

NEW BOOKS AND MAGAZINES

Max O'Rell's New Book Treats of the Problems of Life.

AN UP-TO-DATE STORY BY EDNA LYALL

Opens on the Day of Queen Victoria's Death and Closes in January of the Present Year—Deals with Peace and War.

"Tweed You and I," by Max O'Rell. It is a book treating of the problems of life. It is divided into two parts. "Part I—Concerning Men," of thirty-nine chapters, and "Part II—Concerning Women," of fifty-four chapters. This volume contains some of the choicest, wittiest and most searching criticisms of life in general by this celebrated French writer and lecturer. His work has always a popular interest attaching to it, and there is no one who does not instantly feel himself comprehended by what he says. His philosophy and wit of this most distinguished Frenchman. Following is a portion of the chapter on "An Ideal Daughter": "A devoted, cheerful, caring daughter is the joy of a home. Happy the house that resounds all day long with her song and the peals of her silvery laughter! She is the sunshine of all day. She is the chain that binds father and mother together, and their safeguard against any danger to their love and faithfulness to each other. Is there anything which could entice that father out of his house so long as that girl is in it? No, nothing but the work that he has to do and which he cheerfully does, all the time longing for that welcome kiss when he returns home."

Edna Lyall is out with a new novel entitled, "The Hinderers." The story opens on the day of Queen Victoria's death, and closes in January of the present year. It deals with the subject of peace and war and gives the experiences of a heroine who is suddenly transported from a quiet home in the tropics to "smart society" in England. The heroine is Irene de St. Croix, who, after her grandfather's death, goes to live with her grandfather's cousin in England, Squire Brooklyn. The society into which she is introduced there is the very opposite from what her refined nature has always been in touch with and the life is repulsive to her, one who is continually looking for opportunities to escape. She takes up quite extensively in a conversational style the Boer war. The story is good and wholesome, the heroine possessing the sweet character one would expect from Edna Lyall. There is a pretty love tale in the last few chapters, Miss de St. Croix marrying a man, though many years her senior, who is introduced with a happy ending to a heroine whose life counted for good. Published by Longmans, Green & Co.

A new story by Rudyard Kipling is to appear in an early number of Scribner's Magazine and is the most brilliant and most brilliant expressions of Mr. Kipling's genius. With the exception of a few sketches relating to the experiences in South Africa, no short story has come from Mr. Kipling for several years and he has produced no story of this rank in a much longer time. The title, "Wireless," gives a hint as to the nature of the developments in the story, but it contains in it no intimation of the amazing originality and skill with which he has worked it out. And yet no other title could describe so exactly the extraordinary, psychological, scientific and technical nature of the story, which will stir the interest of readers to enthusiasm.

In the July St. Nicholas Arthur Johnson Evans raises the question, "Is King Edward Really Edward the Seventh?" He speaks of a little discussion he had in England recently with some young relatives of his and he recalls to the reader what a good many of us have perhaps forgotten—that there are at least three Edwards whom history has failed to designate with numerals. Edward the Confessor was one. Then there was Edward the Elder, who reigned just after Alfred the Great, and Edward the Martyr, who reigned in English history just before Ethelred. But the author instead of suggesting that England's new monarch have a few numbers added to his name makes the statement that in reality he is the first Edward to be ruler of Great Britain and Ireland. The other Edwards of history were simply kings of England. The little discussion really serves as an introduction to many interesting facts and anecdotes of English history, particularly timely at this coronation season.

The July Century is a summer fiction number, containing contributions in this field from popular writers and from newcomers. There is a short story by the late Paul Leicester Ford, entitled "Wanted," a Chaperon, with illustrations by Gilbert, probably the last piece of completed fiction by the author of "Janice Meredith." To Dr. W. Mitchell's group of "Little Stories" is added a piquant sketch entitled, "A Dilemma," setting forth a "lady or the tiger" problem; David Gray, author of "Gallop," contributes a car horse story entitled "Ting-a-Ling," and Frank Norris a story of the frontier west entitled "The Passing of Cock-Eye Blacklock"; Harry Stillwell Edwards, author of "Two Runaways," prints a rollicking story of rival negro churches in the south, "The Little Unpleasantness at New Hope." There are also stories by Louise Collier Wilcox, Will N. Harben and Charles Bryant Howard, the last a bit of West Indian local color. The variety of this list is further extended by the fourth part of the "Confessions of a Wife," by Mary Adams, the theme of which is estrangement, as those of the preceding portions have been respectively, courtship, marriage and motherhood.

