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It is a ten to one shot that the Harvard students will call that 45-year-old millionaire freshman "Grandpa."

If the game of foot ball as played in Australia is not dangerous, it should travel by some other name.

But the month of March is not over yet. A dozen lions may be lurking in the pigeonholes of the weather factory.

We have no Mount Etna in this country, but we have Pittsburg, Albany, Jackson, Miss., and congress for substitutes.

The old adage, "Open your purse and mouth cautiously," has not become obsolete, however much it may be neglected.

Wanted—By an English bishop, a word which will completely express one's feelings when he hits his thumb with the hammer.

If the final decision of the Brownsville affair depends on a dog, it is time to settle the whole matter, even if we have to kill the dog.

The statement comes from New York that women are to blame for the high price of eggs. What, are they wearing eggs on their hats?

The South Carolinian who dynamited his land instead of plowing it is original to say the least, but it savors too much of Black Hand methods.

Of course, no slur is intended in the assertion of Prof. Lowell that the inhabitants of Mars are intelligent organisms, but not at all like men.

And now the state of Mississippi has unearthed a bribery scandal just as "Uncle Jim" Gordon had challenged the admiration of the world to his state.

The St. Louis policemen who put out a fire which had caught in a skyscraper Easter hat by trampling certainly had the courage of their convictions.

Now that several sailors have been killed in explosion on the Charleston, it is time for another long string of magazine articles depicting the inefficiency of our navy.

Captain Klein, sentenced for grafting in Pittsburg, sends out Easter postal cards bearing these words, "I didn't help build the state capitol." One point in his favor.

It begins to look as though fire insurance companies as well as life insurance companies are making a point of examining people's pocketbooks as a precautionary measure.

Omaha appreciates the words of praise showered by Wyoming wool men, but it would appreciate them much more if the Wyoming wool clip were all marketed through Omaha as it should be.

If the dental member of the Omaha Water board is fully equipped to tell us all about water purification, why waste taxpayers' money by sending 1,500 miles for a representative of the Marine hospital?

The discussion of the queer things about the dog pound recalls that it is some time since Omaha has had an agitation for muzzling the dogs. If any local dealers have an oversupply of dog muzzles on hand another convenient dog scare might be arranged.

Democratic Backsliding.

The Kentucky state senate, by a vote of 17 to 17, defeated the resolution to ratify the proposed income tax amendment to the federal constitution. Thus Kentucky is the third southern state to throw its effort against this most equitable plan of taxation.

It is not that the three states already rejecting the income tax amendment are southern states that is significant, but that they are democratic states, and by this action are repudiating and trampling under foot a plank of the Denver platform supposed to be binding on all good democrats, both as to what it contains and to what it omits.

It is rather interesting to note that all efforts made to settle this trouble within recent years have been of a friendly nature, although some difficulty was experienced shortly after the year 1905, when the United States minister to Panama, Mr. Barrett, attempted to effect a settlement.

Conditions are now different and the whole situation is to be placed before the chief justice of the supreme court of the United States by Secretary Knox and finally settled, maps, records, surveys and former treaties being the evidence used as a basis for decision.

This much is certain, however, that if the income tax amendment is lost it will be because of democratic backsliding.

Insurance Investigation in New York.

The vigorous investigation of alleged insurance irregularities in New York state by State Superintendent of Insurance Hotchkiss is developing most interesting material. Like the life insurance investigation of several years ago, it develops that a case of securing desired legislation at the hands of the New York assembly was the source of trouble.

New York state is not to be taken as a model for civic morals, if we read current official report rightly. A low standard of civic duty has been discovered in public service in that state during the last few years and disclosure seems to have but little deterring effect.

Justice Brewer. The sudden death of Justice Brewer of the United States supreme court naturally shocks the whole country, but more particularly the people of this section, because he was not only appointed to the bench from our sister state of Kansas, but was also assigned to the circuit made up of the states of the middle-west.

Justice Brewer's great legal ability was universally conceded, although some of the decisions in which he had a leading part have provoked severe criticism and dissent.

From another standpoint Justice Brewer occupied a unique position on the bench in being associated for many years with his uncle, Justice Field, serving as colleagues in what is acclaimed the highest court of justice known to history.

Mount Etna. The recent volcanic activity of Mount Etna in Sicily during the last week has naturally caused consternation on that little island.

One would think that the people on this island would become disheartened because of the earthquakes and eruptions which have visited it, but, like the dwellers on the mud flats of the rivers of this country, they see for safety when it is necessary, and then return again, rebuilding their houses and places of business and go to work.

Just what the earth hides deep below its surface that such eruptions should be continually taking place is not known. Scientists have told us that if we were to pierce the earth's crust for a distance of seventy-five miles we would find rock formations disappearing and its constituent elements molten, or perhaps gaseous.

And now we are told that the Washington filtration plant cost \$3,400,000 and that when St. Louis signed on similar equipment the estimate called for \$2,000,000. The \$6,500,000 bonds which we voted to buy the Omaha water plant are evidently only a starter.

Champ Clark, the democratic floor leader of the house, says that in his opinion a nonpartisan speaker is far off. Champ would like to be speaker, but he knows that he would have a hard time pretending to be a nonpartisan.

Our Birthday Book

March 30, 1910.

George W. Clabaugh, vice-president of the Omaha Gas company and manager of the local gas plant, was born March 30, 1859, in Columbus, Mo. He was in the Wyoming cattle business in the 80s and went into the gas business in 1895, in Philadelphia, coming to Omaha shortly after.

