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Municipal Affairs.

Mayor Pingree, of Detroit, has achieved a national reputation, through his battle for the peoples rights as against private corporations which had street franchises in that city. His name has been prominently mentioned for Senator from Michigan, but he prefers to remain in his present position of Mayor until the reforms he has started are fully carried out. After that the people of Michigan may need him to give his talents to the larger field of State and National reforms. Would that many other cities had Pingrees for Mayors.

MAYOR PINGREE'S MESSAGE.

His Seventh Annual Communication to the City Council, is before us: His first efforts in the line of cheapening charges the people have to pay were directed against an Electric Light octopus, a private company which held the city in its grasp, and were getting \$175 per light. The City now owns her own street lights and although at quite a distance from the coal beds the price per lamp will not be over one third what it was when the Brush Company held the franchise.

ELECTRIC STREET RAILWAYS.

Mayor Pingree next directed his attention to the street railways of Detroit which were reaping vast fortunes out of the franchises, virtually given away by the City. The people by this time had become so well satisfied with their Mayor that when called upon to vote they voted four to one in favor of City ownership of the street railways. That battle is still on.

FREE WATER.

He next proposes to wipe out the Water Works Trustees. Support water works by taxation and furnish water free to every inhabitant of the city. We are waiting with much interest to see what the outcome will be.

TELEPHONES.

He also proposes to compel the telephone Companies to reduce their charges, which are now simply extortionate. He can do this by getting legislation which will enable the City Council to regulate the charges. This will transfer the contest to the polls and the people can then elect good and true men who will fix rates which will be just to the Companies and at the same time protect the people.

COLUMBUS.

Our State Capital has been lighted by a private company, and as the franchise of the Company is about expiring, the City proposes hereafter to do her own lighting and have a bill pending in the legislature to give them the authority to issue \$100,000 of bonds to put up power house and modern electric light plant.

There are now over 200 cities in the Country which own their own electric lighting plants and the number is rapidly increasing. The verdict on all sides being that the city can do its own lighting cheaper and at the same time more satisfactorily to the citizens than a private Company.

Reminiscences.

When I first knew George Benedict he kept a store on Ohio street, just below Fourth. He was afterwards Treasurer of the County and served in that capacity a number of terms. In later years he kept a store on Front street. He is now, I believe, living somewhere in the East.

George M. Woodbridge is another of our old citizens. In my early days Mr. Woodbridge was, without doubt, the finest public speaker I ever heard. At a meeting held in Stanleyville during the war, he entranced everyone who heard him. Dudley Woodbridge, the father of George, kept a store on the corner of Ohio street, known as the "Boiler Corner." He was singular in his business ways. He would sell a pound of sugar as cheap as a hoghead, claiming that the poor man was entitled to as low prices as the rich. David Racer clerked for Mr. Woodbridge a number of years.

J. E. Hall did business on Ohio street when I first knew him. In the Spring the levee and street from Second to Third would be covered with sugar, coffee and molasses, which was sold as far in the interior as Perryopolis and Carlisle, in Monroe county. He owned the wharf-boat a number of years and was finally succeeded by Jno. Barke.

Ohio Republican League.

The Annual Convention will be held at Board of Trade Building, Columbus, on Wednesday February 12. The banquet will be at the Chittenden Hotel same evening.

Washington County is entitled to ten delegates. Tickets to banquet \$5 each. Those desiring tickets should write at once to Hon. O. M. Evans, Chairman, Columbus, O.

IN THE OIL FIELDS.

The Dye-Roeser well on Grosskloss near Stanleyville was shot yesterday forenoon. It was expected to be put to pumping last night and the exact capacity will soon be known.

Obe Clark, a prominent Pittsburg oil operator, and several Marietta oil men have leased the Carrol and Lee farms in the Cairo oil fields and have located several wells, operations upon one of which will begin as soon as the material arrives. It is located about a quarter of a mile north of the present oil field and is in a line with the other producing wells. The owners are experienced oil men and are very hopeful of a good well.—Journal.

