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American Horses.

The development of types of light horses has been notable in the United States, but, according to a bulletin recently issued by the department of agriculture, with a single exception the draft-horses have been foreign strains transplanted. Of the light horses, the Narragansett pacer was a famous type in colonial days. Later came the Morgan, the standard-bred and the saddle-horse. The specialization of these types has been a national business and, in spite of importations from abroad, the native stock has developed and held its own. Of draft-horses, on the other hand, the only native type was the Conestoga, a breed that has now become completely extinct, and has left no discernible traces on the native stock. For heavy work, therefore, Americans must depend entirely upon the imported Percherons, Clydesdayes and Shires. The national traits which have resulted in these conditions are evidently somewhat different from what has been supposed, for the speed mania is what has caused the light types of horse to be developed and the heavy ones to be neglected. American breeders have sacrificed other qualities, which, in the opinion of the department of agriculture, are more important, in order to lower track records by a second or two. In the minds of most persons, Virginia, Kentucky and other parts of the south are most commonly associated with the pedigrees and development of the finest types of horses. To all who hold that opinion it will be instructive to trace, through the pages of the bulletin, the number of great strains of racing, carriage and saddle blood which, although commonly associated with the south, in reality go directly back to New England.

Nothing from Nothing Leaves Nothing.

Recently a man wrote to the New York Times saying that he was a little over 50 years of age and having worked all of his life to acquire enough money to make him independent, and having succeeded, he had retired, and was now trying to make himself happy with nothing to do. He passed five hours a day in reading, three hours in exercise and eating which left him eight hours, which he found it hard to dispose of. His letter was in the nature of a lament. His bubble had burst. What he had dreamed of being able to do all his life had come true and was an empty vanity. Foolish man! exclaims Life. The independence that money brings with it is the base of all our independencies. And where it enables a man to improve himself it almost invariably leads to his deterioration. To criticise one's betters is sure by in bad taste; perhaps it should rather be said in his praise therefore, that he has provided nothing better for us in the way of permanent satisfaction than being compelled to work for a living.

Several improvements are likely in the post office if the plans of experts are adopted. The postal committee of congress, appointed two years ago, will recommend that a permanent director of posts, with seven assistants, be provided for, and that the four offices of assistant postmaster general be abolished. Postmaster General Meyer is urging postal savings banks and rural parcels post, and his probable successor, Mr. Hitchcock, favors these improvements. The parcels post will probably be profitable to the department, besides conferring benefit on the public. The deficit this year is the largest ever reported, nearly $17,000,000—and although the post office is not intended to make money, any effort to put it on a paying basis should meet with favor in congress.

Talk as they will about fashion, the men are as subservient to its decrees as women. There was a time when most men were beards, indeed, at one time it was regarded as wicked to shave. Yet of 24 governors elected last November, Gov. Hughes of New York is the only one who does not shave some part of his face, and nine of the new governors are clean-shaven. A few years ago, says the Youth's Companion, every mother's son in any photograph of a group of college students had his hair parted in the middle and plastered flat above the ears. Nowadays it is the fashion to part the hair way down on one side. Twenty-five years ago college seniors wore beards or whiskers. Theodore Roosevelt were "burnsides" when he was in Harvard.

In France archaeologists have discovered the bones of men who, they think, died 173,000 years ago, and workmen tunneling at Toronto have found human footprints in interglacial clay deposited from 50,000 to 100,000 years ago. And yet a woman will sometimes tell her husband that the hat he gave her the money to buy only two short years ago is old.

If we could see ourselves as others see us, it would just about put the looking-glass people out of business.

BRIEF REVIEW OF A WEEK'S EVENTS

MOST IMPORTANT HAPPENINGS OF THE PAST WEEK TOLD IN CONDENSED FORM.

ROUND ABOUT WORLD

Information Gathered from All Quarters of the Civilized World and Prepared for the Perusal of the Busy Man.

WASHINGTON NOTES.

