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TUESDAY	6,656
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THURSDAY	6,643
FRIDAY	6,806
SATURDAY	7,079
TOTAL	40,690
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TORONTO VACATION SCHOOL

The following extract from the report of Mrs. J. L. Hughes, chairman of the playgrounds committee of the Women's Council of Toronto, will be of special interest just now to friends of the playgrounds movement in St. John: —

"The Vacation School held its first session during the months of July and August, 1905, in the Elizabeth Street Public school building, the use of which was kindly granted by the trustees. Elizabeth Street school, it may be stated, is situated in the centre of one of the most populous and poorer districts of Toronto. A great deal of the eminent success of the new venture is attributable to the fact that the committee in charge made such a happy choice of the teachers, and the school also had the benefit of the services of many capable and interested volunteer assistants. These advantages, coupled with the fact that the locality was so well chosen, led to results of a most edifying nature.

"A regular kindergarten class was held every morning from nine to noon, for the little folks, while the older children assembled in different rooms for special forms of manual training. Basket making, weaving, paper-folding and cutting, dolls' dressmaking, and the making, furnishing and peopling of a huge dolls' house, were some of the occupations provided for busy fingers, in the mornings, and during the afternoons games of all sorts were engaged in, from basket-ball to dolls' tea-parties.

"One of the special features of the school was an immense "sandheap" for the wee tots. Never was it seen quite deserted, not even in a shower of rain.

"Every morning a small army of little ones in charge of "lesser ones" (and often these again in charge of least), might be seen wending its way toward the Vacation School, bearing weapons of warfare in the shape of shovels, iron spoons, pails and tin dishes of all descriptions. If some of our wealthy citizens had seen the sight, and witnessed the joy that plain-looking heap of yellow sand—more precious far in childish eyes than grains of gold—gave daily, throughout the hottest of our summer months, to dozens of youngsters, we do not think it would be long before we should have the desire of our hearts, namely, a children's park or playground laid out to suit all the requirements of the little women (i. e the elder sisters) and their charges."

A POINT WELL TAKEN

When Joseph B. Boyer, a clerk in the employ of the Pennsylvania Railroad, at a salary of $2,700 per year, admitted to the Interstate Commerce Commission that he had received some $61,000 from the coal companies for placing with them the Pennsylvania's orders for coal, he was promptly dismissed by President Cassatt, without referring the matter at all to the directors.

This was all very well, but scores of other officials of the road had also confessed that they had received graft from patrons of the road and were not dismissed. Touching their case the vice-president of the road gives this explanation:-

"The company's committee must pass on the cases of these other men. Boyer is the only employe, as far as known to date, whose graft was taken from the railroad itself, it having been testified that the company would have gotten coal cheaper if his percentage had not been necessary."

The only difference between Boyer and the other grafters was that he took it out of the company which employed him, since it had to pay the higher price for coal, while the other clerks were only guilty of bleeding the patrons of the railroad. This leads the New York Commercial to make the following caustic comment:-

"Are we to infer that this fine discrimination is to mark the company's policy in the other cases—that a grafter farsighted enough and loyal enough to have excluded his employer from his operations will go scot-free and only wrong-doers of the Boyer class be punished? There is certainly no difference in the principle involved. The only difference was in the sagacious choice of the victim. Can the Pennsylvania Railroad Company afford to reward that sort of sagacity while condemning only the stupidity that tapped the company's till instead of an outsider's?"

It must be said for the press of the United States that it does not permit the heads of the great corporations to go wrong for lack of knowledge of the right course. And what the press is saying the people are thinking.

THE FINANCIAL SIDE

An increase of thirty cents a day in a millman's wages would amonut to $1.80 per week. If he got work every day from now until the end of November, about 24 weeks, the addition to his wages would amount altogether to less than $45.

If a man earning $12 per week were idle for a month, on strike, his loss would be $48. If at the end of the month he got an increase of thirty cents per day for the remaining 20 weeks till the end of November, working every day, the increase would amount to $36, or $12 less than he would have earned had he not been idle for a month, nor received any increase in wages.

