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THE SMOKER'S RESPONSIBILITY.

Attention has been called again all over the country to the cigarette and cigar stub and the flaming match as fire perils by the items in the news columns attributing the Binghamton holocaust, like the Triangle fire of two years ago, to the carelessness of some smoker. Obviously it is impossible to present a statistical demonstration of the loss of property and of life by fire for which the thoughtless smoker may be responsible.

The fire peril is always with us and the fire hazard must be lowered by every possible means. Probably the greater number of smokers are reasonably careful. From time to time we notice with satisfaction the care with which a smoker makes sure that his match or his cigar stub is extinguished before he throws it aside.

Two things should be done. Smokers should be educated to the necessity of caution always and everywhere. And smoking might very properly be prohibited by law in certain places. We understand that in New York the fire commissioner's investigations showed that 3000 fires a year were caused by the smoking of workmen in lofts, shops, storerooms and department stores, and that he caused all these places to be placarded with a warning that smoking would be punished by fine, imprisonment or both.

The Automobile Law.

The highways belong to the people, the men, the women, the old women and the young children, and every one of them has a right in every part of the highway equal to that of anybody who drives an automobile, whether it is on the street crossing or in the middle of the block, whether it is on the place where the horses are driven and the automobiles are driven or whether it is on the sidewalk. The pedestrian has just as much right on a highway as an automobile, and the driver of an automobile must pay attention to pedestrians who are on the highway.

Those are some of the points Justice De Angelis made in his charge to the jury in the Van Deusen case. Van Deusen was convicted of manslaughter in the second degree because while driving along Genesee street he ran into and killed Lewis L. Jones. Van Deusen did not intend to kill Jones. He merely was careless, the carelessness perhaps being accentuated by some but not a large quantity of alcohol he had taken into his system.

Vincent Astor Must Pay \$2,741,833 Inheritance Tax.

New York, Aug. 1.—William Vincent Astor will pay the State of New York a tax of \$2,741,833 upon his inheritance of \$88,959,599 from the estate of his father, the late John Jacob Astor. The tax was fixed by the surrogate today upon the report of the state transfer tax appraiser.

The tax on the entire estate of the late Mr. Astor is \$3,316,992. This includes \$100,000 against the estate of the posthumous child, John Jacob Astor; \$177,570 on the estate of the daughter, Muriel Astor, and \$290,450 on that bequeathed to Mr. Astor's second wife, Madeline Force Astor.

NEW DISCOVERIES IN SOUND.

Three weeks ago Mr. Battell published in this paper the first chapter of Vol. III of "Ellen or Whisperings of an Old Pine," in which he showed that Sound was made by Sound.

This statement, which appeared in the book mentioned over a year since, was introduced in the Register of July 18 as follows:

"The explanation of the action of sound in a phonograph is entirely erroneous. The phonograph has been superseded by the graphophone, but the action of sound in each is practically the same. The sound, moved by its own motive power, is conducted into the graphophone, collected by the diaphragm, to which is fastened a sharp tool called the stylus, that cuts a groove in the paraffine and wax of the revolving cylinder, into which groove the particles of sound enter, forming small depressions, named indentures, that, when struck by an instrument called the reproducer, throw off sounds similar to those conducted into the graphophone."

Since this was written, Mr. Battell thus gives further very interesting knowledge of the manufacture of Sound, which is clear enough to forever dispel the principle which has been generally taught in text books now for 3,000 years, more or less, that Sound is composed of air waves.

The reproduction of Sound from Sound referred to above is accomplished by the Sound first making an instrument, which under proper conditions will reproduce the Sound that made it. This instrument may be represented in the graphophone by indentures or in a different machine by a magnetized wire or it may be of any other form, but the same principle is involved as it is analogous to the reproduction of plants from seeds.

THE ELEPHANT BUTTE DAM.

Being Built By U. S. for Greatest Irrigation Project in World.

"Lest we forget" it is necessary once in a while to repeat that the United States government is building at Elephant Butte, N. M., on the Rio Grande, the greatest irrigation project in the world. The Assuan dam, on the Nile, in Egypt, is not to be compared with it. It is to cost \$10,000,000 and vast territory both in the United States and in Mexico will get the waters for irrigation.

