

Slants Of Humor

STRANGE OPERATION.

"Mamma," said little Siegfried, "I saw a blacksmith making a mule today."

"Are you quite sure you did?" asked the skeptical mother.

"Of course I did," replied Siegfried. "He was just finishing him by nailing on one of the hind feet."

BROUGHT HARDSHIP.

Old Mammy Mary Persimmons called one day on the village lawyer.

"Well, old lady," he said, "what can I do for you?"

"Ah, wants to divo'ce mah husband," said Aunt Mary.

"Divorce your Uncle Bill?" cried the lawyer. "Good gracious! Why?"

"Bekase he's done got religion," said Aunt Mary. "an' we ain't had a chicken on de table for six weeks."—Ohio Farmer.

GEOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION.

"How many zones have we?" asked the teacher of the small pupil.

"Four," was the reply.

"Name them," said the teacher.

"The frigerated, the horrid, the temperance and the intemperance," was the answer.

TO GET SOME TIME.

"Is your mamma at home?" asked a caller of five-year-old Lola, who answered the bell.

"No, ma'am," answered the small miss. "She went out to get some time."

"To get some time!" echoed the caller.

"Yes, ma'am," replied Lola. "She said she was going over to one of the neighbors for a minute."

ALL RIGHT, EXCEPT—

"How do you like my new hat, dear?" asked a mother of her five-year-old daughter.

"Oh, I like it all right, except the color and the trimming and the shape," replied the small critic.

THE MAGIC SOUND.

By the chap who told us we were going to enjoy a mild winter:

"Br-r-r!"

PERPETUAL MOTION.

(Try It and See.)

Perpetual motion is something that's never yet been discovered despite all endeavor.

But if you would come pretty near to the gist of it

Take and spout this with the proper tongue twist of it.

ABOUT TO ENTER UPON
AN ERA OF PROSPERITY

Optimistic Note Sounded by Retiring President of the Board of Trade—Cheap Power, Technical Education And Other Subjects Discussed.

Mr. J. D. Palmer, retiring president of the Fredericton Board of Trade, delivered the following address last night on the occasion of the annual meeting:

To the Members of the Fredericton Board of Trade:

Gentlemen,—In submitting my annual report for the year just ended, it is very pleasing to be able to say that in very few instances has the business of this community been seriously affected by the period of depression which this country is now emerging from, and if one can judge from the evidence at hand, I believe that we are now about to enter on an era of prosperity. The Empire has been at war for the past seventeen months, and Canada has stood the strain admirably. We have an authoritative statement from the Premier of this country that Canada will continue to play her part until the enemy is beaten decisively and an honorable peace is concluded.

The reports of the various committees speak for themselves of the work that has been done by them during the past year, and any of these subjects that I may touch upon will only be in a general way.

Cheap Power.

This board, through a special committee appointed for that purpose, has looked into the possibilities of the development of cheap power for distribution in this city from coal fields at Minto. We did not have the funds required necessary to cover the expense of a like programme concerning the development of water powers. This report, covering the question of power development from coal from Minto coal fields, was prepared by a leading firm of industrial engineers, viz., Joseph H. Wallace & Co., New York. It gives a general outline concerning the relative cost of power as produced by a power plant located at the mouth of the mines and conveyed to Fredericton by a power line, as compared with the cost of power produced by a power plant located in Fredericton. Of course, in both cases Minto coal was the fuel to be used. This report covers a great deal of general information concerning a proposition of this kind. It is the property of this board, and is on file with our records and may be examined by any member who is interested.

Exhibition of 1915.

The Fredericton Exhibition Association held their biennial fair last fall, and notwithstanding very unfavorable general conditions, it was a decided success, and I would like to congratulate the directors on the success of their efforts. Furthermore, I believe the Fredericton Exhibition is a valuable asset to the city as a means of advertising Fredericton over a large area of country.

Technical Education.

The Board has consistently supported our Board of School Trustees in their efforts to enlarge their programme of vocational or industrial education in our schools. On behalf

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of this Board I wish to congratulate our School Board for the progress they have made along this line. The Domestic Science Department is now well under way and is proving of immense value to the girl students as a preparation for after life. I understand also that a teacher has been engaged to carry on more advanced manual training and wood work for boys in the higher grades, but I would further urge upon the School Board the desirability of establishing in this city an evening industrial continuation school, and I think that the Provincial Government might very reasonably be asked to, and I believe would be willing to, bear half of the expense of such a school.

