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THE SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON.

For March 15. "The Riot at Ephesus." (Acts xix, 20—40.)

CONTEXT—Last lesson ending with the twentieth verse of this chapter gave an account of Paul's wonderful success at Ephesus. To-day we shall see how quickly public sentiment changed. From a state of popular favor he passed into one of bitter antagonism. The occasion for the revulsion in feeling is found in the intervening verses, 21 to 28. It all grew out of the mercenary spirit that so frequently dominates a class of tradesmen. Demetrius, a silversmith, who made shrines, found that his business was endangered by the influence of Paul. Appealing to his fellows, he represented that even the worship paid so long to Diana would be despised. Full of wrath they began to cry, "Great is Diana of the Ephesians." The multitude had no purpose except to defend the ancient religion. The leaders expected to array the sentiment of the town against the apostle.

CONFUSION—(Verse 29.) The whole city was soon excited, as the outcry spread from lip to lip, from house to house, from street to street. A mass of ignorant people moved by passion in one direction presents a frightful spectacle. It is so in our day and country. Among orientalists the case is greatly worse. Travelers declare that sometimes under such influences the most savage deeds are enacted. In this instance the multitudes were confused, scarcely showing the cause of the commotion. Gradually it was noised about that the Christians had made an attack upon the popular religion, than which there could be no greater offense. Whatever may be their practice men may be more ardent in their religious convictions than in any other. Seizing two of Paul's colaborers, men from Macedonia, foreigners, the Ephesian mob rushed with them into the theater, the usual place of concourse.

COURAGE—(Verses 30 and 31.) The situation became critical. The lives of two men were in jeopardy, both of them helpers in the gospel. One had been close to Paul, one of the two had been baptized by him (I Cor. i, 14); whose hospitality had been shared (Rom. xvi., 23), and the other was destined to be a traveling companion on the journey to Rome. (Acts xxvii, 2). Will the apostle abandon such men to their fate? Besides, the cause of religion was involved. After all that had been achieved for Christ shall an infuriated crowd be permitted to array themselves in cruel hatred against the ministers, who had come to preach deliverance from sin and superstition? In that moment Paul rose to the supreme height of a courageous friend and a fearless advocate. He determined to enter the theater, to face the angry multitude, to speak to them if he might. It was only with much difficulty that his friends persuaded him not to make the venture.

OUTCRY—(Verses 32, 33, 34.) And so the tumult continued and increased, the greater part of the assembly ignorant of the cause of the commotion, but all supposing that their religion was opposed. Fanaticism had gone mad. Under these circumstances the Jews began to fear that vengeance might soon be taken on them also, as they represented a foreign religion. They therefore put forward one of their own number, Alexander, the coppersmith, who had been troublesome to Paul (II Tim. iv, 14), expecting that he would defend himself and his own nation against any accusation. The Jews hoped in this way to escape the fury of the hour, and leave the Christians to suffer. But as Alexander began to speak it became known that he was a Jew, and his voice was instantly silenced by the noisy clamor of those who were unwilling to hear. With one voice of the multitude, as before, cried: "Great is Diana of the Ephesians." The words rang through the spacious building, and overwhelmed every contrary effort to speak.

DIANA—(Verse 35.) Ephesus was the capital of a Roman colony, and the civil authorities were required to maintain the peace. After two hours of this noisy demonstration the town clerk appeared on the scene. Because of his position and power he soon bestowed a measure of order, sufficient to be heard. He was the man for the hour—with tact possessed by few, he said just the words that were needed to bring quietness to all. He simply told the multitude what they all knew, what every one in Ephesus knew, what had been a matter of belief so long that it could not be successfully refuted, namely, that the city had worshiped the great goddess Diana, which fell down from Jupiter. That was those who heard a flattering testimonial, a candid argument and a most judicious pleading. The force of the statement was about this: What is the use of making such a racket about a matter that is firmly fixed in the minds of all? Every one must have seen the purpose of the town clerk.

QUIETNESS—(Verses 36 and 37.) Having made these statements so well calculated to flatter the superstitious multitude, the town official urged all to quietness, the very thing which he above all others was expected to secure. His appeal was so reasonable that all who heard must have felt its force. There was really no occasion for any uproar. The more sensible portion of those before him could plainly see that what had transpired was purely the result of a causeless excitement. But the clerk, with remarkable generosity of spirit, did not rest the case here. He proceeded to speak a word of defense for the men who had been so violently treated, who were even then held in the grasp of the angry mob. He seemed to know something of the deportment of Gaius and Aristarchus, who must have behaved themselves in Ephesus in such manner as to be without accusation. Their vindication at this time was complete. It was authoritatively declared that they had done and said nothing against the popular religion—they had not robbed churches or blasphemed the goddess.

