

**HOW HISTORY IS DISTORTED**

Russian Text-Book Shows Curious Instance of Tampering With French History.

Reasons of church, state or other policy have frequently caused the scholars of one country to tamper with the history of another with which it has been intimately connected. A curious instance of such a distortion of French history was that found in a Russian textbook, used in all Russian public schools, and edited by a great Russian scholar, Iovalski. The following may be cited as an illustration:

"Louis XVI. was a good and peaceful king. After a long and famous reign, in which he was most happy in his choice of minister of finance, he died quietly in Paris, beloved by all his people. His death was caused by a hemorrhage.

"The successor of Louis XVI. was his son, Louis XVII. During his reign the brave royal army, commanded by General Napoleon Bonaparte, captured the larger part of the European continent for the French crown. But the faithless Napoleon showed tendencies toward misusing his power, and was suspected of harboring dishonest schemes against the legitimate ruler. With the help of his majesty the emperor and autocrat of all the Russias, his plans were frustrated, and he was deprived of all his possessions, honors, and rights to a pension. He was then exiled to the island of St. Helena, where he died."—The Sunday Magazine.

**TO LAUNDER PAPER MONEY**

Indiana Man Devises Machine That Will Wash and Iron Solled Bills.

It costs the United States government one and one-third cents to manufacture a \$1 bill. When the bill becomes solled through continual handling it is sent to the treasury department, which destroys it and issues a nice new clean bill in its place. The same may be said of all other paper currency of large denominations.

Now comes a Shelbyville, Ind., inventor, F. B. Churchill, with a machine for washing, ironing and otherwise laundering paper money. According to the Inventive Age, Washington, the treasury department redeemed \$1,183,000,000 in solled bills last year and issued new ones in place of them. Eighty per cent of the bills might have been washed at a cost of one-tenth of a cent per bill and reissued at a considerable saving in cost to the treasury department.

**Mason and His Precious Gold Pieces.**

John Mason, the player, has carried three \$20 gold pieces in his change pocket ever since the new issue of that specie, the two new coins, St. Gaudens' with and without "In God We Trust," and the old piece with "Liberty's" head. At the stage door of the Thirty-ninth Street theater in New York recently an old man begged the actor to help him secure a night's lodging. John tossed the beggar supposedly two silver half dollars, but in reality two of his favorite gold coins. The old man, noting the denominations, actually ran after his benefactor and pulled at his coat, intending to inquire if the gold were really given him in earnest. Before he could open his mouth, however, Mason pushed him back, exclaiming, "Not twice in one night, old man." "But do you mean it?" asked the beggar. "Certainly," answered Mason. "Forty dollars, mister," cried the man. "Not on your life," called Mason, as his cab moved away, and then to his companion, "Think of that—because I give him more than he asked for he thinks I'm easy—demands \$40."

**The Growing South.**

The south is forging ahead at a great rate. The fourteen southern states, with Missouri and Oklahoma, have a population of 32,000,000, or only 18,000,000 less than the total population of the United States in 1880. Since 1880 the sixteen southern states have increased the annual value of their mineral production from \$20,000,000 to \$340,000,000, as against \$450,000,000 in the whole country in 1880. Their manufactured products have a value within \$2,000,000,000 of the value of the whole country thirty years ago. In 1880 the railroads of the country had an aggregate length of 93,300 miles. The southern states now have 87,000 miles. From southern ports were exported last year goods to a value only \$100,000,000 less than the value of all exports from the country in 1880.—Chicago American.

**Good Thought, Anyway.**

Little John Brice loves to walk with his daddy through the woods. Last Sunday these two had a famous walk together, scaring up a rabbit or two, and looking for squirrels. Suddenly John stopped, in a listening attitude. Then, "I know what makes the wind," he announced. "It's the trees whispering," he informed his father, who had been waiting for the result. Perhaps he is right.—Cleveland Leader.

**Behind the Band.**

"My wife is much interested in the comet." "The comet? The comet was here last year." "I know. She's putting old newspapers under the carpets throughout the house and catching up with the news as she puts 'em down."