Warning congress that, though the movement to secure control of the water power of the country is still in its infancy, "unless it is controlled the history of the oil industry will be repeated in the hydro-electric power industry, with results far more oppressive and disastrous for the people," President Roosevelt sent a special message to the house vetoing a bill that provided for the construction of a dam across James river in Stone county, Missouri, the purpose of the dam being to get water to create electric power.

An appropriation of $161,615,000 for pensions was agreed on by the committee on appropriations in the drafting of the annual pension appropriation bill.

Senator Bacon introduced a resolution declaring that "any and every public document is subject to the call or inspection of the senate."

The bill to prohibit the sale of all intoxicating liquor in Tennessee passed the lower house of the general assembly after having passed the senate.

Theodore Burton of Cleveland was elected by the Ohio legislature to succeed J. B. F. Foraker as United States senator.

B. F. Shively will succeed Hemenway in the United States senate, being chosen by the Democratic members of the Indiana legislature after a long struggle.

A bill to extend the franking privilege to Mrs Grover Cleveland, widow of the late president of the United States, was introduced by Senator Penrose of Pennsylvania.

United States Senator Brandegee of Connecticut was selected to succeed himself by the Republican caucus of the state assembly.

PERSONAL.

Clara Morris the actress, who has been ill a long time, is in a serious condition and her family and friends are very anxious about the outcome.

President-elect Taft was warmly welcomed to Atlanta, Ga., and was the guest of honor at an elaborate banquet.

J. B. F. Rhoades, former cashier and vice-president of the Farmers and Drovers' National bank of Waynesburg, Pa., was found guilty of wrecking the bank and was immediately sentenced to serve 15 years in the penitentiary.

Elbert L. Keegan, charged with wrecking the Peoples National bank of Van, Pa., was sentenced to five years in the penitentiary.

Rear Admiral Sperry was received in private audience by the king of Italy.

Cardenio F. King, formerly a Boston broker, was sentenced to serve not less than ten and not more than 14 years at hard labor.

Charles S. Clement, president of the Tube City Rail and Company of Pittsburg, charged with conspiracy and misdemeanor in attempting to bribe former City Councilman William A. Martin in connection with the passage of an ordinance granting a franchise to the Tube City railroad, was found guilty as indicted.

George Aunger, the oldest member and president pro tem. of the city council at Ashtabula, O., was indicted for alleged solicitation of a bribe of $1,200.

Congressman Theodore E. Burton was elected United States senator by the Ohio legislature.

GENERAL NEWS.

Miss Violet Gordon Charlesworth, whose mysterious disappearance a short time ago caused a great deal of excitement became of her remarkable career and her intimate association with extensive stock deals, has been found at Oban, Scotland.

Fire in the most extensive automobile storage and repair plant in Boston, Mass., destroyed 348 automobiles, valued at $750,000.

Heroism of nurses saved the lives of 15 patients of the Trull hospital in Biddeford, Me., when fire gutted the institution.

Several children who had been buried in the ruins of Messina for 19 days were rescued.

Miss Jane Beatrice Mills, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ogden Mills, and granddaughter of the well-known financier, D. O. Mills, was married to the eighth earl of Granard in New York.

President Cortlandt Field Bishop of the Aero Club of America has presented $1,000 to the club, to be divided into four equal prizes and awarded to the pilots of the first four aeroplanes making a continuous flight of at least one kilometer during the current year.

Two hundred and forty men were entombed in a coal mine at Veszprim, Hungary, by an explosion. Forty-five bodies were recovered.

Harry Keener, York county (Pa.) farmer, confessed that the story told by a girl of this city that he had killed a man on his farm last July is true.

Twenty-one persons were killed and 30 injured, many of them seriously, in the head-on collision between a passenger train and a freight train on the Denver & Rio Grande near Dotsero, Col.

Scarlet fever appeared among the students at the Cornell College of Agriculture at Ithaca, N. Y.

