

The World

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IN WOODRUFF'S SHOES.

The main issue at Saratoga apparently is to discover a worthy successor of Mr. Timothy L. Woodruff as Lieutenant-Governor. Mr. Woodruff's tenure of office having reached the limit of tolerance by Mr. Platt, he is informed that he "has been treated in an unprecedentedly generous way by his party, and it would be poor policy to get the people into the belief that one person can confiscate an office for an indefinite period."

A candidate for the place Mr. Woodruff has adorned for so many years ought to possess some of the personal qualities that have made the present incumbent so conspicuously fit. Mr. Platt seems persuaded that George R. Sheldon is just the man. He is a banker and he knows that his fortune is ample. But how about his good clothes and his good manners? Does he run to waistcoats? Is he as well up in parlor deportment as in politics? If the grange gets a little short financially will he write a check for five figures as cheerfully as for a church fair or a golf club? Political fitness is not everything in a Lieutenant-Governor.

Back from the Mines.—Mr. Quigg has emerged from his hole and brought the hole with him. As temporary chairman at the Republican convention he sounds his party's keynote—in harmony with Mr. Platt's tuning-fork.

NEWSPAPER PUBLICITY.

In the St. Louis hoodling cases indictments for bribery or perjury have been found against seventy-one persons, of whom three have been convicted with sentences aggregating seven years and seven officially declared fugitives from justice. Twenty alleged "hoodlers" are now awaiting trial. The chief witness against them is ex-Delegate John K. Murrell, who surrendered solely on account of the overtures made to him by the St. Louis Post-Dispatch, and whose confession enabled the authorities to proceed intelligently against the suspected men. No newspaper has ever performed a more important service to a community or given so striking an exhibition of the power of the press to effect reforms through publicity.

And it is to the press also that we owe the speedy capture of the murderer Young. His picture, enlarged from the Crusader office group and prominently displayed in The World, was spread broadcast in hundreds of cities and towns for thousands of eyes to see. It was a foregone conclusion that the fugitive would be recognized. Chance ruled that Louis Goulat, the station agent at the little Connecticut village of Stevenson, should note the resemblance of the man in tramp's disguise before him to the striking portrait in The World and put his suspicions to account.

Clubbing Cases.—The Mayor has decided to inquire into every case of clubbing that has occurred in the last seven years. If every possessor of a clubbed head would chip in a dime a handsome testimonial might be secured for presentation to His Honor.

THE HUNDRED-MILLION BUDGET.

The estimates made by the city departments for appropriations increase the budget by \$3,418,871 and make its total but a few hundred thousands below the \$100,000,000 budget which has been predicted. These estimates are what are known as "tentative" demands, representing more what the heads of departments would like to have rather than what they expect. They provide for the lopping off of sundry items by the Mayor's pruning hook and by the Board of Estimate.

Making due allowances for retrenchment and relying on the Comptroller to cut off such minor expenses as epicurean luncheons on Dock Department tugs, the size of the budget in its final form will be such as to excite remark. Those seeking to criticize may reflect that there's economy in buying a good article at a good price, whether clothes or city governments.

PURE MILK AND BABIES.

The report of the flaking of thirty milk dealers yesterday by Justice Holbrook for selling adulterated milk makes only an inconspicuous item in a busy day's news, but it is one of importance.

It is of especial importance to mothers. Although this has been a cool summer the death rate among babies has been above the average. Doctors do not hesitate to ascribe the increased infant mortality to insufficient and improper food. Milk being the basis of a very young child's dietary its purity is a matter of the greatest concern.

CIRCUS POLITICS.

