

CITIES MAY CURE DRUNKS.

Sanitariums Planned by Indiana Municipalities.

Wabash, Ind.—The reform wave which has been sweeping Indiana for many months has taken a peculiar turn in threatening to invade the county jails throughout the state.

The new terror will be the "jag cure." In other words, a movement to provide a system of treatment for drunkenness in the case of habitual drunkards at each jail or lockup in the cities that can afford such a plan has been started and is being favored in several Indiana cities.

One of the most interesting features of the movement lies in its origin. It was started indirectly by a woman. The fame of "Tish" Higgins, of Wabash, is not confined solely to the city in which she lives.

She came so often to the Wabash jail and became such an expense to the city that Mayor Murphy finally began to wonder if it would not be money in the city treasury to devise some way to quench "Tish" Higgins' unfortunate thirst.

LEAVES MANSION FOR SLUMS.

Daughter of Wealthy British Contractor or Labors Among the Poor.

Elkhart, Ind.—Mrs. Howard James Clifford, wife of the Salvation army pension who has been assigned to the Indianapolis field, is the daughter of a wealthy contractor of London England.

Ensign and Mrs. Clifford have been in Elkhart two years and have won innumerable friends by their persistent, modest and incessant labors in hotels and slums, and upon the streets.

Ensign Clifford is a native of Cheshire, a village near Oxford, England. He has been in the United States about five years.

His parents were Methodists of the old type. A boat of the ensign is that every male of his family from the days of John Wesley has been a Methodist minister.

ARTISTIC COIN IS DESIRED.

Nismatic Society Favors Change in Appearance of Money.

New York.—The American Numismatic and Archaeological society approved the recommendations of its committee on coinage in regard to the issue by the United States of an entirely new coinage, article in design.

The society believes that congress should appropriate \$100,000 for new designs for the ten denominations included in the American coinage.

Gas Well Sneezes Tools.

Irwin, Pa.—Twenty years ago Irwin citizens put \$10,000 into a 3,000-foot hole in Derrick hill and were ready to go deeper for gas.

Occasionally boys would light the gas and a small flame would result. The other afternoon the well broke loose. A column of water and dirt shot up 100 feet, and among the debris was part of the lost tools.

THAW'S MANY GOOD DEEDS.

Father of Young Harry Was Man of Generous Nature.

Any Pittsburger will tell you that Mr. Thaw, Sr., was one of the most ideally philanthropic men that city ever knew.

The darky was afraid he would not believe him, so the lady gave him a line vouching for his truthfulness.

William told him he would like \$50 to buy a new mule.

William was almost overcome, his joy was so great, and among the thousands of mourners at the funeral of the great hearted man none was more sincere than William.—M. A. P. in America.

ON LIFE'S DULL ROUND.

Friends and Enemies Both Have Their Uses and Advantages.

It has been said that in life it is difficult to say who do the most mischief—enemies with the worst intentions or friends with the best.

Sometimes the terms are interchangeable; it is not the simplest thing in the world to classify our acquaintances.

But the world would be a hard, cold, lonely place were it not for our friends. Their kindness endears them to us, their sympathy soothes, and their faithfulness inspires.

There is both humanity and divinity in true friendship; a great deal of the former, perhaps, and very little of the latter.

Demand Recreation.

One idea in the mind of girls of today is that parents should not interfere with their goings and comings. Why it has come about is somewhat of a question.

Not Far Enough.

"I see," said the benighted gentleman, as he laid down his newspaper, that they have introduced a bill into the New York assembly that will prove the death blow of horse-racing in that state if passed.

"How?" was asked by the man whose solemn-looking face had caused us all to wonder if he hadn't met with sad misfortune.

"It prohibits betting in any shape or form. Where men can't bet there will be no racing."

"Is that as far as it goes?"

"But could it go further?"

"Well, I dropped a hundred last week by betting on a sure thing, and I didn't know but the bill provided for giving me back the money and staking it on the next prize fight."

Good Salesman. Shopman (recommending necktie of an atrocious pattern)—But wouldn't you like one like that? I'm selling a lot of them this year.