LEGALITY—(Verses 38 and 39.) Here a caveat was thrust into the clerk's address. If, as might have been the case, notwithstanding the loyalty of the people to their religion and the innocence of the apprehended disciples, there was any real grievance, there was a legal mode of redress. If Demetrius, the silversmith, had really been injured, as he claimed, a mob could not give him justice. Courts of law were established to try all such matters, where the facts may be rehearsed and a decision calmly reached. This was a pleading for law and order, for the right and dignity of government, for the execution of justice by the duly constituted tribunals, as against those disorderly and passionate outbursts that would secure good to no one. In this aspect of the case the Roman official appears to excellent advantage. Rome had conquered the world and had imposed forms of civil government upon all the subject peoples of whatever race or tongue. Submission to lawful authority was therefore required.

PRUDENCE—(Verse 40.) There was still another point which had not been considered by those who, with clamor, had rushed into the theater, a point which the clerk used with good effect to reach the end he sought. Riots and disorders of all kinds, occurring outside of the forms of law are temporary subversions of government, and therefore officials are obligated to inquire into them, their causes and motives. In such investigation the parties who had begun the trouble might be summoned to answer and might, in fact, be punished as disturbers of the peace. The crowd saw at once that they were liable to arrest, to trial and to imprisonment. Prudence alone, a regard for their own welfare, would dictate that they should quietly disperse to their homes. This they promptly did. The Government of Rome in the province was thus respected, and all things were speedily restored to their accustomed order—a genuine triumph was effected over the heated passions of men.

REFLECTIONS—The instructive points of this lesson may be arranged under three general heads: 1. We have a view of human nature, when moved by prejudice, superstition and selfishness—its animosity, excitability, thoughtlessness, involving the innocent and menacing the rights and interests of society. 2. We are the value and power of civil government in restraining and regulating the actions of men, promoting order and securing justice. Any form of government deserves the consideration of men and is worthy of support until it becomes subversive of the interests it is appointed to guard. 3. We see how Christians may establish their innocence and compel public approval, thereby escaping censure, how they may come into peril unjustly, but escape through the interposition of constituted authority, how the Government may become a friend and helper to Christianity, and truth and righteousness may be established through a joint action of the church and the state. The mob sustained Diana; Rome defended the apostles.

ROOSEVELT TO VISIT TOPEKA.

He Will Attend Convention of Railway Y. M. C. A.

Topeka, Kas., March 6.—President Roosevelt will be present at the International Convention of the Railway Y. M. C. A., which will be held in this city from April 30 to May 3. He has not designated the date of his visit.

An effort will be made to have him officiate at the laying of the cornerstone of the new Railroad Y. M. C. A. building, the money for which was largely furnished by President Ripley of the Santa Fe.

Miss Helen Gould of New York and other well-known people will attend the conference. Delegates will be present from all parts of the world.

NEW HAMPSHIRE EXHIBIT

World's Fair Bill Carrying $45,000 Is Reported Favorably.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Concord, N. H., March 6.—Winston Churchill's bill to provide for an exhibition by New Hampshire at the St. Louis Exposition was reported favorably by a committee this afternoon. The bill calls for an appropriation of $45,000.

The Republic is the acknowledged "Room for Rent" medium in St. Louis. Don't fail to advertise your vacant rooms in The Sunday Republic.

NORTHCOTT MAKES ANNOUNCEMENT.

Will Be Judicial Candidate in the Third District.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Greenville, Ill., March 6.—Lieutenant Governor W. A. Northcott has made public his intention to become a candidate for the Republican nomination for Circuit Judge of the Third Judicial District of Illinois. A letter to W. W. Lewis, editor of the Greenville Advocate, was published to-day. He will have a clear field in Bond County, as all other candidates have withdrawn in his favor.

The district is composed of Bond, Madison, St. Clair, Washington, Monroe, Randolph and Perry counties. Heretofore the district has elected three Democratic Judges, although it gave a Republican majority at the last general election.

Road Commissioners Elected.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Virginia, Ill., March 6.—Road Commissioners elected in the eight districts of Cass County are, respectively: Robert Mueller, Henry Schanke, V. Davis, V. Hutches, Webster Wiggins, M. McClane, E. Chaffer and W. Edwards.

Do you want anything, or want to sell anything? Advertise in The Sunday Republic. Take your ad to any drug store.

City Delivery for Lawton.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Washington, March 6.—Delegate Flynn of Oklahoma was a caller at the Post Office Department to-day, and succeeded in securing free city delivery for Lawton, the service to begin June 1, with three carriers and one substitute.

"UNFIT FOR WORK"

The Doctor's Verdict and How Mr. Graham Disregarded It.

"The doctor said I was not fit for work and that if I wanted to live I would have to give up business," said F. J. Graham of No. 125 Jefferson street, Peoria, Ill.

