

BETTER SYSTEM NEEDED

Recommendations of the Naval Academy Board of Visitors.

Entrance Examinations Should Be More Stringent—Conducted at Present in a Troublesome Manner—Restoration of the Title of Midshipman Favored—Ceremonies.

The report of the Board of Visitors to the Naval Academy, made public yesterday, contains several interesting recommendations. The board wants the title of naval cadet changed to midshipman, because of its association with the early history of our navy and its distinctly marine flavor.

Among other things the board says: "It is noticed that when the national anthem is played, officers and men acknowledge it by standing at attention and looking in the direction of the music. In the opinion of the board, officers and cadets should also uncover. Their example would be followed by civilians who happened to be in their presence, and the effect would be salutary, not only at the Academy, but also in places away from military or naval jurisdiction."

URIAH H. PAINTER DEAD.

The funeral services to take place at Westchester, Pa. LONG BRANCH, N. J., Oct. 20.—Uriah H. Painter, the well-known Washington capitalist and theatrical manager, died today at his country home on Ocean Avenue. He was sixty-three years old, and death was due to stomach trouble. Mr. Painter had been falling in health for over a year. He arrived at the seashore early in June and during the past two months a physician has been constantly in attendance. Late in September Mr. Painter's condition felt encouraged by his patient's wonderful vitality and a parlor car was sent to Hollywood to remove him to his home at Washington. He later suffered a relapse and during the past two weeks no hopes were entertained for his recovery.

Uriah Hunt Painter was born at Westchester, Pa., in 1843. His education was received at the University of Pennsylvania. He succeeded his father in the lumber business. During the civil war he was the correspondent of the "Philadelphia Inquirer" at Washington. At the Battle of Bull Run he was captured by the Confederates, but succeeded in escaping. Working his way to Philadelphia, he became the news editor of the battle and not yet reached that city. He at once wrote an account of it and the "Inquirer" published the bulletins of the battle as fast as he could write them. Mr. Painter, immediately after the battle of Chantilly, announced that the invasion of Maryland was contemplated by the Confederate forces. His arrest was in consequence upon the news of the capture of the city and the invasion of Maryland previous to the battle of Antietam.

WALKED OUT OF JAIL. HAGERSTOWN, Oct. 20.—Walter Griffin, a pickpocket, who was arrested for robbing a man from Burkittsville, Frederick County, at the fair, made his escape from the jail here today in a clever manner. A constable was escorting another prisoner from the jail and Griffin followed, passing the turnkey. He thought he was in charge of an officer. He passed out into the street, and when the officer was out of sight walked back into the jail and asked the turnkey for \$40 which was taken from him when he was put in jail. He got the money and went out. That was the last seen of him.

Let Us Clean Your Watch and Clock. Watches Cleaned for \$1.00. Mainsprings in Watches, \$1.00. Clocks Repaired from 50c up. CALLISHER, Specialist and Jeweler, 917 Pa. Ave. N. W.

THE SODA TRUST.

Text of a Circular Issued to Traveling Salesmen.

One of the articles of crime necessary to soda. It is not generally used as formerly, but there is still a large consumption of baking or bicarbonate of soda.

The Democratic National Committee of Commercial Travelers, at St. Louis, has recently come into possession of the following interesting document, known as "Circular No. 5," sent out by the Church & Dwight Co., the Soda Trust, to their salesmen. It follows:

"It is our intention to continue packing Arm and Hammer and Cow soda without giving any indication on such packages that they are packed anything different than heretofore; that is, John Dwight & Co.'s name only shall appear on the packages and the name of the manufacturer shall not appear on the packages. This question arises whether we shall make our advertising matter joint advertising matter or whether we shall issue separate and distinct matter advertising the Arm and Hammer brand. In your opinion, would be the effect upon the consumers were they to become aware of the fact that the goods were identical?"

GOING TO CANTON.

The President to Remain Until After the Election. The President and Mrs. McKinley will leave tomorrow evening for Canton to be gone until after the election. Mr. McKinley was busy yesterday preparing affairs prior to his fortnight's absence. Secretary Root expects to leave with the President. He will be gone two or three days, and will be the guest of Mr. McKinley while in Canton. It is not unlikely that Mr. Root may make an address or so while away. It is announced that the President himself will not speak between now and election day.

ARRIVAL OF THE SHERMAN.

List of Passengers Brought from Manila by the Transport. Adjutant General Corbin yesterday received the following message from General Shafter:

Casualties in the Philippines. The War Department yesterday received the following casualty list from General MacArthur:

THE BOOK AGENT FADING.

Centers Returns Show the Tribe to Be Nearly Extinct.

A Calling Which Requires a Gift Tongue, a Philosophical Nature, and Ability to Withstand the Rebuffs of Mankind Generally—Few Canvassers Achieve Great Success.

The book agent life is a refusal, a constant rebuff, a continual struggle against the tide of human opinion, a negative quantity, or rather a quantity of negatives.

There is a well-known book agent in this city whose success in the past has enabled him to amass a comfortable little fortune. But that, as he says, "was before the doors of the Government departments were closed to us."