It is reported that Count Boni is now starting negotiations with the morganatic widow of King Leopold with matrimony in view. Well, anyone who could keep Leopold in line ought to be able to handle Boni.

Mayor "Jim" touches a tender spot in Lincoln when he talks about removing the state capitol. Here is where

Lincoln claims a vested interest constitutionally exempt from invasion.

The chances are that there will also be considerable figuring done in Great Britain to make it appear that the House of Lords is to be "revised upward."

Apologetics Saved Him. Baltimore American. The senate of the United States has indeed fallen on various times when the presiding officer of that august body had to call himself to order for sneezing at it.

The Living Should Help Some. St. Louis Globe-Democrat. One county in Nebraska has in hand \$27,000 for good roads derived from an inheritance tax.

Shining in Reflected Light. Pittsburg Dispatch. Before very long every man who wishes to bulk large in the public eye will be taking a steamer to meet Roosevelt.

Cheery Lights in Eclipse. Cleveland Plain Dealer. We are told that diamonds have made another advance. But who wears diamonds nowadays? Only one minstrel troupe remains in existence.

Time Striking the Perspective. New York World. The death of the "youngest veteran" of the civil war at the advanced age of 62 illustrates how far into the past the period of the rebellion has receded.

What Do You Think of This? New York Tribune. The negro Pullman car porter, who when arrested for speeding his own automobile, said he was in a hurry, as he had an important real estate enterprise pending.

Back to the Vacant Lot. Cleveland Plain Dealer. Why not return to the vacant lot? The idea of cultivating uncultivated urban property is now many years old, but it has never been developed to its full possibilities.

CAN THIS BE MR. BRYAN? Assumes a Hopeful Tone Far from Home. Chicago Inter Ocean. The report of Mr. Bryan's speech at Lima, Peru, published in the current issue of the Commoner, is calculated to give the public a start of surprise.

It suggests that either the South American climate has a wonderful effect on Mr. Bryan's point of view or there is another Mr. Bryan who has been managing to conceal himself successfully from public notice in this country.

There is more altruism in the United States than in any other in the world; the people of the United States are doing more in an unselfish way for the benefit of the masses in nearly every other people.

A paid orator imported from Colorado, whose chief asset is that he is a friend of Chief Ben B. Lindsey, is to be let loose on Nebraska to tell us what we are missing by not conferring suffrage on women.

Now it is imperative that must be gotten rid of all sorts of things that would cause instant destruction. Now it is the cross of gold that must be knocked down and carted out before we get crucified on it.

Many people speak of him as "Old Dr. Bryan," because of his unostentatious association with the announcement of some old and reliable or some perfectly new disease which can only be cured by carefully soaking the mind every morning and night in the solution he proposes.

Why can't Mr. Bryan give his own country a little of his cheerfulness? Why reserve all his optimism for the Peruvians, who cannot appreciate it properly, having had no opportunity to realize the lovely contract it affords? Why not turn himself loose up here some time and admit that the end of the republic is not eternally bobbing in sight?

We really can't see why an orator, who radiates cheerful patriotism down in Peru, South America, can't do the same thing in Peru, Indiana.

They Do Grow. Baltimore American. According to experts government seeds are getting better. No longer do cucumbers viose come up when squashes were exposed, and no longer does the beet make its appearance when the carrot is looked for.

"Everybody Losing." New York World. According to one of the heads of the Packing trust, packers' profits have declined because of the higher price of meat. As far as can be discovered everybody is losing and nobody gaining by the increased cost. The situation would be Gilbertian if it were not so distinctly serious to consumers.

Around New York

Highlights on the Current of Life as Seen in the Great American Metropolis from Day to Day.

All the races represented in the heterogeneous population of the Battery district of New York participated in the funeral of "Battery Dan" Finn last Saturday.

Character typical of his environment. The nickname defined the territory over which he reigned as a political lord. His methods were of the rough house order, the only kind possible in that section, but beneath a rough exterior was a heart that responded to the needs of the unfortunates of all races.

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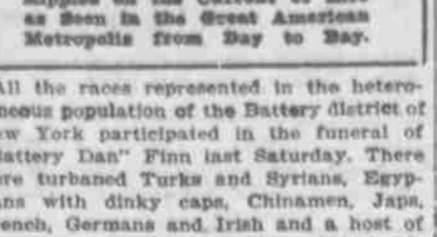
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PERSONAL NOTES.

An English witness in a local court addressed the magistrate as "your lordship" and the magistrate ordered him to "cut that out."

If the United States authorities at New York succeed in convicting the rascally smugglers, they will probably feel like putting feathers in their hats.

Even if the New York helms who is advertising for a soul mate were to find him, the chances are that the authorities would not let him out of the asylum.

A Pittsburg grafter implicated sixty of his pals, because after his conviction they refused to provide for his wife and family. He now doubts that there is honor among thieves.

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Seth Low will be the new president of the New York Republican club, succeeding Robert C. Morris. A committee appointed by President Morris to help welcome Mr. Roosevelt includes Attorney General Wickham, Henry W. Taft, Senators Root and DeWitt, Timothy L. Woodruff and William Barnes, Jr.

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POINTED PLEASANTRIES. "What are the degrees of a stingy man's married life?" "I suppose they are matrimony, parsimony, testimony and alimony."—Baltimore American.

THE WONDER IS. The wonder is that all the world is so good and sweet. The captains and the kings who rule, the people that we meet; The trouble is, we want so much we cannot feel content.

Advertisement for "Gas Service" and "Request Maintenance". Recently we quoted prices of maintaining standard arc and single mantle lamps. This referred to display lighting, lighting of stores, shops, offices, factories, etc.