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To Hear as Children.

A National Prison Congress will be held in Chicago next month. Nine District officials have been appointed delegates. Some two or more of the nine are expected to attend, probably the judge of the Juvenile Court and the secretary of the Board of Charities.

Sense in the South.

Nothing has more conclusively shown the reign of reason regarding the negro in the South than the action of the Alabama house of representatives the other day in voting down a bill to tax the property of the negro school at Tuskegee, conducted with such eminent success and splendid results by Booker T. Washington.

This action is of marked significance, because it shows that even in what may be considered the crater of the negro problem there is still recognition of the great fact that education along proper lines, the kind of education that is fostered by such men as Booker Washington and his associates, is not calculated to stir from still greater depths the malodorous question of social equality between the races.

An Ostrich Reform.

Mr. Arnold Daly, an energetic, not to say eccentric, young actor, the man who discovered that Bernard Shaw was a money-maker in this country, is now out to reform the theater. No one can quarrel with him in that ambition, per se, for, like most other human institutions of advanced age, the theater is susceptible of improvement.

With all respect for Mr. Daly's opinions, there is no business so completely dependent upon the newspaper as that of the managing of theaters and presentation of plays. Whether the public is affected either way by dramatic criticism is a moot point; but there is no question at all that it is vastly influenced by the great amount of theatrical matter in the papers—the gossip, the reviews, the anecdotes, the pictures, yea, even the exuberant fancies of the press agent.

of high and low degree join in the chorus of approval. It may be that young Mr. Daly is not actuated by any gross wish for material prosperity, that Art, with the largest of capital "A's," is the only thing that appeals to him in his work of reform. If so, all depends on the size of his bank account.

The newspapers will really owe Mr. Daly a debt of gratitude for treating them with scorn. The public will settle it very decidedly in favor of press publicity.

The Gas Company Says—

The Georgetown Gas Light Company says to the public: We intend to add \$150,000 to our capital stock. We don't need the money for purposes for which money obtained from stock issues is usually applied, because—

The gas plant, mains, and other property have already been paid for. The amount paid in at the start bought some of it. The public's payments for gas bought most of it, and we have had handsome dividends besides; but—

Now we intend to capitalize what the public has paid, and pay dividends on that; then the dividend rate won't be so big, because it will be applied to twice as much capital as now, and the situation will, therefore, look better if the public or Congress should get inquisitive.

The money received for the stock sold will be available to return to stockholders as dividends; therefore, if we allot the new stock to present stockholders, it won't cost them a cent. The public's interest? We don't know of any such interest in this case.

Can't the price of gas be reduced and at the same time the revenue pay a fair return on money actually invested? We don't recognize that any such question is pertinent to the situation. This is the position of the Georgetown Gas Light Company thus far in the hearings on their petition for an increase of capital stock.

Does the Georgetown Gas Light Company think such an attitude will be profitable in the long run? Your Uncle Jawn Williams is about to be promoted from the Congressional grammar school to the select academy conducted by the same management.

The District Commissioners are having a hard time adjusting the theory that this is a government by public opinion to their selection of stable sites and tying up of pump handles. The Department of Justice may well announce that it is moving cautiously in the powder cases.

President Baer thinks a dollar will soon purchase more labor than it does now. Of course, if it does, the consumer will feel the advantage immediately in his coal bills. Governor Glenn is anxious to have it understood that he is not so foolish as some of the people who would like to make him appear as foolish as they are.

INSRIPTION FOR A COOK BOOK.

Neat-handed Phyllis, long and long ago, Dressed herbs and country messes for her bean; And Corydon—that was the ruffian's name— Swore terribly, but wolfed them just the same.

ALABAMA REPEALS AT THE SOUTHERN

Proposed to Revoke Charter as Punishment for Litigation.

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Aug. 2.—As a result of litigation brought by the Southern railway against new Alabama laws, it is said that the company's franchise will be formally revoked to-day under "outlaw" statutes.

WARSHIP EXPLOSION OFFICIAL REPORT

All remaining doubt as to the cause of the powder accident which occurred in the 8-inch turret of the battleship Georgia, July 15, which resulted in the death of ten officers and sailors and the injury of several others, was cleared away by the action of the Navy Department approving the report and findings of the naval board, headed by Capt. Seaton Schroeder, which investigated the accident and reported that the premature ignition of the powder charge was due to a "fubar" bomb.

C. G. W. RWY. OFFICIALS FINANCING IN LONDON

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—It has been learned that President Stickney and Vice President Oppenheim, of the Chicago Great Western railway, who are now abroad, have been in consultation with the London finance committee, regarding a plan the railway management has under consideration for providing for the financial needs of the road for the next ten years.

BRITAIN SEEKS AGREEMENT REGARDING NEWFOUNDLAND

LONDON, Aug. 2.—In the House of Commons Foreign Minister Grey announced that the government is attempting to arrange with the United States a modus vivendi governing fishing in Newfoundland waters during the present season.

GIRL SHORTENS NAME BY BEING MARRIED

PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 2.—Florentyna Siemionkowska, the bride with the longest name of the present year, obtained a marriage license at the City Hall. Miss Siemionkowska will shorten her name the least bit when she becomes Mrs. Wladyslaw Zbyszynski.

