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# Royal Baking Powder

ABSOLUTELY PURE

FROM ALL AROUND THE CITY.

Current Local Events of the Day Briefly Told.

**Bits of Facts and Gossip Gathered on the Streets by Times Reporters—Points Political, Social and General Happening Yesterday.**

**Going to Join Their Husbands.**  
A car load of colored women left yesterday for the coal regions of Pennsylvania, where their husbands have been at work for some time.

**Meeting of the Junior Hose Fire Company.**  
The Junior Hose Fire Company held their regular monthly meeting last night. Only business of a routine nature was transacted.

**Races at the Driving Park.**  
There will be matinee races at the Driving Park to-morrow afternoon, both running and trotting. A professional bicyclist will ride against a horse.

**Another Gas Main Breaks.**  
A gas main burst on Jefferson street yesterday morning between Salem and Campbell avenues. A force of workmen repaired the damage at once.

**The Operation Was a Success.**  
Mrs. W. T. Simpson, the lady who recently underwent such a difficult operation for a large abdominal tumor at Rebekah Sanitarium in this city, has left for her home in Floyd county, having fully recovered her health.

**Election Booths Ordered.**  
The electoral board of this city closed a contract yesterday with Johnson & Wilson, of Dayton, Ohio, for twenty-eight election booths and ballot boxes to be used under the new Walton election law. The entire cost will be about \$160.

**Festival at Piney Grove Church.**  
Several ladies and gentlemen from this city attended a lawn party and festival held last night at Piney Grove Church about three miles southwest of Roanoke. The festival was given for the benefit of the church and was liberally patronized.

**Returned From Their Fishing Trip.**  
Messrs. R. H. Buckner, ex-Mayor H. S. Trout, Col. S. S. Brooke and E. H. Stewart returned yesterday morning from the eastern shore, where they spent several days in fishing on the Chesapeake bay. Colonel Thomas Lewis, T. H. Bransford and S. W. Jamison remained to spend a few more days on the bay.

**Fell on a Barb Wire Fence.**  
White, the 10-year-old son of George Haislip, attended the picnic of the First Baptist Sunday-school at Mason's creek yesterday. While swinging in a rope swing he fell on a barb wire fence and received a severe gash in his right thigh. The injured youth was brought home in the electric car and his wound was dressed. While painful it is not dangerous.

**Virginia Wheelmen to Meet.**  
George L. Hart, local consul of the League of American Wheelmen, has received notice from Chief Consul O'Neill that he has called a general meeting of the Virginia division of the L. A. W. at Norfolk on September 27 and 28. Besides good racing on those dates there will be a splendid programme arranged for wheelmen ever attempted in Virginia.

**A Pleasant Birthday Party.**  
To celebrate the 57th anniversary of his birth Mr. Wm. B. Maupin, of 810 Roanoke street, threw open his cozy home last evening to a number of friends, among whom were Mr. and Mrs. Thos. T. Jeffries, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Doggett, Mr. and Mrs. Smith Jones, Mrs. Walter Brodie, Mrs. M. C. Morris, the Misses Annie Morris, Etta Haines, Willie and Ida Lee Bowles, Louise Brodie, Dr. W. F. Hamner, Dr. S. M. Firey, Luke Garrett, R. W. Anderson, C. C. Tillman, W. C. Maupin, Harry Brodie and Tillman Maupin. Ice cream and cake were served. Mr. Maupin found a bottle of veuve cliquot of very old vintage stored away and it was cracked in honor of the occasion. The ladies of the Maupin household are summering in Albemarle county and Medames Smith, Doggett and Brodie did the honors at the table.

**Summer Vacation Tours.**  
The Baltimore and Ohio Railroad Company now has on sale at all its offices east of the Ohio river a full line of tourist excursion tickets to all the lake, mountain and seashore resorts in the Eastern and Northern States and in Canada. These tickets are valid for return journey until October 31. Before deciding upon your summer outing it would be well to consult the Baltimore and Ohio book of "Routes and Rates for Summer Tours." All Baltimore and Ohio ticket agents at principal points have them, and they will be sent post-paid, upon receipt of ten cents, by Chas. O. Scull, general passenger agent, Baltimore and Ohio railroad, Baltimore.

