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CIRCULATION OF THE MINNEAPOLIS JOURNAL

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THE NOVEL'S OBSESSION OF READERS Every dog has his day and so has every novel in this era of the novel.

But there are among us hardened veterans, grim, old connoisseurs of novels who have marched bravely through some of the "priceless boons" of the ephemeral authors...

John Bach McMaster, historian and professor of history in the University of Pennsylvania, is to visit Minneapolis Monday and be entertained by the alumni of his university.

GERMANY AFTER DEBAUCH

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Mr. Lang can see little good in the wholesale novel reading of these days. "Now if the public will read novels only must not its powers of attention be debauched?" he asks.

The city council voted last night not to undertake the establishment of a municipal lighting plant.

council solve the water problem before it takes on any more extensive municipal enterprises. They wish to see it make a success of one phase of municipal ownership before it loads itself up with another.

THE COURSE OF BUSINESS

The struggle for cars to transport raw and finished material has continued during this week and is sufficient evidence that there is no decline in the industrial and commercial activity.

Pig iron is in strong demand and Bessemer, for prompt delivery at Pittsburgh, is quoted at \$16.50. Naturally, under the pressure for transportation, railway supplies are in heavy demand, such as rolling stock, locomotives, bridge material and shop equipment.

There were no gold exports this week, the big shipments of nearly \$8,000,000 last week satisfying the call for the present and an increased supply of cotton bills met the demand for exchange.

The West has partaken largely of this prosperity. Even in Kansas, where the drought struck the corn a damaging blow, the wheat and certain feed crops were good and there is reported about \$90,000,000 cash deposited in the national and state banks of that state.

The wheat market has been firm on adverse reports from the winter wheat belt, closing 4 cents above the price a year ago. The exports the week of five days aggregating 3,975,819 bushels, as compared with 2,839,070 bushels the corresponding week last year.

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FOUR GREAT FOUNDERS

If several persons of average familiarity with the history of the United States were asked who were the four founders of the nation of 1793, they would, doubtless give various answers, but how many of them would answer:

They are the four so good an authority as Dr. Edward Everett Hale names. Most of us, perhaps, would have answered, rather superficially, Thomas Jefferson, Andrew Jackson, John Marshall and Daniel Webster—it is so natural to think of the government as the nation.

and conservatively and eschew upholding booms such as Germany has been indulging in to her sorrow. We have had experience enough in this country to beget a fine and healthful degree of prudence.

MR. LOWRY'S GOOD ARGUMENT

Birds of a feather flock together, and men of millions are apt to agree in their views of any project backed by great wealth. It is, therefore, somewhat surprising, but none the less gratifying, to find Thomas Lowry, president of the "Soo" railway, and prosperous street railway owner, to say nothing of his identification with numerous other business interests, willing to go on record as holding that J. J. Hill's great railway merger is not likely to benefit the people of the northwest.

But Mr. Hill is now 63 years of age. He is a great man, but he is not immortal. Soon his powers will begin to fail. Who will then wield the scepter he so imperiously handles now? Not his son, J. N. Hill, for the latter has not inherited his father's genius; not any of the present official staff of the Great Northern, but some New York capitalist to whom the northwest is only a financial stratum to be squeezed to the limit of its revenue-producing powers; some idler of dividends, some man who will sit in Wall street and dictate, as Collis P. Huntington did to California.

All persons interested in the discussion of the great railway merger should read what W. S. Dwinell said in yesterday's Journal in commenting upon the bearing of a recent Hennepin county case on the power of the state courts to deal effectively with Mr. Hill's undertaking.

NOT A "GRAND STAND" DISPLAY

To Wheelock's Weekly, Fergus Falls: Governor Van Sant is not "playing to the grand stand." He is doing his duty. The "grand stand" has all been put on by an enthusiast but somewhat indiscreet newspaper supporter, Governor Van Sant spoke for publication because it was important that unmistakable notice of his intentions should be served on the promoters of the Northern Securities company before their plans were consummated.