The schooner Swallow of St. Johns, N. F., was wrecked off the coast of Long Island and her crew of about 18 men lost.

Lee Quinn tried to rescue his brother from an officer on a train near Fort Smith, Ark., and in the resulting pistol battle Irvin Brassfield, a passenger, was fatally wounded.

A triple tragedy was discovered in Seattle, Wash., when W. L. Seeley, an attorney and former national bank examiner for Illinois under Comptroller of Currency Eckels, his wife, Mrs. Kate M. Seeley, a member of the national society of the Daughters of the American Revolution, and his daughter, Miss Rena Seeley, a student at the University of Washington, were found dead in a bathroom of their home. It was believed Seeley killed the two women and committed suicide.

While getting money to hand to a robber, L. Trimball, a restaurant keeper of Union, Ia., was hot twice through the head and instantly killed.

The navy department began the work of loading vessels with building material and sending them to the earthquake survivors of Italy for the erection of small houses.

A number of young women students narrowly escaped being burned to death when the dormitory of Benzonia college at Benzonia, Mich., burned to the ground.

William C. and John S. McKee, bankers of Elmerton and Clintonville, Pa., were sentenced to five years in prison for misapplication of funds.

A court order was issued for the trial of Harry K. Thaw to determine his mental condition.

Frederick Herreshoff Yale man, golf champion, and youngest son of J. B. Francis Herreshoff, a wealthy manufacturer of New York, astonished his parents by announcing he had secretly married Miss May Faulkner, a show girl, last August.

Ten or more persons were killed and twenty-five or thirty injured in a collision at Dotsero, Col., between a passenger train and a freight on the Denver & Rio Grande railroad.

After reviewing the evidence for 22 hours and taking 13 ballots before all were agreed the jury in the trial of Thornton Jenkins Hains at Flushing, N. Y., found the prisoner not guilty as a principal with his brother, Capt. Peter C. Hains, in the killing of William F. Annis, for was believed Capt. Hains would not be put on trial.

A general strike of nut makers that may involve some 5,000 workers, was inaugurated in the nut manufacturing centers of the country. As the result of a decision of the Association of Nut Manufacturers to discharge the use of the union label in the factories represented in the association.

Mrs. Nathan Stanford and four children were burned to death at a lumber camp, 20 miles from Ashland, Wis.

Cyrus Campbell, 74 years old, a lumber resident of Cherryvale, Kan., was killed to death and his wife fatally injured in a fire that destroyed their home.

John Olin Eaton, U. S. A. (U. S. R.), who has been acting general of the army for the past seven years, was placed on the retired list after 45 years service with the advanced rank of major general.

Miss Frances Thompson, of Rhinelander, Wis., who attracted attention in papers in all parts of the country for a husband and received 2,000 proposals of marriage, has chosen Louis Strasburg of Iron Mountain, Wis.

The National League for Industrial Education, organized to foster national state and local cooperation in the promotion of industrial training in schools, has been organized in New York with James J. Hill of St. Paul as honorary president.

The corporation of Harvard college sent to the overseers of the college the name of Abbott Lawrence Lowell, professor of the science of government, as their choice as president of the college to succeed President Charles W. Eliot.

In a fire that completely burned the residence of Samuel Higgins, general manager of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad at New Haven, Conn., yesterday his mother, Mrs. Higgins, lost her life.

The Turkish government accepted the Austro-Hungarian offer of £2,500,000 Turkish ($10,800,000) indemnity for the annexation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, thus removing every possibility of war.

More than 100 lives were snuffed out by an explosion in the mines of the Black Diamond colliery, near Bluefield, W. Va. Just two weeks before, 50 miners were killed in the same mines by a similar explosion.

John V. Duffy, confidential clerk to Martin J. Condon, president of the American Snuff Company, was arrested in New York charged with forging his employer's name to 12 checks aggregating $3,800.

