

THE ARGUS.

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Monday, June 15.

By getting control of the Mexican railroads the Mexican government discloses its policy of forestalling the lobby and abolishing the discriminating rebates.

Philadelphia Record: There is no denying the great popularity that is claimed for President Roosevelt by his admirers, but there is nothing more uncertain or transitory than popular favor. Henry Clay in his day was more popular than is President Roosevelt in this. So also was James G. Blaine; but neither of these popular idols could reach the presidency by a vote of the people.

It is conclusive that the name of the Protestant Episcopal church will not be changed this year, nor next year, nor for many years to come. Nearly all the dioceses of the Protestant Episcopal church have voted on the question and have signified marked disapproval of the proposition. About 2,000 ministers and 280,000 communicants have voted in the negative and 211 clergymen and 24,000 communicants have voted positively in the affirmative. The minority party will not cease agitating, but it will be a long time before it can make all the converts it needs.

A servant girls' union, recently formed at Holyoke, Mass., has passed these resolutions: "No Sunday night suppers will be prepared. No work will be done in the kitchen between 7:30 p. m. and 5:30 a. m.; no baby will be 'minded' between acts of ordinary housework; no children will be allowed in the kitchen; each girl shall have three nights out per week." The document goes on to assert that \$5 per week shall be the only rate of wages permitted, and that the front door must be available for the "company" of the "help," as well as an apartment more suitable than the kitchen to be used as a reception room.

The Supreme Court Disagreement.

Chicago Chronicle: The unpleasant disturbance in the state supreme court is to be regretted with sincerity by all good citizens who deplore any event which seems to belittle the administration of justice. The people will sustain Chief Justice Magruder and will have small charity for the element on the bench which made him the subject of its inopportune censure.

In fact, the people have already spoken. Wiping out and reversing a manufactured republican majority of 3,000 or 4,000 in the Fourth supreme judicial district and electing Guy C. Scott to the highest bench was a vigorous rebuke of the legislature which made the vicious gerrymander and of the four justices, including two democrats, who sustained the gerrymander against the wise and proper views of the chief justice.

The matter in dispute related to the action in the supreme court to set aside the legislative partial and sinister judicial reapportionment by which the Fourth judicial district was reconstructed for the purpose of securing the reelection of Justice Joseph N. Carter. The new deal had no other object. It was a scandalous proceeding and such was the judgment of the voters at the polls.

Justice Magruder held that the act of the legislature was unconstitutional and wrote an opinion to that effect, filing it in due order with the clerk of the court. It was published in substance and there is no doubt that this powerful judicial argument influenced to some extent the thoughtful, honest and conservative voters of the district.

In the meantime, it seems that the other justices were leisurely preparing an opinion sustaining the gerrymander, which they would have filed at some period after the election, when it would have ceased to be of the slightest value or public interest.

There is no appearance of facts to show that the chief justice acted prematurely or in any way but in accordance with usage and with the rules of courtesy prevailing between members of the same court. At any rate the chief justice is sustained in the supreme bar of public opinion in the Fourth district and his associates who censured him are kicking against the pricks.

It appears also that the censorious justices played a "snap game" in placing their censure on the record without Chief Justice Magruder's answer. He had heard of their proposed action and had prepared a minority opinion which should have gone on record with the majority

opinion. He was taken by surprise and cut off from his immediate opportunity to reply in the case. It will come later.

Judge Magruder is one of the ablest and most respectable jurists who have occupied the Illinois bench and his popularity will be demonstrated if he shall become a candidate for reelection in 1906 at the expiration of his present term.

The Merger in Church Matters.

Rev. Newell Dwight Hillis has studied the matter over and has come to the conclusion that the trust business may as well be applied to the churches of the community. Instead of running 167 different sects, business men and millionaires may acknowledge that a reform in this particular is urgently needed. Millions of money have been wasted in reduplicating religious plants. For instance, the doctor says that in a western town of 1,500 inhabitants there are nine feeble churches, and continues: "This is a crime against the town and a crime against men who are earning money. You people here ought to starve those people in that community into a sense of the indecency of such methods, and the business men here should stand out and say plainly what they think of it, no matter what criticisms are heaped upon them on account of their frankness."