We believe it was Mr. Knipe, coach of the University of Iowa eleven, who was making remarks about Dr. Williams' work. Now, let us see; 60 to 10, 15 to 23 to 10 as against 15 to 10. We can worry along with Dr. Williams a while longer, thank you, Mr. Knipe.

THE GOOD OLD WAY

It gives a spice to our hum-drum, practical, common-sense life to read of the late Mrs. Rosanna Fuller of Lake Junction, Wis., who used her money to litter her back yard and upholster her furniture.

THE NONPAREIL MAN

Little Journey to the Home of Jimmy Foley. Once when I heard a song so gay So dainty and so sweet and true Like meadow lark in later spring When sky and prairie are so fair, I said, "By all that's holy 'Tis Foley!"

THE CROWDED CAR

At 5 p. m. in the street car, indignant and murmuring men Stand by dozens and scores with bundles that rest on their neighbors; Stand like drunks of old each on his neighbor's corn cobs.

LITTLE SIDE ISSUES

Ninety-two million tons of water go over Niagara in an hour. If you don't believe this take a pall and steady and run up to Buffalo and weigh it yourself.

to whom we cannot give a niche or a bronze in our "Hall of Fame." Fulton is chosen because his steamboat opened up the west. Whitney is chosen because his cotton gin made cotton king, and the United States, through its production, a great commercial power.

GOOD SIGNS IN THE PHILIPPINES

There are not lacking omens of a good time coming for the Philippines. The 3,000 or 4,000 Filipinos killed in the fighting of the last year, the 15,000 rifles captured and the 23,000 Tagal soldiers who surrendered, are not the only evidences of progress. Peace hath her victories in the Philippines, no less than those of war.

The Philippines may not have the capabilities of the Japanese, but they do seem to have the same thirst for knowledge that brought Japan abreast the times, from oriental medievalism, in one short generation. It may be depended upon that that thirst for knowledge will bring the Filipinos forward as rapidly as circumstances of American freedom and example of every kind.

ENGLAND'S SPECTACULAR BURLESQUE

To the irreverent American the preparations for the coronation of Edward VII, King of Britain and British dominions beyond the seas, and emperor of India, seem much like the arrangements for a masquerade ball. Lords and ladies are running around getting their costumes ready for the coronation, much as in this country people go to a costume to be rigged out in the characters they choose.

THE SONG OF THE HORSE

The swiftest trolley often slips the wire, An automobile balks before the hills, The bicyclist drops, faint, with wilted tires, Your engines bark and send a shock that kills.

THE REGENERATION OF PARKURST

Is there anything stranger under the sun than the change a short time has worked in the Rev. Dr. C. H. Parkhurst of New York, who was once popularly supposed to be the incarnation of self-defeating and nonsensical severity in the administration of New York?

FOR THE DUMB BRUTES' SAKE

The Animal Rescue League of Boston has been in existence but three years. The good work it has since done has been thus summarized by Mrs. Hunting Smith, its president: "From the 119 members with which we started we have reached over 1,300, and in the meantime we have cared for 2,855 animals in the first year of our work we have cared for 5,000 in six months."

BETTER FOR THE PUBLIC

St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Frank James is going on the stage, which is really much better than to have him in front of it.

BETTER WHEN HEAT

New York World. The Kansas State fair's orchards this year yield over \$10 an acre, besides the incidental rotation crops. That "beats the heat."

QUESTIONS ANSWERED

High School Student—Who first said, and what were the circumstances, "Millions for defense, but not a cent for tribute?"—John Marshall, afterwards chief justice of the United States, and at the time American peace negotiator to France, was the author of the famous phrase. Mr. Marshall was one of three commissioners appointed to readjust diplomatic relations with France, which had broken off. This was in 1795. The French negotiator received the American envoys in cold and rather insulting fashion. The negotiations made no progress, and at last brought forth an impudent demand that the United States pay Talleyrand, French foreign minister, a bribe of 1,200,000 francs. The indignation caused by this demand inspired the famous phrase.