Thrilling escapes, many injuries, and one death accompanied the destruction by fire of the famous Copeland hotel in Topeka, Kan. Isaac E. Lambert of Emporia, familiar throughout Kansas as attorney and politician, was burned to death. Fifteen persons, a number of them well known in the state, were injured. It is likely all will recover.

That Rev. John H. Carmichael of Rattle Run, Mich., murderer of Gideon Browning and later slayer of himself, was insane, was proved at the post-mortem examination of his body.

THINGS HEARD AND TALKED OF

CASHIER FOGELSANG SHOWS THAT HE DID NOT PROFIT.

GOOD LUMBER HARVEST

Notes of Major and Minor Happenings Gathered Here and There About the State.

As a result of disclosures made at Springport Henry P. Fogelsang, cashier of the defunct Springport bank, is vindicated in the minds of his fellow citizens.

The state bank examiner, who has been investigating the affairs of the bank, has been much puzzled, he knew there was a shortage but could find in the books nothing to show where it had gone. Fogelsang claimed that it had all been used to finance the Young hay deals and that he had not benefited in the least by it. Monday a book was found which proves the truth of his claim, as it shows his dealings with Young in particular. As a result Fogelsang's townsmen have decided it was simply a case of becoming involved in a losing transaction and covering it up to prevent loss to the depositors and stockholders of his bank.

No Overproduction, Higher Prices.

This has been an exceptionally good year for lumbering in the woods. There has been about ten inches of snow, just enough to make good sleighing. However, all the big lumbermen are running only the usual number of camps and are cutting the timber on the land that was burned in the forest fires first.

There will be no overproduction this year to speak about. A number of the retail lumber dealers and people living in the southern part of the state seem to think prices on lumber will have to be cheaper on account of large overproduction caused by the recent forest fires.

Prices on lumber, especially hemlock, will be materially higher next spring and people intending to build will make no mistake if they start the work and place their orders for lumber now.

Stove Exploded.

The wife and four little daughters of John Vandermark, who was killed by a stove gas while sleeping after Vandermark had left for his work. The son who slept in another part of the house and who was no affected by the gas, summoned physicians who succeeded in bringing his mother and two sisters out of danger, but the two youngest girls are in a critical condition.

The accident was due to an explosion in the stove, which shattered the stove.

Carmichael's Funeral.

The funeral services of Rev. John Harvey Carmichael, of the Columbus church fraternity, were held in the little Methodist Episcopal Reunion Friday afternoon in the church which he owed efforts built in 1904 during his three years pastorate in that village, and the most unusual in which was that of the town hall, adjacent, opened a few years ago.

The ceremonies were impressive. The church was filled to overflowing, people came from miles to witness the last rites of the man who, it is known, in the remembrance of many, who served the inhabitants here for three years in doctor of souls and physical ills which afflicted and harrassed them.

State Fair September 2.

At the annual meeting of the Michigan State Agricultural society the dates for the state fair were set for Sept. 2 to inclusive. As the Ohio state fair is held the week previous, Labor day cannot be the grounds on Monday. A. J. Doherty, of Carson City, was re-elected general superintendent and James Slocum will be retained to take charge of the business affairs.

President Postal has appointed the following committees:

Horticulture—Chas. L. W. Scott, Highland Park; R. H. Butterfield, Lansing.

Finance—G. D. Arthur, Flint; E. Kane, Detroit; R. C. Ely, Ann Arbor; Martin Bay City.

By-laws and Rules—Frank Lyons, W. J. Galbraith, Samuel N. Wheeler, Holland; A. V. Green, Detroit.

Reception—Eugene Elliott, C. A. Tyler, Delaware; D. D. Aitken, E. E. Stevenson, Port Huron; W. J. Turney, E. Lawrence, L. H. Taft, Lansing.

Reception—John T. Rich, C. C. Holden, Saint Ste. Marie; George B. Horton, Petit Holiks.

