

News of the Day

Cardinal Gibbons arrived in New York from Europe and was welcomed by Baltimoreans. A national conference of Christian churches opened at Atlantic City. Samuel Swenon, a Swede, who wanted to see President Roosevelt, was held up by Secret Service men at Sagamore Hill, but proved to be harmless. The Farmers' National Congress began at Niagara Falls. Curtis Jett was sentenced to death at Cynthiana, Ky., for the murder of Thomas Cokkrill. Impeachment proceedings were brought against Theodore Shafter, president of the Iron, Steel and Tin Workers' Union. The Pencil Iron Works, at Philadelphia, employing 3,000 men, are to be closed until January 1. Counsel for George W. Beavers threaten to bring contempt proceedings against District Attorney Youngs and others interested in the prosecution. William MacKabee, the oldest living naval veteran and a native of Baltimore, celebrated the one hundredth anniversary of his birth in Philadelphia.

Notes and Paragraphs

The figures representing the whole population of Great Britain's colonies will surprise many persons. The important ones are: Canada, 5,525,000; Australia, 2,860,000; South Africa, 575,000; New Zealand, 815,000, which makes a total of 11,075,000 persons. There are, however, says the London Times, 20,000 white persons now going to the colonies to settle each month, as a result of hard times in England. Col. Sir Francis Aylmer Graves-Sawle, who died the other day, enjoyed a baronetcy of curious origin. His grandfather owned a picture which King William IV desired to purchase. His Majesty was politely informed that the picture was not for sale, but if the owner were thought worthy of the dignity of a baronet he would respectfully ask his Majesty to accept the picture as a gift. The baronetcy was duly conferred and the picture changed hands. Walter Wall Brewster, a member of a prominent Elizabeth, N. J., family, is engaged to one of the famous Ah Fong sisters. Wing Ah Fong, a Chinaman, father of 13 girls, of whom 7 married Caucasians, went to Honolulu in 1858. He amassed a fortune in the silk and bric-a-brac trade and became several times a millionaire through investments in sugar plantations. Walter Brewster is 22 years old and a grandson and great grandson of United States Senators, of New Jersey.



Good Roads

Notes. Calvert, Texas, has voted in favor of a cash road tax. The Eastern Ontario G. A. R. has reason to believe that the efforts that it has been making for some time to secure the establishment of a provincial division for good roads will be crowned with success. Schenectady County, N. Y., has successfully tried the experiment of placing the prisoners confined in the county jail upon the roads in working out a contract for road improvement which was awarded to the county. One result of this is the avoidance of Schenectady County by tramps. Stone, brick and steel tracks have not yet received the attention that they deserve on account of their comparative cheapness and durability. In this connection it is worthy to note that between Albany and Schenectady is a stone track road which is said to be fully as perfect as when it was built some fifty years ago. That Florida will soon be among the States that lead in the mileage of good roads is indicated by the fact that there is now over \$300,000 available in the internal improvement fund and that there is a reserve of 5,000,000 acres of swamp and overflowed lands, worth from \$1 to \$5 an acre. By a recent act of the Legislature this was made available for the building of hard roads. Arkansas does not intend to allow the interest in the good roads movement to flag. The Executive Committee of the State G. A. R. has requested the county judges to call county conventions for this summer and fall and appoint delegates for the State convention to be held next January. If other States would work in this systematic way much more would be accomplished than is the case where spasmodic efforts are made to interest people in the good roads movement. In Scott County, Iowa, the farmers along a certain road, finding that the ordinary road tax was only sufficient to keep the road in its normally bad condition, voluntarily entered into an agreement to tax themselves an amount that would make it possible to permanently improve the road. Land owners were to pay twenty-five cents per acre for all the land within one mile of the road, fifteen cents for land within one or two miles away, and ten cents for land between two and three miles away. This is a straightforward, self-helpful American way of dealing with the problem.—Good Roads Magazine.

Lament of the Lay Brother.

Iona, O Iona! My days go sad and slow, For 'mid your island meadows I hear no cattle low. I miss the fields of Kerry, The green fields and the kine, And in my brother's chanting is heard no voice of mine; Iona, O Iona! My mates are glad of cheer, But I, the Kerry peasant, Dwell sad and lonely here, I send an exile's sighing Across the sundering sea; O would I were in Kerry, Or the kine were here with me! Iona, O Iona! The Saint sleeps well, I trow, Nor dreams that one poor brother's Heart broke for Ireland now, Heart broke to be a herdsboy, And watch the cattle feed, And call the cattle homeward Across the darkening mead. Iona, O Iona! All summer swallows stay About your towers; the seagulls To Ireland take their way, And would, I cry with weeping, The seagulls' road were mine, To hear and see the lowing, The kind eyes of the kine! Iona, O Iona! —Unidentified.

Sharps and Flats.

For some time past doctors in France have been warning the public against the dangers of the latest craze—opium smoking. The habit has been introduced by officers and others home from Indo-China and gradually extended to society at Marseilles and Toulon. After being adopted in other seaports the mania has now reached Paris, where it is reported to have widely spread.

