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The fish that got into the same bathing suit with an Atlantic City girl the other day was undoubtedly an impudent jack.

According to our society and horse reporter, evening dresses are now cut so décolleté that you can see whether a woman's slippers are untied.

A Brooklynite swallowed his false teeth the other day while laughing at a friend's joke.—Moral: Never crack a joke in the presence of one whose mouth, like some newspapers, is filled with plate matter.

Today, 23 years ago, the editor of the Sunday Outlook began the newspaper business as the "Devil" and he has been catching the devil ever since.—Georgetown Outlook.

You'll be fortunate if he doesn't catch you.

Dr. Joseph Simms, the scientist who has come to the conclusion that we think with our toes, evidently judges the mentality of the whole human family by the efforts of our tar heel friends to prove that Andrew Jackson was born in North Carolina.

That twenty-nine-million-dollar fine would make John D. pull his hair if he had any to pull.—As it is, being without any natural cranium cover, he will let the oil consumers do the pulling stunt when he advances the price of kerosene to pay the fine.

The Georgia crackers are getting to be mighty particular all at once. Their pure food law went into effect the other day, they have just outlawed liquor and now a bill is about to pass the legislature requiring hotels and boarding houses to keep clean sheets on the beds. The next thing they will be forcing every man to sleep in pajamas and to spit in the big road.

ARE YOU JEALOUS ?

Brother Connors, of the Lancaster News, and Brother Big-ham, of the Chester Lantern, are making a big fuss over one lone apple found in their respective counties. They have evidently

forgotten that it was one apple which made all the trouble in the world and it was not grown in either Lancaster or Chester county.—Rock Hill Record.

Nor in York either, for that matter; and so far as heard from, that county has been unable to produce even a "lone apple" this year. Under the circumstances somebody might at least hand Brother Schwrar a lemon.

"WE DOWN BROTHER CONNORS."

"A farmer near town, as modest as he is kind, enterprising and successful, has brought us, not one measley peach but a bagful. He says he wants us to down that Lancaster paper. He authorizes us to send the editor one to smell if he will agree to extract his teeth and keep them in his pocket while he is at it. We suppose this will settle him. We are glad at least to be able to show him that we have more friends than he has. We want it understood that our farmer friend has more peaches at home and we may see more of them.

The foregoing, head, body, tail and all, is taken from the editorial columns of the Chester Lantern, and when it fell under our eye for the first time, Saturday afternoon, we were enjoying a fine Havana which had been presented to us by a friend from Columbia, after having just eaten some of the large and luscious peaches sent us by our old Heath Springs friend, Mr. James Crenshaw. So Brother Bigham will observe that we, too, are keeping well up with the procession, if indeed we are not ahead of it.—We are certainly not "down" yet—at least not with colic from devouring too much fruit.

Why, our friends are so numerous and so wide spread that we are not only getting the lion's share of all the peaches and apples raised in Lancaster this year, but we are confidently expecting some from Chester county—from "Juke" Jordan and other friends in our esteemed contemporary's territory.

A "bagful" of peaches, eh? Well, here's some more dollars to some more doughnuts that that "bag" was a little paper sack.

LANCASTER AND A HIGH SCHOOL—LETTER FROM PROF. HAND.

Apropos of the discussion in these columns of the question of establishing a high school in Lancaster, we publish for the earnest consideration of our citizens the following letter, which the editor has just received from Prof. Hand, of the South Carolina University:

"I am glad to know that you are beginning to agitate the high school in your town with reference to the state aid. I have been anxiously waiting to hear from Lancaster on this matter. Let me make a suggestion:

Why not Lancaster ask all the adjoining school districts to vote the high school with you, then establish the school at Lancaster by enlarging the high school department of the graded school? The law provides for such, and as I see it you can do so without one cent of additional tax for this year, and for another year if you see fit. As I understand your situation you are now (1907-8) employing one teacher at \$675 a year, one \$360 a year, and half the superintendent's time teaching in the high school department. In other words, you are to put into your high school the coming year about

\$1535. If you retain your present grades, 8, 9, and 10, the state will give you on this basis \$700—enough to employ an additional high school teacher. If you add the 11th grade, and you can show \$1600 spent in that department, the state will give you \$800. Remember that all this can be done without one cent additional expense to either of the districts establishing the high school. Is it not worth the effort? If I could be of any service in this matter, I'd be glad to go over to meet your people as soon as I can get to you. I've talked with Mr. Banks about this matter. He favors it fully. Let me hear from you. Very truly,
W. H. Hand."