The doctor believes that the spirit of the age is consolidation and that not until we recognize this fact shall we be prosperous and the religious idea based upon modern methods have full force. There are a good many very good people who will not agree with Dr. Hillis. While it is true that the competition among the denominations may cause more churches to be built than can be made prosperous financially, it is also true that this same competition produces results of benefit to the world that could not be secured by the stagnation that consolidation would engender.

Scandal Investigations.

Mr. Machen, who has been suspended from his office of superintendent of free delivery by Postmaster General Payne, will in all probability be reinstated after the storm blows over and something else occupies the public mind. He is said to have written order of some of the highest officials for some of his actions that are now called in question, and it would "hurt the party, you know," to expose too much rottenness. These scandals are never exposed by the party that perpetrates them. The star route frauds and the other Republican scandals were only uncovered because the Democrats controlled the house of representatives and thus had the power of investigation. The scandals of the Spanish war were but slightly uncovered, though investigations were undertaken and a general coat of whitewash was given for the sake of the party. If the investigations had been thorough, the facts would have staggered the country and brought disgrace upon many that are now holding high offices.

Startling Evidence

Fresh testimony in great quantity is constantly coming in, declaring Dr. King's New Discovery for consumption, coughs and colds to be unequalled. A recent expression from T. J. McFarland, Bentonsville, Va., serves as example. He writes: "I had bronchitis for three years and doctored all the time without being benefited. Then I began taking Dr. King's New Discovery, and a few bottles wholly cured me." Equally effective in curing all lung and throat troubles, consumption, pneumonia and grip. Guaranteed by Hartz & Ulmeyer, druggists. Trial bottles free; regular sizes, 50 cents and \$1.

Ladies Can Wear Shoes

one size smaller after using Allen's Foot-Ease, a powder to be shaken into the shoes. It makes tight or new shoes feel easy; gives instant relief to corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the age. Cures and prevents swollen feet, blisters, callous and sore spots. Allen's Foot-Ease is a certain cure for sweating, hot, aching feet. At all druggists and shoe stores, 25 cents. Trial package free by mail. Address Allen S. Olmstead, Le Roy, N. Y.

Sclerotic Rheumatism Cured.

L. Wagner, wholesale druggist, Richmond, Va., says: "I had a fearful attack of sclerotic rheumatism, was laid up almost two months; was fortunate enough to get Mystic Cure for Rheumatism. This cured me after doctor's prescriptions had failed to have any effect. I have also heard of fine results from others who have used it." Sold by Otto Grotjan, 1501 Second Avenue, Rock Island, Gust Schlegel & Son, 20 West Second Street, Davenport.

A Serious Mistake

E. C. DeWitt & Co. is the name of the firm that makes the genuine Witch Hazel Salve. DeWitt's is the Witch Hazel Salve that heals without leaving a scar. It is a serious mistake to use any other. DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve cures blind, bleeding, itching and protruding piles, burns, bruises, eczema and all skin diseases. Sold by Harper House pharmacy, A. J. Kieckhefer drug store, corner Seventh Avenue and Twenty-seventh street.

ROBBERY!

Kid-No-Olds have robbed kidney trouble of its danger and suffering. Try them; they are guaranteed.

T. H. THOMAS, Leading Druggist.

Educate Your Bowels With Cascarets—Cascarets cure constipation forever. 10c, 25c, 50c. C. Fall, druggists refund money.

DAILY SHORT STORY

The Grave in the Cellar.

(Original.)

Tom O'Neill was a fool and a mason. He had married Jenny Cone, the girl of his choice, before he had put by any ready money and since he could not always get work was not prosperous. There is an old saying, "A fool for lack and a poor man for children," and Tom certainly illustrated the last part of the adage.

