

THE TRANSCRIPT

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THE visible supply of coal in the United States is sufficient to set at rest all fears of a fuel famine for the next two or three hundred years. We will leave to our posterity the problem of what to do when this supply is exhausted.

STATE Superintendent of Schools J. W. Olsen has sent to school superintendents in the state a pamphlet asking that all the schools observe Memorial day, May 30. He requests that the teachers read James Whitcomb Riley's poem on Grant.

The suggestion is made that the large signboards in city and country should be heavily taxed to increase the public revenues. If some of the glaring ones one sometimes sees marring the scenery and making the cities unattractive could be taxed out of existence it would be a great relief for artistic eyes.

ST. PAUL has been entertaining the Order of Railway Conductors for the past week in their annual session. The order is composed of leading conductors from all parts of the United States and a more genial set of men it would be hard to find. We spent one day in visiting with some of them and know whereof we speak.

The latest suggestion in the way of preventing tax dodging on notes and other credits is to affix a stamp to each one, the stamp to be purchased annually of the county treasurer and cancelled by him. No note will be legal or collectible without this annual stamp and in this way a record of all credits would be obtained.

The commissioner of internal revenue has written a letter saying that the United States does not issue licenses to liquor dealers in any state. Every person selling liquor must pay a government tax, but this in no sense obtains a license, and prosecutions may be made in local option districts as if the government tax has not been paid by the dealers and a receipt obtained therefor.

It is stated that the best steam engines are utilizing only one-twelfth of the energy available by the combustion of coal while the ordinary steam engines utilize a far less proportion. It would seem as if the inventive genius of our modern scientists ought to be able to work out the problem of getting more than a mere fraction of the heat and force contained in a ton of coal.

The Faribault city council has just passed a resolution prohibiting the building of wooden sidewalks inside the city limits in future. Hereafter all walks must be built of cement, brick or stone. The city has had several damage suits of late for personal injury resulting from defective wooden walks, and has taken this means to guard against future accidents. Other cities will in time come to this.

The date of the excursion of the Minnesota Editorial Association to Buffalo has been postponed until June 15th. Gov. Van Sant will designate Tuesday, June 18th, as "Minnesota Day," at the Pan-American Exposition on which occasion the state's building will be formally dedicated under auspices of the Editorial Association. Gov. Van Sant and staff will be present, and the Governor will receive the building for the Minnesota Board of Managers.

The tonnage and value of freight passing through the Sault Ste. Marie canal each year since 1887 is double in amount that carried through the Suez canal, and this showing is regarded as an argument in favor of an American canal connecting the lakes with the Atlantic. In 1887 there were carried through the Sault Ste. Marie canal 5,494,649 tons of freight, valued at \$79,031,737, and in 1900 the freight carried amounted to 25,043,073 tons, valued at \$267,041,950. The increase in the business of that canal has been steady since it was opened, and it has not reached its maximum.

The local authorities cannot be too strict in quarantining every suspicious case in this city. So far as we know, there are at present only two cases that are pronounced varioloid, both mild. But this comparative exemption from anything like smallpox should not allow the board of health to relax in their strict enforcement of quarantine. It is far better to be on the safe side, even at the inconvenience of the few, than to have this city exposed as widely as some of the other cities of the state. Lack of strictness in this respect has already cost Rhinelander, Wis., \$10,000 in connection with smallpox trouble.

Notes From Exchanges.

Minneapolis Tribune: Some Christian Endeavor young men have organized a society to thrash mashers who insult women on the street. This is a good manifestation of practical Christianity.

Evening Wisconsin: A Boston literary woman, viewing the prevailing rage to write and eagerly to read the last new book, hits off the situation by characterizing the United States as "a land flowing with ink and money." Which is not bad.

Breckinridge Telegram: Some of our people that are usually well posted are under the impression that the gross earnings act is a law but such is not the case. It provides for submitting the question to the people at the next election. It cannot become a law before 1903 at the earliest. So don't get excited yet awhile.

Duluth News-Tribune: Dispute about the workings of the anti-cauliflower law at a single military post cannot be very satisfactory. Wait until next winter, when Secretary of War Root reports the comparative results of the two systems after a ten-months trial of the canteenless army. Then there will be facts to argue from.

Memphis Scimitar: Sensational preachers may entertain congregations for an hour on Sundays, but they won't turn any sinner from his sins. The pastors who exercise the widest influence for good are not the showy orators and clerical panders, but the earnest, God-fearing and man-loving men, for whom Christ is a sufficient example and for whom the gospel is a sufficient source of texts.

Minneapolis Tribune: Rev. Dr. Hillis' plan for getting people to church on Sunday is to have Saturday afternoon declared a national half holiday, so that the claim cannot be put in that Sunday is needed for rest and recreation. Saturday has been for several years a half holiday in New York, and we would like to ask Dr. Hillis if the people of New York are better church-goers, on the average, than those of other states? We doubt if his remedy would be efficacious.