**AN EXCLUSIVE POOR FARM**

No One Can Be Admitted or Assisted Except Those Who Once Paid Taxes.

Providence, R. I., enjoys the use of the most valuable poor farm owned by any municipality in the world, all because Ebenezer Knight Dexter in 1824 made a bequest leaving a big, stone strewn meadow and several parcels of land for that purpose. Today the property is valued at no less than \$1,000,000, and is in the center of one of the most fashionable residence districts of Providence. But while this is a poor farm, it is a very exclusive one, to say the least. By the terms of a very rigid and iron clad will, none can be admitted or assisted except those who once owned and paid taxes upon real estate in Providence or whose father or mother was a real estate taxpayer in that city. No other Rhode Islanders and no person from any other part of the United States or from any foreign country may knock at the portal to obtain admittance and secure shelter and food.

The Dexter asylum is more than self-supporting. With a limited attendance, so to speak, it is said that the interest on investment or income is enough to furnish every inmate a trip to Europe each winter, with accommodations at the best summer hotels in the summer. During the hard times in Providence, when there was a great need of work for poor people, an old clause in the Dexter will providing for a stone wall built around the place was taken advantage of and many poor people were given work.—National Magazine.

**WHY CONDUCTOR WAS MAD**

Because Youth Disowned Acquaintance With Woman Whose Fare Remained Unpaid.

There was an uncomfortable congestion at the rear end of the pay-as-you-enter car, every one trying to get out of the rain and mud and only a third having their nickels ready. A young man gave the conductor a quarter, received his five nickels and dropped one of them into the box. "Here," shouted the conductor, "put in another nickel." "What for? I ain't two people," retorted the young man angrily.

"Well, who's that woman up there?" "I don't know. I never saw her before." "Well, she didn't pay." But the impatient passengers demanded attention and the man at the box had to drop the subject, although he looked into the car later, glaring with especial disfavor at the youth who disowned acquaintance with the woman whose fare remained unpaid.

**Game All Right.**

While playing an engagement in St. Louis a couple of seasons ago, Tom Lewis struck up an acquaintance with a wealthy Texan living in the same hotel. There was a ball game scheduled that day between the Browns and a visiting club and Lewis invited his new friend to go out and see it.

The battle was a particularly hot one, the game going to an eleven-inning tie. When they got back to the hotel the Texan, who had become imbued with some of Lewis' enthusiasm, began to recount the scenes and close plays of the game to the hotel clerk.

"Well," said that worthy, "I'm glad you saw such a good game." "Wall, now," said the Texan, "I reckon as how it was a good game all right. Why, sir, them two passel of youngsters just played and played till plumb dark and nary one made any one."

**Passing of the Tollgate.**

The passing today of the old tollgate at the northern entrance to the city is well worthy of the fireworks, oratory, and general jubilation which it has inspired. Strangers entering Baltimore by the Reisterstown road could hardly believe that this was really a city of the fifth order, when a village functionary had first to lift a bar and demand their pennies before they were permitted to enter the sacred metropolitan confines. The good roads movement, so intelligently urged and fostered by Governor Crothers and the Democratic party, has already done more to instill life and enterprise and a new spirit into the counties of this state than all other movements of recent years combined. The passing of the old tollgate is symbolical of the new order and the larger spirit of enterprise and progress.—Baltimore Sun.

**Mr. J. B. Duke's Ploughing.**

In spite of the distractions of the Tobacco company's reorganization, Mr. James B. Duke bestows much attention upon the work of developing and beautifying his three thousand acre estate, "Duke's Park, near Somerville, N. J." Not infrequently on his tours of inspection he personally directs the laborers. One day he took the plough from the hands of a slow, awkward foreigner, saying:

"Here, let me show you how to plough a furrow. I've not forgotten how I did that when I was a boy in South Carolina."

Another day he took the place of the boss of a gang of workmen and before he got through he dismissed five for inefficiency.

**The Sullivan Law.**

Magistrate—Did he carry concealed weapons?  
Policeman—Yes; he had his fists in his pockets.