A special announcement of a new serial story to begin in the July number of Pearson's will probably cause many readers to make up their minds to subscribe without a fall. The story is entitled "The Pearl Maiden; or, the Fall of Jerusalem," and is by no less popular a writer than H. Rider Haggard. The fortunes of the beautiful

Jewish Miriam, who has embraced Christianity, are involved with those of the noble Roman captain, Marcus, at the time of the Roman invasion of Judea. The time, the characters and the setting, therefore, give promise of a stirring historic romance.

"Bread and Wine" is a tale of Swiss folk, by Maude Egerton King. Although this brings her for the first time before an American public, she has had several books published in England. The titles of some of them are: "My Book of Songs and Sonnets," "Round About a Brighton Coach Office," "Studies in Love" and "The Conversion of Miss Caroline Eden." One rarely reads a more tender story than this little tale of a few simple Swiss folk. A very beautifully written introduction adds much to the value of the book, which is not so much a novel as a leaf torn out of real life. Its portrayal of the domestic peasant nature and its lessons of overcoming evil with good are such that they will leave the reader with a softer heart. One bit of homely wisdom among many is especially worth quoting and remembering: "You can't know persons until you begin to love them; and you can't love persons until you begin to know them." Published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

"Graded work in Arithmetic," by S. W. Baird, principal of Franklin grammar school at Wilkesbarre, Pa., is the last of the eight-book series, completing a remarkably well-graded and comprehensive grammar course in arithmetic. It begins with a review of the essential parts of the lower books, and then furnishes a thorough treatment, with applications, of percentage and interest, including the elementary principles of algebra, involution, evolution, and mensuration. Operations, explanations and analyses are given in full; the numerous illustrative examples have been carefully selected; and the principles involved will be easily and clearly understood by the pupil with but little assistance from the teacher. Published by American Book Co.

"A Girl of Virginia," by Lucy Meacham Thurston, a new novel, is a story of university and outdoor life. The author has written a fresh, attractive love story. The descriptions of life at the University of Virginia, the horseback riding, fox hunting, and football, give the story a wholesome, breezy, outdoor flavor. Mrs. Thurston's previous book, "Missus Brent," published last year, was a historical romance of Maryland. It has already gone into a fourth edition. Mrs. Thurston has a third story, which Little, Brown & Co. will also publish. This is a semi-historical book for young people. It will be brought out in the fall. The author is a Baltimore woman with a fondness for historical study. She is one of the most promising writers of the South.

"Holy-Days and Holidays" is a thick octavo volume of 800 pages, whose contents form, to quote its title-page, "a treasury of historical material, sermons in full and in brief, suggestive thoughts, and poetry relating to holy-days and holidays." Its compiler is Edward M. Deems, and he has ransacked the four quarters of the literary globe for material wherewith to fill and to make his book valuable for general reference purposes. "Only the most important days," he says in his preface, "such as are mentioned in the most significant acts and principles of the Christian faith, have been dealt with. On the other hand, days and anniversaries not in the church are included, such as Thanksgiving Day, New Year's Day and Old Year Day—occasions which are rich in suggestion to thoughtful minds." This work includes, besides the most important secular legal holidays, the anniversaries most widely observed in America, Great Britain, Ireland and Canada.

These books can be purchased at the Megath Stationery Co., 1308 Farnam st.

BANDA ROSSA FOR CARNIVAL

Board of Governors Engages Sorrentino and His Musicians for Nine Days. The Board of Governors of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben has engaged Sorrentino's Banda Rossa for a nine days' engagement during the fall carnival. Under the terms of the contract the band will be in the city over one Sunday, and as the board has resolved that the carnival grounds shall be closed on Sunday, the committee has arranged to give the people of Omaha a free complimentary entertainment in the form of a sacred concert, which will be held at one of the parks on the Sunday, which falls before the date of the opening of the carnival and its close.

A novel entertainment has been added to the usual ceremony at the den for the evening of Monday, July 7. There was a discussion between two of the members of the society as to the ability of Frank Dunlop as an imitator, which resulted in a bet, the winner to turn the profits into the Ak-Sar-Ben fund. According to the terms of the bet, Mr. Dunlop is to occupy the position of "it" on that evening and imitate W. R. Bennett, the regular occupant of that position. A number of persons familiar with Mr. Bennett and his style are to be the judges and the decision will be made before the close of the entertainment that evening.

Marriage Licenses.

