

POOR SAINT VALENTINE.

Time Has Taken Absurd Liberties With His Once Revered Name.

The paradoxical, not to say absurd, antics of Time were never more amusingly exemplified than in this matter of St. Valentine, says Richard Le Gallienne in the February Delineator.

And I a maid at your window To be your Valentine,

and to be grossly libeled by Charles Lamb as "a rubicund priest, of Hyacinth, attended with thousands and tens of thousands of little loves!"

GROWTH OF SUNDAY SCHOOLS.

Early 23,000,000 Children Are Now Studying the Bible.

Whether in city or country, housed in its own magnificent building or in a dilapidated mountain shack, with thousands of children or with barely a baker's dozen, the Sunday school is to-day considered the strategic center of the great church militant.

Important Information.

With the twenty-second of February looming up in the middle of the young teacher thought she a good chance to inculcate patriotism in her young charges.

JOY WORK And the Other Kind.

You ever stand on a prominent spot at an early morning hour and watch the throngs of people on their way to work?

It is a fact that one's food has much to do with it. As an example: If an engine has poor oil, or a boiler is fired with poor coal, a bad result is certain. Isn't it?

Treating your stomach right is the keystone that sustains the arch of health's temple, and you will find "Grape-Nuts" as a daily food is the most nourishing and beneficial you can use.

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DOINGS OF CONGRESS

Summary of Important Proceedings Enacted From Day to Day.

The urgent deficiency bill which carries appropriations amounting to \$1,026,402, was passed after an amendment providing for an appropriation of \$30,000 for further distribution of seeds by the Department of Agriculture.

Representative Foss, of Illinois, chairman of the House committee on naval affairs, brought up the naval appropriation bill which probably will occupy the attention of the House for a day or two.

The Brownsville affair was again before the Senate Wednesday. Senator Frazier, of Tennessee, speaking in opposition to the passage of any measure for the re-enlistment of the discharged soldiers of the Twenty-fifth Regiment.

Mr. Foraker announced that he would move next Monday to take up his bill to reinstate the soldiers unless an agreement on a time to vote for the measure is made sooner.

The legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill also was under consideration.

Senator Frazier's remarks were of especial interest as he was a member of the committee on military affairs which investigated the Brownsville incident, his views being those of a Southerner who had an intimate knowledge of the negro race.

After adopting without opposition a resolution by which Governor George F. Lillie, of Connecticut, ceases to be a member of Congress the House proceeded with the naval appropriation bill.

A debate on the propriety of increasing salaries of Federal circuit and district judges consumed nearly the entire time of the Senate Thursday with the result that the compensation of the 29 circuit judges was increased from \$7,000 to \$9,000 and that of the 84 district judges from \$6,000 to \$8,000.

Senator Dorah who had offered amendments regarding the increase of salary recommended by the committee on appropriations declared that the action of the Senate in increasing the salary of the President to \$100,000 was in violation of the spirit of the constitution and would never have been taken before or during the recent political campaign.

Senator Tillman insinuated that some Federal judges were on the payrolls of corporations, which called forth denunciation that such charges should not be made without specifically naming the judge referred to.

Strictures upon the efficiency of officers of the navy in the care of machinery of war vessels were uttered in the House of Representatives Thursday during the consideration of the naval appropriation bill, with the result that an amendment was adopted requiring the Secretary of the Navy to annually report to Congress those instances where more than \$200.00 is expended for repairs.

After futile efforts had been made to obtain legislation looking to the restoration of marines aboard ships, an amendment was agreed to prohibiting the purchase of powder "manufactured and sold in violation of" the Sherman anti-trust law. The debate disclosed the fact that the amendment was directed at the Du Pont Company. An amendment also was adopted appropriating \$250,000 for the purpose of doubling the government's output of powder other than for small arms at 64 cents per pound.

The bill was still pending when the House adjourned.

In the Senate Friday, February 12th next was declared to be a special legal holiday and a survey and plans for a highway from Washington to Gettysburg to be known as "The Lincoln Way" as a memorial to Abraham Lincoln, was provided for by a joint resolution passed by the senate after a extended debate.

Final action was also taken on the legislative, executive and judicial appropriation bill, the Senate refusing to fix at \$75,000 the salary of the President, previously increased by an amendment to \$100,000.

The House adopted exactly as reported by committee, the naval programme for the fiscal year 1910, and the naval appropriation bill was passed. The opponents of the navy increase feature found themselves in a hopeless minority. The only vital alteration made in the measure was the striking out of the provision restoring marines to naval vessels. The aggregate amount appropriated by the bill is \$135,000,000.