**Treasurer's Notice.**

The County Treasurer's office will be open for the purpose of receiving taxes from the 15th day of Oct., 1911, to the 15th day of March, 1912, inclusive. A penalty of one per cent will be added to all unpaid taxes after the 1st day of January to the 31st of January 1912, of two per cent, from the 1st day of February to the last day of February 1912 and penalty of five per cent from the first day of March to the 15th day of March, 1912.

The tax levies for the year 1911 are as follows:

For State purposes	52	mills
Ordinary County	4 1/2	"
Cons. School tax	3	"
Special County tax	1 1/2	"
Bacon S. D. Special	2	"
Edgefield S. D.	2	"
Long Cane S. D.	3	"
Liberty Hill S. D.	3	"
Johnston S. D.	4	"
Collier S. D.	3	"
Flat Rock S. D.	3	"
Prescott S. D.	3	"
Plum Branch S. D. No 1	3	"
White Town S. D.	3	"
Trenton S. D.	2	"
Ward S. D.	2	"
Moss S. D.	3	"
Parksville S. D.	3	"
Washington S. D.	2	"
R. R. Bonds Wise T's p	1 1/2	"
R. R. Bonds Pickens	3	"
R. R. Bonds Johnston	3	"
R. R. Bonds Pine Grove	14	"
R. R. Bonds Rocker	14	"
Bonds Town Edgefield	1/2	"
School Bonds	1	"
Town of Edgefield	7	"
Corporation Purposes	7	"

All male citizens between the ages of 21 years and 60 years except those exempt by law are liable to a poll tax of one dollar each. A capitation tax of 50 cents each is to be paid on all dogs.

The law prescribes that all male citizens between the ages of 18 and 55 years must pay a \$2 commutation tax or work six days on the public roads. As this is optional with the individual, no commutation tax is included in the property tax. So ask for road tax receipt when you desire to pay road tax. Positively no taxes received after 15th of March.

JAS. T. MIMS,  
Co. Treas. E. C.

**Auditor's Notice.**

All persons owning property of any kind whatsoever, or in any capacity, as husband, guardian, executor, administrator or trustee are required to make returns of the same to the Auditor under oath within the time mentioned below and the Auditor is required by law to add a penalty of 50 per cent to all property that is not returned on or before the 20th day of February in any year.

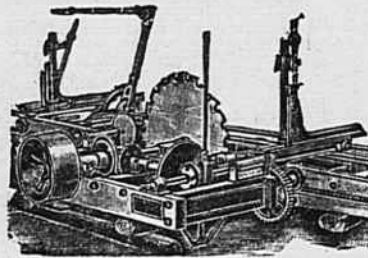
All male citizens between the ages of 21 and 60 years except those exempt by law are deemed taxable polls. The township assessors are respectfully requested to meet me at the appointments for taking tax returns in their respective township and they are also required to make tax returns for those who fail to make their own within the time prescribed by law. The 50 per cent penalty will be added for failure to make returns.

For the convenience of tax payers, I or my representative will be at the following appointed places on the dates mentioned to receive tax returns:

- Roper's, Monday Jan. 15.
- Meriwether, Tuesday, Jan. 16.
- Collier, Wednesday Jan. 17.
- Red Hill, Thursday Jan. 18.
- Clark's Hill, Friday Jan. 19.
- Modoc, Saturday, Jan. 20.
- Parksville, Monday Jan. 22.
- Plum Branch, Tuesday Jan. 23.
- Morgan's Store, Wednesday Jan. 24.
- Liberty Hill, Thursday Jan. 25.
- Cleora, Friday Jan. 26.
- Pleasant Lane, Saturday Jan. 27.
- Meeting Street, Monday Jan. 29.
- Johnston, Tuesday Jan. 30.
- Herrin's Store, Wednesday Jan. 31.
- Trenton, Thursday Feb. 1.

The office will be open to receive returns from the first day of January till the 20th day of February as prescribed by law.