There is an iron fence in Ohio that has been in position for more than one hundred years. It is as good to-day as the day it was set. The Cushman Iron Company can make you one that is just as good and look ten times better.

E. NULTY, of St. Paul, Minn., writes: "Was confined to bed for three weeks; doctors could do me no good; Japanese Pile Cure entirely cured me." Sold by Christian & Barbee.

W. P. DROP, druggist, Springfield, Mass., writes: "Jap. Pile Cure has cured lady, 7 years afflicted; could not walk half mile in last 3 years; now walks any distance." Sold by Christian & Barbee.

## THE POVERTY SOCIAL.

A Unique Entertainment in the Old Times Building Last Night.

The poverty social given by the Daughters of Liberty last night in the old TIMES building, on Campbell avenue, was a pleasant affair as well as a financial success. A quartette composed of Messrs. Boehm, Hays and C. and G. Groves rendered several nice selections. The instrumental music on the organ and guitar was furnished by the young ladies.

The unique bill of fare treated the patrons to a number of pleasant surprises, and many were the conjectures as to what would be received after an order had been given.

The social will be continued to-night and to-morrow night. The public is cordially invited to attend.

## RIFLED THE SAFE.

A Thief Enters the Book Store of Thompson & Meadows.

Wednesday night about 10 o'clock a thief entered the rear door of Thompson's book store and rifled the safe, which was standing open, of \$25 in money and some valuable papers. Mr. Thompson and the clerks were in the front of the store waiting on some customers at the time the robbery was committed.

The papers were found near the Y. M. C. A. hall, where the thief had thrown them. There is no clue to the robber.

## AMUSEMENTS.

**Bobby Gaylor in Sport McAllister at the Academy Last night.**

Bobby Gaylor and his excellent company presented "Sport McAllister" at the Academy last night before a good sized audience. The performance was a success from beginning to end and the spectators were kept in a continuous roar of laughter.

Gaylor, in the title role, is inimitable. He was well supported by the entire company. The presentation of the living pictures was greatly enjoyed, especially "the three graces" and "the three disgraces."

## "A Night at the Circus."

The up to date farce-comedy, "A Night at the Circus," with the sparkling and bright little subrestra, Nellie McHenry, as the star, demonstrated its popularity last season by playing to large business everywhere. This season it is brighter and more attractive than ever. Miss McHenry has strengthened her company, and a number of new features introduced. The days of good farce comedy and nimble and attractive subrestra are by no means over. This will be the attraction at the Academy of Music next Tuesday, the 28th.

## Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gundersman, of Dimondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist Church at Rivas Junction she was brought down with pneumonia succeeding la grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in results." Trial bottles free at Christian & Barbee's drug store. Regular size, 50 cents and \$1.

## Electric Bitters.

This remedy is becoming so well known and so popular as to need no special mention. All who have used Electric Bitters sing the same song of praise. A purer medicine does not exist, and it is guaranteed to do all that is claimed. Electric Bitters will cure all diseases of the liver and kidneys, will remove pimples, boils, salt rheum and other affections caused by impure blood. Will drive malaria from the system and prevent as well as cure all malarial fevers. For cure of headache, constipation and indigestion try Electric Bitters. Entire satisfaction guaranteed, or money refunded. Price 25 cents and \$1 per bottle at Christian & Barbee's drug store.

If you want a little brick work done this summer at surprisingly cheap rates, call on the Virginia Brick Company, TIMES office.

## For Over Fifty Years

Mrs. Winslow's SOOTHING SYRUP has been used for children teething. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pains, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. Twenty-five cents a bottle. Sold by Christian & Barbee.

## Academy of Music

TUESDAY, AUG. 28.

The Blazing Sun of the

Farce-Comedy Sky,

NELLIE

McHENRY,

And Her Greatest Show on Earth.

## A Night at The Circus

From the Bijou Theater, New York.

ALL Under One Canvass

WAIT In One Ring.

WAIT For the Big Show.

SEATS AT JOHNSON & JOHNSON'S.

## POSTAGE STAMP FAD.

IT BEGAN AS A HARMLESS AMUSEMENT AND BECAME A MANIA.

