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THE DIVINEST GIFT.

The Counsellor Supreme has given to thee Divinest gift, out of the amplitude Of his profuse exhaustless treasury.

By thee, 'tis said, the depths are understood Of his far voice; by thee the mystery Of all oracular fates,—and the dread mood

Of the diviner is breathed up, even I— A child—perceive thy might and majesty.

Thou canst seek out and compass all that wit Can find or teach; yet since thou wilt, come take The lyre—be mine the glory giving I— Strike the sweet chords, and sing aloud, and wake

Thy joyous pleasure out of many a fleet Of trance sound—and with flitting fingers make Thy liquid-voiced comrade talk with thee— It can talk measured music eloquently.

—Homer.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY.

Matrimony is a school, instituted for women, so that they may study men.

Hurrah for Keokuk!

Thirty to one isn't so bad.

"There's nothing succeeds like" Keokuk.

This continues to be an exceptionally fine spring for Keokuk.

That was a good day's work Keokuk did for Keokuk yesterday.

Queen Mary's coronation train will be sixty feet long. Special but not limited.

The trouble with some self-made men is that they have never finished the job.

Philosophy has been defined as the ice box in which we keep the troubles of our friends.

A western editor has noticed that the rock of adversity generally has a little rye on the side.

The publicity proposition required 60 per cent of the votes cast to carry. It received over 84 per cent.

The government June crop report indicates a record-breaking wheat crop and other cereal crops well up to or above the average.

There is further evidence in the returns that the Keokuk Industrial Association is officered by the right men. They know how to do things.

A government expert says "the weather does not run in well-defined cycles." This tends to confirm the general impression that it is operated on a sliding scale.

The compliments of the season to Messrs. Stone & Webster, and will they please note the overwhelming vote by which the proposed franchises were endorsed?

In the light of yesterday's vote, Messrs. Stone & Webster should have no difficulty in understanding what is meant by "the good old Keokuk way" of doing things.

Messrs. McManus and Lofton could not have worked harder, more efficiently or more successfully if they had been candidates for some office with large salary attached.

The Council Bluffs Nonpareil puts a general observation into words in saying that often the preacher who is doing the most for the world of humanity is the one who looks the least like a minister.

The country's monetary circulation made a further gain of \$18,000,000 or more during May—the increase being practically all in gold. This lifts the per capita circulation to \$24.70, which seems to be about a record figure.

Restricting the manufacture and sale of revolvers might throw a lot of workmen out of employment. Also, as pointed out by the Chicago Tribune, it might effect a considerable saving in the matter of other workmen's lives.

GREAT VICTORY FOR KEOKUK.

The vote in this city at yesterday's special election was as follows:

Table with 3 columns: Proposition, For, Against. Includes Railway franchise (2460-82), Lighting franchise (2449-82), and Publicity department (2092-388).

These figures, pregnant with meaning, tell their own story and tell it well to all acquainted with the situation here. They make it unmistakably clear that the old town has "come back" and has set resolutely forward on the highway of progress and prosperity.

It gave earnest of its intention to do this when it organized the Keokuk Industrial Association with a capital of \$50,000, and it has now proved the sincerity of its faith by the genuineness of its works.

It has proclaimed in clarion tones that it is alive to the great opportunities that are before it and proposes to make the most of them.

The doubters and scoffers who advertised their disloyalty to the city and its interests by opposing the propositions have their answer in the more than 5 to 1 vote on the question of establishing a publicity department and the 30 to 1 vote on the street railway and lighting franchises.

The result of yesterday's election assures a practically new street railway system and an entirely new street lighting system. It also assures that Keokuk will be more than four times better lighted than it has been in the past, making it one of the most brilliantly illuminated cities in the country.

This will involve the investment of between \$300,000 and \$500,000 additional outside capital here and enlist the hearty co-operation of the largest public utility company in the United States in the upbuilding of the community.

Keokuk's interests will be Stone & Webster's interests henceforth and the two will join forces in making Keokuk without a peer among the cities of the west.

Not the least gratifying feature of the result is the overwhelming majority in favor of the several propositions. The vote, as was hoped, was practically unanimous. In a way it was as much a vote of confidence in Stone & Webster as a vote in the interest of Keokuk, and is as complimentary to them as it is gratifying to every loyal citizen.

They should find in it great encouragement and fresh inspiration in the alliance into which they are about to enter. It is proof positive to them that they have with them a united community willing to do its whole duty in the attainment of the ends both have in view.

HONOR TO WHOM HONOR. The detail work of the campaign preliminary to yesterday's special election was performed by Messrs. Thomas F. McManus and Ed. S. Lofton, and it need not be said to those who know the gentlemen that it could not have been entrusted to better hands.

