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THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

FOREIGN.—One hundred and fifty persons were hurt, and eleven were killed and twenty-five injured in train wrecks in Portugal and Austria, respectively. ==== Unfavorable weather prevented any of the aeronauts at Brieg from attempting to fly over the Simplon Pass to Milan. ==== Lieutenant Helm, who was arrested as a spy at Portsmouth, was remanded, though the felony charge against him was not proved. ==== "The Man from the Sea," a play by W. J. Locke, was well received in London. ==== Ten arrests were made in a bomb factory in Portugal; one of the prisoners confessed the existence of a political plot. ==== Vineyards and olive orchards in Southern Spain have suffered serious damage from floods.

DOMESTIC.—President Taft arrived in Cincinnati, where he will remain until Saturday. ==== William Barnes, jr., in a statement issued in Albany said that Vice-President Sherman would have a majority of fifty-five votes for temporary chairman of the Republican State Convention. ==== Five passengers were hurt when the White Mountain express from Bretton Woods for Boston crashed into a switch engine in the station at Concord, N. H. ==== All the balloons which started from Indianapolis last week were reported to have landed; the America II was declared to be the probable victor. ==== William J. Bryan, at Lincoln, Neb., bolted the state Democratic ticket, headed by James C. Dahlman, nominee for Governor. ==== The Census Bureau announced the population of Canton, Ohio, to be 50,217, an increase of 63.7 per cent in ten years. ==== The Presidents of Mexico and Chili cabled their thanks to President Taft and their appreciation of the good will of the people of the United States, as shown in connection with centennial fetes in Mexico City and at Santiago.

CITY.—Stocks were irregular at small price changes. ==== Acting Mayor Mitchel said he would not remove Police Commissioner Baker, at the express request of Mayor Gaynor, indicating, however, that the Mayor would take such action upon his return. ==== Ex-Judge Gary ridiculed talk of wholesale price cutting by the United States Steel Corporation, and said that conditions in the trade were satisfactory. ==== Assemblyman William M. Bennett was nominated for Congress in the 15th District, Congressman J. Van Vechten Olcott making no contest in the convention. ==== The first wife of Robert W. Chanler instructed her lawyer to begin an action to set aside the antenuptial agreement between her former husband and Lina Cavalieri. ==== Ex-President Roosevelt and Lloyd C. Griscom both said that the interview between Mr. Roosevelt and President Taft was arranged by Mr. Griscom, and that while it was cordial, Mr. Roosevelt asked no favors. ==== The City Club offered suggestions of matters it believes profitable for inquiry by the legislative investigating committee.

THE WEATHER.—Indications for today. Fair. The temperature yesterday: Highest, 74 degrees, at 3:15 p. m.; lowest, 54 at 2 a. m.

NEW JERSEY'S REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE.

The state political issues were fully joined in New Jersey yesterday by the action of the Republican convention. A week before the Democrats, at the dictation of one of their chief old-line bosses, nominated the one man in the party with whom they seemed to have any chance of success. Yesterday the Republicans nominated that one of several conspicuous and available candidates who was undoubtedly the first choice of a majority of the party and the second choice of the minority supporters of other "favorite sons." Entirely apart from any consideration of the comparative merits of the two candidates, no informed and observant man is likely to dispute that the nomination of Mr. Lewis is immeasurably more representative of the wishes of the rank and file of the party than is that of Dr. Wilson.

Nor will it easily be denied that Mr. Lewis is exceptionally well fitted for the office of Governor. A man of fine scholarship and high native ability, of proved executive powers, of irreproachable character and of engaging personality, he adds to these things the indispensable qualifications of practical familiarity with the business of the state and a comprehensive and discriminating knowledge of the men who are or are to be engaged in the public service. He would as Governor be under bonds to no man or set of men in the prosecution of his policies and the work of his administration.

Nor is there room for doubt as to what his friends in the main will be. Mr. Lewis is reckoned a "regular," but he is that in the fine interpretation put upon the word by Governor Fort, as a man who fulfils party pledges and is loyal, not to some personal leadership but to party principles. The pledges and the principles of the Republican party of New Jersey have for years been distinctly progressive, and to them Mr. Lewis is conscientiously and zealously devoted. There need be no fear of reaction under his administration. It would be folly to ignore the high character and personal strength of the Democratic candidate. But with such a candidate as Vivian Lewis, standing for the principles which he is known to represent, the Republicans of New Jersey should need nothing but earnest and united effort to keep their state steadfast in the Republican column.