Millions of Dollars Are Locked Up In Bits of Paper That Have No Real Value—Some of the Rarer Specimens For Which Fabulous Prices Are Asked and Given.

The postage stamp mania is one of the most curious of human fads, remarks a New York writer. A collection of coins is at the most worth the weight of the metal. Not so a collection of stamps. The fashion may go out as it came in, and then the stamps will be only so much waste paper.

The fad broke out in 1861 in the form of a few sporadic cases among schoolboys and maiden ladies. It was not only a harmless fad, but in the case of the schoolboys it was even an educative one. It proved the easiest, the pleasantest and the most efficacious way of driving knowledge of geography into the adolescent mind.

But now that these first few sporadic attacks have developed into something alarmingly like an epidemic one begins to speculate whether the craze of the philatelist is not a distinct bar to human progress, inasmuch as it consumes a large amount of brain force and vital energy that might better be turned into other and more useful channels of activity.

In the United States alone there is an organization called the American Philatelic association, which numbers 1,000 members. But this represents only a small fraction of the philatelists actually in the country.

The greatest and most famous of living philatelists—considered merely from the philatelist point of view—is M. Philippe de Ferrari, a dignified, courteous and white haired old gentleman who lives in Paris. He is a son of the late Duchess de Galliera, who was also a passionate lover of stamps.

His collection is valued at \$500,000. He has been known to pay \$500 for an album which contained only a single stamp that he coveted. For more valuable collections he has never limited his expenditures.

Next to the Ferrari collection comes that of Baron Arthur de Rothschild, which is so valuable that its owner, with the true jealousy of the collector, reserves the pages containing his rarest treasures for the delectation only of himself and his most intimate friends.

Now, what constitutes the enormous value of these collections? It is not the number of the specimens. There are more than 6,000 different varieties of stamps now actually in existence. A certain number can be obtained at comparatively light expense.

But the rarer ones command large prices. Never mind whether the rarity was created by age or accident.

The MacMahon stamp in France is the blue rose, the unattainable ideal of the collector. When the marshal was president of France, his wife was anxious to see his image set in stamps. Designs were accordingly prepared, but the postal commissioner rejected them and adopted another design. Nevertheless there is a legend that some of these MacMahon stamps got into circulation. If a single specimen ever turns up, it will be priceless.

Another lost pleiad is a postage stamp issued by the government of British Guiana in 1856. It has disappeared from the market, and specimens held in the hands of private collectors are valued at \$250.

A set of four 1850 stamps also issued in British Guiana bring anywhere from \$100 to \$500, and a set of four 1852 Hawaiian stamps are valued at \$1,500. The 15 and 30 cent reunion stamps bring \$500. The New Brunswick 5 cent stamp, with the head of O'Connell, is rarely parted with under \$150.

Rare is also the black Canadian 12 penny stamp, valued at \$125.

But the collector does not stop at legitimate issues of stamps. He gives fancy prices for varieties of shades, for perforations, errors and watermarks.

At a recent stamp exhibition in Vienna an enthusiastic collector named Givell displayed with pride the "error" of France—a stamp of 25 centimes printed in blue instead of black, the "error" of Afghanistan and a stamp with a missing ornament in a corner.

Dr. Mallmann of Vienna had even more wondrous delights to unfold, for he was the proud possessor of the two rare "errors" of the Cape of Good Hope, stamps of 1 penny and 4 pence respectively, which are blue instead of red and red instead of blue.

Such "errors" fetch a very high price, kept down only by the meanness of creating new "values" by wanting misprinting.

No article on philately could be complete without some notice of the 1,000,000 postage stamps myth. This still survives in vague and uncertain forms in the rural districts, where it is believed that some vast benefit, financial or other, will accrue to any one who collects 1,000,000 stamps and forwards them to the proper address. But the proper address is never known.

## Incongruous.

A clerical correspondent of one of the church papers relates that a certain prelate had great difficulty in suppressing his laughter at the consecration of a church the other day owing to the device on one of the school banners which was carried in the procession before the service. This banner was adorned with a very fierce looking lion, with terrible claws and teeth, while underneath him was the legend, "Suffer little children to come unto me."—London Truth.