"And I was incapacitated," he continued. "It was a kind of incipient paralysis and it is due to Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People that I am now in perfect health again. First I would be hot, then cold and clammy and at times my body felt as if pierced by needles. There were terrible pains all over me and then I would have no feeling at all. A numbness sometimes came over me and I could not move. With it all were agonizing headaches and a pain in the region of my spine. I look back on it now and wonder how I retained my reason through that long and trying ordeal. There were months and months when I got no natural sleep and my nervous system was a wreck from pain and the opiates which I had been obliged to take.

"One day I read the statement of a man who had been cured of a case like mine by Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and I began taking them. The first box did so well that I continued until six boxes were taken and I was entirely well. I have been in perfect health ever since."

No other medicine in the world has accomplished so many cures in cases that were apparently hopeless as Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People. The cure of Mr. Graham is only one instance out of thousands, and the reason this remedy is so wonderful in its efficacy is because, unlike any other medicine, it acts directly on both the blood and the nerves. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills contain, in a condensed form, all the elements necessary to give new life and richness to the blood and restore shattered nerves. They are an unfailing specific for such diseases as locomotor ataxia, partial paralysis, St. Vitus' dance, sciatica, neuralgia, rheumatism, nervous headache, the after-effects of the grip, palpitation of the heart, pale and sallow complexions and all forms of weakness either in male or female. Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People are sold by all dealers, or will be sent postpaid on receipt of price, fifty cents a box, or six boxes for two dollars and fifty cents (they are never sold in bulk or by the hundred), by addressing Dr. Williams Medicine Company, Schenectady, N. Y.

EAST SIDE NEWS.

HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY DISCUSSES PEACH CROP.

Members Report That Only Small Per Cent of Buds Are Alive—Other Fruits.

A meeting of the Alton Horticultural Society was held at the home of former Congressman John M. Pearson at Godfrey yesterday at the call of President Isaac D. Snedeker, at which the condition of the fruit crop was made the subject of special investigation. President Snedeker sent out notices a few days ago to each member, requesting that a careful examination be made into the condition of the fruit on his place, especially the peaches. According to the report of every member present yesterday the peach crop has undoubtedly been killed in Madison, Macoupin and Jersey counties, with the exception of a variety known as "Riehl's Hardy," and but a small per cent of the latter buds are alive. The killing of the buds is attributed to the cold snap of three weeks ago, when the buds were on the point of bursting. Rain was frozen on the buds. The apricots are also killed, and all the varieties of pears are damaged to a considerable extent. Enough buds are alive on the pear trees, however, to insure an average crop. The horticulturists reported the plums uninjured and that the apples are doing well with the prospect for an enormous yield in that section of the State.

Doctor W. H. C. Smith and Miss Hannah Davis Godfrey, the secretary of the society, made a report of the meeting places during the year.

The May meeting will be at the home of Doctor Smith, "Beverly Farm," at Godfrey. The June meeting, or strawberry meeting, will be held at "Mount Lookout," the home of former Mayor H. G. McPike of Alton. The July meeting will be held at Melville. The August meeting will be held at Shipman, Ill., where the society will be the guest of President Snedeker at Orchard Farms. The meeting will be in the nature of a picnic, and will be held in the apple orchards. The September meeting will be held at McPike's Hall in Alton, and will be the annual apple show. The prize apples will be placed in cold storage and exhibited at the Louisiana Purchase Exposition next year. The October meeting will be held at Upper Alton, and will be the annual chrysanthemum show. At the November meeting the fifteenth anniversary of the incorporation of the society will be observed. The meeting will be held at the home of William Jackson at Godfrey. The Alton Horticultural Society was organized about 1847 and was incorporated in 1852. It is the oldest organization of its kind in the State. The December meeting of the society will be held at Hotel Madison, Alton, at which the annual election of officers will be held.

George Scott Convicted.

George Scott of Alton was yesterday convicted of the charge of burglary in the Alton City Court and sentenced to the Southern Illinois Penitentiary at Chester. Scott was convicted of stealing a quantity of goods from some freight cars in the Big Four yards and disposing of them. Richard Sims, who was indicted on a similar charge with Scott, was acquitted.

Alton Notes and Personals.

—Edward Rodgers of Alton returned yesterday from El Paso, Tex.

—Attorney E. C. Haagen of Alton is ill with measles.

—The funeral of Miss Frances Emily Angel of Upper Alton took place yesterday morning from St. Mary's Church in Henry street. The Reverend Father Joseph Meckle officiated and the burial was in St. Joseph's Cemetery.

—Daniel Smith of Gillespie, Ill., is a visitor in Upper Alton.

—The Reverend Doctor A. L. Abbott, comptroller of Shurtleff College, has called the semi-annual meeting of the Board of Trustees of that institution for March 24 at Upper Alton.