MONROE COUNTY.

The only arrival of importance in our local fields was Amos No. 2, which started off at a 200 barrel gait and seems to be a stayer. The well on the Booth farm is down some 500 feet and going ahead a "siftin'." The Bazel Dye well is also pretty deep and will be drilled in in a few days.

The latest news from Columbus is, that in the case of Auditor vs. Jones, in regard to taxing oil and gas leases, the supreme court has affirmed the opinion of the circuit court; in declaring that no taxable interest was passed in the oil leases. This defeats the auditor and removes the hope of revenue from that source.—Spirit.

SISTERSVILLE, Feb. 7.—Judging from the line of big gassers that have been drilled in in this county we have a fine gas belt about 15 miles long and several miles wide. We hope to see this gas utilized by manufacturing establishment soon.

It was reported in town that the well on the Forney farm had been drilled deeper into the sand and was making some oil, but we could not get any one who had been near the well to confirm the report and it is not generally believed to be true. This well is located a short distance south of Pursley post office.

As soon as the weather settles and roads dry up a company from Wheeling will drill a test well on the Doctor Clark farm, a short distance west of the Reuben Martin well about five miles east of town.

The hill across the river back of the Phila farm so long considered dry territory is now being plugged full of holes and about half a dozen wells are being drilled there now.

Next Monday is the usual monthly pay day in the oil fields here. Several hundred thousand dollars will be paid out here on that day.

Lawrence & Work's well on the Swanaeker farm on Broad Run back of St. Marys reached the sand yesterday and is showing for a fair producer.

THE STROUD RUN WELL.

A large number of interested oil speculators and citizens who had never seen an oil well shot, went over to the well on Stroud's Run Saturday, as the operators anticipated shooting it at that time. The glycerine did not arrive and the crowd came back much disgusted as if a "daster" had been found.

Everything was in readiness Monday morning and the well was shot in the presence of a large number of spectators. A few seconds after the explosion occurred, a stream of solid oil shot forth, rising several feet above the derrick, a grand sight to the uninterested and a magnificent spectacle to the stockholders. There being no gas, the volume of oil soon died down and the well will have to be pumped. The oil is pronounced as being of the best quality, in fact a much better oil than that found in the Cornish field. The well will produce from 15 to 20 barrels a day. The arrangements are fast being completed to pump and tank the oil.

The most gratifying part of this experiment test well is that it has proven beyond a reasonable doubt, that there is an oil field around about Athens, and while it may cost a great deal of money to fully develop the field, capitalist are now fully assured that it will not be idle speculation to put money into the business.—Athens Messenger.

their impudence.

Certain young Indian gentlemen who are pursuing the study of the law in London were invited by the master of the Temple to pass an evening at his house. The time fixed for the assembling of the interesting party arrived, but nobody came. When nearly an hour had passed in fruitless waiting the master's lady rang for the maid—a new one, as it happened, not yet quite accustomed to the ways of the house. She entered in a state of considerable excitement. "Have none of the gentlemen arrived?" asked her mistress. "No," answered the domestic, "but a lot of impudent nigger minstrels has been a-ringin' at the bell, and I have been a-drivin' 'em away, mum!"

The Consolidation Can Not Be Made.

CHICAGO, Feb. 7.—Attorney General Moloney Friday declared in an exhaustive legal opening that the proposed consolidation of the Chicago gas companies comprising the trust, can not be made under the laws of Illinois, as he construes them.

ARKANSAS has a big immigrant boom, and it may be that the state will get several thousand settlers this year.

The U. S. Gov't Reports show Royal Eaking Powder superior to all others.

A DISASTER.

An Old Bridge at Bristol, Ct., Gives Way.

A Number of Workmen Thrown Into the Pequabuck River.

From Ten to Twelve of Them Are Probably Drowned.—The Bridge Had Been Found to Be Shaky—One side of the Structure Gave Way to the Current.