Looking at the question now from the mill-owner's standpoint, if he had a hundred men earning an average, let us say, of $10 per week, his weekly pay roll would be $1,000. If fifteen per cent were added, it would amount to $150 per week or $3,000 for twenty weeks. There would thus be an additional tax of $3,000 on his business without getting any more work done.

Therefore, looked at from the standpoint of dollars and cents, if the mills were idle for a month, and then started at on increase of fifteen per cent in wages, the men would not be any better off in the end, and the mill owners would be much worse off. For of course it goes without saying that if the deal pilers get more pay the other employes of the mills will also demand an advance.

As the mill-owners state positively that they will not pay the advance, thre is a prospect of a season of idleness and loss all round.

The National Electric Light Association, in session at Atlantic City, N. J. last week, gave evidence that the movement in the direction of municipal ownership must be met by something more than a smile or a sneer. We quote:- "In a report read before an executive session Arthur Williams, of New York, vice-president and chairman of the public policy committee, recommended that lighting corporations better their service, lower rates and exercise every means of arbitration in all disputes with either municipalities or individuals. The report also argued for more publicity as to the workings of corporate bodies, with asuggestion for yearly statements of dividends."

Mr. F. L. Wanklyn, vice-president of the Dominion Coal Company, who has just returned from the company's mines, in Cape Breton, tells the Montreal Star that unskilled labor is so scarce with them that they do not know which way to turn. They have, he says, skilled labor in plenty and what they want are men to shovel coal. Mr. Wanklyn states that aside from this one feature the company's mines are getting along splendidly, but the scarcity of labor is bringing their output to a point which they neither desire nor anticipated.

A brilliant debate is in progress in the Presbyterian General Assembly on the subject of church union, and the friends of union have the best of the argument. Rev. Dr. Duval's picture, of Presbyterian and Methodist brethren meeting and saying "The Lord bless you, brother," as each goes to his little box church to address 13 or 15 people, is more effective than much doctrine.

A cable from London says: "The commercial intelligence department of the Board of Trade is sending Mr. Richard Grigg to Canada. He will visit all the important old and new centres of commerce, reporting on his return as to the expediency and cost of appointing correspondents of the Board of Trade in all cities and towns of the Dominion."

According to two observers, one English and the other Canadian, the Canadian of today is the heaviest and strongest man of the white races. One writer says he was struck when in Toronto by the number of tall, fine looking men. The average Ontario height was five feet eight, the equal of the best in Great Britain.

In Appleton, Wisconsin, last week a clergyman was found guilty of violating the Sunday labor law, by purchasing beer on the Sabbath to secure evidence that a saloonkeeper had violated the Sunday-closing law. The violation of one law to prove violation of another is not likely to become popular in Appleton.

The rush of immigrants to Canada contiues. Over 3,000 landed in Quebec on Saturday and 9,000 more were en route. All steerage space for the St. Lawrence is booked weeks ahead, while thousands of persons are coming by way of New York and Boston.

By unanimous vote, the select and common councils of Philadelphia have passed a resolution endorsing the project for municipal ice manufactories. Following this a resolution providing for the appropriation of $15,000 for ice for the poor during the present summer was adopted.

The financial editor of the Montreal Star says: "The estimate that $100,000,000 is being spent in railway construction in the Canadian West this season alone is an indication of the country's prosperity and progress."

A coroner's jury in Winnipeg found that the death of an intoxicated man in the police station cells was due to the filthy and insanitary condition of the cells, and the jurors laid the onus on the city council.

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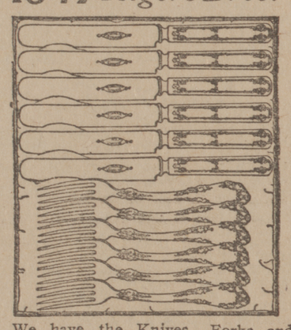
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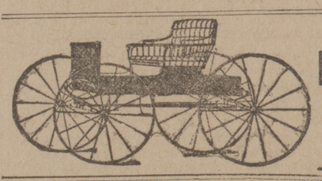
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Again I walk the selfsame way,
But ah, the day so chill has grown,
The skies are misty, cold, and grey,
I see no rose—I walk alone!

IN LIGHTER VEIN

PASTORAL QUERY.

