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Street car boys are not worth the market price.

What a fine all-star stock company Meno could organize.

When piety is only skin deep it is quite likely to affect the lungs.

"Tell through the ice and drowned" fatalities are over for the season.

The hens are in no hurry to lay eggs to fill up next year's cold storage warehouses.

The chancery in this country is chiefly confined to the cold storage warehouses.

When the cold storage warehouses turn loose eggs they are marked "direct from the country."

Instead of the conquests of war, let us enter heart and soul into the effort to conquer disease.

In the bright effulgence of spring we can smile at the tears one shed over the last rose of summer.

Kissing is unknown in Japan. It is not surprising they have been backward many years in civilization.

We would be glad to know that every man who gets into a hole could, in some way, come out of it whole.

It's still a bit early to pack up for the country, but none too soon to plan for it—that is, if you have a country place to go to.

That man who enters Harvard at the age of 15 ought to have some bully good times with his classmate William James Sidis.

English papers speak of a man in the Birmingham hospital for skin diseases who is turning to marble. He appears to be a hard case.

If Kermit were not a well trained boy it would be hard to hold him after he comes back from Africa with all his laurels thick upon him.

Says a dressmaking authority: "Men fall in love with the best-gowned woman." Here is a question for a pleasant freestyle debate.

If something doesn't stop that civil war in Nicaragua soon, there will not be enough left of the country to be worth any dictator's while to tax.

The market reports assure us that 4,774,320 eggs were taken by Chicago in a single day without a sign of uneasiness. Let us hope they were not fried.

A Cincinnati man has retired from business with \$1,000,000, which he says is as much money as any man has the right to possess. How he must dislike trouble.

Germany has cut its naval estimate for this year. English alarmists will regard this as another cunning trick to get the British government to quit building warships.

A wife murderer in Georgia, pardoned by the president, refused to avail himself of the clemency and will remain in charge of the penitentiary pharmacy as a trusty. This would appear to be a case where the zeal of friends rather overran itself.

Recalling that the gold production of the United States last year was \$99,000,000, the Boston Globe finds evidence of the renewed vitality of New England in the fact that it collected two-thirds as much from summer boarders. But is it fair to give no credit to the visitors who furnish the money?

A New Yorker plunged into the icy river last winter to rescue a young lady's merry widow hat, and now she has married him. It is possible that, having thrown the hat away in order to secure a later model, she concluded the chap who thwarted the plan by rescuing the old hat should be compelled to buy the new one?

Now a university scientist asserts that any desired characteristic can be produced in human beings at will, and that character is only a matter, after all, of chemical combinations. Some may object to the elimination by this theory of the soul and spiritual influence from it, but the theory has its compensations if cranks can be removed from their present sphere of pernicious activity.

New York's state highway commission is proceeding with a vigor which will excite attention and cause progressive legislators in other states to study her highway construction system. The commission has just advertised for proposals for the improvement of 57 miles of state roads and 146 miles of country highways. The total cost of the roads covered by the contracts of February and April is \$5,242,000.

If a court injunction will actually stop the family in the flat above from running a boiler factory on the premises the department stores should be prepared to handle them in dozen lots.

Several times has it been reported in the current news of the day that a trolley or steam car has jumped the rails and plunged into some dwelling. This is all wrong. Houses never dispute the right of way on tracks with cars, and cars should not be allowed to challenge the stationary status of houses.

The poets of New York have formed a labor union, but one of the big drawbacks in this is that no one will sympathize or even notice it when the members go out on a strike.

The first aeroplane price list has been issued in England, offering a monoplane with 3-cylinder, 30-h. p. engine at \$2,250, a monoplane with 4-cylinder, 50-h. p. engine for \$2,750, and a biplane with 4-cylinder, 50-h. p. engine for \$5,500. Aeroplanes come high, and the higher they go the higher they come.

JUNE 14 FLAG DAY

Iowa Asked to Honor Veterans on Memorial Day.

McDONALD ISSUES ORDERS

Department Commander Issues Annual Proclamation Recommending Program and Nature of Exercises for Both Days.