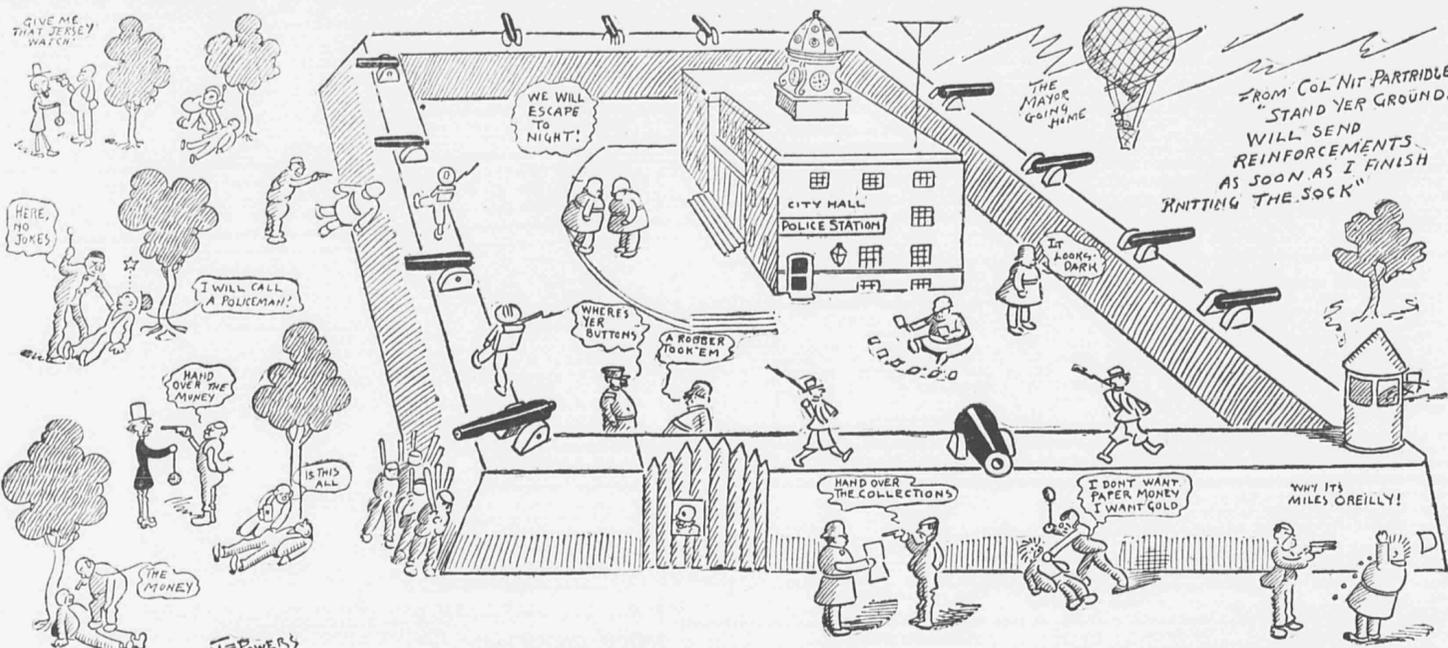
The circus idea in politics seems to be spreading. We do not refer to Mr. Devery's canvass in the Ninth. That had continuous performance vaudeville features. But out in Ohio when Candidate Tom Johnson began to carry a tent from town to town to roof over his audiences he made an innovation in campaigning which may develop, as Mr. Bailey's press agent would express it, into a "three-ring aggregation of aerial artists and ponderous pachyderms."

On similar lines in Toledo Sunday Mayor Jones, of national renown, "stood on his head for several seconds to show that he had fully regained his health" and then dived the others in his party to imitate him. And later in the day the Mayor "entered into a footrace and worsted his competitors easily."

Enlightened persons conversant with Roman history will say that this is nothing novel; old emperors did likewise. Nevertheless we must regard it as a new "Ohio idea," the extension of which will add an element of great interest to American politics. Let us suppose it adopted by Devery at the Saratoga Convention when "with light airy step" he marches down Broadway at the head of his seven brass bands. "The boys like music," says the ex-best. And if with that music they could have something in the way of a trapeze performance by high-vaulting heroes of the arena and a few comic enchainment clowns and the like with Bill the boss ballyhoo directing it all perhaps the Committee on Credentials would strain a point and let the Ninth's performing pachyderm in.

To Protect Police from City Hall Park Hold-Ups.

As Suggested by Artist Powers.



City Hall Park has lately been the scene of so many hold-ups that some effective means for protecting the police of the City Hall station seems necessary. Hence the above suggestion.

A FEW REMARKS.

The Minister from Russia To the Sultan's court Has given Abdul H. a "roast" To nibble with his Porte. The Flag has reached Coton several laps ahead of the Constitution. Murphy has already begun to give Devery a lesson on the ill effects of that vulgar habit known as "calling names." The St. Paul has had an unusually warm trip for this time of year. The main difference between North and South America seems to be that here a hot journal stops the revolution of a wheel, while down there the hot journals start the wheels of revolution. Next winter fuel and money will refuse to be parted. Dr. Diederick's home again. Polar wand'rings cease. Now sit back and give him room While he speaks his piece. Nathan Mills, of Wilkesbarre, walked two miles to restore to its owner a wallet containing \$15,000 and was rewarded by the municipality sum of \$10. No wonder honesty flourishes!

Feles acted as press agent to introduce Martinique to the public. But, unless that same press agent is squelched pretty soon the show will have to disband. Peary did not even get near enough to the pole to "try it on the dog." Jersey farmers are hunting a bear near West Milford. Up to date his Baerish tactics have included a refusal to "confer."

SOMEBODIES.