Five times bigger than the Mills building at New York, 100 feet higher and with a storage capacity which would cover the State of Delaware with two feet of water, was Project-Engineer L. M. Lawson's comparative picture of the Elephant Butte dam, which he gave at the chamber of commerce luncheon last week.

Mr. Lawson said the dam would form a lake 41 miles long and six miles wide, and the main canal would be one of the largest in the world. He said that the work was being done as rapidly and economically as possible and that the foundation would be completed within a few days, when the dam proper would be started.

Under date of Elephant Butte, E. H. Baldwin, consulting engineer, writes as follows: During the latter part of April the grab buckets which had been excavating about 1200 cubic yards of sand and gravel per day on the dam site were removed from cableways and skips substituted in order to help out the derricks, which were handling boulders and loose rock on a section near the flume, the desire being to prepare an area of the foundation about 200 feet square, adjacent to the flume section, for masonry, so that concreting could be going on while the balance of excavation was being completed, thus enabling a larger force to be employed and consequently hasten the work.

The material excavated during the past month has been mainly boulders, loose rock interlaid with broken shale and clay, and some thin layers of hard sandstone, the most of which required blasting, but deposits near sound bedrock had to be carefully handled, much of it loosened with picks and wedges in order to avoid cracking the foundation. This, of course, has been tedious work, the volume excavated daily was small as compared with the output when handling sand and gravel. There was also more of this to remove than was expected, as the surface of the bedrock, though corresponding exactly with the location shown by diamond drill borings, was in many places shattered and had to be removed to a greater depth than anticipated.

In several places the excavation is now at a depth of 80 feet below the lowest point of the old river bed and in one place even deeper. The large areas of bedrock thus far exposed indicate an excellent foundation, the rock dipping at such an angle as to afford the best possible protection against sliding and presenting a very uneven surface which is very desirable for the same reason. With the exception of a narrow strip at both heel and toe of the dam, work on which was hitherto not possible on account of the position of the derricks and water pipe lines, this area is about ready for concreting; but in order to carry the work most economically, no concrete will be placed until the above-mentioned areas

are ready.

Labor conditions have been somewhat unsatisfactory of late, but steps have been taken to supplement the supply and a steady improvement in this respect is noticed. At the present time, when there is necessarily so much hand work on the excavation, preparing the bedrock for masonry, a shortage of labor effects the output much more noticeably than when such work is being done by machinery. But with a large area of bedrock uncovered, in the deepest portion of the excavation, and concreting practically in sight, it is confidently expected that the masonry will be up to the elevation of the old river bed by the close of the year.—El Paso dispatch in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

VERMONT AUTO ACCIDENTS.

Awful Death of Boy Driving Auto.

Rutland, Vt., Aug. 4.—Harry Goodspeed, aged 18, of Granville, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Goodspeed of Pawlet, Vt., was killed Saturday afternoon on the Lake St. Catherine road. Young Goodspeed and three young ladies had started on a picnic in an auto. The lad was fooling over a prank, took his hands from the gear, the car dived, turned turtle, pinning the occupants beneath, and breaking the steering wheel, the shaft going through his wrist into the ground. His neck was broken, skull crushed, and he also sustained a broken leg. The young ladies escaped without injury. The car seat at the point of the electric button of the horn rested on his neck so that it blew the horn continuously and called help. Goodspeed lived five minutes after the accident.

Auto Overturns, Two Injured.

Swanton, Aug. 3.—Amos C. Skeels of Grand avenue and his son, Ira Skeels, who resides two miles south of this village, were injured Saturday forenoon when their automobile turned turtle, pinning the elder Skeels beneath the machine. The two were about two miles from Swanton on the way to Highgate Center. The elder Skeels was driving. He had not operated the car many times and pulled the lever the wrong way, causing the car to overturn in the ditch 10 feet below.