## Yellow Fever.

There is a marked peculiarity about yellow fever which distinguishes it from most epidemics. It is essentially a disease of a hot climate, and it takes a certain amount and duration of heat to awaken it to life. It is said that it can never prevail where Indian corn will not ripen.

## WHAT IS A MUMMY?

A Chapter of Interesting Information About Some Egyptian Customs.

When a member of an Egyptian family died, all the relatives put on mourning and abstained from baths, wine and delicacies of all kinds from 40 to 60 days, according to the rank of the person deceased. Death in one respect put an end to all distinctions that had prevailed in life, and king and slave were subject to the same law.

The record of the life of the deceased had to be examined by a tribunal of 42 judges before he could be given burial with his ancestors. If the deeds of his life proved that he was worthy of burial, his body was carried across the sacred lake, of which each province had one, and was there permitted to rest. If the judges found him unworthy, even though he belonged to the highest rank, he could not be buried with his ancestors. The body was returned to his relatives and was buried on the side of the lake opposite to the burial place of the just.

The belief of the Egyptians in a future state of existence gave rise to the practice of embalming the dead. They wished to carefully preserve the body, so that the soul upon its return to its former abode at the end of all things might find it ready for its reception. Bodies were embalmed in three different ways. The most expensive and magnificent method was used upon the bodies of kings and other persons of distinguished rank, the cost amounting to a talent of silver, or \$610.

A number of persons were employed in the process of embalming, and they were treated with great respect. They filled the cavities of the body with myrrh, cinnamon, spices and many kinds of sweet smelling drugs.

After a certain time had elapsed the body was swathed in lawn fillets, which were glued together with a kind of thin gum, and then crusted over with costly perfumes. By this mode of embalming the shape of the body, the lineaments of the face, the eyebrows and eyelashes were preserved in their natural perfection.

Bodies thus embalmed are what we now call Egyptian mummies.—Philadelphia Times.

## CHARACTER IN THE INSANE.

A Deeply Interesting Study, Though at Times Attended With Sadness.

If it is deeply interesting to study character among the insane, it is also at times both saddening and humiliating. We often look with indulgence upon what we call harmless vanity or a natural love of admiration in a rather frivolous girl, but look at the same girl when by some accident or misfortune the mental balance is overthrown. Now she believes and does not hesitate to say that she is perfectly beautiful, has an exquisite figure, is in every way charming and attractive and that every man who sees her immediately falls violently in love with her. It is only an absurdly exaggerated sense of self importance that produces the very common delusion that the patient is a king or a queen, even a deity.

Again a natural humility and a tendency to self depreciation are frequently exaggerated by disease into the delusion that the patient is an object of dislike and contempt to every one, that he has committed some crime, and that consequently he is beyond redemption and is regarded with horror by all around him. If he is of a religious turn of mind, he believes himself to be eternally lost and sinks into a state of chronic melancholy and apathy. On the other hand, a natural self reliance, no longer controlled by common sense, expands into a belief that the patient has done and can do feats beyond the power of any mortal man.—Hospital.

## Courtship in Burma.

Mr. Mortimer Meppes, in traveling in the east in search of subjects, came upon a curious form of courtship. Sketching one day in Burma, he noticed a man a little distance off glaring fiercely straight ahead of him at some object he could not see from his position. The man sat with the same fixed glare the whole of the afternoon and was at it again the next morning. Mr. Meppes had the curiosity to ask an English visitor what it meant. The reply was, "Oh, he is in love." And it was explained that this was their method of courtship. The object of the man's attentive glare was a girl in a neighboring bazaar. When a man falls in love, he has to seat himself at a certain distance from his adored one and waits for her to do the rest. If she looks in his direction once or twice on the first or second day, he is wildly encouraged, and if on the third day she nods at him and smiles it is time to go to the parents with reference to the marriage settlements.

## Brought Her Repartee Along.

Just as the door of the city clerk's office was due to be closed for the day two young ladies called and stated that they were looking for a marriage license. "This is not the place," explained the sober faced clerk. "The clerk of the court issues them at the courthouse, but you are too late to get down there before he goes home."