One night after Tom and his family had gone to bed there came a rap at his door. On opening it he saw a man who looked more like a rag picker than anything else standing at the door. He asked Tom if he was not a mason. When Tom replied that he was the man asked him if he would do a job of work for him that night. Since there was nothing in the house for breakfast and the stranger agreed to pay him \$2 if he would work until morning, Tom agreed, whereupon, taking his tools, he went out with the man who after blindfolding him led him about in a tortuous course and into a small cellar, where he removed the bandage. The place was lighted by a candle.

"I want you to take up a portion of the cement floor and dig a grave," said the man.

Tom set to work, took up an oblong portion of the floor and dug a grave 6 feet by 2. Then the rag picker mounted a flight of steps, opened a door and shoved the end of a pine coffin shaped box through the opening. Tom took hold, and the two carried the box and lowered it into the grave.

A barrel of cement stood ready, with everything needful for mixing it. Tom was directed to lay the floor, smoothing it so that when the cement had become old no one would notice that the floor had been disturbed. Tom, who was suspicious that a murder had been committed, looked about him to discover something by which he might identify the cellar, though there was no probability of his ever coming into it again. There was absolutely nothing unusual in the place, and all Tom could do when the rag picker's back was turned was to make a cross on the newly laid cement with the sharp blade of his knife. When the job was finished the rag picker blindfolded Tom again and led him out of the cellar. After taking him over a winding course finally the rag picker said: "I am going to leave you now. Count 500, and when you have done so take off the bandage. If you remove it before you have made the count you will be a dead man. You will find on the ground something worth much more to you than the sum I agreed to pay you."

Tom counted 500, then, after considerable delay, removed his bandage. On the ground before him was a piece of paper on which was written in pencil:

"Always get at least a portion of your pay before doing work."

Ten years passed. Tom remembered the rag picker's advice and would have profited by it, but there was so little work to do that he was obliged to take his chances for pay. He was turned out of one house after another till he brought up in a deserted hotel on a lonely road. It was an autumn day when the family went there, and Jenny sat down on a stump and began to cry.

"Never mind, dear girl," said Tom cheerfully; "fools are usually cheerful under misfortune. It's darkest before day. Maybe something will turn up."

"Or down," added the wife, with a fresh burst of tears.

Tom, who was never idle when there was work to do, set about gathering the fallen wood lying about, which he carried into the cellar. After carrying in the first load he came out with a singular expression on his face and asked his wife for a small hand magnifying glass that his youngest boy had used for a plaything. The glass was given him, and he returned to the cellar. Presently he went upstairs and told his wife that they were in the house where he had helped make a burial.

Jenny was depressed anew at having to live over a corpse and declared that she would not go to bed that night till Tom had taken the horrid thing up and buried it in the wood. Tom, who was a patient fellow, first prepared a new burial place, then opened the grave in the cellar and after much difficulty (for Jenny could not be bought to help him) got the box, much rotted, out of its resting place and carried it part way up the steps to the cellar door. There it slipped away from him and fell with a crash to the floor, breaking to pieces.

Tom turned round, expecting to see a ghastly corpse, but instead saw several coils rolling over the floor. Seizing an ax, he completed the destruction of the box and found that it was full of gold pieces.

"Jenny," he cried, "come here. The coffin's broken, and the corpse is rolling about on the floor!"

Jenny gave a shriek, but a morbid fascination which impels people to look at awful sights led her to the cellar door, and the sunlight shooting through a small window showed her the shining gold.

Inquiry revealed to Tom that the house had once been habited by a rag picker who was suspected of being a miser. But the man was dead, and no one knew who he was or whether he had any relatives.

Tom bought the house and gradually replaced and enlarged the space it occupied. His wife and children were well dressed, and general prosperity reigned in the family. No one knows where Tom got his funds, and no one can find out, for he is his own banker, and his bank is a grave in his cellar.

F. A. MITCHEL.



First Asteroidian—Gee! you're caught a whooper this time, haven't you?

Second Asteroidian—Yep. But it ain't half as big as the one that got off my hook a little while ago!—Chicago Tribune.