Following are the superintendents of the various departments: Cattle—A. A. Tyler, Coldwater; horses, George W. Speed, L. W. Watkins, Manchester; sheep, Eugene Elliott, Bay City; swine, W. E. Boyden, Bay City; swine, George Kelly, North Branch; poultry, C. C. Holden; farm and garden products, W. J. Turney, Bloomingdale; dairy, L. W. Sash, Highland Park; apiary, F. H. Ransford; farm implements and machinery, V. V. Green, Detroit; fine arts, Charles L. Edwards, Carleton; main building, William Dawson, Saginaw; fine arts, Mrs. Hoag, Detroit; needle work, Mrs. Hoag; clerk horticulture, Prof. C. H. Taft, Schoolcraft; Thomas M. Sattler, Jackson; marshal, A. C. Peck, Jackson; transportation, A. E. Stevenson, Port Huron.

In the circuit court at Lexington, Ky., on motion of the commonwealth, "Bill" Britton, of Breathitt county, who was charged with the assassination of James Cockrill or Jackson, was dismissed, the reason for saying that conviction was impossible.

The annual report of the commissioner of labor shows that there were 8,500 establishments with 242,000 employes in the state during 1908 as compared with 8,325 establishments and 283,834 employes in 1907. The average wage was $1.92 a day as compared with $1.93 in 1907.

MICHIGAN ITEMS.

During the year 1908 Washtenaw county had 68 divorce cases, 55 of which were granted.

Over 1,000 people attended the three sessions of the Sanilac Farmers' institute at Lexington Friday.

Arthur W. Jewett, of Mason, with 22 exhibits of Michigan grain, took 15 prizes at the recent national corn show at Omaha, Neb.

Schuyler C. Carskadden, who died with his wife in Norfolk, Va., Monday, as the result of a death pact, was superintendent of a Bay City manufacturing company 18 years ago.

The village church at West Bedford burned to the ground Sunday. The church services had just been concluded and Sunday school was about to start when the ceiling was discovered to be in flames.

John Horning, of Lewiston, died in Bay City hospital from blood poisoning which developed from a slight cut he had received while opening a can. Mr. Horning is survived by a widow and two children.

There is a growing sentiment among the farmers of Barry county that the law paying a bounty for the killing of sparrows should be repealed. Farmers believe that the little birds do much good in protecting crops from insects.

Riva Perry, a boom worker in a Kalamazoo billiard parlor, fell four stories down an elevator shaft Sunday night. He landed squarely on his head and beyond a few cuts and bruises, was uninjured.

The board of directors of Michigan Knights of the Grip have appointed a legislative committee to prevent the threatened passage of any railroad bill providing for the payment of more than two cents a mile cash fares paid on trains.

The Northern Michigan Millers association met at Bay City and re-elected C. H. Chadfield, Bay City, president. Other officers were: F. C. Henry, St. Louis, vice-president; L. J. Hotz, Bay City, secretary-treasurer. A banquet followed the business session.

Farmer members of the Washtenaw Mutual Fire association have headed off an attempt to insert a lightning rod clause in the policies, whereby the company would not be responsible for losses by burning of barns unless they were equipped with improved lightning rods.

Figures just compiled show that corporations pay much the greatest proportion of taxes in Iron Mountain, the mortgage of the Menominee Range Iron Ore Properties has to pay one-fifth of all the taxes and fifty half a million of taxation falls upon the United States Steel corporation.

Mayor Stewart is planning to close the old at Saginaw. Two saloonkeepers have been arrested than the joints will also be closed up tight. Prosecuting Attorney Kinney has begun a club of which the saloonkeepers and bartender were officers. The jury pounced upon the clubbers in session.

Westerners declare that they have seen show has cared the river of hundreds of deer. In woods this winter St. Ignace they have seen signs of deer. One was of a wolves in chase of prey, and it is said that wolves have been in the woods in the vicinity of Mackinaw for now fall than for several years past.