THE OLD CONFEDERATE IN NEW RICHMOND

The following description of the recent Confederate reunion in Richmond, Va., written by Gustavus C. Widney, appears in The World Today, for August: The procession moved principally on Franklin street, a fine old street at the lower end with splendid homes and big trees. I picked out a good place near Monroe Park from which to make my pictures.

FINEST STABLES ON EARTH.

No one feature of Newport extravagance more clearly shows the mint of money lavished on this playground of millionaires than the wonderful stables attached to every establishment. Take, for instance, the O. H. P. Belmont villa. It has a stable for its ground floor, of such dimensions that a coach and four can drive in, turn about, and drive out again.

Oklahoma Republicans Nominate Gov. Frantz For New State's Chief



GOV. FRANK FRANTZ, Nominated by Republicans of Oklahoma for New State's Highest Office.

Telegrams Exchanged With President Roosevelt Assuring Loyalty.

TULSA, Ind. T., Aug. 2.—Gov. Frank Frantz was nominated by acclamation for governor of the proposed State of Oklahoma by the Republican State convention. Additional nominations were as follows: Lieutenant governor—N. J. Turk.

TOM SHARKEY IS GROUCHY; DOES SHERLOCK HOLMES ACT

Some One With Small Feet Had the Audacity to Steal an "Old Master" From Him—Nerve? Well!

NEW YORK, Aug. 2.—Tom Sharkey's old colonial homestead, built two or three years ago, at Sheephead Bay, has been robbed. Tom has a clue to the robber, and is trying to make up his mind to give the clue to the police.

AMERICAN METHODS USED BY PORTO RICOPANTERS PLANS NEW SCHEME

The conditions applying to the cultivation of sugar in Porto Rico apply also to tobacco and in about the same relative proportions. In Spanish times the growing of tobacco was almost exclusively confined to a small district in the western part of the island.

JAPAN'S ARMY.

The Rev. Henry C. Mable is reported as having said in an interview in San Francisco that the Japanese have a standing army of 1,000,000 men. Either Mr. Mable is mistaken or he has been misrepresented, for Japan does not keep 1,000,000 men under arms.

Fido Is a Bureau Dog, Bites Like a Mosquito, And Cannot Be Ferocious

Dachshunds Are Affectionate, Police Court Rules, After Investigating Wounds of Victim Who Sought "Justice," Alas! in Vain.

NEW YORK, Aug. 1.—Is a dachshund a dog within the meaning of the statutes, ordinances, and plain everyday laws designed to accomplish the prevention and suppression of hydrophobia and kindred troubles that come with the annual return of the "dog days"?



A "Ferocious" Dog.

For some time the savage brute had been nipping and snapping at the loose part of John's trousers legs as he daily passed the defendant's drug store, in upper Broadway, and at last the animal had gone so far, he said, as to chase him into the middle of the street and plant his teeth deep in his biops.



Searching for Marks of Bite.

Well, your honor, began the policeman, "the complainant here rolled up his trousers leg, and I look him over carefully, and— and I found— found—"

"I found two tiny scratches that looked as if he had been rubbing a mosquito bite."

"Ah, I thought so," declared the magistrate promptly. "Herr Reich, you are discharged. And I want to say to you, young fellow, addressing Ford, 'that I have grave doubts of that being a dog bite on your anatomy, much less that of a dachshund, and that nothing short of a physician's certificate would convince me that it is a dog bite. A dachshund? Why, a dachshund? But Magistrate Finn only looked his disgust."

Back Stairs for Doctors! Not Much, Say Physicians

Newark Medical Fraternity Interested in \$5,000 Damage Suit of Man Who Refused to Use Tradesmen's Door.

NEWARK, Aug. 2.—"Where do we stand?" ask the doctors of Newark. "Are we of the mere money-hunting rabble known as tradesmen, or do we belong to a higher profession? Do we enter a house via the front stoop, or sneak in via the iron gate, like a man coming to attend the furnace?"

liam L. De Groot, a grocer, going up the front steps with groceries, and threw him down a flight of stairs. The medical fraternity of Newark is much interested in the coming suit, as there have been several attempts in certain parts of the city to class physicians with tradesmen, and compel them to enter houses, when on professional calls, by the back entrance.

Thus is the medical fraternity agitated over the barring of Dr. A. D. Ballentine from use of the front door of 115 Dickerson street by Landlord John Meehan. The doctor called in response to a summons to attend Mrs. Bunting, and, of course, entered via the front door. As he left the tenants on the first floor informed him that the landlord would kick up a rumpus if he caught the doctor entering the house by the front door.

GET CARNegie MEDAL FOR THIS REAL HERO! CLEVELAND, Aug. 2.—Eugene C. Mathivet, a prominent attorney, began action in the probate court to regain possession of his mother-in-law, Mrs. Bessie R. Robinson.

This Evening's Concert AT SMITHSONIAN GROUNDS

- 7:30 P. M. U. S. ENGINEER BAND Julius Kamper, Bandmaster PROGRAM. March....."Columbia Forever".....Chambers Overture....."Barber of Seville".....Rossini