

The Times' Daily Short Story.

THE STRANGER AND THE FORESTER'S DAUGHTER

One evening a man was traveling through the celebrated Black forest in Germany when, his horse falling lame, he was not able to reach the city...

WASHINGTON CHITCHAT

Gossip About Public Men at the National Capital.

GALLINGER AS A PHYSICIAN.

New Hampshire Senator Shows His Skill In Reviving a Capitol Policeman—What a Colleague Said When He Neglected to Collect His Fee.

Senator Jacob H. Gallinger of New Hampshire was recently afforded an opportunity to demonstrate that his usefulness as a member of the medical profession had not entirely vanished...

When his patient no longer required his services, the doctor became highly unprofessional in neglecting to ask for his fee. A colleague present remarked, "It is no wonder that Gallinger went into politics if that is the way he did business when he practiced medicine."

This bit of poetry, printed by a typewriter on a slip of paper, found its way into the senate the other day and was passed around from senator to senator:

Mother, may I go out to swim? Yes, my darling daughter. But don't go near Steel common stock. For it's terribly full of water.

A privileged motion was introduced in the house providing for the employment of a laborer in the bathroom, says the New York Tribune. It was explained that his employment was "essential to the organization of the house."

Necessary to the comfort of the house would better express it," remarked Uncle Joe Cannon, who was in the chair, in an undertone.

Senator Shelby M. Cullom of Illinois has a tiny granddaughter of whom he is very fond, says the New York World. He recently told in the senate cloakroom how the little girl came to her mother a few days ago and said:

"Mamma, the man who takes away our ashes is awfully religious." "Why, dear?" the mother asked. "Because when he put the ashes in the cart today and the mule wouldn't go he sat there and told the mule all about a lot of religious things."

Opposite the capitol is the Bliss building, where the industrial commission held sessions for a year or more, and a fair mile away, opposite the interior department, is the civil service commission, where bask the official upholders of the fitness in the classified service.

The Hon. William Sulzer had pulled out all the stops and was gorgeously speaking on Cuba the other day. "Cuba is the land of perpetual bowers," he said, "of stately royal palms, the Bohemia of the dreamer, generous in tropical fruits, the home for the painter and for the poet, the paradise of the islands of the sea—one long, harmonious, brilliant, indescribable mental melody."

He stopped for breath. "Hey, Bill!" whispered Representative Ruppert. "Better roll another pill or you can't keep it up."

A Potato Toe Shoe. One of the new style shoes has what is called the potato toe. This is broad, tapering just at the end like the vegetable from which it gets its name. It is not as becoming to the foot as some styles but it is smart.

CLUB FOR LONELY WOMEN.

Plan of Ravenswood (Ill.) Ladies to Cheer Sisters Tied to Homes. A club for those women in Ravenswood, Ill., who, while provided with the necessities of life, through being tied down to home and the lack of acquaintances have little opportunity for social pleasures is contemplated seriously by their neighbors, who already have a well established organization, says the Chicago Record-Herald.

Pinning up poverty in the north shore community, the members of the Ravenswood Women's club sought some way in which their organization could do good. It was found that many women in the vicinity were in need of companionship, something to widen their horizon, hitherto confined to the narrow limitations of home. These it is planned to benefit in every way possible.

The subject was discussed at length at a recent meeting of the Women's club held in the clubhouse. It is proposed to allow the new club the use of the Ravenswood club's rooms at specified times and to repeat the programmes of the older organization for the benefit of the women who are beginning their club life.

The idea originated from remarks by Mrs. John McAliff, who said: "I know two or three women in Ravenswood who are not starving for material things, but yet have not enough money to secure anything beyond a bare existence. They are lonely. They are suffering for companionship and sympathy. You have heard the story of the old lady who, when given a Thanksgiving dinner in a basket, sat down and cried, saying, 'It wasn't food I wanted, but folks!'"

Mrs. Mary M. Betts, president of the Ravenswood Women's club, addressed the chair and said, "I make a motion that a club among these women be formed by our club and that we mother it, send speakers to it and see if we can't help it."

"I am not fond of this mothering business," declared Mrs. Irving Washington. "It does not show the right democratic spirit. I don't propose to mother it any more than to originate it. We want a club here where lonely women can come. We want it to be a club where the women can bring with them the child or even a dozen children who cannot be left at home alone."

The motion was modified to provide for the appointment of a committee of five to investigate and report plans and was carried.

ROAST SWAN THE LATEST.

Served at London Banquet to Accompaniment of Lohengrin's Song. Roast swan is the latest innovation in the culinary art to tickle the palates of London gourmets, says the New York Herald. A well known restaurant introduced young swan at a recent banquet at which Lord George Hamilton was a guest.

The swan, about a year old, had been brought from Norwich, where it had been specially fattened with maize. It was served roasted and basted on a spit in front of the open fire. No feathers were served with the bird, but by an ingenious device a part of the gracefulness of the live bird was produced, a stout wire supporting the head and neck in their natural curve.

The swan song from "Lohengrin" was played by the orchestra as the bird was carried triumphantly to the table. It is said that the flesh, which is rather dark, has much the appearance and flavor of venison. Birds six months old are said to be the best for the table. When more mature they are apt to be tough.