—George M. Lewis of Alton returned from Indianapolis, Ind., yesterday.

EDWARDSVILLE.

JUDGE HOPE WINS A POINT.

Demurrer to Plaintiff's Injunction Is Sustained.

In the Circuit Court at Edwardsville yesterday Judge Paul McWilliams of Litchfield rendered a decision in the Hope case from Alton. He sustained the demurrer to the plaintiff's bill for injunction, and unless the bill is amended the temporary injunction will be dismissed.

Valentine Wolf and others in Alton contended that Judge A. W. Hope of the City Court could not profit by a change in the salary made during his term of office and enjoined the Judge from accepting and the city from paying an advance of $41.66 per month over the former salary. The Judge filed a demurrer some three weeks ago, which was heard by Judge McWilliams and taken under advisement.

Judge McWilliams presented a lengthy decision, in the course of which he stated that, while there was legislation against the altering of salaries of officers in the Supreme, Circuit and Superior courts, there was nothing of record concerning City courts. On the point that a City Court was a strictly municipal office, he cited a New York decision which showed a broader scope.

Edwardsville Notes.

—Congressman W. A. Rodenberg yesterday wired Attorney G. H. Lynch that a pension of $12 per month had been allowed Judge John G. Irwin of Edwardsville. Judge Irwin has a record for long continued and active service in the Civil War, equaled by few Union soldiers.

—Information was conveyed to Edwardsville relatives yesterday through a paragraph in The Republic, of the death, in California, of Mrs. Lulu C. Kirkpatrick of St. Louis. Mrs. Kirkpatrick was the widow of Frank Kirkpatrick of Edwardsville. The funeral is to be Sunday.

—William Norris, an aged negro, was buried yesterday. Norris, before the war was superintendent of the slaves on a large Southern plantation. He accumulated much property, and had been a resident of this city for forty years.

John Stolz, former mayor of the city, appeared at an adjourned session of the Council last night and made a proffer of $30,000 for the purpose of providing a municipal lighting and power plant. His offer is so far the lowest by $15,-000.

—News of the murder of W. A. Carl at Landsdowne, was received with sorrow in Edwardsville yesterday, as he was known to many. Mr. Carl's premonitions of death had been mentioned to some of them and were recalled when the news of the assault was received.

—Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to John Stehman and Hattie Henshaw, both of Glen Carbon; Herman Becker and Mady Bircher, both of Marine.

LAST DAY FOR COURT SERVICE.

Bartholemew C. Milford Sues for a Divorce.

The last day for service for the March term of the Jersey County Circuit Court, which will be convened at Jerseyville on Monday, March 16, by Judge O. P. Thompson of Jacksonville, Ill., was yesterday. Among the suits filed was one by Bartholomew C. Milford against Julia F. Milford for a divorce. Both are well-known residents of Otterville, southwest of Jerseyville. They were married on December 12, 1859, and lived together until January 1, 1898. They have nine children.

The husband alleges that the defendant refused to live with him, and charges her with extreme cruelty, alleging that upon divers occasions that she struck him and beat him and refused to permit him to live at home. The husband also alleges that the wife refused to wait upon him when he was sick. Both Mr. and Mrs. Milford are the owners of considerable property.

POSTMASTER ARTMAN'S FUNERAL.

Burial of Prominent Medora Man Took Place Yesterday.

The funeral of Postmaster Aaron Artman of Medora took place yesterday afternoon at 2 o'clock from the Mount Pleasant Baptist Church at Medora. The Reverend Henry Dixon of Rockbridge, Ill., officiated, assisted by the Reverends J. W. Rice and S. F. Rice of Medora.

The burial was in the Medora Cemetery. The death of Postmaster Artman occurred suddenly from heart disease on Wednesday morning. Mr. Artman was a Sergeant in Company C of the Fourteenth Illinois Infantry during the war between the States. He was serving his third term as Postmaster at Medora, having been originally appointed by President Harrison and also by President McKinley. Postmaster Artman, for many years, had been prominent in both business and religious circles at Medora.

Jerseyville Notes.

—B. F. Cleverly of Springfield, Ill., was a visitor in Jerseyville yesterday.

—Clarence Reddish of St. Louis is the guest of relatives in Jerseyville.

—John A. Shepherd of Jerseyville has returned from New York.

—Joseph R. Fulkerson of Jerseyville has returned from Bloomington, Ill.

—Doctor A. K. Van Horne of Jerseyville has gone to Eureka Springs, Ark.

—The Reverend Father F. A. Marks, pastor of the Church of the Holy Ghost at Jerseyville, has returned from White Hall, Ill., where he attended a mission held under the direction of the Reverend Father John Wand.

—Lawrence Powers, father of Sheriff William Powers of Jerseyville, is seriously ill with the grip at his home west of the city.