BRISTOL, Ct., Feb. 7.—A most appalling disaster occurred here shortly after 9 o'clock Thursday night, in which 20 workmen were precipitated into Pequabuck river from the East Bristol bridge, and from ten to twelve of them are probably lost.

The structure was found to be shaky and the 4:32 train on the New England road had a narrow escape from wreck as it crossed on the way to Hartford. For some time the bridge had been looked upon with suspicion and at the present time a new bridge was in process of erection and was almost completed. It was close alongside the bridge which was then carried away. After the eastbound passenger train had passed Thursday night one side of the old bridge gave way to the current and with a crash went boiling down stream. The managers of the road immediately dispatched a wrecking train from Hartford which arrived on the Forestville side of the Pequabuck river. There were forty men on the train all of whom had come from Hartford. They were immediately set to work to make the bridge passable and work was progressing satisfactorily by the aid of lanterns up to nine o'clock. To facilitate the work half of the men were located on the remaining portion of the old structure. At nine o'clock they were passing iron girders to another gang of men on the new bridge. The waters of the Pequabuck had been continually rising since morning and at nine o'clock were higher than ever known. The water had risen two or three feet since the first crash at five o'clock, and the remainder of the bridge was really tottering while the men were courageously standing upon it. The outer end suddenly sank with a crash, with its human freight, and was carried off in the boiling current. The cries of the men, the creaking of timber and the falling of iron work made a combined noise which was heard half a mile away.

ASEPTOLIN.

Dr. Cyrus Edson Makes Known to the World His Consumption Cure—But Two Cases in Over Two Hundred Died.

NEW YORK, Feb. 7.—Dr. Cyrus Edson, of 9 West Forty-ninth street, has discovered what he and eminent physicians claim to have proved to be a cure for consumption. The Medical Record, the most important and conservative medical periodical in the United States, edited by Dr. George F. Shrad, announces Friday the complete and marvelous success of a remedy for tuberculosis, discovered by Dr. Edson and tested and experimented with by a score of the best known physicians in and about New York.

The Medical Record publishes Friday the statements of Henry A. Mott, Ph. D., LL.D.; Dr. John H. Ripley, Dr. R. P. Lincoln and Dr. E. N. Brandt, all of New York city, and Dr. Lewis Babch, of Albany, N. Y. All of these physicians are of the very highest standing and all of them have most carefully investigated the merit of Dr. Edson's remedy. Two hundred and eighteen cases have been formally reported upon by physicians, besides those treated by Dr. Edson himself.

Twenty-three of these patients have been discharged cured. Sixty-eight are so far along toward complete recovery that the attending physicians announce a belief in the certainty of cure. Ninety-one show marked improvement, but have not yet been under treatment long enough for the doctors to feel positive of coming recovery. Three have resisted the remedy entirely. One died under the treatment. The new remedy is called aseptolin. It was discovered by Dr. Edson while he was studying phenol. The fluid is injected into the body of the patient hypodermically.

AGAINST PRIZE FIGHTS.

The Bill Passes the Senate and Goes to the President for His Signature.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The bill to prevent prize fighting in the territories, which was passed by the senate Thursday without division, was that passed Wednesday by the house. It now goes to the president. The text of the bill is as follows:

Be it enacted, that any person who, in any of the territories of the District of Columbia, shall voluntarily engage in a pugilistic encounter between man and man, or a fight between a man and a bull or any other animal for money or for other thing of value, or for any championship, or upon the result of which any money or anything of value is bet or wagered, or to see which any admission fee is charged, either directly or indirectly, shall be deemed guilty of a felony and upon conviction shall be punished by imprisonment in the penitentiary not less than one nor more than five years.

Sec. 2.—By the term "pugilistic encounter," as used in this bill, is meant any voluntary fight by blows, by means of fists or otherwise, whether with or without gloves, between two or more men for money or for a prize of any character or for any other thing of value, or for any championship, or upon the result of which any money or anything of value is bet or wagered, or to see which any admission fee is charged either directly or indirectly.

