

SONGS THAT ARE IMMORTAL

Greatest Minds of All the Ages... stored Their Labors on the Poems of Homer.

The Iliad and Odyssey were probably sung by Homer about a century and a half after the destruction of the town of Troy...

About one hundred years after Homer, Lycurgus, the lawgiver of Lacedaemon, brought these poems into Greece...

MAKE THE MOST OF TODAY

All That Has Gone Before is Past and the Future is Clouded With Uncertainty.

Today is what you have. It is also what you are. And again, Today is what you do.

For Today is music. Today is art. Today is literature. Today is joy. Today is work.

Yesterday is no problem—for it is past. Tomorrow is no problem—for it isn't here.

Crowd in upon it then. Today—take hold upon its faintest chance. Spread your smiles—Today. Be game—Today.

Today is Time and Change doing its job. Are you a vital part of the play? Today you may start out all anew.

But, above all things, do not fear—Today. And let all worry slide. All things that do not count—let them go.

For this Today will never dawn again—George Matthew Adams in Good Housekeeping.

Snake's Menace Mere Bluff.

A really accomplished reptile recently arrived in London in the shape of the American "hog-nosed snake."

Cleaning Watches With Bread.

Perhaps the most novel use to which bread is put may be seen in some of the great watch factories...

From earliest times in the history of watchmaking it has been the custom to reduce fresh bread to the form of dough.

Enormous Sharks.

Sharks grow to a tremendous size. Bondelet's shark, for instance, which is an inhabitant of tropical seas...

It has been killed 30 feet in length. It is not for a moment to be feared that we have secured the fact that the natural sea is still very largely unexplored.

TREASURES OF BUDDHIST ART

Marvelous Collection Preserved for Centuries in the Temple of Daigoji in Japan.

Daigoji, the head temple of the Ono school of the Shingon sect of Buddhism in Japan, situated not far from Kyoto...

Rare specimens of Buddhist art and literature, carefully preserved as the temple treasures of Daigoji, and exhibited recently at Tokio...

In the literary collection there is an illustrated copy of the third roll of "Scripture of Cause and Effect of the Past and the Present."

TREES GIVE MILKLIKE JUICE

Tropics Provide Pretty Fair Substitute for the Animal Product in Use in Northern Climes.

In British Guiana and the West Indies, particularly on the banks of the River Demerara, there grows a tree known to the natives as the hyaha...

The Cingalese have a tree—they call it kiriyaguma—which yields a fluid in all respects like milk...

On the other hand, certain trees in the valleys of Aragua and in Cauagua yield a similar fluid...

In the Canary Islands there is a tree called tabaya dulce, of which the milk, thickened into a jelly, is considered a delicacy.

Unpleasant Dreams.

A London chemist, dreaming that he had swallowed poison by mistake, rose from the chair in which he had fallen asleep...

In another case a man, after a heated argument with a visiting friend, dreamed that his guest was in his room molesting him.

Bachelor to the Rescue.

In a street car the other day I sat directly behind a woman who was trying desperately to untie a face veil.

Ostrich Plumes.

Ostrich plumes are not actually plucked, by the way. They are cut—pruned with no damage or pain to the bird.

Kept Fish Alive.

During the recent storm several automobiles got into such deep water at Pennsylvania and Twenty-second streets that they had to stop until the flood abated.

EXPRESSED WILL OF PEOPLE

"First American Constitution" Grows Out of Feeling of Dissatisfaction With Conditions.

The term "First American Constitution" is frequently applied by writers to what is better known historically as the "Fundamental Orders of Connecticut."

Jan. 14, 1639, this little community formed the first written American Constitution at Hartford.

KEY TO ANCIENT HISTORY

Greek Papyri Have Revealed Practically All That is Known of Greco-Roman World.

Greek papyri were documents for ancient history which supplied a personal view of things. They described classes not represented in history as usually written and helped in the study of popular psychology...

The papyri illustrated the history of administration, showing it in actual working, and not in theory. There was not much in the papyri on mystery cults, but there were interesting religious documents...

The economic decay of the Roman empire, popular education, and the history of the Greek language, were also illustrated by papyri.

Historic Lies.

Two of the most famous lies relate to the last hours of Nelson. Everyone knows that the real signal at Trafalgar which he ordered was "Nelson expects every man to do his duty."

Stirring Things Up.

Gertrude is 4 years of age. She faces the world fearlessly, looks it squarely in the eye, and if it doesn't track exactly to suit her she tells it things.

3,000-Year-Old Story.

Do you know which is the oldest work of fiction? It is the "Tale of Two Brothers," written over three thousand years ago by the librarian to King Merenptah...

The story was written for the amusement of the king's son, who afterward reigned as Seti the Second.

The "Tale of Two Brothers" is written on nineteen sheets of papyrus in a bold hieratic hand.

Their Business.

"I read about a meeting of deaf and dumb painters. How do you think they got along?"

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AN EDITOR 51 YEARS.

W. D. Grist, the present editor, is joint owner of the business with his brother, Albert M. Grist, business manager of the establishment and superintendent of the composing room.

The following is taken from a sketch of Editor Grist and the Yorkville Enquirer which appeared in a recent issue of the City Editor and Reporter, Chicago.