There was no telephone within a mile of the scene of the accident, but fortunately two men were working in a hay field nearby and they came to the assistance of Ira Skeels, who was making desperate attempts to move the car. The three succeeded in lifting the automobile from the injured man and doctors from this place were summoned. Mr. Skeels was brought to his home and although his injuries are serious it is not thought they will prove fatal. They were confined mostly to the right leg which was badly torn. His back was injured somewhat.

Autoist Causes Boy's Death.

St. Johnsbury, Aug. 3.—Returning last night from Littleton, N. H., with a party of St. Johnsbury baseball enthusiasts, Charles Blodgett, as he turned his car to enter his garage, struck Willard Sulloway, 14 years old, of Littleton, inflicting injuries from which the boy died this morning. The Sulloway boy came here a few days ago to visit his grandmother, Mrs. Julia Martin, who is employed as nurse at the home of Martin J. Reed.

The boy was on the sidewalk near the Blodgett home and it is supposed failed to hear the car. He was struck and thrown. Death was due to a ruptured intestine and the shock. The body was taken this noon to Littleton.

There has been no more flagrant violation of the law and lack of respect for the rights of the people than that exhibited in New York City last Wednesday night, when two automobiles raced along at a speed estimated at forty miles an hour until one machine swerved toward the sidewalk, jumped the curb and killed a baby and one man and seriously injured another man, the father of the child. It was good fortune that both the chauffeurs were placed under arrest immediately by a police officer who happened to be near the spot, so that there can be no mistake in placing the serious penalty, which ought, in all reason, to be imposed on both the drivers of the machines. It was one of the worst cases of disregard of the rights of the public that have come to notice recently.—Barre Times.

Killed When Auto Falls into Creek.

Portsmouth, N. H., July 30.—W. T. Meloon of Newcastle died this evening at the Portsmouth hospital of injuries sustained today when his automobile, the steering gear of which had failed to work, crashed through the railing of the bridge over Saganore creek, near the Wentworth hotel, Newcastle.

The car turned turtle as it left the bridge, and Mr. Meloon was flung to a pile of rocks in the bed of the creek, 20 feet below. His skull was crushed.

Guests of the Hotel Wentworth who witnessed the accident took the unconscious man from the creek and drove him in an automobile to the hospital. Mr. Meloon, who was 60 years old, leaves a widow. He was a selectman of the town of Newcastle, and once represented the town in the Legislature.

Auto Overturns and Hurts Four.

Fitchburg, July 31.—Four Fitchburg men narrowly escaped death in the overturning of an automobile on a hill in Westminster today. Daniel Connors, Patrick Foley and William Hart were being driven to Gardner to attend the funeral of Thomas Joyce, and were going around a curve in the road at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour when the accident occurred.

Another automobile came in sight suddenly. Harry Fales, who was driving the Fitchburg car, turned sharply to the left to avoid a collision and his car turned turtle.

Foley, Hart and Fales were thrown several feet up the embankment on the side of the road, while Connors was pinned under the car. The occupants of the other automobile assisted in getting Connors out in an unconscious condition. They rushed him to Fitchburg, but before he reached the city he recovered consciousness and refused to be taken to a hospital.

Foley, Hart and Fales continued to Gardner in another automobile and attended the funeral, but all had to be treated by physicians at their homes later in the day.

Foley was the most severely hurt, his injuries being internal. Physicians are confident he will recover.

Connors' right arm and leg were severely wrenched, Hart sprained both of his wrists, and Fales, the chauffeur, was cut about the face and head.

Millionaires Killed.

Emlenton, Pa., Aug. 5.—Edward O. Crawford, a millionaire oil operator here, was instantly killed and Mrs. Crawford and three women friends were injured when the automobile in which they were riding went over a thirty-foot embankment in this city.

Hempstead, L. I., Aug. 5.—William Laimbeer, the millionaire banker and society leader injured in the automobile accident at Long Beach, in which S. O. Pell and his chauffeur, Charles Gamban, were killed, succumbed to his injuries. A fracture of the skull was the cause of death. Mrs. Laimbeer is in a critical condition but it is believed she will recover.

