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**PITHY PARAGRAPHS.**

West Virginia gets up to fourth place in the matter of coal production.

Coal has been found near Clarence, Iowa within three feet of the surface.

At Versailles, Mo., a force of expert drillers is at work prospecting for coal.

A shaft is to be sunk to develop the coal recently found near Deerfield, Ohio.

The coke ovens being erected by the Porter Coal Co., at Durango, Col., are ready approaching completion.

The Fork Ridge Coal Co. of Middleboro, Ky., has been organized with Thomas Atkinson as manager.

L. W. Johns is opening a new mine at Blockton, Bibb County, Ala. A number of coke ovens will be erected and it is expected that the enterprise will be a very extensive one.

A dealer at Watertown, N. Y., advertises: "Have you bought your coal for the coming season? If not, why not? Now is the time to buy coal cheap."

The ashes of the coal from the mines of the Transvaal Coal Trust and other companies in South Africa have been analyzed recently and found to contain nine pennyweights of gold to the ton.

The people of Long Island City are fighting the soft coal nuisance and have brought suit for a violation of a City ordinance against the Long Island R. R. for turning soft coal in their engines.

Connellsville Courier: "Coke consumers anticipate another advance in the price, and the producers will need only a gentle hint to make good their anticipations. July 1st, is now looked to as a pivotal point in coke prices, just as April 1st was during the first quarter of the year. The operators are also talking combinations again and are reluctant to quote or make contracts beyond the first half of the year. Their action seems hard to explain when it is known that the coke is being sold at 15 and 15 cents lower than quoted prices, but then the general indications of improvement all over the country, and especially in the iron markets, warrant the belief that coke will reach \$1.50 per ton before last quarter of the year."

**SOMETHING WORTH KNOWING.**

It has been so long now since Anthracite sold for a cent above the "responded animation state" that it is said it would be impossible to get to the point whereby enough money could be had to run the collieries in tip-top style.

Employment in the coal-mining industry in Scotland shows an improvement both as compared with March last and April 1894. The reductions in wages notified to the Fife and Clackmannon collieries went into operation on April 24th, but work went on in the pits as usual.

Reports received from along the Norfolk & Western R. R. state that several of the mines resumed operations last week and that more will do so in the next few days. In some instances the men needed anxious to return to work, but in others the strikers' places were filled.

A peculiar fact was lately pointed out by the President of the Manchester, England, Geographical Society, namely, that although much has been done to improve the operation of coal cutting, the collier's pick remains exactly what it has been for the past century, and as to the coal cutting mechanism, not a single machine of the kind is at work in the Manchester district to-day.

It is generally understood that furnace coke for July delivery has been advanced to \$1.50 a ton, and it is rumored that another advance will be made in July. The present price is \$1.35 a ton. The advance will cause a similar advance in all the iron and steel products and is regarded as an indication that further advances will be made in the price of labor.

It seems that for the first time in a whole generation the American people are entitled to congratulate themselves upon the production in an American shipyard of an ocean steamer of the very first class. This should mean that we are approaching the conditions which we have not attained since the war, but which we enjoyed before the war, of being able to compete on equal terms for the carrying trade of the world.

An official of the Mine's Union says: "It is well known that Andrew Carnegie is the principal stockholder in the New York and Cleveland Gas Coal Co. of which W. P. DeArmit is President. Now if Mr. Carnegie would only instruct Mr. DeArmit to raise the wages of his miners to what is equitable, he would confer a far greater boon than by advancing the wages in the steel mills. In the case of the Coal miners some 50,000 people would be benefited, and peace promoted over a large area where now much bitterness of feeling and destitution prevails."

**PYTHIANISM.**

**ORIGIN AND PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER.**

Synopsis of a Discourse Delivered by Elder J. W. Ligon, at the Christian Church, in this City, Sunday Evening, June 9th, 1895.

Five hundred years before Christ there was born a child whose teaching, when he came to man's estate, was destined to revolutionize the philosophy of the far East. This child was Pythagoras, one of the greatest of Grecian Philosophers. An established the Pythagorean Order, which was a fraternal society. All Pythagoreans were bound together by cords of friendship as strong as those that knit together the heart of David and Jonathan.