AMERICA RANKS THIRD

OUR POSITION AS EXPORTERS OF MANUFACTURES.

Development of Factory Facilities Leads to Trade Advance—Raw Material in Demand Here.

Washington.—The United States ranks third among the world's exporters of manufactures, according to a monograph issued by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor.

A comparison shows that in 1880 manufactures formed only 15 per cent. of the total domestic products sent abroad, while in 1906 they formed 40 per cent.

Foodstuffs, which in 1880 formed 42 per cent. of the exports of domestic products, constituted in 1906 only 31 per cent. of the total.

In the decade ending with 1905 exports of manufactures advanced 193 per cent., while those of Germany increased 75 per cent., those from the United Kingdom 40 per cent.

The growth of the manufacturing industry in the United States, says the monograph, "has occurred chiefly in the last 25 years."

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FAMOUS OLD TREE GONE.

Ohio Landmark Attracted Wide Attention from Botanists.

Richmond, Ind.—The famous old "coffee nut" tree that stood on the farm of C. D. Folbert, near Fort Jefferson, Ohio, and was the largest tree of its variety in the United States, was blown down by a recent storm.

In its full maturity the tree was photographed by representatives of the Smithsonian institution, Washington, and its likeness is now to be found in one of the volumes published by that institution.

The trunk of the tree was five feet in diameter, and it had been a landmark since the coming of the white man to Darke county, Ohio.

It was a prolific bearer of nuts bearing its name. For years old residents used to gather and preserve the nuts for use, although many contended the fruit was not intended for man.

Strike to Catch Husbands.

Hartford, Conn.—What chance has a girl to catch a fellow if she has to work nights? None, said 50 girls of the United States Stamped Envelope factory the other day, and walked out. They congregated in the hall, saying, "Why the very idea! Who ever heard of such a thing!"

WORLD CHAMPAGNE TRUST.

Story of an American Attempt Told by United States Consul.

London.—The United States representative at Rheims tells the story of an attempt to form a trust in the champagne trade.

Two prominent promoters from the United States, he says, worked for several months among the French champagne houses endeavoring to create a trust by organizing the leading houses under one corporation, but to continue making the same grades of wine under the same names.

The scheme proposed to do away with all agencies outside of France and to establish one central agency to distribute all the champagne sold.

Mr. Miller, the consul, states that the plan got considerably beyond the "attractive prospectus" stage, for "many conferences were held with the leading manufacturers."

Although the American consul declares that the attempt has failed, he mentions the singular fact that there are uniform prices for champagne all over the world.

As champagne is always a favorite wine, consumers may be glad to learn from the consul that, although the last vintage is not so large as in former years, it is of excellent quality, with a suitable degree of alcohol, a plentiful bouquet and the requisite amount of acidity—conditions which constitute a perfect equilibrium and form a wine that will keep well.

CANNED POTATOES FOR ARMY.

New Ration for Soldiers in Torrid Climes.

Peru, Ind.—"Uncle Sam" is getting nearer home for his soldier boys. He is arranging to include in their daily rations an article commonly known as the "spud" or Irish potato.

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OBJECT TO POST OFFICE NAME.

Residents of Skiddoo, Pa., Want Government to Change It.

Franklin, Pa.—The name of Cherrytree was given recently to what was formerly Grant, in Indiana county.

He proposed a change of name, so that, as Grant had taken their name, they should take the name of Grant.

This taxed the inventive faculties of the postmaster, who asked his little daughter to select a name and she suggested Skiddoo.

Cement Production Immense. Washington.—According to a statement issued by the geological survey the total production of hydraulic cement in the United States in 1906 was 50,027,321 barrels, valued at \$54,015,773.

Relics of Ancient Battle Ground. Milan.—Relics of a famous battle have just been discovered in a suburb of Pavia.

HUNTING A GOLD MINE

ILLINOIS MAN SEARCHING FOR RICH TREASURE.

John Huff, of Joliet, Driven Away From Claim in Wyoming by Indians in the Seventies, Goes Back to Recover Property.