Table listing names and addresses of couples who received marriage licenses yesterday.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

Captain Carter F. Robinson of the Tenth cavalry, at Fort Robinson, Neb., has been granted leave of absence for twenty days, dating from July 1st next. F. Von Ehrhard, major and quartermaster in the United States army, is in Omaha, enroute from New York City to San Francisco, and called at army headquarters. Captain William M. Wright, acting inspector general of the Department of the Missouri, has been ordered to Keokuk, Ia., to inspect the national cemetery there, and will then accompany Mrs. Wright to St. Louis, Mo., where they will be accompanied by Mrs. Macomber and daughter, arrived in Omaha yesterday to attend the Macomber wedding, which will take place this evening at the home of Judge James H. Macomber. Mrs. Carl Porterfield and daughter of Denver are visiting in Omaha with Mr. and Mrs. Porterfield, 217 South Twenty-ninth street. The two are on their way home to Denver from St. Louis, where they have visited the last two months. Councilman C. O. Loback returned yesterday from Chicago, where he had been since last Saturday. His wife, daughter Gladys and mother-in-law, Mrs. Loback, will accompany him there, went on to Chicago, where they will remain for some time visiting with relatives and friends. J. W. Thomas, Mayor Frank E. Moore, E. W. Bryson of Omaha with James Martin and other members of the staff of Governor Savage from South Omaha, will leave for Lincoln Monday afternoon, where they will join the party of the governor and go to Beatrice, Wis., where they will be present at the launching of the new battleship Nebraska.

MURPHY SUBMITS TO RAISE

Pledges Two Corporations to Stand Doubled Assessments.

BOARD MAY ADOPT THE FIGURES

Street Railway Company to Be Scheduled at \$650,000 and the Gas Company at \$450,000.

Attorney J. H. McIntosh, representing the tax committee of the Real Estate Exchange, was before the County Board of Equalization again yesterday afternoon to present his communications, one of which read as follows: In the Matter of the 1902 Assessment of the Omaha Street Railway Company—For the 1902 state and county assessment dispute between the tax committee of the Omaha Real Estate Exchange and the Omaha Street Railway Company, it is hereby agreed that the 1902 personal assessment be raised to the said sum of \$650,000. OMAHA STREET RAILWAY CO. By Frank Murphy, President. The other aspect of the matter in place and signed by Mr. Murphy, but in the name of the Omaha Street Railway Company was that of the gas company, and the figure to which it was to be raised was \$450,000. To the first form there was attached, also, a complaint by F. D. Weed, chairman of the tax committee, against the assessment of the company's personal property, and a resolution drawn up for the equalization board to adopt. This resolution in substance made \$500,000 the board's corrected figure.

Provides for Quick Action.

The intent of all this was to provide a quick way for the board to dispose of the matter of the assessment of the street railway company by accepting a figure satisfactory to the tax committee. Mr. Weed furnished the complaint, which is necessary in correcting such assessments; Mr. Murphy guaranteed for the company that if assessed at \$650,000 it would not give any trouble; and Attorney McIntosh had arranged to see the board in the matter of the wear and tear of thinking up the words for itself. But again Chairman Ostrom balked on taking any immediate action. Connolly and Hoffeld were still absent, recovering from the strain of a convention that found difficulty in fusing the two parties; the republican members and O'Keefe did not care to proceed. Accordingly the papers were filed and the assessing of the street railway and gas companies deferred until Friday, when the "big fellows" are all cited.

Board Jealous of Its Thunder.

The board is suspected by the committee of cherishing a very human antipathy anything that will stir its thunder and detract from the applause it is to receive from the populace for boosting the assessments of the wealthy. Chairman Ostrom with representatives of the stock yards company, the gas company, the electric light company, the water work and many of the jobbers; that they were all given to understand that they would be materially aided in their efforts to get the board inclined to file a petition so long as they were all to go up together. He said, too, that he figures on the raise on the corporations and large firms of Omaha amounting to about \$700,000, and that the rest of the rest of the county would bring the total assessed value of the stock yards up near to \$24,000,000. He has been before Tax Commissioner Fleming's figures for the jobbers and merchants, but says that these figures are in some instances too low and that their total of about \$200,000 will be made \$250,000 or \$300,000 by the county board.

Tax Committee Pleas.