The Shipment of Konyon's Remains. BERLIN, Feb. 7.—Arrangements have been completed for the shipment of the body of the late United States Ambassador Theodore Ruyon to America on board the steamer Havel, which will sail from Bremen for New York next Tuesday. Mr. Haskins, son-in-law of Mr. Ruyon, will accompany the body.

Bridges Swept Away. SOMERVILLE, N. J., Feb. 7.—The storm has raised the Raritan river 25 feet. Bridges are being swept away, railroads washed out and a large amount of property destroyed.

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A Dog That Kept a Flock Together for Two Years.

A dog in New Mexico, returning one evening with his sheep to the fold, discovered that his master was still in his shanty and kept very quiet, says the Christian at Work. The next evening it was the same. But after penning up the sheep the dog smelt about the door, scratched, barked, and even howled, as he was getting very hungry. But his master did not move. The dog, true to his appointed duty, went out with the sheep on the third day, but that night when he drove the flock into their pen, the last one to attempt to get in became the victim of the dog's appetite. This method of providing for his own wants became a part of the faithful dog's daily duty. Every evening the last sheep to try to enter the fold was seized by him and served for supper, and breakfast, and dinner the following day. The ranch to which the dog belonged was in a solitary part of the territory, and out of the track of travel or visitation.

For two years from the time of the master's death, as ascertained by data left by the latter, the faithful dog attended the flock committed to his charge, and had fresh mutton for his supper every night. The flock was not decimated by this steady drain upon its resources. On the contrary, it increased in numbers, and when, at the end of two years from the time of the death of the proprietor, the ranch was visited and the remains of the owner were found, the dog was still at his post of duty, jealously guarding his flock and driving them to the best pastures every day and to the fold at night, before which he slept to keep the wild sheep-eaters of the plains at a safe distance.

GOV. TOM JOHNSON.

A Stubborn Patriot to Whom This Country Oves a Great Debt.

In a storied burial-ground in Frederick, "in his narrow bed," sleeps one whose name never fails to stir the heart of the old Marylander with lively emotions of admiration and affection—Gov. Tom Johnson, that audacious and stubborn patriot, of whom John Adams said that he was one of four citizens of Maryland and Virginia "without whom there would have been no revolution;" although, in affected scorn of him, a British officer, writing to his people at home, had assured them "there is no need to be alarmed by all this noise in the colonies, which is mainly made by a boy named Tom Johnson." "That pestilent rebel" of the British war office, writes John Williamson Palmer in Century, was the trusty, loving friend of Washington, whom he nominated to be commander-in-chief of all the armies of the united colonies; member of the first congress, and of the convention which adopted the constitution of the United States; first governor of Maryland, and an associate justice of the supreme court; and he was twice urged to accept the portfolio of secretary of state. He was in his day the first citizen of Maryland, and in all the colonies the revolution disclosed no wiser, stronger, sweeter character than his who joined the fortitude of the warrior with the foresight of the statesman in the temperament of an eager, dauntless boy.

TOLEDO, O., Feb. 7.—The trial of the blacklist case of Wm. Mattison against the Lake Shore railway for \$10,000 damages was finished Thursday by the jury disagreeing. Mattison has retained eminent counsel and will push the case to a new trial. The suit is an outcome of the A. R. U. strike.

A Close Contest Ended.

MARTIN'S FERRY, O., Feb. 7.—T. J. Irwin, of Martin's Ferry, has been re-elected great chief of records, of the Improved Red Men of Ohio. The returns show that Irwin received 319 votes to 313 for E. J. Hesson.

Mrs. Anna Gage, wife of Ex-Deputy U. S. Marshal, Columbus, Kan., says:



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Facts.

All should know. The unnecessary fuel consumed in cast stoves, and food spoiled by imperfect baking, added together every two years, are equal in value to all the stoves and ranges in the United States. Yet housekeepers say "I have a good stove now, but will buy a

Majestic Steel Range

later." Many keep steadily on consuming extra fuel, putting up with imperfect baking and only partly heating water, when they could save money by buying a MAJESTIC and throwing their old stove out of doors.

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