They were on duty early and late, with what results is well attested by the practically unanimous vote in favor of all three propositions submitted to the voters of Keokuk. Better work was never done in the interest of individual candidates than was done by Messrs. McManus and Lofton in the impersonal, but larger and more important, interest of Keokuk. The community owes them a vote of thanks, and The Gate City moves that it be made unanimous!

HOT WEATHER AND HEALTH.

Many people who complain a great deal during hot weather, who lack appetite and blame the temperature for almost everything imaginable, have only themselves to blame because they neglect the simplest rules of physical care. The principal difficulty is that they do not exercise, yet fill up with ice cold drinks and other things which demand regular exercise that the body may be kept in condition.

Proper digestion is the best tonic in the world. Any person whose daily occupation is not manual labor should take a fifteen or twenty minutes' walk every day before or after breakfast.

If possible, a brain worker should take from half an hour to an hour's light gymnasium exercises every day. Don't diet yourself. If you are a brain worker, eat everything that agrees with your stomach. If your work is hard manual labor you should be able to eat anything and everything.

Cut out alcoholic stimulants. They produce false appetite and create false strength, and when their influence has spent itself you are always weaker than you were before. Alcohol should be used as a medicine only.

Don't be a cold water crank. If cold showers or plunge baths agree with you, then take them, but don't take them because some physical culture crank tells you to. Bathing is strictly a matter of temperament. Study carefully the bathing question, and find out just what sort of bathing and how much agrees best with you. Then follow out what your experience has taught you is best for your health.

When you exercise select the form of exercise that affords you most enjoyment. If you don't like it it becomes work. If you are coe to work, take a pick and shovel. When you find an exercise that is a pleasure to you stick to it; if it is not a pleasure, don't force yourself to do it because "you need the exercise."

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REPUBLICAN CAMPAIGN BOOKS.

Washington advises say that the Republican Congressional campaign committee is preparing to issue a tariff text book in which the prosperity of the country under Republican tariffs will be shown, and the corresponding disasters under the tariff laws enacted by the Democrats.

The book will also contain elaborate extracts from the report of the hearings while the Payne bill was being framed, with schedules showing the wages paid in this country and in Europe. It is believed by the committee that this will be the strongest campaign book ever issued by a political party. It will not contain any arguments, only terse statements of facts disclosed at the hearings, together with a comparison of the country under the McKinley, Wilson and Dingley laws. The reader is to judge for himself.

It is also stated that another campaign book is being prepared by the same committee. This will show the achievements of the present administration, including reforms introduced in the several departments in the interest of economy and the better transaction of the public business. One of the great achievements pointed out is the fact that now we have an annual surplus instead of an annual deficit of forty or more millions.

Another of the remarkable record of the postoffice department, while great stress will be laid on the recovery of large sums from the sugar trust and other heavy importers to reimburse the treasury for frauds committed on the customs, and the successful issue of the suits to dissolve the Standard Oil and the Tobacco Trust.

WOMAN'S TEN-HOUR LAW. Governor Deneen of Illinois has signed the woman's ten-hour law, which amends the present statute so as to prohibit the employment of women more than ten hours out of any twenty-four in that state. The law, as amended, requires that employers of women shall keep a time book showing the number of hours each works which shall be open to inspection by the state factory inspector. Violation is punishable by a fine of from \$25 to \$100.

The bill caused one of the bitterest contests in the session of the legislature just closed. When it was sent to the governor he granted a hearing at which women appeared to advance arguments both for and against it. The chief argument made against it was by representatives of the workers on the Chicago elevated railroads who asserted that the law would result in the throwing of many women out of employment their places being taken by men. Representatives of the Chicago social settlements upheld the bill.

A notable change appears in the comparison of bank exchanges for last week, the total at all leading cities in the United States aggregating \$2,137,142,582, a loss of only 1.2 per cent as compared with the corresponding week last year and of 0.1 per cent compared with the same week in 1909, whereas last week there were losses of 14.5 and 9.4 per cent, respectively.

The most satisfactory feature in the returns is the fact that for the first time in a considerable period every city outside New York reports gain during last year, which in some instances is very large, notably at Philadelphia and Baltimore, and all except Cincinnati and Louisville make larger returns than 1909.

A falling off of 19,880 in the surplus of idle coal and box cars, mainly in the eastern states, for the two weeks ending May 24, is shown by the fortnightly bulletin of the American Railway Association. Idle cars on hand on that date in the United States and Canada totaled 167,398, against 187,278 at the end of the previous fortnight, a reduction of about 10.5 per cent. In the two weeks ending May 24 the surplus of coal cars was lowered from \$4,151 to \$3,643, the box car surplus declining from \$2,213 to \$1,260. The decrease in the number of miscellaneous idle cars was also considerable. This report includes the first significant change since the middle of March.

That the welfare of the wageworker is vital to the community as a whole is the gist of an address by Colonel Roosevelt to several hundred Vermont agriculturists at White River Junction in that state one day last week. In that work Colonel Roosevelt urged that the farmers must take the lead in meeting the changed industrial conditions. He remarked that we have made greater progress in amassing wealth than in its proper distribution and that "we must combine a far more efficient power of collective action for collective betterment than has been the case in the past."