The supervisors of Sebewaing township have adopted a resolution which is to be sent to the legislature, providing a law providing for a closed season for hare and deer in Huron county for a period of three years. Similar action has been taken by the Saginaw county board.

Relatives of James Parker, of Grand Rapids, have about given up hope of ever hearing from him. On Sept. 1, 1907, Parker went to the Soo on some outing. He carried a large sum of money with him. The last time he was seen he was in a saloon with some friends and stated he was going to leave where the river was swift. The horse of a buggy procured on the afternoon.

The new furniture factory at Lake Odessa, Ionia county, which was burned down last fall, is being rebuilt. The first of next month will have enough of the machinery in operation to begin on several orders now being on hand to be filled. The storage barn is rebuilding, built here four years ago and several years ago is being enlarged. It is a plant factory, which Odessa will work hard to secure.

For three days attorneys representing liquor and local option interests of Benton Harbor have been before the board of supervisors seeking to influence their action on calling a special election to vote on the question next spring. Liquor men seek to have 600 names stricken from the local option petition, they having secured that number of withdrawal cards. The prohibitionists are opposing this.

J. A. Thick, promoter of the Saginaw, Owosso & Lansing electric railroad, met with a committee of the board of supervisors at Saginaw to secure their approval of his plans to cross the Bad river at St. Charles and the Tittabawassee close to Saginaw by means of swinglers bridges. If the supervisors approve, the matter must still be taken before the war department at Washington, where it will be finally passed upon.

The board of supervisors of Kent county voted to put a proposition to bond the county for $8,000 for the building of a juvenile home in Grand Rapids before the voters at the spring election. Therefore there has been no place for the keeping of juvenile prisoners, and a storm of protest has been heard on all sides.

Paul G. Sukey, a U. of M. sophomore engineer from Minneapolis, received word Monday that his grandmother, who had lived in Messina in the heart of the earthquake district, was released from the ruins of her home after she had been imprisoned there for six days.

HIGH UP MEN.

Numerous Indictments for Land Frauds Are Made.

One hundred and thirty-eight indictments were returned by the grand jury at Eagle Pass, Texas, after two weeks' session, which grew out of a hearing of a sub-committee of the committee on Indian affairs of the United States senate last year, which was held at Shawnee, Okla., Eagle Pass, Texas, and Douglass, Arizona, and Washington.

It is understood many of these indicted parties hold high state positions in Oklahoma and government positions in Mexico and are high in financial and political circles in the United States and Mexico.

In June, 1906 an effort was made to remove restrictions from the sale of Kickapoo Indian lands in Oklahoma. The latter had been allotted to them in 1894 by the United States government, giving the Indians the use and occupancy for 25 years, at the end of which time the Indians would receive patents in fee simple. These lands were among the most valuable in Oklahoma. Forgery and other fraud is charged, by which the Indians were greatly wronged.

FLASHES FROM THE WIRES

Passengers from Guatamala declare that a serious outbreak of smallpox has occurred there. In Guatamala City it is said, there have been 1,000 cases.

A committee of the Finland senate is engaged in making preparations to bring about reform in the conditions under which Russians live in Finland.

Fire practically destroyed the Peekskill military academy at Peekskill, N. Y., causing a loss of $75,000. The students in the place escaped in safety.

Extreme cold prevails throughout the Adirondacks, thermometers registering 38 degrees below zero at Saranac Lake, 32 below at Nehasane, 40 below at Tupper Lake and 42 below at Loon Lake.

Instructions have [illegible] the state department [illegible] the American [illegible] Colombia which is in the Mosquito [illegible] sular district.

A mob in Oklahoma [illegible] carry from depot in [illegible] liquor intended [illegible] shipped from outside the state [illegible] due to a decision [illegible] supreme court.

The [illegible] of Norfolk, Va., [illegible] W. A. [illegible] Rabbet [illegible] two [illegible] state [illegible] Carolina, took place [illegible] director of the [illegible]

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THE MARKETS.

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