BACHELDER, N. J.—Republican candidate for Governor of New Hampshire, lives at Andover, N. H., on a farm cleared by his great-grandfather 170 years ago. HOADLY, EX-GOV.—who died recently, left New York property valued at \$25,000, of which all but \$15,000 was in real estate. KRUGER, OOM PAUL—has, with the Beer delegates, passed three villas at Montana, France, for the winter. The "price that staggered humanity" seems to have left him enough to live comfortably. EASTMAN, DR.—a full-blooded Sioux Indian, has written a book entitled "Indian Boyhood." He is a Government physician in Dakota. LEE, FITZHUGH—has decided to take up his permanent residence at Norfolk Va. YORK, COL. H. A.—the London Board of Trade's chief railway inspector, is coming here to inspect our railroad lines.

ANNOYING.



But as he sees the cat—Oh, dear me, just because I am taking my day off I have a caller.

FRIENDLY FRAZZLE'S FUTILITY.



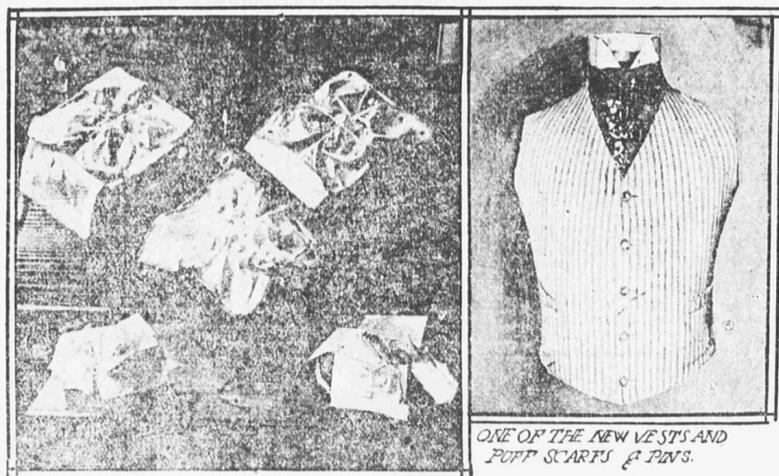
"May I help you with the milking? I only live to help folks."

HIS FIRST SHAVE.



Barber—Bay rum, sir? Hay—No, no, thank you. I'll take an ice-cream soda, please.

STARTLING COLOR AND EXTREME DESIGN MARK BEAU FROM THE UNFASHIONABLE.



NEW HANKER CHERTS, WING COLLARS & STOCKS

Your latter-day Beau Brunnet, perhaps, may not dress with quite the affectation of the bloods and macramés of the times of George Washington and George Selwyn, yet he is garbed in the purple and fine linen of a period as marked for its extravagance as in days when muffs were carried and powdered wigs were all the fashion. There are the days of costly raiment for those men who can afford to pay the price and of imitations of these styles by others whose pocketbooks do not equal their desires. Silk neckties of the finest linen for your good luck; everything that money and taste can suggest for him thereafter, from the time that he dons his beautifully woven bathrobe and later dons it for underwear of silk or linen, holders of lute silk, shirts with silk backs, vests of flaring and elaborate design, flowing scarfs of multi-colored silk and satin, to say nothing of the triumphs of the sartorial art. The very newest novelties that have thus far appeared are the full vests of marvelous cuts and wondrous designs. David's coat of many colors could not have vied with some of the combinations of colors that have been woven into the textures of certain lines. There are to be neckties of deep green, others of red, still others which will prove most popular of all of a pleasing shade of gray. These neckties will be large and puffy and flowing in the collar of past days has once more come into the fashion, together with a slight variation of the regulation high collar for full-dress. The present extravagance has produced sweaters, soft stockings and mittens for winter wear that surpass in price anything of the kind for the general trade that has ever before been attempted. Prepare also to discard your comfortable turn-down collars, for they are no longer de rigueur. The "stand-up" wing collar of past days has once more come into the fashion, together with a slight variation of the regulation high collar for full-dress. The present extravagance has produced sweaters, soft stockings and mittens for winter wear that surpass in price anything of the kind for the general trade that has ever before been attempted.

JOKES OF OUR OWN.

THE DIFFERENCE. "Papa, what's the difference between an oculist and an optician?" "About \$3.75 a visit, my son."

TRUE TO HER TRADE. He was going to marry a telephone maid. But developed a terrible cough. She said: "You've consumption, my dear, I'm afraid." And she made it a case of "Ring off."

THE NATURAL REPLY. Her sweetheart was a conductor. He had flirted with her, but now wished to break away. "You say our love affair can go no further, George," she murmured. "What shall we do?" "Take the car ahead," he said, absently.

CONSOLATION. "Cynics say love has gone out of fashion." "Never mind. The summer engagement will be in style again in eight months."