THE PRESIDENT'S ATTITUDE.

The result of the conference at New Haven at which President Taft went over the situation in New York with Colonel Roosevelt, Mr. Griscom and Mr. Bannard clears the way for complete unity of action in the Republican State Convention on the part of those who want to adopt progressive policies and overthrow the odious boss system. The President's attitude was grossly misrepresented at the time the state committee met and named Vice-President Sherman as its candidate for the temporary chairmanship of the convention. Mr. Taft's letter to Chairman Griscom exposing those misrepresentations and the plot to use his name to bolster up the cause of the "old guard" reactionaries showed that he stood exactly where he stood last spring when he indorsed the efforts of Governor Hughes to get a modified direct nominations bill through the Legislature.

On the issue of popular rule within the party versus boss domination he naturally sided last spring with the Progressive Republicans. When, after the refusal of the Legislature to accept the Cobb bill, it became a question of setting the Republican party's record right with the voters the President also naturally aligned himself with the leaders who wanted to commit the Saratoga convention to a programme of freer action within the party. He accordingly renewed in plain language the earlier assurances of sympathy with their views. But since the publication of the President's letter of August 20 the "old guard" politicians have again been trying to spread the impression that he is not really interested in the success of the Progressive movement in this state and that they rather than the Progressives are the real supporters and champions of the national administration. They have subtly advanced the suggestion of an indorsement of Mr. Taft for renomination in 1912 as a means of dividing their opponents and distracting attention from the real issue of direct nominations and party bossism.

Mr. Taft has no desire for such an indorsement at this juncture, and his announcement of Monday, following the New Haven conference, leaves the "old guard" no excuse for further pretences that they are playing the part of the President's real friends, while opposing policies to which he has given his approval. The "old guard" was openly antagonizing Mr. Taft's ideas when it defeated the Cobb bill at Albany, and it is still openly rejecting his counsel when it is working for a reactionary state platform hostile to any and every form of direct nominations.

The Republican bosses in this state are fighting for their political skins, and they will resort to any trickery or misrepresentation which promises to help them in their losing struggle. But they cannot hope to gain anything further by feigning regard and friendship for the President. He is against them on the issue which they have raised and on which they must be judged. Their impending defeat will mean a victory for him and for his ideals of enlightened and progressive Republicanism.

DEAF EARS.

It makes no difference whatever whether the Democratic state ticket and the Democratic state platform are acceptable to William R. Hearst.

It makes no difference whether they are acceptable to Charles F. Murphy.

It makes no difference whether they are acceptable to William J. Conners.

Men like Mr. Hearst, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Conners cannot elect a Democratic Governor of New York. They have tried it and failed. Neither can they defeat a Democratic candidate of ability, character and conscience who will appeal to the vast army of independent voters that desire a change at Albany.

This is the one thing that the Democratic State Convention must not forget.—The New York World.

Our neighbor "The World" must have been reading the writings of the Hon. William Barnes, jr., of Albany, upon "our representative form of government," to address this advice seriously to the coming Democratic State Convention. One would think that all Mr. Barnes says about the deliberative character of a party convention was true, to hear "The World" talk in this vein!

Of course it does not make any difference to the electorate whether the Democratic ticket and platform please Mr. Hearst, Mr. Murphy and Mr. Conners or not. But it will make a good deal of difference to the delegates to the state convention. Tammany will send a very large number of delegates to the state convention, and they will be virtually Murphy's personal selections. They go to Rochester to do what Murphy tells them to do. Other delegates will go there to do what Murphy's friends and allies tell them to do. The Erie delegates and some others will go there to carry out Conners's wishes. And for no other purpose. The delegates have no other idea of their duty, and it will be too late for "The World" to instill any other idea into them. It is the fault of the system that to be nominated a candidate has to be acceptable to a few men who are powerless to elect him; but that is the system. "The World" is talking into deaf ears.

ADVICE TO HOUSEWIVES.