"What sort of exercise would you advise me to take?"

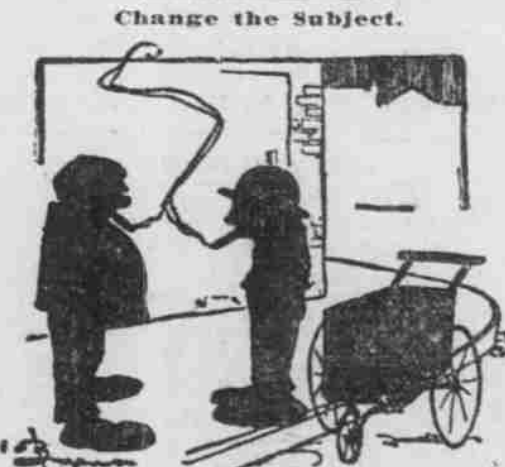
"Run about six miles before dinner, and don't eat."—New York Journal.



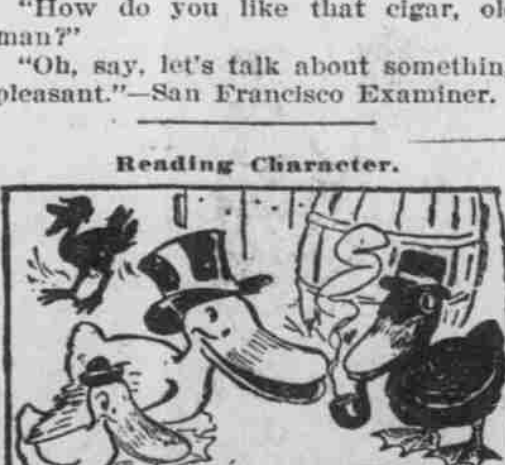
Mrs. Woola—Tommy, you mustn't bother Rhine with that banana. I want him to hold still while I finish my ironing.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.



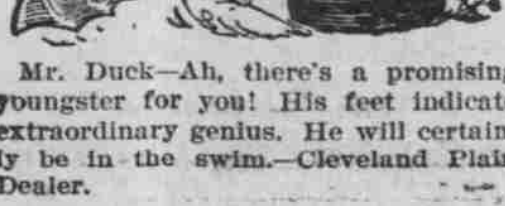
A Tie Up on the Road.



—New York Times.



Change the Subject.



Reading Character.

Mr. Duck—Ah, there's a promising youngster for you! His feet indicate extraordinary genius. He will certainly be in the swim.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

300 yds white Habutai wash silks, 28 in. wide, beautiful quality, per yard, 39c

Some Big Cuts in Wool Dress Goods
Many of the season's best lines of dress fabrics are broken as to color assortments, and to close them out quickly we have marked them without regard to cost or value.

All wool heavy serges, black and colors. 50c to 75c values for 39c yard
All wool black surahs. 50c to 75c values for 39c yard
All wool Etamines or thin twine cloths, etc. worth from 50c to 75c; marked your choice 39c

New Voiles and London Twine Cloth in Black, Navy, Tan, Gray, mixed, snowflake and novelty effects, worth from \$1.25 to \$1.50 per yard at 98c

Metal Dot Mohairs, very new for waists or shirt-waist suits, the 50c quality 39c
85c Silk stripe challies exquisite French colorings and designs at per yard 49c

The Big Millinery Dept.
Free
All Hats or Bonnets ordered during the week at McCabe's will be trimmed free of charge—free.

Children's Baby Bonnets 50c apiece.

Corsets

To sharply advertise our big corset stock we will sell the celebrated "Puritan Girl," side lacing corsets—always 1.25 and 1.50—all next week if the supply lasts, as a big advertisement, for 79c, 79c

Nearly sixty other styles of corsets in this great stock to choose from.