"Isn't that provoking?" remarked one of the maidens, with a pout equally provoking. "They told us that this was the place to get licenses."

"It is—dog licenses," the facetious clerk answered.

"The license is for me, not you, sir," answered the girl, and a deep hush fell over the city seal.—Minneapolis Journal.

## A Famous Widow.

One of the most famous widows of antiquity was Sapphira, the widow of Germanicus. During the lifetime of her husband she attended him in all his campaigns and shared his dangers. Suspecting that her husband had been poisoned, she had his presumed murderer assassinated and was herself soon after treated with such indignity by Tiberius that she was driven to despair and starved herself to death.

## A GREAT PROPHECY.

What He Has to Say About Foretelling the Weather and Preserving the Health.

Probably no man connected with the weather department is so well-known or popular as Sergt. Elias B. Dunn, who has charge of the bureau in New York city. He is a bright, happy man, with a clear eye and a springy gait, although his duties and cares are numerous.

"How do I keep well and fat and chipper?" he said recently to a newspaper man who asked him the question, "Why I look after my health carefully, that's all. No matter how hard the gales may be or how much the responsibility for the weather I have on my shoulders, I look out for my digestion very carefully. I am a firm believer in modern discoveries and I have found that the pre-digested food Paskola does wonderful things for those who use it. I use it in my family and find that it not only is a food that enters quickly into the blood and life but that it aids all other food to digest. People who wish to be up to the times and avail themselves of all modern discoveries and improvements should by all means use Paskola. If you are not thoroughly posted about it and want to know more, go around to the company's office at 30 Roade street, New York city, or better still send for a pamphlet giving full particulars about it. I tell you you will never regret it."

Sergeant Dunn evidently believes thoroughly in everything he undertakes and he is just now utilizing the electric search light, in which he is interested, in throwing the word Paskola upon the clouds and walls where the light is employed. All that can be learned from what he says regarding Paskola is more than true and it is by no means surprising that it has become so popular.

A pamphlet fully describing Paskola and what it does, will be sent free by the Pre-digested Food Company, 30 Roade street, New York.

For sale by Johnson & Johnson, druggists, corner Salem avenue and J. H. Johnson street.

## On Strictly Business Principles.

"No, I'm not going to hold up my hands," exclaimed the obstinate citizen whom a West Side footpad surprised at a late hour in a lonely part of the city one night last week. "I recognize the fact that you've got the drop on me, and I'll have to cough up, but I'm going to hand over the dough myself."

"Be quick about it then," said the footpad sternly.

"I'll be as quick as I can," rejoined the other, "but this is business."

Producing his pocketbook, he opened it and began inspecting its contents.

"What are you doing?" demanded the fellow at the other end of the revolver.

"I'm counting the cost of this transaction. Just keep your shirt on a minute, will you? Ten, 15, 20, 25, 40, 43. I don't care so much for the money," he continued, feeling in his vest pocket and adding a stray coin or two to the sum in the purse, "as I do for maintaining my system of finance intact. Forty-eight, 49."

"What the Sam Hill is your system of finance?"

"I keep a strict account of all the money I spend," replied the obstinate citizen, feeling in his trousers pocket and extracting another coin, "and I always know to a cent how much I ought to have on hand. Fifty-four. That's all I've got about me. Fifty-four cents, and you can take it and go to thim—hold on! Wait till I enter it in this passbook. Fifty-four cents for charity. For charity, 54 cents. You need the money, I take it—or rather you take it!"

"Don't get gay, my friend," said the footpad, grabbing the pocketbook.

"I won't. And don't you get drunk with joy and make a spectacle of your self. The 54 cents won't justify it. In the meantime, if you think I've got any other property of a portable nature about me you are at liberty to search me. No! Well, then, I'll move on. I've got to enter this in the expense book when I get home and explain it to my wife besides, and altogether I'm 54 cents cash and half an hour of valuable time worse off for having met you—damn your pictured Good night."—Chicago Tribune.

## Making Reparation.

The cowboy was telling some of his thrilling experiences, including several incidental lynchings.

"Those lynchings are dreadful," expostulated a mild bred listener.

"Can't get along without them," said the cowboy.