While on this subject, I would suggest to the incoming executive the appointment of a special "Industrial

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MESSAGE

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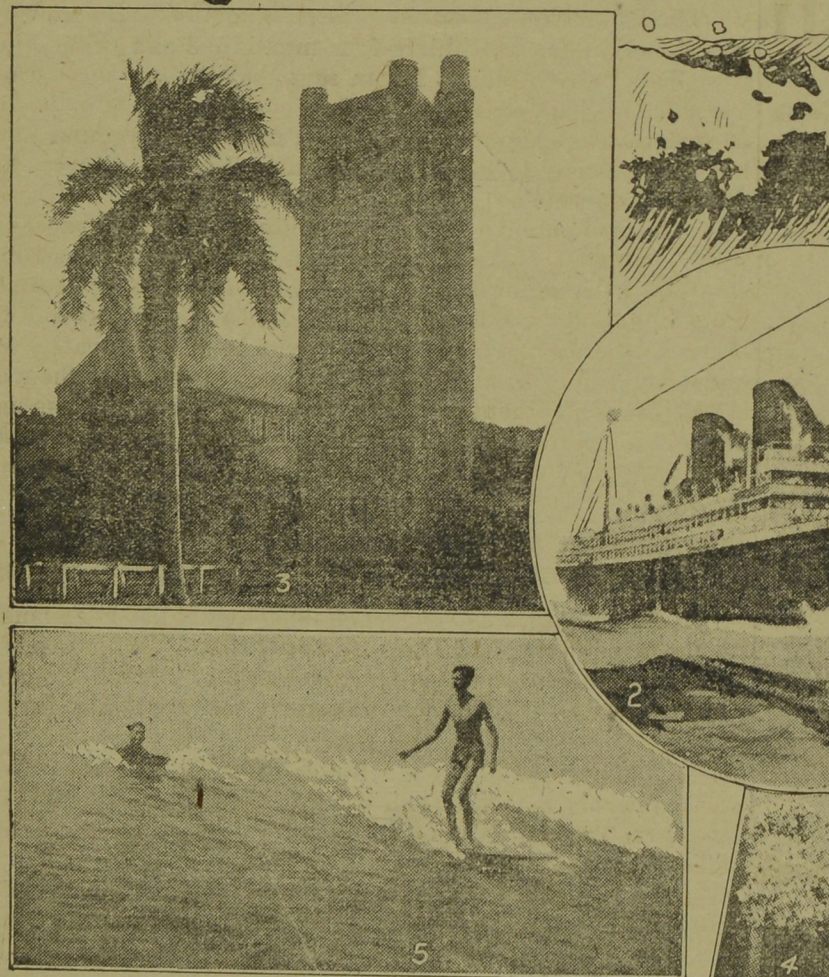
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MID-WINTER
NEAR THE
EQUATOR

(1) Coconut trees by the sea side, Honolulu. (2) S.S. "Niagara."
(3) Episcopal Cathedral, Honolulu. (4) Hawaiian flower sellers
—a familiar street scene. (5) Surf ride.

THE eleventh annual Mid-Pacific Carnival of the Hawaiian Islands will be held in Honolulu, February 21-25, 1916, and preparations for entertaining a large army of tourists are under way by the commercial organizations, as well as by special committees, in which the war department is taking an active part. The carnival will extend throughout a week, the key note being the celebration of Washington's birthday on February 23, on which day there will be a parade of nearly 10,000 United States soldiers with six military bands in line, added to which will be the famous Royal Hawaiian Band, and possibly the band of the Royal Rosarians of Portland, Oregon.

One of the features of the Carnival will be a massed band concert, in which all the bands will be merged into one, and selections directed by each of the leaders in turn. In this massed band concert there will be about 300 musicians. Ancient Hawaiian history will be revealed in elaborate pageants undertaken by Hawaiians, while the Japanese, Koreans and Filipinos will also present bizarre spectacles based on life in their own lands. February is one of the most popular tourist months of the year, although the Islanders claim that every month is the month of May. One of its important steamship services is supplied by Canada from the Vancouver port. The S.S. "Niagara" leaves for the Carnival on January 19th. Honolulu has splendid hotels, while motor cars are almost as numerous as in the large cities of the mainland.