The members of the tax committee, on the other hand, assert that they are pleased with the progress they have made in the matter of compromises and believe their efforts will materially benefit the county. They said last night that they had finally reached agreement with the stock yards company and about a half-dozen large wholesalers, with twenty-five more to be conferred with today. Including the packing houses, they say they have, by these compromises, made it possible for the board to raise the total assessment \$1,350,000 without a bit of opposition from the parties raised. This figure they deduce from the fact that they have added, with the acquiescence of the owners, \$7,500,000 to the roll of real values of the county. The compromises that they have arranged include the same parties and firms who appear voluntarily before the board and file schedules which shall total as agreed upon. They say that all raises they have arranged are in proportion to the raises agreed upon for local corporations, which are as follows: Street railway company, from assessor's return of \$200,000 to \$650,000, gas company, from \$120,000 to \$450,000. The return of \$470,000 for the water company is considered high enough and the exchange committee has not and will not ask that it be raised.

Concerns Only Personal Property.

These statements concern only the personal assessments, of course, as it is said that the assessors' returns on the real estate of the same parties and firms will be allowed to stand or near enough correct in the majority of cases. Attorney McIntosh has borrowed Commissioner Ostrom's list of personal assessment estimates to compare it with the tax committee's compromise figures before the big conference of Friday, which is expected to fall well into the night. The board had hoped that all complaints would be in by last night, but the tax committee says it will file one against each jobber or other individual or firm that may refuse to come to law after today's conference. So far, the committee has not filed a single complaint and up to last night only ninety-five had been filed with the board. At this time last year more than 400 had been filed.

One caller yesterday informed the board that he is preparing a complaint against all the farms in Douglas county. The statement rather appalled the board members, but they say that if they find it expedient they can raise such assessment

without citing the farmers to appear, it being necessary only that they make the raise uniform for all.

Measures the Bridge.

The county surveyor made a report of his measurements of the East Omaha bridge, and Douglas county loses five feet of the total it figured on. The company still protests against the county's plan of assessing one-half the bridge, asserting that Iowa should have the long end of the good thing. Last year the assessment was raised from \$5,000 to \$11,500 and the company has been whimpering ever since.

Amusements.

At Krug Park.

The ragtime concert by Huster's band at Krug park last night proved one of a best drawing cards this resort has presented. With a dozen extra cars in service on the Benson and Walnut Hill lines, people stood on the running boards during the busy period, which lasted for over two hours. Judging from the enthusiastic manner in which the program was received, one of these events each week will not be overdoing it for the people. The band played the various numbers with such spirit that at times nearly the whole audience was beating time while a large number of cake walkers were developed. Huster very graciously responded to entreats with four extras. The trapeze performance by Emma Girdler, the "Passion Play" and other features of the regular program were given as usual. On Sunday next the Independent Order of Foresters will picnic at the park. In the afternoon they will pull off a road race from the park to Irvington and return. It is open to all amateur bicycle riders. Eighteen contestants have entered to compete for fifteen prizes, valued at over \$200.

CHILD DROWNS IN MISSOURI

Falls from Boat Tied at Shore and is Carried Away by Current.

Eddie Havlik, 3 years and 9 months old, child of Peter Havlik, who lives at Second street and Poppleton avenue, was drowned in the Missouri river yesterday afternoon. The body was recovered at 5:40 p. m. at a place about two blocks below the point of the accident, where it had caught in the hooks of a fishline. The boy was in the water more than an hour. There will be no inquest and interment is to be in National cemetery. Havlik lives on the river bank and little Eddie went out through the back gate with a companion of his own age, Eddie Fuchs, and the pair got in a skiff which was tied there. The child fell over the stern of the boat and was carried away by the current. The Fuchs boy ran home screaming to his parents, who, after an ineffectual search for the missing child, notified the police.

ROWLEY FOUND NOT GUILTY

Acquitted on Forgery Charge, Awaits Trial for Larceny and Embezzlement.

It was a verdict of not guilty that the jury in the case of the State against Martha S. Rowley, charged with forging Armour pay checks, brought in at 5 o'clock Wednesday afternoon. The prisoner was remanded to jail to await trial on the remaining charges of grand larceny and embezzlement, which cannot be taken up until the next term of court. The jury, which had been drawn especially for this case, was out thirty hours.

De Armond Delivers Address.

LEXINGTON, Va., June 26.—Hon. D. A. De Armond of Missouri has delivered the graduation address to the graduating class of the Virginia Military Institute in the closing commencement exercises. The second Jackson Hope medal was awarded to R. D. Riser of Calvert, Tex., who graduated with the degree of bachelor of science.