Domestic Bargains

One half bale wide brown pillow case muslin, worth 9c, all week if it lasts, yard 6c

Cabot 70 yard-wide brown sheeting, short lengths, 2 to 10 yards in piece, while it lasts, yard 4c

Extra fine Covert cloth suitings, assorted colors, yard 9c

25 pieces staple checked apron ginghams, 7 1/2c quality, yard 5c

Fancy striped feather tick, usually 20c, at per yard 14c

12 1/2c and 15c figured dress satines, short lengths—come early for these 7c

TODAY'S MARKETS

Chicago, June 15—Following are the opening, highest, lowest and closing quotations in today's markets:

Wheat.
July, 75 1/2; 75 3/4; 75 1/2;
Sept. 72 1/2; 72 3/4; 72 1/2;
Dec. 72 1/2; 72 3/4; 72 1/2.

Corn.
July, 48 1/2; 48 3/4; 48 1/2;
Sept. 47 1/2; 47 3/4; 47 1/2;
Dec. 46 1/2; 46 3/4; 46 1/2.

Oats.
July, 38 1/2; 38 3/4; 38 1/2;
Sept. 37 1/2; 37 3/4; 37 1/2;
Dec. 36 1/2; 36 3/4; 36 1/2.

Pork.
July, 17 1/2; 17 3/4; 17 1/2;
Sept. 16 1/2; 16 3/4; 16 1/2.

Lard.
July, 8 7/8; 8 7/8; 8 7/8;
Sept. 8 1/2; 8 1/2; 8 1/2.

Ribs.
July, 9 3/4; 9 3/4; 9 3/4;
Sept. 9 1/2; 9 1/2; 9 1/2.

Rye, July 81 1/2; 81 1/2; 81 1/2;
S. W. 107, July 10 1/2; 10 1/2; 10 1/2;
Receipts today: Wheat 10,000; oats 184; hogs 30,000; cattle 30,000; sheep 17,000.

Hog market opened weak, 10c lower.
Light, \$5.50; mixed and butchers, \$5.50; good heavy, \$5.50; rough heavy, \$5.50.

Cattle market opened weak, 10c lower.
Sheep market opened steady.
Union stock yards 8.40 a m.

Hog market opened weak, fully 10c lower except for light.
Light, \$5.50; mixed and butchers, \$5.50; good heavy, \$5.50; rough heavy, \$5.50.

Cattle market slow, mostly 10c lower.
Beefers \$1.50; 2 1/2, cows and heifers 1.50; 1 1/2, Texas steers \$1.50; 3/4, stockers and feeders \$1.50.

Sheep market steady.
Union stock yards close.
Hog market closed strong for light, others weak, 10 to 15c lower.

Light, \$5.50; mixed and butchers, \$5.50; good heavy, \$5.50; rough heavy, \$5.50.

Cattle market closed slow, 10c lower.
Sheep market closed steady.
Estimated receipts Tuesday: Wheat 25; corn 65; oats 20; hogs 18,000.

New York Stocks.
New York, June 15—The following are the closing quotations on the New York stock exchange:

So. Pacific 68 1/2, sugar 11 1/2, C. & A. com. 35 1/2, gas 90 1/2, P. M. 12 1/2, B. & O. 84 1/2, C. R. I. & P. com 33 1/2, C. M. & St. P. 18 1/2, Manhattan 10 1/2, Pacific Mail 10 1/2, Atchafson com. 66 1/2, W. U. Tel. Co. 84 1/2, N. Y. Central 12 1/2, L. & N. 10 1/2, B. & O. 84 1/2, R. G. com. 66 1/2, leather com. 9 1/2, copper 88 1/2, Atchafson 10 1/2, U. S. Steel 10 1/2, U. S. Steel common 30 1/2, Missouri Pacific 10 1/2, Union Pacific common 7 1/2, coal and iron 1 1/2, Erie common 3 1/2, Wabash 10 1/2, Can. Pac. 12 1/2, Republic Steel common 14 1/2, Republic Steel 10 1/2, N. K. & P. com. 20 1/2, American Car Foundry common 35 1/2, C. & G. W. 18 1/2.