"But they are wrong."

"Great civilizers, though."

"The wrong man suffers sometimes."

"Not very often."

"Didn't you ever help hang the wrong one?"

"Never but once in all my experience."

"Dreadful, dreadful! No reparation could be made in such a case."

The cowboy looked at the listener with contempt.

"You don't know us people," he said.

"Why, we fixed up that to the entire satisfaction of everybody."

"How could you?"

"Well, we apologized to the widdler the next morning, and a month after a leader of the hanging party married her."

"I don't see how she could have done such a thing, and so soon too."

The cowboy became reflective.

"Well," he said in a half bashful, apologetic way after a minute's thought, "mobbishness would have waited 60 or 90 days if it had been anybody else but me," and the listener did not pursue the subject further.—Detroit Free Press.

## Lost to Fads.

"Professor," said the fond mother, after introducing the young lady by her side, "I have brought to you my daughter Eleanor, who needs a few finishing touches to her education. She paints, sings, plays and is well up on Ibsen, Tolstol, Browning and the modern French decadents. Now, what can you do for her?"

"Nothing, ma'am," said the private tutor.

"Do you mean that?" said the mother, flushing with pleasure.

"Yes, ma'am," said the tutor sadly, "she is hopeless."—Chicago Record.

## Tender Sentiment.

Deluded Little Willie (to his mother)—Mamma, dear, won't you please cut off a lock of papa's hair for me? I want it badly.

Sympathetic Mother—Certainly, dear. (Turning to her husband). Did you hear that, John? Who would have given a child like that credit for so much tender sentiment?

Little Willie (explaining)—You see, ma, my rocking horse lost its tail, and I just wanted—(Quick curtain).—Truth.

## For all kinds of headache

and all other conditions resulting from constipation go by the book on Beecham's pills.

Book free, pills 25c. At drugstores; or write to B F Alien Co. 365 Canal st, New York.

## BOARD WANTED.

WANTED—BOARD AND ROOM with baths by a single man; state terms, etc. Address J. A. H., P. O. Box No. 284, City. 8 24 3t

## WANTED—MISCELLANEOUS.

WANTED—A SECOND-HAND bicycle, must be cheap and on easy terms. Address "J. J." care Times. 8 23 2t.

WILL TRADE 152 ACRES LAND for Roanoke real estate. "S" TIMES office. 8 23 1w.

BRIGHT YOUTH WANTED WHO writes a good hand and can operate typewriting machine. State experience, salary and references. ACTIVE. Box 5, TIMES office. 8 23 1t.

MRS. D. W. MEADOWS WILL RECEIVE pupils in piano and guitar at home after August 27. For further information call or address 512 Campbell street s. w. 8 23 1w.

WANTED—A BRIGHT INTELLIGENT boy, 14 to 16 years of age. Apply in person to-day. THOMAS & BURNS, Clothiers. 8 23 1t.

MRS. SAMUEL KINNIER WILL resume her class in music September 1. For terms apply at her residence, 409 Campbell avenue s. w. 8 23 to 9 1

WANTED—By reliable party a good house on easy payments in southwest section of city. Address with terms, etc., "MILES," TIMES office. 8 15-1w

WANTED—CITY SCRIP AT PAR, in exchange for fire, life or accident insurance. J. F. WINGFIELD, 210 Commerce street. 8 14 1w.

MISS WHITEHURST'S SCHOOL—The sixth year begins September 10th, 1894. For terms apply 503 Campbell st. 8 9 2w 8t

AT ROANOKE MATTRESS COMPANY, 24 Church avenue s. w., hair mattresses to renovate also upholstery of all kinds neatly done. All orders promptly attended to at short notice. 8 9 1m.

MONEY CAN BE SAVED BY PURCHASING railroad tickets from O'Mohondro, 10 Jefferson street. 7 21 1m

CASH PAID FOR CAST OFF CLOTHING. Address 15 Salem avenue. 6 1 1y.

## WANTED—SITUATION.

SITUATION AS TEACHER IN AN established school or private family desired by a lady, a full graduate of Hollins Institute; with three years experience. Address, "J. A. J.," P. O. Box 274, Warrenton, Va. 8 16-2wks