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MEXICAN LIBERTY.

The reports from Mexico of the methods of conducting a presidential campaign there induce some reflections on what the name of "republic" can cover. The election is still a long distance in the future; but early and urgent steps have been taken to ensure that there shall be no disturbing doubts as to its result.

General Reyes, who developed boldness enough to threaten to run against Diaz' selection for vice president, has found it salutary to go into retirement in a remote province.

All these things indicate what many people knew, despite eulogies of Diaz in this country, that his government is a despotism. It is a strong and has been in most respects a wise despotism.

surprising in that. He may be endorsed by Tammany. Time was when that might have been surprising, but no longer. And it is not Tammany that has changed.

Four years ago when Mr. Jerome made his spectacular and unprecedented campaign as an individual candidate, although supported by the Republicans through the withdrawal of their candidate, it was his vigorous reform pledges that won him his victory.

During his first four years he had filled the public eye with dramatic pursuit of gamblers and vocal pursuit of Tammany. He appealed to his record and that was enough for New York. During the last four years he has been chiefly on the defensive, so much so that a few months ago when he ventured to give an account of his stewardship at a public meeting it taxed all his admitted skill to escape with a shred of that political reputation which gave him back his office in 1905.

In endorsing Jerome Tammany evidently believes with that meeting that it has little to fear, that it is another case of the bark being worse than the bite. The circus has not come up to the parade. On the other hand, Tammany may believe that Jerome still has a vote getting facility that may be useful. His reputation as a whirlwind campaigner is intact, if whirlwinds can move the voters. That, however, with Mr. Jerome's lack of performance during the past four years, may be difficult. New York may have had enough wind.

UNDERGRADUATE BEHAVIOR.

Recent authoritative utterances on the demeanor of the sexes toward each other while in the halls of learning indicate a conflict. Professor Wheeler of the University of California seems to command the assumption of an austere demeanor: "Let there be no giggling or flirting on the college grounds! There are too many teas and balls, too much flutter, too many social diversions."

Here we have two counsels of scholastic behavior apparently diametrically opposites. Singularly enough, too, Massachusetts advises more gaily, while California commands rigidity of demeanor. But when we ponder this puzzle it suggests the solution that the two eminent instructors are dealing with entirely different sorts of raw material for feminine M. A. and B. A.'s. We seem to have heard intimations that California girls are inclined to be brisk; while Massachusetts girls, if they lay aside the celencies for an interval, chide you if you surpass the bounds of pruned and priems. Possibly if Professor Wheeler and Professor Palmer got together and compared notes it might be found that the rigid propriety which the former wishes his pupils to maintain would be wilder gayer than the latter could dream of at Radcliffe.

At all events, the truth lies between the two. The young of our species are not all wise, as we may tell by considering ourselves, their progenitors. To forbid all the girls from giggling or flirting within reason would be like forbidding them to breathe. It is significant that these admonitions seem to have been addressed to the girl students. We have not heard of any educator bold enough to enjoin on the male undergraduates either the impracticable command for a more staid walk and conversation, or the inconceivable one of enlightening the college life with more halcyon and vociferous proceedings.

GOSSIP MADE A CRIME.

Georgia will soon have a law upholding the names and reputations of its virtuous women, the bill introduced by Senator McCarry having passed both senate and house, with the certainty of the governor's signature.

So widespread has been the interest of this measure that the author has received requests for copies from South Carolina and Alabama legislators, who intend introducing similar bills.

The measure makes it a misdemeanor to wilfully and falsely utter or circulate defamatory statements about women, and it grew out of a case in Hart county, in which slander nearly broke up a marriage between members of two widely known families.

Shortly before the date set for the wedding, the young man in question was warned that his bride-to-be was of questionable character. Upon hearing this the girl's father refused to permit the wedding until he had investigated the charges. These were found without foundation, and the circulators admitted they had lied. There being no Georgia law covering the case, none of the interested persons prosecuted the defamers.

ADDITIONAL SPORTS

CHEPONTUC WINS IN NIAGARA RACES

Takes Opener at Buffalo Fall Meeting—Was 30 to 1 Shot.