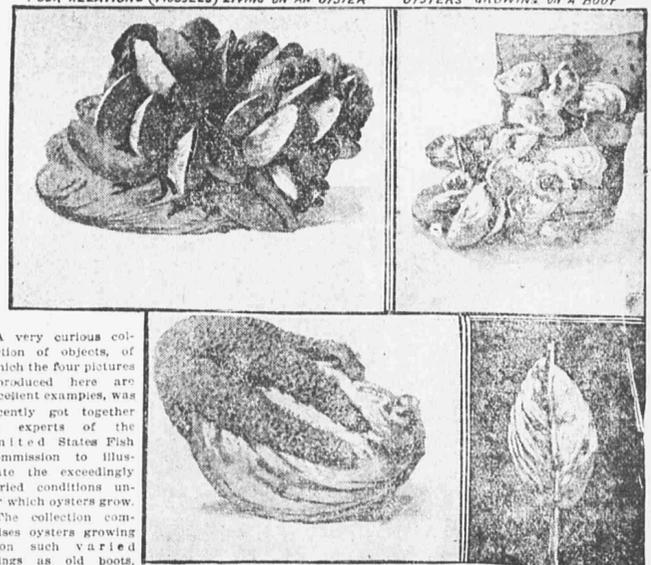
BORROWED JOKES. REASON ENOUGH. Towne—Of course that was what he said, but—Branne—But what? What reason have you to believe that he didn't answer your question truthfully? Towne—The very best. I know that I would have led if I had been in his place.—Philadelphia Press.

A ROUGH ESTIMATE. "How does our friend stand on that question affecting trusts?" "About fifty thousand to the good. I should say," answered Senator Sturham absent-mindedly.—Washington Star.

ITS JOYS. "There are just two things I like about a vacation," remarked Uncle Jerry Peebles; "the goin' away and the gettin' back."—Chicago Tribune.

ARTISTIC EFFECT. "That girl's hair looks as though she hadn't touched it for a fortnight." "And yet I dare say she has worked for hours with it to get that effect."—Stray Stories.

PECULIARITIES OF YOUR FRIEND THE OYSTER.



A very curious collection of objects, of which the four pictures reproduced here are excellent examples, was recently got together by experts of the United States Fish Commission to illustrate the exceedingly varied conditions under which oysters grow. The collection comprises oysters growing upon such varied things as old boots, rubber shoes, beer glasses, and even a lantern. There is a broken bottle, with oysters both inside and outside, and the most curious of all, there is a set of false teeth to which an enterprising oyster is firmly attached. These teeth, raked from the waters of Chesapeake Bay, became the property of a hotel-keeper in Virginia. Several years ago his wife presented them to the Smithsonian Institute. Four persons from different parts of the country have come forward as the owners of the teeth in that time. But the Government scientists did not care to decide the dispute and have retained the specimen. The main point illustrated in the collection is that oysters will grow under any conditions where they can get a safe hold above the level of the mud. The problem of oyster farming is to provide means of safety for the young mollusks when they are trying to get a start in life. The numerous enemies of the oyster cause enormous loss to the oyster farmer in Long Island Sound, where the starfish alone destroys something like \$1,000,000 worth of the bivalves each year. Almost as bad is the small whelk, which bores through the oyster's shell, while the large concha, known as "winkles," kill immense numbers of the valuable mollusks by crushing their shells, eating their flesh afterward. Then there are the stingrays, which travel in droves and are capable of wiping out acres of oyster beds in a single night, smashing the oysters in their mouths. And many oysters are smothered by mussels, which, without any hostile intention, crowd upon them and stifle them.

THE GENTLE CITIZEN.

The gentle little citizen waltzed gayly through the door, And chortled thus in glee unto his wife: "What do you think? At last we've won, the trusts are now no more. Again we'll lead an economic life. Good steak has fallen down to ten, and mutton sells at five. While coal a 'V' will bring to you a ton. And you can skim the railroads now as sure as you're alive. A cent a mile from here to Washington." Expattated thus he on these wonders rich and rare. While they gloried in fond thoughts of better days. Thus built they many castles in the regions of the air. Thus stirred the atmosphere with hymns of praise. "Just think!" he shrieked, "The boss gave me a raise to twenty-three. And good fresh eggs are only ten a 'doz.'" So overwhelmed was he he stopped and pinched himself to see If he were only dreaming, and—he was. HOWARD W. JAMES.

TIMELY LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

"Finds Them Most Gentle." To the Editor of The Evening World: I have found girls with auburn hair to be the most gentle and trustworthy of women. I speak from a restaurant that employed a woman with red hair and red hair. My mother has red hair, and a better woman never lived. HILMINTO J. B.

"Thinks New York Girls Homely." To the Editor of The Evening World: To see a good-looking girl on Broadway or any other thoroughfare is very rare. I speak from experience. I have vainly tried to pick out what to my mind would be a pretty young lady, but they were so few that you couldn't hardly notice them at all. Once in a while one may find girls such as I men-