The campaign against false weights and measures which has been waged in this city with good effect is now being appropriately supplemented by the dissemination of hints, advice and information to housewives intended to enable them to guard against dishonest practices in trade and also to inculcate in them the cardinal virtue of economy. The falsification of weights and measures has undoubtedly been a widespread evil and has greatly added to the burdens of the poor. For if a man pays, let us say, 24 cents for what he supposes to be a pound of meat, and instead of 16 it contains only 12 ounces, he is paying 2 cents instead of 1½ cents an ounce, or 32 instead of 24 cents a pound. Careful watching by purchasers and their use of scales and measures of their own at home would effectively supplement the action of the Bureau of Weights and Measures in abating this evil.

There are other things which should be borne in mind, particularly the desirability of discrimination and economy in making purchases. Cheapness, Mr. Driscoll reminds us, is not economy. That is quite true, and it is a fact which may profitably be remembered and acted upon. But precisely the same is to be said conversely, that expensiveness is not merit. There are cases in which to buy the lowest priced articles is extravagant and wasteful, because the cheap goods will not proportionately go as far or give as much returns as the higher priced. But there are also cases in which the lower priced goods, intelligently used, are actually better than the high priced. It is notorious that many poor people always ask for the most expensive cuts of meat, for example, partly because of an idea that they are the best, but, perhaps, more because of a certain pride and an unwillingness to betray the fact that they cannot afford the highest priced goods. Yet any physiologist will testify that some of the medium priced cuts are more nutritious than the highest priced, and an expert cook can make them fully as palatable.

It is a common and perfectly valid complaint that people do not know how to live. They do not know how to make the best use of their means. Mistakes in purchasing, faulty methods in cooking and wastefulness all along the line are important factors in the cost of living. There are few greater services to be rendered than the teaching of better things in these respects. Honesty in trade and economy in the household would make a radical difference in the cost of living and in the standard of life.

A REAL HEAD NEEDED.

The public will welcome the report that Police Commissioner Baker is to be dismissed if it means that at last the department is to have a real, responsible head who will enjoy the confidence of the Mayor. The retention of Mr. Baker by Mayor Gaynor caused surprise, but he seems to have been retained because he was content to be the nominal chief of the department, while actual authority was being exercised at the City Hall. The Mayor desired to give his personal attention to the reorganization of the police. That method of divided responsibility and authority has not worked well. If the Mayor were Police Commissioner and nothing else he might make an efficient head of the department. We are far from saying that he would not. But the department calls for the undivided attention of a man of first class ability. Instead of that it has had a fraction of Mayor Gaynor's time and for the rest the supervision of a man who felt he had little real authority and that only on the most uncertain tenure. The police force itself was not slow to perceive the anomalous situation in the department, and the demoralization which Acting Mayor Mitchel has disclosed is the natural consequence of the Mayor's unfortunate policy.

We do not question the Mayor's motives in seeking to keep the police situation in his own hands. They were laudable. He had given great attention to police questions and regarded the police problem as the gravest of municipal problems; which it is. He believed himself especially well qualified to solve it; which he may be could he give his undivided attention to it. But in attempting to be Police Commissioner as well as Mayor Mr. Gaynor attempted the impossible. And the sooner the impossibility is acknowledged the better.

The Police Department would be in vastly better condition to-day if the Mayor had named as Police Commissioner the ablest and best qualified man he could obtain, if he had resigned its management completely to his appointee and if he had held him responsible for results. We hope that this policy will be followed whenever the successor of Mr. Baker comes to be appointed.

HERE'S REICHNESS!

Dr. Emil Reich, who knows everything, including even the things which are not so, lifts up the latest voice of his puissant prophecy against the American woman. That it would be against something American was, of course, a foregone conclusion. It always is. Why not, indeed? Long ago he proved George Washington a nincompoop and the Monroe Doctrine an exploded humbug. After such achievements there was only one left which was worthy of comparison with them. That was to prove the American woman the unloveliest of her sex and the bane of the civilized world, and to that he has now addressed himself with elated zeal.

First, history. Europeans inflicted whiskey, smallpox and devastation upon the American aborigines. In return, America now inflicts upon Europe "the "drinks, social smallpox and defeminiza-"tion." Truly, an awful revenge! Then, the philosophy of it. The American woman "is hyper-intellectualized to a degree." She "has browbeaten all the "delicate womanly features that all our "poets have sung, all our painters "painted." Her "principal feature is her contempt for man." What man? Dr. Emil Reich? *Hinc illæ lacrymæ!* Her voice is strident. Her laugh is loud and disdainful. She is blasé. Worst of all, she is—whisper it softly—she is actually humorous!