LOCAL MARKET CONDITIONS.
Today's Quotations on Provisions, Live Stock, Feed and Fuel.

Rock Island, June 15—Following are the quotations on the local market:

Provisions.
Butter—Creamery \$1.00; dairy 14c
Eggs—Fresh 14c
Live poultry—Spring chickens \$3.00; broilers 2.50; ducks 1.50; turkeys 1.50; geese 1.50.

Live Stock.
Cattle—Steers \$3.50 to \$4.50, cows and heifers \$2.00 to \$3.50, calves \$1.50 to \$2.50, hogs—Mixed and butchers \$5.50 to \$6.50, sheep—Yearlings and over, per cwt. \$4.00 to \$5.25, lambs per head \$4.00 to \$6.50.

Feed and Fuel.
Grain—Corn 50c; oats 35c to 36c; sorghum 40c; hay \$12 to \$13, prairie \$10 to \$11, baled prairie \$8, baled timothy \$12 straw, 60c.
Coal—Hard, per load \$5.00; soft, per load \$4.50.
Coal—Lump, per bushel 13c; fine, per bushel 12c; per bushel 11c.

McCABE'S
ROCK ISLAND, ILL.
THIRD AVENUE THROUGH TO SECOND

Some Big Cuts in Wool Dress Goods An Exceptional Purchase of Wash Goods

Will be placed on sale this week.—Owing to the unfavorable weather conditions we were able to buy many lines of choice wash fabrics way below their value.

Buy what you want NOW.

One case 2500 yards Dress Ginghams in short lengths, 3 to 12 yards; 12 1/2c and 15c qualities, choicest designs and colors at per yard 9c

3300 yards White India Linons, fresh and new; bought at 25 percent under regular value—choice at per yd., 25c, 20c, 18c, 15c, 12c, 10c and 8c 5c

Wash Goods Remnants accumulate quickly now and our table is kept filled with big bargains in white, colored and black wash fabrics all marked at about Half Regular Price.

25c to 38c Wash Fabrics, 19c—Dozens of lines of the season's choicest wash fabrics, secured with this purchase worth 25c to 38c a yard at 19c

Dozens of smaller lots equally attractive will be on sale—Big savings and big assortments at this wash good headquarters.

Shoe Bargains

600 pairs ladies fine kid, hand turned slippers, strap and satin bow and ornament, made to sell at 1.75, this lot, all sizes and widths, while they last, 1.25. Don't forget it, 1.25

Children's dongola kid strap sandals, bow and buckle, flexible oak tanned soles—

Sizes 1 to 5, 59c.
Sizes 6 to 8, 75c.
Sizes 9 to 11, 87c.
Misses' sizes 11 1/2 to 2, 97c.
They will go quickly at these very low prices.

Ladies' 1.00 pearl duck oxfords, flexible leather soles, neat and comfortable for summer wear, while they last, 69c

Parasols

Factory samples and remnants—500 from the celebrated factory of Hirsch Bros., Philadelphia. A few slightly soiled and all bought at a great reduction. The factory takes the loss.

Monday morning we place this entire purchase on sale priced as follows:

Parasols worth up to 4.50 at 2.47.
Parasols worth up to 3.25 at 2.25.
Parasols worth up to 3.00 at 1.97.
Parasols worth up to 2.50 at 1.75.
1.50, 1.25 and 1.00.

Misses' and children's parasols priced from 1.00 to 1.4c.

Neat Dressers

Should not forget that the G. & H. specials are the best hand-tailored

Clothing

on earth ready to wear.

Trying on one of them will convince you that our assertion is true. This make of clothing is sold only by

The New Clothiers

Gustafson & Hayes,

The New Clothing Store : 1714 Second Avenue.

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John Crubaugh, Vice President.
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Solicitors—Jackson and Hurst.

CHANGE OF LOCATION.

Notice is given to the public that J. J. Baker has removed from 320 Twentieth street to Amen's Second Hand Store, 1622 Second Avenue. Phone 5061. Repairing and recovering of umbrellas.