversary of the establishment of the Iowa State Traveling Men's association...

The banquet and ball occurred at the Savery house in this city Friday evening, and was attended by nearly two hundred members, most of them being accompanied by ladies to grace the occasion.

Floor committee, white badges—Joe Richey, chairman; Hal Stapp, Len Harbach, Ben Apple, Jim Davis.

Music committee, pink badge—John S. Weaver, chairman; Charles Clark, C. C. Lindsay, A. J. Gillispie.

Invitation committee—H. S. Ames, chairman, Des Moines; O. W. Hazard, P. E. Haley, A. L. Christy, Des Moines; L. W. Garoutte, Lincoln; J. E. C. L. Garoutte, Council Bluffs; T. E. Tousey, Chicago; W. J. E. Downing, Marshalltown; J. S. Sterne, Muscatine; Webb Hulse, Charleston; John C. Fetter, Anaktote; Fred A. Miller, Sioux Falls; S. D. F. C. Beck, Ames; E. C. Conkling, Carroll; Carl T. Schmidt, Burlington; J. M. French, Keokuk; Charles E. Hinshaw, Iowa City; Hans H. Jensen, Keokuk; L. N. Gilman, Sioux City; Charles O. Lebeck, Omaha, Neb.; W. H. Vray, Milwaukee; L. S. Parsons, Waterloo; G. F. Skilvers, Ottumwa.

Reception committee, blue badge—W. F. Mitchell, chairman; M. V. Blackburn, W. E. Wilson, L. Hamilton, J. W. Hamilton, F. E. Shepard, William H. Smith, A. D. Craft, O. B. Casbeer, E. H. Fox, E. C. Evans, A. B. Waite, D. B. Brown, William A. Meyer, A. L. Olmstead, Grand Rapids; D. L. Mansfield, Des Moines.

The business meeting of the association occurred yesterday. In the morning the executive board accepted the applications of 230 traveling men for membership and settled with Secretary Ames.

Chairman Hedge delivered the annual address which was brief. He referred to the progress made and the prospects for the future. Among the recommendations for the future he said that all should unite in efforts to secure a \$1,000 ticket good upon all the western railroads...

John M. Coffman made the presentation speeches, which with the responses were jolly and wholesome. The prizes were two fine grips and a gold fountain pen.

On motion the rules were suspended and the convention proceeded to the election of officers. Fred W. Mitchell of Des Moines was chosen secretary, and the following board of directors selected: G. G. Harrison, F. O. Abel, O. H. Catebeer, Fred S. Thompson, E. H. Fox, Frank H. Jones, J. W. Hamilton, T. M. Langdon, W. A. Meyer and H. S. Ames.

The indemnity for accident benefit was raised from \$15 per week for ten weeks to \$25 per week for twenty-six weeks, thus placing the insurance on a level with the old established accident insurance companies of the country.

A Traveler's Sermon. At Swatara on Sunday last A. C. Colton, a traveling man, delivered an address to his fellow commercial tourists at Young Men's Christian association rooms of which a brief synopsis is appended.

traveling men, while on the road, received the terrible news that his little boy had been burned to death in a barn where it was playing. Little did that father think when he kissed the little one at parting, and went out to battle with the world for his daily bread, that it was the last kiss that the shadow of death would cross his threshold before his return.

Always feel sympathy for a young man just entering upon the life of a commercial traveler. It is your power to do a good work by helping to make others better.

A New Swindle. A commercial traveler who sells fountain pens said yesterday: "The latest swindle is accomplished by means of a double fountain pen, one end filled with good ink, the other with ink that fades away in a day or two."

G. W. Cook left Saturday for St. Louis for a few days on business. Mr. Fred A. Wilson, who has been working in the banks west of the river for the John Morris company of Chicago for five years past has severed his connection with that house and is now in the field for Gibson, Miller & Richardson of Omaha.

So say we all of us! Salvation oil is the greatest cure on earth for pain. Price only 25 cents. Gentlemen need not wear gloves at dinner parties, that is, if they don't wear clean ones; but under all circumstances they get take Dr. Bull's cough syrup when they must cold or sore throat.

A FIVE-HOUR BATTLE. After ninety rounds Daly and White Make a Draw.

The feather-weight battle between Danny Daly of Bangor, Me., and Tommy White, the Chicago board of trade prize, which took place under the auspices of the Magic City club at Germania hall, South Omaha, Saturday night, was one of the longest feather-weight fights on record.

The fight finally simmered down to a harmless exhibition of how not to get hit, both boys extending all their best blows with a success that was more monotonous than refreshing.

It was long about 9 o'clock in the morning and the men had been fighting or fiddling, rather, steadily for over five hours, with no evidence of a battle other than an arched cheek sustained by Daly and a slightly slashed lip for Mr. White, when Referee Wilson beat a short recess, informing the men that they could have just ten more rounds in which to settle the question of supremacy, and if this had not been accomplished by that time he would call it a draw.

The harsh, drastic purgatives, once deemed so indispensable, have given place to milder and more skillfully prepared laxatives; hence the great and growing demand for Ayer's Pills. Physicians everywhere are advising them for constiveness, indigestion and liver complaints.