A VIEW OF AN IDEAL PASTOR.

One to Succeed Must Be Blond and Blue Eyed, Says Chicago Divise. "The pastor with faxen hair neatly parted in the middle, blue eyes and a peachlike complexion, attire up to date and personality attractive and popular with the ladies is the ideal and successful minister, according to the fashionable churchgoers of today," declared the Rev. J. E. Taltor before the Congregational ministers in Chicago the other day.

"It matters not if the man is a deep thinker and one who has made deep research into Bible study. If he is not attractive he cannot influence the members of his flock, and his usefulness is gone."

"If the congregations of this decade persist in their hobby of desiring a foppish minister the old time pastor who has been useful in years gone by had better look for another occupation."

Confederate Veteran Murdered. San Francisco, Nov. 27.—The police have not yet succeeded in arresting Alexander Garnett, who shot down Major J. W. McClung while defending Mrs. Lillie H. Colt from a murderous attack by Garnett. Garnett is a remote cousin of Mrs. Colt and over fifty years of age. He is a native of Virginia and fought through the civil war in the Confederate army. Major McClung, whom he shot and who is now believed to be in a dying condition, also served in the Confederate army during the war. Garnett has been on the coast for the last twenty-five years and has been engaged in mining.

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NEW USE FOR FOOTBALL.

Yale Instructor Applies the Sport to Greek Verse.

JAMES WITH HARVARD THE TOPIC.

Dr. H. B. Wright's Theory is That Football Arouses the Same Enthusiasm in Modern Youth That Events Described in the "Iliad" and "Odyssey" Inspired in Men of Other Days—Hearty Response Made to His Plan.

Football and the classics are being combined in the course of Greek at Yale, says a New Haven dispatch to the Philadelphia Press. Nearly a hundred poems recently written in Homeric verse on the subject of the Yale-Harvard football game were presented by members of Dr. H. B. Wright's Greek classes.

The poems are closely modeled on the "Iliad" and special attention to the use of Homeric epithet was required of the students. Instead, however, of references to "swift footed Achilles" and "Ajax, who bore his shield like a tower," it was "Roraback with his back sloped like a mountain" and "long headed, red headed Rockwell."

The poems were the result of a plan of Dr. H. B. Wright, instructor in Greek, to arouse the interest of the students and to familiarize them with the construction of the epic verse. His theory is that the game of football arouses the same feeling of intense enthusiasm in the modern youth that the events described in the "Iliad" and the "Odyssey" inspired in the men of former times.

Accordingly he made an offer of extra credit to members of his classes who would present poems along the lines laid down. The general and enthusiastic response, he says, confirms him in his theory.

The offer was made after he had tried vainly to interest his classes in Greek. The language and lofty sentiments of Homer had no effect on the majority of the students, who seemed unable to get the spirit of the poetry. In trying to find a contemporaneous example of the feeling which inspired part of the world's greatest literature he thought of the game of football.

"Football is real and vivid to every one of these men," he said in explaining his idea. "It arouses the same intense admiration that is manifest in Homer, Bafferty, Hogan and Sherwin occupying positions almost like demigods of old in the estimation of the undergraduates. They are not unflattering subjects for heroic poetry; they have many of the qualifications—strength, courage, daring and brains. The battle is one in which the strong of body, the quick of eye and the swift of foot will triumph. The poetry which I have read is very satisfactory and shows that the men have caught the spirit I desired. Many of the epithets are truly Homeric."

The following is a part of one of the poems handed in: This is the noble array which Bafferty, mighty in battle, Led to the glorious conflict, under the bonny blue banner: Farmer, the mighty line sifter, low smashing, firm as a mountain, Guarded the center back field; Metcalf, the speedy, stood next him. Holding the line at his right hand, and Mitchell stood hard by his left hand.

Sherwin, whom Hermes, they say, had given his wonderful sandals, Guarded the far right wing, strong in offense or defensive; there, close behind Roraback, center, Whom Bloomer, the mighty line smasher, and Batschelder, strong as a bullock, Aided on either side.

PASSES FOR HEAVEN.

Dr. Dowie Claims His Influence Will Open Gates to Worthiness. The right to issue free passes to heaven to those he may recommend was claimed by John Alexander Dowie in his address at Zion City the other afternoon, says the Chicago Record-Herald. The speaker dwelt at length on his claim of being sent to command the world. He said: "It matters not what people say of me, but it does and will matter what I say of them at the day of judgment. A man's power in heaven is to be measured by his work on earth, and as mine is one of the greatest my word at the judgment day will be worth something. It will count much what I recommend."

An India Rubber Man.

As the Bordeaux-Nantes express was approaching Bellevue-sur-Vie, France, recently at a speed of over forty miles an hour the engine driver fell from the cab. The stoker stopped the train, fully expecting to find his comrade dead on the line, but was astonished to see him running after the train without a scratch, says the New York World. He climbed in again and drove the train to Nantes.