New York Mail and Express: It was a good while ago that a certain philosopher uttered this axiom—once a principle of action and a source of comfort for the wage worker: "In the first half of your life, do more work than you get paid for, and in the last half, if you are good for anything, you will get paid for more than you do." Mr. Schwab practically adopts this principle, though he restricts his axiom to the first half of it, and states it thus: "Do more than you get paid for." This is not an altruistic principle—it is one of a superior sort of egotism.

Chicago InterOcean: Fashion itself has changed. The well-to-do people of the cities are looking countryward. The wealthy are investing money in country establishments. People tired of the incessant activity and the stress and noise of city life are longing now for the quiet and air of the country. This reaction gives new value to many farms. It sets new standards for country boys and girls, and the fact that city people admit a liking for the country may do for the young people of the country more than all the arguments that have been thrown at them for the last quarter of a century.

Providence Journal: It is generally held among the liquor dealers in Jericho and elsewhere in the Valley that to refrain from selling on Sundays is equivalent to going out of business. The dealers assert that customers who cannot obtain what they want on Sunday at a saloon will not patronize it on secular days, and so to shut up on Sunday, as is required by the conditions of their licenses and the rules of the church, to which some of them profess a more than nominal allegiance, will mean the abandonment of their business to men for whom the laws of neither church nor State have any terrors.

Worcester Gazette: The municipality is unquestionably the weak spot in the American system of government, and so long as it continues to be so black a blot as it is, government by the people cannot be considered a complete success. Liberty in the abstract does not amount to much if all the residents of the larger cities are overtaxed and robbed without receiving adequate returns. In a general sense these are the present conditions, and, while one cannot but have faith in the future, it must be admitted that it does not hold out any immediate prospects of particularly rosy hue.

InterOcean: The waste of coal has long been understood and appreciated by ordinary people. Scientists have realized that the consumption of fuel is out of all proportion to the heat or power obtained from it. Steam has been economized by triple and even quadruple expansion engines. Speed has been increased by improved methods in machine construction. It is possible now to obtain many times as much work as formerly out of a given stream pressure or horse power. But nothing, or practically nothing, has been done toward utilizing a reasonable share of the potential heat and energy in the coal bin.

Pioneer Press: Men of sense, high and low, are getting together in the demand for the abolition of Latin and Greek as a required study in our high schools and universities. A notable pronouncement of this kind was that of Lord Salisbury, in a recent address before the British chamber of commerce. He advised all youths who were to enter upon pursuits of commerce to learn French, German and Spanish before Greek or Latin. That English conservatism should so long have submitted to the ridiculous dominance of the classics, in the schools of an essentially commercial nation, may perhaps not be a matter of wonderment; but that the hard-headed, progressive, practical American should have spied his English cousins in such submission is really marvellous.

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It appears that over \$1,000,000 is to be expended in establishing over this country electrical sanitariums for the cure of consumption.

The recent test of transmitting pictures electrically by means of the electrograph over the police telegraph lines in Cleveland was eminently successful.

The British postal telegraph department recently completed the laying of the underground telegraph cable in place of the overhead wires between London and Birmingham, a distance of 117 1/2 miles, the longest underground telegraph cable in the world.

Experiments just completed demonstrated the practicability of lighting up Niagara falls by electricity to be generated by the falls. New and powerful apparatus operating searchlights will hereafter enable visitors to see the falls at night.

Plans were recently laid before the German government for an extremely high speed electric railway. No actual experimental line has yet been constructed, but it is proposed to build as a trial a military line intended for a speed of from 125 to 150 miles an hour.

A submarine electric arc light will soon be experimented with to aid in the sponge fishery of the coast of Florida. At present the sponges are obtained only from a comparatively small depth, as the sponge fishers at present can only see to a limited distance by the aid of a water glass, and if this distance could be increased larger areas would immediately be opened up where sponges have been growing unmolested for years.

Professor Lucien V. Blake, head of the electrical department of the University of Kansas, has been experimenting for some time on an electrical process by which precious metals may be obtained from ore cheaper than by any process now in use. It is stated that the method has proved satisfactory in an experimental way and will shortly be given a trial on a practical scale by a prominent smelting concern.

The most successful thieves of electricity in New York are the Chinese. They are said to be absolutely fearless in handling dangerous currents. The Chinese are good customers of the power plants. A large proportion of them use electric lights in their dingy little laundries. A short time ago it was found that the lighting bills of many of them were suddenly reduced more than one-half. It was found that a Chinese tramp electrician was making a business of visiting his countrymen and offering to reduce the bills. His methods were extremely simple and effective. All he did was to bridge the meters—that is, run a wire from the feed wire at its entrance to the exit wire on the other side.

Shudders at His Past.

"I recall now with horror," says Mail Carrier Burnett Mann, of Levanna, O., "my three years of suffering from kidney trouble. I was hardly ever free from dull aches or acute pains in my back. To stoop or lift mail sacks made me groan. I felt tired, worn out, about ready to give up, when I began to use Electric Bitters, but six bottles completely cured me and made me feel like a new man." They're unrivaled to regulate Stomach, Liver, Kidneys and bowels. Perfect satisfaction guaranteed by K. O. Wold. Only 50 cents.

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