How to Choose a Colleague. Friendly advice to young men on this subject will be contributed to the forthcoming volume of "The Youth's Companion" by President Andrew D. White of Cornell, President Merrill E. Gates of Amherst, and Prof. Goldwin Smith.

Knights of Honor. Omaha lodge, No. 829, Knights of Honor, held its regular session Monday night, at which the following officers were elected: Past master, John W. McCarty; dictator, George C. Whitlock; vice dictator, Walter M. Carter; assistant dictator, E. A. Parmelee; reporter, William E. Mathis; financial reporter, John W. McCarty; treasurer, James C. Falconer; guide, H. F. Cooley; chaplain, C. J. Mentor; guardian, C. J. Ellinger; sentinel, C. L. Fritcher; trustees, George A. Nield, Dr. E. H. Hoffman, Joseph F. Shesley.

THE RUSSIAN JEW.

Rabbi Rosenau's Plan for Ameliorating His Condition.

A large audience gathered at the temple of Israel last Friday night to hear Rabbi Rosenau deliver his lecture on the subject, "What Can We Do for the Russian Jew?" His remarks were substantially as follows:

"Sympathy is one of the great elements of human nature, and is demonstrated in various ways and under many circumstances. 'Of times when there are happy we smile with them; when others rejoice we rejoice with them; when others are in distress, we share their despondency, and when others weep we shed tears of sorrow with them. But it is not always necessary to come in contact with the unfortunate to have that noble feeling of sympathy aroused in our hearts. We can hear, we can read, and the impressions thus formed will arouse the feelings of sympathy as quickly as though we were eye-witnesses to the occurrences."

"Where can you find a man or woman who has carefully read the lives of Jews who have committed against our people have been correctly portrayed? Take the Russian Jew, for example, and you will find them full of accusations when men have been thrown upon the ground and brutally lashed for expressing their religious beliefs. It is an accusation made so cruelly that our hearts bleed for our suffering people."

"In these same histories we read that there was a determined effort to persecute the Jewish people and root them from the face of the earth. Such things cause our hearts to bleed for our beloved people. We read of the ordinals consulting the Jews to be taken down and worship the idols, all of which causes our hearts to bleed when we realize the sufferings that our beloved people have been compelled to endure."

"But let us come nearer to the present date. Hosts of armies were sent against our people, their temples were torn down, and bullets put upon the altar; our people were taken captive and carried away to Rome, where many of them were sacrificed for their adherence to their religious faith. This causes our hearts to bleed for our ancient beloved people. We read of men and women who were slain because they were believed in the teachings of Moses, and our hearts bleed as we think of the awful persecutions that our beloved people were compelled to endure."

"Let us take the Jewish people of Russia and we find that the young men and women who are of the Jewish faith are not allowed the privileges of the citizens of their country; they are not capable and possess all of the qualifications, but they are denied admission to the University of St. Petersburg merely because they are the children of Israel, and they are sent back to their homes in disgrace. This is not all. Our people are hunted down and the most exorbitant taxes are levied against them. Men are not only taxed on the property they own, but they are compelled to pay taxes upon the necessities of life, and it is no uncommon sight to see families driven from their homes out into the cold world, because they are unable to pay the tax levied upon them. Our people are forbidden to own property, and they are forbidden to leave the country where they are so cruelly oppressed. If they should by chance manage to get away, they are followed by the police and the military, and in many instances they forfeit their lives to pay the penalty."

"The czar of Russia grants franchises to the Buhidim which will make them citizens of that land, but not to our people, and by this course the Russian Jew is kept down and forced to spend his life in idleness. The other day I read of a Russian official who was anxious to have a foul and filthy sewer cleaned without incurring any expense to the government. He knew that hundreds of Jews were crowded into the property they owned, and he went and going to the sewer he commenced an examination. In a short time a large number of the poor Jews congregated about him and asked him why he was so intently gazing into the sewer. He explained that he had lost a valuable jewel and would give a reward for its recovery. These men thought of their starving children at home, and going down into the mud they soon had the sewer cleaned, while the official who had intended to save the expense that would have been incurred had hired the work performed. Thus are Jews treated in Russia."

"What can we do for the Russian Jew? 'There are many solutions of this problem and each is advocated by men of ability. Some assert that the Jew should be left to fight, and by might and main gain his religious and civil liberty. But how cruel! Others again propose that the Jew should be sent every where every pulp and every legislature in the civilized world should send addresses to the czar, advising that these people be allowed the same rights as his favored subjects. But I ask you, what effect would these addresses have upon the czar? What would he care?"

"To my mind the solution of this mighty and perplexing problem is emigration, assisted by the people of other nations. There are many countries where the Jew would be in open arms. Let them go back to Palestine or let them come to our blessed United States, where the laws of the government provide that no man shall be denied the right to the dictates of their own minds. But, again a question arises, is it practical to bring these Russian papers to this country? It is true that many of them were not readers, but I would organize at every port societies, the duties of which should be to find schools where the people could learn trade, thus enabling them to become self supporting. This expense would be enormous, but a tax could be levied upon the people to keep up these institutions of learning."

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