Buffalo, N. Y., Aug. 27.—Chepontuc, at 30 to 1, was the surprise yesterday of the first day's racing of the fall meeting of the Niagara Racing association at Fort Erie, Ont., winning by a small margin over Alice Georges.

Summaries: First race, steeplechase, short course Class Letter, 5 to 1, won; Bergoo, 5 to 2, second; Lizzie Flat, 3 to 1, third. Time, 3:45 3-5. Second race, 6 furlongs—Chepontuc, 30 to 1, won; Alice Georges, 4 to 1, second; Conney K, 5 to 2, third. Time, 1:14 1-5. Third race, 5 1-2 furlongs—Prince Imperial, 7 to 5, won; Short Order, 20 to 1, second; King Solomon, 6 to 1, third. Time, 1:07 2-5. Fourth race, mile—Grana, 11 to 5, won; Meadow, 9 to 2, second; Tom Hayward, 8 to 5, third. Time, 1:39 2-5. Fifth race, 5 1-2 furlongs—Sewell, 9 to 5, won; Dr. Waldo Briggs, 7 to 1, second; Hyperion, 11, 5 to 1, third. Time, 1:05 3-5. Sixth race, mile and a sixteenth—Rag Man, 15 to 1, won; Gretna Green, 7 to 1, second; Lady Esther, 9 to 5, third. Time, 1:45 2-5. Seventh race, mile and three-sixteenths—Carew, 9 to 5, won; Harry Richeson, 20 to 1, second; Vasmc, 9 to 1, third. Time, 2:00.

PITTSBURG TEAMS HAVE HITS ALIKE

Pittsburg, Aug. 27.—Interesting baseball figures made public here last night by the statistics of the Pittsburg baseball club, show that the Pittsburg team to date leads both major leagues in the number of hits and runs secured, being the first club to get 1,000 hits and the first to make more than 500 runs. Pittsburg has 1,001 hits and 511 runs to her credit.

TIE RESULTED IN REGATTA AT TOLEDO

Toledo, Ohio, Aug. 27.—With a fair sailing breeze the champion Spray, Chicago Yacht club, won on Saturday's heat for 21-footers in the inter-lake meet, the only contest sailed over the outside course. Toledo, Otisoka and Spite are tied for second place and the last heat will be sailed today to break the tie.

FEW GOOD JOCKEYS.

Riders Scarce This Season, But There Are Some Stars. Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 27.—While the country is not as well provided with jockeys this year as usual, there are sufficient riders, but few stars. Probably Shilling is the premier, but on account of wishing to get out of his contract with R. L. Thomas for whom he rides, he went to Vancouver, British Columbia, thinking himself out of reach. Mr. Thomas finally succeeded in getting him back and he has again resumed riding. His services are much sought after, and John E. Madden is one of his patrons.

AIR LINES AND OTHERS.

An airship, in a balloon, drifted over the Alps the other day and the leading wireless agent, the doctor says he gave his wife morphine. McMullen can prove that the doctor brought ten tablets, gave the patient one, and that there are nine tablets left. The neighbors say McMullen is innocent, but the doctor has caused his arrest, and it is said the feud is at the bottom of the charge.

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GOOD CARDS AT TORONTO.

Autumn Meeting Will Be Worth Money to Horsemen. Saratoga, N. Y., Aug. 27.—The Ontario Jockey club, which conducts the races at Woodbine park, will give \$8,000 for steeplechases during the autumn meeting. No program offered by a race course this year in the east is better than the one offered for Toronto. No overnight race will pay less than \$500.

Among the valuable stakes that will be renewed are the Ontario Cup, \$2,500 added, two miles and a quarter; the Domino Handicap, \$1,500 added, one mile and three-quarters; the Voltigeur Selling Plate \$1,500 added, one mile and a furlong; for 3-year-olds and over; The Miners Stakes, \$1,500 added, one mile, and the Epsom Handicap, \$1,200 added six furlongs for all ages; the Michaelmas Handicap \$1,500 added, six furlongs, and Grey Stakes, \$1,500 added, one mile for 2-year-olds and the Hurdle Steeplechase, \$2,000 added, three miles, and Woodbine Autumn Steeplechase, two miles, for jumpers, 4 years old and over.