Damon and Pythias were members of this fraternity, and pledged to stand by each other to the last extremity. The report that the Pythagoreans, when the test came, would not stand to their obligation to each other was circulated throughout Syracuse. Dionysius determined to test them for his own satisfaction. He arrested Pythias, knowing that he was a Pythagorean, and committed him to prison on a charge of conspiracy against the government. And as treason is considered, always and everywhere, as a crime punishable with death, the death penalty was passed upon that noble man. He accepted the decision, and only asked that the rest of the day be given him so he could arrange his private affairs and bid his wife and child a last farewell. Dionysius agreed to respite him for that time, provided he would find one of his brethren who would take his place in prison, and be executed in his place should his fall to return at sunset, the appointed hour of execution. Pythias agreed to find a substitute. He had a friend that was true and tried. That man was Damon. Damon heard of the unfortunate condition of his friend and came and offered his assistance. He came before Dionysius and said to him: "As thou art a husband and father, hear me, let Pythias go and see his wife and child before he dies; bid him with his chain, plunge up into his dungeon as a pledge for his return." Damon became a substitute for his friend who went to see his family and to arrange his private affairs. The day was fast wearing away. The sun had rolled far down the declivity of the heavens to dip into the western sea. The time came for Pythias to be executed but he was not there, and Damon was led out to the block of execution in his stead. He walked with firm step and anxious look. He was not anxious for Pythias to return. He knew he would come back, and he wanted the execution to be over when he did return. He loved his friend and was willing to die for him to show that love. His head was laid upon the block and the headman's axe was raised, when a shout from the assembled multitude stayed the fatal blow. In the distance they saw a horseman rushing over the ground like a whirlwind. The

horse with blood on his flank and foam on his mane came dashing through the crowd that parted as he advanced, until he came to where Damon was when his rider alighted to redeem his promise and save his friend. He laid his own head upon the block to pay the penalty pronounced upon him. When Dionysius saw their love and devotion he said: "I have known nothing of virtue till now; I have passed my life without love; I never had a friend worthy of the name." Pythias said: "How can you, who never loved anyone yourself expect to win friends?" Dionysius was brought to learn. He offered to make them both wealthy, they scorned his gold in disgust. He gave Pythias his liberty and made the request that they would admit him into their friendship. They told him so, that only men of true character and integrity could be admitted into their confidence. He had proved by his actions that he had neither one, therefore he could not be received into the Pythagorean brotherhood, whereas character was made the test.

**THE ORIGIN OF ORDER.**

Some of you will be surprised when I tell you that this grand Order is only thirty-one years old. It was organized in Washington City, February 15th, 1864. Justis H. Rathbone was that founder. He had often read the story of Damon and Pythias and it had made a deep impression upon him; and in founding an Order on the corner stone of which would be friendship, that was christened, "Knights of Pythias." That was during the bloody days of the war. Many had gone forth to the battle field never to return, but to be buried there with their martial cloaks around them. There were many disconsolate widows whose husbands were buried on distant battlefields, and many orphans who would never again climb upon papa's knee and throw their loving arms about his neck. These had to be cared for; and this noble Order of Knights of Pythias sprang into existence for the relief of those in distress. Brave and noble men bound together by ties of friendship went down into the homes of poverty carrying relief and joy to those whose hearts were overshadowed with grief.

**THE PRINCIPLES OF THE ORDER.**

Before a man can pass through the portals of a Pythian Castle Hall he must avow his belief in God. No one who believes that "The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth his handiwork" can object to this principle of Pythianism.

"There is a God, the smallest power That spreads its leaves of morning hour, Whispers in accents soft and clear, My Maker's hand hath placed me here. There is a God, the thunder's peal, And lightning's flash this truth reveal, Oh, who can see the stormy hour, And yet deny his dreadfull power?"

The doctrine of a Supreme Ruler of the Universe is one of the fundamental principles of the Order. It is a most object to the lodge, he objects to its teaching, a part of which is believed in God. Every time that a lodge is opened, it is opened with prayer, and every time that it is closed, it is closed with prayer. And when I am convinced that there is no God, I will repudiate that part of Pythianism which teaches that there is a God.

I have said that no man can enter the lodge of this Order who does not believe in God. I will now advance a step farther and say that no man can enter who does not reverence the Bible as the word of God. In every lodge room is an altar erected to God, and on that altar lies a Holy Bible, which Pythians recognize as a Book of Law. If a man cannot recognize the Bible as the Book of Law governing his life, he is an inconsistent member of the Order.

As religious liberty is the precious heritage left to us by those noble men who framed the Constitution, it is one of the underlying principles of this Order. We say to all that ask admission: "In coming here we do not seek to shape your creed, but we do ask you to exercise your power for good." It is not intended to interfere with a man's religion, business, or domestic relations. A man on entering is told that it is not intended to interfere in any way with his duty to home and loved ones, that he can best honor the Order by caring for those who by the ties of nature have claims upon him.

The practice of fraternity is another element of its teaching. This acknowledges the Fatherhood of God and advocates the Brotherhood of man; and whenever Pythians meet, they meet as brothers and recognize each other as such, though total strangers to each other. Whenever I read the letters, F. C. B., which mean "Friendship, Charity and Benevolence," either on a button or watch chain, I know that the one that wears it is my friend, and that he will aid me whenever and wherever I may convince him that I am in need.

