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PUBLIC SAFETY.

Official Seeing That Traction Lines Equip cars with Safety Devices.

NEW YORK, April 29.—The public service commission began yesterday the work of seeing that the cars of the traction lines of the city are thoroughly equipped with safety devices to the end that the number of accidents may be reduced. The commission directed all the traction companies to file before May 10 complete statements, also the number and kinds of cars owned and the detailed equipment of those cars.

Commissioner Maltbie had this to say about the resolution:

"In the six months ended February 1, 1908, the street railways of Greater New York killed 299 persons and seriously injured 944. The total number of accidents due to collisions of street cars was 1,196 and the number of vehicles and persons struck by cars was 7,059. At this rate, in an entire year about 600 persons will be killed and 2,000 seriously injured. The number of accidents due to collisions will approximate 2,400 and the number of persons and vehicles struck 14,000. From the standpoint of humanity this is a serious condition and ought not to be allowed to continue if there is any way to prevent it."

UNINSTRUCTED DELEGATES.

BURLINGTON, April 29.—The Republican state convention elected delegates to the national convention today. They were uninstructed.

NEW CURRENCY BILL

Introduced By Representative Vreeland of New York

MANY GOOD FEATURES IN IT

Provides for the Formation of a National Clearing House Association by Not Less Than Ten Banks With Aggregate Capital of \$5,000,000.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—As a result of the conferences of Republican leaders Representative Vreeland today introduced a currency bill to take the place of the one presented by him last week. The measure is declared to represent the views of a substantial majority of the Republican members. The new bill provides for the formation of a National Clearing House Association by not less than 10 national banks with an aggregate capital of \$5,000,000. A tax of 4 per cent on emergency circulation is provided for the first month, this tax to be increased 1 per cent each month until it reaches 3 per cent where it is to remain until the circulation is retired.

NOT PLAYED YET.

President Has a Trump Card up His Sleeve.

WASHINGTON, April 29.—President Roosevelt proposes to fight as vigorously to obtain the adoption by Congress of certain features of his legislative program as set forth in his message as he did to obtain the authorization of additional battleships for the navy according to the Post today. He is holding up his sleeve as a trump card his power to approve or veto the public buildings bill. There is not a member of congress who has not a keen interest in this measure. It will aid tremendously at home. The president does not regard the public buildings as nearly as important as the various recommendations he has presented for legislative. By his threatening to veto the public buildings bill the president is in a position to use his influence for or against the re-election of members of Congress.

ACTUALLY ON.

Ruf's Trial Opened This Morning by Refusing Change of Venue.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 29.—Following the denial of a motion by the defense for a change of venue this morning, the actual trial of Abe Ruf began. John E. Hohlan, the deputy clerk of the former board of supervisors, was the first witness.

TOKIO, April 29.—The marriage of Prince Tsuneissa Fakeda and Princess Tsuenomiya Masako, the eldest daughter of the Mikado, was solemnized today.

A PRONOUN WE LACK

One of the Grammatical Difficulties of Our Language.

A RATHER PRETTY PROBLEM.

And One, by the Way, Whose Satisfactory Solution Probably Never Will Be Found—Phrases That Illustrate the Difficult Point at Issue.

We have a number of words and phrases in our tongue which require the employment of a pronoun that does not exist. As representatives of this class can be taken each and every, with the combination into which they enter. The peculiarity about them is that as regards form they are singular, as regards meaning they are plural. Consequently the construction, according to sense, is always coming into conflict with the construction according to strict grammar. One of these expressions—everybody, for instance—may be used to bring out the point distinctly. It is desired, for example, to make a statement to the effect that at some specific gathering all persons present had seen those whom they knew well. With the employment of the word just selected grammatical difficulties at once arise and the troubles of the writer begin.

Three ways are open to him in which he can overcome them after a fashion. But not one of them answers fully all the conditions existing. In the first the masculine form can be made to represent both itself and the feminine. Consequently such a sentence as the following could be framed: There everybody met his friends. Women as well as men would be included under his. Though never really satisfactory, this was once the preferred usage. For a time it served the purpose fairly well, and it still does so occasionally and perhaps frequently. But there has been for a good while past a distinct dislike to this construction. One result of the increasingly important part that the female sex plays in life and literature is the growth of repugnance on the part of the feminine element to have its identity merged in the masculine. Subconsciousness of the injustice of it has now passed over into full consciousness that under this form of expression its claims are not really recognized; hence, while women may use it, they do not like it, and men have come to share largely in the same feeling.

