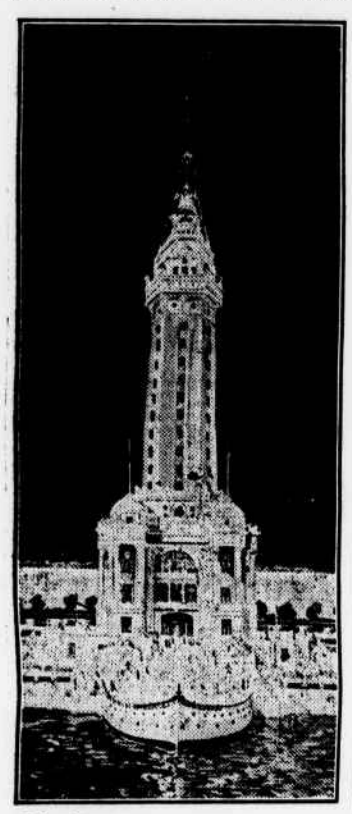
Monument to Recall Battle Perry Won

COMMODORE OLIVER HAZARD PERRY'S victory over the British in his memorable naval engagement on Lake Erie on Sept. 10, 1813, is to be commemorated in several ways by the people of the United States. One is a monument and another a celebration of his triumph at Put-in-Bay, which did so much to assure America's victory in the war of 1812.

The centennial of this battle will be held on Lake Erie in 1913, and at least ten states are expected to participate. There will probably be an attempt made to reproduce the conflicting fleets and the details of the Perry triumph.

This will be a big affair and is expected to attract several hundred



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DESIGN FOR PERRY MEMORIAL ON LAKE ERIE.

thousand people, but it will not be the principal feature of the Perry centennial because it will be but temporary.

The permanent feature will be in the form of a monument to be erected at Put-in-Bay and for which congress has already made an appropriation of $250,000. The dedication ceremonies of this memorial may be one of the leading features of the celebration.

From present plans the Perry monument will be one of the most novel ever erected, being a combination of the artistic with utilitarian features.

For instance, the monument itself will doubtless be an immense shaft of granite, and tentative architectural provisions have been made in the base for assembly halls and offices.

Again, the position of the monument, near Sandusky, O., is so commanding that it can serve as a lighthouse as well. The wireless telegraph, of course, will be an adjunct of the lighthouse, and provision can easily be made for an observatory without marring its architectural beauty.

Another public feature at the base of the structure will be an aquarium, showing specimens of the fish indigenous to the great lakes, more particularly.

Beating the Devil Around a Stump.

It may seem a reflection on the New York police force to say that one of its members recently pursued a thief for ten minutes in a twelve foot circuit before catching him, yet such was the case, and no blame should be attached to the "copper" either.

It happened in this manner: A policeman saw a pickpocket deftly demonstrate his skill on lower Broadway, so immediately gave pursuit. The thief saw the pursuer and dashed for a nearby office building with the policeman literally at his heels. The thief just had time to enter one of the partitions of the revolving door, so, perforce, the officer took the next. The thief had no time to jump out, either into the building or the street, for the quick witted bluecoat kept the door revolving at high speed. Finally a spectator phoned headquarters and a surrounding squad appeared, and the circular pursuit was ended.

"OLD ED" HOWE RETIRES.

Epigrammatic Kansas Editor Seeks Farm For Rest.

Kansas has jarred the American newspaper world and a large portion of its readers by announcing the retirement of "Old Ed" Howe as editor of the Atchison Globe. For thirty-three years this brilliant editor has flashed epigrams of clever philosophy at his townsmen, the majority of which were so good that they have been copied in every section of the United States. Now at the age of fifty-six Howe has decided to turn his paper over to a son and retire to his country home, Potato Hill, near Atchison, and issue a small periodical called Smith's Quarterly just to amuse himself.

He intends doing all the work, too—writing, typesetting, makeup and presswork—for he knows the entire game

EDWARD W. HOWE.

except linotyping. He began his newspaper career at twelve in his father's printing office, where he was required to set two galleys of long primer daily. Now, though fifty-six, he is still keen for everything but the worries of a newspaper office. He began the publication of the Globe at the age of twenty-three and speedily made it perhaps the best known small town paper in the country. His "Globe Sights" were copied everywhere. The following are typical paragraphs:

Another girl who took piano lessons, expecting to go into society, has turned out a stenog.

When a young man and a young womar have been engaged a long time they talk as rough to each other as married people.

If women are so amiable and sweet why is it that other women do not care for them as roomers and boarders?