I wish to say a few things about charity. That is the greatest principle taught in the New Testament or anywhere else. By Jesus Christ or anybody else, and it is the greatest principle taught by the Knights of Pythias. Faith, Hope and Charity are the greatest Apostolic doctrines. Charity is greater than faith and greater than hope, and it is the cardinal principle of this Order. "Now abideth faith, hope, charity, these three; but the greatest of these is charity." There will come a period in our existence when there will be no faith, no hope, but there will never come a period when there will be no Charity. When the time comes for us to sweep through the gates of that Celestial City, faith will turn to knowledge, there will be no faith in heaven, in Jesus our Saviour; for our salvation will have already been accomplished. There will be no hope in heaven for life through Christ. We will have already attained to life. Hope is made up of two elements, desire and expectation. We must desire and expect salvation in order to have a hope of it. We now desire and expect salvation through Christ and therefore we have hope of it. In heaven there will be no desire, no expectation, therefore there will be no hope. We will have already been saved, and in heaven there will be nothing to hope for. But "charity never faileth." On entering heaven we shall see the end of faith and hope, but charity (as

other name for love) never faileth. Charity is practiced on earth and in heaven, in time and eternity. When we enter heaven we leave faith and hope behind, but we carry with us. And in summing up the virtues of Pythianism I can use Paul's language and say: "The greatest of these is Charity."

Many object to the Order because its members often fall to live up to their obligations, but Church members do that also, and it is no fault of the church, neither is it any fault of the principles of this Order for men to fail to live up to them.

When the hand of affliction falls upon you, and you lie in bed writheing under the blow, the members of this Order visit you and make you as comfortable as it is possible for them to do. The lodge pays a weekly sick benefit to those who are unable to attend to their business. And should the sickness terminate fatally the members follow you in solemn procession to your last resting place and perform the last sad rites of the Order, then they turn to the stricken widow and give her never less than twenty-five dollars, to assist in paying the funeral expenses, and if necessary they pay it all. There is also an insurance feature attached to the lodge which gives a man the privilege of carrying a policy on his life. Are these principles good or bad? Decide that for yourselves.

One thing I wish to say now. You can tell by what I have said that I think that this Order is a good one, and it is for the purpose for which it was intended to serve. I fear that some think to be a Knight is to be good enough in the sight of God. Brothers, that is a mistake. Do not deceive yourselves in that way. The Church is the only Divine Institution. It is for our salvation. This order is moral in every respect, but morality and Christianity are different things. We cannot be saved by morality; and that is all that is taught in the Order. It is moral, not religious. Never base your hopes of eternal life upon what you get out of this Order. For there is no saving power in it. Early friends can help to make this life pleasant for us, but at death our friendship terminates. Our friends can follow us to the brink of the river, we have to go on, and they remain here to be followed by others. An early brother can walk through life with you. The gate of death is so narrow we must all pass through, and yet so wide we must all pass through one at a time. There is a Friend that can walk through life with us and not part with us at death. He is the "Friend that sticheth closer than a brother." "Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil, for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me." I would point you to that One in whose merit alone you can hope for eternal life and to one of that Celestial Brotherhood, whose merit the place will be the New Jerusalem, the eternal city of the Great King.

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**NO BARGAIN DAYS.**

Even stores that have "one price" find it expedient to set apart "bargain days," in order to attract customers who are never satisfied unless they are buying goods a little under regular price. Harper's Bazaar tells of a woman who tried to beat down Uncle Sam's postoffice:

"How many stamps do you sell for a quarter?" she said to the stamp clerk at the postoffice.

"Twenty-five one cent ones, or twelve two-cent ones, ma'am."

"Don't you give back the one cent change?"

"Certainly."

"Are they the Columbian stamps or the old kind?"

"I can give you either."

"The Government receives them the same as new ones? Payment of postage, and many people prefer them."

"But their color doesn't match some styles of envelopes."

"I can't help that."

"Couldn't you sell me a dozen of old two-cent ones for fifteen cents?"

"No, ma'am."

"No, ma'am."

"No, ma'am."

"But that's bargain day in the stores."

"Possibly, but not at the postoffice."

"When is your bargain day?"

"We don't have any."

"Not have any bargain day? Well, I never! And my husband told me the postoffice was run on business principles."

**NOT MUCH CHANCE.**

The visitor came into the office of a country paper, in a distillery district of Kentucky, with a notice in his hand.

"Not more, I reckon, than I want you to put in," responded the editor with editorial earnestness not unusual on such occasions. "What is it?"