—Mrs. Fredericka Oehman of Delhi died yesterday morning after a lingering illness at the home of her daughter, Mrs. William Farrish. The funeral arrangements have not been completed.

East St. Louis Items.

—Miss Anna Sudduth and pupils gave a musicale last night at the Music Hall.

—The Ancient Order of United Workmen gave an entertainment last night in the Lovingston building.

—The Girls' Athletic Association will give an entertainment in the Auditorium March 20.

—John S. Bratton has returned from Memphis, Tenn.

—William Echart, who has been ill, is convalescing.

—There will be a special confirmation at the Trinity Lutheran Church to-morrow evening at 8 o'clock.

—The board of the East St. Louis Public Library held a meeting last night.

Belleville News Notes.

—The members of the Belleville Turnverein will give their annual masquerade ball to-night.

—The incorporation papers of the Spectator Publishing Company of East St. Louis were filed in the Recorder's office yesterday.

—Myrtle Brewer filed suit for divorce from John Brewer. She alleges cruelty.

—Fred Obst, who has been ill, is convalescing.

—The St. Clair County Bar will hold a meeting Monday to draft resolutions in memory of the late Jehu Baker.

—The members of Protection Tent, No. 224, K. of the M., will give a ball to-night at Huff's Hall.

Humorous Church Entertainment.

A "Deestrict Skule" entertainment was given at the First M. E. Church at Belleville last evening. The church was decorated with ears of corn and sheaves of wheat. Frank Behymer acted as chairman and propounded questions. Much merriment resulted in the efforts of the audience to answer.

SPEAKER MILLER WILL TRY HIS HAND

Will Introduce Bill to Unravel Southern Illinois Judicial Apportionment Tangle.

ALL MEASURES NOW ON TABLE.

Republicans Are Preparing to Swallow the Bitter Pill of Civil-Service Reform Introduced by Governor Yates.

BY A STAFF CORRESPONDENT.

Springfield, Ill., March 5.—The effort to reapportion Southern Illinois judicial districts to Republican advantage will be renewed next week in the House. Speaker Miller now has shown his hand in the matter and intends to use his influence to bring about or force an agreement between the Representatives who have hitherto wished to gerrymander the counties around to suit their individual convenience.

All bills providing a new arrangement of Southern circuits have been laid on the table by the Judicial Apportionment Committee. A new bill will be drawn redistricting so that the circuits will conform very nearly to the present congressional boundaries.

Speaker Miller may introduce the new measure himself. Regarding the matter, he said to-day that the proposed change is a party advantage which should be taken, and for which Southern Illinois Republicans as a whole are looking. He has been accused of indifference toward the plan and decided that it was incumbent upon him to take action.

Two other bills affecting Southern Illinois are being actively pushed by Representatives Bundy and Lindly, both strong in the Republican councils. Bundy's provides a substitute for the existing basis of assessment—one-third of the market value of property, instead of one-fifth, as is the present figure. This means a two-thirds increase. It would do very well in counties where values are not high, but would be a serious matter in Chicago and the richer districts. The bill has been reported out of the revenue committee with the recommendation that it do not pass. This does not mean necessarily that it will be defeated, as Southern Illinois, Democrats and Republicans, and a good representation from the central part of the State, will be for it. The fraction, however, probably will be amended to one-fourth.

TOWNSHIP ELECTIONS.

Cicero J. Lindly's measure would change the date for holding township elections from the spring to the fall. Township officers—a Supervisors, a Clerk, an Assessor and minor officials—now are chosen for two years. Lindly would have a four-year term, and would place the township candidates upon the general election ballots. It is argued that in the spring the farmers are busy and cannot give proper attention to politics, while in the fall they are free. Also, to do away with this extra election would mean a saving of $250,000 to the State.

A counter argument lies in the fact that in the spring less of the partisan spirit attaches to a township fight, whereas in the fall the township office holders elected would certainly be of the party dominant in the township; and partisanship is not thought such a good thing so near home.

Governor Yates's State civil service measure was advanced to second reading this morning. Cale Johnson (Dem.) moved when the bill came up that further consideration of it be postponed.

"I believe," said he, "that the gentlemen on the other side of the House are four-flushing on this bill and do not want to pass it."

Mr. Trautmann: "Will the gentleman explain what he means by four-flushing?"

Lindly moved that Johnson's motion be tabled. This was accomplished on viva voce vote.

Mr. Johnson then rose to a point of order. He said that the synopsis of House bills shows the civil-service measure to have been introduced by the Governor, and called attention to the fact that the rules required all bills to be introduced by a member.

"I should like to know," said he, "when the Governor became a member of this Legislature?"

Mr. Lindly explained that whatever was in synopsis, the bill was introduced by the Speaker, and Mr. Miller corroborated him. As soon as the first reading was ended Mr. Sherman moved that it be made a special order for next Tuesday. This carried.

