

Sunday Briefs

(Boston Record.)

Two tons of coal are burned daily in the 35 stoves which are used to heat the Billy Sunday Tabernacle.

The hospital, which is in charge of Dr. Dewitt Wilcox, had six patients yesterday—on boy, a man and four women, all of whom fainted.

Sunday caused considerable laughter Sunday when in telling of the manner in which Salome danced before King Herod he said: "Then King Herod said 'Sis, you are a peach!'"

Sunday said yesterday that he is the most hated and loved man in the country and that he is "proud of his enemies."

"God doesn't keep a halfway house," declared the evangelist. "It's heaven or hell for everybody, and when the home totters the nation is going to hell."

Sunday said the man who says that Boston is cold (spiritually) must be a "mutt."

"When it comes to divorce I am a Roman Catholic," he said. "Some things are legally right, but morally rotten as hell."

"If you don't know what time at night your daughter hits the hay, yours will be a pathetic wheeze when the gossip starts."

"Some people are so tight that if you ask them to sing 'Old Hundred' they would sing 99 and save one percent."

"I wouldn't let call on my daughter a fellow who turned down the lights,

unless I had a hole bored through the ceiling and a gun trained on him."

Miss Helen Keller, the renowned deaf, dumb and blind girl, was among those who attended service in the Tabernacle on Sunday. She "heard" Sunday talk through the fingers of a friend. She shook hands with the evangelist.

"Believe that God Almighty can do something; don't whine around as if God was a corpse ready for the undertaker. God is still on the job."

Bishop Hamilton of the Methodist Church heard Sunday in Boston. He said he was more impressed by what Sunday said than by the way he said it, forceful and eccentric as was his way of presenting his views.

The total of the collections taken up on the first day of Sunday's Boston campaign was \$9,237.95. It required but four minutes for the 300 ushers to pass the pudding pans in which the money was collected. The largest previous first day's collection was \$8,000 at Detroit.

When you hear a man boast of his ancestors, it's a safe bet that his descendants will have no occasion to boast of theirs.

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RECRUITING LOOKING UP WELL.

3,724 Men Have Enlisted in the Past Fortnight.

Ottawa, Dec. 18.—Recruiting throughout Canada is looking up well. In the past fortnight 3,724 men were enrolled, as compared with 5,500 in the whole month of November.

The grand total since the war is now up to 381,438.

DECLINE IN WHALE FISHING INDUSTRY

Are Whales Becoming Scarce?—Regulation in Killing May Preserve Declining Industry

Whale fishing, like every other industry, has felt the far-reaching economic effects of the war. Glycerine, which is useful in the manufacture of explosives, is obtainable from the oil of the "humpback," "finback" and "sulphur bottom" whales. As Pacific whale oil averages 6 to 10 percent of glycerine content, with a maximum 14 per cent, a rise of 10c to 20c per gallon after the outbreak of war gave a very pronounced impetus to whale fishing in Pacific waters.

War Affected Prices

The pursuit of whales for oil and bone has declined very seriously from the high-water mark reached in the middle of last century. While the "right" whale has become so scarce that the price of baleen or "whale bone" has risen from \$1,250 per ton in 1835 to about \$12,500 today, the price of oil, despite the upward trend caused by the war, has seriously declined from the level of former years.

There is a tendency to scout the idea that whales are becoming scarce, but the fact that the whalers are going further and further afield demonstrates that the old grounds are becoming depleted. Although whaling is still a flourishing industry in certain quarters of the globe, these operations spell the doom of the whale unless an international agreement can be arrived at to regulate the killing.

Economic Folly

Of course, an increasing scarcity of whales may make the business unprofitable and, as in New England, the majority of the hunters may be driven from the field. Then the whales may get sufficient respite to enable them to re-establish themselves. But, leaving the conservation of natural resources to the blind play of economic forces is both dangerous and unsatisfactory. Not only may it lead to the utter destruction of an irreplaceable resource—as an animal species—but it builds up a huge industry in the boom days—when the principal as well as the interest is being greedily consumed—only to be followed by a wretched decline when large numbers of men lose their livelihood and expensive plants rot through lack of use.

CABINET COUNCILS

How British Affairs of State Are Strictly Guarded

In England Cabinet Councils are conducted in the strict privacy, although very occasionally important officials and other outsiders have attended a meeting for the purpose of giving information or advice on specific matters; while the remarkable step was taken of inviting Sir Robert Borden, as Prime Minister of Canada, to attend one of the meetings while he was in England. Otherwise the most stringent measures are adopted to secure the inviolability of Cabinet proceedings. Trusted janitors keep watch outside to guard against the possibility of eavesdropping, while the very blotting pads are destroyed after each meeting lest they should betray anything that has taken place.

Touching this matter of Cabinet secrets, by the way, Mrs. Lloyd-George remarked in a public speech that she, at least, could not disclose any, since her husband never told them to her, but it is well known that other Cabinet Ministers have not always been equally discreet. In this connection it may be recalled that the famous Lady Holland once asked, at one of the Whig consultations at Holland House, why her husband should not be Foreign Secretary. "Why, ma'am," said Lord John Russell, bluntly, "they say you open all Holland's letters." Mr. Gladstone, on the other hand, was of opinion that a Minister need have no secrets from his wife, and how nobly Mrs. Gladstone justified his confidence is well known.

Another aid to the preservation of Cabinet secrets is the system of communication between the members which is adopted. This is effected by the circulation of special despatch boxes, and one of the most important possessions of each Minister is the "key" which unlocks all these boxes. In all memoirs of Ministers will be found constant reference to "sending round a box" groans at the arrival of "piles of boxes" from other departments, and so on. When a Minister wishes to circulate some memorandum among his colleagues for information or comment he does it in this way. Altogether the Cabinet is a very wonderful institution.

RECORD RAILWAYS

Russia has beaten all records in railway construction. She built a great double-track, broad-gauge line from Alexandrovsk, an ice-free port on her north coast, down to Petrograd, and completed it within six months. It is 1,220 miles long, and 10,000 men, mostly prisoners, were employed upon it. Then look at the Great Siberian railway! Five thousand five hundred and twenty-seven miles of line, most of it across wild plain and forest and over great mountain ranges, in a climate where for five months of the year the soil is frozen to the consistency of granite, and all this in eight summers! It is a record which, even in North America, has never been equalled. It cost one hundred and forty millions, and since its completion another twenty-two millions have been spent in improving the line.

The best work done in America under similar, but even worse conditions, was the construction of the White Pass and Yukon Railway, which opened up the route from the coast to Skagway to the gold region of Klondike. Within twenty miles from its starting point this line has to climb the White Pass, a height of just off three thousand feet. When the station at the summit was opened seven feet of snow surrounded it, and the thermometer registered 57 degrees below zero—that is, 89 degrees of frost!



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