Shoshoni, Wyo.—John Bryan, a mine owner of Joliet, Mo., and John Huff, a business man of Joliet, Ill., after an absence of 23 years from a gold mine which they worked together in 1879 and from which they were driven by Indians, have returned to central Wyoming and will attempt to relocate the old placer mine which bade fair to make millionaires out of them.

Mr. Bryan passed through Shoshoni en route to Wilson creek, upon a great flat of which creek the placer was located. Huff is expected daily to follow his old-time partner, having left Joliet several days ago, according to telegrams which Bryan had with him.

In the late '70s Bryan and Huff were partners and prospected all over central Wyoming. On Wilson Creek, in 1879, the two men struck it rich in a placer of coarse golden grains.

Then the Indians came. While the miners were at work at the placer the Shoshoni Indians raided their outfit and lay in wait for the two miners when they returned at night.

Then followed several years of Indian outbreaks and uprisings, during which time the two miners were afraid to return to the mine. In time they separated, making a compact never to return to the mine until both could go together.

Last fall the Shoshoni reservation was thrown open for settlement and after the drawings were made there were thousands of acres which were subject to any one who settled upon them.

MEAT TRADE SHOWS GROWTH. Statistics Indicate Increase of 45 Per Cent. in Last Decade.

Washington.—The total exportations of meats, dairy products and food animals from the United States last year aggregated over \$250,000,000 in value, according to a statement issued by the bureau of statistics of the department of commerce and labor.

More than 60 per cent. of last year's exports went to the United Kingdom. Even this large percentage, however, is less than that of a decade ago, when Great Britain took over 79 per cent. of American exports.

Of the \$250,000,000 worth of meats, dairy products and food animals passing out of the United States last year \$100,000,000 was in live animals, \$50,000,000 worth in lard, \$35,000,000 in bacon, \$25,000,000 in fresh beef, \$21,000,000 in hams, \$18,000,000 in oleomargarine, \$14,000,000 in pork other than bacon and hams, \$4,500,000 in butter and \$2,500,000 in cheese.

SMILE IS REWARD FOR \$5,869.

Boston Street Car Conductor Gets Sweet Gesture for Returning It.

Boston, Mass.—Charles Martin, a street car conductor, who found a roll of \$5,869 in bills kinking about the floor of his car, received as a reward for his honesty one sweet smile from a woman.

Martin suffered nervous prostration when he picked up the roll and saw tens, twenties and yellow fifties in multitudinous confusion, and shaded his eyes for a time before he counted them.

Buried Treasure Unearthed. Whitesburg, Ky.—After a search extending over two years, Mrs. Mary Jane Mullins, aged 60 years, has unearthed a pot containing \$6,000 in gold and silver in an abandoned lot on the farm of her father, the late Benjamin Osborn, of Letcher county.

Vaccine is Phtisia Cure. Boston.—The experiment here conducted by Tufts Medical school and the Massachusetts pathological experts with vaccine inoculation as a remedy for tuberculosis give promise of success.

MUST MARRY OR PAY FINE.

Fort Dodge, Ia., City Council Passes a Drastic Law.

Fort Dodge, Ia.—Every man in Fort Dodge between the ages of 25 and 45 years must become a married man in the result of an ordinance introduced by Mayor Charles Bennett and passed by the city council.

Speaking of the matter, Mayor Bennett said: "If there are any who desire to escape at once the penalties provided by the ordinance I will be at my office at all hours of the day, ready and willing to perform the ceremony free of charge, or I will answer telephone calls from my residence."

RAISE FOR RURAL CARRIERS. Postmaster General May Fix Salaries Not to Exceed \$900 Per Year.

Washington.—Under the recent act of congress making appropriations for the postal service for the fiscal year the postmaster general may fix the salaries of carriers in the rural delivery service at a rate not exceeding \$900 per annum after July 1, 1907.

The readjustment of salaries under the new law has been fully determined, but it is proposed to allow the maximum rate, \$900, to all carriers on routes 21 or more miles in length.

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