"FOURFLUSHING."

Mr. Johnson's charge of "fourflushing" is not far from the truth. Not all the Governor's lieutenants want civil service, and it is not at all certain that the Governor himself is overanxious to lose his lengthy pay roll. Lindly of Bond has become the ardent champion of civil service, as his work in sending the bill from committee and defense of it on the floor to-day indicate.

It is because Lindly's prestige is involved. He was put on the Civil-Service Committee against his objection, by the organization, expressly to look after the Governor's bill. Look after it he must and will. But others are not in Lindly's position. Powerful floor men, such as Bundy and Shurtleff, from Republican ranks, and many of the Democrats, are frankly against such a cumbersome and experimental reform.

Nevertheless, the bill probably will pass. The majority of the members are so hemmed in with political considerations that they cannot take the stand on the proposition as their inclination dictates. Both State platforms declared for civil service; and Sherman, leader of the Republican rebels, started the civil-service cry.

The expectation was that all bills on the subject would die in committee, but, now that the members will be pushed to the wall and must go on record, they can do nothing but swallow the bitter pill of their own making.

The Democrats lost an opportunity to delay the supreme judicial reapportionment bill this morning. Though there was far from a quorum in the House, the point was not raised, and the bill was introduced from committee without objection.

BILLS ADVANCED.

A list of bills on first reading were advanced to second reading. Among them was Drew's drastic repeal of the fellow-servant law. This latter is of the most inclusive nature. It would strike even at the farmer and his "hired help." If the farmer pitching hay should put his employe's eye out by an ill-directed stroke of the pitchfork, he would be liable to the same damages that might be assessed against the coal company whose employe was injured by the carelessness of a comrade.

Other bills advanced were the Chicago sanitary district bill, Burke's antiloan "shark" bill, and Nohe's two "regulators"—the one regulating the abstract title and guarantee business, which would do away with the monopoly possessed by a rich Chicago company, and the other preventing telegraph and telephone companies from transmitting stock quotations to bucket-shops and race results to poolrooms.

Representative Wheeler of Sangamon introduced this morning the new medical practice bill, which is indorsed by the State Board of Health. It creates a State Board of Medical Examiners, consisting of seven members. The secretary is to receive a salary, and the members $10 a day when at work. The bill provides that no persons shall practice medicine or midwifery after October 1, 1903, unless previously registered, without securing a certificate from the State Board. The fees fixed for examination and certificates are: Medicine and surgery, $25; restricted practice of medicine, $20; midwifery, $15. A prohibitive license fee of $100 a month is fixed for licensing itinerant vendors of drugs, ointments, or appliances for the healing of disease.

This bill is expected to stir up a hornet's nest. Medical practice bills do, as a rule.

HASTINGS MacADAM.

RIVER NEWS.

Rise and Fall of the Rivers

For 24 hours, ending at 7 a. m.: Friday, March 6, 1903.

Stations.	Danger.	Gauge.	Change.
Pittsburg	22.0	9.5	-1.2
Cincinnati	50.0	52.9	-0.2
Louisville	28.0	27.3	*1.3
Nashville	40.0	37.9	*1.0
Chattanooga	32.0	13.1	-3.4
Florence	16.0	18.3	*0.3
Johnsonville	21.0	27.0	*0.7
Evansville	35.0	39.3	*1.3
St. Paul	14.0	Frozen	....
Dubuque	15.0	Frozen	....
Davenport	15.0	Frozen	....
Keokuk	15.0	5.4	*0.3
Hannibal	13.0	....	....
Peoria	14.0	....	....
Beardstown	12.0	....	....
Grafton	23.0	....	....
Omaha	18.0	....	....
Kansas City	21.0	9.8	-0.3
Glasgow	....	....	....
Boonville	20.0	11.3	-0.6
Hermann	24.0	12.8	*1.1
St. Louis	30.0	18.1	*0.2
Chester	30.0	15.4	*0.6
Cairo	45.0	43.3	*0.5
Memphis	33.0	34.3	-0.1
Little Rock	23.0	....	....
Vicksburg	45.0	45.7	*0.3
Shreveport	29.0	30.1	*0.1
New Orleans	16.0	17.3	*0.1

*Rise. -Fall.

D. J. HERNDON, Local Forecast Official.

River Forecast.

The river at St. Louis will continue to rise, reaching about 19 feet by to-day.

River and Business.

Harbor gauges yesterday marked 18.1 feet, indicating a rise of .2 of a foot in 24 hours. Business along the Levee yesterday was good. Weather rainy.

To-Day's Weather.

Probably fair; moderate temperature.

River Rialto Brevities.

—The Hill City was towed up from winter quarters, near Carondelet, yesterday to load for a special trip to Vicksburg. She was taken to the elevator above the bridge for grain.