"What ye thinkin' about, Ez?"

"I jest ben wonderin' what effect Christian Science have on potato bugs."—Brooklyn Life.

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AWFUL!

"That was a fierce fight you had with Cholly," said Knox. "He claims he licked you."

"Oh, the Boastah!" exclaimed Gussie. "I admit he wumpled my cwavat dreadfully, but you should have seen his collah!"—Philadelphia Press.

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NONE.

"Papa, ma says if I'm good I'll go to heaven,"

"Well?"

"And you say if I'm good I'll go to the circus."

"Well?"

"What's the difference?"—Houston Post.

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CRUEL.

"The world owes me a livin'," said the one with the stubbles on his face.

"Well," replied the other, "if I were in the world's place I'd hand it to you at once and get rid of you."—Chicago Record-Herald.

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ATTRACTED ATTENTION.

Bacon—They say the new congressman attracted a good deal of attention when he entered the house of representatives

Egbert—Why, he never opened his mouth!"

Bacon—"No, but his shoes squeaked."—Yonkers Statesman.

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EQUALLY PAINFUL.

"Huh! What do you know about war? Did you ever hurl yourself into the 'imminent, deadly breach' or 'seek the bubble reputation, even in the cannon's mouth'?"

"Well, no; not exactly. Not to any noticeable extent. But, I have taken home unexpected company to dinner."—Puck.

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WHERE IGNORANCE IS BLISS.

Rising Young Statesman—But there is another matter, just as important, that has been overlooked. I am going to introduce a bill for the rigid inspection of bakeries.

Constituent — Prodmore, for your own peace of mind, I advise you not to do it.—Chicago Tribune.

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NO PLEASURE IN IT.

Mrs. Chase—Oh! I don't like to go to that store. It's so unsatisfactory to do our shopping there.

Mrs. Shoppen—Why, they have everything there.

Mrs. Chase—That's just it. No matter what you ask for, they can suit you right off.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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CIRCUMSTANCES ALTER CASES.

Dr. Bills—I've got a patient with liver trouble. He came to London with only a few pence in his pocket——"

Dr. Squills—Oh, a dose or two of Epsom salts'll put him right in a week.

Dr. Bills—Ah, but since then he's grown rich, and——

Dr. Squills—My dear fellow, in that case the only thing that will do him any good will be a month's holiday in Norway, followed by a couple of months in Carlsbad. —Pick-Me-Up.

PRESIDENT'S MEAT REPORT

(New York Globe).

Only one word, horrible, adequately characterizes the report of President Roosevelt's special agents for investigating the Chicago stock yards. The conditions described by Messrs. Reynolds and Neill show barbarous, not to say bestial, disregard of the commonest decency and cleanliness. Yet the packers have permitted food products to be prepared amid such surroundings. To be sure, the report indicates that the dressed meat is reasonably wholesome and free from disease, but doubt is thrown on every can and package.

There has been a feeling that the disgusting stories filling the newspapers last week were gross exaggerations. In the light of the Neill-Reynolds report, which, it should be noted, is only preliminary to a later, fuller statement, no Packingtown story is to be rejected as necessarily incredible. Incidentally, support is given to General Miles's statement that many soldiers lost their lives through eating the "embalmed" army beef of seven years ago.

This confirmation in the report from an unprejudiced official source of many of the accusations against the stock yards should assure the passage of the Beveridge bill, unmodified by any decrease in the stringency of its requirements. Speaker Cannon and his colleages in the house can no longer offer any valid excuse for standing up against a justly outraged public opinion.

LUMBERMEN NOT IN FAVOR

A. P. Barnhill speaking of the proposal contained in a Washington despatch to the Times last evening, relative to a joint commission to investigate the St. John river conditions, said he did not think the lumbermen of this province would regard it favorably.

"The idea of a commission," he said, "carries with it more or less of an arbitration and would mean vexatious delay, and it was felt that with such large vested interests the idea of an arbitration should not be entertained.

"If, however, we must have a commission of any kind we feel strongly it ought to be a special commission with local representation. The International Waterways Commission is composed entirely, on the Canadian side, of upper provinces' representatives who would not be in touch with the St. John river dispute."

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