The increase in the naval estimate gave rise to extended and heated debate, in which members were afforded an opportunity to air their views on the Japanese question. The peace advocates were much in evidence in opposition to the increase.

ELIHU ROOT TESTIFIES

Tells the Grand Jury What He Knows About the Purchase of the Canal, But Refuses to Give Out Anything.

Washington, Special.—"I simply brought my subpoena and conscience with me," jocularly remarked Secretary of State Elihu Root, who Friday was one of the chief witnesses before the United States grand jury in its investigation of the alleged libel in connection with the purchase of the Panama canal.

William Nelson Cromwell may be one of the witnesses Saturday. "Well," said Secretary Root as he emerged from the grand jury room, "I cannot tell you boys, of course, how I testified. But I will say this—it is the first time I have ever been in this building since the trial of Charles J. Guiteau for the assassination of President Garfield, in 1882. I was then here as a spectator only."

COOPER-SHARPE TRIAL DRAGS.

Third Day's Session of the Cooper-Sharp Trial Closes Without the Addition of a Single Juror and the List Remains at Six.

Nashville, Tenn., Special.—The third day of the Cooper-Sharp murder trial passed not only without securing another juror, but if the motion of the State is sustained, one of the six already chosen will be eliminated because he was intoxicated when he reported for service and was chosen. The State claims it secured knowledge of Juror Leigh's condition after it had accepted him.

The summoning of 500 additional talesmen began late Thursday afternoon to appear Monday to complete the jury to try the alleged slayers of ex-Senator Edward W. Carmack.

When the six selected jurors were brought into court Friday morning, one of them, J. Whitworth, called Judge Hart and said: "Judge, I've been used to my morning toddy for a good many years and I missed it powerfully this morning. Can't I get one—just one, every morning?"

"The constitution prohibits unusual or cruel punishments," remarked the court judicially. "Mr. Officer, see that those gentlemen who are wont to have a toddy get their toddy hereafter."

FLOODS SWEEP TRANSVAAL.

Bursting Dam Floods Gold Mine, Drowning 160 Laborers.

Johannesburg, By able.—One hundred and seventy-three persons are known to have lost their lives Friday as a result of the floods which are general throughout the Transvaal colony and northern Natal. Great damage also has been done to property. By the bursting of Knight's dam, the Witwatersrand gold mine in the southwestern part of the Transvaal was flooded and ten white men and 150 natives were drowned. The water from this dam also flooded the lower section of the Town of Elsburg where a number of houses were swept away and 13 persons perished. A gold dredger valued at \$60,000 broke adrift on the Kaap river and was wrecked.

Saves Woman But Loses His Life.

Seranton, Pa., Special.—M. J. Duffy, station master of the Delaware, Lackawanna & Western Railroad at Hallstead, was run down and killed by the New York flyer just in front of the station Sunday afternoon. Duffy ran out on the tracks to rescue a woman who was in danger of being run down by another train going in an opposite direction.

Jones Elected Chief Justice.

Columbia, Special.—Associate Justice Ira B. Jones, of Lancaster, was elected Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of South Carolina for the unexpired term of Chief Justice Pope, whose resignation has been accepted. Mr. Jones has served on the Supreme Court Bench since January, 1896, with conspicuous ability. He is recognized as a man of unusual ability, and his written opinions as a member of the Supreme Court have been universally commended and favorably received. Mr. Jones has been in active public life for many years.

Explosion Killed 56 Men.

Vesprim, Hungary, Special.—The coal mine here last Thursday resulted in the death of 56 men. Of 240 men taken out

THE PASSING OF THE TEDDY BEAR



Cartoon by W. A. Rogers, in the New York Herald.

"Billy Possum" to Oust "Teddy Bear."

Georgians Preparing to Put Out Little Animals.

Atlanta, Ga.—All doubt has been dispelled that "Billy Possum" has permanently dethroned "Teddy Bear" so far as the State of Georgia and adjacent commonwealths are concerned. Already the Atlanta visit of President-elect William H. Taft has stimulated Southern industry, and to-day a factory in that city began the manufacture of toy opossums of the sizes and variety of the "Teddy Bears" that for an extended period have held infantile affection and adult interest. The "opossum grin" is now a term widely used in this State as the "Taft smile."

SECRET JUST OUT ABOUT A DOCTORS' WEIRD FRATERNITY WITH A FANTASTIC RITUAL

Organization Never Before Heard of Has Chapters in Many Cities and Originated in Chicago—Members Give Bodies to Science, Then to Flames.