This, then, is the portentous creature who threatens the world. Already she has Americanized, that is to say, defeminized, the women of England to a deplorable degree. They are losing their delicacy, their modesty, their charm. They no longer have respect for men. Hence the gloom which is settling down upon life. And for this reason the learned doctor rushes forward to crush the destroyer with the besom of his austere displeasure. Of a truth it is a fearsome outlook, in view of the indications of the census that there are between forty-five and fifty million women folk in America, each one of them an actual or potential demon of defeminization. But let the learned doctor take heart of courage, even though it be of a selfish kind. There is at least one man in the world who has nothing to fear from the American woman. She will never trouble Dr. Emil Reich.

AUTUMN.

According to the astronomers, autumn begins "about the 21st of September." Evidently the New York climate knows nothing of astronomy. Neither, for that matter, do the owners, agents and janitors of apartment houses. The time is coming when you will frantically telephone for some heat in the early morning and your wife will tearfully implore to have it turned off again two hours later. You will leave your house and wish that you had worn your overcoat, or wear it and wish that you had left it at home. You will sniff with invigorated approval the bracing autumn air, square your shoulders and walk two stations beyond the nearest one for pure joy of living and exercise.

Dwellers in the Borough of Richmond will soon begin again to look out of the window for sea fogs and regulate their hours of departure accordingly, but oftener they will enjoy the crystalline clearness of the atmosphere of one of the most beautiful bays in the world, the play of its dancing waters, the beauties of its sunsets beyond smoking Bayonne, the fairyland of towering New York, with its myriad lights twinkling in the dusk of the evening, or rising like Camelot out of a veil of white mist to welcome them at the beginning of the day.

This is the season of ocean records, now monopolized by sister ships, "and the rest nowhere." It is the season of reawakening alertness, mental and physical; the prelude to Indian summer, the season of brisk walking tours amid the glory of the turning of the leaves. Nature in the fulness of her final beauty lies all around us, accessible east and west and north and south, but all too often do we neglect her the moment the city in which we dwell has become comfortable again. All hail to autumn, bringing a foretaste of the ichor of the North, of the tonic air that is more beneficent, more intoxicating, than are the fiery wines of the children of the South! All these delights are coming, surely coming, even though the New York climate knows nothing of astronomy and its mathematical computation of the beginning of autumn.

Mr. Barnes, of Albany, continues to fear that the Republican party will be "Bryanized" by that dreadful "populist," William H. Taft!

Lightning has twice struck the statue of Henry Clay at Lexington, Ky., each time with destructive effect. Thus is the irony of fate again illustrated, for as a Presidential candidate Mr. Clay, when alive, exposed himself assiduously for years to the lightning and was never even grazed by a bolt.

The Democratic situation in this state is almost entirely an "if."

Tonsorial doctors, indeed! If they are going to abolish tips they deserve to be called professors at the very least. Moreover, D. T. behind the name of a man with a razor does not inspire confidence.

The reactionary Republicans are still incapable of fathoming the cause of the Maine landslide. In their confusion they assign every cause but the right one—popular discontent with an iniquitous tariff. The less they can comprehend the reason of their defeat the more they have deserved it.—Philadelphia Record.

What is the matter with the able diagnoses of "The Record's" Democratic contemporaries hereabouts which have been saying that the result in Maine was a protest against "insurgency," or the explanation of Governor-elect Plaisted and Chairman Fred Emery Beane, that the great Democratic victory was due largely to the friendly interposition of William R. Hearst?

THE TALK OF THE DAY.

The twenty-second annual convention of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations will be held in New York next January, and elaborate preparations are already being made for the entertainment of the delegates by a committee of one hundred. About three hundred delegates will be present, representing all the reformed congregations in the United States, and some of the most prominent clergymen and laymen connected with these will take part in discussing matters pertaining to American Jewry.

Representative Washburn, toastmaster at the prorogation dinner of the Legislature recently, told a story of a pastor who, coming to a new parish, got his words slightly twisted in his announcement: Said he: "I have come here to heal the dead, cast out the sick and raise the devil." Another ministerial friend of Washburn's, speaking to a congregation, remarked: "I am sorry to see so many absent faces I used to shake hands with."—Boston Record.

TO CHICAGO.