In talking of his retirement and his little publication Howe remarked:

"I am too old a man to become an iconoclast and too big a coward to give people occasion to shoot at me."

YOUTHFUL SENATOR ELKINS.

Heir to Father's Toga at Thirty-five, but Noted For Ability.

Davis Elkins, who has been named by Governor Glasscock of West Virginia to fill the senatorial vacancy caused by the death of his father, Stephen B. Elkins, until the legislature meets, is cited as an example of a rich man's son who has not been spoiled by wealth. Though but thirty-five years of age and therefore one of the

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SENATOR DAVIS ELKINS.

youngest men who have sat in the United States senate, he is known to the citizens of his state as a man of great agility in both a business and political way. He has long been recognized as being next to his father in command of the Elkins millions.

He is named after his maternal grandfather, Henry Gassaway Davis, former senator from West Virginia and candidate for the vice presidency in 1904 on the Democratic ticket headed by Alton B. Parker.

Davis Elkins took a special course in civil engineering at Harvard to fit him for the management of his father's extensive coal and railroad properties. At twenty-five he was given partial command, being made a director of the Morgantown and Kingwood railroad, which, though but fifty miles in length, occupies a strategic position in the West Virginia coal fields. He is now president of this company and also of the Elkins Coal company. The new senator also has had military experience, having served as captain on the staff of General Schwan in Porto Rico during the Spanish war.

It is predicted that if the Republicans recapture the West Virginia legislature by 1913, when the elder Elkins' term expires, his son will be regularly elected to the place, the prophets believing he will be a political power by that time.

FRUIT PICKING DEVICE.

Canvas Gravity Chute That Attaches to the Ladder.

A fruit picking chute which will reach to the top of a twenty-five foot ladder and convey the fruit to baskets on the ground has been invented by a fruit grower of Orange county, N. Y. The chute is made of canvas and is provided with pockets so spaced as to allow the dropping of fruit into it from any rung of the ladder.

It may be attached to any ladder by means of straps, and as it does not

OPERATION OF FRUIT PICKER.

add more than ten pounds to the weight the ladder may be carried around and placed against the trees in the usual way. Two baskets are placed on the ground to receive the fruit as it drops from the trough provided to make the fall light. When one is filled the picker tips the end of the trough into the other by means of a simple arrangement always within reach.

YUKON TRANSPORTATION.

How the Mails Are Carried From White Horse to Dawson.

White Horse is at the head of navigation on the Yukon river, or more properly the Fifty Mile, a tributary and headwater of the Yukon, and is the northern terminus of the White Pass and Yukon railway. It is the transfer point from rail to river service of the White Pass and Yukon railway, which service extends about 560 miles, from Skagway, Alaska, to Dawson, Yukon territory. Its population in summer is about 1,500 and in winter 250.

The season of open navigation extends from June 5 to Oct. 10. During winter the White Pass and Yukon railway maintains a stage service between White Horse and Dawson, handling first class mail and papers and magazines in single wrappers, but no merchandise mail. There is railway service between White Horse and Skagway daily except Sundays. On the river division the service is such as facilities will permit, about four boats a week. At close of navigation the stage service commences, using wheels until sleighing is practicable, about Nov. 15. There is a weekly service while the wheeling lasts, then a triweekly service by sleighs. The run to Dawson, 325 miles, on wheels is made in six days, on sleighs in five days. The Canadian government has constructed a wagon road between White Horse and Dawson which is 125 miles shorter than the river distance.

The business support of White Horse is largely from transient travel and the employment of a large number of men by the White Pass and Yukon railway and other concerns. It is also a supply point for many minor outlying mining camps. Besides there are a number of promising copper properties in this immediate district, some of which are being opened up, and the outlook is that the mining industry will soon predominate.—Consular Report.

Stones of Ancient Egypt.

A deposit of "peridots" has recently been discovered in Alexandria within a stone's throw of where the Cleopatra's Needle now in Central park, New York, once stood.

These stones, which are amber in color, for many years have been found in large quantities in upper Egypt, but never before in this section of the country. The finder has secured a concession to work the ground and has uncovered several thousands of these stones at a depth not greater than ten feet. It is believed that the peridots were buried in the foundations of houses of the ancient Egyptians and in tombs as an omen of luck.

The stones now found are estimated to have been buried for over 1,500 years. Their value is not great, the price of the stone of the average weight of 3 carats being $1.—Consular Report.

Danger of Chewing Toothpicks.