The Official Gazette of Italy says that by a law of June 27, 1903, the exportation of antiquities found in excavations and that have an archaeological and artistic value—also articles of antiquity of private parties, regarded by the Government as having great value for historical and artistic purposes—is forbidden. The law is to be in force for two years.

Bulletin Bubbles.

(Philadelphia Bulletin.) A poor lot—potter's field. In hot weather even a straw hat is felt. Dead letters do not require a "post" mortem. An up-to-date newspaper doesn't always wear a stylish wrapper. A stinky man may hedge and still not be a hedgehog. When some men get a job they are between two fires.

The Worm Turns.

(Philadelphia Press.) "You're forever trying to give the impression that you're a martyr," snapped Mrs. Henpeck. "I suppose you want everybody to think that you suffer in silence." "No," replied Mr. Henpeck; "I suffer in the perpetual absence of silence. A little silence would be a positive pleasure to me."

Colonel Hepburn's View.

In a recent review Hon. William P. Hepburn, member of Congress from Iowa, expressed himself as follows: "My idea of a comprehensive scheme for the permanent betterment of the roads in the United States involves an equalizing of the expense. I would be in favor of appropriating one-third of the cost of any particular stretch of highway out of the treasury, the State to pay an equal proportion, and the township the remaining one-third. In this way the weight of expense would be so distributed as not to be oppressive to any of the contributors, and in the course of ten years the mud hole and the bottomless pit of the spring season, when the frost emerges from the ground, will have disappeared, and a macadamized road will pass every farmer's home. "It has taken the farmers a long time to come to a realization of the value and importance to themselves of good roads. They are now thoroughly awake to the fact, however, and are ready to press their sturdy shoulders against the wheel of progress which leads to the elimination of the bottomless road. The movement has already begun in Iowa, and many towns are reached by farmers traveling over macadamized roads. These farmers have discovered that the hard, dry, always passable road pays big dividends in more ways than one. They have found that it has put from \$5 to \$10 per acre upon the valuation of their land. Incidentally these facts are becoming generally known, and Iowa farmers are ready to grasp any comprehensive scheme that will give them permanent highways, and they are willing to pay for them. "I find many representatives in Congress who are deeply interested in the good roads proposition, and they have indicated a willingness to take the matter up from the viewpoint of national co-operation under proper conditions. I believe the subject will receive attention at the hands of the fifty-eighth Congress and that some practical results will very soon follow."

Work of Tractor Plows.

The sixty-horse power traction engines used on Western ranches will pull simultaneously seventeen fourteen-inch plows plowing to sixty acres per day, or will plow, drill and harrow, all at one time, with properly arranged tools, from thirty-five to fifty acres per day.

Not Obligated to Smoke.

(St. Louis Republic.) Under the new West Point cadets may smoke pipes. Probably it is intended that pipes shall conduce not to peace, but to generalship. For the benefit of anxious or alarmed parents, it should be stated that the rule does not make smoking compulsory.

Here is a Problem.

Which hurts the worse. To get over a love affair by marrying or to get over it by not marrying?—Acheson Globe.

Perfectly Natural Folk.

When it comes to being perfectly natural grown people are obliged to use judgment.—Acheson Globe.

Money Value of Good Roads.

There are at least five ways in which good roads will put money in the farmer's pocket or prevent its being spent wastefully; for a good road will 1. Economize time and force in transportation between farm and market. 2. Enable farmers to take advantage of market fluctuations in buying and selling. 3. Permit transportation of farm products and purchased commodities during times of comparative leisure. 4. Reduce wear and tear on horses, harness and vehicles. 5. Enhance the market value of real estate.

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Mrs. Fressie Nelson, 226 Carroll St., Brooklyn, N. Y., writes: "Peruna is a fine medicine to take any time of the year, but I have found it especially helpful to withstand the wear and tear of the hot weather. I have taken it now for two summers, and feel that it has kept my system free from malaria, and dragged-out look which so many women have. "I therefore have no hesitancy in saying that I think it is the finest tonic in the world."—Josephine Morris. Peruna is frequently used as a mitigation of the effects of hot weather. What a bath is to the skin, Peruna is to the mucous membranes. Bathing keeps the skin healthy, Peruna makes the mucous membranes clean and healthy. With the skin and mucous membranes in good working order, hot weather can be withstood with very little suffering. Frequent bathing with an occasional use of Peruna is sure to mitigate the horrors of hot weather. Many ladies have discovered that the depression of hot weather and the rigors they have been in the habit of attributing to malaria quickly disappear when they use Peruna. This is why Peruna is so popular with them. Peruna provides clean mucous membranes, and the clean mucous membranes do the rest. If you do not derive prompt and satisfactory results from the use of Peruna write at once to Dr. Hartman, giving a full statement of your case, and he will be pleased to give you his valuable advice gratis. Address Dr. Hartman, President of The Hartman Sanitarium, Columbus, O.



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