Chicago.—A strange secret of thirty-one years' standing was revealed when more than a score of prominent Chicago physicians and surgeons admitted that they were members of the Ustion Fraternity, a society having for its object the dissection of the bodies of its members after death and cremation of the remains.

This weird fraternity, to which only members of the medical profession are admitted, is of national scope. Its headquarters are in a well furnished clubhouse at 3232 Lake Park avenue. Chapters exist in New York, Philadelphia, Boston, Cleveland, Detroit and other cities. Its membership is taken from the ranks of the most prominent practitioners in different parts of the United States.

Each chapter is known as a vertebral. The Chicago chapter, being first organized, is called the "Pillar of Vertebra." Its high officer is known as the "encephalon," and its next highest officer is the "medulla." Other officers are named for other parts of the human body.

The members of the fraternity must undergo a preparation or apprenticeship of four years before they are admitted to full knowledge of its weird rituals. During this period each must study some physiological or medical problem entirely original in his own mind. If his faith and perseverance in the ironclad rules of the society are deemed doubtful he does not become a part of the "body." If the showing is complimentary the fantastic ceremonials are administered. The society is divided into three "degrees," through which members must pass. They are: initiation, autopsy and cremation.

Dr. P. M. Cliver, who lives in St. Louis, is the supreme encephalon, national head of the Ustionians.

WHERE THE BIG BASEBALL TEAMS WILL DO THEIR TRAINING.

New York City.—With the announcement by Manager Bill Dwyer, of the Philadelphia Club, that the Phillies will do their training at Southern Pines, N. C., the camps of the big league baseball teams during the coming spring:

- New York.....Marion, Tex.
Chicago.....Shreveport, La.
Cincinnati.....Augusta, Ga.
Pittsburgh.....Hot Springs, Ark.
St. Louis.....Little Rock, Ark.
Boston.....Jacksonville, Fla.
Philadelphia.....Southern Pines, N. C.
New York.....Macon, Ga.
Boston.....San Antonio, Tex.
Philadelphia.....New Orleans, La.
Washington.....Galveston, Tex.
Chicago.....California
St. Louis.....Detroit
St. Louis.....Hot Springs
Philadelphia.....Houston, Tex.
Philadelphia.....Mobile and New Orleans

Facts About Suffrage For Woman.

Four States give equal suffrage to women—Wyoming, Colorado, Utah and Idaho. Rhode Island, by legislative vote, and Oregon, by popular vote, have refused to adopt equal suffrage for women. In Kansas women have educational and municipal suffrage. Eighteen States have school suffrage for women. Montana and Iowa permit women to vote on municipal bond issues.

WHAT NEW YORK SPENDS ANNUALLY FOR CARFARE, GAS AND ELECTRICITY

Table with 2 columns: Category and Amount. Includes: Passengers annually carried on New York railways, Money spent by New Yorkers for street car fare, Population of New York City, Number of rides per capita, Amount of gas sold in cubic feet, Cost at \$1 per 1000 cubic feet, Outlay for gas per capita, Amount of electricity sold.

Syrup and Elixir of S. acts gently yet on the bowels; the system effects assists one in habitual constipation. To get its benefits always genuine. CALIFORNIA FIG SYRUP SOLD BY LEADING DRUGGISTS.

He Liked Fig I Nealie when a little thing a farmyard. His m him up to look at a pen. As he looked in, a little him jumped up, putting against the side of the pen a quick grunt. Nealie tly and said: "Oh, mama, say that again!"—The F. linoator.

In another column will be the advertisement of the Nash Seed Co. These people are not in position to aid and encourage farmers in diversifying their crops, are also ready to answer all requests for information on the subject of farming and trucking. There is much cotton in the South and though hay, corn, live stock garden truck.

If your blood is out of order, you run a risk of taking a germ disease.

Rheumatism, LaGrippe, Pneumonia and Typhoid Fever are germ diseases.

"Rheumacide" is an active blood purifier. It cleanses the blood of all impurities. It gives tone to the entire body.

Pure blood prevents germs from taking hold of the vital organs and keeps them from the system.

"Rheumacide" is put up in tablet and liquid form and is sold by druggists at 25c, 50c, and \$1 per bottle. Liniment, 25c.

I asked my stenographer what it was David or Solomon that she said "I said in my haste all men liars." "I don't know," she said "but if he had lived around here might have said it at his leisure."

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