J. R. TIMMERMAN,  
Auditor, E. C. S. C.



**Schedules Southern Railway.**

Premier of the South. Effective Dec. 3, 1911. (N. B. Schedule figures shown as information only and are not guaranteed.) Arrivals and departures Edgefield, S. C.

- 1:10 a. m. No. 209 daily for Trenton, Columbia, Greenville, Spartanburg, Asheville, Cincinnati. Arrivals Trenton 8:30 a. m. Columbia 10:50 a. m., Greenville 5:55 p. m., Spartanburg 4:10 p. m. Asheville 7:34 p. m. Cincinnati 10:00 a. m.
  - 10:5 a. m. No. 231, for Trenton, Aiken, Augusta and intermediate points. Arrive Trenton 10:40 a. m. Aiken 11:25 a. m. Augusta 11:35 a. m.
  - 1:30 p. m. No. 229, daily except Sunday for Trenton, Aiken, Charleston, Columbia, Washington, N. Y. Pullman sleeping car from Trenton dining car service. Arrive Aiken 3:05 p. m. Charleston 9:15 p. m. Columbia 6:40 p. m. Washington 8:53 a. m. New York 2:31 p. m.
  - 6:50 p. m. No. 207, daily for Trenton, Augusta and intermediate points. Arrive Trenton 7:10 p. m. Augusta 8:35 p. m.
  - 9:00 a. m. No. 208 daily, from Augusta and intermediate points.
  - 11:00 a. m. No. 208 daily, from Augusta and intermediate points.
  - 11:00 a. m. No. 230, daily from New York, Washington, Columbia and points East.
  - 1:00 p. m. No. 210 daily except Sunday, from Aiken and intermediate points.
  - 4:55 p. m. No. 232 daily from Aiken, Augusta and intermediate points.
  - 7:40 p. m. No. 206, daily, from Cincinnati Asheville, Spartanburg, Greenville, Columbia and intermediate points.
- For detailed information call on ticket agent, or E. H. Coapman, VP&GM., Washington, D. C.  
J. L. Meek, AGPA., Atlanta, Ga.  
F. L. Jenkins, TPA., Augusta, Ga.

**Trespass Notice.**

All persons are hereby warned not to hunt or trespass in any manner whatsoever upon the lands of the undersigned. The law will be enforced to the fullest extent against all trespassers.

Mrs. Emily Johnson,  
W. F. West.  
Nov. 14th, 1911.

**New Photograph Gallery**

I am now prepared to take photographs of all kinds, and respectfully solicit the patronage of the people. Special attention given to groups and outdoor work. My prices are very reasonable. Gallery open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 11 till 5 o'clock.

D. O'HARA,  
NORRIS BUILDING

**First Shipment Kentucky Horses and Mules**

We have just received another shipment of mules and horses for the season. This stock was bought in person by Mr. Wilson at his leisure. In the lot you can find anything you want in driving and saddle horses, also some good brood mares. Would like for you to see the gentle ponies suitable for child's use. Our mules are decidedly the best bunch we ever shipped. Some extra good large teams among them.

**Wilson & Cantelou**

We are Prepared to Make Liberal Cash Advances on Cotton stored with us. Your patronage solicited.

**Adams Warehouse Co.**

**Wood and Coal.**

I have opened a wood yard and am prepared to deliver wood any size or length anywhere in town at reasonable prices. Can also fill orders for coal.

Will move my saw cut wood where lots of four or more cords are offered at one place.

I also run a public dray. Ring me up. My phone is No. 32.

J. R. TOMPKINS

**Notice to Farmers.**

The Graniteville Manufacturing Company desires to purchase from the farmers and others, good grades of cotton (nothing below Strict Low Middling, Augusta Classification). Augusta prices will be paid for such cotton. No low grades or wet cotton can be purchased, as it is undesirable for our use.

**For Sale.**

House and adjoining lot of acres near public square. Orchard, garden, good well, pasture, barn, buggy house and other outbuildings. House piped for acetylene gas. For price and terms apply to W. A. Byrd at Edgefield or

W. A. Strom,  
Pleasant Lane, S. C.

**A. H. GIBERT, Secretary.**