Speaking of yesterday's election result, in the language of sundry first page articles in The Gate City, "IT MEANS"—but what's the use of even trying to hint at all it means as long as there are only twenty inches in a newspaper column and only seven columns to the page?

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KAHOKA, MO.

C. M. Stevens and Wm. Owens went over to Keokuk Thursday to inspect the big dam. The Wyaconda Drainage ditch case was up before Judge Shelton in Kahoka Monday. The articles of incorporation were accepted by the court. The case will be appealed to the supreme court.

Postmaster L. Alexander of Kahoka has received an increase in salary from \$1700 to \$1800 a year. This is a fine showing for the Kahoka office as only seventy-two other offices in the state received an increase.

A card from Cheyenne, Wyo., announces the arrival of a fine girl baby at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Vickers, former residents of Kahoka.

The Kahoka postoffice handled 79,944 pieces of mail, weighing 3,093 pounds, during the month of May. 30, 169 pieces were handled by the carriers.

Henry Calvert and Miss Bessie Thompson, of near Luray, were united in marriage by Judge M. L. Clay at his official parlors in Kahoka Wednesday evening at 5 o'clock. After the ceremony they repaired to the home of Misses Bessie and Hilla Jones where a wedding supper was served. They will reside on a farm near Luray, where the best wishes of many friends follow them.

Rev. W. Bechtel, of West Burlington, has accepted a call to the pastorate of St. Paul's Evangelical church of Kahoka. He and his family will not arrive until about August 1.

Kahoka relatives and friends were grieved to learn that John N. Hueston, of Keokuk, had suffered a paralytic stroke which affected his right side and lower limb.

Mrs. Frank Harkness and children, of Memphis, arrived Thursday for a visit with Kahoka relatives. County court convenes next Monday.

Phillip M. Crawford, of Beaver Creek, Minn., and Miss Lola Harris, of Memphis, were granted a marriage license Tuesday.

Evangelist C. E. Hillis and wife will begin a revival meeting at Luray Sunday, June 18. The meeting will be held in a big tent.

James McNally and sister, Miss Clara, left Tuesday for a visit with relatives in Michigan.

Miss Patience Pegan, of Denver, Colo., is the guest of her sister, Mrs. E. B. Gage.

Alfred Sansom left Thursday to visit his father at Iola, Kansas, during the summer.

Frank Drew returned Thursday to Rocky Ford, Colo.

Mrs. Gertrude Ballard and Miss Katherine Sisson, of LaJanta, Colo., are guests of their father, Dr. W. B. Sisson.

E. E. Ruth, of Walla Walla, Washington, is the guest of his brother, Prof. Ruth.

The Kahoka school board met again on Monday evening and adjourned without electing a superintendent.

Mrs. Harriet West will leave next Monday for West Virginia, to make her home with relatives. The remains of her husband, whose body has been in a receiving vault at Keokuk, will be taken to Virginia for interment.

Hall Jenkins, of Carthage, Ill., is a guest of his uncle, Col. N. T. Cherry. The P. E. O. chapter of Kahoka will

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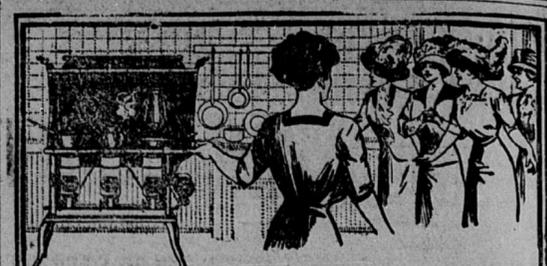
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As the bride led her friends into her cool, spotless kitchen, they broke into a chorus of approval.

"Well, I am proud of it," she said, "and proudest of all of my stove. It's a New Perfection Oil Cook-stove, and I think they are the best in the world. They toast, roast, broil and bake equally well—really to perfection—and the kitchen stays much cooler and cleaner than with any other range. This stove cuts my kitchen work almost in half."

There is no wood or coal to carry for a New Perfection; no ashes to clean up. It is ready for use as soon as lit; out at a touch of the fingers—economical as well as quick and convenient.

New Perfection Oil Cook-stove advertisement with product image and descriptive text.

Savings Depositors Present Your Book at

Keokuk National Bank advertisement featuring a book and interest rates.

Believe in the Future

The Keokuk Savings Bank advertisement with interest rates and establishment date.

The State Capital \$200,000 Central Savings Surplus \$200,000 Bank

Advertisement for a savings bank with capital and surplus of \$200,000 each.

The PUREST Petroleum Jelly is—

Large Vaseline advertisement with product image and text: 'The PUREST Petroleum Jelly is— VASELINE YOU Should Know all it's uses'.