Des Moines, Apr. 29.—M. McDonald, commander-in-chief of the Iowa department of the Grand Army, has issued his general orders respecting the observance of Memorial day and Flag day. The orders are as follows:

"Memorial day—The commander-in-chief has in fitting terms called attention to the observance of Memorial day and Flag day. Memorial day is a solemn day to the members of the Grand Army of the Republic; it becomes more sacred as the years are passing. The number of graves is increasing, while the number to observe the day are decreasing. At this time, let us remember that as we stand before some graves, we not only see flowers there, but that in the fact there is a symbolism of our love, our tender remembrance, and our fraternal appreciation for all the sacrifices made and patriotism shown by all the defenders of our flag and nation. It has become so universally a custom for posts to attend service in a body on the Sunday preceding Memorial day that it hardly seems necessary to recommend it. Lincoln's Gettysburg address should be read at Memorial day exercises, and a souvenir copy is enclosed. To the veterans outside our ranks I would say that for over forty years this organization has been true to its trust, to the memory of our comrades, and to you. We have ministered to the widow and orphan, as well as to all needy comrades. May I appeal to you to join us and properly wear the badge acknowledged the world over to be one of honor. There is not a community in this department in which a post exists, but has felt the quickening influence of that loyalty to home and country which saved the union and made this republic a world power among the nations of the earth. Justly proud of the achievements of the past, devoutly thankful for the blessings vouchsafed to us during these four decades, we turn to our comrades of the old line, who still are not of our membership and urgently remind them of duties long neglected, privileges and associations not highly prized, and press upon their attention the honor of worthily wearing the badge of our order.

"Flag day—June 14 has been adopted by the Grand Army of the Republic as Flag day. Let every comrade who is the possessor of a flag, display it on that day, and request his friends and neighbors to do the same. It should be an object lesson to those coming after us, and no harm can come from inculcating in the minds of the young, a spirit of devotion to the flag that represents all that we are as a nation, and what is has cost to maintain it.

"Hats off! Along the street there comes A blare of bugles, a rattle of drums, A flash of color beneath the sky! Hats off! The flag is passing by!"

M. McDONALD, Department Commander.
GEO. A. NEWMAN, Assistant Adjutant General.

VAN SANT WILL MAKE ADDRESS

National Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic to Talk at Iowa Encampment.

Des Moines, Apr. 29.—Gen. S. R. Van Sant of St. Paul, Minn., national commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, will address the Iowa G. A. R. June 8, the opening day of the thirty-sixth annual encampment.

F. G. Moffet, chairman of the entertainment committee, has arranged with Col. Alexander Rodgers of the Sixth cavalry for a regimental drill at Fort Des Moines on Friday afternoon during the encampment.

The parade of veterans will occur on the afternoon of June 9. The veterans will be escorted by the Sixth cavalry and four bands.

Disorder at Press Association Dinner.

New York, Apr. 29.—The regular joint dinner of the Associated Press and the American Newspaper Publishers association was thrown into riotous and prolonged disorder when Thomas T. Williams, business manager for Wm. R. Hearst, was refused permission to speak as he rose to reply to biting criticisms Mayor Gaynor had just made of Mr. Hearst's part in journalism.

Mothers' Day at Logan.

Logan, Ia., Apr. 29.—Plans for the observance of Mothers' Day, May 8, is under way at Logan. The Pterian club took the initiative and the custom was observed extensively last year.

"Q" Building New Bridge.

Bridgeport, Ia., Apr. 29.—The Burlington has commenced the erection of a new reinforced concrete and steel bridge, one-half mile east of this place, where the Creston-Cumberland branch crosses the Nodaway river.

Hiccough Killing Burlington Man.

Burlington, Ia., Apr. 29.—Chas. H. Dawson, special agent of the Burlington is in a critical condition at Mercy hospital, as a result of a hiccoughing fit. He has been afflicted for ten days. There is no hope for recovery.

Strikers Return to Work.

Omaha, Neb., Apr. 29.—As a result of a meeting of the striking packing house employees at which it was decided that they were not properly organized to win a strike, the men returned to work at the compromise wages offered by the companies.

Cedar Falls Girl Weds in Chicago.

Cedar Falls, Ia., Apr. 29.—Miss Edith Jarnagin, only daughter of Editor J. W. Jarnagin of the Cedar Falls Daily Record, and a popular Cedar Falls young woman, was married in Chicago to John Giesgold.

POSSIBLE BENEFITS OF A COMET SCARE