Pell was a millionaire real estate operator and a member of an old New York family. He was a daring hunter and motorist and only recent became an enthusiastic aviator. He was well known in New York and Newport society.

Chauffeur Held for Death.

Frank W. Smith of 111 Blackwood street, Boston, chauffeur for J. Arthur Beebe of 199 Commonwealth avenue, Boston, was given a hearing Monday before Judge Samuel C. Cutler in the Chelsea court on a charge of manslaughter in connection with the death of Henry Sombolski, 10 years, of 32 Broadway, Chelsea. The court found probable cause and held Smith for the grand jury under the same bonds.

The accident, from which the boy died from a fractured skull, happened on the night of July 21, on Broadway, Chelsea, near the entrance to the Naval hospital. Smith, together with Beebe, the owner, had come from West Manchester and was on his way to Boston, where Beebe's daughter, Emily E. Beebe, had committed suicide that afternoon by shooting herself at the Hotel Touraine.

The court, in passing upon the case, said the defendant had opportunity to see anybody who might be in the street, if he had been looking. The evidence showed that Smith was driving the machine on the car tracks and that he did not attempt to turn the machine to the right until after he had struck the boy. Witnesses testified as to their failure to hear a horn blown.—Boston Herald.

Woman is Injured as Autos Collide.

Nahant, July 25.—Two Malden automobiles collided in Castle road at 10 o'clock tonight, injuring one woman passenger and damaging both cars considerably.

The car of Walter F. Madding of 296 Ferry street, Malden, was going from Nahant towards Lynn and collided with the car of G. and H. Starr, 242 Cross street, Malden. One of the women passengers of the Starr car strained her side and was taken to her home in Malden.

The running-board of the Starr car was badly damaged and the radiator of the Madding car was smashed.

\$100 Fine and Jail Term for Autoist.

Pawtucket, July 30.—Frederick P. Kenny of Central Falls, superintendent of the Blackstone Valley Gas & Electric Light Company, headquarters in this city, was fined \$100 and given 10 days in jail by Judge Leman J. Tuck in the district court here today for operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor. He appealed on both the fine and jail sentence and furnished \$500 bonds.

Kenny was arrested in this city near midnight last Friday after he had run his machine into a pole, reducing it to a junk pile. He pleaded not guilty when arraigned a few days ago, but did not put in any defence when placed on trial today and, after hearing the stories of the policemen who took him in, Judge Tuck imposed sentence.

Rich New Yorker Killed in Auto.

Long Beach, N. Y., Aug. 3.—S. Osgood Pell, a millionaire real estate broker of New York city, with his chauffeur, whose name could not be learned, were instantly killed at Long Beach crossing tonight, when their automobile was struck by a train. William Laimbeer and his wife of Hempstead, N. Y., who were riding in the Pell machine, were badly injured. Laimbeer, it was said, will not recover.

In another car following the one that was struck was Mrs. Pell and a party of friends. They saw the accident and Mrs. Pell became hysterical and was brought to a Long Beach hotel where she was treated by physicians.

The train struck the automobile with terrific force, lifting the car into the air and bearing it along in front of it for 50 feet or more before the train could be stopped. From the wrecked automobile the bodies of Pell and his chauffeur were taken. Mr. Pell's body was terribly crushed.

Policeman Killed; Chief Hurt.

Waterbury, Ct., Aug. 3.—Patrolman Robert P. Kiersted was killed, Police Commissioner William A. Johnson was probably fatally hurt and three civilians were more or less seriously injured today when their automobile, belonging to the police department, was overturned on the road near Seymour. The party was returning from a visit to New Haven. The machine was demolished.

So far as the inquiry shows the automobile was not being driven at excessive speed at the time of the accident but the roadway was slippery. As the wheels skidded one struck a small mound of dirt, and collapsing, upset the machine.

Fifteen Children Killed by Autos.

Chicago, July 31.—Fifteen children were killed by automobiles while at play in the streets of Chicago this month.

Peter Reinberg, president of the Board of Education, announced that he would bring the matter up at the next meeting of the Board.