Church Member—Please give me a definition of the word "theology."—Theology is a question as could be asked. The modern theology was founded in 1875 by Helene Petrovna Blavatsky and Colonel H. S. Olcott. Its purpose was defined to be the forming of a "nucleus" universal brotherhood, the promotion of the study of eastern literature, religion and science, the investigation of the unexplained laws of nature and the physical powers of the human mind.

Railroader—What was the first railway in the United States?—The first railway to serve as a common carrier was the Baltimore & Ohio, begun in 1825, the motive power, at first, being furnished by horses. Peter Cooper's locomotive, the "Stourbridge Lion," a locomotive imported from England, was tried on the Honesdale & Carbondale railroad, built by the Delaware & Hudson Canal company in 1827. The regular use of steam locomotives in the United States dates from the building of "The Best Friend" for the South Carolina railway, which was opened Nov. 2, 1830.

John D. Rockefeller—What is the salary of the governor of Minnesota, and what salary of the governor of New Jersey and Pennsylvania each pay their governors?—The salary of the governor of Minnesota is \$5,000 a year. New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania each pay their governors \$10,000 a year.

Ignorant—What is meant by "Symmes' Hole"?—That was the common designation of the theory of John Cleves Symmes that the earth was bored at the poles for the admission of light and air, and contained in it other concentric hollow globes, all inhabited in like manner. So many people accepted the theory that a petition was presented to congress asking it to appropriate money to defray the expenses of an expedition to investigate the "hole."

Ignorant—What is the precise origin and meaning of the term "sybil"?—It means a luxurious person and is derived from Sybaris, the name of a Greek colony in Italy, the people of which were very luxurious.

John D. Rockefeller—What is the registration at the University of Minnesota, and what other universities exceed it in that respect?—For the year 1900-1901 the registration was 3,423. The only other university which exceeded only by Harvard and the University of Michigan.

Luther B. Little, a one-time Minnesota newspaper man of superior talents, but who has more recently been helping Mr. Platt run the politics of New York, has taken one of the political tilters long enough to pay the following tribute to that old and tried friend of the human race, the horse. He calls it "The Song of the Horse," and it's good stuff!

When the bugle calls the charge in battle line: When my saddle-girth is tightened till it cracks; When I clamp the bit and dodge the bullet's whin: And my iron heels prick deep in restless tracks, Like a tempest driving ocean on the rocks— With a hurra of hoofs along the field, When the flashing sabers cross in awful shocks, I am Mars himself, with mighty spear and shield.

Oh, my leaping, dashing, stamping, rearing bounds, Till my sweaty sides are flecked with snowy foam: Then I prance where victor's trumpet sounds, Or slowly take an empty saddle home.

When ten thousand eyes are straining at the pace, When the jockey swings in rhythm as I leap; When, like steel, my muscles spring with easy grace, And the landscape speeds away as we sweep; When it's neck and neck as down the stretch we rush, And the riders clutch the mane and ply the whip.

When the grand stand falls a sudden hush, Till the winner's name is shouted with a crash.

Oh, the glowing, panting, eager, throbbing run! Oh, the struggle! Oh, the joy to win the goal!

I'm a thousand chariot races joined in one! I am all that ever thrilled a sportsman's soul.

Let the automobiles whir past price's gates; I have carried Caesar through the streets of Rome. Let your engines rattle past your great estates; I have heard the daring Cossack's mountain-tales; I'm the spirit of the Arab on the plains, I'm a part of mighty deeds that kings have done.

In knightly joust and tourney with medieval thanes A lady's smile has told my lance has won, My prancing and my dancing and my neigh, I have answered to the very soul of man.

I have gloriied in his glory since creation's dawn, I have been his comrade since the world began. —Luther Little in the New York Sun.