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WEDNESDAY, FEB. 28, 1906.

\$1000 ASKED OF CITY COUNCIL.

The City Council has been asked to make an appropriation of one thousand dollars toward the good roads' demonstration by the government at Lafayette.

Mr. Crow Girard appeared before the Council last Friday night and, after explaining the practical benefits that would accrue to the town as a result of this movement for better roads, he strongly recommended that the appropriation be made. Dr. Moss was present and endorsed in every particular the views expressed by Mr. Girard, and Ex-mayor Caffery also gave his approbation of the reasons advanced in favor of the appropriation.

The discussion of the subject by the mayor and councilmen showed a proper appreciation of its value and importance to the business interests of Lafayette, but final action was postponed until to-night's meeting of the Council. In view of the large and direct interest the town unquestionably has in this undertaking it would not only be an entirely legitimate expenditure of public money to make this appropriation, but to withhold the aid in question will seriously militate against the successful accomplishment of a work of far reaching influence for good to the people of the town and parish of Lafayette.

DISCHARGING THEIR DUTY.

The State Board of Education at their meeting on the 20th passed resolutions which affect twenty-five parish superintendents: ten are asked to resign, ten are to be investigated and five are not qualified because they are not giving their undivided time to the schools while drawing sufficient pay to do so. The Board announces that it is their purpose to enforce the law which requires a practical educator to fill the office of superintendent and that he must measure up to the definition of practical educator as given by the Board.

Unquestionably it is the bounden duty of the State Board as well as every citizen of the State to observe the law, and in the case of the Board which occupies an executive position it is their duty as well as that of other executive officers to enforce the law. The law which devolves upon the State Board of Education to enforce is, of course, the law relating to schools, and they should enforce it positively and without any favorites. It is eminently within their duties to interpret where no interpretation has been made and their interpretation must stand until proven wrong. In the present case regarding the parish superintendents, the decision of the Board to interpret the term "practical educator", and we believe that the Board has done so properly and conscientiously, was necessary; they could not well fail to do so and discharge their honest duty. The announcement last week that they proposed to enforce their interpretation is exactly the proper thing for them to have done, and the next thing for them to do is enforce it.

MONEY MAD.

President Schurman of Cornell Delivers Scorching Sermon on American Life

Chicago Tribune.

President Jacob Gould Schurman of Cornell University delivered a remarkable address on the universal craze for wealth to-night before the union meeting of the associated academic principals of the State of New York. He said:

"If a visitor from Mars alighted on our continent he would hear the pulpits proclaim 'Glorify God,' but he would find it the general practice to 'Glorify Gold.'"

"Are we then in this twentieth century to revert to the barbarous worship of Mammon? Are Americans to renounce their Christian heritage? Are they to repudiate the Hebrew law of righteousness? Are they to disclaim the Hellenic call to reason and beauty? Are they to spurn the dignity and glory of mankind in order to concentrate all their energies on the gratification of the acquisitive instincts which we possess in common with brutes, and which when exclusively followed and satisfied, only leave us more complacently and more helplessly brutish?"

BEG IN HOLY GHOST'S NAME.

"The universal passion for money and whatever money buys is an alarming phenomenon. It has been nourished by the colossal material prosperity of the age. It has allied itself with the ambition of the American youth to succeed in the world. We naturally should expect that it would have met invincible opposition from religion; but religion, already weakened by the decline of dogmatic faith, and falling back on its institutions and organizations, itself has been tempted too often to purchase gifts for the Holy Ghost with money. Well the craze may endure for a season, but disillusionment is certain.

"The cardinal maxim of such an age is 'Put money in thy purse.' And whether the money be thine or thy neighbors, is a matter of little moment.

FEAR NO GOD OR HELL.

"It is a generation which has no fear of God before its eyes; it fears no hell; it fears nothing but the Criminal Court, the penitentiary, and the scaffold. To escape these ugly avengers of civil society is its only categorical imperative, the only law with which its Sinai thunders.

"To get there and not get caught is its only golden rule. To 'get rich quick,' financiers of this age will rob the widow and orphan and grind the faces of the poor, speculate in trust funds, and purchase immunity by using other people's money to bribe legislators, judges, and magistrates.