Chicago, ah! Chicago,
Weep not because your size
Has failed to meet your notion
Of census enterprise.
You know, Unhappy Husky,
At any rate you should,
That all of us, regardless,
Are bigger than we're good.

W. J. LAMPTON.

Certain members of the house party were describing the accidents that had happened to them during their various careers. Adventures by flood, fire and field had all been well received, and De Sappleby, eager for fame, thought it was his turn.

"D'you know," he said, "I had a very painful experience once. I ran a confounded splinter quite half an inch long right under my finger nail, don't you know!"

"Really, Mr. de Sappleby," said a maiden of the party. "How did you do it?"

"Well," he said, "it happened like this." As he spoke he unconsciously raised his hand and scratched his forehead.

"Oh, I see," she interrupted, sweetly. "How very careless of you!"—St. Paul Dispatch.

There is a rolltop desk in an office near Wall street which can be bought cheap. The owner is a commuter and has desk room in a large office. He came late yesterday and discovered that he had forgotten his keys. No key at hand would unlock the desk, the maker could not give aid for an hour, it was a short day and some papers had to be reached before noon. The desk was forcibly opened and two inner compartments were smashed. Warm and tired from the exertion of wrecking his property, the man took off his coat and slipped into an office coat, in the pocket of which his keys jingled. Tableau! Before going home he confided to the office boy that he wouldn't care it he hadn't told.

Several lawyers in a Southern city were discussing the merits and demerits of a well known member of the bar who had been gathered to his fathers, when one of the party related an incident of the time when he had studied in the old man's office.

It seems that the inefficiency of the copying clerk there kept the judge continually worked up to the point of explosion. One day a wire basket fell off the top of the clerk's desk and scratched his cheek. Not having any court plaster the young man slapped on three postage stamps and went on with his work.

Later in the day he had occasion to take certain papers to the court and, forgetting all about the stamps, he put on his hat to go out. At the door he met the judge, who raised his head and fixed the clerk with an astonished stare.

"Anything wrong, sir?" stammered the bewildered clerk.

"Yes, sir, there is!" thundered the old gentleman. "You are carrying too much postage for second class matter!"—Lippincott's.

The Health Board of Hartford, Conn., the other day received this unique complaint: "Gentlemen: Bantam rooster in rear 5 East Street is wonder for noise he can make; is an unbearable nuisance to the tired at night and sick by day. He opens bazoo 3 a. m., crows thirty-three times; 4 a. m., forty-four times; 5 a. m., fifty-five times; 6 a. m., sixty-six times; 7 a. m., seventy-seven times. Please request owner to put him in the soup pot and oblige."

The fondness of babes for rattles has been taken advantage of by mothers during many millenniums. Egyptian tombs have yielded specimens which delighted youngsters who fought flies or submitted to be eaten by them over four thousand years ago on the banks of the Nile. But, so far as we can learn, the little Pharaohs never amused themselves with a live rattle, as American babes do who flourish in countries infested by rattlesnakes. The ancients were great serpent charmers, but they were not in it with the modern product of Blue Tent, in this state, who gets his amusement out of a live rattler.—San Francisco Chronicle.

Sobriety is increasing in the United Kingdom, the convictions for drunkenness showing a falling off last year of 18,255, or nearly 10 per cent, from those of the year before. There was a falling off in the number of licenses in England and Wales in 1909 of 1,476, which was practically the same number as in 1908. The average annual falling off in the number of licenses of public houses since 1904 has been 1,358, as compared with an average falling off of 386 for a series of years prior to that date. The total number of licenses in force on January 1, 1910, was 92,575.

The announcement that it wasn't lawful to write a check for less than a dollar proves to have been a mere wild alarm, but the sad thought occurs that the privilege won't do us any good, as everything costs more than a dollar, anyway.—Ohio State Journal.

DIRECT PRIMARY AND ITS FOES

Correspondent Hears Rumblings of the Crack o' Doom for "Abe" Gruber.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: As you say in your editorial today: "Colonel 'Abe' Gruber's district in Manhattan has no more fear of the new nationalism than the districts north, south and east of it."

I am a member of Gruber's Riverside Republican Club. I have canvassed the club. I doubt if more than twenty-five men in the entire membership are opposed to Colonel Roosevelt. It is ludicrous to hear Gruber's henchmen bewailing the fact that Gruber is against Roosevelt—for they see no profit in the fight against Roosevelt—while still they obey orders from Gruber because Gruber furnishes the jobs, or promises the jobs.