It occurs to us that Prof. Hand's suggestion is an eminently wise one. He clearly shows how it is practicable for Lancaster to have a high school under the state law without additional expense whatever to the school district or districts. What say you, gentlemen, members of the board of trustees and others interested in the welfare of the school and the town?

Would it not be a good idea for the board of trustees to invite Prof. Hand to come here, as he kindly offers to do, and address a mass meeting on the subject of the proposed high school? He has already spoken at Yorkville, Winnsboro and a number of other towns moving for high schools. By coming to Lancaster Prof. Hand would throw a flood of light on a subject that is perplexing to many.

GOV. JOHNSON OF MINNESOTA.

Of the several prominent democrats of the country that have been suggested as being of good presidential timber none is receiving more serious consideration than Gov. Johnson of Minnesota, with the possible exception of Bryan, who many believe will again be made the party's national standard bearer, notwithstanding his ultra views as to government ownership of railroads. In view of the general interest now being taken in Johnson as the possible, if not probable, nominee of the democratic party for president next year, we republish the following sketch of him, taken from the Augusta Chronicle:

Gov. Johnson was born at St. Peter, Minnesota, July 28, 1861, of Swedish parents. His father was a blacksmith, who died leaving his family unprovided for.—In 1873, therefore, John was obliged to quit school and work for the support of the family.—He was employed in a printing office at \$10 a month, and gave all his earnings to his mother. Afterwards he became a clerk in a drug store, and, in 1877, he was getting \$75 a month, though but sixteen years old.

He joined the National Guard, in which he served seven years, reaching the rank of captain.—Returning to the printing business he became a member of the firm of Essler and Johnson, publishers of the St. Peter Herald, of which he was until recently the editor. He has always been a Democrat, and was elected, as such, to the state senate in which he served one term before he was nominated for governor by his party, in 1904. As a candidate for governor in that year he received a majority of 6,352; in a total vote of 297,592, although Roosevelt carried the state by a majority of 161,000. As the first Democratic governor of Minnesota since the war he gave the state a wise, decent, economical

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Aug. 7, 1907.

administration He opposed extravagance and every kind of fraud; and successfully planned and advocated legislation taxing mortgages and the steel trust iron ore monopoly, sleeping car companies, etc. He also procured the establishment of a permanent tax commission to adjust the burden of state taxes upon the different counties. He obtained a reduction of freight rates in Minnesota; also a two cent passenger fare, and the abolition of the corrupt free pass system; and he secured the passage of statutes regulating the management of life insurance, which have proved entirely efficient.

In consequence of these reforms, he was renominated for governor by the Democrats in 1906, and carried the state by a majority of 76,633 votes, showing greatly increased popularity.

Johnson, if we mistake not, has always been a Bryan supporter, and he is today one of the Nebraskan's most ardent admirers, though he by no means shares his views on the railroad question, as will be seen by the following statement recently made by him:

"I believe the states must be

absolute in their authority to regulate and control railway rates on business wholly within the states. I believe that the government should do no business which can be done as well, or better, by private individuals. The time has not arrived when there should be even a suggestion of government ownership of railroads."

It is a far cry, of course, to the nominating convention, but if Johnson continues to grow in popular favor at the rate that he has for the past few weeks, he will be a most formidable candidate for first place on the national ticket.

Young Lady Meets With Painful Accident.

Miss Lily Flynn, daughter of Mr. Palmer Flynn of the New Cut section, met with a very painful accident last Thursday afternoon. While mending a broken parasol with putty, a piece in some way flew into her left eye, causing severe pain. It was located and taken out by Dr. R. H. Sapp. She is reported to be much better.