Another way out of the difficulty was devised. To satisfy the claims of both sexes resort was had to two representative pronouns. The sentence previously given would accordingly appear in the following shape: There everybody met his or her friends. But such a form of expression pleased no one. It was felt to be formal, to suffer from that stiffness which is always sure to manifest itself when naturalness of expression is sacrificed to mere precision of statement. Besides being objectionable on the score of clumsiness it was subject to exception on other grounds. In words with feminine terminations, like helress or heroine, the fact of sex is indicated, indeed, but it is not made obtrusive. When, however, we have distinct contrasted forms, as in "his or her," it is lifted into an undue and almost aggressive prominence, where there is neither desire nor occasion to make it prominent; hence this particular usage, while serviceable in certain documents and acceptable always to the devotees of strict grammar, is usually detested by everybody else.

A third way out of the difficulty there is, and it was long ago taken by the bolder spirits. This was the construction according to the sense. The plural pronominal forms were used to correspond to the idea of plurality existing in the singular subject; hence men said in the sentence quoted: There everybody met their friends. Examples of this usage can be found abundantly in works of high reputation, but those given here for the purpose of illustrating it will be taken from a single one. This writer is Jane Austen. She is chosen not for her eminence, but for her sex, for as a general rule highly cultivated women speak and write the language not only with more naturalness, but with greater scrupulousness and purity, than the corresponding class of men. Examples from their works are in consequence more convincing. Here are two or three taken out of many. "It is very unfair," says Miss Austen in "Emma," "to judge of anybody's conduct without an intimate knowledge of their character." Again in the same work the remark is made that "they say everybody is in love once in their lives." In "Mansfield Park" she observes that "nobody could command attention when they spoke." These examples, which might be multiplied from numerous other authors, are sufficient to indicate the attitude of those who adopt the third course. Every one can see that the problem is a very pretty one as it stands and that the interest in it will never die because no satisfactory solution of it will ever be found.—Thomas R. Lounsbury, Professor of English, Yale University, in Harper's Magazine.

Practical Reflections.

"That young man who is addressing you is rich in intellect."
"But if I marry him and am invited out I can't wear his gams of thought."
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FLYING MACHINES

Entertaining Speeches By Two Well Known Inventors

BEFORE THE ALDINE CLUB

Mr. Maxim Made a Forecast of the Prominent Part the Aeroplane Will Probably Play in the Work of the Future.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Hudson Maxim and Alexander Graham Bell were among the speakers at the Aldine Club meeting last night. Both spoke on aeronautics, in which they are deeply interested. The Aldine Club is composed of magazine editors, publishers and literary men.

Mr. Maxim made a forecast of the part the aeroplane will probably play in the work of the future. Of the flying machine in war he said this:

"Although the value of the flying machine will be mainly on a scouting craft, still its value and importance for that service alone is hard to estimate, for the flying machine vedettes will at once be the eyes and ears of the armies of the future and they will have their use in naval warfare too, for there will be aerial torpedo scouts on the lookout for torpedo boats to signal the approach of danger. Flying machines could not be expected to successfully attack battleships, coast fortifications or large cities to do much damage with high explosives but they might attack torpedo craft with aerial bombs planted and exploded beside them in the water, and it is possible they may be very mischievous indeed. The aerial navy will be a great bulwark of peace."

Mr. Bell devoted a large part of his speech to uncovering the ancient history of aeronautics.

"I have no doubt," said he, "that the Wright Brothers really have flown with their aeroplane, but I think they have also made a mysterious mistake in keeping the details of their experiments a secret. Their secretiveness reacts upon themselves. For certainly if they still have a great secret of aerial navigation the French government is not inclined to pay one million francs for that secret which will become public to the world the first time the machine flies in France."

JAMES DALY'S WILL.

Property Will be Divided Between Son and Daughter.

NEW YORK, April 29.—The property of the millioaire railroad contractor James Daly, who died on Sunday at his home in Mount Kisco, where he kept a large breeding farm of trotting horses, will be divided between his two children, his son John W. Daly, also a railroad contractor and a daughter who is the wife of Senator Henry M. Willis of Redlands California.

Under the terms of the will, which have been made known, Mrs. Willis inherits, \$1,000,000. She and her husband left San Francisco yesterday for New York. Daly is already on his way here.

The body of Jas Daly will be taken by his son and son-in-law to Ireland to be buried, according to his dying request, in the family plot, near Limerick.

James Daly came to this country at the age of 19. At the time of his death he was engaged on the work of laying for the New Haven Road its six tracks suburban service.

HEAD OF NEW BUREAU.

NEW YORK, April 29.—Robert Watchorn, commissioner of immigration, of the port of New York, now on his way home from Europe, will shortly resign, it is said, to become the head of a new bureau in the department of commerce and labor, which will be known as the anarchist exclusion branch.

It is to be established with the object of working in cooperation with European governments to prevent the coming of anarchists to this country.

The plan is said to have the approval of Secretary Straus. Commissioner of Immigration North of San Francisco recently looked over the immigration clearing house on Ellis Island and it is rumored that he is to be the successor of Commissioner Watchorn, whose term will expire next year. Commissioner Watchorn has been in conference with Foreign Minister Totonni in Rome on the subject of anarchists and was also received by the pope.

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