In all of New York there is no district so misrepresented as this "Gruber district." The overwhelming majority of the Republicans in the district favor direct primaries, and I believe that a larger number are heart and soul with Colonel Roosevelt. What a fine "representative system" it is that allows "Abe" Gruber to oppose direct nominations and to gratify his appetite for the vaudeville limelight by abusing Roosevelt by authority of the 17th district!

Only those who have never tried to get up a primary ticket for the purpose of upsetting an intrenched leader will wonder why Gruber is allowed to remain. The fact is that under the present primary law any leader with one hundred men in his machine can run a Republican Assembly district in Manhattan to suit himself. The city treasurer pays more than fifty election officers in each district, all appointed by the leader. Even these are enough to hold the district for the leader under the present primary law. Probably the average reformer does not know that the city donates in cash about $35,000 a year to the political machines to pay election officers.

So we, who want direct primaries and who admire Roosevelt, are compelled to sit and watch Gruber "representing" us! We could not get together and find three hundred names to put on a monstrously absurd primary ballot in the few days between the call for the primaries and the primary day. Gruber has all the year to do this. Besides, the organization pays for the Gruber printing and we have to pay for our printing.

We could not hastily go out in the highways and find watchers to guard our vote. But Gruber needs no watchers. Gruber's own men are the election officers, and Gruber says they are honest men.

The machine man says it is the fault of the people if primaries are not representative. He says the people ought to come out and attend the primaries. Does Gruber want a well attended primary and a full expression of party opinion on the question of direct primaries? Hardly! The present system has allowed Gruber to deliver several Assembly districts for many years to the interests of his Wall Street employers. Why should he want a change?

Nevertheless, we shall try to get rid of Gruber. PHILIP R. DILLON.

New York, Sept. 20, 1910.

EULOGIZES WAINWRIGHT.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: For some time past the political news columns of the daily papers have carried intimations to the effect that Senator J. Mayhew Wainwright, of Westchester County, is to be denied renomination by political leaders who are supposed to control the political machinery of that county. The circulation of these reports has caused much comment among the citizens of the Senate district now represented by Mr. Wainwright. Many wage earners who are members of the political party to which Senator Wainwright belongs have expressed to the writer their regret that there should be any opposition to the renomination of a man whose reputation and record are so clear and unassailable as his.

While I am not identified in any way with any political organization, it was my privilege to have been brought into close association with Mr. Wainwright while serving as a member of the New York Liability Commission, of which he was and is chairman. The fairness with which he presided over the work of the commission and his earnest desire to remedy an admittedly bad system, and thus give the workmen some decent compensation in cases in which they suffered from industrial accidents, should commend him to all citizens who believe in fair play. The Liability Commission has yet much work to do; it is charged with the responsibility of investigating the causes and effects of unemployment, lack of farm labor and the causes and prevention of industrial accidents. It would be a real misfortune if Senator Wainwright were not permitted to complete the work he has thus far done so well. Under the circumstances, I am constrained to suggest that the wage earners of Westchester County, and especially those who are members of the party Senator Wainwright represents, exert themselves in order that the district may not nominate for the place now occupied by him a candidate less favorable to the interests of labor than Senator Wainwright has proved himself to be.

JOHN MITCHELL.

Mount Vernon, September 20, 1910.

THE STATUS OF SMUGGLERS.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: The Tribune is right; smuggling is a crime, and, to my notion, the only difference between a fashionable smuggler of diamonds and a common thief is that the thief may possibly "need the money." Recently arrested smugglers have all been financially well able to pay full duty on their importations. W. C.

New York, Sept. 20, 1910.

PRIMARY LAWS.

To the Editor of The Tribune.

Sir: If everybody would lay aside prejudices and animosities, stop playing politics for position and then all work together for an amendment to the present primary laws by placing every election district in New York State under the same provisions which now prevail in the larger cities, it would stimulate the Republican voters in turning down nearly every unworthy party official, put the party on its feet and eliminate the theorists and demagogues. Every other thing is of minor importance and could safely await the test of more time.

CHARLES J. NORTH.

Buffalo, Sept. 19, 1910.

IF—BUT IS IT?

From The Charlotte Observer.