"For thirty years, day after day, from early morning until late at night, he has been sitting at his desk—a typical newspaper man's desk, editing his newspaper, the Yorkville, (S. C.) Enquirer.

"The Enquirer has the largest circulation of any county newspaper in South Carolina. They call it the 'Bible of the Piedmont.'

URGENT TAX BILL INTRODUCED THIS WEEK

Columbia, Jan. 31.—The much-heralded state inheritance tax is provided in a bill to be introduced this week in the House of Representatives by Representatives J. R. Atkinson, of Spartanburg, and Buckingham, of Aiken.

The bill will provide for a tax on inheritances received by husbands, wives, children and grand children according to the following schedule: On inheritances up to \$20,000 above the exemption, one per cent, up to \$40,000, two per cent; up to \$80,000, three per cent; up to \$150,000, four per cent; up to \$300,000, five per cent; over \$300,000, six per cent.

For an inheritance left to a husband or wife the exemption is \$10,000. The tax is applicable to the amount above the exemption.

On property inherited by brothers, sisters, uncles, aunts, nieces or nephews the tax would be one per cent higher than that on inheritance of husbands, wives or children.

The bill would provide for the assessment of this tax by the state tax commission, the tax executed through the probate judges in the counties.

DOMINICK SLATTS FOR COMMITTEE.

Washington, Jan. 31.—That South Carolina will have a member of the ways and means committee in the next congress for the first time since 1835, when John McLaurin served on that committee in the fifty fourth congress, now seems practically assured.

The member will be Congressman Fred H. Donnick, of Newberry, third district, unless all signs fail. During the past week there has been considerable activity among Democratic members of the house in regard to selections for desirable committee posts.

Among the other members talked of for the ways and means committee are Representatives Stagall, of Alabama, and Moore, of Virginia, both prominent southern members. It is thought that the Republicans will permit ten members from the Democratic minority, which increases Mr. Dominick's chances of success.

FIFTY MILLION POUNDS TOBACCO WILL BE SOLD

Winston-Salem, Jan. 29.—Local warehousemen are now predicting that the market will sell over fifty million pounds of tobacco this season. Today's report shows that 43,930,000 pounds have already been sold at an average of \$23 per hundred.

Pitcher Ernie Shore, of the New York Americans, motored through the snow from his home in Yackin county this morning and spent the day here chatting with friends.

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FAST TIME ON THE PEE DEE.

The following is taken from the News and Courier's files of 100 years ago:

The steamboat Pee Dee, which arrived here on Sunday, has completed her seventh trip from this town to Cheraw and back, since she has been under the superintendency of her present active and enterprising commander.

The average time in which she has performed the trip (including the passage both up and down), is eight days; she has taken up each time a full freight of merchandise and returned with between four and five hundred bales of cotton, etc.

The distance, by water, from Cheraw to Georgetown, is estimated at 220 miles; the Pee Dee usually descends the river in two days and as she does not perform any part of the voyage in the night, she of course makes her passage down in about twenty working hours, which without allowing for detention in taking in fuel and for accidental delays, gives an average of eleven miles an hour.—Charleston Courier, Jan. 26, 1821.

(This is not so bad after all. Two or three years ago several Dillon men started to Georgetown in a motor boat on the Little Pee Dee and haven't reached there yet.)

Home of Solicitor Spears Burned

The Darlington News and Press says that the handsome home of Solicitor J. Monroe Spears was destroyed by fire last Thursday. It had been sold to A. L. Flowers, but Solicitor Spears was occupying it till he could arrange for another place.

NOT OUR J. K. BREWER.

Mr. J. K. Brewer of Kemper wants The Herald's readers to know that he is not the J. K. Brewer who was sentenced to four months' imprisonment in the Dillon county jail for violation of the prohibition laws.

A government report says the average wages paid on the farms of the South during the past twelve months was \$51.75 per month. That may be true so far as the day laborers were concerned, but it is far above what regular or monthly laborers received.

The farmers of this section could not pay such wages if they wanted to do so. The average farm laborer is the poorest paid and the hardest worked man in every country.

If the government will remove the tax on the poorer grades of tobacco it will permit at least 25 per cent of the 1920 crop to be manufactured into fertilizer.

FARMER'S PLEDGE.

I, \_\_\_\_\_ of the \_\_\_\_\_ County of \_\_\_\_\_ do certify that I am a farmer and cotton grower and hereby solemnly promise and agree on my sacred word of honor that during the year 1921 I will not plant in cotton more than one-third of the lands cultivated by me during the year 1920.

And I further promise that I will use whatever influence that I may have with my friends and neighbors to have them sign a like obligation and to co-operate with the county committee in the organization and the work of the said cotton reduction.

Witness \_\_\_\_\_

Sign and send to: SOUTH CAROLINA COTTON ASSOCIATION 809 LIBERTY BANK BLDG. COLUMBIA, S. C.

YOUR EYES

SAVE YOUR EYES

We are opening an Optical Office at Dillon, S. C. At the present time we will be at the Hotel Wheeler every second and fourth Mondays' and the following Tuesday in each month.

We examine and fit glasses. Call and see us.

L. A. WOODRUFF, D-Opt. Eyesight Specialist