MOVEMENTS OF NAVAL VESSELS.

The submarine torpedo boat Holland and the tug Leyden have arrived at the Delaware Breakwater, the supply ship Zetia at Portsmouth, N. H., the training ship Swan at Norfolk, and the torpedo boat Sigsbee at Norfolk. The battleship Kentucky has sailed from Tompkinsville for Gibraltar on her way to the Asiatic station, the flagship Brooklyn from Norfolk for Shanghai, the gunboat Alvarado from Annapolis for Delaware City, the station ship Mayflower from San Juan for Ponce, and the training ship Topaka from Ponta Delgada for Lisbon.

ORDERED TO WASHINGTON BARRACKS.

Second Lieut. W. L. Redles, United States Marine Corps, has been ordered to the Washington Marine barracks for instruction. Second Lieut. Providence McCormick has been detached from the local marine barracks and ordered to duty with the guard of the recruiting ship Vermont.

AROUSING MARYLAND DISTRICT.

Under the auspices of the District of Columbia Democratic Association enthusiastic mass meetings were held yesterday at Davidsonville, Chestertown, Odenton, Glenburnie, and St. Denis, Md.

STARS THAT DISAPPEAR.

Variable Planets Many of Which Are Easy to Observe.

It is 304 years since David Fabricius, one of the earliest observers of sun spots, noticed that a star, in the neck of Cetus, the Whale, which he had observed in August, 1676, to the west of the equator, had disappeared by October. This appeared an observation of great importance, since it seemed to show that the fixed stars are not all of them permanent, but that some may die out.

The first star that was said to have disappeared was recorded a few months later by Bayer recorded a four magnitude star in precisely the same position as that which Fabricius had noted to have disappeared. Here, however, the matter rested for an entire generation, and it was not until 1638 that Howard detected the star again as of the third magnitude in December.

The variability of Algol was discovered in 1667 by Geminus, an Italian astronomer, and it was rediscovered by Goodricke in 1782. The latter observer two years later added two other variables to the list—Beta Lyrae, described by Ptolemy in the first century, and Delta Cephei, discovered in the middle of the century. Now their numbers have been added to so greatly that the catalogue prepared by Prof. Chandler in 1836 comprehended five or six variables which he fairly well established, and new members of the class are being discovered every month.

OLD-TIME LOTTERY ETHICS.

When Money Was Thereby Raised for College Purposes. (From the Boston Globe.)

When one reads, as has frequently been the case late, of the arrest of such and such an individual for the maintaining and promoting of a lottery, it is hard to conceive that within the present century Harvard College was established by means of a lottery the Legislature to hold such an affair. Such is the case, however, if we can rely on history.

In 1768, when the finances of the college were in a decidedly critical state, the corporation, having represented the situation and duly petitioned, were accorded power by the general court to raise by means of a lottery the sum of \$30,000 for the erection of a new building in the college yard.

It was a merchant of Hackney, in the county of Middlesex, and was knighted by Charles II in 1665. At his death in 1678 a part of his will was found to read as follows: "I give and bequeath to the college of the city of Cambridge, in New England, the sum of £1,000 (enormous at that time), to be paid over to the governors and directors thereof, to be disposed of by them as they shall judge best for promoting of learning and propagation of the gospel in those parts; the same to be paid within two years after my decease."

Palais Royal gains spots. Palais Royal prices are often very much less than prevailing for reliable goods. Always advertised without exaggeration. The stupidity of it to lure you to a store with great expectations and then send you away in disgust. It is done. The Palais Royal's advertising is truthful advertising—because IT PAYS. And, too, we haven't the temptation to exaggerate—because a cash business and vast distributing power continually bring us legitimate bargains—sometimes bargains so great that the actual truth seems beyond belief. When you come across such items below, have faith. Seeing will be believing. Come and see.

18 Suits for \$6.98. 12c Flannels for 8c. 40c Flannels for 40c. \$1.50 Umbrellas, \$1.09. \$1.25 Silks for 89c. 75c Underwear, 49c. \$1 Corsets for 59c. \$1 Garments for 79c. 50c Garments for 44c. \$1.50 Comforts for 89c. \$1 Blankets for 89c. 50c Suitings for 25c. 12c Linings for 5c. 75c Pieces for 32c.

THE PALAIS ROYAL A. LISNER G and 14th Sts. Opening Prices Prevail. Now is the time to have your picture taken. New gallery just opened. Unique Photo Studio. 519 Seventh St. N. W.

Palais Royal gains spots. Palais Royal prices are often very much less than prevailing for reliable goods. Always advertised without exaggeration. The stupidity of it to lure you to a store with great expectations and then send you away in disgust. It is done. The Palais Royal's advertising is truthful advertising—because IT PAYS. And, too, we haven't the temptation to exaggerate—because a cash business and vast distributing power continually bring us legitimate bargains—sometimes bargains so great that the actual truth seems beyond belief. When you come across such items below, have faith. Seeing will be believing. Come and see.