Throughout the current season the Canadian racing has been first class. As many good horses have been seen upon the Northern circuit as are usually seen at Sheepshead bay, Gravesend, and Belmont park. The Ontario Jockey club's meetings at Woodbine, which are patronized by the British officials and the best people of the Dominion, are particularly picturesque. Especial attention is paid to cross country racing at Toronto, and five of the overnight steeplechases will pay \$800 in added money.

SINGULAR FATALITY.

A Player Breaks His Neck Jumping To Catch a Liner.

Charles Black, aged 20, pitcher for the Big Bone Springs, Ky., ball team, broke his neck in a peculiar manner Sunday, Aug. 22. He leaped in the air after a high liner that was hit at him, and caught the ball. He fell to the ground head first, and lay there while the crowd cheered him for the play. As Black did not attempt to get up, the players of both teams went to his assistance, and found life almost extinct. He was sent for a physician, but to no avail. Young Black was popular in Boone county, and a cousin of J. M. Baker of the internal revenue department.

'UP AGAINST IT.'

There comes to most of us when desperation threatens to shake the mental balance. It is then man needs strength, and a hopeful philosophy. Lacking these, he is apt to commit crimes against himself or others; to muss up his bedroom with brains which might have served a better purpose. And much of the strength that is needed, and the helpful philosophy will be found in remembering that our troubles are never so bad they may not take a turn for the better. Lately the news columns chronicled the story that a certain New York widow was worth a million dollars.

BEWARE THE FEUD.

For years there has existed in Neosho, Kas., a feud as big as the town is small, and the people got up to hate and went to bed hating more. One side of the feud was led by W. H. McMullen, a harmless man, with the exception that he hated. Last week McMullen's wife died. They were a happy couple; they always agreed, and whatever hatred he entertained to mankind in general, he felt none for his wife. But he is under arrest, charged with having poisoned her, and his wife's doctor is the leading witness against him. The doctor says he gave his wife morphine. McMullen can prove that the doctor brought ten tablets, gave the patient one, and that there are nine tablets left. The neighbors say McMullen is innocent, but the doctor has caused his arrest, and it is said the feud is at the bottom of the charge.

MAKING TRAMPS.

Recently a report was widely circulated that one result of the panic of 1907, and the depression which followed, was to make tramps of men who had previously been good workmen. Being thrown out of employment by the closing of many factories, retrenchment on railroads, and in other lines of work, these men became initiated into the mysteries of living without work, and liked it.

That made quite a story; important, if true, which is probably is not. There is nothing so attractive in the life of a tramp that it should tempt any self-respecting workman. Most tramps who follow the road persistently were never good workmen. They became tramps first, not knowing they took the course of the greatest hardship. The few who were forced into the irregular ranks of trampdom are going to get out at the first job offered, knowing work points the easiest, as well as the most satisfactory mode of life.

ANOTHER TAX SUGGESTED.

Expenses of government are so large that it isn't strange that the minds of new taxes to increase the revenues. The latest suggestion of a tax scheme comes from Paul Morton, an able man, who seems to have turned humorist. He would place a heavy tax on tourists bound for Europe who could not show a certificate indicating that they had traveled extensively in their own land.

MAKING FARMERS.

There has been created in Massachusetts a homestead commission, whose business will be to secure tracts of land in the country where some of the dwellers in the city's

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THE HYPNOTIC SPELL. Michael Rabb of Wilkesbarre, Pa., shot and killed Phillip Richards because Phillip was on too intimate terms with Mrs. Rabb. Cases of that kind are common enough to keep the unwritten law working overtime, but this one differs from some of the others. The woman in the case praises her husband for what he has done; for murder. Of course, she blames the man; that is always done, because the man is dead, and in poor shape to defend himself. But she sees the ordinary erring wife one better by protesting her entire innocence. It was hypnotism, she says, and she is glad to be freed from the spell. The world knows the sort of hypnotism it was—the kind that found the other man more attractive than her husband. But, as he is dead, she loses interest, and plays to the galleries and her husband. The fickle woman doesn't get over it.

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