If the back-to-the-farm movement is becoming really successful in repopulating the rural districts and all of our cities report such an amazing growth since the last census, it's up to somebody to offer an explanation as to where the folks are coming from.

SOMETHING LIKE THAT HERE.

From The Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

It is easier for an elephant to climb through the eye of a needle than for a street improvement contractor in Cincinnati to finish his job on time.

IN NEW YORK, TOO—ASK DIX.

From The Baltimore American.

Democratic harmony dinners in Maryland generally result in a widening of the breach between factions of the party.

People and Social Incidents

NEW YORK SOCIETY.

Miss Leonore Cobb, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ives Cobb, was married yesterday afternoon in the Church of the Messiah, Park avenue and 34th street, to Robert Amory, of Boston. Owing to both families being in deep mourning, the wedding was very quiet, and only a few relatives and intimate friends were present.

The bride, who was given away by her father, was in a gown of white satin, trimmed with pointe duchesse lace, with which she wore a tulle veil and carried a bouquet of white roses and gardenias. Her only attendant was Miss Mary Copley Amory, a sister of the bridegroom. She was dressed in white chiffon, wore a white tulle hat and carried pink Killarney roses.

The bride's brother, Cleveland Cobb, acted as best man, and the ushers were Candler Cobb, another brother of the bride; George Minot, Amory Leland, jr., F. Abbott Goodhue and George S. West, all of Boston, and Arthur Hutchinson, of Philadelphia.

The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Dr. Robert Collyer, pastor emeritus of the church, who officiated at the wedding of the bride's parents. He was assisted yesterday by the Rev. John Haynes Holmes, the pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Amory will make their home in Boston. Miss Cobb has been one of the active workers of the Junior League for several years.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Payne Whitney are returning home earlier than expected, and are due here to-morrow or Friday, instead of the middle of next month, as originally intended. They will remain here only a short time, however, as they have arranged to return to England next month. They have taken a house near London for ten weeks.

Colonel and Mrs. William Jay, who have been abroad for the greater part of the summer, will return to New York within the next few days.

Mrs. Frederick W. Vanderbilt came into town yesterday from her country place at Hyde Park, N. Y.

Mrs. Whitney Warren has arrived in the city from Newport, and is booked to sail for Europe on Saturday to join Mr. Warren in Rome.

Cornelius Vanderbilt, who spent August cruising with Mrs. Vanderbilt in European waters on board his steam yacht, the North Star, arrived in New York yesterday on the Kronprinz Wilhelm. Mrs. Vanderbilt will return to this country in about two weeks, and will go to Newport for a short stay before opening her house in town for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. John Shillito Rogers are receiving congratulations on the birth of a son a few days ago at their home, in West 57th street. Mrs. Rogers was Miss Catherine Dodge.

Mrs. Adolf Ladenburg, who arrived in town from Newport on Saturday and spent a few days at the Holland House, has departed for French Lick Springs, Ind., to remain until the end of next month. While not in the best of health, Mrs. Ladenburg is not seriously ill, as reported, and expects to open her country place at Westbury, Long Island, early in November.

Ashbel H. Barney is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Archibald S. Alexander at Bernardsville, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay are booked to sail from Cherbourg for New York to-day. On their arrival here they will go to their country place at Roslyn, Long Island, for the fall.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Waters Taft will return from their European trip early next month.

The first of the so-called Three Dances will be held on December 27, at the Plaza, under the management of Miss Gladys McAlpin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William W. McAlpin.

SOCIAL NOTES FROM NEWPORT.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Newport, Sept. 20.—Mrs. Ogden Goelet has gone to New York to meet her brother-in-law and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Vanderbilt, who are returning from abroad.

Miss Leary held a reception at Park Gate, her villa here, this afternoon, assisted by Miss May Van Alen, who poured tea. Many of the cottagers attended.

Mrs. Whitney Warren closed her stay here this morning and went to Boston, accompanied by Miss Maud K. Wetmore.

Later Mrs. Warren will go on to New York, to sail for Europe on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. R. Mortimer Brooks are planning to close their Newport stay in a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert M. Harriman closed their Newport villa to-day and went to New York, whence they leave soon for a brief stay at Hot Springs before opening their winter residence in New York. Hot Springs will also very soon claim James J. Van Alen and Miss May Van Alen, who will leave for that place next Monday. They will not close their villa here, but will return late in October for a few days before going abroad for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. S. J. Colford, jr., will soon arrive from New York to visit the latter's father, Edward C. Knight, jr.