—The India Givens is receiving for her trip to the Calhoun County, on which she will depart this afternoon.

—Captain Woodward arrived yesterday from Memphis, and was a caller at the harbor rooms. He reports that the steamer Sadie Lee broke her shaft at Memphis.

—The harbor boat Mark Twain is again in service, after receiving extensive repairs.

—The Stacker Lee is en route to St. Louis from Memphis. She is scheduled to depart on the return Tuesday afternoon.

—Captain George Keith will depart to-day for Paducah to bring around the steamer Bald Eagle.

—The steamer Shiloh of the Tennessee River Line ran through herself at Paducah.

—The Grey Eagle was delayed 36 hours by fog and did not arrive until late yesterday evening.

—The Chester departed for Cape Girardeau yesterday afternoon, taking out a good trip of freight.

—A special meeting of Harbor No. 28 was held yesterday morning. Many pilots were present.

By Telegraph.

REPUBLIC SPECIALS.

Grand Tower, Ill., March 6.—H. M. Hoxie up at late hour last evening. City of Savannah due down. The gauge reads 18.3 feet and rising. Weather, cloudy and warm, with rain.

Paducah, Ky., March 6.—The gauge reads at 6 p. m. 38.5 feet, a rise of .5 since 7 a. m. Heavy rains here all day and local streams all running out full. Heavy fog held all water craft bound until noon. The Avalon got away to-night for Chattanooga. Steamer Hopkins will report to-night at 7 p. m. from above, having been fogbound 24 hours. Steamer Savannah, from St. Louis to-night for Tennessee River. The Memphis due out of Tennessee River for St. Louis to-night. The Joe Fowler will be here to-morrow from Evansville. The recent rains above have started the rivers here to rising again and now 43 feet is expected or more. The Tennessee arrived out from Florence at 9 a. m. with good trip. Business, fair on wharf.

Memphis, Tenn., March 6.—The river here stands 34.3 feet on the gauge, a fall of .1 in the last 24 hours, and is 1.3 over the danger line. All the steamers running out this port have been delayed by fog from 24 to 48 hours. The Delta got away at 7 a. m. for Vicksburg with a good trip. The Kate Adams departed at 12 noon for Arkansas City with a good trip. The Robert E. Lee departed at 5 p. m. for Ashport. The Stacker Lee, having been delayed 36 hours by fog, arrived at noon with 7,000 packages merchandise for this place. She will clear in the morning at 8 o'clock for St. Louis. The snagboat H. G. Wright arrived to-day from St. Louis and returns in the morning. On her trip down she destroyed 37 snags and cut 1,228 trees off caving banks. Receipts by river to-day were 156 bales cotton, 47 bags seed cotton and 1,104 sacks cottonseed. The W. W. O'Neal, with a tow of empty coal boats, passed up yesterday for the Ohio River.

Vicksburg, Miss., March 6.—The gauge to-day is 45.7, a rise of .3. The Delta is due in from Memphis. The Senator Cordill cleared on time for Natchez. All of the local packets are now busy bringing cattle and horses from the lowlands, where the water is standing, and there is danger of levees giving way. So far no breaks in the levee are reported here.

Cairo, Ill., March 6.—River gauge reads 43.7 feet, showing a rise of .7 of a foot during the last 24 hours. Weather, threatening and warm. The Reese Lee departed for Memphis at 8:30 a. m. with a big trip. The Dick Fowler was in and out on time. The S. H. H. Clark departed for St. Louis at 9:30 a. m. The Josie departed for St. Louis at 11 a. m. with 2 barges of logs.

Crystal City, Mo., March 6.—The gauge reads 16.1 feet, showing a rise of .2 of a foot in the last 24 hours. Grey Eagle up at 2:30 p. m. A heavy fog on the river. Weather, warm, with rain.

Cincinnati, O., March 6.—River 52.1 feet, fall of .8 of a foot since 6 o'clock this morning. Cloudy and cool. The Queen City arrived from New Orleans at 10:30 a. m.

Cape Girardeau, Mo., March 6.—The S. H. H. Clark was up at 4:30 p. m. Weather, raining hard all day. River rising; gauge reads 20.6 feet.

Warsaw, Ill., March 6.—Gauge reads 8.7 feet, a rise of .2 of a foot in the past 24 hours. Weather, cloudy and warmer, threatening rain.

Burlington, Ia., March 6.—The river is 4 feet 7 inches above low-water mark, a fall of 1½ inches. Weather, cold and foggy.

Louisville, Ky., March 6.—River stationary; in canal 27.4; on falls 25.3; below locks 53 feet. Raining.

Pittsburg, Pa., March 6.—River 10.5 feet and falling. Clear and pleasant.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 6.—River 16 feet, falling. Clear and mild.