An Exciting Runaway.

An exciting runaway occurred about 10:30 this morning when a horse driven by James Peacock of the east part of the town became frightened and started on a wild run down Merchants' row and crashed into the fire hydrant in front of the store of Gorham & Sons. The cause of the runaway was the breaking of a part of the harness, allowing the wagon to strike on the horse's heels. The wagon was badly wrecked and the horse was somewhat cut by coming in contact with the hydrant. Mr. Peacock was thrown out and escaped with several slight bruises.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to extend our heartfelt thanks to the many who, in any way, assisted us during our sad bereavement in the loss of our son and brother, and for the many expressions of sympathy; also to the employees of the Vermont Marble company for their kindness and to all for the beautiful flowers.

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS ONEY AND CHILDREN.

"Do you think Dr. Barter will be in his office week of Fair? I want some glasses." "Sure he will, but you had better call early, soon as you reach town."

Relief for the Kidneys

Mr. Wm. J. Calkins, 359 Main St., Hartford, Conn., says: "After having doctored for more than a year with best physicians in Hartford and getting no relief, I was advised by a druggist in Plainville, Ct., to try a bottle of Dr. David Kennedy's Favorite Remedy. I was nervous and had a complication of diseases, especially kidney trouble. I started to use Favorite Remedy and the first bottle gave me great relief. I continued its use for some time and was permanently cured. I sincerely recommend it to sufferers who are discouraged in thinking there is no help for them." Forty years of success in kidney and liver disorders. Write Dr. David Kennedy Co., Rondout, N. Y., for free samples.

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The Register and McCall's Magazine, the finest of its kind for the price, including one pattern. \$1 30
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The Register and New York Tribune and Farmer, a weekly of great value to farmers. \$1 50
The Register and Tri-Weekly World, popular with everybody, and taken largely. \$1 65
The Register and Metropolitan Magazine, regular \$1.50 monthly. \$1 85
The Register and The Country Gentleman, old, conservative and reliable. \$2 50
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SCOTLAND

SCOTLAND 5251. A rich chestnut; two white stockings behind; 1100 pounds; foaled June 25, 1906. Bred by Joseph Battell, got by General Gates, 666, son of Denning Allen, 74, by Honest Allen, 73, son of Ethan Allen, 50; dam Highland Mary (Registered Vol. 1), bred by E. Hasbrook, Benson, Vt., foaled the property of Joseph Battell, got by Lambert Chief, 1289, son of Daniel Lambert, 62, by Ethan Allen, 50; 2d dam Jessie Benson, (Registered Vol. 1), (dam of Mattie C. 2623 3 4) bred by M. Cullen, Wells, Vt., got by Highland Gray, 94, (2:28), son of Darkey, 93, by the Rounds Horse, 92 son of Black Hawk, 20.

BEN LOMOND

Full Brother to Scotland.

BEN LOMOND, 3000. A beautiful, rich dark bay with star and white hind ankles. Five years old this spring.

Motion 2d, 5665

Chestnut, strip in face, three white ankles, 15 1-2 hands, 1020 pounds, foaled 1909; bred at the Bread Loaf Stock Farm; got by Victor 5509, son of Genera Gates, 666; dam Marguerite, chestnut, got by White River Morgan, 482, son of Neshobe, 481, by Rutland Morgan, 479; 2d dam by Crocker Horse, 1377, son of Plato, 167, by Black Hawk 20; 3d dam by Churchill Horse, 1081 son of Black Hawk 20. Motion 2d is a very elegant young horse with most remarkable trotting gait.

Vermont, 5650

Got by Gen. Gates; dam Maid of Orleans, got by Norris M 5235, son of Molock 4800, by Stranger 100, son of Gen. Washington 75, by Gen. Knox 65.

Will be kept this season at the Bread Loaf Stock Farm Middlebury, Vt.

TERMS

Scotland, \$25. Ben Lomond, \$15. Motion 2d, \$15. Vermont \$15.

With Privilege of Return if Mare Does Not Prove in Foal Middlebury, Vt., April 4, 1913