"And then we hear the praises of poor boys who have become millionaires! O God! Send us men of honor and integrity."

The Cane Crop

Louisiana Planter.

Planting operations were interrupted during the past week by a rainfall, and this proved somewhat disappointing to our sugar planters, who are quite anxious to get their seed cane in the ground. The seed cane is universally reported to be in good condition, but any material delay in planting it may entail some sprouting. At this writing planting operations have doubtless been resumed on some of our plantations, and if the weather will remain fair for a few days longer a great deal of progress will be made.

Press Paragraphs.

Judge Deuel, owner of Town Topics, announces that he will not resign from the Bench. Jimmy Hyde used to talk like that.—The Washington Post.

If that engineer who says it will take 150 years to dig the canal can prove it, he will abate much of the corporate opposition.—The Detroit News.

John Oliver Hobbes says that it is impertinent for the idle rich to go slumming. This work, we understand, then, should be left to the idle poor.—The Atlanta Journal.

Russia shows great firmness and courage in dealing with revolutionaries when it gets one of them alone and hemmed in by a crowd of soldiers.—The Chicago Daily News.

Four folios of Shakespears sold lately in Boston for nearly \$9,000. Shakespeare is running a good second, by this count, to exclusive society publications in Gotham.—The Baltimore American.

Early English Football.

The American game, however, can hardly be more violent than was the game as originally played in England, if we may judge from the denunciation of its enemies. According to Sir Thomas Eliot, baronet of the time of the Tudors, the game consisted of "nothing but beastly furie and extreme violence," while Stubbes, the puritan, describes it as a "bloody and murdering practice" and a "devilish business altogether." The fact that many players are injured seems to him no marvel. "For they have the sleights to meet one betwixt two, and to dash him against the hart with their elbows, to but him under the short ribs with their clenched fists and with their knees to catch him on the hip or pitch him on the neck, with a hundred such murdering devices."—Westminster Gazette.

More Important.



First Tramp—Here's a magazine called "What to Eat" that I just found.

Second Tramp—Does it tell you where to get it?—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Taken Up

On my place in seventh ward, a creole sorrel horse. Owner can have same by proving ownership and paying costs. GEORGE W. BEADLE. 2-21-3t p.

Special Rates.

Account American Bowling Congress, Louisville, Ky., March 17-27, 1906: Round trip tickets to Louisville, Ky., will be on sale at rate of one regular first class standard fare plus \$2.00 March 15-18, 1906, final limit March 31, 1906.

Account Biennial Meeting General Federation of Women's Clubs, St. Paul, Minn., May 30-June 7, 1906: Round trip tickets to St. Paul and Minneapolis, Minn., will be on sale at rate of first-class fare plus \$2.00, on May 26, 28, 29, and 30, 1906 with final return limit June 9, 1906. A fee of 25 cents will be charged for the validation of each ticket.

Account Meeting Louisiana State Public School Teachers Association, Baton Rouge, La., Apr. 19-21: Round trip tickets to Baton Rouge will be on sale Feb. 18-19 at rate of one fare plus 25 cents, final limit Apr. 22, 1906.

Account Special Round Trip Rates to Mexico City: Round trip excursion tickets will be on sale at rate of one first-class limited one way fare for the round trip, April 25 to May 5, 1906; with final return limit July 31, 1906. Tickets will carry a going transit limit of sixty days from date of sale within which time stop overs will be allowed at any point en route. Tickets must be validated by the agent of the Terminal Line at Mexico City and to provide for stop over on return trip at any point en route within final limit.

Round trip tickets to Rayne at one and one third fare for the round trip will be placed on sale for trains arriving at Rayne March 11, return limit March 12, account of races.

WANTED.—District managers to post signs, advertise and distribute samples. Salary \$18 weekly; \$3 per day for expenses. State age and present employment. IDEAL SHEAR Co., 39 Randolph street, Chicago.

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SPECIAL ATTENTION GIVEN TO

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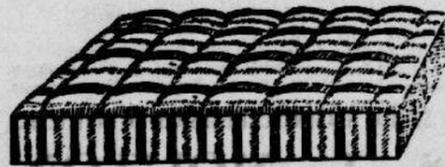
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