Advertisement for Zu Zu Ginger Snaps featuring an illustration of a child and the text: 'Busy? Well I should say so! That telephone does nothing all day but say Zu Zu. Every clerk in the store has got the "tired arm" from handing out packages of Zu Zu. But it isn't any wonder! Just look at that package for five cents, full of the best ginger snaps you ever tasted.'

AFFAIRS AT SOUTH OMAHA

Another Place Where City Has Lost Money Will Be Measured.

FEES IN ADVANCE ON MINOR APPEALS

Calprits Fined in Police Court Must Settle for Costs Before They Can Go to District Court for Review.

An investigation of the records of the police court show that during the last three years about 500 cases have been appealed from the police court to the district court. With few exceptions these have never been followed up and the cases merely burden the docket and the files of the clerk of the court. In ordinary instances the fees in an appealed case amount to about \$10. Until a day or two ago no advance fees were exacted from defendants when directing that an appeal be taken. In many of the cases now on file and appealed to the district court both the defendant and the complaining witnesses have left the city and it is possible that the city may be held responsible by the county for the fees which should have been paid at the time the transcripts were filed.

Board Concludes Session.

At 5 o'clock last evening the Board of Review concluded its ten days' session. During the day a large number of property owners filed protests and a number of representatives of corporations were present to remonstrate against an increase in assessment. The board patiently heard the complaints and placed them on file to be taken up later. On account of the amount of work on hand it is hardly probable that the board will be able to make a report before this afternoon. Members of the board assert that due consideration will be given to every complaint, large or small. While it has been intimated that the valuation will not be materially reduced, the total at this time is mere conjecture.

Road to River.

Mayor Koutsky spent the greater portion of yesterday forenoon investigating the complaints about the condition of the road to the river. It had been reported to him that the present road, and especially the Twelfth street hill, is in such condition that garbage wagons cannot get to the river. When the mayor returned from his trip he said that the road is in very bad condition and almost impassable for teams with loads. "Something will have to be done," said Mayor Koutsky, "to open this road to the river, so that garbage may be dumped into the river. I shall call the attention of the council to the matter at the earliest possible moment, and will request that immediate steps be taken to arrange for a road so that the hauling of garbage may not be interfered with. Warm weather is coming on and it will be necessary to have garbage removed daily, so that a suitable road is an absolute necessity." While no estimates have been made by the engineer, it is thought that the expenditure of about \$200 will put the road in a passable condition.

Preparing to Build.

Yesterday City Engineer Ben Staked out the ground for the two-story brick building to be erected by the Jetter Brewing company at the southeast corner of Twenty-fifth and N streets. The present frame building will be moved off the ground within a few days, and then active building operations will be commenced. The structure will be of modern architecture and will cost between \$5,000 and \$6,000.

John Dixon Fined.

In police court yesterday John Dixon, Twenty-third and Harrison streets, was fined \$15 for violating the health laws. Dixon had been placed in quarantine on account of having contracted smallpox. He broke the rules by leaving the house where he was confined and mingling with people on the streets and in resorts. As a result he was arrested. After hearing the testimony of the health officials and Dixon making no denial, the fine mentioned was imposed. The police and health officials propose to see to it that Dixon is not permitted to get out again until he is released from quarantine.

Magie City Goes to.

A daughter has been born to Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Schmidt, 1311 Y street. Mrs. John J. Ryan, who is seriously ill, was reported as better yesterday. The young son of Mr. and Mrs. Myles Welch was reported some better yesterday afternoon. The funeral of Michael Dacy will be held this morning from the family residence, Fortieth and S streets.

Amount of Taxes Paid by Nebraska Railroads and Rate Paid Per Mile by Each Company.

Statement of the Amount of Taxes Paid for the year 1900 in 1901 by the Railroads of Nebraska, their mileage and the rate paid per mile, and comparisons with other States and Railroad Systems.

Table with columns: NAME OF RAILROAD, TAXES PAID, MILES, RATE PER MILE. Lists various railroads like B. & M. in Nebraska, Atchison & Nebraska, etc., with their respective tax amounts and rates.

*The Nebraska, Wyoming & Western in Nebraska was under construction in 1900.

Average taxes paid per mile in 1900...\$198 86
Average taxes paid per mile in 1901... 203 15
Average taxes paid per mile on all railroads west of the Mississippi in 1900... 171 45
Average taxes paid in seven contiguous States in 1900... 163 69
Average taxes per mile paid by the Northern Pacific System... 163 72
Average taxes per mile paid by the railroads of Texas, with 9,873 miles of road... 103 58

Does it not look as though Nebraska railroads paid more than the railroads with which they compete for business?

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