"Some fellow in Missouri sends it to me. He wants to exchange a farm he owns here for whisky."

"Well, of course," sighed the editor, "we'll print it, but it won't do any good. We have too many people right here around us who are trying to exchange their farms for whisky, and on the installment plan, too."—Detroit Free Press.

Castleton—Is it true that Miss Wiberly referred to as an 'agoutie' 'Clubberty'—She said you didn't know anything.

"O, doctor, how do you do? You look killing this evening." Thank you, but I'm not; I'm off duty, you know."

**AS IT IMPRESSED UNCLE ZEK.**

"What's that box o' things for?" inquired Uncle Zeke looking down into the showcase.

"That's a manicure set," answered the shop girl.

"A what?"

"Manicure set. Its for the nails you know."

"Nails? Is there a hammer goes with it?"

"No, no. It's for the finger nails."

"Finger nails?"

"Yes. Trimming them, and cleaning them and in shape."

"Is that what all them tools is for?"

"Yes."

"What might the outfit be worth?"

"Three dollars and seventy-five cents."

"Ever sell any of 'em?"

"Often."

"Ain't used for nothing else?"

"No."

"An' you git \$3.75 for 'em?"

"Yes."

"Gosh!" exclaimed Uncle Zeke, strolling on to the next aisle in the department store, "wouldn't some folks do for a livin' if it wasn't for the blamed fools."

**ABOUT WOMEN.**

Mrs. Kate Douglas Wiggin, the well-known author, was married, March 30, to Mr. George Christopher Riggs, of New York city, at All Souls' Unitarian Church. About one hundred persons, among them many literary people, signed the marriage register.

Miss Mace King, of Allentown, Kan., has been appointed Register of Deeds, to fill out the unexpired term of her father, who died recently. Miss King has been her father's assistant in the office and is well qualified for the position.

Mrs. Maude Howe Elliot writes from Rome that among the many well-known Americans who have visited that city this winter, no one has received so much attention as Mrs. Potter Palmer, whose all delight to honor for the co-workers accomplished with her co-workers at the Chicago World's Fair. A private interview with the Queen was among the pleasantest of Mrs. Palmer's experiences. The Queen expressed great interest in the work which women had done at the World's Fair, and proved herself well informed as to the musical and artistic development of America.

Boston women in 1887 established a Marine Biological Laboratory at Annisquam. Afterwards it was decided to establish another one at Woods' Hole, and during the winter of 1887-88 these same Boston women were instrumental in organizing a lecture course in aid of that laboratory. They were eminently successful, and in June, 1888, the Marine Biological Association opened its doors to students. The work of women, the Woods' Hole Biological Laboratory, has been of paramount importance to science.—Woman's Journal.

**GRAINS OF GOLD.**

Six feet safe as long as it can hide its head.

Never waste any time in delating with a doubt.

A sad consequence is the hypocrite's favorite mask.

The pleasures of sin are only pleasures for a season.

It is a waste of breath to talk any louder than we live.

Danger is none the less real because it happens to be far off.

A gentleman never makes the recording angel a good slave.

The man who lives a solitary life will die a stranger to himself.

No man is fit for heaven who wants somebody else kept out.

A slanderer's whisper can be heard farther than a clap of thunder.

If you would walk straight yourself don't walk another man's feet.

An extravagant man loves to lecture his wife on the beauty of economy.

Duty is carrying on promptly and faithfully the affairs now before you. It is to fulfill the claims of to-day.

We should often be ashamed of our best acting if the world were witness to the motives which impelled us.

Great mischiefs happen more often from folly, meanness and vanity than from the greater sins of avarice and ambition.

**IT IS WELL TO REMEMBER.**

That an old tin makes much better than a new one.

That apples need washing and wiping before using for any purpose.

That rubbers once used should be thrown away; new ones used every time will insure perfectly clean fruit.

That baking fish should not be scored, but washed, after rinsing, in scalding water, rinsed in clear hot water, and dried on the rack of the range.

That a tin funnel made to fit pint and quart jars is a great convenience in filling the jars at canning time; saves burnt fingers, temper, and is a useful thing to hang in the kitchen.

That a stale loaf of bread can be freshened by putting into a baking tin, covering with another tin and baking at 30 minutes, according to heat and size of loaf. This wrap in a cloth until cold. Cakes can be freshened in the same way.

That the best time to clean fruit jars is just as soon as they are emptied, washing in warm soda and rinsing in clear hot water and standing them top down, to drain—insuring a clean jar when needed. Place the cover inside the jar, not on it, if you wish to prevent the jar from having a musty flavor.

The new woman seems to be pushing man around to the best tray.

What is there besides luck that amounts to anything in cards? A good deal.