The attention of the medical fraternity of the country has recently been called to the dangers resulting from the chewing of wooden toothpicks through the serious illness of a hotel keeper in Michigan, who developed alarming symptoms. The physician in attendance found that his patient was addicted to the habit of chewing toothpicks, and it was subsequently learned that on the day he was stricken with his peculiar symptoms he had swallowed portions of several of the little slivers of wood, one of which was almost an entire toothpick.

AUNT HANNAH'S VISIT.

TAKE me back to Turkey Level. Dat's de place where I belong.
I hardly struck de city till I said, "Dar's sompin' wrong."
I stepped up on a omnibus an' ax de fare to pay.
De driver simply turn a crank, an' we was on our way.
I's feelin' mighty nervous, an' I's gettin' kind er cross.
Take me back to Turkey Level. Lemme ride behind a hoss!

I went to dat big house to see de white folks dat I know.
A young policeman peeked out through de bars an' says, "Hello!"
I stepped right in beside him, 'case he didn't have no proof.
He jerked a handle, an' we started sailin' foh de roof.
I couldn't hardly ketch my bref. I was a sight to see.
Take me back to Turkey Level. Steps is good enough for me!

De way dem white folks does is sho'ly curious to me.
I says, "Please light a fire, 'cause I's as cold as I kin be."
Dey turn a little spigot in an iron fence so neat,
An' dey fill de little settin' room chock full o' fireless heat.
I never seen de like o' dat in all my blessed days.
Take me back to Turkey Level, 'cause I wants to watch de blaze.

Dey never makes no special diff'rence 'twixt de day an' night.
Dey twists a little button when dey wants to strike a light.
An' when dey wants some music dey takes paper from de shelf
An' feeds it to de organ—den it goes an' plays itself!
De candlelight is plenty an' mo' comfortin' by far.
Take me back to Turkey Level. Lemme hear dat old guitar!

—Washington Star.

The Best.

Willis—What is the happiest moment of married life? Gillis—When a man throws the pictures of his wife's relatives out of the family album and fills it up with photographs of his baby instead.—Puck.

Joseph Began It.

Pharaoh looked out of the palace window.

"Isn't that Joseph down there in the crowd?" he asked his attendant.

"Yes, ineffable one."

"What's he doing?"

"Buying corn, deathless boss."

"He's always buying corn," muttered the Egyptian monarch. "The royal granaries can't hold much more. But see—he seems to be making a speech What's he saying?"

"Supreme ruler," replied the attendant, "Joseph loves to hear his own voice, and he never loses an opportunity to deliver his tiresome talk on salesmanship."

Which shows that they thought they knew a thing or two about the high art of exchanging commodities even at that early day.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Disadvantages of Progress.

"Isn't the aeroplane wonderful?" asks the young man. "The automobile was a marvelous improvement over the horse and buggy, but the"—

"I hardly know," interrupts the fair young thing. "It seems to me that every time they invent a new way of riding they get further and further away from the advantage of the old fashioned method when the lines could at times be tied around the whipstock."—Judge.

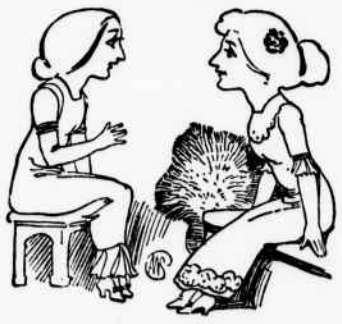
Regarding His Duties.

"Were you successful in the discharge of your duties on earth?" asked St. Peter.

The wealthy importer shook his head and smiled sadly.

"Not nearly so successful as I was in the evading of them," he confessed.—Sunday Illustrated Magazine.

Another Matter.



One Girl—Why do you insist upon marrying Lighter? He isn't to be trusted. The Other Girl—Why, I'd trust him with my life.

"But I mean that he is not to be trusted with anything valuable—that—er—er"—

Morning Chirps In Birdland.

"You look a little under the weather this morning."

"Yes, I was walking the floor all last night. One of the eggs had the colic."—Life.

The Origin of It.

"Senator," said the interviewer, "it is rumored that you intend to retire from politics."

"Well, well," replied the senator, "it's queer how rumors start. I suppose this one grew out of the fact that I attended church with my wife last Sunday."—Catholic Standard and Times.

Try to Know at Least.

"Half the world does not know how the other half lives."

"Possibly," answered Miss Caustic. "But that isn't the fault of the ladies who get together with their knitting on the piazza at the hotel."—Brooklyn Life.

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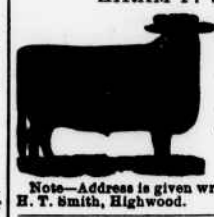
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