Evansville, Ind., March 6.—River rising; 39.7 feet. Cloudy and warm.

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ANOTHER STORMY CONVENTION.

Michigan Republicans Nominate Judicial Candidate.

Detroit, Mich., March 6.—Judge Frank A. Hooker of Charlotte was to-night renominated for Justice of the Supreme Court of this State for a term of ten years, by the stormiest Republican State Convention held in this State since the Grand Rapids Convention that nominated Governor Bliss in 1898.

Seven candidates were in the field against Judge Hooker.

The convention was stampeded on the sixth ballot in the interest of Judge Edward D. Kinne of Ann Arbor, but the seventh ballot gave a large majority to Judge Hooker.

For regents of the University of Michigan the convention nominated Peter White of Marquette and Loyal E. Knappen of Grand Rapids.

Begin "The Master of Appleby," a great serial, to start in The Sunday Republic to-morrow.

HIGHWAYMEN SEIZED $25,000.

Confederate Tried to Carry Booty Away on Horse, but Failed.

Johannesburg, March 6.—A desperate attempt at highway robbery in the center of Johannesburg was made to-day.

Two men attacked two customs officers conveying $25,000 to the bank, and throwing pepper in their eyes, secured the money bags, which they threw to a horseman, who galloped off.

The horseman in his flight knocked down a man named Brandon, who was fatally injured and soon expired.

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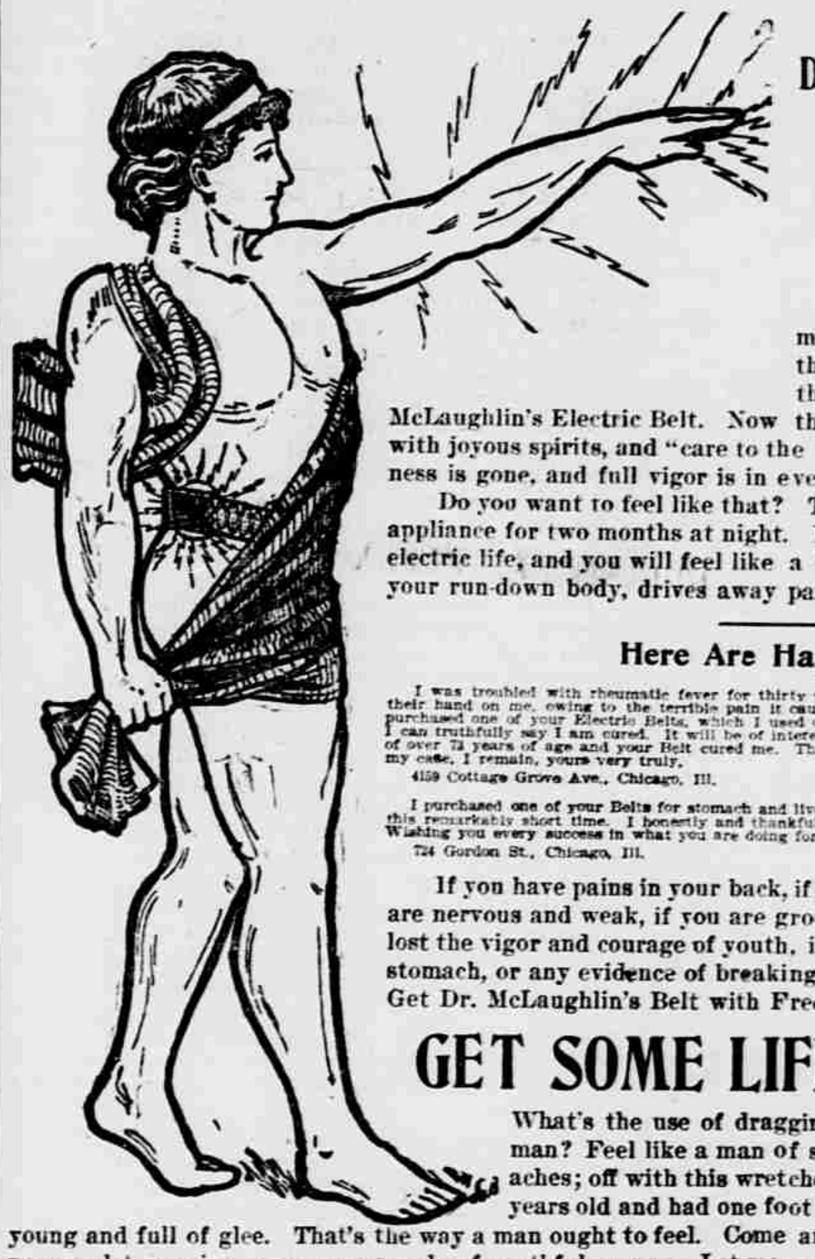

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