Mr. and Mrs. William E. Carter have closed their villa here and have gone to Rosemont, Penn.

Mrs. Clermont L. Best has returned to her cottage here from the wedding in New York of her daughter to Arthur Carroll.

Stuyvesant Le Roy, who is suffering from typhoid fever, was somewhat improved this morning.

William Hude Neilson returned from New York to-day.

The Marchioness Di Strozzi has gone to Lenox, after a visit with Mrs. Edward J. Berwind. Later the marchioness will go to New York for a visit.

IN THE BERKSHIRES.

[By Telegraph to The Tribune.]

Lenox, Sept. 20.—Jefferson Seligman is at the Hotel Aspinwall. Other arrivals at the hotel include Mrs. James B. Murray, Miss Florence Woods, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Vaughn, Miss Vaughn, Mrs. S. J. Clark, Miss Clark, Mrs. E. G. Phillips and Mrs. John B. Jenesen, of New York, and Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton Webster, Mr. and Mrs. Ryan Crocker and Mr. and Mrs. George R. Bachelder, of Boston.

Mrs. R. L. Herrick is a guest of Mrs. Harold Clark at the Hotel Aspinwall.

Walter Hunnewell and his daughter, Miss Dorothy Hunnewell, and Miss Junia Hunnewell, a sister of Mrs. Blake, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. George Baty Blake.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Hollister, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry H. Pease, have gone to New York.

Miss Mary Weyman has issued cards for a reception at her cottage on Thursday afternoon.

David Gray, who has been spending the summer in Stockbridge, has gone to New York.

Nesbit Bangs started to-day for Newport.

Mrs. Reginald R. Belknap, wife of Lieutenant Commander Belknap, attaché of the American Embassy in Berlin, will shortly arrive in Stockbridge for the fall.

Bishop and Mrs. A. W. Knight, who have been in Stockbridge for the summer, have gone to Washington, where Mrs. Knight will spend the winter. Bishop Knight will shortly go to Cuba, where he is the American resident bishop.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Trumbull are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Stokes, at Chesterwood, in Glendale.

At the Maplewood in Pittsfield are Mrs. A. R. Lathrop, Mrs. J. K. Andrews and Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Chapman, of New York.

Mr and Mrs. Charles B. Alexander, Mr. and Mrs. Park Painter and Mr. and Mrs. Edward S. Harkness will shortly arrive at the Curtis Hotel.

Mme. Ranke gave a dramatic reading at the Hotel Aspinwall this afternoon.

A number of dinners were held to-night, Mr. and Mrs. Robert W. Paterson giving one of twenty-four covers at Blantyre. Mr. and Mrs. Paterson will give a large musical and dinner on October 12.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Noble Hays and Mr. and Mrs. Melville D. Post arrived to-day at the Curtis Hotel.

Mrs. John A. Hadden, jr., was hostess at a bridge party to-night at the Curtis Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Williams, Howard Pell, H. Gallatin Pell, of Tuxedo, and Mr. and Mrs. William S. Rodie, of New York, are at the Curtis Hotel.

Mr. and Mrs. John Innes Kane will arrive at Elm cottage early in October.

Mrs. Francis Andrews has joined her sister, Miss Gilmore, at Lithgow cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. Cornelius Bodine, Miss Helen Bodine, Mr. and Mrs. John Pollard and Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Ball have arrived at the Curtis Hotel.

Mrs. Robb de Peyster Tytus entertained at tea at Ashintully Farm this afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Newbold Morris gave a dance at Lake Mahkeenac boathouse tonight.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlos de Heredia will close their villa on Saturday and will sail on October 1 for Italy. Mrs. Clinton McDougall, who has been their guest, has gone to Auburn, N. Y.

Miss Meta Mackay arrived at the Curtis Hotel from Bar Harbor to-night.

THANKS OF TWO REPUBLICS

Presidents of Mexico and Chili Cable Appreciation of Good Will to U. S.

Washington, Sept. 20.—Formal expression of the appreciation of Mexico and Chili for the good will shown them by the United States in connection with the centennial fêtes at Mexico City and at Santiago was given in cable messages to President Taft, made public by the State Department today. President Porf