YALE STUDENT A JUNKMAN

A Relative of J. P. Morgan Pays Novel Football Bet. George Green Coddige, member of the class of 1904, Sheffield Scientific school, Yale university, who hails from East Orange, N. J., where his father, a cousin of J. Pierpont Morgan, is a wealthy business man, recently took out a license at police headquarters to buy, sell and peddle junk, rags and old bottles in a pushcart, says a New Haven special dispatch to the New York World.

Coddige, who refused to state his reasons, also took out a bootblack's license for his friend and classmate, F. E. Johnson, Jr., also of East Orange. Coddige was not at the fashionable St. Elmo clubhouse when a reporter called. Johnson declared that he knew nothing about the bootblack's license. He said that he and Coddige had a wager on the Harvard-Yale football game, Coddige betting that Harvard would score. If she did not he agreed to purchase a pushcart license at a cost of \$2.

"Coddige evidently intended to turf the joke on me by getting me a license to black boots," declared Johnson. "Really you don't believe a cousin of J. Pierpont Morgan is going to peddle junk, do you? It's simply a bet."

But the fun of the joke is that the holder of a junk license under the law must make a weekly report to police headquarters of all his purchases and business, whether he does any or not. The prospect of making a weekly trip to police headquarters is more than Coddige bargained for.

"Don't forget to say that Coddige is a strong candidate for best dressed man of the class," said one of his classmates to the reporter at the St. Elmo club. "Don't fail to mention that he is the only man who ever took four girls to the Yale Junior promenade."

Chief of Police Wrinan of New Haven was asked if Coddige would be compelled to make a report to his office of all his dealings in junk and secondhand articles. "Certainly, yes," was the reply. "This young man has seen fit to lunch out as a junk dealer. Why should we bend the law to suit his purpose? We shall require a strict accounting of all business done."

When Coddige heard of this he was so worked up that he paid a visit to Chief Wrinan at police headquarters and asked to have his license revoked. "No, sir," promptly declared the chief. "That license was issued for one year, sir. You fellows can't make a monkey of me. You may come here weekly and report until further notice."

FIVE THOUSAND BOYS DINE.

At the Expense of Man Who Sold Papers in His Youth. Chicago, Nov. 27.—Seventy-eight of Isaac Woolf's employees took care of 5,000 newsboys and fed the youths as they were never fed before.

Each year has increased the number of boys at the Thanksgiving dinner given by Mr. Woolf, and this season, for the twenty-first feast, the First regiment armory was engaged. It was here that 3,500 visitors had almost as much pleasure as the boys, while again and again the long tables were filled and emptied.

When the newsboys' plates were emptied they were filled again, and when they had eaten all they could their pockets were filled with fruit. At the door they were welcomed, and when they were through they were told if they could eat any more they could come in again.

The boys were served at twenty long tables, seating 1,000 persons. Mr. Woolf gives the annual dinner in memory of his own boyhood life as a newsboy in London, and in observance of a vow he made at that time. The dinner cost \$6,000, and the supplies included 250 turkeys, 250 large bunches of bananas and wagon loads of baked goods.

Demmler Tin Plant to Resume.

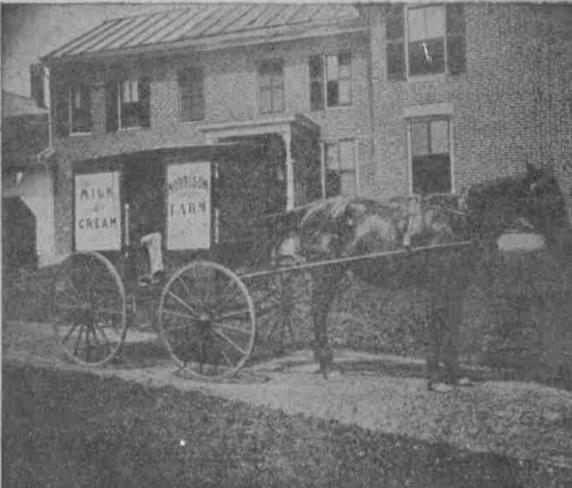
Pittsburg, Pa., Nov. 27.—Official notices have been posted at the Demmler mill of the American Tin Plate company to the effect that the entire plant will be started Sunday at midnight. The notices request all employees to meet at the mill Saturday morning at 10 o'clock. The company desires to know just how many of the old employees will accept the 20 per cent reduction recently proposed. The hot mills of the McKeesport Tin Plate company's plant at Port Vue will start next Monday. A reduction similar to that at the Demmler mills will be offered to the men and, it is said, will be accepted.

Hawaiian Officials Reappointed.

Honolulu, Nov. 27.—Governor Carter has reappointed Lorin Andrews attorney general, Ahatai T. Atkinson superintendent of public instruction and J. H. Fisher auditor of the territory. He has accepted the resignation of Edward S. Boyd, commissioner of public lands, and has appointed Assessor J. W. Platt land commissioner and C. S. Holloway superintendent of public works.

Earthquake in Illinois.

Chiro, Ill., Nov. 28.—A severe earthquake has been felt here. It continued for several minutes and was more pronounced than either of the shocks that were felt on the 4th of this month.



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